

* In the morning we found that we had chosen a spot where
brush within 400 yards of the Survey camp
of 1884.*

* of branches*

on
out of the flat close to where the plane landed & where we should
not be troubled with mosquitoes even if the sandflies with
day time might be bad. They did not matter so much as we
hoped to be away from the camp next day. We set to work
to help & soon we had the tent up & a fireplace ^{with the same smoke fly} & some
wood ready & ^{then cleared} the inside of the tent of stones & got
some scrub for bedding. It was getting late when
we heard the plane coming & soon the ladies & the first
storia arrive. We still had a little to patch for the overcoat &
Capt. Meres but that did not take long. We had a hurried
meal & once more there was the joy of a ^{complete} good camp
& with solitude & every hope of a good trip.
Next morning Capt. Meres got away & we spent the
day making the camp weather proof. Some ^{brush trees} brush was
felled & split & trees ferns gathered & the space
between the ladies tent & the fireplace walled &
the many little jobs which mean a good camp. As
the wind was blowing strong by down the valley we
made a big wind screen ^{behind the main tent} behind the main tent.
During the night the wind & light & blew up the valley
& we had to be out several times as the frogs were only in
now and silt & even a frog & river in 2 ft. had little
hold. In the morning Capt. Meres returned & Graham
& Cro took his load & set off with a sledges &
an axe to get a line this the best of that ~~was found~~
would lead