The North-Western Tribes of Canada.—Twelfth and Final Report of the Committee, consisting of Professor E. B. Tylor (Chairman), Sir CUTHBERT E. PEEK (Secretary), Dr. G. M. DAWSON, Mr. R. G. HALIBURTON, Mr. DAVID BOYLE, and Hon. G. W. Ross, appointed to investigate the Physical Characters, Languages, and Industrial and Social Conditions of the North-Western Tribes of the Dominion of Canada.

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THE following Report contains the results of field-work undertaken under the auspices of the Committee during the summer of 1897. The work was carried out by Messrs. Franz Boas and Livingston Farrand. A brief summary of the results of the work of the Committee has been drawn up

by Dr. Boas, and forms part of this Report.

While the work of the Committee has materially advanced our knowledge of the tribes of British Columbia, the field of investigation is by no means exhausted. The languages are known only in outline. More detailed information on the physical types may clear up several points that have remained obscure, and a more detailed knowledge of the ethnology of the northern tribes seems desirable. Ethnological evidence has been collected bearing upon the history of development of the culture-area under consideration; but no archæological investigations have been carried on which would help materially in solving these

For these reasons it is a matter of congratulation to know that the ethnological investigation in British Columbia will not cease with the operations inaugurated by the Committee. Ethnological and archæological work in the Province, in the adjoining States and Territories of the United States, and on the coast of Siberia is being carried on by expeditions the expense of which is borne by Mr. Morris K. Jesup, President. of the American Museum of Natural History. It is hoped that these investigations may carry the work initiated by this Committee a step

farther.

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The anthropometric measurements made during the season of 1897 were arried out by both of us according to the system applied in the previous Reports of the Committee. Before entering into a discussion of the results

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