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Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF GEOGRAPHER

Ottawa, SEP 30 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.

*Leftsville
Hastings Co. Ont*

Justsville, Oct 30, 1895

Situate in the G Con Sidney on the
Town Line between Sidney & Rawdon Lakes
its name from Stephen Justs the first
and present Post Master, a native of Norwich
Norfolk England Storekeeper and Farmer
(is also mail contractor), settled here in
1862 is still living here this is a prosperous
farming settlement well supplied with numerous
springs & creeks which a few years ago was teeming
with brook trout but the trout have nearly disappeared
a fine lake called Ross pond of about 300 acres
and Rawdon brook a fine stream runs just north
of this place

The land is well adapted for farming and may be
called Rolling Land the Madoc Junction station
of the G T R is here the Post ^{Office} was opened in
September 1855 never had any other name
the names of some of the earliest settlers who come
from the Old Country about 1830 were the
Clarks, Eggers, Degroffs (Osborns) Eggletons

I hope you will find the above useful
Yours very Resp^{ly} Stephen Justs