

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.

Halls Glen

White Lake ^{Ont.} Peterborough Co.

Mr. Jos. White

Dear Sir

The Post Office of Halls Glen

Received its name from one of our late members of Parliament, member of the House of Commons, who was known and is still remembered as "Shuff Hall," who secured for us the office shortly after his election, in 18~~78~~⁷², his death occurred in 1882

It is situated 6 miles north East of Warsaw, one mile from Mr. Crocker's landing, Stony Lake. (Peterboro' Chain) on the south shore of the lake, three miles from where the canal or slide, empties into White Lake, the source of the Andover River, which forms in its course a sort of semi-circle thus forming between its banks and the shores of the Lake a sort of plain more arable and productive than

any other tract of country along the Lakes to
Lakesfield.

White Lake was so named after a case of the "white fish"
which the Indians furnished the early settlers
from its waters. and the River after the Indians

Joseph, Truly
Jordan Crow
Teacher
Hall's Island.

Furnished Mr. D. Matill,

Post master.