

he left the main stream and turned up Sand Lake River to Sand Lake, on which was a House of the N. W. Co., S. 14° E. 1½ mile from the head of the river, and in Lat. 46° 46' 39".

From this House he crossed the lake to the mouth of Savannah Brook, which he followed up to the Savannah Carrying Place, a deep bog four miles across. Crossing this portage to a small creek that flows into the St. Louis River, he descended the latter stream to Fond du Lac House, two miles and a half up the river from Lake Superior. He reached this Post on May 10th, 2 months and 18 days after leaving the mouth of the Souris River.

From here he surveyed the south shore of Lake Superior, arriving at the Falls of Ste. Marie on May 28th. Leaving here in a light canoe with 11 men, he reached the Grand Portage on June 7th, and remained there till July 14th. The time was a very busy one at this, the central Post of the Company; and he gives a very interesting account of the men who were almost daily arriving from and departing for many widely separated points throughout the west.

On July 14th he started for the interior, reaching the Fort at the mouth of the Winnipeg River on July 31st, and on August 9th, the mouth of the Saskatchewan, having travelled along the eastern shore of Lake Winnipeg. On the 18th of August he reached Cumberland House, where he states that Mr. Peter Fidler was stopping at the time. This gentleman was in the service of the Hudson's Bay Company and travelled and made extensive surveys throughout the North-West. His journal has been stated to be still in existence, and if made public, might be almost as absorbingly interesting as that of David Thompson himself. On August 19th he again set out, his destination being Lac La Biche or "Red Deer Lake." Ascending the Sturgeon-Weir River and passing through Beaver Lake he reached Missinippi River by way of the Trade Portage, on August 24th. He ascended the Missinippi to Lac La Ronge, on which he mentions an old House where Simon Fraser and Versailles wintered in 1795-96. He crossed the lake and came to a House kept by Versailles at the mouth of Rapid River, 1½ mile beyond which is an English House. From here, ascending to Isle a la Crosse Lake, he reached the N. W. Coy's House on September 6th. Thence, travelling south, up Beaver River as far as the mouth of Green River, he ascended this latter stream to Green Lake, on which was a Post which he places in Lat. 54° 17' 9", Long. 107° 40' 35". There he took horses and