

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.

"Fairview"

Yale-Cariboo

B. C.

Until 1890 Fairveer was known
as Kanagan Camp (mining camp)
as there are rich deposits of gold bearing
rocks to be found in the mountains
around.

Some day 1890 John Moffett, who
was a Cassiar placer miner now dead.
Matthew Nutter California placer miner
also dead. D. M. Adamsen Placer Man. John
Stevens Cariboo Miner. & Fred Swatten's
M. Propector, these men met at the
cabin of J. Moffett & decided to call this
place Fairveer as a Genie mine of
20 miles of the Kanagan valley can be
got from when the town now is.

Red creek which runs through the town
is named after a man of the name
of Red who put up a cabin & stayed one
winter any before gold was found
in the district.

Judge Hayes was the first white
man to settle in this part of the

Managan Valley his house is at Boyce
14 miles south, after his death the
land was purchased by Mrs. Ellis
who owned all the land from settlement
to Cassara Lake when the Wayne estate
commenced.

The nearest indian settlement is
at In Knife seven miles, there are
about 200 of the Managan indians
still living there yet.

J. W. B. New
Linn
March 4, 1866