

*Christ Episcopal Church Cemetery Inventory*

State and Water Streets, Dover DE 19903

Lot Number: 16 Space: I

Find A Grave # 9121472

Name: **Saulsbury, John Ponder**

Birth date: August 27, 1853 Death date: May 10, 1889 Burial Date: 1889 Age: 35

Spouse: Mary Hayes Saulsbury (1852-1934)

Children:

Parents: Hon. Willard Saulsbury (1820-1892) & Annie Ponder Saulsbury(1825-1912); grandson of DE 44<sup>th</sup> Gov. James Ponder.

Siblings: Margaret Saulsbury (1856-1875); Willard Saulsbury ( 1861-1927)

Residence: Dover DE

Cause of death/Burial/Obituary: heart disease; see next page

Service/occupation information: Lawyer

Officiate: Rev. Lewis W. Gibson

Lot Owner: Hon. Willard Saulsbury\*

Inscription:

John Ponder Saulsbury  
Son of  
Willard and Annie P.  
Saulsbury  
Born Aug 27, 1853  
Died  
May 10, 1889  
"Then shall the dust return  
To the earth as it was  
And the Spirit shall return  
Unto God who gave it"  
Ecclesiastes 12:7



DIMENSIONS: H 66" x W 38" x 18"

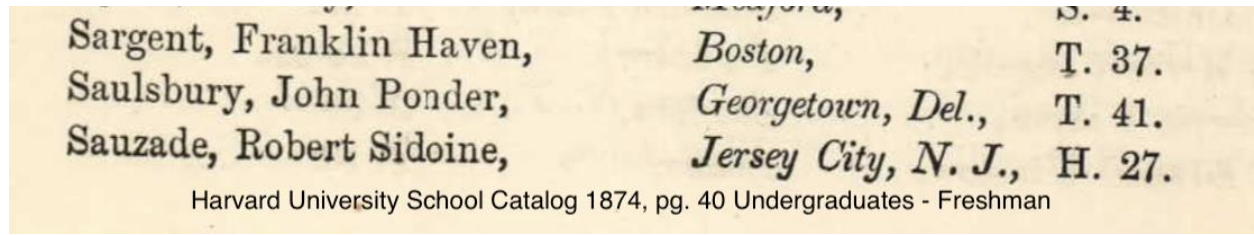
STYLE: headstone with ferns and flowers cascading over the headstone and a cross above inscription

Repairs needed: Cleaning

\*Mary Hayes Saulsbury Fund ( Lot 16 J)"To the Vestry of Christ Church, Dover Delaware I give and devise \$2000.00 to be placed in the Fund for Maintenance of the Church Yard, the interest to be used each year. Particular attention being given the lot in which my husband, John Ponder Saulsbury is buried (LOT 16 I), and the lot in which my grandfather Manlove Hayes and his daughters Eliza Manlove Hayes Boone and Harriet Sykes Hayes are buried."

Inventory date: September 5, 2019 Recorder: Ellen Richardson

Harvard University Catalog 1874, p. 40, Undergraduates – Freshman



Marriage certificate

**RETURN OF A MARRIAGE**  
 In the town of Dover Kent County.

Full name of Groom John Ponder Saulsbury  
 Age 36 Color W.  
 Nation or State Del.  
 Residence Dover Del  
 Occupation Law

Full name of Bride May Hayes  
 Age 25 Color W.  
 Nation or State Del.  
 Residence Dover

Name and birthplace of Groom's parents  
Willard Saulsbury, Del.  
Annis Saulsbury, Del.

Name and birthplace of Bride's parents  
Manly Hayes, Del.  
Rebecca Hayes, Del.

Date of marriage Jan 25/1889  
 Number of previous marriages: Of Groom 0 Of Bride 0

I hereby certify that the marriage of the parties above named was duly solemnized or contracted by or before me, at the time and place stated.

Witness my hand this 25 day of January 1889

Signature Levin W. Gibson  
 Official Designation Pastor of Christ Church,  
 Address Dover Del

To the Recorder of Deeds of Kent County.

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Death Certificate

STATE OF DELAWARE  
**Certificate of a Death**  
 In the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Kent County.

Full name of deceased J. P. Saulsbury  
 Age 36 years Color White  
 Nation or State \_\_\_\_\_  
 If of foreign birth, how long in the United States? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence Dover  
 Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Single, Married, Widowed. (Cross out words not required in this case)  
 Sex Male  
 Name and nation of parents \_\_\_\_\_

Cause of death and complications \_\_\_\_\_

Date of death May 10 1889

I hereby report this death, and certify that the foregoing statements are true, according to the best of my knowledge.

Witness my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1889

Signature and residence of reporter W. E. Smith

Returned to the Recorder of Deeds of Kent County  
 1889 by \_\_\_\_\_ Undertaker,  
 residing at \_\_\_\_\_ in Kent County.  
 Signed, \_\_\_\_\_

Waterbury Evening Democrat, Waterbury, CT Saturday, May 11, 1889

**John Saulsbury Dead.**

DOVER, Del., May 11.—John P. Saulsbury, Secretary of the State of Delaware, son of ex-United States Senator Saulsbury, is dead in this town of heart disease, aged 36 years.

Waterbury Evening Democrat, Waterbury, CT, Sat. May 11, 1889

Evening Star, Washington, D.C., Friday, May 10, 1889

**Death of Delaware's State Secretary.**

DOVER, DEL., May 10.—John H. Saulsbury, secretary of state of Delaware, son of Willard Saulsbury, chancellor of the state and ex-United States Senator, and the nephew of ex-Senator Eli Saulsbury, died at his home in this town this morning of heart disease, aged thirty-six years.

Evening Star, Washington, D.C., Friday, May 10, 1889