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# Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF GEOGRAPHER,

Ottawa, MAR 1 1906

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 who 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.

*Lakeville*

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Lakeville. Mar. 27<sup>th</sup> /86

James White Esq.  
Geographer.

In re your inquiry as to  
the origin of the dist. named "Lakeville",  
I beg to state, that it was originally part  
of North Lake dist. but when it was ne-  
cessary to form another school dist.  
North Lake was divided. the Eastern end  
retaining the name "North Lake" and the west-  
ern end was called "Lakeville". This change  
occurred about 33 years ago. North Lake,  
I believe, was called "Surveyor's Indlet",  
during the early settlement of the place,  
but as there are two other Lakes, one to the  
South & one to the East. called respectively:-  
South Lake & East Lake. this Lake, being north,  
was called North Lake. It has always been  
so called. within the memory of the oldest  
inhabitants. North Lake is a very pretty  
(over)

Sheet of water, and is famous for <sup>the</sup> trout fisheries. There are also, an abundance of Gaspraus, smelts, Eels, silver perch and salmon, caught yearly.

"Lakeville", is therefore, the name given to the west end of North Lake, at the time of forming a new School District. The Post Office, also takes the same name.

The name has no other significance that I am aware of.

Hoping the above information will be of some use to you I am, Dear Sir

Yours very truly,

Post master,

Lakeville

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