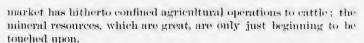
97/M K15



From Otter Flat to Nicola Lake the country is agricultural; round Nicola Lake, past Quilchena (a beautiful health resort) and Rockford, mineral claims have been staked and the assays have been good, while at Stump Lake, a little further on the line of the suggested railway, the sum of \$100,000 has already been spent. From Stump Lake to Kamloops the country is devoted to the ranges, with fruit and vegetables for domestic use round he houses, and the country is full of copper-bearing veins, some of which are being developed, though the industry, by reason of its newness, is still in its infancy. That a road would pay, provided the difficult Penticton to Princeton section were got over, there is very little doubt, and there seems every prospect of its accomplishment.



Of Kamloops itself, it is not necessary to say very much, as the future of Kamloops is assured in any case, but for the information of those who only have heard of the city, as a health resort, we will give a few facts. Kamloops is the leading city of the interior, on the main line of the C.P.R. It lies at the junction of the north and south branches of the Thompson River, both of which are navigable streams for long distances either way, and the position it occupies has made it the business centre and rendezvous of an immense district. There are numerous offices of both Provincial and Dominion Governments, and the courts of justice, jail and other necessary institutions are seated in the city. The population is under 2,000, but increases steadily every day. The electric light and waterworks systems are owned by the municipal government, and the taxation is less than in any other important city in the West. The C.P.R. have made it a centre, and have a pay roll of \$12,000 a month. The stock-yards are worked to their full capacity, to meet the cattle interests of the district. The mining is in

