stretching behind the nations of the coast of the Pacific to latitude 52° north, on the river Columbia [Fraser River] Their progress is easterly: and according to their own traditions they came from Siberia; agreeing in dress and manners with the [illegible] found upon the coast of Asia.

"Of the inhabitants of the Coast of the Pacific Ocean we know little more than that they are stationary there. The Nadowasis or Assiniboins, as well as the different tribes not particularly described, inhabiting the plains on and about the source and banks of the Saskatchewine and assiniboin rivers, are from the South ward, and their progress is northwest.

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Speaking of the country lying east of the Sault St Mary & North of the waters that fall between the St Lawrence & Hudson's Bay, he says it is wholly barren & is consequently inhabited only by a few savages whose numbers are proportioned to the scantiness of the soil, nor is it probable from the same cause that they will increase. Of the other portions of British America, east of the Rocky Mts. he also speaks, in reference to their adaptation for Indian life.

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As regards the easterly migration of the Chippewyans he gives no precise, nor is it consistent with the account previously given that they landed at the Copper-mine river. If any importance is to be attached to that legend, it would seem to indicate that they, or perhaps only that portion of them who traversed it, once inhabited the western shore of Greenland or the islands in the Arctic Sea north of that river. They certainly would have coasted so far with out stopping. On the other hand the migration would appear to have been South, so far as the tribes west of the Rocky Mts are concerned, tribes of that family being found along as far down even as Chihuahua in New Mexico, while Prof. Turner has detected them in the Apaches & Navajos.