

The Indian village of Lorette is upon part of a reservation of sixteen hundred acres, owned in common by the tribe, which numbers now about four hundred souls. The village exhibits evidences of thrift and comfort. In addition to the proceeds of their cultivated lands, the Indians derive quite a revenue from traffic, and each person receives annually from the Government one blanket, three yards of cloth, and some powder and shot. They are all Roman Catholics, and speak the French language. They have a neat parish church, similar in form to that of Nôtre Dame des Victoires, in the Lower Town of Quebec; and upon the green in front of it is a small cannon.

CHURCH OF NOTRE DAME DES VICTOIRES.

This ancient church fronts the little market-place, and stands upon the site of the fort constructed by Cartier's men in 1535. It is one of the oldest ecclesiastical edifices in the city, and was erected previously to 1690. It was nearly consumed by fire during Wolfe's bombardment, when a great portion of the Lower Town was destroyed. It was afterwards repaired, when it assumed its present form. The interior is quite plain.