A painting of a cemetery. In the foreground, several dark, weathered tombstones of various shapes are scattered across a field of dry, brownish grass. A large, leafless tree with a thick trunk and many thin, bare branches stands on the left side of the middle ground. Behind the tombstones, a long, low brick wall stretches across the scene. In the background, a dark, flat horizon line is visible under a pale, overcast sky. The overall style is somber and atmospheric, with a focus on texture and light.

Monumental Inscriptions

*Waller's Walk
Hastings*

STABLEY ROSE

Lines written at Wallinger's Walk Cemetery

Your modest epitaphs belie that of truth,
Of famous stories untold, guarded as treasure,
Interned, forgotten, succumbed to defeat,
Reincarnated for man's idle pleasures.
Lest we forget our illustrious past beckoning,
Let mournful recollections comfort us all,
Take heed of our ancestors' siren in this cruel modern
sprawl.

I wonder if thy souls lie within the soil beneath.
Where mortals await signals from distant kin,
Unheard, till now shrouded by deaths dark sheath.
Oh! But you awake prompted by terrestrial throb,
Have faith kindred spirit you are summoned to
recourse,

Lifted, resurrected guided from ages past,
Your tomorrow is now expectant of discourse.

Forgive us, pray ask us if fate disappoints,
We beg your allegiance not pity or spoil,
To salvage our destiny from chaotic turmoil,
Lead us to your sacred place,
Immortal union, resplendent, graceful, divine,
Immaculate, eternal, haecceity is thine!

J C Rose

Cover painting by Stanley Rose after a photograph circa 1965 of the graveyard taken from Wallinger's Walk
(photograph at the Hastings Museum and Art Gallery)

Monumental
Inscriptions
Wallinger's Walk
Hastings

The Cemetery of St Mary-in-the-Castle 1828-1900

*a useful companion to the historian and the genealogist
comprising numerous original illustrations and notes*

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Introduction

Following months of laborious work undertaken on and off site during 2000 by a voluntary workforce under the direction of Hastings Trust, we were able to transcribe, collate and document all the monumental inscriptions carried on the gravestones discovered during the renovation of this neglected graveyard. Whilst this was not the first occasion the exercise had been conducted, it was deemed crucial to revise and expand the previous sketchy records. For the first time it combines the burial date and the inscriptions (many of which have not been recorded before), which will benefit genealogists and local historians alike. Within the book are numerous illustrations that will enlighten the reader whilst portraying details of the few remaining stones; all data and photographic material has been electronically archived and stored on a database which can be retrieved at one's leisure.

Historical Background

The provenance of St Mary-in-the-Castle has been documented many times but little has been published regarding the cemetery. It also has as unique a stance and fascinating history as that of the church and both should be praised with the respect and admiration deserved for such an invaluable resource. The cemetery of St Mary's Chapel, as it was once called, was consecrated for burial in 1828. The land was acquired by Thomas Pelham, 2nd Earl of Chichester, for the purpose in unison with the estate to erect his proprietary chapel, now of course, St Mary-in-the-Castle. During the first quarter of the nineteenth century this ancient parish had been without a chapel for worship, many resorting to congregate and worship at the ancient chapel ruins within the castle grounds for services. The churches of All Saint's and St Clements were frequented but the graveyards couldn't meet the needs of an expanding populace; this was worsened by the absence of a perpetual curate of St Mary's. The patron, procrastinating, couldn't afford this privilege, neglected his duties and disenfranchised

his parishioners from their rightful place of worship. To worsen matters the Earl had erected a perimeter fence enclosing the castle grounds in preparation for the cutting back of the cliff face to facilitate the construction of Pelham Crescent, and of course St Mary's Chapel. The announcement of a new church along with a cemetery could not happen sooner and in 1825 the foundations were laid to resurrect this ancient parish. The honourable Earl died soon after but his son and heir Henry Thomas, the 3rd Earl of Chichester, became patron and appointed the first perpetual curate, a Reverend William Wallinger, henceforth the parish was re-established.

Many of the early burials were in the crypt or catacombs underneath the chapel but space was limited and only provided for wealthy and eminent persons. The majority of people were interred at the cemetery, now known as Wallinger's Walk graveyard. Funeral services were conducted from a sacristy or mortuary chapel on the site and provision was made for the overnight containment of coffins; this was policed by night watchman to deter grave robbers or 'Resurrection Men' from their sacrilegious deeds. The rear wall

of the chapel displayed memorial plaques carved in marble and slate in memoriam to a few worthies. The boundary walls were constructed of fine quality sandstone and the entire site was alphabetically grid referenced by engraving characters onto the facing stone running parallel to each other; a unique feature of the cemetery. In 1854 the cemetery, along with others in the town was ordered to close by the Secretary of State. The Metropolitan Interments Act 1850 was repealed in 1852, which became known as the Burial Act, sought to pass the control of burials from parishes to local authorities and the establishment of public cemeteries. It was to take a further four years before the birth of the public cemetery in Hastings.

As a cemetery St Mary's was never full to capacity, this was due to seats being purchased or subscribed to in the chapel; only a few hundred from a capacity of twelve hundred accommodated parishioners, the majority occupied by well-heeled aristocrats and wealthy tourists. This is consistent with the social class of the persons interred at the cemetery, only a minority of native parishioners affording marked graves. In fact the presence of so many gentry, clergy and nobility personifies the

fashion of the age and illustrates the social and economic changes that shaped Hastings and tourism as an expanding industry. The graveyard was now redundant, burials were only continued for those few who had purchased family plots. In 1894 the burial ground became a nuisance for the modernising environment in the vicinity; the Castledown Estate, being erected around its perimeters, deprived the cemetery of its once pleasant openness and exclusiveness. The necessity to improve roads and carriage ways was to culminate in the Milward Road Widening Scheme: a portion of the graveyard, along with the boundary wall was destroyed and re-built to different dimensions, numerous graves were interred elsewhere on site and only an incompetent record remains of the transcriptions undertaken.

The twentieth century was a downward spiral for this once cherished ground. The two World Wars and the dramatic social changes that ensued influenced the manner in which we thought about the dead. Cremation was now the preferred option and ostentatious monuments not permitted, it became increasingly difficult to justify spending

money on the dead. The mortuary chapel suffered damage during the numerous air raids throughout the war and was subsequently demolished in the 1950's. The next two decades brought further doom and gloom, parish councils could ill afford to maintain these redundant sites and were confronted with the dilemma as to the how future preservation could be secured. This would culminate in an act of parliament that allowed churches to offer the land to local authorities thus relinquishing the financial burden of maintenance.

In 1979 a scheme was authorised to create a landscape garden, this proved to be an ill-fated affair — the catalyst for irreparable damage. All but a few gravestones were destroyed and covered with soil and turf; this was deemed to be the best solution to alleviate the difficulty in grass cutting. Despite the legal requirement many inscriptions were unrecorded and either destroyed or buried, those that remained became vandalised, stolen and lost beneath the entangled scrubland that was soon to undermine the site. The chapel of St Mary-in-the-Castle was now dilapidated and the future looked bleak for both. It wasn't until the late 1980's that a scheme to salvage and transform the

graveyard into a Wildlife Garden and an environmental resource enhanced its prospects. This led to the inauguration of a local amenity society that constituted measures to protect and reverse the decline, instigate plans for improvement and address the need to exploit the provenance and real potential of the site as a public asset. However, notwithstanding the genuine passion and commitment from a strictly voluntary undertaking with little financial support the site inevitably could not be sustained and fell into decline once again. Simultaneous measures were instigated to save St Mary's and a society was formed that prompted extensive repairs leading to the restoration and transformation of the chapel into an arts centre. It is now a successful and profitable establishment that the town can be proud of. It wasn't until 1999, when a package of improvements was instigated by a consortium of people and organisations, that a successful partnership was formed. This aimed to regenerate the cemetery as a public memorial garden that could be sustained and enjoyed by future generations.

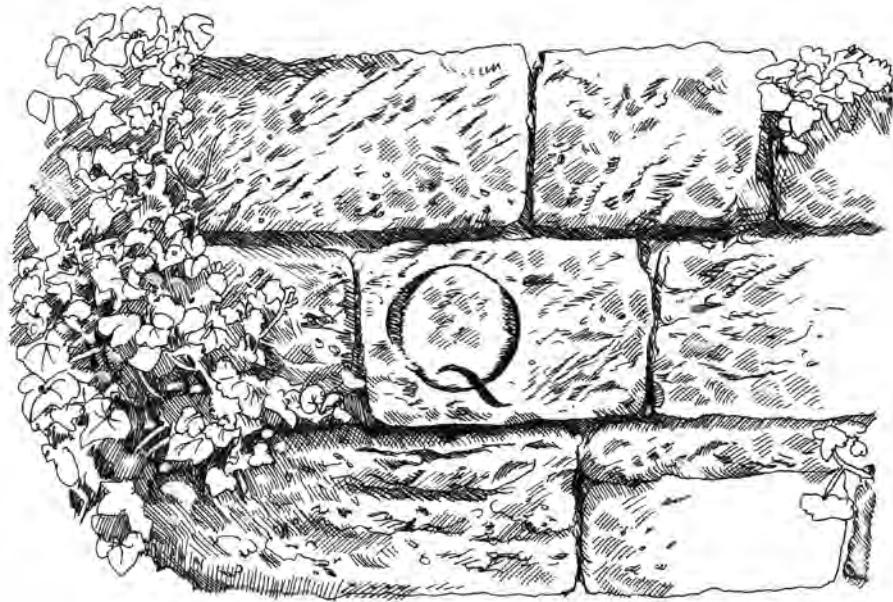
As I draw to a conclusion to this brief history

there are still ongoing improvements being undertaken and will be for the foreseeable future.

I praise everyone who has participated in this project; their indefatigable efforts have given a new lease of life to this delightful little spot and it

is a fitting tribute to the many unsung heroes and dignitaries buried deep within the hallowed soil.

James Rose, Hastings, 17th October 2001



One of the many engravings found beneath ivy during restoration work to the boundary wall.

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List of Inscriptions



KLMO PQRST
UVWXYZ NS
RSTUVWXY
ABCDEFGHI
JKLMNOP
QRSTUVWXYZ
XYZ OQSGCB

Akhurst, Edward *buried 06/04/1838*

Sacred to the memory of Edward Akhurst son of
William Hannah Akhurst
Died March 30th 1838 aged 5 years and 5 months.

Akhurst, Elizabeth *buried 18/08/1838*

Elizabeth Akhurst daughter of William Akkhurst
Died August 10 1838 aged 7 years 1 month

Akehurst (*sic*), John *buried 24/12/1847*

Also John Akehurst Died Dec 17 1847 aged 12
years

Emary, James *Buried 31/03/1853*

This stone is erected
to the memory of
James Emary
who after passing a life of
perseverance firmness
and

integrity
Died on the 25th March 1853
aged 68 years

*Large memorial stone of pink granite, polished to accept
inscription. Pedestal in grey granite with inscription
J A Wright
Sculpt
Aberdeen*

O'Brien, Donough Acheson *Buried 29/10/1847*

Donough Acheson O'Brien fourth son of the late
right honourable Sir O' Brian Bart
.....psalm John 1877

O'Brien, Marianne Lydia *Buried 06/01/1843*

....., Marianne
The beloved wife ...Donough O' Brian
who departed this life in the faith of Christ
January 1 1843

Rose, Mary

Buried 06/12/1849

Beneath
are deposited the remains of
Mary wife of Thomas Rose and Daughter of John
and Susanna Wood
of Caple in Surrey
who departed this life nov 28th 1849 aged 36 years

*Headstone of York sandstone with carved urn to
pediment enclosed with stylised leaves. Comprises of
stone mason's inscription to vertical edge of stone -
Kassell and Catwood Cook*

aged 44 years
O'Brien, Marianne Lydia

Buried 06/01/1843

Cox, Joseph

Buried 23/06/1855

M . A. L. O
1843

J . C . 1855

O'Brien, Donough

Buried 29/10/1847

Footstone

D.O
1847

Name lost

Burial date unknown

Footstone

E. C 1835

W. J 1851

....., Robert

Burial date unknown

Footstone

Sacred
to the memory of
Robert
merchant
of
Douglas Isle Of Man
who departed
20
aged 30 ..

Drury, James

Buried 09/10/1851

In memory of
Mr James Drury
late of Lincoln
who died in Hastings
October 5th 1851

aged 58

Drury, Fanny Eliza

Buried 13/05/1854

.... Also

Fanny Eliza

Daughter of the above
who died at St. Leonards

May 8 1854

aged 15

Broderick, Mary

Buried 19/07/1836

Mary the eldest daughter
of William Broderick of
Borough Churchyard London
solicitor
died on 13 July 1836 aged 21
years

Corke, Elizabeth

Buried 17/02/1835



Jenner, Constance

Buried 26/12/1855

In Memory of
Constance
the Beloved wife of
James Jenner
who departed this life
December 21 1855 aged 31 years
God is faithful..

*This memorial stone was found in
three pieces and restored. It is York
stone and the inscription is in fine
condition.*



Heath, Robert

Buried 15/05/1852

The revd Robert Heath m a
rector of Saddington Leicestershire
and chaplin 27 years of the London orphan
asylum Clapton
Born 26 February 1793 died 10 May 1852 ...mark
the perfect man and behold the upright for the
end that is peace. Psalm...

Kindersley, Robert

Not buried in Hastings

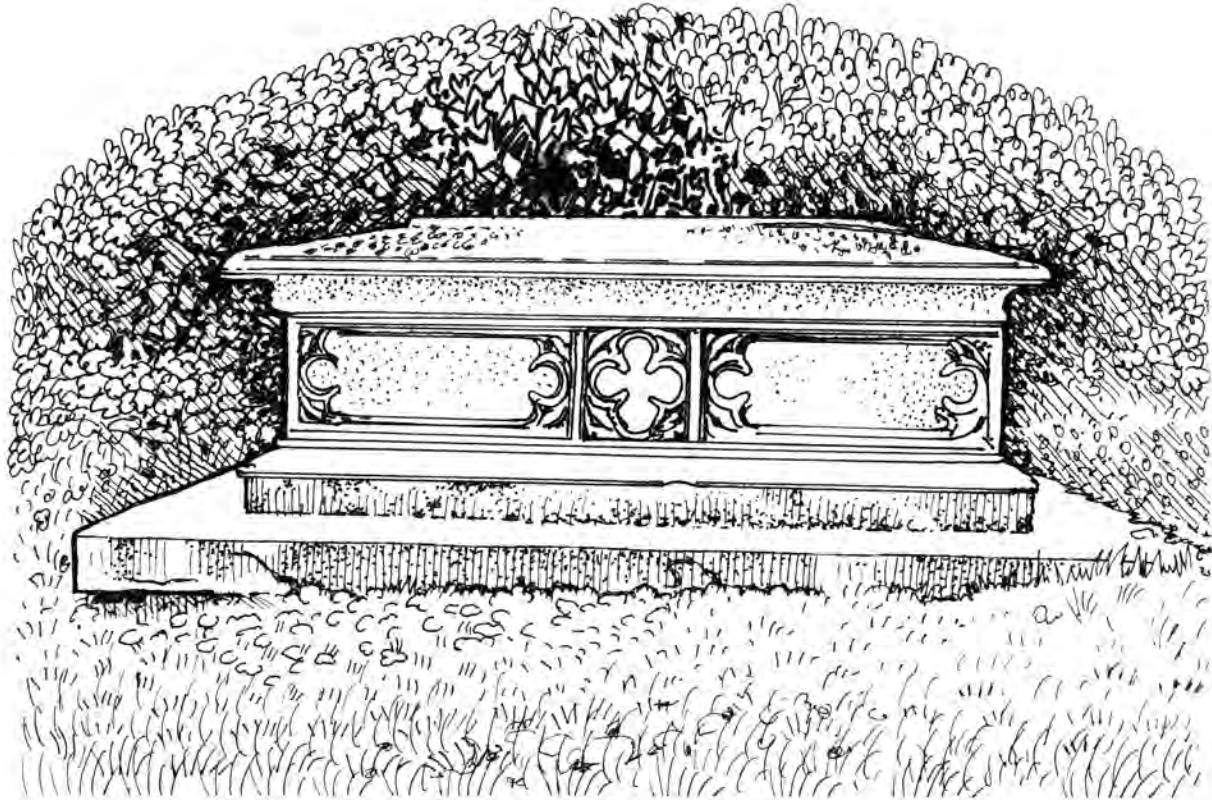
Also of Robert Kindersley
elder son of the before named Robert and Julia
Heath who died April 4 1865

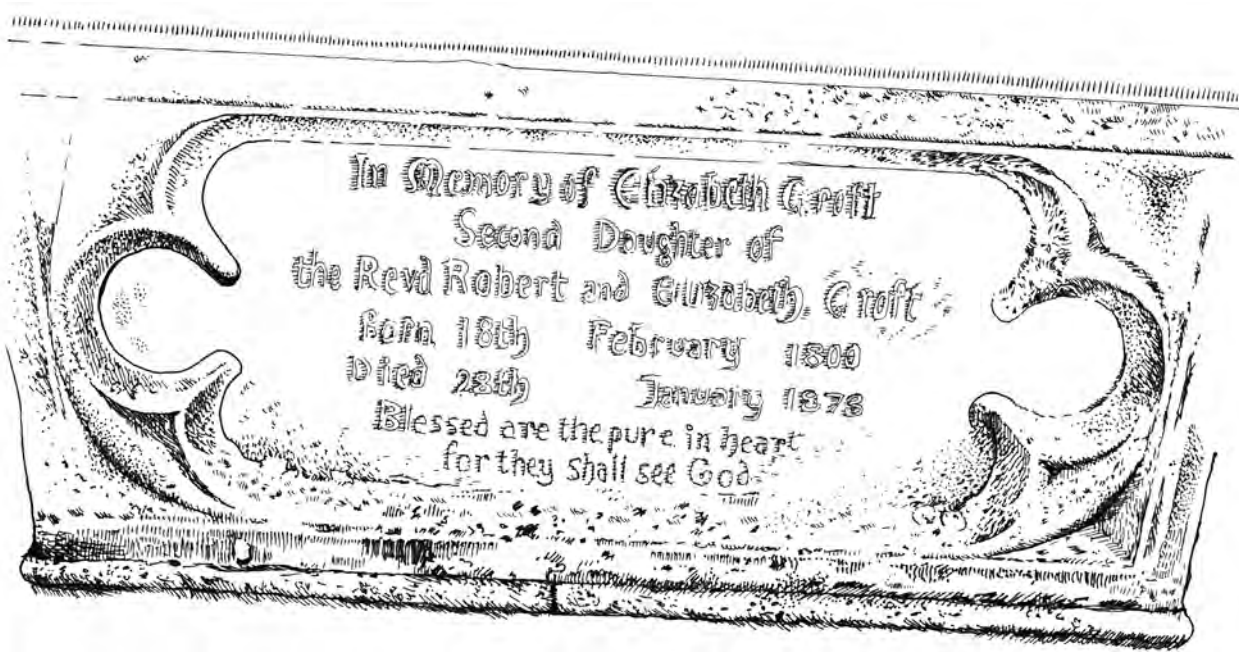
Croft, Elizabeth

Buried 03/02/1873

In memory of Elizabeth Croft
second daughter of the revd. Robert and Elizabeth
Croft
born 18 February 1800
died 28th January 1873
blessed are the pure in heart
for they shall see God.

*This is a family tomb and amongst the few remaining
designated for preservation. The upper section of the
tomb had become detached. This has now been restored.
The memorial inscription to Elizabeth Croft can be seen
at the rear of the grave. Unfortunately the remaining
inscriptions have become illegible. See the following two
illustrations.*





In Memory of Elizabeth Craft
Second Daughter of
the Revd Robert and Elizabeth Craft
Born 18th February 1800
Died 28th January 1878
Blessed are the pure in heart
for they shall see God.

Jaffray, Elizabeth

Buried 01/12/1845

Sacred
to the memory of
Mrs. Elizabeth Jaffray
relict of
Captain Jaffray
of the honourable East India Company and service
who departed this life at Hastings
the 2nd November 1845 aged 76 years.



Lloyd, Elizabeth Mary Anne *Buried 1/7/1844*

Sacred to the memory of Elizabeth
Mary Anne Lloyd

Stephenson, Margaret *Buried 15/3/1851*

Sacred To The Memory of
Margaret Stephenson
died 9 March 1851

Denniss, Henry Parry *Buried 15/6/1849*

H . P . D *Footstone*
1849

Troughton, John *Buried 31/1/1846*

J. T . 1846 *Footstone*

Pearson, Fisher

Buried 4/6/1853

Sacred to the memory of
m. Fisher Pearson
... who died at Hastings
28 May 1853
in the 29th year of his

Erected by a few friends who respected him

Tooth, Edward

Buried 5/12/1844

Sacred
To the memory of
Edward Tooth....
who departed this life
30 November 1844
aged 28 years
Also m. Frances Batche.....
Died

Name lost

Burial date unknown

C.F.C

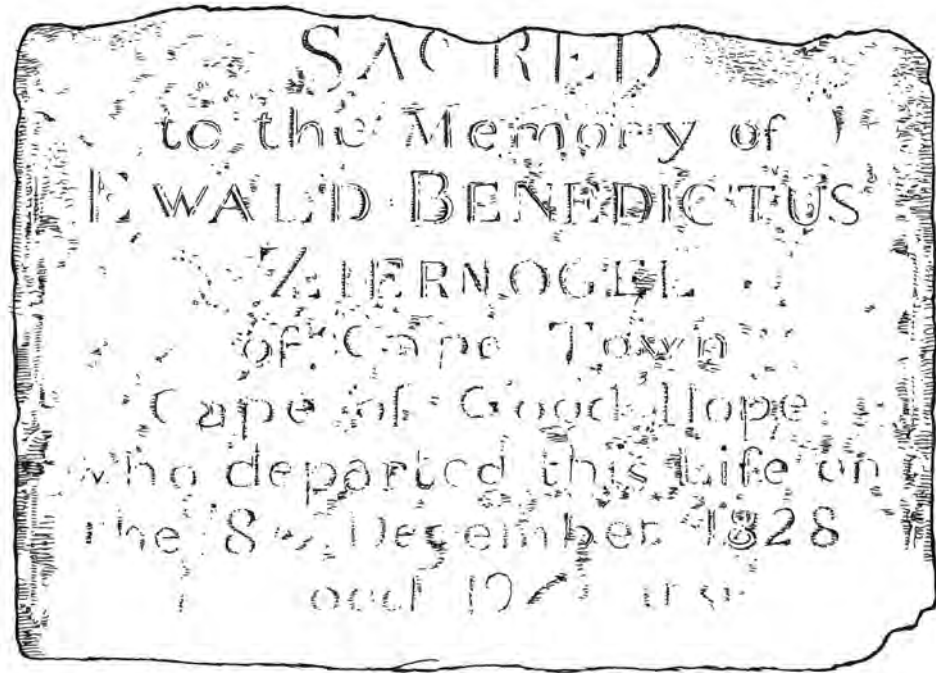
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Funnell, Sarah Lucy	<i>Buried 31/1/1848</i>	C.H. 1846	
S . L . F .		<i>Footstone</i>	
Funnell, Theophilus Baker	<i>Buried 26/7/1848</i>		
T . B . F .		<hr/>	<hr/>
1848		<i>Name unknown</i>	<i>Burial date unknown</i>
<i>Footstone.</i>		M . F 1841	
		<i>Footstone</i>	
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<i>Name unknown</i>	<i>Burial date unknown</i>	<i>Name unknown</i>	<i>Burial date unknown</i>
J . D . 1851		A . B 1847	
<i>Footstone</i>		<i>Footstone</i>	
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<i>Name unknown</i>	<i>Burial date unknown</i>	<i>Name unknown</i>	<i>Burial date unknown</i>
F . E . D 1851		M . S . 1831	
<i>Footstone</i>			
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		Year And 11 Months	
		Wallinger, Anne Nasmyth	<i>Buried 22/01/1869</i>
Wallinger, Elizabeth	<i>Buried 16/11/1830</i>	Also Of	
In The vault Beneath		Anne Nasmyth Wallinger , His Relict .	
Are Deposited The Remains Of		Who Died At Eastbourne Jan y 17th 1869 ,	
Elizabeth		Aged 69 Years	
Relict Of William Arnold Wallinger , Esq r		Wallinger, William	<i>Buried 8/11/1880</i>
Who Died In London , Nov r 8th 1830 ;			
Aged 64			
Wallinger, Arnold	<i>Buried 11/4/1860</i>	Also Of	
		REV d William Wallinger,	
Also Of		Prebendary Of Chichester,	
Arnold Wallinger , Serjeant At Law ,		AND First Incumbent Of St Mary ' s,	
Son Of The Above		Born Nov r 21 st 1795,	
Who Died In London; April 4th 1860 ; Aged 62 ;		Died Nov r 3 rd 1880	
Wallinger, Fanny Anne	<i>Buried 25/4/1836</i>		
Also Of Fanny Anne His Daughter			
Who Died In London, April 25th 1836 ; Aged 1			

Ziernogel, Ewald Benedictus — Buried 15/12/1828

Sacred
To The Memory Of
Ewald Benedictus
Ziernogel
Of Cape Town
Cape Of Good Hope
who departed this life on
the 8 December 1828
aged 19 years

*This is the earliest stone
discovered on site and dates
from the year the burial
ground was consecrated.*



Crouch, Ann

Buried 23/9/1854

In memory
of
Anne Relict of
Smith Crouch
of St Clements
Hastings
Died Sept 17th
1854
Aged 78 Years

*The bottom of the
headstone has an
inscription 'Burchell
Hastings'. This is
probably the stone
mason or undertakers
that were contracted.*



Heath, William

Buried 8/8/1849

William Heath
Died August 1849
Aged 54 years

Heath, Harriet

Buried 11/5/1852

Harriet his wife
Died May 1852
Aged 60 years

Hore, Frances

Burial date unknown

Frances Jane
Daughter of John Hore Esq and Mary Ann his
Wife of
Grosvenor Place , London
Born 28th December 1801
Died 12th December 1834

Johns, John

Burial date unknown

John
Seymour Johns
Died 27th January 1832

Jolly, William

Buried 23/5/1831

William Jolly
of Upper Stanford Street , London
Died hereth May 1831
Aged 33

Jolly, Catharine

Buried 12/5/1831

Also Catharine Jolly
his youngest daughter
Died here 13th May 1831
aged 1 year 10 months

Ann Frances
wife of Thomas Hilder and Daughter of said
Wm and Ann Chamberlin
Died 14th November 1849
Aged 32 years

Dobson, Edward *Buried 18/2/1843*

Dray, Mary *Buried 14/6/1856*

Mary Dray
bur'd 14th June 1856
Aged 77 years
49 years servant in Miss Gordon's family

Dunk, Henry *Buried 15/5/1830*

Henry David Dunk

Died 10 May 1830
Aged 9 months
and

Dunk, Robert *Buried 30/1/1851*

Robert
died 27th January 1831
Aged 11 years 5 months
Two sons of Henry and Mary Dunk

There is an uncertainty regarding the date of burial of Robert Dunk. Two published entries of 30/1/1851 seem unlikely unless of course the original transcription was incorrect. The gravestone was destroyed therefore making it impossible to verify.

Dunn, Mary *Buried 25/4/1848*

Mary Dunn
Died 19th April 1848

Footstone

Aged 18 years

Taylor, Elizabeth

Buried 24/12/1851

Tanner, Eliza

Buried 26/3/1852

Sacred

To The Memory Of
Elizabeth Mary Taylor
Relict of the late
Jasper Taylor
Of 17 Lower Holborn
London
Who Died At Hastings
On The 17 Dec 1851
Aged 69
psalm

Sacred

To The Memory Of
Eliza Tanner
Who Died March 20 1852
Aged 21 Years
the flower fadeth but the word of
God shall stand for ever.. ISAIAH, 10.8./

Jenner, Eliza Catherine

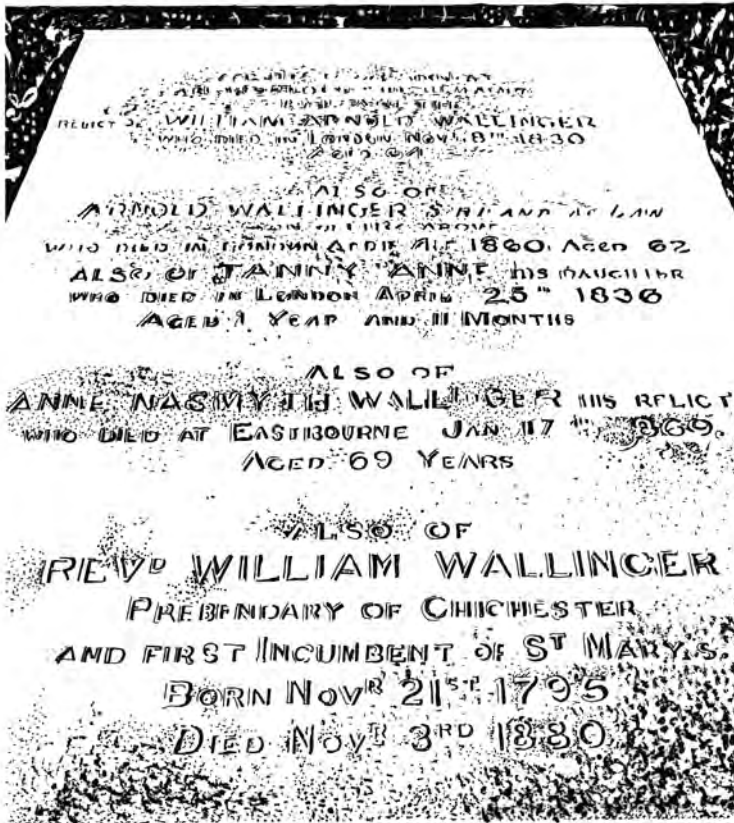
Buried 9/8/1854

May, Sarah Jane

Buried 29/9/1852

To The Memory Of
Sarah Jane May
Who Departed This Life
September 21 1852

Also Eliza Catherine
Daughter Of
James And Constance Jenner
Died August 7th 1854
Aged 9 Months
she died for Adam sinned
she lives for Jesus died



This is the Wallinger family vault, upon the death and interment of the Reverend William Wallinger, the grave was sealed.

The monumental inscriptions are engraved upon a large ledger of York sandstone which is surrounded by a kerb originally erected to house a cast iron palisade (removed during WW2). The entire fabric of the grave has been undermined by self-sown sycamore trees that were allowed to establish a foot hold within the vicinity. Although this matter was urgently addressed and measures initiated to prevent further damage the tomb remains in a fragile state. It is intended that renovations to the tomb can only be undertaken once the structural condition of the boundary wall is improved; due to this risk the area is enclosed by a safety fence that prohibits casual access.

also
Margaret
Wife of William Browning , Died ... th June 1834
Aged 77 years

Thatcher, Robert *Buried 21/3/1834*

Butterworth, Henry *Buried 08/03/1845*

Sacred To The Memory Of Robert Thatcher

Mr Henry Whiting Butterworth of London
Died at Hastings while on a journey
4th March 1845
Aged 31
stone erected by his widow

Browning, Mary *Buried 16/5/1833*

Chamberlin, Edward *Buried 1/11/1844*

Mary Browning
Died 11th May 1833
Aged 34 years

Edward Chamberlin
son of Wm and Ann of St Leonards
Died 3rd November 1844
Aged 29 years
Also

Browning, Margaret *Buried 20/6/1834*

Hilder, Ann Frances *Buried 20/11/1849*

Aged 71 years

Durrell, Thomas

Buried 14/6/1851

Thomas Durrell

Diedth June 1851

Aged 35 years

Farbridge, Mary

Buried 23/11/1844

Mary Farbridge

daughter of Captain George Farbridge and
Elizabeth

Late of Wapping Hall

Died 19th November 1844

Aged 63

Gill, John

Buried 9/7/1844

John Gill

Died July 1844

Aged 57 Years

Also

Elizabeth Ann

Gossip, Georgina

Buried 23/7/1852

Georgina Gossip

youngest surviving daughter of the late Lieut-col
Randall Gossip of Thorp Arch Hall , Yorks

Born 4th June 1815

Died 18th July 1852

Graham, Jane Amelia

Buried 10/1/1845

Jane Amelia Graham

youngest daughter of James Gillespie Graham Esq
of Orchill, Perth, Scotland, NB

Died 3rd January 1845

Aged 22

The date of burial is inconsistent with the date of death

Wife of William King
Died 4th December 18.....

Jones, M.A.J. *Buried 22/5/1839*

Mann, Thomas *Buried 6/4/1850*

M.A.J.
Bur'd 1839
Aged 48

Thomas Mann
Died 1st April 1850
Aged 72 years

Jones, Roger Lewin *Buried 7/11/1829*

Marsh, James

Roger Lewin Jones
Bur'd 1829
Aged 42

James Marsh Esq *Buried 23/11/1850*
Died 18th November 1850
Aged 77

King, Mary *Buried 11/12/1855*

Marsh, Frances *Buried 17/12/1856*

Mary King

Widow Frances
Died 9th December 1856
Aged 80

William Terry
son of Edward and Susanna Terry
Diedth March 1852
Aged 34 years

Died 24th January 1850
Aged 2 years

Tree, Ann Went

Buried 31/1/1850

Tree, Henry Went

Buried 17/2/1854

Ann Went
Died 24th January 1850
Aged 4

Henry Went Tree
son of Benj and Ann Tree
Buried 17th February 1854
Aged 35
Also
3 children of Henry Went and Amelia Tree
All died within 3 weeks of one another

Knott, Mary Cloke

Buried 26/2/1852

Mary Cloke Knott
eldest daughter of Benj and Ann Tree
Born 3rd April 1811
Died 21st February 1852

Tree, William

Buried 16/1/1850

Tree, Ellen

Buried 28/10/1853

Died 10th January 1850

Tree, Henry Clement

Buried 31/1/1850

Ellen Tree
Youngest daughter
Born 9th May 1829
Died 21st October 1853

Henry Clement

Nelson, Elizabeth *Buried 11/12/1844*

Elizabeth Ann Nelson
Daughter of Thomas and Emily Nelson Died ...th
December 1844
Aged 12
Also

Nelson, George Thomas *Buried 13/9/1851*
George Thomas Nelson
.....Jane.....Nelson

Peek, Henry *Buried 20/7/1852*

Sacred to the Memory of
Henry Peek
of London
who died whilst bathing in the sea
July 17th 1852
Aged 28 years

Phillimore, Anna *Buried 8/3/1851*

Anna Phillimore
fourth and youngest daughter of Joseph Phillimore
Vicar of Orton on the Hill, Leics.
Born 7th April 1787
Died 3rd March 1851
at Hastings

Potter, Henry *Buried 29/4/1854*

Risby, Sarah *Buried 2/12/1856*

Sarah Risby
Wife of James
died 27th November 1856
Aged 80

Rivington, Ann *Buried 2/5/1892*

Ann Lancaster Rivington

died 15th May 1892 in her 91st year

Standen, William

Buried 9/9/1836

Soper, Elizabeth

Buried 10/5/1855

William Standen

Died 4th September 1836

Aged 60

Elizabeth Soper
Died 6th May 1855
Aged 67

Meadows, Joseph

Buried 22/9/1856

Standen, Stephen

Buried 14/6/1839

Grandson Joseph Meadows

Died 19th September 1856

Aged 2 years 6 months

Stephen Charles Standen
Born 23rd February 1838
Died 8th June 1839
Also

Standen, William

Buried 09/09/1836

W S 1836 *Footstone*

Standen, John Hutchings

Buried 26/7/1844

Meadows, Joseph

Buried 22/09/1856

John Hutchings Standen
Born 22nd March 1840
Died 23rd July 1844

J M 1856 *Footstone*

Terry, William

Buried 16/3/1852

Tree, Benjamin

Buried 5/12/1851

Benjamin Tree - builder
Died 29th November 1851
Aged 67
Ann his wife

Jane Adeney
of Islington
mother of above
Died 6th February 1854
Aged 64

Tree, Ann

Buried 4/9/1854

The date of burial is inconsistent with the date of death

Died 20th August 1854
Aged 69

Adeney, Mary

Buried 14/12/1878

Turpin, Jane

Buried 8/2/1843

Jane Turpin
daughter of Geo Turpin Esq
of Lambeth , Surrey
Died 2nd February 1843
Aged 23 years
Also

Also
Mary
Daughter of Jane Adeney
Died 9th December 1878
Aged 50

Tutt, James

Buried 23/12/1834

Adeney, Jane

Buried 4/2/1854

James Tutt
Died ...th December 1834

Wife Martha , Died June 14 1853 Aged 47
Second Wife Christian Ann

Bainbridge, Anne

Buried 21/7/1845

Anne Adelaide Alsop Bainbridge

Bass, Theophilus

Buried 4/6/1847

Theophilus

Youngest son of Rev James Bass

Blackmore, Ann

Buried 13/12/1847

Ann Blackmore

Died 8th December 1847

Aged 87 years

Urquhart, Ives Harvey

Buried 9/5/1850

Ives Harvey Urquhart

Bell, Matthew Howard Alfred

Buried 28/2/1844

Matthew Howard Alfred

Eldest son of Alfred and Louisa Bell of London

Buried 28/2/1844

Maurice, Marianne

Buried 30/6/1840

To the memory Of Marianne Wife of David Peice

Maurice

of Marlborough Daughter of Henry Buldock

Goqune of Quenton House Wilts died 25th June

1840.....

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Lewin, Robert Kerr

Buried 24/3/1853

R K L 1853

Footstone with unusual engraved characters forming an alphabet to buried section of stone. This appears to be a stone mason's practice exercise, probably an apprentice.



Westmacott, Robert Horatio

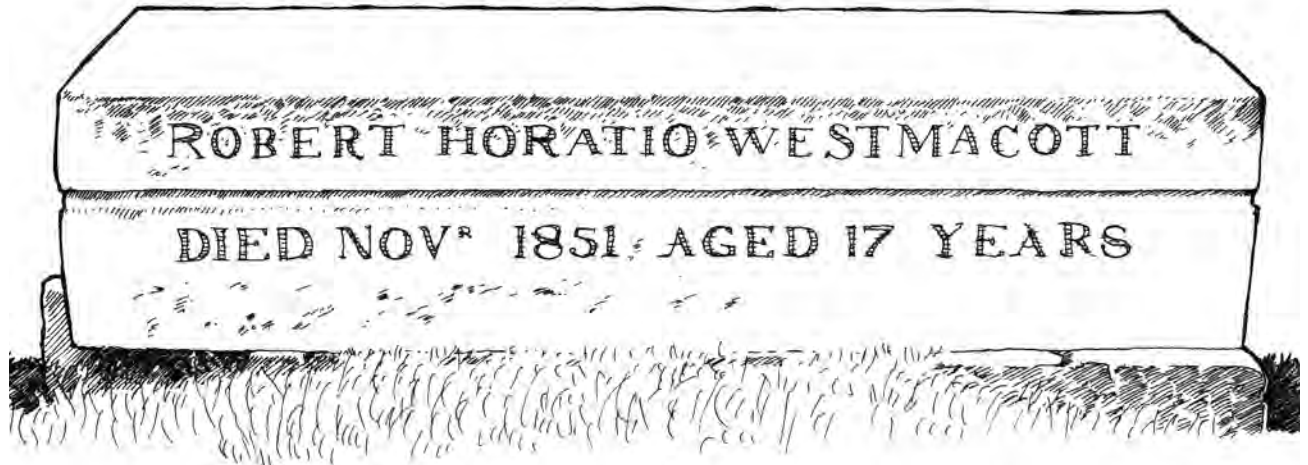
Buried 2/12/1851

Secretan, Frederick Henry

Buried 30/10/1852

ROBERT HORATIO WESTMACOTT
DIED NOV r. 1851 AGED 17 YEARS

Sacred
To The Memory Of
Frederick Henry
Eldest Son
Of The Late
James
Thomas Secretan Esq
Who Died At Hastings



Aged 55		Pearson, Richard	<i>Buried 26/11/1838</i>
Tutt, Sarah	<i>Buried 12/3/1839</i>		
Also Sarah Tutt		Richard Pearson Died 19 November 1838 Aged 74	
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Wilson, Elizabeth	<i>Buried 29/9/1852</i>	Pearson, Mary	<i>Buried 30/7/1849</i>
Elizabeth Wilson Daughter of George and Geraldine Hertsley Born 4th April 1832 Died 24th September 1852		Mary his widow Died 22nd July 1849 Aged 72 6 children of Wm Laurence and Ann Yates namely	
<i>Entry in Burial Index as Eliza Wilson Hertslop died aged 5 months therefore date of birth must be 1852 not 1832.</i>		Yates, William Laurence	<i>Burial date unknown</i>
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Yates, Sarah	<i>Buried</i>	Wm Laurence 10 months	
<i>22/10/1845</i>		Yates, Robert Beaney	<i>Buried 13/5/1839</i>
Sarah Yates Died 15th October 1845 Aged 65		... Robert Beaney	
		Yates, Mary Jane	<i>Buried 4/11/1843</i>

...Mary Jane		and buried at Hackney, near London
Pearson, William	<i>Buried 18/4/1846</i>	<hr/>
		Close, Mary <i>Buried 15/12/1843</i>
Wm Pearson 10		Sacred.....
Yates, Frances Nugent	<i>Buried 22/5/1850</i>	Mary Close
	
Frances Nugent 5	
	
Yates, Emily	<i>Buried 26/5/1851</i>	1843
	
Emily 1		<hr/>
Heath, Emily Augusta	<i>Burial date unknown</i>	Andrews, Nelson <i>Buried 22/7/1856</i>
Also		Died July 18 1858 Aged 56
Emily Augusta		
Second daughter of Robert and Julia Heath		Andrews, Martha <i>Buried 18/7/1853</i>
Died 21st May 1846		

Edgar, Sarah

Buried 4/2/1841

To the memory of Sarah relict of Robert Edgar
Esquire of Walworth Surrey dated January 1844

The date of burial is inconsistent with the date of death

Edgar, Mary

Buried 20/4/1844

also Mary daughter of above 17th April 1844

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Harwood, Cathrine

Burial date unknown

To the memory of Cathrine Relict of John
Harwood of Llandwillog in the County of Brecon
no date apparently forty or fifty years old

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Harwood, John

Buried 9/9/1854

To the memory of John Harwood Esquire of St.
Leonards on Sea 7th September 1854

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Hathorn, Susan

Buried 27/8/1849

To the memory of Susan Hathorn 20th August
1849

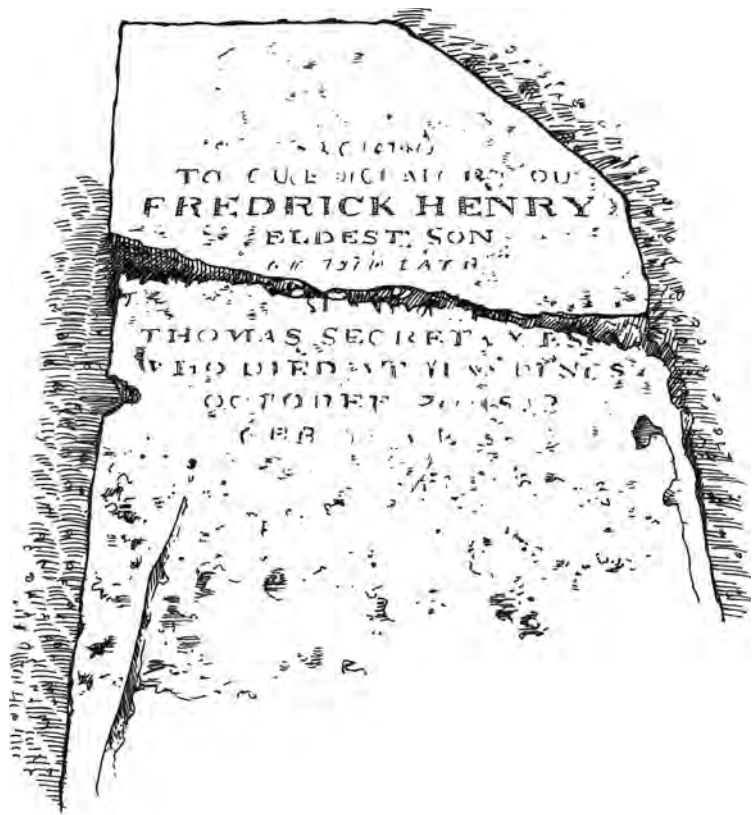
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Fielder, John

Buried 15/3/1851

To the memory of John Fielder 10th March 1851

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TO OUR BROTHER
FREDRICK HENRY

ELDEST SON
OF 1570 LATH

THOMAS SECRETARY
WHO DIED AT VIENNA
OCTOBER 20 1552

Appendix i

On August 29th 1894 a faculty or planning permission was acquired by Hastings Corporation for road widening at Milward Road affecting the existing boundaries of the grave yard. The relevant section is reproduced below. Eleven graves were destroyed and the remains re-interred elsewhere. The inscriptions were first transcribed. The relocation and re-interment were advertised within the local and national press, as was required by law, to allow relatives of the deceased to raise any objections.

...the ancient burial ground of the said parish which has been long disused by order of a Secretary of State is enclosed by a wall the south west corner of which abuts and forms an inconvenient angle with the road called Milward Road that the corporation of Hastings recently acquired at large cost an extensive piece of land in the West Hill have appropriated the same as a Recreation Ground for the inhabitants and an adjoining estate lying to the north of the Burial Ground, has been converted into building land and a large number of residences have been erected thereon, that the said road which leads directly to the West Hill and the said estate has

thus become an important thoroughfare and that the before mentioned angle of the Burial Ground is not only of inconvenience but of danger to the increased traffic, that with a view of remedying the difficulty and providing additional facilities of access to the Parish Church especially for invalid parishioners it is proposed at the expense in all things of the Corporation to throw into the road so much of the Burial Ground as is coloured pink on the plan drawn hereon and to rebuild the enclosure wall on the same line coloured blue on the said plan. That there are within the space coloured pink eleven Burials and no more of which the particulars are set forth in the schedule hereto and the petitioner's having prayed that a faculty may issue authorising the proposed work our said Commissary rightly and duly proceeding did after the usual citation and no more appearing in opposition to the granting of the faculty prayed and after the examination on oath of all witnesses in open court held in the church aforesaid on the thirteenth day of August one thousand eight hundred and ninety four .

...grant our license or faculty to the said petitioners to authorise and empower them for the purpose of the widening of Milward Road in the manner proposed in the said petition to take down the present boundary

wall of the said Burial Ground which abuts on Milward Road and to throw into the said Road the portion of the said Burial Ground coloured pink as aforesaid with a view to the same being used as part of the said public road so long as it may be required for that purpose...

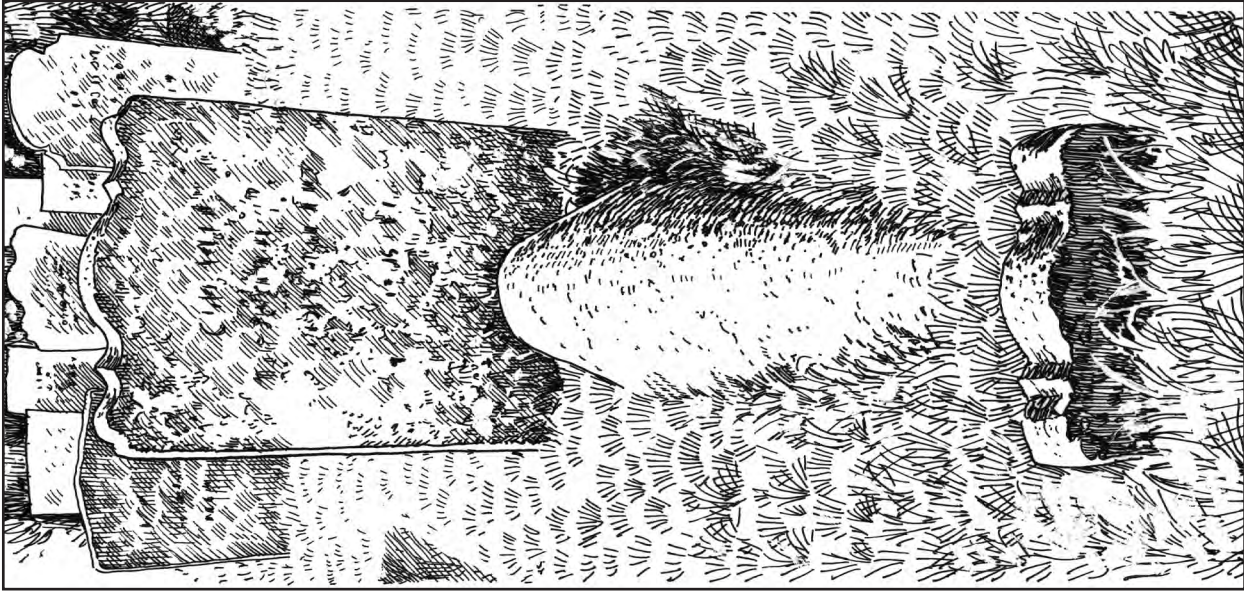
Provided Always that the removal and re-interment of the human remains disturbed be reverently conducted under the superintendence of the vicar and churchwarden and in accordance with any special sanitary requirements given by the Urban Sanitary Authority of the Borough in reference to the removal of such Remains.

Original faculty manuscript showing the proposed alterations to the graveyard

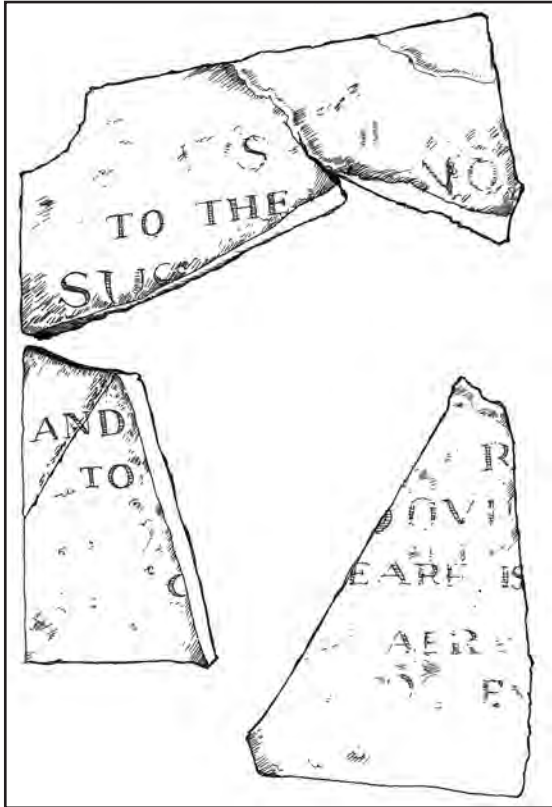
West Hilliard by *Dionis Permy Bishop of Ch.*

To all and singular Clerks and laymen persons whomse
 our Diocese of Chichester and more especially to the Hon
 Whilfield Clerk the Son of William Clarke Hunter
 of the Parish of St. Andrew the Apostle in the City of
 Exeter and our Diocese and Bishopric of Chichester
 Whereas it hath been alleged before the Honorable
 our said Bishop a C. of D. our Commissary in Chichester
 a Consistorial Episcopal Court for the Broadcreech of Exeter
 constituted in a Petition in the name of the said
 and signers in on behalf of themselves and the Parish
 inhabitants thereof that the vacant burial ground
 which has been long since by Order of a Faculty
 by a Wall the Top
 of which abuts in
 an incroachment in
 Road called A
 that the top of a
 recently acquired
 extensive tract of
 Hill have at present
 as a Recreation to
 Inhabitants and
 Estate lying to the
 Burial Ground
 into Building for
 number of Rows
 erected thereon a
 Road which said
 West Hill and to
 has thus become a
 thoroughfare and
 mentioned angle

Appendix ii



An example of a grave depicting the entire memorial as assembled with headstone, central sarcophagus or barrel shaped tomb and footstone. It is common for the epitaph to be engraved on the headstone but additional inscriptions are often discovered upon the central tomb; these are generally less distinguishable due to the effects of weathering and the awkward orientation of the stone.



This illustrates an incomplete marble memorial plaque originally on the rear wall of the sacristy or mortuary chapel within the graveyard. These fragments were discovered whilst clearing rubble from the site and along with others were photographed, transcribed collected together and re-interred.

A faculty to demolish the chapel was granted in 1954 due to its derelict and dangerous condition. There is evidence to suggest bomb damage during WW2 was the cause of the subsequent ill fate of the building. I have consulted the faculty and the relevant section states:

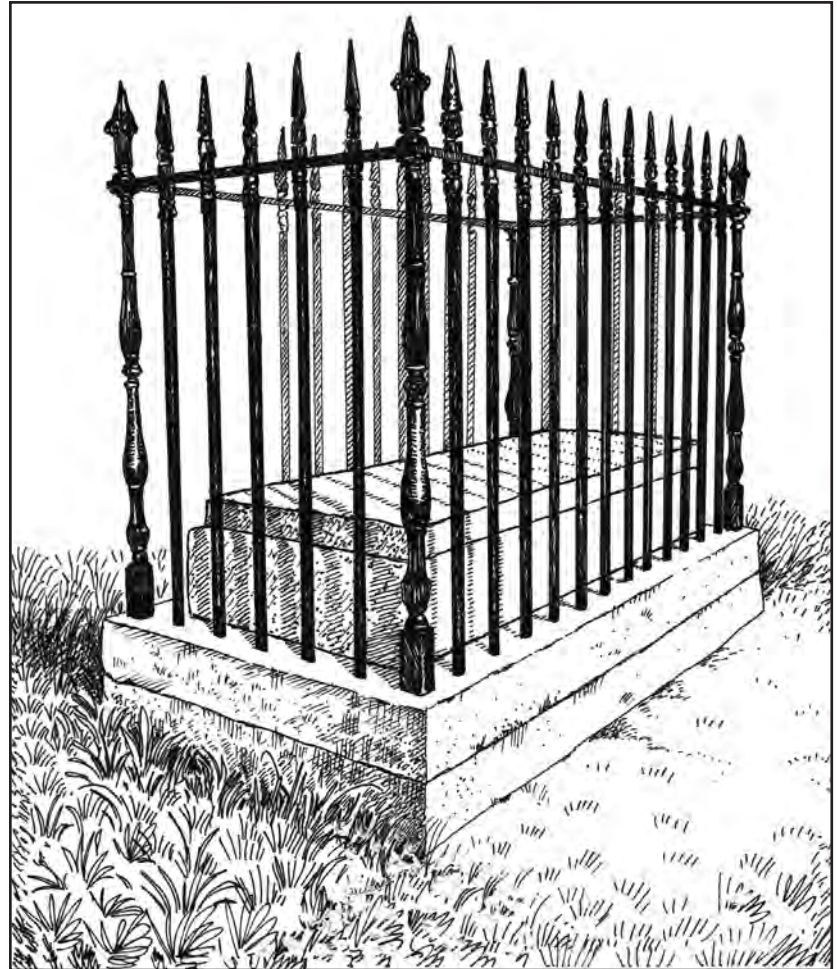
There are fourteen marble tablets on the inside wall facing the dilapidated door but if the building is demolished this wall could remain and form part of the stone boundary wall surrounding the Burial Ground. The tablets would remain untouched and undisturbed and could be on the inside of the boundary wall

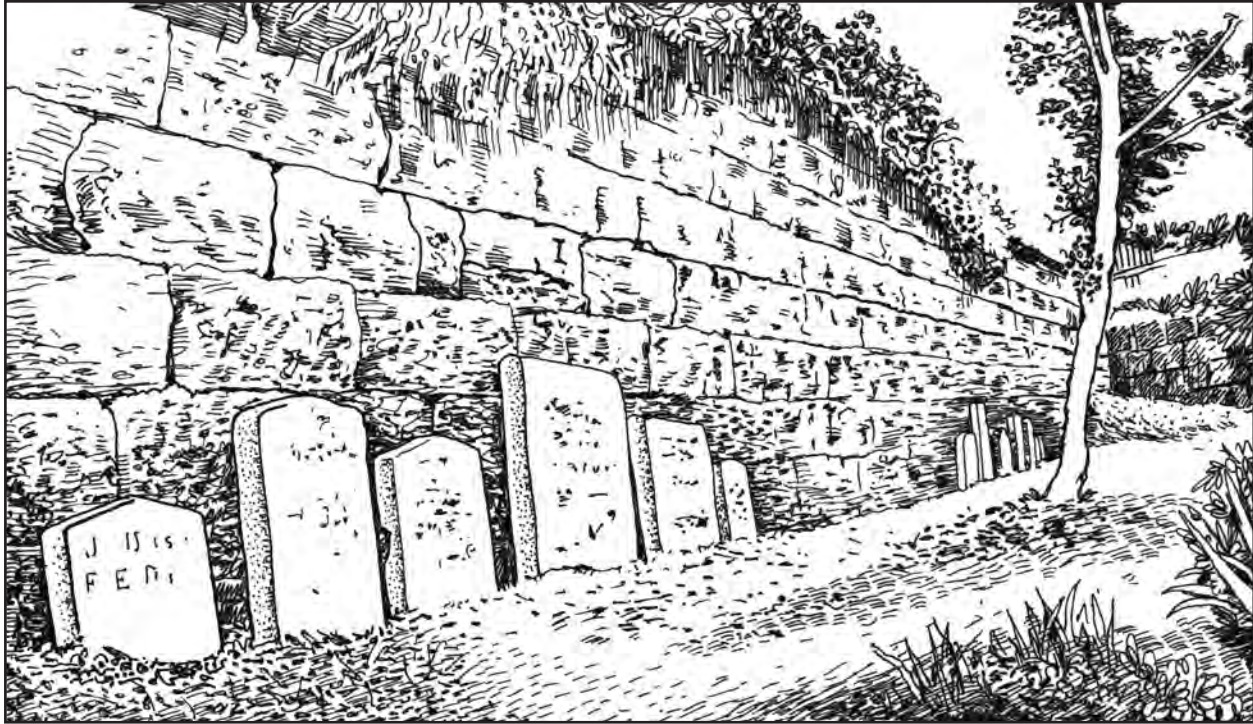
A later inspection found all the plaques missing and the wall painted. These were destroyed, stolen or lost within the rubble that remained in situ. These fragments may be all that remains to commemorate the fourteen persons who are buried within the graveyard.

This is fine example of an enclosed tomb at St Clements churchyard in the Old Town, Hastings.

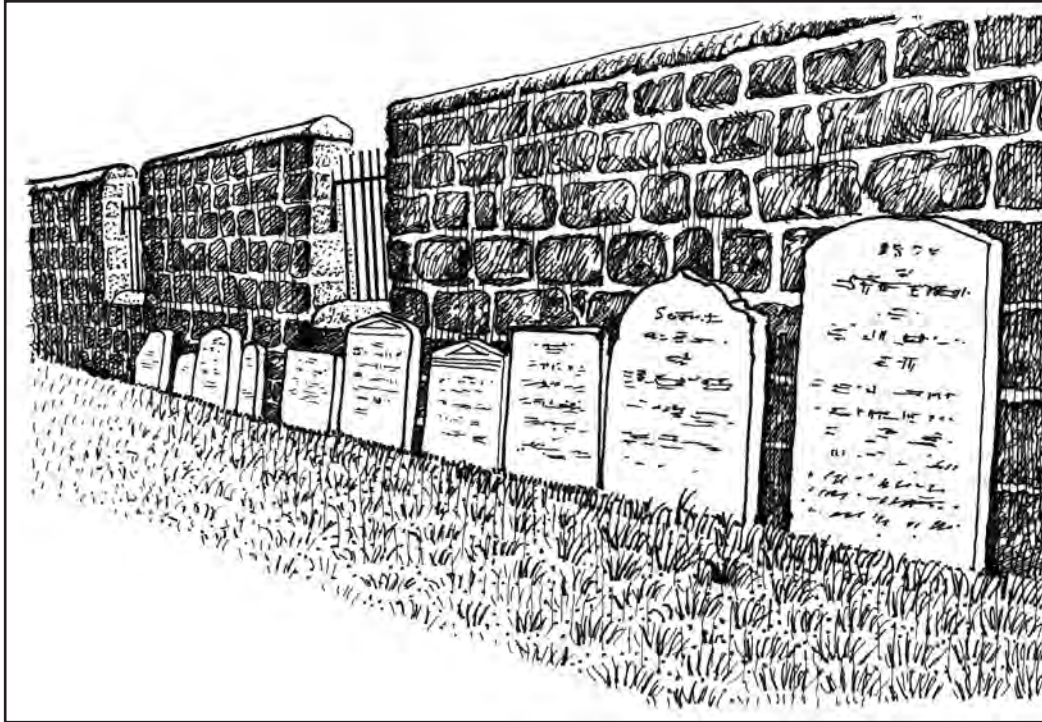
The iron railings indicate a neo-classical architectural style and serve to protect whilst lending height and ornament to an otherwise bold, modest structure. It is rare to see in situ with so many destroyed during WW2.

During the course of our work at Wallinger's Walk we found iron finials identical to those illustrated; these have been stored so that a cast can be made at a later date to assist in the restoration of the Wallinger family tomb.

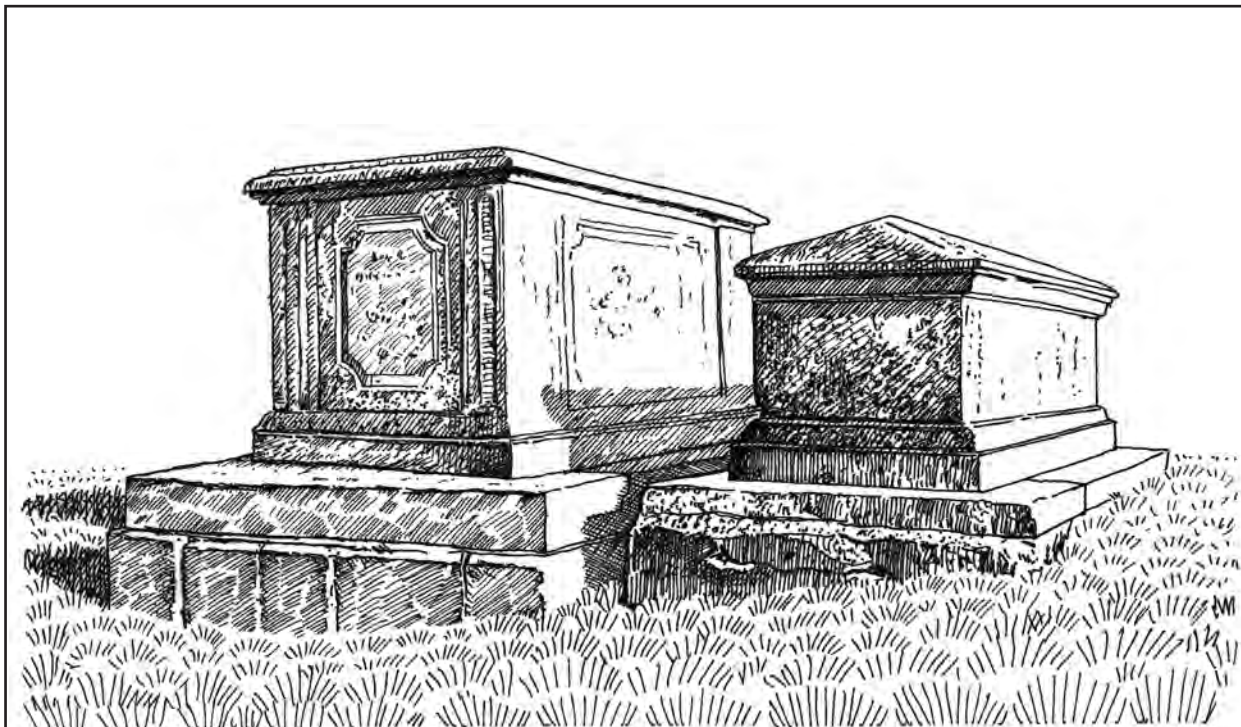




Depicting memorial stones salvaged and re-erected along the boundary wall.

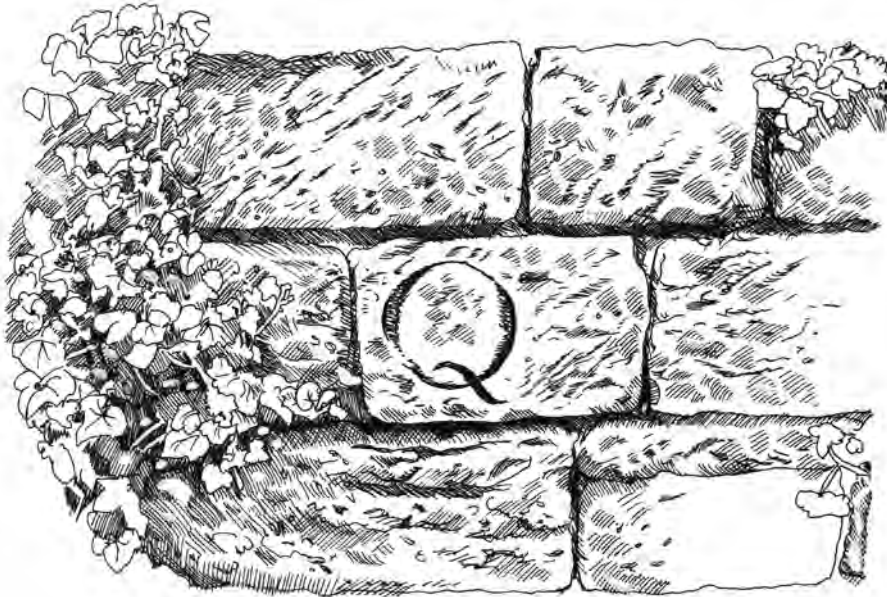


These stones are situated along the boundary at Wallinger's Walk. The boundary wall was rebuilt in the 1980's, the infill with railings was designed to allow additional vision, light and security to the site.



This depicts a fine pair of tombs at All Saint's churchyard, Old Town, Hastings. This type was frequently employed for family burials; the four sides accommodating numerous epitaphs.

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