

Christ Episcopal Church Cemetery Inventory

State and Water Streets, Dover DE 19903

Lot Number: 43 Space: C

Find A Grave # 11905821

Name: **Ford, John V. L. McMahon**

Birth date: September 14, 1830 Death date: July 16, 1901 Burial Date: July 21, 1901 Age: 70

Spouse: Sarah (Sallie) A. *Hicks* Ford (1829-1904), m. 1856

Children: Harry Francis Ford (1859-1925); Jefferson Lee Ford (1862-1919); Amy *Ford* Walker (1865-1936) ?

Parents:

Residence:

Cause of death: "Rheumatism of the stomach" – see obituary

Service/occupation information: Hotel keeper, Bayard House on Governor's Ave. and Lookerman St., Dover DE

Officiate: Rev. George M. Bond

Lot Owner: Sarah (Sallie) A. Ford

MARKER: Shared with wife Sallie, has a footstone

Inscription:

Headstone:

John V. L. McMahon Ford

Born

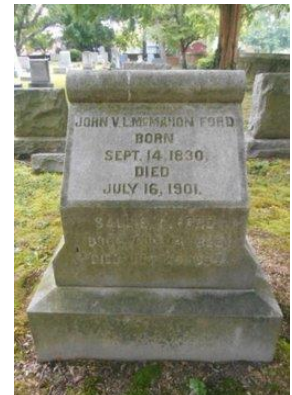
Sept. 14, 1830

Died

July 16, 1901

Footstone:

J. V. L. M. F.



DIMENSIONS: H 38" x W 32" x D 20"

Footstone: H 8" x W 20" x D 11"

STYLE: headstone and footstone

Lot barrier is partially buried

No repairs needed: Cleaned summer 2022



Inventory date: February 4, 2020 Recorder: Ellen Richardson

The Wilmington Daily Republican, Thurs., July 18, 1901

J. M. Ford Dead.

John M. Ford, proprietor of the Bayard House, Dover, died yesterday morning, aged 70 years. He had suffered for a long time with rheumatism of the stomach and often prayed for death to end his suffering. He leaves a wife and three children.

The Evening Journal, Wilmington, DE
Friday, December 14, 1898

The Morning News, Wilmington, DE
Tuesday, August 13, 1901

The Delaware House.

With the opening of the new Hotel Ortlip and the change of proprietorship of the Delaware House, the two first-class hostelries will be added to the city's capacity for entertainment. The Delaware House, after the first of the year, will be conducted by John M. Ford and his son, Jefferson L. Ford of Dover. Mr. Ford has for years been the proprietor of the Bayard House at Dover, which is now conducted by his son Harry. The Bayard was so well managed that it obtained a good reputation all over the Peninsula and was the resort of most of the travelling men of the Peninsula. The old Delaware House was for years the leading hotel in Wilmington and under the proprietorship of Brooke Turner it had a national reputation among the Whig politicians. This property is to be thoroughly remodeled

Philadelphia Inquirer, Wed. Dec. 14, 1898

HOTELS AT THE CAPITAL

May be Important Changes in Management at the Close of the Year.

Special to "The Morning News."

DOVER, Del., August 12.—Two of the big Dover Estes which are so well known to politicians and citizens throughout the state who have business at the state capital every year, some every week, may undergo important changes of management by the close of this year. The Hotel Richardson has passed entirely under the control of Dr. J. G. Sharpe, its new manager—now owner, and has become a handsome hostelry, under the brushes of painters and decorators.

Now it is understood that the Bayard House, for so many years under the control of Proprietor John M. Ford, and of late years managed by his son, Harry F. Ford, will pass into the hands of an entirely new proprietor at the close of this year, and it is said that the new proprietor will be former Sheriff Amos Cole of Kent county, who now resides in Wilmington. Mr. Ford, who may retire from Dover hotel business, is being persuaded to erect and manage a modern hotel at the new attractive bayside resort, Kitt's Hammock. Efforts have been made for several years to establish a bayside resort in Kent county, which can be approached by land. The failure of the Levy Court to find any permanent relief for the Bombay Hook road has cut off Woodland Beach from the Delaware people except those who go there by boat.

The Capitol Hotel also may pass out of the hands of the present management, although Proprietor James Millington has greatly increased the patronage of the well-known State House hostelry by dashing modern methods. By means of establishing private drinking rooms and novel games of the legitimate sort he has greatly increased the drinking trade. Now Mr. Millington may retire and former Proprietor George A. Millington may return to the Capitol.

News Journal, Wilmington DE
Tues. August 13, 1901