Powder Valley, Upper Milford Township; named because a powder mill was erected in the valley in 1829 by Henry Kemmerer.

Raber's Corners; family name. See Oswaldsville.

Reitz, Lynn Township; for Jonas Reitz who operated a mill and distillery on Ontelaunee Creek.

Rextown, Washington Township; probably named for Henry Rex who was born in Washington Township in 1798.

Ringers, South Whitehall Township; a family name.

Rising Sun, North Whitehall Township; a picturesque name selected by residents. Store and hotel built here in 1860.

Rittersville, Hanover Township; derives its name from Michael Ritter who opened a tavern there in 1808. Later operated a store at the place. Now a part of Allentown.

Rock Creek; see Fells Creek.

Rockdale, North Whitehall Township.

Rockdale Creek, North Whitehall Township; originally called "The Sandbank" because of good sand obtained there. Changed to Rockdale in 1856 by Robert H. Sayre because of high slate bluffs.

Ruchsville, North Whitehall Township; for Gen. Peter Ruch, a militia officer who ran a hotel there. Post office was established in 1844.

Ruhetown, Lowhill Township; a small cluster of houses along Jordan Creek in southeastern Lowhill Township. So named because several retired farmers lived there seeking rest (ruhe).

Rupps (Ruppsville), Upper Macungie Township; for the Rupp family. George Rupp, the ancestor, came from Germany and settled there at an early date.

Saegersville, Heidelberg Township; for Nicholas Saeger who purchased the land in 1806 and deeded it to his son Joseph Saeger in the following year. Post office was established in 1828. Also written Seagersville and Segersville.

Salisbury Township; there are different ideas regarding the name. May have been named for Salisbury, England. As it was settled by Germans, it was more probably named for Salzburg (Salzbury) in Bohemia from which some of the early settlers came. The name appears occasionally as Salsberg, Salsburg, Saltzberg, Salzburg, Saltzburg, Salzbury, and Salzburg. Statement has been made that it was intended to have the German form but the County Clerk, an Englishman, wrote it Salisbury (or salisbury) by mistake. Named in 1753.

Sandbank; see Rockdale.

Sand Spring, North Whitehall Township; a large spring half a mile east of Schnecksville in which the water bubbled up through sand. An Indian chief was said to have had a home there. Also called Wotring's Sand-Spring from nearby Wotring's mill.

Sandstone Ridge, North Whitehall Township; a ridge north of Rockdale Creek in which sandstones of the Martinsburg formation are prominent. A similar ridge south of Newhard in Washington Township has received the same name.

Sauccon Creek, Upper Saucon Township.

Saucon Hill.

Saucon Station, Upper Saucon Township; Saucon is a corruption of an Indian name "Sakunk" which was applied to an Indian village or place occasionally occupied by Indians near the mouth of Saucon Creek. It is derived from "Sa-ku-nit" meaning "the mouth of a creek."

Schadts, North Whitehall Township; a family name.