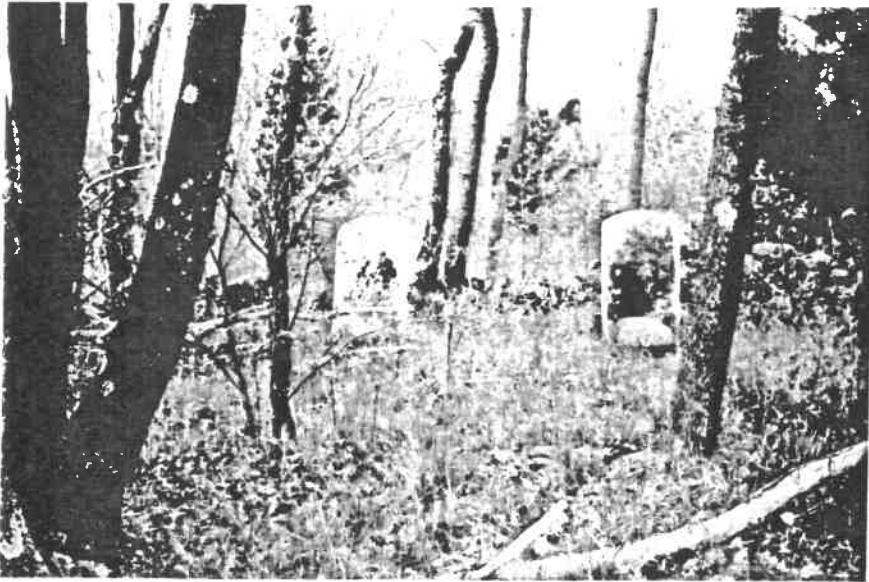


#1

Area	Form No.
	820

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Somerset, Mass.

Address Foot of Old North St near Elm St.

Edward Slade

Ownership:

Public

Private

Description:

Approximate number stones 2

Earliest death date 1864

Latest death date 1878

Condition Overgrown with trees, bushes,
and weeds and fallen trees. Two stones

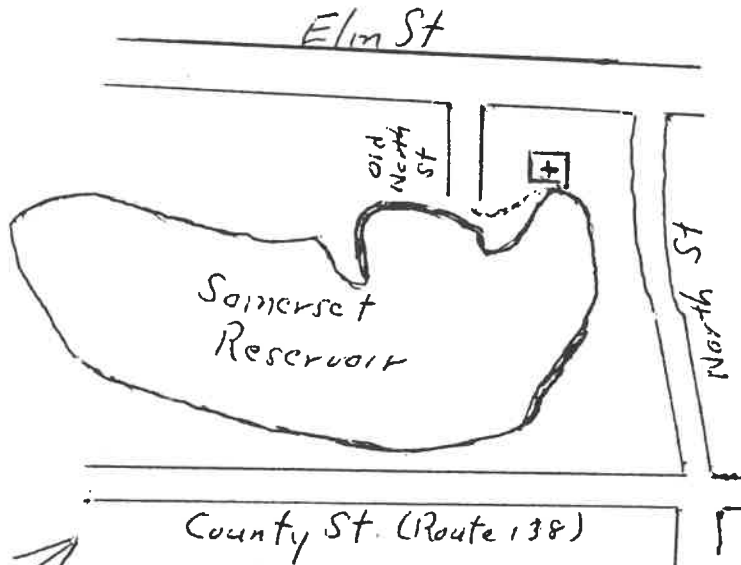
noted above are held erect by boulders
piled around their bases. Stone walls

enclose an area approx. 100 x 100'

but these two are the only stones discernible.

SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's location in relationship to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



Recorded by James Bradbury

Organization Somerset Historical Commission

Date 13 May 1983

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ASSESSMENT OF ART WORK (describe materials used, designs, motifs, symbols that are either common or unusual, known carvers).

The sole two stones standing are rectangular white sandstone with rounded tops marking graves of Edward Slade and his wife Mary Ann. Base of one bears the carvers name: W.W. Chace. Headstones carry no motifs.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (discuss religious affiliations, major period of use, importance within town).

#2

Area	Form No
	808

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Town Somerset

Address 3340 (approx.) County St.

St. Patrick's Cemetery

Ownership:

Public

Private

DESCRIPTION:

Approximate number stones 1293

Oldest death date 1886

Most recent death date 1984

Condition Excellent, grounds

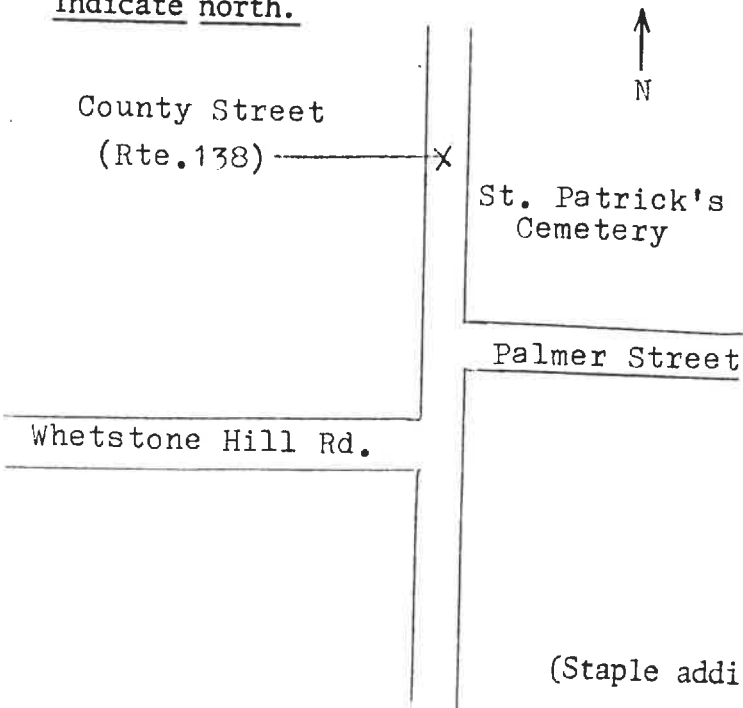
well tended, little vandalism

Good range of marker types, from

Victorian granite monuments to modern.

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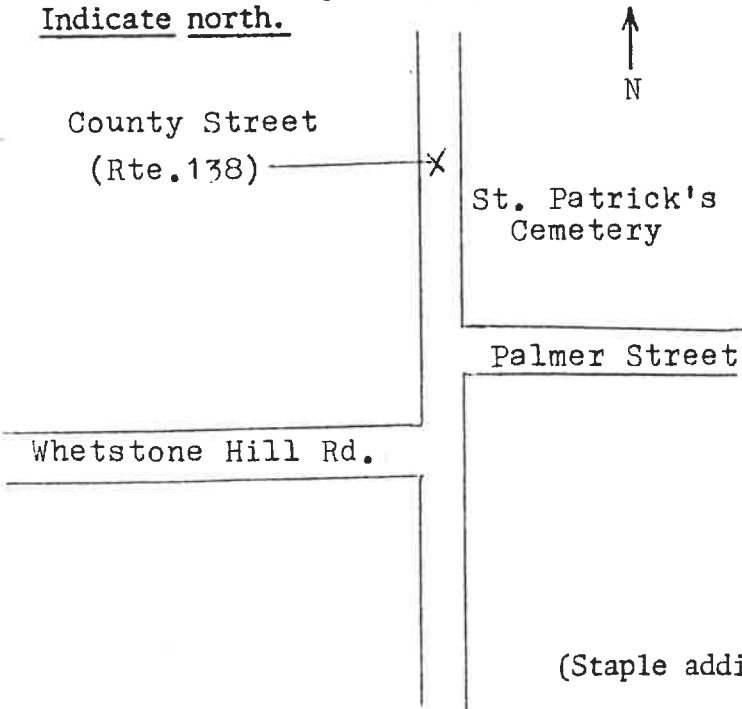


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ASSESSMENT OF ART WORK (describe materials used, designs, motifs, symbols that are either common or unusual, known carvers).

Several large, monument-format markers, found in the northern or older segment of the cemetery are of a type typically seen in this region's burial grounds. Materials used range from white marble through slate to granite, with several wooden crosses of indeterminate age. Most markers in the older section of the cemetery are of the more traditional size and shape, while later sections exhibit some shape changes, i.e. heart-shaped or Bible-carvings. Motifs found in sites of earlier periods, like death's heads, urns, and cheribs, are notably absent at this site.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (discuss religious affiliations, major period of use, importance within town).

St. Patrick's Cemetery, consecrated in 1885, is the largest cemetery within the corporate limits of the town of Somerset. Thought under the stewardship of St. Patrick's Church, the cemetery is essentially non-denominational. Because of intellegent planning, the cemetery, in continuous use for more than one hundred years, will serve the town's interment needs for many years to come. Because of a tradition of family plot purchase, several generations of Somerset's "leading families" may be found in the cemetery.

#2

St. Patrick's Cemetery additional information

Along the east wall, in the older section, are wooden crosses and small markers. Here, the area is not disturbed for there are graves, with no head stones there. This section was opened in 1884 and sites were purchased by Thomas Brennan, Thomas Murray, Patrick O'Brien, Mrs. Hallahan and several Lynch families. These men of the parish assisted at burials and maintained the graves.

#3

Brown-Simmons Cemetery

Location:




Remington Drive, off Pleasant St, South of Sandy Point Rd. Square plot bounded by field stone walls, the top layer of which is granite slabs 8" thick and 2' wide and varying lengths to 3'. West wall has a small iron gate mounted between two granite pillars 4' high. Located on a small knoll overlooking the Taunton River. Earliest discernible date on a marble headstone is 1817. Brown Simmons died in 1838.

Condition:

Well groomed, grass cut, gates located on west wall rusted, but hinges working. "Brown" nameplate detached, rusted broken attachments. One row of eight (8) headstones with inscriptions along west wall. Three of the eight stones are broken and in need of repair. One foot stone is in place at the grave of Brown Simmons, and remaining foot stones are being used to prop up one headstone, and one foot stone is against the west field stone wall in the NW corner. Also in the NW corner against a dead tree stump is a broken base with residual marble in the groove. 7 headstones are marble, the large monument is granite. The cemetery appears to have had three other rows of graves filling the cemetery as the soil is slightly sunken in patterns and rows which could be graves. No markers were visible, however. Spoke with neighbor, Scott Erickson (508) 678 2275, who stated the neighbor to the north, Carl, has received permission from the town to care for the cemetery, and he spends a great deal of time cutting the grass and maintaining the site. Neighbors also work on the knoll area and ensuring it does not deteriorate.





Stone Inscription	Stone Image	Condition Description
<p>“Hattie Harriet B. Simmons Daughter of Brown & Mary Simmons died Mar 15, 1894 aged 39 years”</p> <p>4 line inscription on middle stone, not legible unless cleaned</p>		<p>Large 3 piece monument, ornate, with ivy leaves and vines at cap; some lichen on lower bases and bottom of top piece, legible inscription, straight, great condition</p> <p>Hattie was born in 1855 in Dighton, MA, died in Somerset</p> <p>Daughter of Brown and Mary Hall Simmons</p>
<p>“Brown Simmons died Sept 29, 1865 aged 70 years, 1 months 6 days”</p> <p>ornamental scrollwork</p> <p>6 line inscription</p>		<p>Simple white marble stone, small ornamental carving at end of inscription</p> <p>upright, intact</p> <p>needs cleaning only</p> <p>Brown Simmons was born 1795, son of Brown and Huldah Simmons, died in Dighton, buried in Somerset</p>
<p>“Mary wife of Brown Simmons died July 25, 1886 aged 78 years, 11 months 13 days”</p> <p>4 line inscription</p>		<p>White marble stone, broken at the base</p> <p>Propped up by two footstones, leaning backward, needs repair</p> <p>Would benefit from cleaning</p> <p>Father was Parker Hall Mother was Mary Hall</p> <p>Born 1808 Portsmouth Residence Dighton Died Somerset</p>

“In memory of
Nancy
wife of Levi Mason
daughter of Brown &
Huldah Simmons
who died Ap'l 12, 1817
in the 65 year
of her age”



White marble stone broken at the
base and re-buried, leaning
backward

Marble would benefit from
cleaning and needs repair

“In memory of
Lois
daughter of
Brown & Huldah
Simmons
who died Nov 28, 18##
aged 55 years”

4 line inscription at base



Good condition, white marble

Leaning forward, but stable

Would benefit from cleaning

“In memory of
Elizabeth
wife of
Royal Bliffins
& daughter of
Brown & Huldah
Simmons”

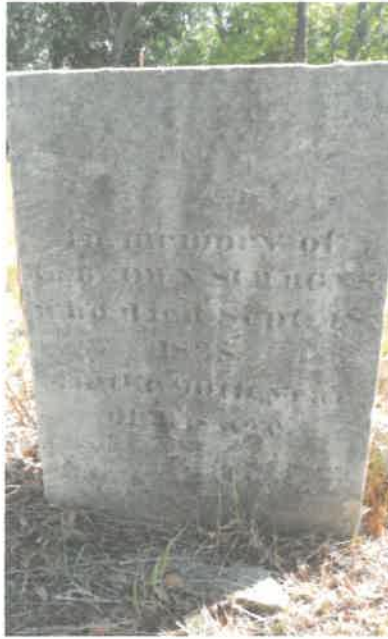
4 lines not legible

4 line inscription



White marble, would benefit
from cleaning, minimal tilt, but
intact

Close up of
Brown Simmons
see below
image
w/ foot Stone



“In memory of
Mr. Brown Simmons
who died Sept 18
1838
in the 90th year
of his age”

4 line inscription at base



White marble stone broken, and
re-set behind the broken base

Foot stone present, labeled
“B.S.”

Only foot stone in place at the
cemetery

“In memory of
Huldah
wife of
Brown Simmons
who died Sept ##
in the ## year
of her age”

4 line inscription at the base



White marble, needs cleaning

Upright, stable

Cemetery Reconnaissance Inspection Checklist



Chicora Foundation, Inc.
 PO Box 8664
 Columbia, SC 29202
 803-787-6910

Name of Cemetery: *BROWN SIMMONS (MACRIS SOM. 822)*

Location: *Remington Dr*

State: *MA* Site No.:

UTM Coordinates: Datum: Zone: E: N:

Date: *9/26/2014* Photographs: *yes - see attached report*

Maintenance Item	Standard	Sat	Unsat	Remarks
1. Grounds	Grass is cut, no rubbish or debris on the ground. Good landscaping	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2. Roads	Paved with no potholes and no flooding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3. Burial Sites	No sinking burial sites. Old flowers and other items disposed of properly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Slight indentations @ old unmarked sites, 3 rows</i>
4. Monuments	Intact, not broken or in need of repair/replacement. In proper position.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>3 monuments need repair</i>
5. Plaques or Other Features	Clean and maintained with no broken items	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Gate "Brown Simmons"</i>
6. Structures or Buildings	Clean and maintained, good general housekeeping. No structural deficiencies. Roof and gutter good condition.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>N/A</i>
7. Safety	No hazardous conditions such as uneven sidewalks or fire conditions. No monument threats.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Poor access - gate opens in neighbor's yard, blocked</i>
8. Drainage	Proper maintenance of culverts, downspouts, grates and good site drainage.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9. Utilities	Has water and electricity.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>N/A</i>
10. ADA	Meets ADA requirements for bathrooms, parking, access routes.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>N/A, pre-1900 site</i>
11. Other	General observations regarding monuments.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

12. Overall Condition of Site	Standard: Excellent site had no discrepancies. It was clean and well maintained with the monuments in overall good condition. Good site has minor discrepancies, however, it was clean and well maintained. Fair site required repairs and/or maintenance. Abandoned site requires extensive preservation efforts.	E <input type="checkbox"/>	G <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	F <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>	Remarks: <i>- access is issue - steep knoll - gate in front yard not accessible</i>
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Priorities: *Clean stones
 Repair 3 monuments
 Well cared for, neighbors have adopted caring for the site and will continue to do so*