Page 19, No. 2. Talon was the most capable of all the Intendants of French Canada. He was in power from 1663 to 1668, and 1670-1672. He not only encouraged exploration of the interior by such men as La Salle, Joliet, Marquette and Du Lhut, but encouraged various industries and was especially solicitious about agriculture. He laid out three model villages near Quebee, to serve as an example to the rest of the colony.

Page 19, No. 3. Intendant. "The Intendant of Canada was an officer charged with the duty of enforcing a minute system of regulations in the colony, and incidentally keeping a watch upon the governor's actions." (Fiske.) "The Intendant was the King's agent. . . . virtually a spy on the governor-general, of whose proceedings and everything else that took place he was required to make report." (Parkman.)

Page 20, No. 1. Carignan was the name of a French village, and was also given to that of the first regiment of French regular soldiers sent over in 1685 to defend the Canadians from the Iroquois Indians, who made persistent war upon them.

Pege 20, No. 2. Livre. An old French coin, of about the same value as the modern franc (twenty cents).

Page 21, No. 1. Absolutism. That system of government in which the supreme power is vested in a ruler uncheeked by any constitution or laws.