

nearly direct to the east, instead of turning south as the present stream does, and passed around to the east of what is now known as Highland Park. The south branch of Saylor's creek was probably the main channel for some distance. Leaving this, the stream passed around east of the city, and near the present state fair grounds turned south again and effected a junction with the present channel again somewhere not far from Avon.

It is not difficult to believe that the Beaver may have once been the main river, but the layman will not find it so easy to believe that the river once swung around from northeast of Highland park, through what is now the East Side to the state fair grounds. And yet the geologists say there is no doubt whatever that this is true. There may even have been men here when the change was made.

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