

Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF GEOGRAPHER,

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DEAR SIR,

I wish to obtain information respecting the derivation of the place-names of Canada—of the names of the villages, towns, cities and of the natural features, such as rivers, lakes, capes, bays, mountains, etc.—and shall be much obliged if you will give me any information that you may possess or can procure, respecting the *below-mentioned name* and also respecting the names of any other features in the vicinity of your residence concerning which you have knowledge.

In many localities, the older generation is passing, or has passed away, and unless steps are taken to collect this information, it will, in many instances, be too late. In most communities there are persons who take an interest in things of this nature or who have been connected with the early settlement of the locality. If there are any such in your neighbourhood, will you kindly submit this to them.

Below I have indicated the lines along which I desire information and also the commoner derivatives of place-names in Canada :—

(1.) Whether named after a village, town or city, or natural feature in any other province or country ; if so, the name of province or country in which the original locality is situated.

(2.) Whether named after a person ; if so, the person's name, occupation, spelling of name as rendered by the person and any details of interest respecting him (or her) such as (a) Whether alive or, if dead, approximate year of death ; (b) Whether at any time a resident of the locality and, if so, whether still living there.

(3.) Whether named after a natural feature ; if so, any details respecting the origin of the name as applied to the feature and the geographical position of the latter.

(4.) Whether the town, village or city ever had any other name or names ; if so, at what dates, approximately, and the origin of these obsolete names.

Any information bearing on the above will be deemed a courtesy.

Yours truly,

JAMES WHITE,
Geographer.

Kindly write your reply on the attached sheet.

To ensure free transmission of your reply I enclose herewith an addressed envelope which will come free of postage.

Bruederheim
Alto.

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Brederheim Alta. Can.

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The Geographer

Dept of the Interior

Ottawa

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Dear Sir:-

The enclosed has been handed to me by the Post Master asking me to kindly give you the desired information.

The name Brederheim was given to this place by a colony of Germans immigrating from Russia. In Russia they belonged to the religious denomination called "Unitas Fratrum" = Unity of the Brethren. The denomination in this country is better known by the name, Moravians, having its origin in Moravia Europe. ^{Among} German speaking people it is still spoken of as Breder-Jemine the original name.

Now when these about 15-20 families came here a Church was organized, which was in

The year 1895. The Church as well as the
locality ~~was~~ then received the name
Bruederheim, Brueder or Brüder is the
German for Brethren or Brothers, and heim
means home. So that the translation of
the name would be "The Home of the Brethren."
Later when the Post Office was established
it received the name Bruederheim &
now the Station here on the Canadian Northern
Ry is the same.

I shall be glad to give fuller
information if desired.

Respectfully

Chas. A. Albrecht