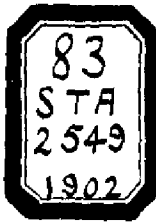


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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.		
<i>Topographic</i> Sheet No. <i>2549</i>		
LOCALITY:		
<i>Tangier Sound, Fishing Bay</i>		
1902		
CHIEF OF PARTY:		
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Topographical re-survey of Fishing Bay,
Shore Line - River & Creek line. Roads and
interior Topography, Eastern Shore of Chesapeake Bay Maryland 1901-02, Surveyed
by Asst. W. D. Tinsel - and J. F. Wild, and
Assistant Stephen Horney. Scale 1/20,000

Descriptive Report

The Shore line of Fishing Bay was re-surveyed
by J. F. Wild in 1901 and is shown in ink. That
part of Fishing Bay Shore line drawn in pencil
is the work of Asst. W. D. Tinsel in 1901. The River
and Creek shore line, and all interior topography,
roads - Marsh and timber limits and locating
buildings is the work of Assistant Horney in
1902, and is shown in ink. The Creek line in
pencil was transferred from the original Topo-
graphical Sheet No 268 Surveyed by L. A. Hainwright
in 1849, and Sheet No 267 " " John Leib in
1854.

With the exception of Elliott's Island, which
is not strictly an island, but is a body of land -
about 8 feet above High Water. Surrounded by Salt
Marsh and water, our work is located a small

Village with about 500 inhabitants - one Church
one excellent Country Store and a Substantial Wharf
where the Baltimore Steamers make landings three
times a week during the fishing season, and once
a week during the remainder of the season. The
Country between the Eastern Shore of Fishing Bay
and Nantuxo River is a vast extent of Salt
Marsh interspersed with small creeks. There is
a Cartway road connecting Elliott's Island with
Vienna and Buck Town, over which there is quite
good traveling in dry weather, but almost impass-
able in wet weather, and when overflowed by ex-
treme high tides. The Country on the North and
West shores of Fishing Bay is also a vast extent
of Salt Marsh cut up with the Black Water
River and Langquaking Creek. These streams
are navigable for small vessels almost up
to their sources. Numerous creeks large and
small make cut from these marshes into Fish-
ing Bay.

The shore line of these creeks and the Black
Water River, has changed so much since the
Surveys of 1849 and 1854 that a plan table re-
survey of them was made. The party Creek
shore line drawn in pencil was transferred

from the old plane table sheets, and was not sufficiently changed to require a re-survey. The timber on Indian and Goose Creeks, has been considerably reduced since the survey of 1849 and 1854. The marshes of the Black Water, New-geraking and those between the Nanticoke River and Fishing Bay, abound with musk rats, many thousands of these small animals are trapped every year, and the skins and meat shipped to the Northern markets.

The waters of Fishing Bay and its tributaries, up to a few years ago, abounded with oyster crabs and fish, from which the fishermen harvested immense quantities. The oyster beds are now reduced, fish and crabs are scarce, and this remunerative thriving occupation has almost been destroyed.

Respectfully Submitted
 Stephen Horney,
 Asst. C. & G. Surveyor

Upper Farmmont
 Somerset County

Maryland

June 16th 1902,

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names of Stations.	Hangquashuk River,	Latitude	" in meters	Long "	" in meters
Pole.	Topog	38-22	1130,	75-00	
Pole,	"	38-22	1510,	75-00	
Pole,	"	38-22	1610,	74-59	
Pole,	"	38-23	732,	74-59	120,
Pole,	"	38-23	1472,	75-00	210,
Stone Pine	"	38-23	705,	75-01	860,
Black Water River					
Pole.	Topog	38-21	1330,	75-01	390,
Pole.	"	38-21	1042,	75-01	1150,
Pole,	"	38-21	310,	75-02	160,
Pole,	"	38-20	1752,	75-01	687,
Pole,	"	38-20	1215,	75-02	19,
Pole,	"	38-21	922,	75-02	142,

Herman Hornoy.
 Asst. C. & G. Survey