

Queries and Replies.

What was the first monument, of any kind, erected, and the date, or anything marking the spot where Wolfe died on the Plains of Abraham, Quebec?

What are considered the five oldest buildings, irrespective of the old round towers on Sherbrooke street, standing to-day in Montreal, with date of erection?

A man-of-war (the "St. Lawrence," 102 guns) is shown in an engraving on a corner of one of Bouchette's large maps of Lower Canada, 1815. Can any of your readers tell us anything about this vessel?

Where can I find, and what do you consider, the best small engraved or other portrait of Gen. Montcalm? J. H.

THE PLACE D'ARMES.—On 18th August, 1717, Chaussegros de Lery, Engineer-in-Chief of New France, forwarded to France a lengthy report as to the advantages offered by Montreal for the purposes of fortifications. In this report he said:—

"I have marked a Place d'Armes in front of the Parish Church, where might be made afterwards a number of barracks, the houses which are in that place being of small value. The enclosure is marked upon the ground conformably to the plan," etc., etc.

During the same year DeLery commenced the work, but from lack of funds it was discontinued. Up to 1721 no further progress was made, but in that year the work was fairly entered upon, and DeLery superintended it. It may, therefore, be taken for granted that the name *Place d'Armes* was given by DeLery long before the occupation of the town by the American troops. Moreover, it would be very unlikely that Gen. Montgomery would give it the French name. H. M.

Publications Received.

AN ADDRESS delivered before the Historical Society of New Brunswick in the City of St. John, Dominion of Canada, 4th July, 1883, by Gen John Watts de Peyster, LL.D., A.M., Brev. Maj.-Gen., S.N.Y., Honorary Member N.B.H.S. New York: Chas. H. Ludwig, 10 and 12 Reade street. 1883.—I am indebted to Mr. J. W. Lawrence, of St. John, for this pamphlet.

MR. CHARLES N. BELL, F.R.G.S., the President of the Historical and Scientific Society of Manitoba, sends the following valuable publications of papers from his pen:—