

Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF GEOGRAPHER

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Ottawa,.....OCT 17 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.

Chartrand

Russell Co.

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Chartrand April 4th 1906

To the Department of the Interior
Office of Geographer

Dear Sir

In searching my papers
I found the Included inquiry dated
Oct 17, 1905. I thought I would give
you the information asked for I hope
it will not be too late.

The Post office Chartrand is called
after the name of a farmer of that
locality that place is three miles north
of Navon and six miles southwest of
the village of Cumberland Mr. C.
Chartrand which place is called after
him is a justice of the peace since
20 years for the United Counties of
Priscott and Russell he is also a
County Councillor for the said United
Counties since 10 years and three years
ago in 1903 he was elected Warden
of the said Counties that is about
all the details I can give you at
present
yours truly
Evanse Chartrand