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CARROLL COUNTY: GHENT NAMED FOR BELGIAN TOWN

The town of Ghent traces its roots to the 1809 McCool's Creek Settlement. According to local tradition, Henry Clay visited the area in 1816 and suggested that the town be called Ghent, in honor of the treaty of Ghent, Belgium, which ended the War of 1812. Clay, part of a team led by John Quincy Adams, was one of the American negotiators at Ghent.



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