

The capital of the column is 16.0 square, and 12.6 high. On each face is sculptured a figure of victory, 10.6 high, with extended arms, grasping military shields as volutes; the acanthus leaves being wreathed with palms, the whole after the manner of the antique. From the ground to the gallery at the top of the column, is continued a staircase of cut stone, worked with a solid nurel of 235 steps, and sufficiently lighted by loop-holes in the fluting of the column, and other circular wreathed openings.

Upon the abacus stands the cippas, supporting the statue of the hero, sculptured in military costume, 17.0 high, the left hand resting on the sword, the right arm extended, with baton. The height from the ground to the top of the statue is 190, exceeding that of any monumental column, ancient or modern, known, with the exception of that on Fish Street Hill, London, England, by Sir Christopher Wren, architect, in commemoration of the great fire of 1666, 202 feet high, which exceeds it in height by 12 feet.

Great praise is due to the contractor, Mr. J. Worthington, for the skilful manner in which the work was executed; some of the pieces of stone in the formation of the capital of the column, being nearly three tons in weight, and elevated about 160 feet from the ground, and not the slightest accident occurring to any of the workmen during the period of its erection.

The comparative heights of some of the principal monuments of the kind, ancient and modern, are as follows:—

	ENTIRE HEIGHT.
Pompey's Pillar.....	90.0
Trojan's Pillar.....	115.0
Antonia Column.....	123.0
Monument on Fish Street Hill.....	202.0
York Column.....	137.0
Napoleon Column, Paris.....	132.0
July Column, Paris.....	156.0
Alexander Column, St. Petersburg.....	175.6
Melville Column, Edinburgh.....	152.7
Nelson Column, Dublin.....	134.0
Nelson Column, Yarmouth.....	140.0
Nelson Column, London, from the level of the pavement in Trafalgar Square.....	171.0

Thus, then, there is only one column, either ancient or modern, in Europe, that exceeds the entire height of the Brock Monument, which is