

*The Western Division of the Tidewater Section
of Maryland.*

This embraces the counties of Anne Arundel, Prince George, Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's, and parts of Baltimore and Harford counties.

This division is bounded on the north by the Washington and Baltimore, and by the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroads; on the east by the Chesapeake Bay, and on the west by the Potomac river. The parts of Baltimore and Harford counties lying northeast of Baltimore are narrow strips of those counties lying immediately on the Chesapeake Bay and the P. W. and B. railroad, and are not included in the above boundaries.

The surface of the country is gently rolling, having neither abrupt or broken hills nor any surface of level, flat land or swamps. It is well watered with many springs and streams of the *softest* and best water.

It is well wooded.

IT IS AS HEALTHY as any part of the Union I have heretofore known.

It has on it many, very many locations equal in point of health and very superior in beauty of scenery to the most favored watering places in the United States, affording ample facilities for saline bathing. The air, cooled by the breezes from the Bay and Potomac, diminishes very much the heat of the summer, and checks the coldness of the winter months. Either beautiful inland or charming and romantic water views constantly present themselves—very often there is a combination of them—viewing the land from the water, or the water from the land, scarcely any change could be suggested, by the most cultivated taste, without marring the beauty of the scenery. In most countries the facilities of water navigation are counterbalanced by the disadvantages of the level, flat and heavy surface of the surrounding country. Such is not the case here. The greatest convenience of water navigation is combined with the most fertile soil and the most beautiful scenery. On all sides blessings have been scattered with a "wasteful hand." No where are the same