

written in 1899
I track & was averaged 1832

has mapped as Ken Pan

west branch of D.P.

also a range see Gordon Alkhusis's (of Westport) description

But what a line J. D.P.

The Whitecreek
After this several parties have been this traversing & showing the river &
laying off a foot track over the range. This track which is believed on
the ridges is now within a few miles of the saddle & the doubt will be
finished shortly, then there will be no difficulty crossing over the range
from Hilitika to Ashkuta.

Altho the Whitecreek pass is 4000 ft high, it keeps very free from
snow for most of the year the Summit being exposed to the West N. West.
In appearance it resembles the Hoar Pass - snow level on the top.
but it is destitute of timber or even scrub, & the depression is not so wide.
Originally the pass may have been much lower & possibly U shaped
but the debris from the Sale glacier has filled it up, it may be for
hundreds of feet. The route down the Lompa to the Pehain -
a distance of about 3 miles - is thro' open & easy country with
occasional patches of scrub & presents no difficulties to travellers.

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The Derwent Pan

This is a depression in the mountains are 6000 ft high & is
situated at the head of Verrier Creek a branch of the
Whitecreek River. It leads no doubt into the Malthai.
No one to my knowledge has been thro' the pass & even up to it
& what is known of it is from sketches & bearings taken from the top
of Mt. Brown. It is of no value as a track over the range
as the approaches to it on the West side are almost impassable.
What it is like on the other side I do not know.

Malthai Pan

This was one of the routes tried at an time for a track over the range
& a beaver track was seen thro' from the forks of the Hilitika R.
thro' Frew's saddle to the Malthai, but the route presented
so many engineering difficulties that it was abandoned
a trail could I believe have been found down the Hilitika river
all the way until of this Frew's saddle.