Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF GEOGRAPHER,

Ottawa.

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.

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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.

Lexington

Lexington P. O. april 2nd 1906 is on the Victoria Broad Leading to River Inhabitants River Dennis Whycocomagh, These places is preety mell to the north East of here Port Hasting is to the south erd of hear a Lake Horton a halfmile to the sourcest of hear over a mile long three quarters wide Mountain to the Easterd of it Hight about 400 feet with soled black rock contains lot of tronore, Black Nell's dake to the northeast mile from this Opice The normest arm brook passes the road just here glo beginning give miles north of here Empties into River-Inhabitants Seven miles to the nor east of here All farming ættlement no town village of any description in this district, Goar Obedient Servant James Men Hunnon P.M.