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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.

*Kolapora
Grey Co. Ont.*

Dear Sir

Kolapore Oct 6

In answering yours I must say I am
the oldest Resident here have all
that was here when I came here 25
years ago are either dead or gone
a way those that are is some of those
children here still when the first
school house was built we had a
meeting and thought we ought to
give it a name there was a good
many names proposed My son
said the people round here seemed
a happy lot of people how would
Paradise suite it was agreed on and
went by that name for years and
is called so now but when we ~~applied~~
applied for a post office they
asked what name we wished to give
it I sent them Paradise but they
said there was one of that name
and they did not want 2 of one
name I think the reason they chose
Kolapore was just before that a
Prince of India gave a large price
to be run for in England and
at Epsom or Newmarket I forgot

wich and they gave it the name
of the Kolapone Cup in honor
of the place the Prince came from
in India there is no River here only
small creeks feeders of the River
River that empties in Gungenbay
at Thornberney

from yours respectfully

James Pegg

Kolapone Grey

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