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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey *Topographic*

Field No. Office No. *2533*

LOCALITY
State *Puerto Rico*

General locality

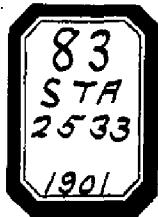
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Topographic Sheet No. 2533

LOCALITY:

From the Arecibo L. H.
to the Rio Guajataca
North Coast of Porto
Rico

1901

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Topographic Sheet No. 2533

This sheet extends from the Arecibo Lh Ho. to the Rio Guajataca - joining sheet no. 2536 on the east and sheet no. 2534 on the west.

A notable feature on this sheet is the beginning of a high bluff of coral formation which appears on on sheet no. 2534 - running ~~the~~ nearly the whole length of this sheet. The country adjoining the coast is devoted to the cultivation of tobacco - bananas & beans - the latter being the principal subsistence of the natives. The general coast line is similar to what has been mentioned before - consisting of sand beaches & coral bluffs with numerous sand dunes in the vicinity of the sand beaches. There are numerous lone rocks shown along the coast. The sea is continually high so boat landing is impossible. Breakers are from $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ mile off shore.

Two towns are shown in detail on this sheet namely Caney & Hatillo. No roads exist except the usual Bullcart tracks and trails, Caney is the end of the Porto Rican Railroad extending from San Juan westward. A poor road extends from Caney to Aguadilla a distance of about twenty six

miles - The mails are carried over this road, each way, every day, and the poor old mail coach generally breaks down somewhere on the route, owing to the frightful condition of the road with its numerous chuck holes and large boulders. This road was in good condition before the hurricane of 1879 - but since the American occupation it has never been repaired.