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Reference code : **GB 214 BUBRO**

Title : **ROATH BURIAL BOARD**

Dates of creation : **1875**

Level of description: **Fonds**

Extent : **1 vol.**

Name of creator

Roath Burial Board (*post* 1871 - 1875)

Administrative history

By the mid nineteenth century, many church and chapel graveyards were full, particularly in populous areas. In an attempt to solve this problem, the Burial Act of 1853 (16 & 17 Vict. c.134) enabled parish vestries to establish burial boards, if they so wished, to provide and manage new burial grounds. These burial boards, consisting of between three and nine parish ratepayers, could purchase land for a cemetery and provide chapels; money was to be raised through a precept on the poor rates. Borough councils were allowed to establish similar burial boards by an Act of 1854 (17 & 18 Vict. c.87) and local boards of health enabled to do the same by the Local Government Act of 1858; by the Sanitary Act of 1866, an existing burial board could transfer its powers to a local board. The Local Government Act of 1894 enabled all civil parishes in rural districts to exercise the powers of burial boards; under section 62, the 1894 Act also enabled the newly-created urban district councils to take over any burial boards in their area if they so wished.

In summary, between 1853 and 1894, burial boards could be set up by either parish vestries, borough councils, or local boards of health, and these burial boards could provide cemeteries. After 1894, burial boards already in existence could continue; alternatively, their powers could be taken over by parish councils (in rural districts) or by urban district councils; while parish councils or urban district councils where no burial board was in existence could themselves adopt the provisions of the Burial Acts, and provide cemeteries using money raised by the rates.

Roath Burial Board appears to have been set up at some point between 1871 and 1875. It purchased land on Tydraw Farm to provide a cemetery, but never built the cemetery. It appears to have been absorbed into Cardiff Burial Board when the boundaries of Cardiff were extended to include Roath in 1875.

Dates of accumulation

1875

Custodial history

Not known.

Immediate source of acquisition

Not known.

Content of collection

Mortgage register, 1875.

Appraisal, destruction and scheduling information

All records offered have been accepted and listed.

Accruals

None.

System of arrangement

Not applicable.

Legal status

Non-public records

Access conditions

No restriction on access.

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Language of material

English.

Physical characteristics (condition)

Good condition.

Finding aids

A detailed list is available.

Location of originals

The records are original.

Existence of copies

Not applicable.

Related material in the Glamorgan Record Office

None identified.

Associated material held in other repositories

None known.

Publication note

None known.

Note

Description compiled in the Glamorgan Record Office in December 1999.