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Sharon Ont. Nov 10th 05.

To the Geographical Department
Ottawa.

Gentlemen,

In answer to your inquiries respecting
the name "Sharon" I send the following.

This place was originally named
Hope. The P.O. Department asked that
the name be changed to prevent con-
fusion with Port Hope.

The matter was referred to David Wilson
who was leader and Pastor of the religious
society here called "The Children of Peace".

It is probable that he gave the name
from the "Song of Solomon" Chap II. v. 1

"I am the rose of Sharon
and the lily of the valley" --

Yours
Robert J. Ferris
Teacher.

Ans'd
Sharon, Ont York Co.