

# ALABAMA HISTORIC INVENTORY

Alabama Historical Commission  
725 Monroe Street  
Montgomery, Alabama 36130

<p>1. No. _____</p> <p>2. County <u>Autauga</u></p> <p>3. Location of Negatives _____</p>	<p>4. Present Name(s) <u>Daniel Pratt Cemetery</u></p> <p>5. Other Name(s) _____</p>	<p>1. No.</p> <p>2. County <u>Autauga</u></p> <p>4. Present Name(s) <u>Daniel Pratt Cemetery</u></p>								
<p>6. Specific Location <u>Gin Shop Hill south of Highway 82.</u></p> <p>7. City or Town <u>Prattville</u> If Rural, Township &amp; Vicinity _____</p> <p>8. Site Plan with North Arrow</p>	<p>16. Thematic Category <u>Society, Religion</u></p> <p>17. Date(s) or Period <u>1843-1875</u></p> <p>18. Style or Design _____</p> <p>19. Architect or Engineer _____</p> <p>20. Contractor or Builder _____</p> <p>21. Original Use, if apparent <u>Cemetery</u></p> <p>22. Present Use <u>Cemetery</u></p> <p>23. Ownership <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private</p> <p>24. Owner's Name &amp; Address, if known <u>City of Prattville</u></p> <p>25. Local Contact <u>Warren S. McEachern</u> <u>422 Pratt Street</u> <u>Prattville 36067</u></p> <p>26. Location of Additional Data _____</p>	<p>27. No. of Stories _____</p> <p>28. Basement? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>29. Foundation Material _____</p> <p>30. Wall Construction _____</p> <p>31. Roof Type &amp; Material _____</p> <p>32. No. of Bays Front _____ Side _____</p> <p>33. Wall Treatment _____</p> <p>34. Plan Shape _____</p> <p>35. Changes Addition <input type="checkbox"/> (Explain Altered <input type="checkbox"/> in No. 41) Moved <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>36. Condition Interior _____ Exterior <u>Poor</u></p> <p>37. Preservation Underway? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>38. Endangered? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> By What? <u>Neglect</u> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><u>Vandalism, Civilization</u></p> <p>39. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>40. Acreage, Lot Size _____</p>								
<p>9. Coordinates</p> <p>Lat. _____ Long. _____</p> <p>U.T.M. Reference</p> <table style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="border: 1px solid black; width: 33px; height: 15px;"></td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; width: 33px; height: 15px;"></td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; width: 33px; height: 15px;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center; font-size: 8px;">Zone</td> <td style="text-align: center; font-size: 8px;">Easting</td> <td style="text-align: center; font-size: 8px;">Northing</td> </tr> </table> <p>10. Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/></p> <table style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; border-right: 1px solid black;"> <p>11. On National Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> </td> <td style="width: 50%;"> <p>12. On Ala. Register? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>14. District Potent'1? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> </td> </tr> </table> <p>15. Name of Established District _____</p>				Zone	Easting	Northing	<p>11. On National Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>12. On Ala. Register? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>14. District Potent'1? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>41. Further Description of Important Features <u>The cemetery contains 26 graves with stones ranging in design from simple upright shafts to highly carved, ornate upright shafts.</u></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%; height: 100%; text-align: center; vertical-align: middle; font-size: 24px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p style="font-size: 18px;">Photo</p> </div> <p>42. History and Significance <u>Among those buried there are Daniel Pratt and other members of his family. Pratt founded and operated Pratt Gin Co. in the early 1830's. Pratt is also known as the founder of Prattville. He is most noted for his technical advancements in cotton gin manufacturing, and for his philanthropic work. Noted artist John W. Gulick is also buried there along with Private William H. Fay, a member of the Confederate Army killed by Union troops in Atlanta in 1864.</u></p> <p>43. Description of Environment and Outbuildings <u>Situated on a bluff overlooking the Continental Moss-Gordon Gin Manufacturing Company.</u></p>	<p>5. Other Name(s)</p> <p>6. Card Typed</p>
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<p>44. Sources of Information <u>AR file</u></p>	<p>45. Prepared By <u>D. Baldwin</u></p>	<p>46. Phone _____</p> <p>47. Date <u>6-26-78</u></p> <p>48. Staff Member <u>D. Baldwin</u></p> <p>49. Revision Date(s) _____</p>								

Daniel Pratt Cemetery is ~~located~~<sup>located</sup> on a bluff overlooking the Continental Moss-Gordon Gin manufacturing company. The historic name of the bluff is Gin Shop Hill. The exact directions to Pratt Cemetery is as follows: Turn left off of Fourth Street on Gin Shop Hill Road, proceed 5/8th of a mile, then turn left on first dirt road, follow road up hill and bear sharply to the left to the cemetery.

The cemetery dates from 1849 to 1886. There are 26 graves in the cemetery. Among those buried there are Daniel Pratt (1799-1873), who founded and operated Pratt Gin Company in the early 1830's. Mr Pratt is known for his technical advancements in cotton gin manufacturing, and for his philanthropic work. At one time in the 1850's, Mr Pratt operated the world's largest cotton gin manufacturing factory. Also buried are his wife, Mrs Esther Ticknor Pratt (1808-1875) and several members of her family. Noted artist, John W. Gulick (1805-1847) is also buried in Pratt cemetery. William H. Fay (1841-1864), a private of the Confederate Army, is also buried in Pratt cemetery. Private Fay was killed by Union Troops on August 31, 1864, at Atlanta, Georgia.

Pratt cemetery is a site of historical importance, not only to the City of Prattville, but to the State and Nation as well. Mr Pratt's achievements, and service of the other people buried there, are part of our heritage.

Years of neglect have resulted in the deterioration of the site to near ruins. Vandalism and neglect, along with severe weather, have caused considerable damage to the ornate tombstones in the cemetery. Some

stones have been completely destroyed. The stones range in design from upright shafts to highly carved upright shafts. Civilization is rapidly encroaching on this site.

A group of citizens in Prattville are in the process of planning the restoration work on Daniel Pratt Cemetery. It is essential to our plans that Daniel Pratt Cemetery be placed on the State of Alabama's list of Historical Sites.

STATE OF ALABAMA

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MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA 36130  
PHONE: 832-6621



ALABAMA INVENTORY AND WORKSHEET FOR LANDMARKS

COUNTY AUTAUGA

PRESENT NAME DANIEL PRATT CEMETERY HISTORIC NAME PRATT CEMETERY

LOCATION (Street and number) No assigned number

TOWN (Give directions if rural) PRATTVILLE, AL. See attached sheets.

PRESENT USE CEMETERY HISTORIC USE \_\_\_\_\_

OWNERSHIP: Public (  ) Private (  ) Public acquisition being considered (  )

OWNER'S NAME CITY OF PRATTVILLE

MAILING ADDRESS CITY OF PRATTVILLE

PRATTVILLE, ALABAMA

CONDITION: Excellent (  ) Good (  ) Fair (  ) Ruins (  )

INTEGRITY: Original Site (  ) Moved (  ) When? \_\_\_\_\_

From where? \_\_\_\_\_ Give details in significance.

THREATS: No (  ) Yes (  ) By What? NEGLECT, VANDALISM, ADVANCE OF CIVILIZATION

RESTORATION WORK: Being considered (  ) Underway (  ) Completed (  ) Not planned (  )

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Open land (  ) Woodland (  ) Scattered buildings (  )  
High building density (  ) Commercial (  ) Industrial (  )  
Residential (  ) Rural (  )

If there are numerous buildings in the area, could this structure be part of a Historic District?

SIGNIFICANCE: Why is this important (  ) associated with events, persons, or movements  
Local (  ) State (  ) National (  )  
(  ) a good example of a type or style of structure  
(  ) other

Explain: (Expand on the significance of the building. If architecturally significant, give details being very specific. Additional data on what aspects of the community's development the building represents, or a specific event, trend or person related to the building's importance.)

Wall and ceiling finish: (Include wainscoting, plasterwork, cornices, etc.)

Flooring: \_\_\_\_\_ Notable hardware: \_\_\_\_\_

General setting and orientation:

Outbuildings:

Give all alterations and additions: (Be specific, give date of change and original appearance when known)

Make a sketch of the floor plan of the building, showing dimensions, related structures, and additions. Also give north arrow and indicate front of the structure.

Form prepared by Wanda Shanks McEachern Date 8/27/77  
Address 422 Pratt St. Phone 365-2079  
Town Prattville AL 36067  
Organization American Legion Post #122



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1.

Mrs. Clarissa Licknor Armsby  
Wife of Ebenezer Armsby  
Born January 1799, Columbia, Ct.  
Died September 2, 1864

2.

Mary Elizabeth Smith  
Wife of George H. Smith  
Daughter of Ebenezer and Clarissa Licknor Armsby  
Born January 3, 1835  
Died May 23 1859

3.

Mary Francis Smith  
Daughter of Elizabeth and Amos Smith  
Born June 20 1831  
Died July 28, 1852

4.

Mary Pratt  
Died September 21 1843  
Age 9 months 16 days

5.

Maria Pratt  
Died May 14, 1849  
20 months 22 days

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6. Esther Licknor Pratt  
Wife of Daniel Pratt  
Born January 24, 1808 Columbia Ct.  
Died February 14, 1875
7. Daniel Pratt  
Born July 20, 1799 Temple NH.  
Died May 13, 1873
8. Dorcas P. Smith (Pratt)  
Wife of Joseph Chandler  
Born September 19, 1795 Heading Mass.  
Died April 19, 1872
9. Edith Kingsbury  
Born January 22, 1780 Windham Ct.  
Died August 16, 1855
10. Simon B. Licknor  
Born July 10, 1809  
Died April 11, 1850
11. George Licknor  
Died June 24, 1860  
8 months 8 days

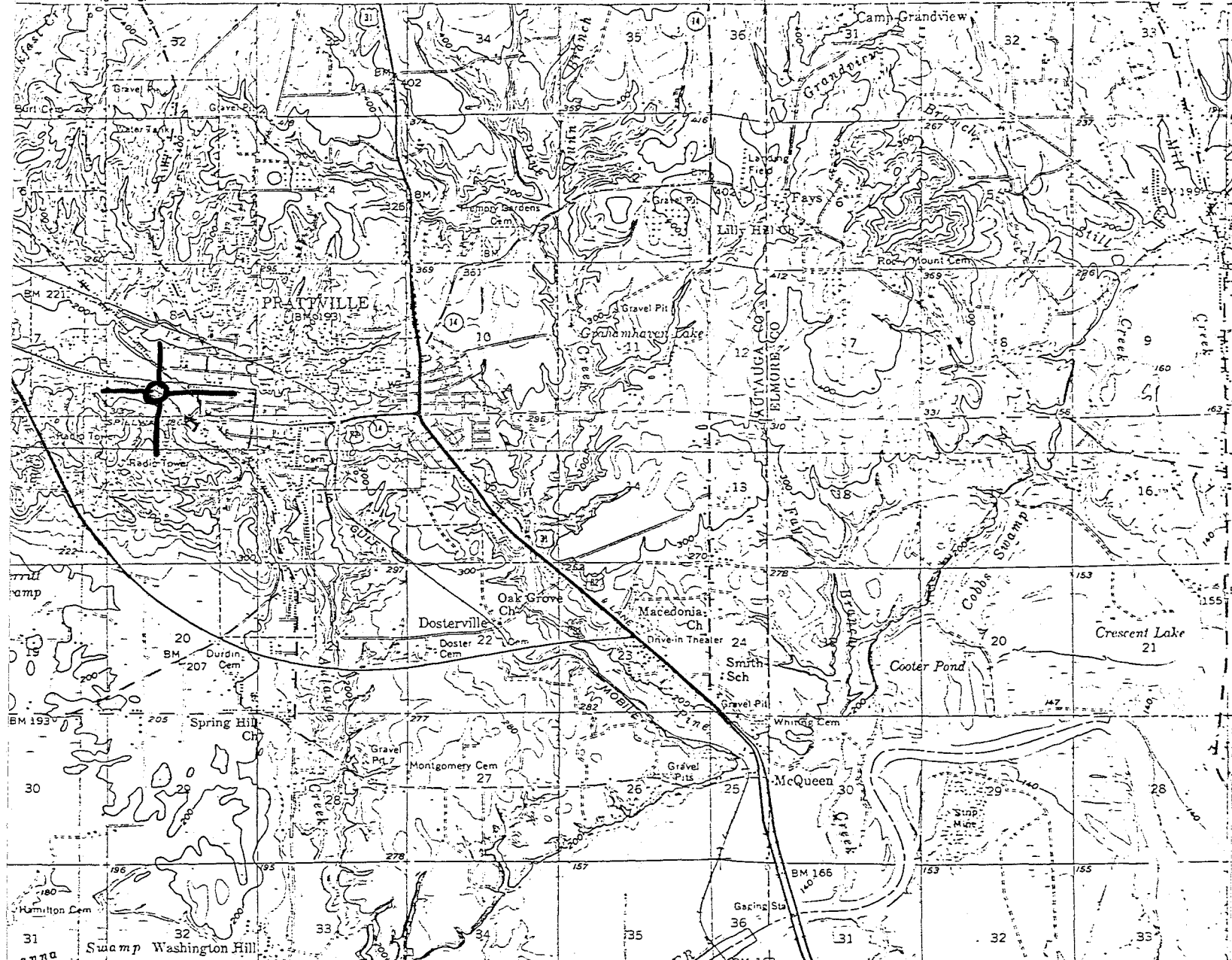


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12. Herbert T. Allen  
Sohn of the Reverend James K. and Mrs Mary T. Hazen  
Born November 3, 1863  
Died October 10, 1865
13. George Cooke  
Born March 17, 1793 St. Mary's County Maryland  
Died March 26 1849 New Orleans, LA.
14. John W. Gulick  
Born May 17, 1805 Monmouth County New Jersey  
Died December 23, 1847
15. Unknown
16. Amelia A. Cowan  
Daughter of Isaac and Alice Cowan of Augusta Maine  
Died: July 5, 1852
17. Martha M. Gray  
wife of Joshua Gray  
Daughter of Isaac and Alice Cowan  
Died July 15, 1850
18. Elizabeth White  
Born January 1 1786  
Died September 17 1886

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19. Catharine L. Hills  
Died August 18 1845  
Age 25 years
20. Caroline Amanda White  
Died August 30 1845  
Age 24 years
21. William H. Fay  
Born March 1 1841 Greensboro Alabama  
Died August 31 1864 Atlanta Ga.  
C.S. army
22. Elesterlia O. Fay  
Born January 15 1838  
Died August 6 1857
23. Harriet Fay  
Born June 9. 1830 Washington, Alabama  
Died August 30 1830 Coosada, Alabama
24. Unknown
25. Unknown
26. Unknown

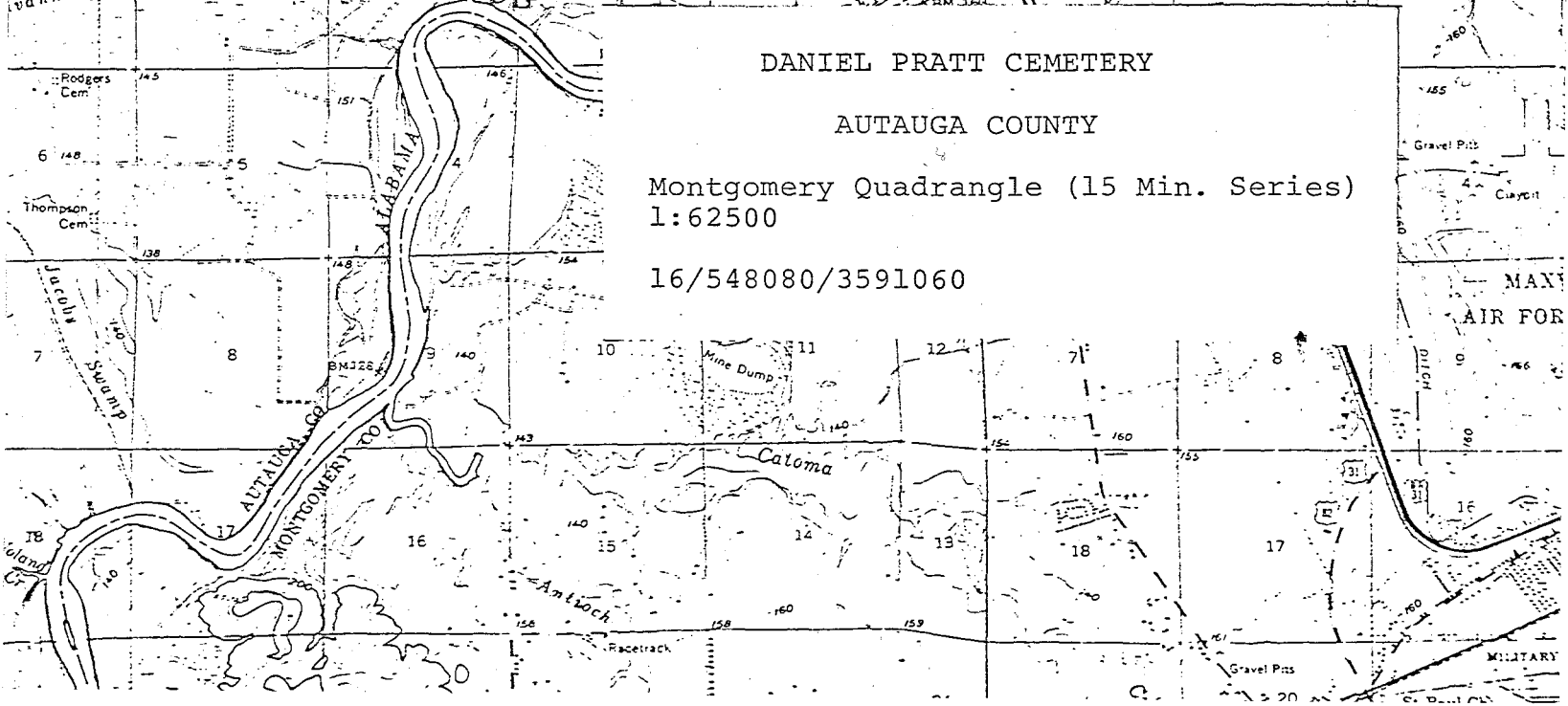


DANIEL PRATT CEMETERY

AUTAUGA COUNTY

Montgomery Quadrangle (15 Min. Series)  
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*Rest in peace to the children of Heaven*



JUL 77

MARY ELIZABETH

WIFE OF  
GEORGE U. SMITH  
AND DAUGHTER OF  
EDWIN B. CLARK  
OF UTAH

BORN JAN. 2, 1854

DIED APR. 1, 1904

AGED 50 YEARS

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