

- Prospector**; valley, Vermilion river, B.C.; after an old prospector's camp near its entrance. (Wilcox)
- Protection**; mountain, Bow river, Alta.; it "shuts off" an unusually beautiful valley from Baker Creek valley. (Porter)
- Prow**; mountain, Red Deer river, Alta.; resembles the prow of a ship.
- Ptarmigan**; lake and peak, Bow river, Alta.; from the large numbers of ptarmigan that frequent the locality.
- Ptolemy**; peak and pass, Crowsnest river, Alta., and B.C.; the peak resembles "a man sitting with arms folded." (Bridgland)
- Pulpit**; peak, Hector lake, Bow river, Alta.; descriptive. (Thompson)
- Pulsatilla**; mountain, Bow river, Alta.; *pulsatilla* is a sub-generic name for one section of the genus *Anemone*.
- Pyramid**; mountain, North Saskatchewan river, Alta.; resembles a pyramid.

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- Quincy**; mount, Athabaska river, Alta.; named by A. P. Coleman after his brother, Lucius Quincy Coleman; their mother (*née* Adams) was a relative of John Quincy Adams.

R

- Racehorse**; creek, Oldman river, Alta.; probably descriptive; has a very swift current.
- Rae**; mount, Elbow river, Alta.; after Dr. John Rae, Arctic explorer; in 1854, brought back news of loss of Franklin expedition. (Hector)
- Raven**; river, Red Deer river, Alta.; translation of Cree name *ka-ka-koo*.
- *Raven**; post office, Red Deer river, Alta.
- Redburn**; creek and peak, Blaeberry river, B.C.; first called 'Red Indian'; name changed to Redburn after reddish rocks in valley of the stream.
- Red Deer**; river, Alta.; Indian name is *was-ka-soo*, meaning 'many deer or elk,' which, formerly, were numerous in vicinity of the river.
- *Red Deer**; town and electoral dist., Alta.
- Redearth**; creek, Bow river, Alta.; from the red ochre found in places on its banks; formerly called 'Vermilion'; name changed to avoid duplication.
- Redoubt**; peak, Bow river, Alta.; "the formation resembles a huge redoubt." (Wheeler)
- Redoubt**; lake, Bow river, Alta.
- Richardson**; mount, Red Deer river, Alta.; after Sir John Richardson (1787-1866); he was Surgeon and Naturalist in the Arctic expeditions of Franklin, 1819-22 and 1825-27; commanded a Franklin search expedition, 1848-49. (Hector)
- Robinson**; mount, Bow river, Alta.; probably after Rev. T. R. Robinson, President of the Royal Society, 1849-50. (Palliser)
- Rock Tower**; mountain, Kicking Horse river, B.C.; descriptive.
- Rocky**; mountains, Alta., B.C., Yukon and N.W.T.; translation of Cree name "*as-sin-wati*"; viewed from the prairies they present a great wall of rock.
- *Ronde, Roche**; peak, Athabaska river, Alta.; descriptive.
- Ross**; lake, Kicking Horse river, B.C.; after late Sir James Ross; in 1884, he was Superintendent of Construction, Canadian Pacific Ry.
- Ruby**; ridge, Oldman river, Alta.; after the beds of bright red shale near its summit.
- Rundle**; mount, Bow river, Alta.; after Rev. Robt. Terrill Rundle, Methodist missionary to the Indians of the North West, 1840-48. The Minutes of Council, of the Hudson's Bay Co., 1843, provide that a "commissioned gentleman's allowance" be paid to him. (Hector)