

1904 Ch. 260. Changes dividing line between 2d precinct of 4th election district and the 7th election district to run as follows:

“Beginning at the intersection of the road leading from Garrett Park with the turnpike leading from Rockville to Bethesda; thence with a straight line to the intersection of the Orendorf Mill road with the Old Georgetown road, near Bean postoffice; thence with the Old Georgetown road in the direction of Bethesda, to its intersection with the road petitioned for by F. W. Bargerter and others, as per plat recorded in Plat Book No. 1, Plat No. 51, of record in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County; thence with said last mentioned road to its intersection with the turnpike in the direction of Rockville to the place of beginning, and now embraced within the Seventh Election District of Montgomery County, shall hereafter be a part and parcel of the second precinct of the Fourth Election District of said county. . . .”

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

The earliest settlements in Prince George's County were made upon the Patuxent side of the county in the vicinity of Mataponi Creek, from which point to Swansons Creek stretched a more or less scattered plantation close to the river banks. The earliest records show that the inhabitants along the river were regarded as living in St. Mary's County. In 1650, when old Charles County was erected, the south shore of the Patuxent was included in it and such settlements as were made within the present limits of Prince George's County were under the immediate control of Robert Brooke, Commander of old Charles County. In 1654 old Charles County was abolished and the territory on both sides of the Patuxent was erected into Calvert County. Somewhat later Calvert County was limited to the territory on the eastern side of the Patuxent and Prince George's County became part of the new Charles County which was erected in 1658. This was the condition of affairs up to the general act of 1695 when Prince George's County was erected. It was then enacted

“that the Land from the upper side of Mattawoman and Swansons Creeks & Branches Extending upward bounded by potomock on the West and Patuxent River on the East shall be and is hereby Constituted founded & Incorporated into a County of this Province and shall be Denominated Called and known by the name of Prince George's County and shall from and after