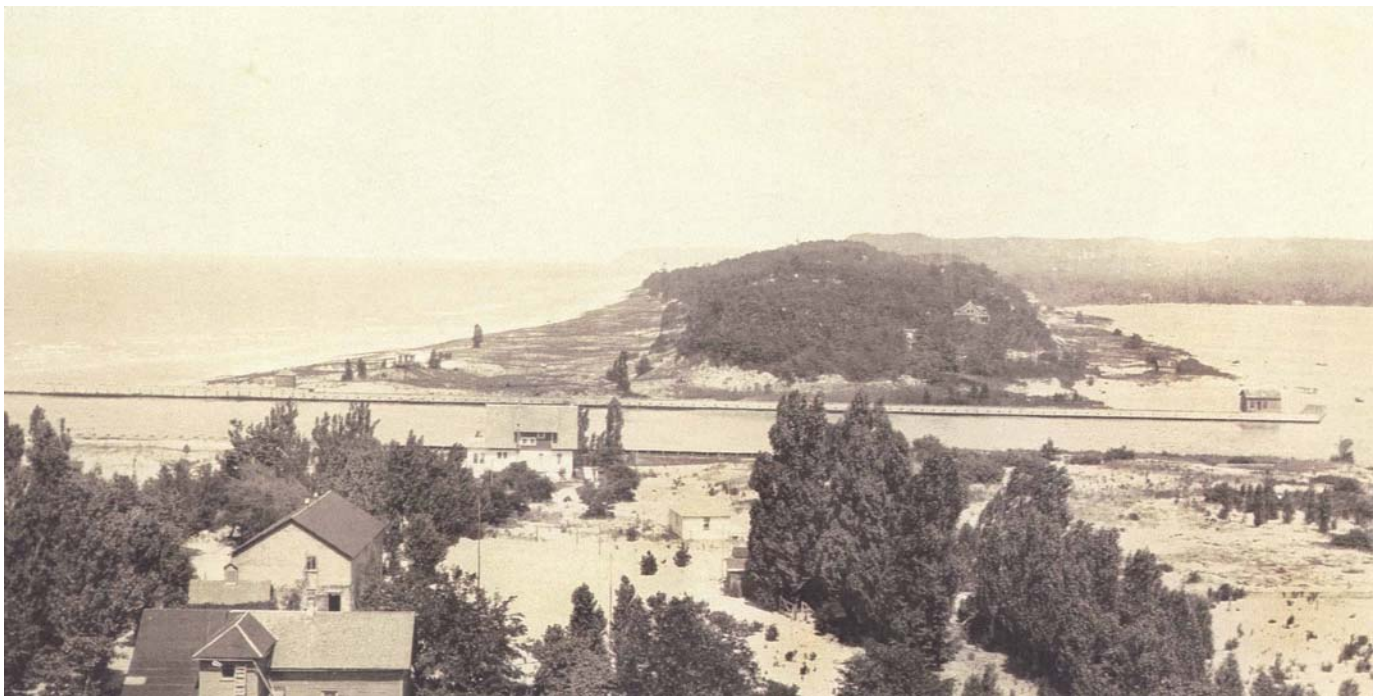


Williamsport

23. Williamsport, south of the Channel surrounding the end of Crescent Beach Road



Early View of the Lake Michigan-Portage Lake Channel Showing Buildings in the Williamsport Area

The day after the Channel opening in 1871, the tug "Caroline Williams" became the first boat to enter Portage Lake. In honor of this event, Williamsport was established by Andrew Shanks on his land on the south side of the Channel, where he operated a boardinghouse.

He also conducted a ferry service across the Channel. Members of the Ulrick Burkland (Berklund) family have lived in this area for years.
Some Views of Historic Properties in the Williamsport Area

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