

contend, almost unaided, against overwhelming odds. Until the year 1665, the Iroquois and their allies prosecuted their incursions so fiercely and successfully, that the country was nearly reduced to the brink of ruin. It might really have succumbed, had not at length the court of France, after repeated demands, come to the rescue of the well nigh exhausted colony.

(To be concluded in our next.)

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### EARLY LIGHTING OF MONTREAL.

**W**E have been requested by some respectable inhabitants to notice that the oil used by the lamplighters is poured in such profusion and so negligently into the lamps, that the clothes of those who pass beneath are very frequently soiled by the drops that leak from them. We have been assured that a pint of oil has frequently been emptied by the same persons from the bottom of the lamp, where it had been suffered to accumulate and thus been wasted, to the additional expense of the inhabitants. It is desired that those whose province it is may take occasion to put a stop to this grievance.—*Canadian Courant*, Sept. 15, 1819.

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“RIGHT AWAY.”—I have always supposed this to be the purest of Americanisms when used in the sense of “immediately,” and that any Englishman who heard it for the first time would understand it to mean, not a short time, but a long distance. But only a few weeks since, in Yorkshire, I heard a girl (I beg her pardon—a young lady) say from behind a counter, to a gentleman who was doubtful whether to carry home the cake he had just purchased, “It will be delivered directly, sir; the boy is going past your door right away.”—*Notes and Queries*.