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Descriptive Report,

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Topographic Sheet

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Resurvey of Chester River

Maryland

Rolph's Wharf

To

Jones Landing

1909-1910

Surveyed by the party of

Assistant, C, &, G, Survey,

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(a) General appearance of the river shores,

The general appearance of the shore line is low; with narrow sand and mud beaches, backed with low bluffs here and there covered with a Chestant growth of Cak-Locust-Hickory and Sottenwood trees, The country back and in sight of the shore line, is rolling riseing to elevations of 40 and 60 feet above mean high warter on the Chester River, The ground at Washington College just North of Chestertown is 73 feet above mean High Warter,

The shores from the Chestertown bridg to Jones Landing, near Mil lington Md, are low with with here and there extensive marshes between the high land and river shore.

Along the river shore, in Kent and Queen Anne's counties, the farms are large and under a high state of cultivation;

Crumpton, on the Queen Anne's side of the river about nine miles above Chestertown, is the head of Steambout navigation, and Millington is the head of small boat navigation. The channel is narrow-shallow and crocked from Crumpton to Jones Landing, Jones Landing is about one half mile down river from Millington, and you can carry about thee feet to the landing at low warter.

The wharves shown on this sheet are - "Indian Town"- "Ashland""Quaker Neck"- BBooker's"- "Wilmer's"- "Riverside"- "Rolph's"- "Piney Gréove""Chestertown"- "Round Top"- "Buckingham"- "Trivola"- "Deep Landing"- "Spryts"and Crumpton".

(g) Ice

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Steamboat navigation of the Chester River, to Baltimore from Chestertown and return is seldom interrupted by ice, but from the Chestertown bridg to Crumpton the ice is thicker and lasts longer than it dos below Chestertown,

on December 21st 1909 the river was closed to navigation from is mouth to Crumpton, and remained closed from the Chestertown bridg to Crumpton until January 21st 1910, The regular boat from Chestertown to Baltimore lost but four trips during the freeze up, On the night of January 6th there was three inches of ice made in the Chester River from its mout to Crumpton/ and the river was not open to navigation from the Chestertown bridg to Crump ton until Jetnath, When the Carrica opening a family to Crumpton, (c) Change of river shore line.

Not haveing had an opportunity to compare the new work with the original sheets, can not tell what changes have taken place since the last survey was made.

(w) Survey methods,

The Topographic resurvey of the shore line and interior, shown on this sheet is based on a scheme of tertiary triangulation, carried up the river from the base "Blank to Rolph's", (triangulation by Assistant Yates) to the line "Plum Owen", a shot distance up river from Crumpton Md. The shore line was surveyed with the plane table, and the interior topography as far back as could be seen from the river, was put in with traverse lines and rod readings, the heights are given in feet and show the elevations above mean high warter, the contours are given for every twenty feet difference of level. The sheet was inked during days whe the field work was prevented by bad weather, and the partly inked sheet was used in the field until the field work was completed,

Chestertown, on the Kent County side to the Chester Riverwas laid out in 1706, has a population of about three thousand, is a quiet coservative old fashioned town with good substancial public buildings, and is the only

town of any commercial importance immediately on the Chester River, It has rail read-steambeat-telegraph and telephone connections to all parts of the country.

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Topographic Resurvey

of

Chester River, Maryland

from

Deep Point to Jones' Landing

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Surveyed by the Party of Mehrman, Tong,

Asst.C. & G. Survey.

NOTE: The work above the triangulation stations Owen and Plum to Jones Landing was done by Plane Table Traverse.

The heights are expressed in feet and show the elevations above mean high water on the Chester River.

The red contour lines are shown for every twenty feet difference of elevation. The red broken lines show the auxiliary curves of ten feet.