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U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY.

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State: New York.

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.

Topographic Sheet No. 1515a

LOCALITY:

Hart and City Islands and Vicinity. Western Part of Long Island Sound.

1882-3

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There are no particularly prominent geological features. The country is broken and complex and is of solid rock base.

There is considerable forest growth on the sheet, but the largest portion is for shade and are mostly full grown and are of Oak, Elm, Maple, Chestnut, Hickory, Locust and Cedar. The fruit trees are Apple, Pear, Cherry, Peach & Plum.

There is a small part of the town of New Rochelle on the sheet (see description of topographical sheet No. 1709) but no other towns.

The shores are thickly settled. The residents are mostly wealthy persons, New York City business men. The communication is by land and water, but principally by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Rail Road.

There are no mills or factories on the sheet.

Bridges are sound and not frequent.

The Glen Islands are pleasure resorts - are known as Starins Glen Islands and are visited, every day during the summer, by many thousands of people.

David's Island is a military post and is used by the U. S. Army as a depot for recruits.

City Island is the Head Quarters of quite an extensive oyster business. A great number of vessels, mostly pleasure yachts, are built here.

Hart's Island is used by the City of New York for Hospitals & Prisons.

The roads are good and light grades.

No water power

Fences are chiefly of stone.

The sheet is a resurvey, but the wealth and population have so greatly increased, since the last

survey, that it is impossible to estimate the increase.

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