

The Window of Wauchesah
(Thunder Mountain Legend)

Little Hill, or Little Mountain, is a high mountain of solid rock on the Peshtigo River. Its Menominee Indian name is Wau-che-sah. Surrounding it is a region of small forest openings and barren plains. The Thunderers, coming from their homes in the west, set fire to these plains by the flashes of lightning which issued from their eyes, and they keep the region burned over as they desire it to be.

At the beginning of this hill and ledge there is a small lake, a deep fountain of clear cold water. This lake the Indians believe to be a window of the mountain. In the lake there is the den of a great White Bear, the king of all bears. Through this window the bear observes what is going on in the world and keeps an eye on his enemies, the Thunderers.