

metropolis of Canada, and one of the handsomest cities in America, is situated upon the south shore of an island formed at the point where the river Ottawa debouches into the St. Lawrence. The latter river is about a mile and a-half wide opposite the city, and the whole frontage is lined with massive

conducted by Chief Donnacana to the mountain top, and impressed with the sylvan beauty of the scene, he named the spot "Mont Royal." Visions of Champlain's attempt to find the Indian village, meanwhile swept away by a hostile tribe, and the various mutations up to the date of Montreal



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walls, quays and terraces of gray lime-stone. Looking around at magnificent public buildings, at the noble thoroughfares, at the palatial residences nestling at the foot of the mountain and in other picturesque *environs*, one's memory instinctively reverts to 1535, when Jacques Cartier first visited the present site of Montreal, then the Indian village of Hochelaga, upon which occasion it was that,

becoming permanently British, crowd upon us and add to the interest of the scene.

Having selected an hotel—an easy matter. Montreal being well supplied in this respect—the visitor would do well to drive over the city and through Mont Royal Park, which is, in the language of Lord Dufferin, "the finest park in the world." The mountain is bordered by gardens and ornamental enclo-