

A curious plan of the harbor, dated 1788, shows "the proposed town and post by the settlement," a square plot, with a broad esplanade on each of the four sides. Citizens who are interested in the historical development of the broken front, and the Lake Shore Indian trail, will note the picturesque forerunner of the new boulevard in the initial ride taken by Governor Simcoe and his lady, when they entered by the peninsula on their way to Gibraltar Point. In 1818 a royal patent was issued for a permanent broad promenade, to be called the Mall, succeeding the Indian footpath along the water. But the trustees were powerless to avert railway encroachment, and the Esplanade as



Overlooking the Humber River, from the east bank

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