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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey

Topographic

Field No.

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LOCALITY

State

Massachusetts

General locality

Cohasset

Locality

1895

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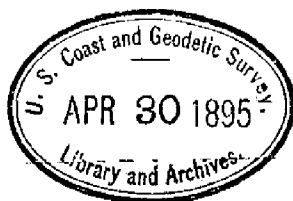
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Descriptive Report of Topographic Sheet
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Cohasset. From River to North Scituate Beach,
Massachusetts.

This sheet extends back to the line of high hills that are used as "land fall" the only high land in this vicinity - and are designated Turkey Hill, Scituate Hill - Jains Hill & Walnut Hill(?). The principle industry in the village is the collection of sea moss - which is cured & packed on Parsons Beach. I could not discover that any other business was carried on - in fact the people are all "well to do". The population is largely composed of the class called "summer residents" who have built upon many all the commanding sites with such munificence that the Jerusalem road along the shore has become notorious for its elegance. The town is supplied with a fine water service - which is distributed over nearly the whole area. The roads are

lighted at night by electricity - but this is a feature characteristic of the region - as for many miles round about, and all the way to Boston one may ride at night with the same security as in daylight - The roads are generally macadamized - or well surfaced & maintained in good repair.

Uxvi River on western boundary of the sheet is the only considerable stream, all the other streams were dry, or nearly so, during the summer months - so that water supply except for the artificial service, is dependent upon springs & wells - There seem to be few of the former & the latter are generally in disuse.

The summer resort of North Scituate Beach on the eastern end of the sheet is a barren plain with no attraction except proximity to the ocean - Cohasset has communication by rail with Boston - being on one of the lines from Boston to Plymouth - but there is no steamboat service more than Hingham

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The shot embraces an Area of ten (10) square miles & cost to survey it - in the Party expenses \$112.77 per sq. mile. It embraces a considerable strip of rocky shore and the outlying Cohasset Rocks - including Mincks ledge - that furnish ~~an~~ equivalent of at least two (2) more square miles if taken as area, & the equivalent of twice required in the survey - which would make a fair estimate of the equivalent area - 12 sq. mi. & would reduce the cost to \$93.97 per sq. mi.

Yours Very Respectfully
Herbert G. Ogden
Asst. Col. S.