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State: *Alaska*

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.

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LOCALITY:

*Port Chatham*  
*and approaches*

*1906*

CHIEF OF PARTY:

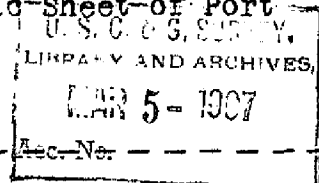
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Descriptive Report to accompany Topographic Sheet of Port  
Chatham, Alaska. Scale: 1/10 000.



The control of the sheet is based on plane-table triangulation expanded from the measured value of the Port Chatham Base-line.

REMARKS:  
Contours are given at intervals of 100 feet. In general, the mountains on either side of the harbor and its approach, rise abruptly from the water and are wooded about half way to the summits, the upper slopes being grass covered except in the cases of the higher peaks, where the summits are formed by jagged masses of bare rocks.

The only inhabitants of this region are the prospectors who occupy the cabins shown at the Northerly end of the harbor; A number of prospects, principally copper and gold, are being developed to the North and East of the harbor.

No boats call at this port, although steamers passing inside of Elizabeth Island, bound to or from Seldovia, will stop to land passengers at the entrance to the harbor.

The later runs of salmon enter the harbor in large numbers, ducks are plentiful throughout the Fall and Summer months, and bear and foxes are plentiful a short distance back from the harbor.

Fresh water can be had in abundance, the best stream being just South of Tide Gauge Island, where a boat may be placed under a good sized water-fall at the higher stages of the tide.

Unfavorable weather and lack of time prevented the location of the Elizabeth Island shore-line, but this can be plotted fairly accurately from cuts given in the triangulation records.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Chief of Party.*