

1877, and on it's site was erected our present city Hall.

No. 31.—The Upper Town Market:

In the centre stood the Market Hall, a circular construction a hundred feet in diameter and crowned by a wooden dome a hundred feet high. The lower portion was in stone but the dome and covering thereof in wood.

The public naturally murmured at the presence of such an eye sore in the centre of the city and even pointed out the danger of a general conflagration were it ever to take fire. Lambert is his travels says: "there is not an inhabitant of Quebec. "Who does not view it with disgust every time he "passes it, except the three magistrates, who no "doubt fancy they have immortalized themselves "by it's erection."

No. 32.—The Seminary:

Adjoining the Cathedral stands that ancient and eminent seat of learning, the Quebec Seminary, founded by Mgr. de Laval, in 1663. Like most other prominent buildings in the city, it also paid it's debt to the fire fiend.

Twice, during the life time of it's venerable founder it was razed to the ground by conflagrations, in 1701 and again in 1705. During the siege of 1759 it suffered considerable damage, and was partially destroyed again by fire in 1772. In