

## McHawk Strius -

Lewis Ketchum (March 1917) says that it is more than 600 years since the McHawk fighting stopped.

The older Indians used to tell him as he went in the woods where certain things happened, here a hunter killed, there a family, there a pitched battle. Among these places is Nocheechee (meaning "me to river" where they caught shells, ) rather above a below Spawnum Lake, where two women & a baby were killed; Sculp Rock, a Passadumbeig where a McHawk was killed; McHawk Rock a McHawk Rips where a McHawk Chief was shot by a woman. He was asleep on a rock in the middle of the river, resting away from fire. The rest of his band had been killed in an attack on Aldton & he was trying to get home alone. From a story says they took him ashore & buried him head down with a fresh rock between his legs so that he would go down to Pugeting. This seems wholly probable. Old Big Thunder used to say that in old times a chief was buried standing up, a warrior sitting & a common