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**NEW HAVEN CITY BURIAL GROUND
(GROVE STREET CEMETERY)
RECORDS, 1796 --**

Rearranged and Described
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Introduction

To replace the traditional but dilapidated cemetery on the Green, the New Burying Ground in New Haven was founded in 1797 by James Hillhouse and thirty-one additional proprietors. The Cemetery, now known popularly as Grove Street Cemetery is still administered by a Standing Committee of the Proprietors. These records were given to the Whitney Library in 1978 and additions have been made since then.

See Box 1, Folder A for a history of the Cemetery. Other material can be found in the card catalog.

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Box Folder

History

- 1/A History of the New Haven Burial Ground.
1) Paper published in the Journal of American Cemetery Superintendents
Ca. 1895.
2) Article in the New York Times Magazine, 1977.
3) "History of the Grove Street Cemetery" by David Daggett, ca. 1976.
4) Summary Memorandum, 1995, regarding Acts of the Connecticut General
Assembly concerning the New Haven City Burial Ground.

Minutes and By-Laws

- 1/B By-Laws (various years)
1/C Minutes, 1796-1909
1/D Minutes, 1840-1849
1/E Minutes, 1910-1953
1/F Minutes, 1955-1965
1/G Minutes, 1966-1977
1/H Minutes, 1978-1989
1/I Minutes, 1990-1996
2/A Minutes, 1997-1999
2/B Minutes, 2000-2002
2/C Minutes, 2003-2010

Miscellaneous Material

- 2/D Fragment of the original document setting forth the rules of the Joint Committee
for enclosing and improving the City Burial Ground, s.d.

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<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>
2/E	Purchase of eight acres from Henry Daggett for expansion of the cemetery, 1814, 1815
2/F	Lists of burial plot owners and Committee reports, 1819-1909.
2/G	Subscription list for Cemetery, 1820.
2/H	Correspondence confirming the name change of the Cemetery to "The New Haven City Burial Ground." 1853-1856.
2/I	Deed to adjacent parcel of land acquired by the Cemetery, and purchase of individual plots in the area assigned to the City of New Haven, 1815-1848.
2/J	Subscription book for Cemetery gateway, 1844. Modern transcript of an article from the <u>New Haven Palladium</u> of July 23, 1845 describing the laying of the cornerstone of the gateway.
2/K	Specifications and contract for the rebuilding and alteration of the walls and stone posts at the northeast corner of the Cemetery, 1878.
2/L	1) Onionskin map of a portion of Magnolia and Central Avenues and Hawthorne Path showing plots and ownership, s.d. 2) Diagram of the Goodyear plot made by Evelyn Goodyear, 1935.
2/M	Notes of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, 1911.
2/N	Slides of various gravesites, 1970.
2/O	Photographs of gravesite, s.d.
2/P	Committee report of the condition of the Cemetery, 1839.
3/A	Material related to damage and repair of the wall on Lock Street, 1994-1997.
3/B	1) Material related to the enrolling of the property on the State Register of Historic Places, 1992-1996. 2) Material related to the bicentenary of Grove Street Cemetery, 1997.

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<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>
3/C	Regarding the Friends of the New Haven City Burial Ground, 1997: Membership lists, certificate of incorporation, by-laws.
3/D	Material related to the maintenance of the cemetery, 1989-1997.
3/E	Financial records, 1988-1907.