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FORM E - BURIAL GROUNDS  
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

1. Town Chelmsford

Religious affiliation None

Location off Middlesex Street  
North Chelmsford.

Owner Town of Chelmsford

Name Riverside Cemetery

Who has further information about burial ground?

Condition: Well kept up Neglected  
(if neglected, explain how)

Mr. Arne R. Olsen

(Address) 140 Groton Rd., No. Chelmsford

What type information: lot plans inscriptions  
gravestone descriptions other

Approx. number gravestones 700

history

Earliest death date mid 1840's

Mr. Olsen has been a cem. Commissioner Most recent death date current  
for many years.

2. HISTORY OF BURIAL GROUND

In 1841, a committee of the Town was chosen to select a piece of ground for a burying place in the north part of the Town. The land was purchased of Benjamin Blood and Samuel F. Wood, "between North Chelmsford and \*Middlesex Village." This cemetery was enlarged in 1890. - Waters: History of Chelmsford, 1917

\* Middlesex Village is that area surrounding the intersections of Middlesex Street and Baldwin Street in Lowell. This land was formerly in Chelmsford.

3. MONUMENTS-Overall condition: upright fallen (approx. no.) good inscription legibility

4. MAP: Footage from street 6-8 feet from Middlesex Street

Map attached.

Abutting property use is as follows:

- North: B&M Railroad tracks and Merrimack River.
- West: Vacant lot, probably zoned for industry.
- East: Building materials dealer & store.
- South: Middlesex Street. Opposite side of street is residential with many older homes. These homes are mostly well cared for.

Name of Recorder William H. Drury

Chelmsford Historical  
Organization Commission Date 2-10-73

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Riverside Cemetery, Chelmsford, Mass.

White picket fence along South & West sides.  
Maintenance is good to excellent.  
Cemetery contains roughly 700 stones.

MERRIMACK RIVER

BOSTON AND MAIN RAILROAD

BUILDING MATERIAL STORE

GATE 1

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MIDDLESEX STREET

CEDAR STREET

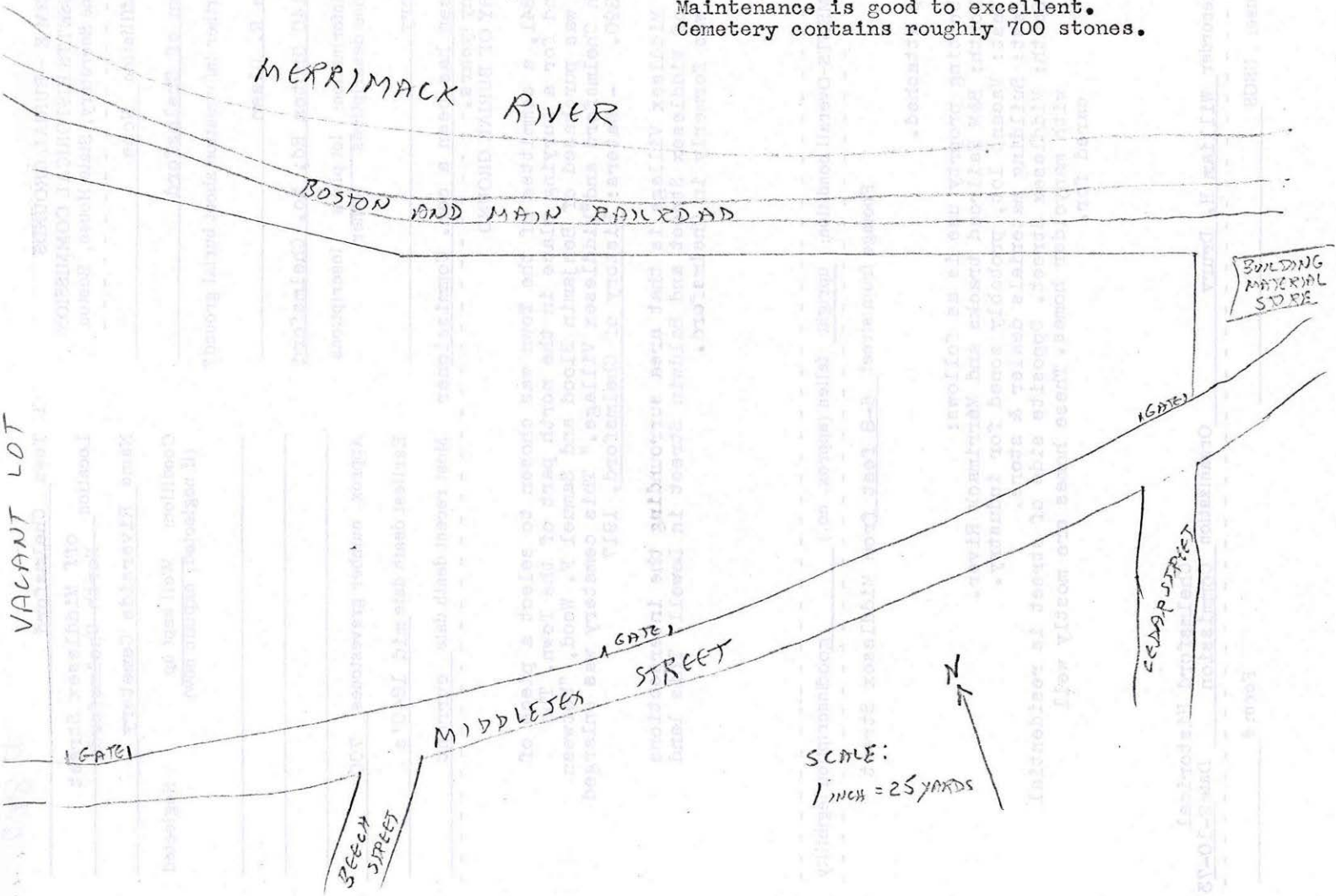
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SCALE:  
1 INCH = 25 YARDS

GATE 1

BEECH STREET

VACANT LOT





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S.F. WOOD.

SAMUEL FOX WOOD  
1772 1861  
SALLY CARLETON  
1789 HIS WIFE 1874  
SAMUEL PARKER  
1800 1888  
SARAH H. WOOD  
1808 HIS WIFE 1891



THOS WARLEY  
1804—1884  
SARAH  
DAUGHTER OF  
T&M WARLEY  
1839—1901  
SILAS ROBERTS  
1823—1893  
MARY  
HIS WIFE  
1835—1914



VINAL

IN MEMORY OF  
ALBERTON W. VINAL  
WAG 101ST ENGINEERS TRAIN  
BORN IN CHELMSFORD JANU 1895  
DIED IN FRANCE JUNE 19 1918

1871 JOHN WARREN VINAL  
1872 ELIZABETH BRIDGEFORD

HATCH

WOODS





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LAKIN  
1890 MAY 27 1944  
LAKIN GORDANA  
DIED JAN 17 1948

Riverside Cemetery B&M Train Wreck

9/30/1968 John Goodwin

FARROW

JOSEF BENGTSSON  
1903 - 1986  
FINLAND

LAKIN  
LERoy  
DIED MAY 27, 1943  
LAURA GIORDANO  
DIED JAN. 17, 1948  
BELLE AXWORTHY GORDON  
DIED MAY 23, 1980





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Riverside Cemetery today

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