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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,

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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.

Grandview
Queens Co. ~~Ham.~~ P.E.I.

Grand View. A name given to this place recently. A Grand View of the surrounding country can be obtained from a high hill within the boundary of the place, hence, the name "Grand View" was chosen for it. This change was made in the name twenty years ago. (1885) before that it was called (Murray Harbor Road) The only name for this place before the above date. on the south east corner of P.E. Island there is a ^{harbor} ~~point~~ called "Murray Harbor." there was a ^{main} road leading from there to Ch. Town a distance of about 40 miles, and called the Murray Harbor Road, the name followed the road for a long distance, say to the Town Road 15 miles from Ch. Town, and 15 miles to George Town. on an opposite direction

The district now called Grand View was then called Murray Harbor Road. & co.

There is no important stories to be told of this place

Yours

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P. B. Grandview

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