

the factories and work-shops which may be established later on, the construction of which has already been commenced on a very large scale.

Among the principal falls to be met with along the St. Maurice are the falls of La Tuque, of Grand'Mère, of Shawenegan, of des Piles and of des Grés.

*The falls of La Tuque.* — Situated at the head of the navigation of the river, surrounded by fertile lands, acting as the intermediary of the trade of the Hudson's Bay Company with Three Rivers, in easy and comparatively close communication with lake St. John by the river Croche, provided with immense retaining booms to hold the timber and lumber of commerce brought down by the tributaries of the St. Maurice, the present post of La Tuque may look forward to a rapid growth and to its speedy transformation into a flourishing city.

The recent erection at Grand'Mère of two enormous constructions, one for the manufacture of pulp and the other for that of paper, has established in that locality, which a few years ago was absolutely barren of habitation or cultivation, the foundation of a center of population and industry which already counts a population of more than three thousand souls.

The same may be said of the falls of Shawenegan where vast enterprizes have been undertaken and where works of various kinds have been established, among others, paper and pulp mills, establishment for the manufacture of carburet of calcium, of materials for railroads, &c. ; as a result the District of Three Rivers which up to the present has attracted but little attention, will in the near future become one of the most active fields of labor in the Province.

*The Mattawin.* — This river is the largest tributary of the St. Maurice : the surrounding country is covered with magnificent forest and cut up by small rivers and lakes abounding in fish. In the angle formed by the meeting of the St. Maurice and the Mattawin, can be