

the Spences Bridge band, are sometimes collectively called "people of Thompson River."

Besides these, there are the usual names attached to every little band or community, which is simply the name of the place or village they inhabit, with the suffix "-mux" ("people"), as we might say in our language "people of London," "people of Liverpool," etc. This method of designating their folk according to the several towns to which they belong, is, so far as I know, the only one employed by the Lower Thompson Indians.

Among the Upper Thompson Indians, the people of some of the bands or villages are sometimes called after the name of their chief. For instance, the people on Thompson River immediately above Spences Bridge, who occupy two or three small villages, but are under one chief, are called Să'itkinamuxs ha Cumaxa'te'tza ("people of Cumaxa'te'tza," this being the name of the chief). This custom, however, is of recent origin.

The differences in dialect between the several divisions of the tribe are very trifling. A few words only are used in a different sense, while others vary slightly in pronunciation. The difference in dialect between the lower and upper divisions is most clearly marked. The former seem to have borrowed several words from their neighbors of the coast.

During the last twenty-five or thirty years, owing to increased intercourse and prolonged visits among the different divisions of the tribe, there appears to have been a tendency towards assimilation of the dialects. The lower half of the tribe affect the dialect current among the upper half. Through association with the white man, several new words have been introduced into the language. Most of these have reference to names of things new to the Indian.

The following is a fairly accurate list of villages belonging to the upper divisions of the tribe:—

VILLAGES OF THE LYTTON BAND

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Location.</i>
1. Nlaqla'kitin ("the crossing-place," "place for crossing the river"), Kanaka Bar.....	On Fraser River, about 11 miles below Lytton (some Indians class it with the Lower Thompsons).
2. Si'ska ("uncle"), Cisco.....	On Fraser River, about 8 miles below Lytton.
3. Nqa'ia (from nqa'ieX, "to swim")...	West side of Fraser River, about 2 miles below Lytton.
4. Lkamtc'i'n ("confluence" [of rivers]), Lytton.....	South side of Thompson River, at its junction with the Fraser.
5. Neqa'umîn or Nqau'mîn (so named because the water comes from a lake called Nqauma'tko ["wolf lake or water"], from sqaum ["wolf"]), Thompson.....	South side of Thompson River, about 10 miles above Lytton.