

Fort Yukon, his place being filled by an officer but lately arrived, and consequently unable to give much information.

The measure of success which has attended my efforts to carry out my instructions will be shown by the following chapters.

In the arrangement of this report the following system has been adopted:

The report is divided into two parts and is accompanied by four appendixes.

Part I is the "General Report." It is divided into five chapters, as follows:

Chapter I. Narrative of the expedition.

Chapter II. Description of the river and adjacent country.

Chapter III. The native tribes.

Chapter IV. Trade of Hudson Bay Company—Buildings.

Chapter V. Resources of the country.

Part II contains a description of the various observations made in the field, the methods employed in their reduction, and the results obtained. It is divided into four chapters, as follows:

Chapter I. Astronomical determinations.

Chapter II. Magnetic observations.

Chapter III. Meteorological observations—Altitude of Fort Yukon.

Chapter IV. The map.

The appendixes are distinguished by the letters A, B, C, and D.

Appendix A contains a large portion of the astronomical record, and such of the computations, in a condensed form, as have been thought necessary to indicate clearly the methods followed.

Appendix B contains the entire record and reduction of magnetic observations.

Appendix C contains the meteorological record and the computation of the altitude of Fort Yukon.

Appendix D contains a table of distances on the Yukon River.

A map of the Yukon River, from Fort Yukon to the sea, accompanies this report.