

35. Consaulus Vlie

The Vlie was once a post glacial lake. In the center of it is a quaking bog where the forces of eutrophication have not yet finished the filling of the lake with decayed vegetation. The ground trembles and the black spruce which represent one of the southernmost stations in New York are also not firmly rooted. Great quantities of sphagnum moss cover the vlie along with the Pitcher Plant, Indian Dew, Labrador Tea and other swamp loving plants grow in great abundance. The High Bush blueberry flourishes and close by the Poison hemlock.

On the western side of the Vlie is the Governor's Spring, so named according to local legend when Governor DeWitt Clinton stopped here. Quartz crystals have been found on the nearby hill. It is still a wilderness.

