



the cornwall park obelisk

During Sir John's extensive overseas travels, he visited Karnak, Egypt, where he had viewed an obelisk which captivated him, recording:

"I stood and gazed and admired, and admired and gazed again at this beautiful object. I love an obelisk over every other Egyptian antiquity, and would almost travel the Nile to see the one before which I now stood."

Left image reference: 'View of the Ruins of the Temple of Karnak': a watercolour and gouache painting, 1852, by David Roberts.