

At this place, the description of the Sounds might terminate. Nevertheless to make the account continuous, and to exhibit more in connection a detail of their proceedings, they will in few words indicate the further progress of the route—which since the passage of Romney Marsh has laid in the State of Delaware.

From point D on Assawoman Creek, or Tubb's Marsh, a straight line has been located of not quite 4 miles to White's Creek, crossing at about two miles from its mouth, Turkey Branch Creek; and carrying the Canal across the west portion of Muddy Neck to Indian River. The same or a similar improvement will be necessary for White's Creek, as was before mentioned for Herring Creek; there being only 5 feet water at its mouth and not more than 2.75 at its head where the Canal is proposed to enter. Indian River may be crossed in a direction almost due north from the Windmill at the mouth of White's Creek, with a draught from 6 to 7 feet, until near the marsh of Long Neck, when a sand bar reduces its depth for a few hundred yards to 4.25. Various plans might be suggested to remove this obstruction; the Commissioners would recommend that none be for some time applied, until the use of the navigation shall warrant the expense.

Through Long Neck, a cut is proposed of one mile, through a marsh whose surface is on a level with the water surface of the Canal. An estimate has been furnished of this. The navigation is then of 5 feet water and upwards, across Rehoboth Bay, to near its head, or the mouth of Love's Creek: at that place it shoals off, until at the mouth of Warren's Creek, there is a deposit of soft mud reducing the depth of water to 1.5 feet. From the mouth of Warren's Creek, the stream becomes hardly more than a deep ditch generally of 3 feet water, flowing nearly straight through an alluvial marsh. It is along this ditch that the Canal will go: and the operation of a sluice must be resorted to in order to widen and deepen it sufficiently. After a mile from its mouth it heads up; and the first portion of the Lewes-Town location is along the deep ravine of the Creek, curving for 2400 feet, until it crosses the Mill Road, and attains nearly the level of the deepest cut. Its course is then straight for 11.700 feet more; which connects it with Lewes Creek, North east of Wolf's Bridge and 2.8 miles from Lewes Town.