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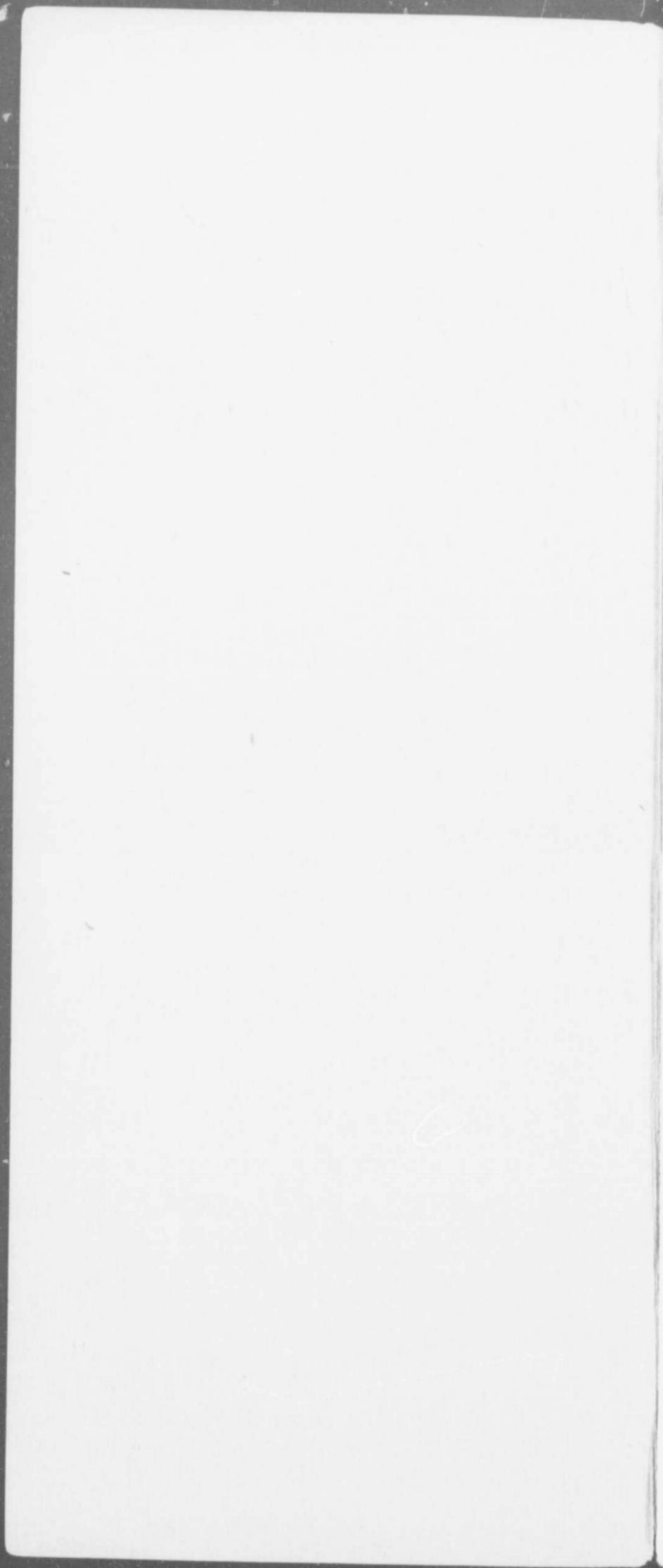
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THE
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The Sun
Shines
every
Day in
Kamloops

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ABOUT the year 1812 the old fur traders, the North West Company,

established a post at the junction of what are now called the North and South Thompson Rivers

The name Kamloops is the Indian equivalent for "Meeting of the Waters." Its excellent water communications and its central position in open country, affording excellent grazing for horses and cattle, commended it, and here the Indians gathered from all parts of the country. Evidently both they and the fur traders had foresight and commercial enterprise.

Some 70 years later the Canadian Pacific Railway engineers, confirming the judgment of their predecessors, selected Kamloops as a divisional point, as did the Canadian Northern Railway engineers still more recently, bringing here another transcontinental railroad.

There are valid reasons why the City will always hold a commanding position in this great province. Kamloops' location geographically has made it the most important city in a very large district. It is 250 miles from Vancouver,

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390 from Calgary, and 540 from Edmonton, with no possible rival between it and those cities.

Kamloops is one of the most progressive cities in the Great West. With a popula-



May Day Procession, 1915 - The Main Street

tion of about 5000, it can boast with pardonable pride of having splendidly kept streets and pavements, with brilliant electric cluster lights on the main thoroughfares. Its trees and boulevards in the residential area, excellent water service and extensive telephone system are all evidence



A Geographical Centre

of progressiveness. In every sense the City can claim to compare well with any other in the

West of anything like similar size, excluding only the two chief Coast centres.

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Business Buildings and Institutions

Many Government officials, both Federal and Provincial, are located in this "Capital



The Fire Brigade

of the Interior," and there is one beautiful building devoted to governmental work, the Provincial

Court House. The Dominion Government has voted funds for the erection of a new Post Office and other Government quarters. The Canadian Bank of Commerce, Royal Bank of Canada, the Imperial Bank of Canada, and the Bank of Hamilton, as well as the famous Hudson's Bay Co., for their Department Store, have striking modern buildings of their own. The Royal Inland Hospital, Provincial Pioneer Home for Old Men, and the Pro-



A Typical Residential Street

vincial Jail, are three institutions with well kept gardens and lawns, which constitute one of Kamloops' minor attractions.

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The Public and Private Schools are spacious, substantial and thoroughly up-to-date



The Provincial Court House

and there are several conveniently situated Churches in the District.



A Celebrated Trout Stream

likely to be acquired later for conversion into a natural park with magnificent views.

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Hydro-Electric Power System

In 1912 the City adopted a project to generate power at the Barriere River, some

40 miles north of Kamloops. This great enterprise has cost close upon \$500,000. In 1913 a new power house was built, which with the plant and machinery cost about \$200,000.

At present 2500 horse-power can be generated at the Barriere River plant, but 6,000 or 7,000 extra horse-power can be added when required. An additional 2,500 h.p. is also available from the steam plant, used as an auxiliary when needed. The City is now prepared to furnish cheap power and light for manufacturing, domestic or other purposes. It is already supply-



The Kamloops Banks

ing the Iron Mask Mine with all its power requirements. Farmers all along the main power line and extensions can utilise it

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also for pumping water for irrigation and other purposes.

City Market

In June, 1914, a public market was



C. P. R. Depot

opened on a central site. The plan is similar to that followed in many European towns. The first year's results have proved that the farmers and citizens have both been able to benefit considerably. A Live Stock Market is contem-

plated and the recent remount purchases for the army showed that Kamloops is ahead of any point west of Winnipeg for the numbers and quality of horses sold. A Remount Depot may be established here as a result.



Modern Residences

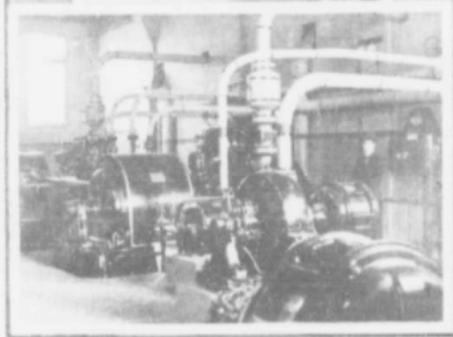
Transportation

There are admirable transportation facilities, both by rail and water. Having the

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Canadian Pacific Railway and the Canadian Northern Railway, two great transcontinental lines, and prospects of a branch of the C.N.R. to the Okanagan District, the City is bound to grow. Another possibility before long is a short line to Clinton, about



Municipal Electric Plant

60 miles north - west of the City, where connection would be made with the P. G. & E. Line and thus with the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway.

The building of the C. N. R.'s new branch line, which is already surveyed to Merritt,

would, with a short link of 20 miles, give connection with the Great Northern Railway, making another and shorter line from Kamloops to Seattle.

Agriculture

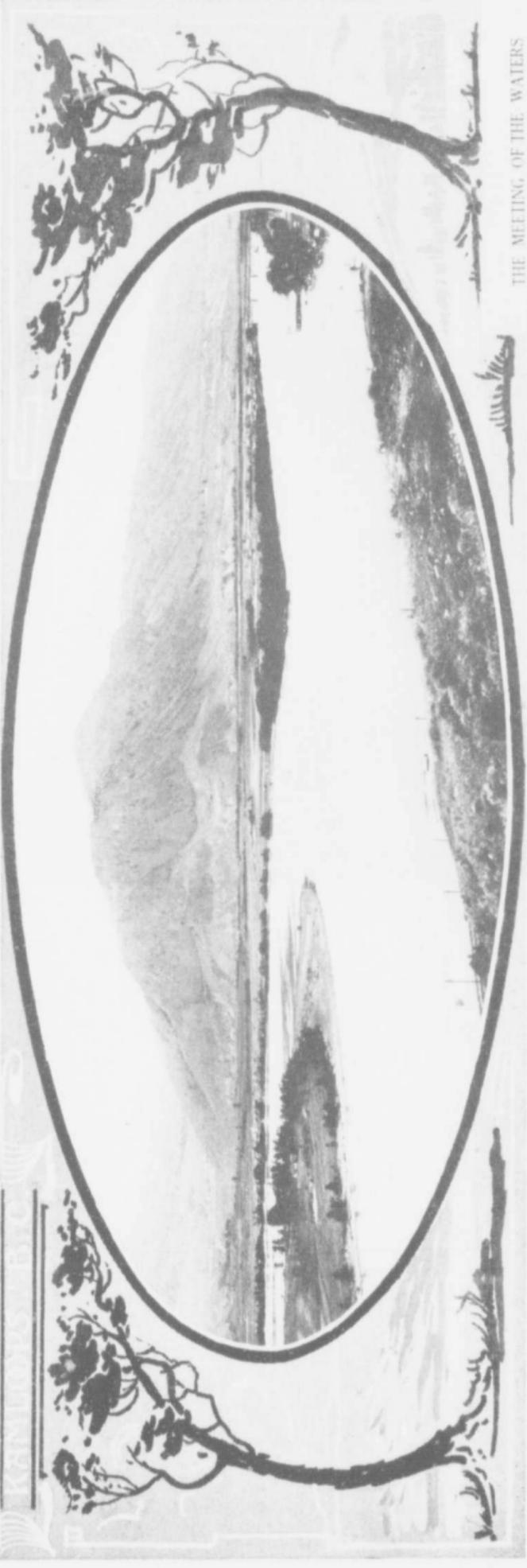
The district is one of the finest in the Province for general farming. British Columbia cannot vie with the Prairie Provinces as a great granary, but the finest quality of grain of all kinds can be grown here, not in enormous quantities as on the prairie, but most advantageously for feed-

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THE CITY IN THE VALLEY



THE MEETING OF THE WATERS

KANAWHA RIVER

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ing stock. Since a century ago stock raising had gradually become a considerable industry, until the later influx of settlers led to the ranches being cut up for small farms. With the adoption of scientific methods, farming is becoming more profitable. The Government Departments of Agriculture give advice and much educational work. Those seeking information as to land for settlement should get a copy of the Government's pamphlet just issued at Victoria, B. C., entitled "Kamloops



The Iron Mask Copper Mine, Operated by City Hydro-Electric Power

Land Recording Division." In England the province's Agent-General's office is Salisbury House, London, E.C.

Roads

From Kamloops radiating in every direction, are good roads leading up into the highlands, or along the river valleys. These are steadily being improved, and extended for the benefit of settlers. The efforts of the Board of Trade have led to important developments, greatly helping farmers attending the local market. This work will be persistently carried on by the Board, which has been met by the Government in an effective and liberal manner.

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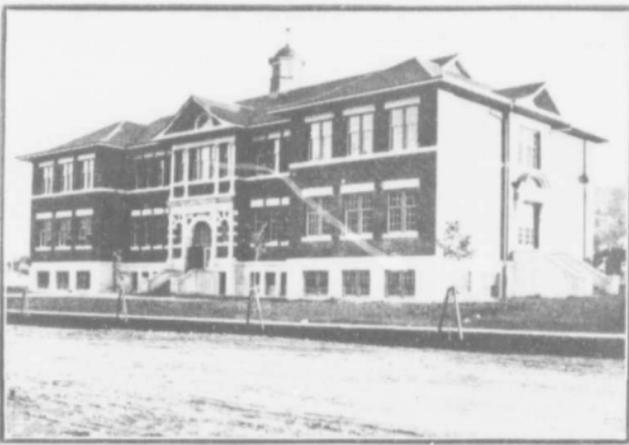
Lumber

For the moment the lumber industry is in a depressed state following the past two years' reaction, but it will doubtless see



A Hunter's Camp

an early revival. The fine timber limits along both the North and South Thompson Rivers have a great future value.



The High School

Mining

Almost every mineral of importance is found within a radius of 50 miles. The copper-gold belt extends over an area of about 20 miles by 6. The Iron Mask Mine is

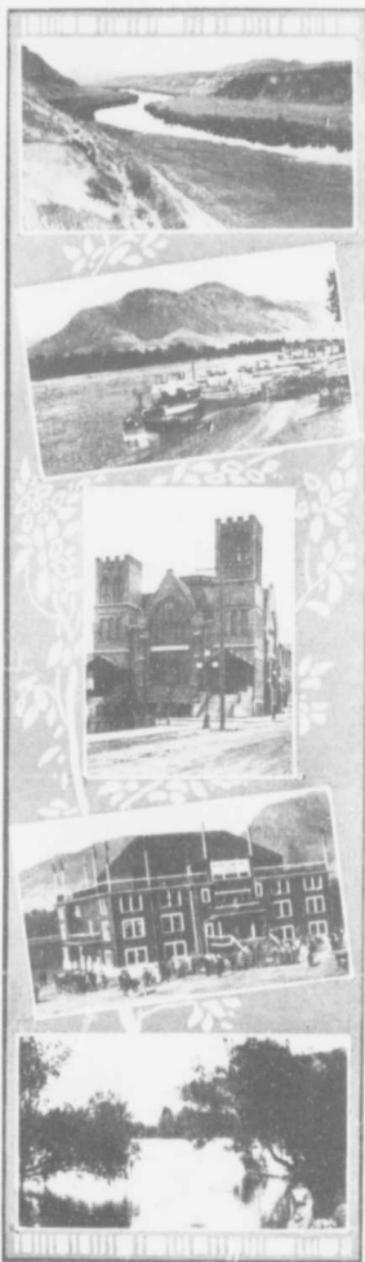
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the furthest developed yet, and, at the 750 foot level, they have struck the richest ore, a large amount being ready for treatment. Iron, silver, lead, zinc, cinnabar, coal, etc., all abound. The Glen Mine has a good body of magnetite ore. This important factor in smelter work would be very valuable to a local concern. Cheap power and fuel being available, all that is needed is work on a scale large enough to minimise costs.

Industries, etc.

Manufacturing is in its infancy, but there exist a large brick yard, two lumber and planing mills (shut down temporarily at present), a brewery, ice and cold storage plant, bottling works, machine shops and foundry, automobile agencies, garage, etc., cigar factories, sash and door factory, as well as that valuable adjunct to modern life,



Beauty and Utility

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a daily paper and printing establishments. The country around has many growing communities for which Kamloops is the



A Promising Young Orchard

natural centre for supplies. This encourages the advent of wholesale houses and factories, especially such as thrive on cheap power.



A Cattle Round-up Near Kamloops

Poultry, Fruit and Vegetables

The man with small means, but thrift and intelligence, can make a comfortable

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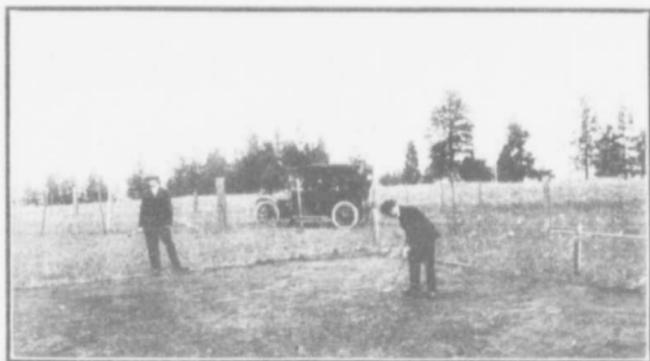
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living. Desirable land close to the City can be had in small plots, nearly all under irrigation, which is essential to success.



A Two Hours' Catch

While the initial cost of the land may seem high, if over \$30 or \$40 per acre, good irrigation costs money, and proximity to a market is valuable. Poultry and eggs are always in demand at good prices. The



A Corner of the Links

finest kind of potatoes, and other vegetables are grown here. Fruit can be also grown to advantage, especially as a side line for the truck gardener.

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Sports and Pastimes

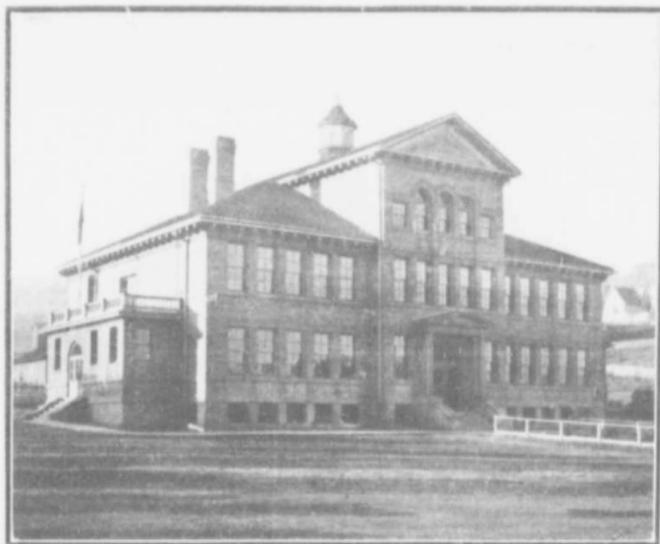
Sports of all kinds are popular as in most British centres, and Polo, Golf, Cricket, Baseball, Football, Lacrosse, Tennis, Bowl-



One of the Thompson River Bridges

ing, Curling, Skating, Rowing, Swimming and Motor-boating are well supported.

Hunting of large game, such as moose, caribou, deer, goats, bear, mountain sheep



The Public School

and cougar can be enjoyed within a short distance of Kamloops. Necessary outfits and guides are readily procurable. Small game is plentiful within easy reach of the City.

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Izaak Walton would have found this the Compleat Angler's Paradise. Good trolling can be had for salmon-trout, rainbow and Kamloops trout, and other fish are plentiful in the numerous lakes and streams nearby. Good accommodation and fishing outfits can be obtained easily.

Climate

The climate of Kamloops is a wonderful asset. No spot on this continent is more delightful, invigorating and healthful all the year round. The seasons are even and temperate, and the air so pure and healthful, dry and sunny, that the district has world-renown as a resort for invalids.



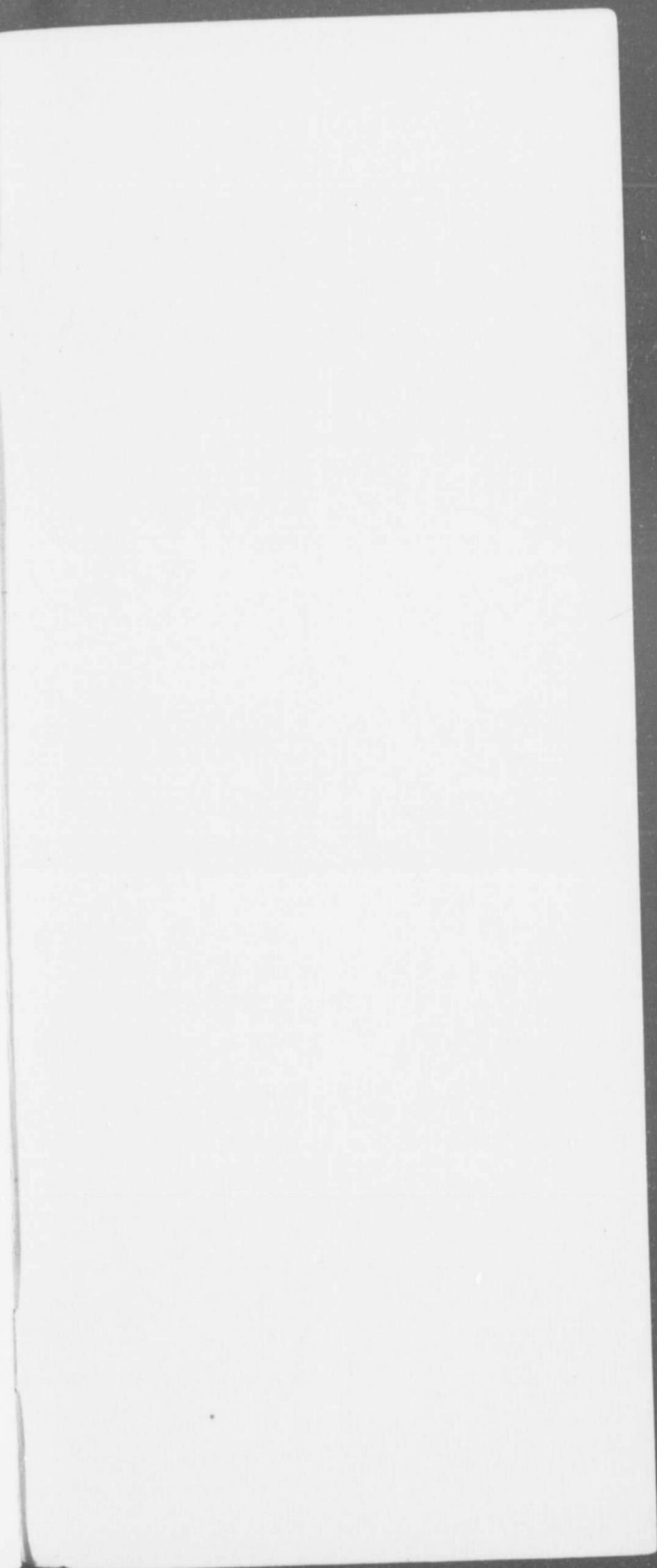
King Edward Sanitorium, Tranquille

Tranquille Sanitorium

The famous King Edward Sanitorium, for the treatment of pulmonary tuberculosis, is at Tranquille, nine miles west of Kamloops, where the Thompson River flows into Kamloops Lake. It has accommodation for about 100 patients. The number seeking admission has unfortunately outgrown its capacity, but active steps are now being taken to remedy this.

Further information as to local conditions and business prospects will be gladly furnished by the Publicity Commissioner, Board of Trade, Kamloops, B.C.

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