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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 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.

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Lunenburg Co*

see over

Laconia N.S.
Sep. 29 10/5

Dear Sir —

In reply to your request, I say
I cannot describe the natural features of any
village or town that is newly situated.
This district is very fertile. the town here named also.

is. Bridgewater	Lunt. Co. N.S.
Millville	Queen Co (village)
Springfield	Annap. N.S. (")
Centerville	" " " " (")
Liverpool (town)	N.S.
Mill Village	(village) N.S.
Isaac Harbour	Guyphora (village)
Days Spring	(village)
Calladonia	(Lunt. Co. N.S. ")
New Germany	Lunt. N.S. " "
Paradise	Annap. Co. N.S.

Hope this may be of service to you.

James Verrot P.M.
Laconia

Dear Sir

Is your P.O. named after Laconia in
New Hampshire or Laconia, a province of Greece?

Yours truly

James White

after a town on the Mississippi R. on eastern border
of Arkansas

Dear Sir, —

Lunenburg, N.S.

In reply to above. I say Mr. C. E. Paulback, M.P.
named this office. I am not prepared to say
where, or after what other P.O. it was named

Laconia N.S.

James. Fenno

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Geographer
Dept. of the Interior.

Lanenburg
N. S.

Nov 20/05.

Dear Sir

In reply to your favor of
the 14th inst. Re "Derivation of the name
of Laconia P. O. in this County, would say
that it was first named "Lakeville"
P. O., but the Postmaster Gen asked me
to select some other name, owing to there
being another P. O. of the same name,
and a second would lead to confusion.

I accordingly named it "Laconia" from a
Town on the banks of the Mississippi River
on the eastern border of the State of
Arkansas, U. S.

Believe me

Yours very truly.

C. Edwin Kaulbach.