

The Poor House Cemetery

DISAPPEARING WITH THE Poor House Farm buildings around 1918 was the Poor House cemetery. Where this cemetery was located is not known except that, to avoid contaminating wells, it would not have been immediagely adjacent to the house. How many are buried in this cemetery is not known, either, nor what conditions, exactly put a person in the Poor House as opposed to consecrated ground. One of the following list is a child, illegitimate. Another is corpse found on the beach at the lighthouse. There was a story of the existence of a black cemetery but this author has found no reference to a such a place, nor can he conceive how such a place could have been permitted. The black population of St. Andrews belonged pretty much exclusively to the Anglican Church and we have many records of their burials there. Very likely this is a distorted memory of the Poor House cemetery. The Poor House cemetery did not distinguish between black and white in its inmates nor in its burials. Poor House staff were also employed in the burial of its inmates in the Anglican burial grounds. ~

All Saints Burials

July 7, 1828

Wilkinson, John. A Pauper, at the Poor House. Age 70.

All Saints Burials

July 12, 1832

Brush, Celia. Col. Woman int. in Poor House Ground. Aged 50.

All Saints Burials

April 4, 1833

Saint, George. Int. at Poor House Ground. Aged 45.

All Saints Burials**June 28, 1834**

Pagnam, Elizabeth. Int. at Poor House Ground. Aged 20.

All Saints Burials**Jan. 28, 1843**

Greenlaw, John. Buried in Poor House Ground, illegit. 4 years.

All Saints Burials**Feb. 5, 1843**

McLaughlan, James. Buried in Poor House Ground. Aged 30.

Poor House Records RS 148**July 16, 1858**

Commissioners of Poor St. Andrews Parish

For sundry expenses paid by me for burying a dead body found
 on the beach and handed over to overseers poor by S. T. Gove
 Coroner after inquest

Paid Thomas Young for coffin, 12 shillings

Paid for digging grave at the burial ground at Poor House, 5 shillings

Paid George Cole carting body from Lighthouse to Poor House, 5
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2 pounds 6 pence [illegible] for wrappers, 2 shillings 6 pence

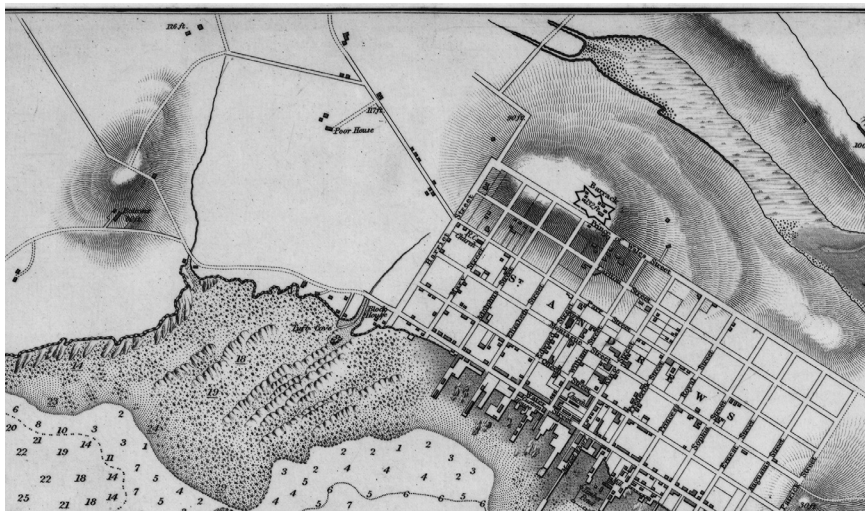
Total 1 pound 5 shillings

Paid Odell and Turner

St. Andrews, 1858

All Saints Burials**July 15, 1860**

Stuart, Mary. Buried at Alms House Ground. Aged 90.



Feb. 6, 1858

Commissioners of Poor to Thomas T. Odell
Secretary

For funeral expenses Mr. Higgins

Paid ? Young for coffin 12, 6

Paid W. Scott digging grave 6, 3

Cotton for Shroud 2, 9

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Paid Cole for taking Corpse to Grave 1, 3

Total 1 Pound, 4 shillings, 9 pence

Paid T. Odell

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Hydrographic map dating from 1844 showing the location of the Poor House farm. The Poor House itself and barn would have stood very close the old golf clubhouse the the corner of Reid Avenue and Bayview Drive.

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