

## **Construction of the Gothic Vault**

The Superintendent has appointed a committee to procure plans and estimates for a Vault and report to the Board. [April 14, 1874]

On motion Mr. Chislett was directed to see Mr. Bohlen and get a plan and estimate for a New Vault in the Hill Side with capacity to hold 50 Bodies, and also to get a cheap sketch and plan for a Greenhouse. [January 7, 1875]

On motion Messr. Chislett and Bohlen were appointed to visit Cincinnati and Louisville for the purpose of maturing plans and specifications for a Vault and Chapel to be reported to the Board for examination to not over thirty thousand dollars. [March 16, 1875]

Mr. Chislett presented drawings and plan for a vault. On motion of Mr. McCarty: The same were referred to a committee and estimate of cost and decide on a plan to recommend, and report the same to a meeting to be called by the Secretary when the plans are all ready. [April 13, 1875]

On motion Messrs. Morris, Haughey and the Superintendent were instructed to advertise for proposals for building a vault and if the bids do not exceed \$25,000 to contract a vault and if the bids do exceed \$25,000 to report the bids to the Board for approval. [April 20, 1875]

The Board have considered it expedient to build a new Vault and Chapel and have adopted plans and specifications for the same devised by Mr. D. A. Bohlen, architect, and are now ready to advertise for bids for constructing the same at a cost of about \$30,000 which when finished will be both ornamental and useful and supply a much needed place for funeral services in inclement weather. [June 1, 1875]

The committee on Vault and Chapel reported the several bids received and on motion: The proposal of John Hinchcliffe to built and the work for \$34,768.00 was accepted and the committee authorized to close a contract with him taking a bond for \$10,000.00 for its performance and reserving 15% on its cost until the work is complete. [June 15, 1875]

The bond of Messr. Hinchcliffe of \$10,000.00 on account of contract for building Vault and Chapel was presented to the Board and approved. [July 15, 1875]

Expense for Vault and Chapel reported June 16, 1875 — \$23,568.58.

Mr. Bohlen's bill for \$970.85 for balance due him for services in building and superintending the Vault and Chapel was presented. [April 10, 1877] Paid by May 8th.

Our new Vault and Chapel has been finished at a cost of \$38,922.25 and is entirely paid for. It is a beautiful and enduring structure, having capacity for storing 96 caskets and is conveniently designed for Chapel Services when desired. [June 5, 1877]