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cotton fibre and render it easily torn, besides in cold weather it is as brittle as glass, and the result is we have no covering at all in a few days.

The gunny cloth, if good and heavy, will exclude quite a lot of rain. In the case of flour a thin layer of it will get wet and form a dough which excludes water almost perfectly; that amount of flour is, of course, lost, but that is provided for in the amount above given. In wet weather sugar will have to be carefully looked after, as once wet the action seems to continue until the whole is converted into syrup if the temperature permits, and if it does not it is frozen into a mass as hard as rock. These remarks may be in a good degree applied to salt, and I would say emphatically look after your sugar and salt. Compressed tea offers the advantage of less bulk, and if it is not taken, get tea put up in pound tins as some of it used to be. This is convenient in use, as only a small quantity of it is opened at one time, and we obviate deterioration of a large amount of it through exposure.

The other articles may be packed in cases for transport into the country, and then put up to suit convenience. Care should be exercised that none of the cases weigh much over one hundred pounds until we have better transport facilities than at present exist. That is about all the ordinary untrained man wants to handle and for some months to come there will be much manual labour in connection with transport there.

Bedding and other things of that kind one will have to provide as suits his peculiar needs.

In the way of clothing, the principal difference between that country and this is that one requires much heavier underclothing. The ordinary woollen garments, such as worn by lumbermen and others in this climate, are sufficiently heavy for that, except when travelling on the open or on the rivers, in which case some sort of fur is necessary, more especially if it is blowing. Ordinary woollen coats will not keep out the winds, and when the thermometer is 40 or 50 below zero, and a 20 to 30 mile wind blowing, one is not very long exposed before considerable suffering ensues.



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Near the Boundary.—One-half of the Previous Day's Bag.—Alaska, Canada.