

Upon entering the township it formerly drove Williams' saw mill, shingle and carding mill. It also furnishes water-power for all the mills, etc., about Baltimore. Near the rear of the second concession, this branch is joined by Solomon's creek, which rises near the rear of the sixth concession, and used to drive Roberts' grist mill, Fisher's, Burnett's and Cochrane's saw mills, Dawson's oat meal mill and Solomon's saw mill. Another branch of this creek formerly drove Lent's grist and saw mills and McKeyes' grist mill. Still another branch of the main stream flows past Camborne, and formerly was the power for a grist mill, a saw mill and a pail factory there. There two branches unite a little south-west from the site of McKeyes' old grist mill, here they turn eastward and used to furnish the water-power for a saw mill, pail factory and distillery, formerly situated near the old court house. They then join the main stream, which, after being reinforced by Solomon's creek, used to drive the Leaderhough planing, carding and shoddy machine, White's grist mill, Perry's mill, Ham's mill, a carding and fulling mill, axe factory, distillery, and a large woollen factory, before entering the lake. This creek was known as Jones', Henry's and Ham's. On account of having so many tributary branches this creek is subject to big floods, not only during the season of the usual spring freshets, but even in summer. On the 11th of July, 1838, after an exceedingly heavy rain storm, nearly all the dams and bridges were swept away; and on the first of June, 1889, a heavy flood carried away the railroad bridge and all the road bridges, costing the township several thousand dollars to replace them and repair the damage done to the roads, beside the expense for loss of mill dams. On the west side of the township is another creek that rises near the rear of the fifth concession and has several small branches. It used to drive Bouskill's and Dean's saw mills. It runs into the lake at a point near the boundary line between this township and Hope, and used to be known as Gage's creek. There used to be two or three small creeks which crossed the front road, west. These now only run in the spring and are dry during summer.

Old settlers tell that when the township was first taken up the bateaux and schooners on the lake used to come up the