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Dear Mr. Hunter:-

There were apparently four paper mills on Little Beaver Creek: 3 in St. Clair Township, Columbiana County, Ohio, and 1 in Ohio Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania. The foundations of all four of these mills can still be seen. I will list the mills in the order of their date of construction. This order is not the geographical order of the mills on the Creek. The geographical order, starting at the mouth of the Creek is: 1, 4, 3, 2, as numbered below.

- 1. Ohio Paper Mill.  
Coulter, Beaver and Bowman.  
1807.

Southeast quarter Section 25, St. Clair Township,  
Columbiana County, Ohio.

East bank of Little Beaver Creek.

With my letter to you dated April 5, 1944, I sent you copies of the recorded papers relating to this mill. Examples of paper made at this mill are in the Ross County Historical Society at Chillicothe, Ohio, and in our local East Liverpool Historical Society.

- 2. Franklin Paper Mill.  
Cramer, Spear and Eichbaum.  
1814.

About the South quarter corner, Section 13, St. Clair Township, Columbiana County, Ohio.

East bank of Little Beaver Creek.

In November, 1944, I sent you copies of the papers relating to this mill. I have not seen a water mark for this mill, but assume that it should be found among the printed matter of Cramer, Spear and Eichbaum in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, subsequent to 1814. This mill was likely run by John Spear until his death in 1841, then by Robert C. Holmes until 1853, then by Peter M. Wallover until 1860 when the mill burned.

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3. Ohio Paper Mill.

This mill apparently took the name of the old Ohio Paper Mill mentioned in number 1 above which perhaps was not operating at this time. This name is the one given for this location on the map of E. H. Gill, Chief Engineer of the Sandy and Beaver Canal.

See Ira F. Mansfield Historical Collections  
Little Beaver. 1914. Page 233.

Job Harvey, then Job Harvey, Jr. and Hiram Harvey, and finally Joel L. Shee.

I do not know when this mill was built. It apparently went out of operation about 1855.

About the West quarter corner of Section 24, St. Clair Township, Columbiana County, Ohio.

East bank of Little Beaver Creek.

I enclose copies of Court papers relating to this mill.  
I do not know of any examples of paper made at this mill.

4. Ohio and Pennsylvania Paper Mill.  
Job Harvey.

I do not know the date when this mill was built. It was apparently about the same date as 3 above.

Island Run, Ohio Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania.

West bank of Little Beaver Creek.

I enclose copies of Court papers relating to this matter.  
I do not know of any examples of paper made at it.

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I will appreciate hearing from you as to the water marks of mills 2, 3 and 4, and whether you know of locations of examples of paper made at these mills.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM H. VODREY

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