



Points of Interest.



SCENE OF MONTGOMERY'S ASSAULT.

Some distance farther on, where the cliff makes a sheer ascent from the road, we come to a bronze tablet set into the face of the rock. It records the act of the "undaunted fifty", in repelling the attack on the city by Brigadier-General Richard Montgomery December 31st 1775. A few feet higher up the precipice, a board, with the device "Montgomery Fell, Dec. 31st 1775" indicates nearly the exact spot, where that rash but brave soldier terminated an adventurous career. At the moment of his attack, he was acting in conjunction with the ill-starred Benedict Arnold who, simultaneously, was leading a detachment some 400 strong, from the other direction to attack the Sault-au-Matelot barricade. This barrier was situated at the junction of what is now St James and Sault-au-Matelot streets. The purpose of the attacking generals was to join forces at the foot of Mountain Hill, up which they expected to enter the city with little opposition. Their plans, however, miscarried, Montgomery meeting his death at Pres-de-Ville, and Arnold being repulsed with heavy loss, at Sault-au-Matelot.
