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THE re-erection of this wayside Cross, in the summer of 1936, marked the accomplishment of a scheme which had been under consideration before the Great War. The socket stone and three tiers of steps had long lain, partly buried, behind a hedge in Childwall Lane. The shaft had disappeared. In 1932 the Marquess of Salisbury, upon whose property the stones lay, expressed his willingness to give sufficient land to form a permanent enclosure round the Cross, provided that the Corporation of Liverpool would undertake the future maintenance of the site and that the details of the work and lay-out were approved by this Society. The Cross has been re-erected, with a new shaft, within a few feet of its ancient site. The lowest tier of steps appeared to have been undisturbed and no objects were found which would enable the approximate date of the Cross to be determined. The work, shown in the photograph here reproduced, has been carried out by Messrs. Morrison & Sons, Ltd., in accordance with plans prepared by Mr. H. Hinchcliffe Davies, A.R.I.B.A., the foreman mason being Mr. John Calland. The thanks of the community are due to the Marquess of Salisbury, Messrs. R. H. Armstrong and R. R. P. Roberts (his solicitors), the Corporation of Liverpool and its officials, and Mr. H. A. Maples. The cost of the work (other than that part undertaken by the Corporation) was £101 10s., which was defrayed by subscriptions from the following :

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