

Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF GEOGRAPHER,

Ottawa, FEB 21 1906

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.

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The Geographer
Department of the Interior

March 19/06
Edmund P.O. Alta

Dear Sir

with regard to obtaining information respecting the derivations of the place names of Canada, it is very hard for me to give it to you as I do not quite understand what you want - exactly whether right in my locality or all through Canada

but in my locality there is a small river running east which goes by the name of white earth river also what is well known has the north Saskatchewan river this river comes right from the rocky mountains about 300 miles west of here it is navigable for steam boat purpose it runs through the Province of Alberta and the Province of Saskatchewan

and there is an iron mine opening up about eleven miles east of here which I think will be of use in the future it goes by the name of the Irondale mines and there is a small Lake about one mile wide and one and a half miles long 14 miles north of here it goes by the name of bear Lake also there is a Lake by the name of little white fish Lake north west of here about 16 miles from here we get our white fish from that Lake if I understood all you want to know I could give you a lot of information but I do not understand exactly what you want

yours truly E. Anderson

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GEOGRAPHER

Ottawa,.....January 26th, 1909.

Postmaster,

Edward
Alta.

Dear Sir:-

Will you kindly inform me whether your post
office is named after yourself.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy,

Yours truly,

James White

Geographer.

Per. MWC

27-59-16-W4

Sir the first three letters is the first
three in my Christian name Edward and
the last three letters in Edward
is the first three in my surname

Anderson E. d. w. and

yours truly

Edward Anderson

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