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Dignitaries Gather in 1885 for Memorial Chapel at Albion Church

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This picture was taken on Sept. 10, 1885, at the laying of the cornerstone of Bruen Memorial Chapel. This is now the parish house of Christ Episcopal Church in Albion.

Dignitaries in the photo include, seated, from left: William J. Hannington, clerk of the Vestry; Rev. C.T. Selbt, S.T.D.; Rev. W.W. Walsh; Rev. S.H. Cook; Rev. G.W. Southwell; Rev. W. D'Orville Doty, D.D.; Rev. Noble Palmer; Rev. Sidney Wilbur and Zephaniah Clarke, senior warden. Standing, from left: Howard Abeel; W. Crawford Ramsdale, junior warden; W.S. Danolds; R.C. Tobias; John Hull White; Rev. Francis S. Dunham, rector of Christ Church; Joseph A. Wall and George H. Thatcher.