## Department of the Interior

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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 localties, 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.

Greighton Valley" yale & Carebon Dist.

le nom de breighton alley dérive du premier ferme qui a abilé entre le 21 et de 22 potans partent de vernon, mintement, apartenent a Monsieur Green, ou est Monsieur Greege Freighton y mest la valley densent de leste a la ouest, la valley a aperpoir 17 milles de long, et elle à in de mi mille de large par plane, un quar de milles à d'otres, moi joubite perie le 17 milles en fane de chez moi il y a in hrique qui dessent sapidement du sude et va passer a Lumby et se jeter den la shorpap et den se hrique au susde a plusieur mille de chez moi il y a du charbon de terre, en continuent la valley au 16 milles il y a in lac un demi mille de long trai creuse je croi et sen debouché ensuite unatre peti lac un 14 de mille de long separe dinne pette cote de tore de 40 mètre environ ensuite un otre lac d'environ deux milles sépare du deuxième par in milles de terre boisée, et tous ses lac n'on par de débouché et par de possesse et je croi quils sont trai creus et acumule par quelle que source dessendent des montagne Je vous cérai bien reconement de conseiller le Gouvernement d'iniètre du poisson comme la larper et l'anguilles peut ettre d'otre poisson y nevrait iles, an norde de chez moi il y a in otre peti lac d'a penprai soo métrer de long et qui debouche un peti him chez mai, il y a aci au 25 milhes une montagne que je croi être de la bone pièrre à chause voici cher Monsieur tou les venssegnemen geographique que je peu doner ci se viest pas sela je me mis a notre disposition pour le renouveler

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