



**A** BOUT the year 1812 the old fur traders, the North West Company,

established a post at the junction of what are now called the North and South Thompson Rivers

The name Kamloops is the Indian equivalent for "Meeting of the Waters." Its excellent water communications and its central position in open country, affording excellent grazing for horses and cattle, commended it, and here the Indians gathered from all parts of the country. Evidently both they and the fur traders had foresight and commercial enterprise.

Some 70 years later the Canadian Pacific Railway engineers, confirming the judgment of their predecessors, selected Kamloops as a divisional point, as did the Canadian Northern Railway engineers still more recently, bringing here another transcontinental railroad.

There are valid reasons why the City will always hold a commanding position in this great province. Kamloops' location geographically has made it the most important city in a very large district. It is 250 miles from Vancouver,