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Ryerson Memorial Fund.

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DEAR SIR,

Owing to the absence of the Inspector, and other causes, the Circular and papers relating to the Ryerson Memorial Fund, issued last March, have, I understand, failed to reach you.

They will now be sent to you with this Circular. I would earnestly seek to enlist your sympathy and practical co-operation in the matter. I would also call your attention to the Appeal from the General Committee, which is sent herewith.

Permit me to suggest a simple way of securing a response from your school:—You might give notice that, on the following week you will devote *five minutes* at noon of each day to taking down a list of contributions, from a cent upwards, to the Fund.

In this way the pupils—and every one in the locality, through the children—will have an opportunity of contributing his or her mite to the erection of a Statue to one of Canada's most useful and most honoured sons.

I shall feel greatly obliged if you would kindly arrange to take up the proposed contributions some time *before* the Christmas week.

From one to two dollars contributed by each school to the grateful and generous object of erecting an enduring Memorial to the founder of our educational system would be sufficient to do so. Of his valued services to his native country you and I are fully aware.

Please address any communication which you may desire to make, on this subject, to R. W. Doan, Esq., 216 Carlton Street, Toronto, who, as a member of the General Committee, has kindly consented to act for the Committee in the matter.

Believe me,  
Very sincerely yours,

J. GEORGE HODGINS,  
*Chairman of General Committee.*

TORONTO, Dec. 6, 1882.