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LOCALITY:

Potomac River
Piney Pt. No.
Blackstone Id.

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CHIEF OF PARTY:

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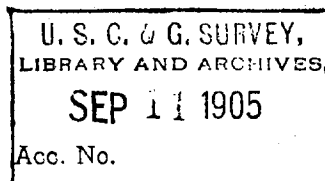
COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY, SCHOONER "MATCHLESS",

NORFOLK, VA., SEPTEMBER 8, 1905.

FILE:
REFERRED:

Mr. O. H. Fittmann,

Superintendent, C.&G. Survey,
Washington, D. C.



Sir:-

I have the honor to report with reference to hydrographic Sheet No. 23, resurvey of the Potomac River, as follows:

2. This sheet extends from Piney Point, Md., to Blackistone Island, Md., and includes the entrances to Breton, St. Clements, Curriomen and Nomini Bays, and to Lower Machodoc Creek.

3. There are light houses at Piney Point and on the south end of Blackistone Island. One post lantern near the south end of the breakwater, marks the east side of the dredged channel from Nomini Bay to Nomini Creek and there is a gas buoy on the outer end of the shoal extending from Ragged Point.

4. As on Sheet No. 22, sounding lines were run in main river one half mile apart, the entrances of the bays and creeks being more closely developed. Several small shoals, not previously noted, were found off the entrance to Nomini Bay. They were carefully surveyed. Otherwise, no radical

changes were found on the ground covered by this sheet. The channel, with a depth of over 24 feet, varies in width from two to three miles.

5. Steamboats of the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia Railway Company, formerly the Weems Steamboat Company, running between Baltimore and Washington, making five trips each weekly during the summer, and three round trips each week in the winter, make landings in Breton Bay at Leonardtown and Abells wharf, and in St. Clements Bay at Stones, Howards and Cobrams wharves. Boats of the E. S. Randall Potomac River Steamboat Line touch at Parhams (Oliverson) and Edgewater, in Lower Machodoc Creek, twice a week in summer and once a week during the winter. They make three trips a week from Washington to Mount Holly, Beals and Curriomen in Nomini Bay, and to Colton's, at the entrance of St. Clements Bay.

The freights carried by these boats are usually very heavy.

Respectfully yours,



Assistant, C. & G. Survey,

Commanding.

Department of Commerce and Labor

W. H. S. 2753

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The records were kept in a satisfactory manner and the plotting was well done.

The crossing are not good. Lines 17 to 19, 33 to 35, 46 to 5, & 74 to 75 were not plotted as they are apparently not correct.

H. L. Simmons

Plotted by T. M. Party
Verified by H. L. Simmons