

amateur prospector has cooled; and the business of mining has settled down to the matter of fact level of hard work with drill, pick and shovel.

There are many promising prospects that invite further work, and it is a great pity that capital has been so tardy in making its way here. So far as

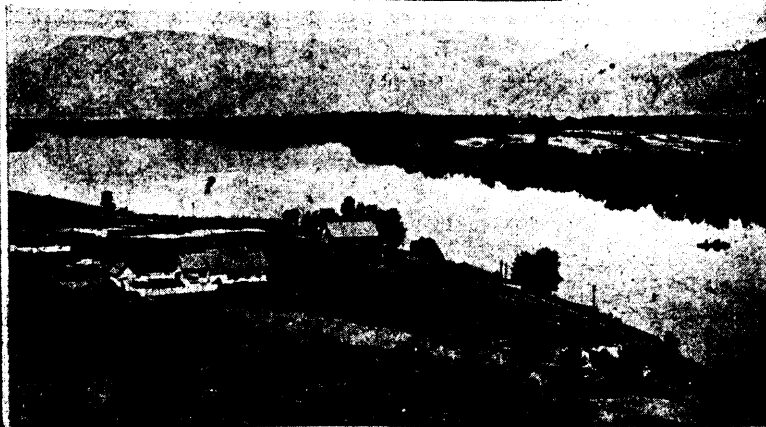
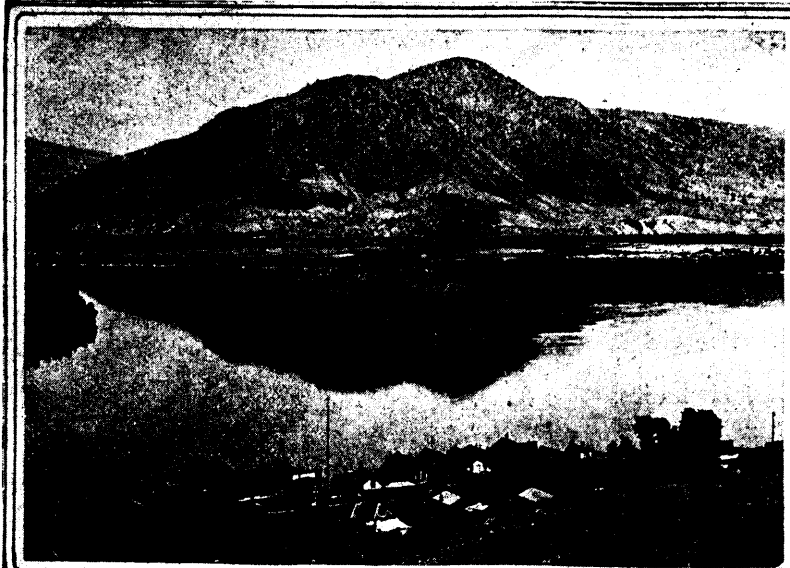
operating machinery can be obtained, will be of valuable assistance. The water rights of this creek, and also of Lewis Creek, some miles higher up the North Thompson, have recently been acquired by a local company for power and irrigation purposes. There are a number of streams in this district whose waters might be turned to good account, if properly handled, either for irrigation requirements or for generating power. For the latter purpose, as the power would in most instances have to be transmitted for some distance, the installation of electric power stations, or the establishment of the Taylor system for the supply of compressed air, could be readily achieved.

This question of power will be an important one should the expectations regarding the future of Kamloops mining district be realized.

It would appear that the Taylor system of hydraulically compressing air is particularly applicable for the utilization of the force of small mountain streams, streams that would not be sufficient, perhaps, to provide, without prohibitive expense, the power necessary for the successful and

surface indications go, Kamloops camp shows up as well as many more talked of localities and better than most, and the deeper work performed on the claims mentioned (the deepest shaft, however, is only some 160 feet down) is demonstrating that these superficial showings

are well worth investigating, but capital is badly needed. Coal Hill is the nearest mineral district to the town, but near at hand are iron, cinnabar, silver-lead, gold (placer and quartz), and coal deposits, in addition to the copper-gold ores of Coal Hill and elsewhere. While Coal Hill will in all probability be the first to make a good showing, the fact must not be overlooked that the North Thompson country is a very promising field. A number of claims near Jamieson Creek have been prospected to some extent, though not with sufficient thoroughness to demonstrate their value, though, so far, the result is encouraging. The ore is a mixed low grade, bearing copper, gold, lead, silver, antimony and zinc. Here, again, capital is needed in order to prove the value of these prospects, and if this is provided, the proximity of Jamieson Creek, from which stream enormous water-power for



1. Old Town of Kamloops Showing Mount St. Paul and Junction North and South Branches Thompson River.
2. Old Hudson Bay Buildings and Ferry, West End Kamloops.
3. East and Upper End Kamloops.

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economical working of an electric plant. Should neither of these means—electricity or compressed air—be utilized as sources of power, there still remains steam, which is a lower stage in the plan of the