

History of the Forrester Memorial.

In the *Journal of Education* for June, 1869, there appeared the following article from the pen of T. H. Rand, Esq., M. A., then Superintendent of Education for Nova Scotia, containing the first suggestion of the idea of a Monument to the memory of the late Dr. Forrester :—

A MEMORIAL STONE.

The labours by which the late Dr. Forrester became most widely identified with the public interests of his adopted land, were rendered in connection with our Common Schools. The Teachers of Nova Scotia cannot repay the laborious discharge of duties undertaken by him in their behalf, but we trust they will claim the privilege of marking their esteem and gratitude for the great services which he rendered not only to the cause of popular education, but especially to the teaching profession throughout the length and breadth of Nova Scotia. By his instructions at Truro, by his labours on the platform, by his pen as editor of the *Journal of Education and Agriculture*, and as author of the Teacher's Text Book, all the members of the profession have been largely benefited.

It seems to us that no more fitting public testimonial could be provided than the erection of a memorial stone in the Cemetery at Truro. We think that it is only necessary to suggest this to the teachers of Nova Scotia, in order to secure a suitable memorial. We are sure that each Inspector will be pleased to receive the subscriptions of the Teachers in his county. A dollar from each Teacher in the Province would, we think, be sufficient. The value of such a memorial would be greatly enhanced if all the Teachers contributed something towards it, however small the amount.

We would suggest that those teachers who desire to contribute to this object, should hand their subscriptions to the Inspector as early as possible, in order that when the Educational Association meets at Christmas, the total amount may be known, and measures at once adopted to secure the erection of the memorial. A list of the subscribers will be duly published in the *Journal*.