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No better idea has found its way to the public mind in a long time, through the columns of the OBSERVER, or one which has met with more general and hearty acceptance, than "W's" recent suggestion that Fayetteville and Cumberland county raise a Confederate monumental shaft on St. James's Square, on the spot now occupied by the old Court-house.

It is peculiarly fitting that such enduring tribute to valorous dead should be the work of willing hearts and hands here—here, where converging columns of our enemies, in 1865, poured in upon us in countless hordes, and wasted, and spoiled, and desolated us, saying, in proud triumph, that *here* they were putting foot on the very fountain-head of the Southern war sentiment.

Let the monument be the achievement of us all—by contributions large or small from every man, woman and child; by subscription papers opened in every business house in the city; and let it be worthy of the place, the people and the cause. The proposed site is a beautiful one; and, with a handsome monument in the centre, the square can be made an ornament to the beautiful town.

We doubt not that the patriotism of our worthy County Commissioners will induce them to take such steps as they may in furtherance of this most worthy object.