

undertaking was to be encountered. A superficial view of the City and its suburbs no doubt presents a number of favourable sites for a Cemetery. The large open fields on the hills—the level plains below and above the City—would naturally suggest all the conditions required. But it is far otherwise, an investigation cannot fail to satisfy any one who will take the trouble to make it. Almost every day in the week, and week after week, several of the Directors gave their time and energies to the selection of a suitable place—nor could they have been more zealous had their private interests been concerned. They felt that for the purposes of a Cemetery at least six conditions were absolutely requisite—viz: 1st, a suitable distance from the centre of the City; 2nd, a dry soil; 3rd, a soil easily worked; 4th, land enough, as regards area; 5th, general surroundings and approach; 6th, expense of land. This combination of tests had to be applied to every locality visited, and it failed in every case except one, to satisfy the Directors that the discretion given to them by the Stockholders would be judiciously exercised by trusting their judgment to the adoption of any of the numerous localities pointed out to them. Indeed, with a desire of meeting the views of parties, who strongly recommended sites, the Directors took every pains to examine the respective localities pointed out, and obtain all the information they possibly could, of persons acquainted with and residing in the neighborhood. And all this was done in order to prevent the possibility of fault-finding afterwards.

The site chosen was the "Monahan Farm," so called, adjoining the residence of George Botsford, Esq., known as "Hawthorne Hill;" and the Directors, before purchasing, fully satisfied themselves of all the conditions requisite for a Cemetery, as before named.

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