PERSONS BURIED, INFORMATION RECORDED IN FIRST CLASS CITIES

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AN ACT

Requiring burial-ground and cemetery companies or associations, in the cities of the first class, to record certain information relating to the burial of every person therein, and providing a penalty.

Whereas, Owing to the loose and inefficient methods of listing and indexing now employed by many burial-ground and cemetery companies and associations in the cities of the first class, it has become exceedingly difficult, and at times impossible, to discover the location of certain graves, or even to find a record of names of persons known to be buried therein; therefore,--

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That every burial-ground or cemetery company or association, in the cities of the first class, shall keep a complete list of the names of every person buried in such burial-ground or cemetery, arranged alphabetically; with the date of burial, the exact location of the grave, and the number and owner of the lot in which the grave is situated. This shall be accomplished by means of a card-index, or other system, in such a way that knowledge of the name of a person, or of the lot in which he or she is buried, or of the date of burial, will furnish a ready reference to the complete record.

Section 2. Within two years after the passage of this act, every burial-ground or cemetery company or association, in the cities of the first class, shall have on file, for the inspection of all persons having an interest therein, a complete record, if such information is obtainable, of all past burials made in such burial-ground or cemetery, arranged in conformity with the requirements of section one of this act.

Section 3. Every person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars.

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