

centuries ago went forth to discover, to govern, to trade and to convert. On St. Paul Street, just east of Place Royale, stood the birth place of Pierre and Jean-Baptiste Le Moyne, the men who discovered the mouth of the Mississippi river in 1699, founded New Orleans, and who were between them governors of Louisiana for forty-six years.

Between 1666 and 1668, Jacques Marquette, the great Jesuit missionary and discoverer, was a familiar figure in Ville-Marie, and he left the banks of the St. Lawrence on his voyage of discovery to the Mississippi. It was to Montreal that Sir William Johnson, of Johnson Hall on the Mohawk, came in 1760, and on the site of the present Bonsecours Market stood the residence occupied by his son, Sir John Johnson, Indian commissioner, and it was here that peace conferences were held with the great Indian chiefs Brant and Tecumseh.

At the corner of St. Peter and St. Paul streets, stood the residence of Robert Cavalier, Sieur de La Salle. It was in 1666 that La Salle came to Montreal to go, ten years later, on his voyage of discovery into the Northwest and thence down to the gulf of Mexico. On the lower road leading from Montreal to Lachine, can still be seen the remains of a fortified seigniorial chateau which tradition asserts was the home of La Salle in the year 1668.

Near the Place d'Armes, stood the house of Sieur du Luth, after whom the city of Duluth in Minnesota is named. On Notre Dame Street, just west of St. Lambert Hill, was the residence of La Mothe Cadillac, who left the then little French village, to proceed westward and found the now beautiful city of Detroit.

In the years which came after, such men as Washington, Irving, General Montgomery, Benjamin Franklin, Arnold, Chase, Carroll and John Jacob Astor followed one after the other to Montreal, each leaving a lasting imprint in the city's history.

A little tablet at the corner of Notre-Dame and St. John streets, with the following inscription: "Forretier House. Here General Montgomery resided during the winter of 1775-6" reminds us that the city was once in the hands of our southern neighbors Sir Guy Carle-