

Government offered a reward of £20 in the hope of discovering who had cut off the said citizen's ears.

Throughout the Revolutionary War, the subsequent strife between England and France and Spain, and the later war with the United States, Liverpool privateers played a very active part. Many a loss was sustained, and many a prize brought in triumph into Liverpool Harbour. On the whole, the balance was all with Liverpool, which emerged richer and more prosperous than before, with both the means and the energy for building a greater prosperity in the future. Incidentally, the great fortune of the Hon. Enos Collins, long reputed the richest man in the province, and himself Liverpool born though trading from Halifax, was founded on the winnings of his Liverpool privateer captains.

Haliburton, in 1829, wrote "Liverpool is the best built town in Nova Scotia. The houses are substantially good and well painted, and there is an air of regularity and neatness in the place which distinguishes it from every other town in this province."

This description would not be far wrong in the present day. Though lack of railway communication in the past has kept the town back, Liverpool is with great strides overtaking competitors more fortunate in this respect, always keeping that peculiar attractiveness noted by Haliburton so long ago. She has to-day a fine water and electric light service, first-class hotels, electric marine slip and ship-yards, a foundry, machine-shop and corn-mill, a local railway (to Milton), and is in every way a progressive and up-to-date town.

The RIVER MERSEY is a rapid stream with numerous Falls for nineteen and one-half miles from "Indian Garden" to Liverpool. A Lake system of fifty square miles supplies the river, and when properly developed