

**HISTORICAL CEMETERY #: PO019 TOWN FARM LOT
PORTSMOUTH**

west of WEST MAIN ROAD at TEL pole # 161

41 burials

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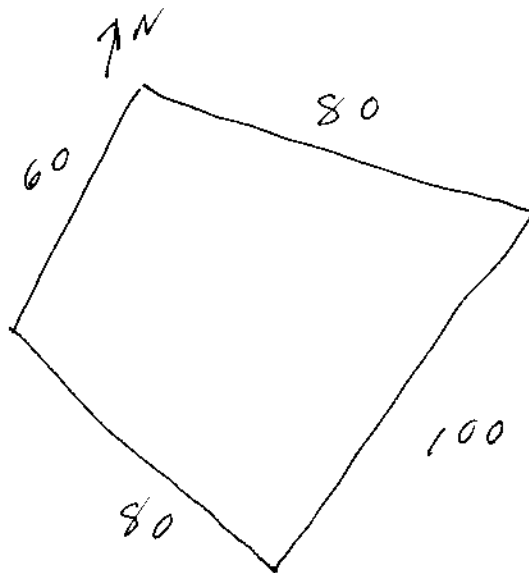
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Size of cemetery 60x80

Number of fieldstone marked graves 35

Total Burials 36.

Stone wall in disrepair No vandalism, No trash



All 35 stones were unmarked field stones
a few were slate. One grave was sunken
with No marker

3 May 1991 Bob, Mary, & Bambi

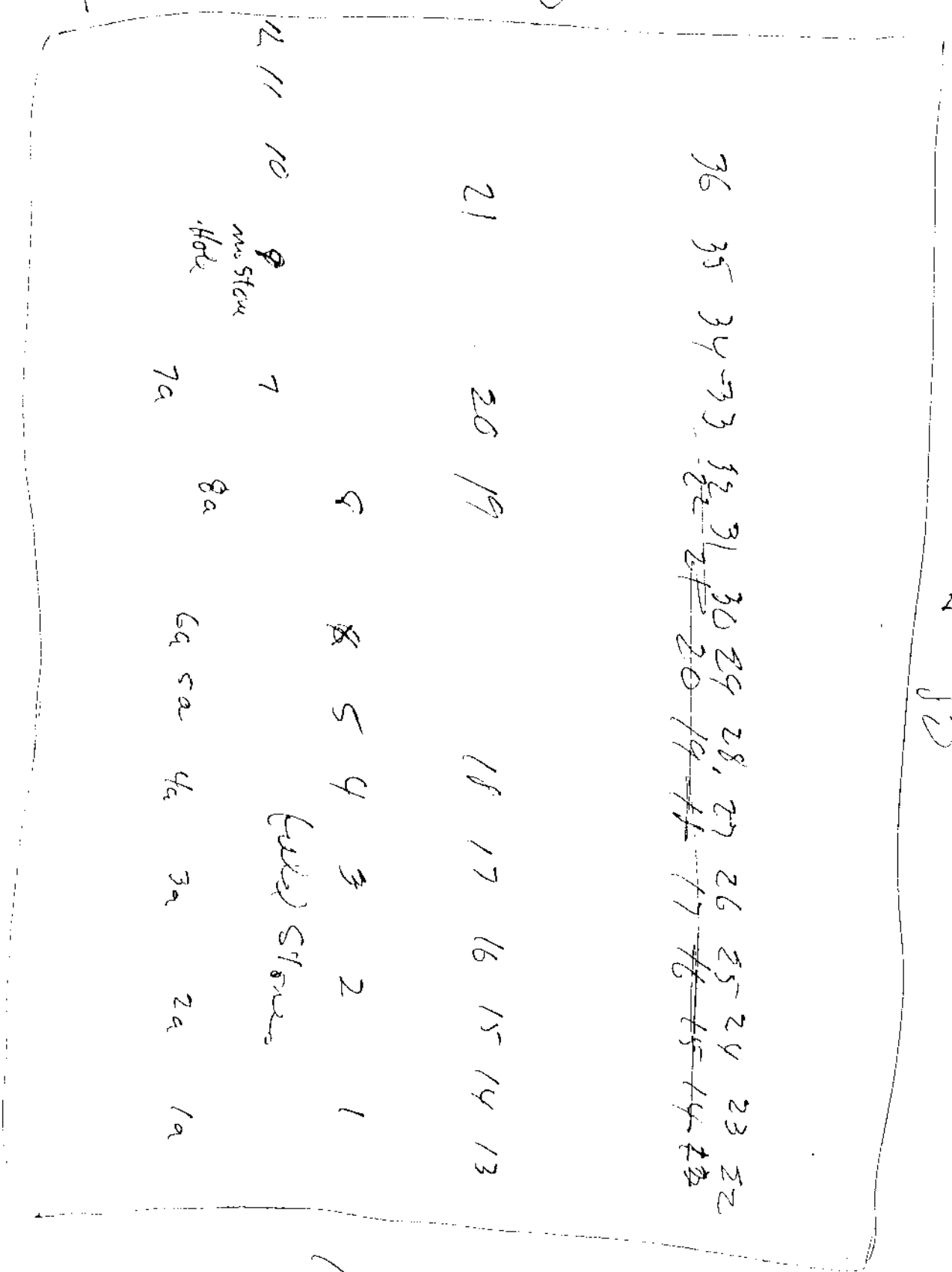
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in the town of Portsmouth, RI

Poor Farm #19

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Faded Stems

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at Telephone Pole #161

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ALBRO, Borden	1801c	18JUL1873
ALBRO, Caroline	----	30DEC185-
ALBRO, Jarvis E.	1792c	11APR1868
ALBRO, Jonathan	----	11MAY185-
ALBRO, Stephen	1805c	23JUN1875
BARKER, Peleg	----	18MAR1840
BROOKS, Lewis	----	19AUG1879
BROWNEL, George H.	1799c	27JUN1868
BROWNELL, Ralph	----	19JUN1851
BROWNELL, Susannah	1754?	07APR1836
BROWNING, Benjamin	1793c	22FEB1872
BURNS, Thomas	1831c	12MAR1871
CASEY, Miss ----	----	12JUN1875
COOK, Elisabeth	----	05DEC1848
COOK, Harriet	1794c	13OCT1875
COOK, Timothy	1780c	09NOV1860
CORNELL, Ann B.	----	08JAN1850
DANNA, John	1835c	31MAY1873
DENNIS, Edward	----	08SEP1847
DENNIS, Gideon	1793c	27SEP1873
EARL, Elizabeth	1767c	12SEP1857
FISH, Hannah	1785c	28APR1860
FISH, Robert	1794c	16SEP1861
GRAY, Job	1786c	02NOV1869
HUDDLESTONE, Elisabeth	----	24JAN1848
IRISH, Nancy	1775c	17SEP1873
LAWTON, Alice	1788c	16DEC1867
LAWTON, Henrietta	1804c	22OCT1878
LAWTON, John	----	12DEC1866
MCCURRY, Maria	1779c	23MAY1873

MURPHY, David	----	02SEP1862
PARKER, Otis	1815c	24AUG1877
ROBINSON, James	----	09JUL1869
SANFORD, Hannah	1784c	07NOV1877
SHEARMAN, William	----	04JUN1852
SHERMAN, Phebe	----	09JAN1841
SHERMAN, Elizabeth	1831c	28MAR1866
SHERMAN, Harriet	----	20---186-
SHERMAN, Mary A.	1805c	24JUN1870
SHERMAN, Ruth	1791c	16APR1866
SISSON, Nancy	1779c	25MAR1861
SISSON, Richard	1782c	03MAR1866
SLOCUM, Mary	1794c	25JAN1877
TEW, Martha	1807c	09FEB1874

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