

CAYUGA COUNTY - Martville M.E. Church
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General Information

Name of Structure: Martville M.E. Church

Address & Parcel ID: 13729 Martville Rd

Tax ID: (055689) 16.00-3-11

Atlas: 1853: "M.E.Ch."; 1859: "Meth Ch"; 1875 "M.E.CH" (torn down 1875)

When Built and Mason: 1841

When Razed: 1875

Why: "too dangerous for repairs"

Original Owner: Episcopalians

Subsequent Owner: Methodists

Original Use: Church

Pictures: none

Building Details:

Described in "Fair Haven Register", 5/12/1949, by Helen Neal:

"Massive high stone walls were cracked and the southwest corner became too dangerous for repairs. Lake stones from Lake Ontario were used. Corners were of square brown stone. Large windows were gothic type. The top panes were leaded to give the semblance of blinds. There was an iron band around the outside of the building."

History of the Cobblestone Church:

Documented in "Martville, New York Facts, News, and Gossip", by Dorothy A Hudson © 1979 — The first church was built by the Episcopalians (Zions) in 1841 and purchased by the Methodists in 1843. Some of the reddish-brown sandstone quoins from the cobblestone church were reused in the foundation of the present church whose footprint is on the same site, slightly north of the original cobblestone church. The cobblestone church was razed in 1875. In 1885 the foundation was laid for the present building which was dedicated 3/4/1886.

References:

See "Fair Haven Register", 5/12/1949, by Helen Neal for church structure details.