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has a right to expect from his forerunners the preservation for them of what the past has handed on to us. It was the lot of the men of five generations ago to do epoch making deeds, ours is the humble task to preserve the memorials of them. Our discharge of that duty will make it more easy, it may be, for our successors to rise to emergencies which may try their powers.

The preservation of historic sites is too large a task for private or co-operate undertaking. Indeed, part of its significance would be lost were it not the action of the people through their governments. They should acquire the land, defray the cost of removing all that obliterates or disfigures ancient remains, and give an annual grant to maintain the grounds. The most efficient way would be through a commission. For such work, if ill done is worse than neglect.

The posts of the besiegers should be marked as well as the defenses, the principal buildings and the streets. Here and there should be tablets, one to the exploit in landing of Brown, Hopkins and Grant; another to Vauquelin; a third to Madame Drucour.