

Shawinigan Falls, P. Q.

THE EVOLUTION OF A MODERN MANUFACTURING COMMUNITY. .

THE STORY OF HOW IN THREE YEARS THE FOREST GAVE PLACE
TO A THRIVING CITY WITH NUMEROUS LARGE INDUSTRIES. .

It was in the latter part of the eighteenth century that the agents of the Hudson Bay Company first penetrated to the upper waters of the St. Maurice, established several trading posts, and there collected each season's supply of furs for the European market. This was long after the settlement of the City of Three Rivers, which in 1618 was the head of navigation on the St. Lawrence and which later became the

**The St. Maurice
River and its
Early History**