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NOTE ON A STANDING STONE NEAR FORD, ARGYLLSHIRE. By  
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The following is a short description of a standing stone which I visited last summer on the recommendation of the Rev. R. J. Mapleton of Duntroon.

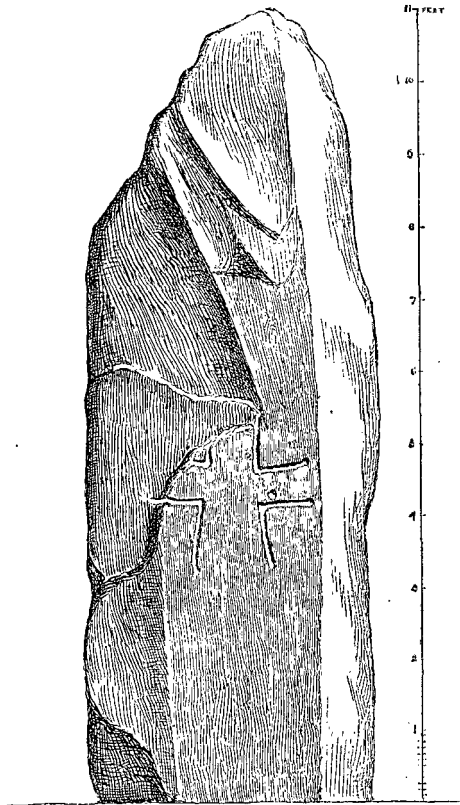
*Locality.*—The stone is situated 150 yards north of Torrens Farm, which is  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a mile north of the landing place for the steamers near Ford at the south end of Loch Awe, Argyleshire (Ordnance Map, sheet 37).

*Situation.*—The stone lies at the foot of the hills bounding the west side of Loch Awe, not very far from the shore. The view commanded from this point, although picturesque, is not by any means striking.

*Form—Material—Dimensions.*—The stone is a monolith of unhewn whinstone of irregular shape. It is 11 feet high and 4 feet by 2 feet 8 inches at the base.

*Sculpture.*—At a height of 4 feet from the ground is an incised cross of rude outline, and on the right limb of it a very decided cup mark. The outline is not continued round the ends of the cross, as is usually the case,

but four open gaps are left. The upper portion of the cross on the left side is incomplete, as the stone appears to have scaled away. I saw nothing which led me to suppose that the cross was recent. There are no other marks on the stone which I could detect.



Stone, near Ford, Argyllshire.

*Other Standing Stones.*—Between Ford and Kilmartin are two other standing stones. The first, 100 yards west of the road half a mile from Ford. It is 9 feet 6 inches high, and 2 feet by 1 foot 9 inches at the base.

The second is close to the road on the east side, 1 mile from Ford. It is 14 feet high and 3 feet by 4 feet at the base. The material is slate. It inclines considerably from the perpendicular. Neither of these stones is sculptured.