

top of these deposits the soil usually appears to be good, but in some places it is of too light a character. Along the latter stream, the banks of sand sometimes attain a height of fifty feet and upwards, especially in the lower twenty or thirty miles examined. For a few miles above our turning point, a yellowish-drab clay, affording a good soil, was found on either side of the river.

In the country examined between the Missinaibi and Kapuskasing Rivers, much of the land is of a coarse sandy nature, broken here and there by ridges and knolls of rock, but in the valley of the latter stream there appears to be a considerable proportion of loamy and fine sandy soil of fair quality.

On the east side of Trout River, about twelve miles above its junction with the Kapuskasing, two enormous boulders, each as large as an ordinary settler's house, were seen perched on a low hill a short distance from the water. From the outlet of Trout Lake, for a distance of about ten miles downward, the river which flows with a gentle current, is closely flanked on either side by sharp ridges and conical hills of gravel and sand rising to a height of about 100 feet. The ridges follow the course of the valley and behind them, long ponds and lagoons are situated, having generally openings of greater or less width connecting them with the river.