



4012.—The Washington Monument is a stupendous shaft of granite, 555 feet, 51/8 inches in height. It is 55 feet square at the base, 34 feet at the top, and terminates in a pyramid of pure aluminum. The foundation of rock and cement is 36 feet deep, 126 feet square. The cornerstone was laid in 1848, the Monument was finished in 1885. It is the highest work of masonry in the world.

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