however true of the cedar, which is ~~as~~ often found on the tops of mountains, requiring only a ~~damp~~ moist ~~situation~~ soil. Much of this fruit is of great size & the removal of the timber is the principal source of expense. Underwood is very dense everywhere, consisting on wet lands chiefly of vine maple, & the Salmon berry on the upland of various species of Gualtheria, Spiraea &c.

For the purpose of facilitating the ~~object of~~ examination of these portions of the route, it is proposed to send an experienced mountaineer, with one or two Indians to carry provisions through the country in advance of the surveying party.

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