

Wondered why the quest of knowledge  
Should their bodies make so weary,  
Wondered why these halls of learning  
Rivals were of eagles' eyry.  
Still another knotty problem  
Was the spot to build a market,  
And then, after wild discussion,  
'Twas the Upper Town which triumphed!  
But the architect who planned it,  
Knowing Romish Church was needed,  
And as Romanist the man was,  
In the shape of cross contrived it,  
So that if in the near future  
It should be for sale, his churchmen  
Could it purchase for a chapel.  
But it ne'er served as a chapel,  
But a short time as a market.  
Still this building, now historic  
Served for many different uses.  
In one room the city fathers  
Held their grave deliberations,  
Thrashed out all the various questions  
Which concerned the public welfare.  
There the school-board held its meetings,  
Oft discussed in solemn conclave,  
How to train the young idea  
With the scanty means forthcoming.  
In that room too, many a culprit  
Tremblingly awaited sentence,