

IA NATIONAL PARKS BUREAU

MEMORANDUM

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Ottawa, August 14, 1945.

Mr. G. J. Marty

Re: Chrysler's Farm

On the afternoon of August 3rd, I visited Chrysler's Farm, five miles east of Morrisburg, for the purpose of checking the amount of damage caused to the monument in the recent earthquake.

The monument, above the base, is composed of six rectangular blocks of grey granite topped by a tapered head block with three vertical grooves cut on the south side. The force of the earthquake loosened the 5th, 6th, and head blocks turning them slightly to the south west. The maximum displacement which appeared to be about 3" is at the joint between the 6th block and the head block. The head block shows a marked turn to the south west, the south east corner projecting about 3" over block 6.

There would appear to be little danger of any further movement except in case of another earthquake. The appearance however is definitely spoiled. From the way these blocks have shifted, I do not think that any dowls were used in the original construction. If they had been I do not think that any damage would have occurred, and this might be a good point to consider when repairs are made.

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