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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

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LOCALITY
State: Maryland
General locality: Chesapeake Bay
Locality: Eastern Shore of Chesapeake Bay

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John Nelson

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Locality:

Sassafras River
Eastern shore of the Chesapeake Bay

1899 & 1900

Chief of Party:

John Nelson, Assistant
This sheet covers the topography of the Susquehanna River, Md., from its mouth to about the head of navigation, and it extends inland on both sides of the river from one to two miles. The shore line is mostly undercut and bluff of red clay formation, with many small stretches of sand beach. The bluffs are from 10 to 60 ft. high and are frequently broken by creeks, marshes, and swamps. The shores of which, are very steep and are covered with a dense growth of trees and bushes.

The adjoining country is devoted to agriculture and is highly cultivated. All of the small fruits are raised in great quantities. The roads are fairly good and run in many directions.

Bellernden, situated above Howells Point, is a great summer resort and is reached by two lines of steamers from Baltimore during the summer months.

Two or three large hotels have been erected here during the summer of 1901. Frederick and Essex towns and both small places at the head of navigation and they are connected by a drawbridge. Only very small vessels of light draught can go beyond the bridge.
There are two good docks at Beltsville. The Steamer "Esopus", makes daily trips from Georgetown to Baltimore during the season.