

will make Milton and Liverpool cheap and popular manufacturing centres.

The canoe trip through this lake and river system is one of exceptional beauty.

POINTS OF INTEREST.

The Fort makes a delightful public park. Unfortunately the old blockhouse has gone, and some forty cannon of early George III type have been utilized for street corner posts—a retirement more useful than honourable—from which it is hoped they will be rescued at an early date to form an imposing addition to the present Battery.

As it is, however, the old Fort, with its light-house and cannon, turf, seats and shade, and magnificent outlook over the harbour, is a most pleasant lounging place, and a romantic terminus to Liverpool's wonderful street of bright shops, public buildings, and fine residences. It is of little use to seek for blood-stains on this historic spot, though the Fort was actually captured in 1780 by an unexpected night attack led by Benjamin Cole. The townsmen were inclined to think resistance useless, but Col. Simeon Perkins (the "man of the time" in Liverpool) arranged for the capture of Cole on his way through the town, and with him safely in hand was enabled to dictate to the enemy most favourable terms of redress, capitulation and retreat. So ended the *Siege of Liverpool*.

Adjoining the Fort is the original *business centre*, a picturesque little cove, where ship-building is still carried on, and where a group of old houses still remains, including the Customs House.

Liverpool gains a peculiar interest from the fact