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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.

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LOCALITY:

Kodiak Island.

"Uganik Bay, Southern
Park.

1908.

CHIEF OF PARTY:

W.C. Hodgkins.
This sheet covers the bay from East and West Points to the head, but owing to bad weather and the necessity of closing work for the season not all of the shore line was surveyed.

Nothing was done in the large arm extending to the southeastward below East Point and nearly opposite the village, called by Moser the Northeast Arm, and a small stretch of shore near the head of the South Arm was also necessarily left unfinished.

The Southeast Arm, below the old cannery and present coal depot of the Alaska Packers Association, is the most important part of the bay. This is the best harbor on the west coast of Kodiak Island, being perfectly landlocked and of moderate depth, with good holding ground. It is also easy to enter even at night, there being no hidden dangers, so far as known.

This anchorage is subject to furious williwaws, especially with strong southwest gales, but the shifts of the wind are usually so sudden that there is little danger of a well found vessel dragging.

The mountains surrounding this bay are higher than those nearer Shelikof Strait and their summits are snow capped except for a short time in the late summer. They rise very abruptly from the shore, sometimes in sheer cliffs. They are generally covered with grass and bushes.

The native settlement on the west side of the bay is small, consisting of a few shacks and several barabaras. There is a fairly good harbor for small vessels in the village cove.

The cannery, on the eastern side of the bay, is no longer operated; but the
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Steamers of the Alaska Packers Association come there for coal and the supply ship is moored in the Southeast Arm during the summer.

Respectfully submitted,

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