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Locality:
West Shore of Severn River, Chesapeake Bay

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The land rises, in general, abruptly from the shore line, with eroded earthen banks in many places. There are some small areas of marsh, mostly at the heads of the creeks. The shore, almost continuously along its whole extent is fringed with a thick growth of trees and underbrush, in full foliage when the work was in hand. Numerous patches of woodland with heavy undergrowth and briars extend from the shore line beyond the limits of the topography.

These features made it impossible to see many objects in the interior from the shore line, and together with the absence of roads running to the river, increased the labor of working back from the shore and made progress necessarily slow.

About half the land is cleared and planted in orchards or garden truck but the inhabitants do not use the river to ship their produce to market, which accounts for the absence of roads to the water, as mentioned above.

The topography is hilly and broken, some of the hills being 140 feet in height.

Geo. L. Flower
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