

hibiting altogether the wretchedness of the *indwellers* and their wish even at the expence, maybe of half a meal, of manifesting their loyalty no less forcibly than millions of dazzling coloured lamps and costly transparencies could have done. There reigned the whole town over, from the residence of our Sovereign Representative to the dwelling of the humble mechanic, a chaste uniformity distinguished by the elegant simplicity displayed in every window from top to bottom, and we do affirm that the brilliancy resulting from that uniformity, and varied simplicity and universality was never surpassed, if equalled, at least as to its effect, by the most splendid illuminations we have ever witnessed on the most remarkable events.

But the occurrences of those days of public rejoicings have been passed over without any notice, although in our humble opinion, they were certainly worth recording, as being highly creditable to the citizens of a city so populous as this. We mean the extraordinary good order that has reigned during those three days, which in many other places would have been characterized by riot and drunkenness. It will be hardly credited that many thousands of human beings of all classes, conditions, age and profession, being crowded together on the square before the *Chateau* from six o'clock till half past eight, anxiously waiting for the display of the fire works never for a single moment gave the least sign of impatience. We were present almost the whole time, and it was with astonishment that we did not even hear the shrill tone of a Catcall, and the stillness which reigned almost constantly among the multitude was only from time to time interrupted by the report of some crackers and of some pistols fired by boys. We confess with the Editor of a Newspaper that this firing was an infraction of the rules of police, but we must add that there are circumstances in which such petty infractions of petty laws must be looked over, for fear that too much severity might lead to more serious mischiefs than could result from the firing of crackers and pistols. Weak and debilitated must be the nervous system which could be hurt by these innocent amusements. To those sensitive beings we would advise to remain quiet and snug at home on such occasions, for it is to be hoped that the very wise recommendations to the peace officers mixed with the crowd, to be rather too cautious in their interference than to make too lightly a wanton display of their authority, will on every such festivities be renewed.

The evening of the illumination was not less conspicuous in regard to good order and tranquillity. To behold the streets for two or three hours at night filled with almost the whole of the population of the city, to witness a motley croud composed of military and civilians, of English and Canadians, of old and young, of high and low, crossing and recrossing each other without giving or receiving any offence would almost start credulity itself. It seemed as if the sense of loyalty had absorbed every other motive