

OBAN CEMETERY

Oban Cemetery is situated on the northwest corner of the east half of the west half of Lot three, Concession four in the Township of Plympton', County of Lambton. Ontario, four miles west of Reece's Corners. The church and Cemetery at Oban were established in 1844 on one half acre of land donated by James Morrison. On 1 April, 1853 his brother David Morrison deeded a further one half acre for the sum of one shilling to the trustees of the First Congregational Church of Plympton. The trustees were George Waddell, John Morrison Sr., William Waddell, John Waddell, James Brooks and David Nisbet, all farmers of Plympton. The transaction was witnessed by Duncan Ferguson and Duncan Ferguson the younger, also of Plympton. The building was also used as a school in the early years. It was a Congregational church until 1873 at which time it became a meeting house for the Primitive Methodist's who had recently settled in the area. At this time it was called Jackson's after Mr. Thomas Jackson. For a time it was known as London. Road East Church • On 26 November, 1889 David Morrison again deeded a one quarter acre site adjacent to the Cemetery and on this was built a new white brick church. At this time it again reverted to its original name of Oban. Services in Oban Church were discontinued in 1961. The earliest burial in the Cemetery was, strangely enough, that of James Morrison, who died August 2, 1844, soon after he had donated the land for the church and Cemetery. The oldest person to be buried there was Peter R. Young who died 1928 aged ninety-two years. Forty-six stones were located and recorded. The church was sold and moved away and in 1969 the Cemetery grounds were restored by members of the community. A cairn was erected and dedicated in 1969. The Plympton Township Cemetery Board now cares for the Cemetery.