

Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF GEOGRAPHER

Ottawa,.....OCT 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.

Amigari
Welland Co. Ont.

Amigari - Bertie Tp. Welland Co.

Amigari P Office Oct 24/85-

Dear Sir replying to your enquiry I
would say that Amigari is the South
ward of the village of Bridgeburg
since Incorporation ten years ago.
Previous to that it was a railway terminal
in the Township of Bertie County of Welland
and the P O was established for the convenience
of residents here. The Office was opened
during the time Wm. Bunting was M P
for the County and I have always been
told that it was the name of ^{the} birthplace
in Ireland trusting this will be
satisfactory I remain yours respectfully

W B Hurvell
P M

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doubtful

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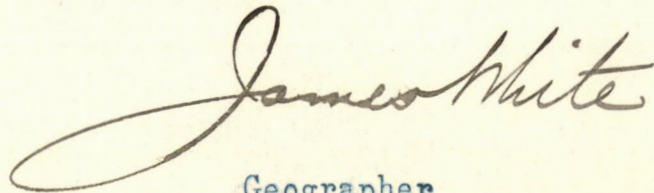
Ottawa, October 31st, 1905

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your memo re name of your P.O. and in reply would say that there is no place of this name in Ireland and ^{from} the appearance of the name and its resemblance to Niagara, I am inclined to think that it is of Indian origin. Could you give me any information along this line.

Thanking you in advance.

Yours truly,



Geographer

A. B. Hurrell, Esq.,

Postmaster,

Amigari, Ont.

Amigari Nov 6/05
Dear Sir I regret that I am not able to furnish you any more information relative to name of Office thus already submitted should I in the future learn anything further I shall be delighted to advise you I am very truly Yours A B Hurrell



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Washington, D.C.

January 10, 1900

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