

IRON MOUNTAIN CEMETERY PARK
NW ¼ of Section 6, Town 39 North, Range 30 West
City of Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan
[Compiled and Transcribed by William John Cummings]

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City Should Buy It.

We understand that the two forties west of the city limits, on one of which the new base ball [*sic – baseball*] park is located, can be purchased at a very reasonable figure and on very easy terms. If the city should acquire this property a portion of it would furnish an excellent site for a cemetery, which is one of the urgent needs of the present time. A splendid half mile trotting course could also be laid out, picnic grounds cleared up, and a park established for the various uses that such places may be put to. Take a walk about this city and it is surprising to see how rapidly it is stretching [*sic – stretching*] out and the vacant lots being filled up. No person who stops to consider for a moment can think that this growth is going to cease for a generation to come. Iron Mountain has the elements of growth in it, and ten years hence will have double the population it has to-day [*sic – today*]. As the population increases the necessity for a public park and a cemetery becomes more urgent. As matters are at present our people must forego horse trotting altogether; a mass meeting cannot be held for any purpose because there is no place in the city where a large number can assemble; no suitable picnic grounds are anywhere about the city, where children and older people can enjoy a day of recreation; and as to a cemetery, the need of it is too apparent to require any argument. The urgent necessity for these things will be felt more and more as our population increases, and the opportunity to

provide for these needs will soon pass away.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 5, Number 5 [Thursday, June 21, 1900], page 1, column 5

Cemetery Assured.

At a meeting of the city council held last Monday evening it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$400 for the purpose of purchasing forty acres of land from the Hamilton & Merryman Co. forcemetery [*sic – for cemetery*] purposes. The tract selected is just outside of the city limits and is reached by River and Carpenter avenues. It is described as the northwest quarter of section six, town thirty-nine north, range thirty west. It is splendidly adapted for the purposes intended, [*sic*] there is a fine grove of trees thereon, and can be made a beautiful spot at a small expense.

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**Ford Office Building
Offered For \$25,000**

**No Opposition to City's
Proposal to Purchase at
That Price**

The Ford Motor company has offered to sell its abandoned office building on East Brown street to the city for \$25,000,

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according to a statement to members of the city council.

The city desires to purchase the property because of claims that the present city hall is cramped for office space and additional quarters are needed.

The council committee appointed to investigate the proposition reported that although no plan of payment was proposed, the price had been set. The committee inspected the building and stated that it was in excellent condition and well suited for city offices.

Too Small For Company

The building was erected at the time the Ford Motor company came to Iron Mountain. It housed the company offices until about a year ago when it became too small and quarters were fixed up in the maintenance building at the plant.

The proposition has been referred to the council finance committee for further investigation and it is probable that some definite plan of action will be recommended at the next regular meeting of the council. No opposition has been expressed to the committee's recommendation that the city purchase the building.

Enlargement of Cemetery

Two propositions have been presented by the von Platen-Fox company for the purchase by the city of the land owned by the company adjacent to the city cemetery. One strip of land with a 50-foot roadway separating it from the cemetery has been offered for \$30,000, while the other section, consisting of five acres and located north of the Wisconsin Michigan railroad, has been offered for \$40,000. A council committee recommended that the five-acre site be purchased inasmuch as it is believed more suitable for use as a cemetery and is practically cleared.