

approx 50' out from tree shoreline. It moved slowly to N.
arrived Taku Harbor. 7 hrs travel today. 2 adult bald eagles
were perched on a platform structure elevated on piling. They left
and flew E to trees beyond the bay. Taku is a large bay, approx
1 mile long with steep to wide sloping meadows. At the E end is the
ruins of an early cannery and wharf. This area is also the home
of Father Hubbard the great glaciologist and friend of the natives.

Tiger Olson also lived here. We docked about 100 w of old cannery.
5:54 5 river otter remained active under the dock and gave a high
note call and a ^{low} grumbling sound. They left an hour later to E. At
25' away one raised its body about 1/2 way out of water and looked at us
and continued on its way. A small grizzly bear is reported visiting
the area. It is weak and fur is disarranged. A rufous hummer-
bird came to windows of boat 3 times. 1 great blue heron and
6 mew gulls are in the bay. 6:20 P.M. a 2 foot salmonlike fish
completely jumped out of water. 2 belted kingfishers used
the old elevated platform. 6:50 P.M. another salmonlike
fish jumped out of water.

Taku Harbor, Stephens Passage, Alaska.

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Temp 52°F. This morning photographed the ruins of the old cannery and
wharf just N of our boat. Photo 700717-1 to N.E. of piling. Grasses
down to high tide level. Tops of piling support vegetation, many of
them grasses. Photo 700717-2 ibid. Piling ^{to NE} show distinct
line, white above and light brownish below. Barnacles start
about a foot below distinct line. Above distinct line the
white is graded into natural, above water stressed wood. Barnacles and
rockweed on some boulders below. Photo 700717-3 to NW
of 2 levels of pile one, the higher, with remnant floor of the wharf.
In mid-distance the elevated platform on piling that supported the
machinery for operating the cannery. Part of a ^{wheel} visible.
Hillside beyond show dead conifers mixed in with normal growth.
Photo 700717-4 to SW of elevated platform, more of the machinery
can be seen. Fireweed grows from part of the platform. At least 8 different
named bricks were found on ground below platform and were probably
used as firebrick for boiler or canning processes. The two poles may
have been used for utility line from generator. The grasses on this rocky
point are not as prolific as S of the platform. Taku Harbor is
not advised as a place to moor a boat in winter time when north-
ern winds move into the harbor from the N.E.