

The facilities for improvement that are accessible within the county are sea grass and oyster shell lime, both found in great abundance and very cheap. It only requires the same degree of skilled attention here in the cultivation of the soil to make it as productive as any part of the shore, and it would be attended with the increased advantage derived from the superior mildness of the climate and shortness of the winters.

The price of land varies from five to one hundred dollars per acre, and as a general thing is cheaper, when the climate, location, and all of its other advantages are considered, than is found higher up the shore, and thus presents favorable opportunities to settlers of cheap and remunerative investment—certainly very far superior to any place north or west of our State.

The general character of its people as to hospitality and refinement is well worthy of the high estimation in which they are held wherever noble qualities are appreciated.

Its facilities for transportation are the Pocomoke River on the east, the Nanticoke on the west, with the Sound on the south, together with the Wicomico, Manokin, Monie, Annamessex, and numerous other creeks and waters that penetrate far into the interior of the county. The amount of land transportation is very small, and that for the most part over smooth, level roads.

The Delaware Railroad, moreover, runs entirely through this county, passing through the town of Salisbury, then through Princess Anne and finally ends on the navigable waters of Pocomoke Sound at Annamessex. This gives abundant means to reap all the advantages of the Philadelphia and other northern markets in the sale of early fruits and vegetables, which is destined to become one of the chief occupations of the inhabitants of the county.

Its waters abound in all of the various shell and other fish, with the wild fowl common to the Chesapeake. Rapid advance will soon take place in the value of lands here, and those who first obtain them will be the most benefitted.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

This the most south-eastern county, is one of the largest in territorial extent on the Eastern shore of Maryland. It extends the whole breadth of the State, between Delaware, its northern boundary, and Virginia, its boundary on the south—its eastern limits extend to the Atlantic ocean, or rather to Sinepuxet Bay, a narrow sound separated by a sandy beach from the ocean. Its western boundary is the Pocomoke River, Dividing Creek and at its north-western part an arbitrary line which separates it from Somerset county.