

HORTON CEMETERY

On November 12, 1861, notice was given that a public meeting would be held at Ferguson's School, Castleford, (B.S. No. 3), to form a cemetery committee. This committee was to look for some property on the north side of the Bonnechere River in Horton Township, where a cemetery could be established.

On November 21, 1861, a meeting was held under the chairmanship of William Jamieson, Reeve of Horton Township. It was decided to buy some land from John Burwell on Lot 16, Concession 5, Horton Township.

James Johnston was the first secretary-treasurer of the Cemetery Board. The first trustees were:

William Burton
James Johnston
Joseph New (All for a term of 3 years)

A committee was formed to clear up the ground before the survey was made. This committee consisted of:

James New
David McQuitty
William Jamieson

As soon as the property was cleared a survey was made with lots being 12 feet by 14 feet.

On December 7, 1861, lots were offered for sale, at a public meeting. It was moved by John Richardson and seconded by William Eady that the lots be sold for \$1.25 each.

On July 10, 1869, William Bennett was paid the sum of \$3.00 (three dollars) for 300 cedar posts to fence the cemetery.

On January 14, 1874, a new board of trustees were elected. These were:

Thomas Edwards
Francis Humphries
John Johnston

On January 10, 1877, John Johnston was appointed secretary-treasurer.

A contract was awarded to George McQuitty to fence the cemetery for the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) on June 5, 1884.

In 1895 Donald Henderson was paid the sum of \$15.00 for wire fencing across the front of the cemetery.