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Hydrographic Sheet No. 2611

LOCALITY:

*Chesapeake Bay
Manokin river and Big
Annesmessex river*

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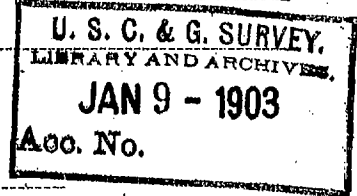
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U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY,
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Baltimore, Md, Jan. 6, 1902

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Hydrography

of
Manokin River and Big Annemessex River
Maryland.Mr. O. H. Pettaum,
Superintendent, U. S. C. & G. S.
Washington, D. C.

Sir:—

The hydrography, within the limits of this projection, was commenced July 23, 1902 and finished on August 19, 1902. Having due regard for and keeping your instructions of July 23, 1901, in mind, lines of soundings were run as close together as it was thought the importance of the work warranted.

The tide gauge used for the reduction of soundings on the Big Annemessex River

was located at Fords Landing and that for the Manokin River at Fords Cox's Wharf at the mouth of Peagus Creek. The planes of reference, at both stations, were determined by simultaneous readings with the Wenona Tide Gauge.

No particular difficulty was encountered in prosecuting this work and, aside from weather conditions, the only delay was caused by the necessity of going to Crisfield for water and stores.

The features of both Rivers are about the same. The channels leading to both are well buoyed. Over in the Rivers there are no channel marks and the water in both, shoals to 3 or 4 feet at the forks or just above.

A Steamer from Baltimore, makes a landing at Fords Wharf on the Big Annemessy River twice a week, and touches at this Wharf on her return trips. This is the only boat of any size that enters either River. Small sailing crafts, with small draft, engaged in oystering, crabbing

and transporting agricultural products, are numerous.

Fresh water, in small quantities only and of a poor quality, is obtainable from the house wells near the shore.

There is no feature of the hydrography on this sheet, needing special mention and the old surveys are not at hand to permit a comparison to note the changes.

Respectfully submitted
Geo. L. Flower
Chief of Party, U.S.G.S.

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Department of Commerce and Labor
COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
Washington

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October 25, 1904.

Mr. Andrew Braid,

Assistant in charge of the Office.

Sir:-

I forward herewith Hydrographic Sheet No. 2611,
"Chesapeake Bay, Big Annemessex and Manokin Rivers, Md.", by
Assistant Flower in 1902, together with report on same, for
the approval of the Office.

Report.

The protracting and plotting on this sheet was well
done. The records were well kept.

H.L. Simons. (Signed).

Respectfully,

Assistant and Chief, Drawing and Engraving Division.