

charger, and courteously greeting, but with down cast countenance, some poor women, horrified at his appearance, and telling them that he was not seriously hurt and not to weep for him!

Varied indeed are the incidents and spectacles recalled by this historic street.

At the corner opposite to this spot lived Abbé Vignal, previous to his joining the *Sulpiciens*, in Montreal. In October, 1661, he was captured by the Iroquois, at *La Prairie de la Magdeleine*, near Montreal, roasted alive and partly eaten by these fiends incarnate.

Nineteen years previous, on a blustery Saturday night in December, 1775, the peaceable denizens of St. Louis street had been startled from their sleep at 5 a.m., by the loud voice of the officer on duty, Capt. Fraser, rushing down the street, towards the main guard at the Recollects, exclaiming at beat of drum "*To arms! To arms!*" The solitary sentry making his rounds on the St. John bastion, in the gathering storm, had reported an armed body of men, as if marching to assault the city gates. It was the feint entrusted to Col. Livingstone, while the Commander-in-Chief, Richard Montgomery, and his intrepid lieutenant, Col. Benedict Arnold, were marching under cover of night, intending to meet him at the foot of Mountain Hill which they were to ascend and storm Quebec.—*Sed Diis aliter visum!*

Facing Garden street we shall meet the *Academy of Music* and next to it, the *St. Louis Hotel*.

On, on we go, past the imposing new Court House, just completed on the site of the former one, dating back to 1814 and destroyed by fire 1st February, 1871.

In this neighborhood also, in 1764, Brown and Gilmore printed, twenty-four years before the *London Times*, the first number of the *Quebec Gazette* "two doors higher than the Secretary's office" wherever the latter may have been. The venerable sheet died of old age 110 years later, in 1874, merged into the *QUEBEC MORNING CHRONICLE*.

There still stands on the east corner of Haldimand and St. Louis streets, the spacious, modernized old Kent House, the winter-quarters, 1791-94, of H. R. H. Prince Edward,