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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.

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LOCALITY:

Micomico River

See also 2549

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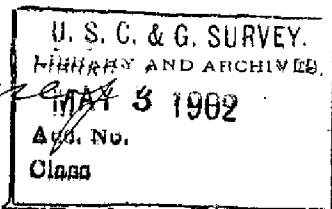
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Original Topographical Sheet No. 2552
With Sub Sketch.

Micomico River, and Interior Trk.
On the Peninsular between the
Micomico & Monohan Rivers
Somerset County Maryland,
Eastern Shore Chesapeake Bay,

Scale 1/20,000

1901. 1902.

Surveyed by J. F. Melh. Asst. C. & S.
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And Sub Sketch,

Somerset County Maryland,

1901-1902. Scale 1/20,000

Descriptive Report,

The shore line of the Wicomico River. The town of White Haven, and the town of Mount Vernon, and the interior bank on the Peninsula between the Wicomico River and Morris Bay, Somerset County was surveyed by Capt. J. F. Veld in December 1901. The interior bank, roads, creeks, timber and marsh limits, village of Hob Nabs, St. Peters (Oriole Post Office) and Pigeon House, or Holiday was executed by Capt. Herman Horney in March and April 1902. The Junction of Capt. Horney's bank with that of Capt. Veld's is marked thus $\rightarrow$, all of the creek line in pencil was transferred from the old original topographical sheet of 1849, and the new bank was connected with it, and is shown in ink. There was no change in the old bank where these connections were made. The roads were run out by back and forward sights with the plane table. from a well determined plane table station, on the Somerset County side of

the Whitehouse ferry, with numerous Chads on
 east" Wells signals on the Wisconsin River and
 the Church Spire at Mount Vernon, one of Capt. Vinell's
 1st prints, to the bridge across the Mouse River,
 on the main sheet. The roads on the Sub
 sketch, were run out from this bridge, (which
 was carefully transferred from the main sheet)
 they were carried through the villages of Hot Water
 and St. Peters and checked up at Bethel Church
 Spire in Pigeon House, or Holiday, one of Capt. Vinell's
 1st prints. The country from Whitehouse
 ferry to Pigeon House, or Holiday, shown on
 the main sheet, and the Sub sketch is low and
 flat, principally salt marsh. The road from
 Pigeon House to Jacobs Island, runs over an
 immense stretch of marsh on each side, and
 is built of logs covered with earth (enclosure), which
 is overflowed during extraordinary high tides, and
 at these times is almost impassable in places.
 The roads shown on the main sheet and the Sub
 sketch are good during dry weather, but during
 rain and high tides they are almost impos-
 sible in places.

The village of Saint Peters is a thriving set-
 tlement of about five hundred inhabitants, where

Principal occupation is oystering and fishing. This village is located on hard land as is also the settlement of Hat Net. But many of the houses and Bethel Chapel at Pigeon House, are built in the marsh and are approached in boats at extreme high waters, these tides cover the roads and make traveling difficult when the tide is up.

The proper name of Bethel Chapel is St^h Stephens Church. Bethel Chapel, is shown in my book on the Eastern end of East^h Vincks Street. Asst^h Vinck was misinformed as to the name of the Church Spire when he observed upon it. He observed upon St^h Stephens Church Spire. Bethel Chapel is a large plain building without a spire.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stetman Hornoy,

Asst^h C. G. Survey,