

Settler Place Names

Cash Corner: a community in Pamlico County; named for a store located at the crossroads that sold goods less expensively for cash than on credit.

Cerro Gordo: a town in Columbus County; named for the Mexican battlefield where General Winfield Scott fought a battle in 1847. In Spanish the name means “big hill.”

Charlotte: a city in Mecklenburg County; named for Queen Charlotte (1744–1818), wife of King George III.

Fruitland: a community in Henderson County; named for the large amount of fruit produced there.

Marble: a community in Cherokee County; named for the deposits of marble located near there.

Micaville: a community in Yancey county; named for the mica mined in this area.

Micro: a town in Johnston County; name came from the small size of the town.

Sapphire: a town in Transylvania County; named because sapphires are found in the vicinity.

Seaboard: a town in Northampton County; named for the Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

Snead’s Ferry: a community in Onslow County; named for Robert Snead, the ferry operator in the late 18th century.

Tobaccolville: a community in Forsyth County; named for a chewing tobacco factory built there in the 1880s.