

# Department of the Interior

## OFFICE OF GEOGRAPHER

Ottawa, ..... AUG 19 1905 .....

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 that 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.

"Raymond"  
*Alta*



# Raymond Raymond

So called after the Elder son of Mr Jesse W. Knight. who came into Abbita June 1901 and bought 250,000 acre of Land <sup>2/3</sup> located <sup>2/3</sup> named our town in Aug 1901. Mr Raymond Knight came from Utah U.S.A from a city called Provo and is still alive. he was the very first settler in Raymond and put up a small lumber shanty and started in the Farming and Ranching business and is still occupera in that capacity. the father of Mr Raymond Knight with others has built a Sugar (Beet) factory here and is the princis owner Mr Raymond Knight owns a lovely home on Broadway with beautiful surroundings <sup>2/3</sup> is well to do there is in the vicinity of Raymond a Butte called 15 mile Butte. a Lake called Kirkaldy Lake one called Hay Lake

1 called 15 mile Lake	} also others.
1 in Factory Lake	

these Lake cover from one to three hundred acres.

there is a number of Canals and ~~at~~ at the south of the town a range of low hills called the Milk River Ridge

Reapt James Kitham

P. M.



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befor on the name of Raymond  
and could not give any more information  
on that Particular subject of there is any other  
subject I can help you on I will be  
Pleased to do so Resp Mitchell  
P m