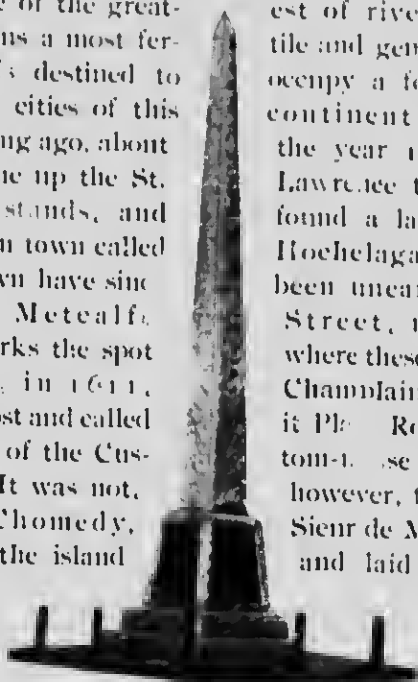


MONTREAL

Province of Quebec, Canada

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MONTREAL, a city of some 350,000 souls, so named from the mountain between whose base and the mighty St. Lawrence the city lies, is the commercial metropolis and national port of the Dominion of Canada. Situated at the head of navigation of one of the greatest of rivers — a river which drains a most fertile and generous land — Montreal is destined to occupy a foremost rank among the cities of this continent and of the world. Long ago, about the year 1535, Jacques Cartier came up the St. Lawrence to where the city now stands, and found a large well-fortified Indian town called Hochelaga. Relics of this old town have since been unearthed and a tablet on Metcalfe Street, near Sherbrooke, marks the spot where these were found. Later on, in 1611, Champlain established a trading post and called it Ple Royale; a tablet in front of the Customs-house now marks the spot. It was not, however, till 1642 that Paul de Chomedy, Sieur de Maisonneuve, landed on the island and laid the lasting foundation of the city. For almost a century and a quarter, Canada remained a French colony, and not till the Treaty of Paris in 1763, did Montreal become a British city. Since then, French and English have lived together, happily and prosperously side by side, each in the enjoyment of his own language and religion, both working strenuously for the development of Montreal as a national port, and a port which will eventually be second to none upon the continent.



Monument to Commemorate the Landing of Maisonneuve.

The early history of the United States is indelibly blended with that of Montreal, for it was from this city that many of the strong men of one, two and three