

(No. 12.)

Post Office Department,
APPOINTMENT OFFICE.

WASHINGTON CITY, April 30, 1884.

SIR:

Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for a new Post Office at Bassett's Mill, County of Col. Paso, State of Colorado, at which you are recommended for Postmaster, he requires that the blanks in the following statement be filled, and the questions carefully and correctly answered, verified by your signature, certified by a neighboring postmaster, and returned to this Department, addressed to me. The contractor should be informed of this application; and if the site of the proposed office be off the mail route, you will forward his certificate as to the practicability of supplying it, and also as to the increase of distance. If the proposed office is not on any route now under contract, it can only be established as a "Special Office," to be supplied without expense to Department other than net proceeds.

Be careful to designate the post offices by their true official names; and answer the subjoined queries fully and accurately, or the case will not be acted upon.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

GEORGE EARLE,
First Assistant Postmaster General.

To Mr. Alvin Bassett
Care of the Postmaster of Colorado City, Col., who will please forward to him

STATEMENT.

The proposed office will be called Bassett's Mill

[The name of the candidate for postmaster should not be applied as the name of a post office. It is preferable to have some LOCAL or PERMANENT name, which must not be the name of any other office in the State; and you should aim to select a name not appropriated to any office in the United States.]

It will be situated in the N. W. quarter of Section 33, Township 11 South, of Range 66 West, in the County of Col. Paso, State of Colorado.

It will be on or near route No. 17001, being the route from Bassett's Mill to Pueblo, Col. Pr. on which the mail is now carried 3 times per week, each way.

The contractor's name is St. Jacobs.

Will it be directly on this route?—Ans. Yes.

If not, how far from and on which side of it?—Ans.

How much will it INCREASE the travel of the mail one way each trip?—Ans. None.

Where will the mail leave the present route to supply the proposed office?—Ans. does not

Where intersect the route again?—Ans. does not have to intersect

What post office will be left out by this change?—Ans. None

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on the same route, is Spring Valley, its distance is Seven miles, in a North East direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is Colorado City, its distance is Eighteen miles, in a E of South West direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, is Spring Valley, distance by the most direct road is Seven miles, in a N. W. direction from the proposed office.

The name of the most prominent river near it is Montezuma Creek.

The name of the nearest creek is South Creek.

The proposed office will be Four miles from said river, on the East side of it.

Post Office Department, APPOINTMENT OFFICE.

WASHINGTON CITY, April 30, 18 89.

SIR:

Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for a new Post Office at Bassett's Mill, County of El Paso, State of Colorado, at which you are recommended for Postmaster, he requires that the blanks in the following statement be filled, and the questions carefully and correctly answered, verified by your signature, certified by a neighboring postmaster, and returned to this Department, addressed to me. The contractor should be informed of this application; and if the site of the proposed office be off the mail route, you will forward his certificate as to the practicability of supplying it, and also as to the increase of distance. If the proposed office is not on any route now under contract, it can only be established as a "Special Office," to be supplied without expense to Department other than net proceeds.

Be careful to designate the post offices by their true official names; and answer the subjoined queries fully and accurately, or the case will not be acted upon.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

GEORGE EARLE,

First Assistant Postmaster General.

To Mr. Alfred Bassett,
Care of the Postmaster of Colorado City, Col., who will please forward to him

STATEMENT.

The proposed office will be called Bassett's Mill

[The name of the candidate for postmaster should not be applied as the name of a post office. It is preferable to have some LOCAL or PERMANENT name, which must not be the name of any other office in the State; and you should aim to select a name not appropriated to any office in the United States.]

It will be situated in the N. W. quarter of Section 33, Township 11 South, Range 66 West, in the County of El Paso, State of Colorado.

It will be on or near route No. 17001, being the route from Fuente, Col. to Colorado City, Col. on which the mail is now carried 3 times per week. Each way

The contractor's name is A. Jacobs

Will it be directly on this route?—Ans. Yes

If not, how far from and on which side of it?—Ans.

How much will it INCREASE the travel of the mail one way each trip?—Ans. None

Where will the mail leave the present route to supply the proposed office?—Ans. does not

Where intersect the route again?—Ans. does not have to intersect

What post office will be left out by this change?—Ans. None

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on the same route, is Spring Valley, its distance is seven miles, in a North East direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is Colorado City, its distance is seven miles, in a E of South West direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, is Spring Valley, distance by the most direct road is seven miles, in a N. E. direction from the proposed office.

The name of the most prominent river near it is Monument Creek.

The name of the nearest creek is Smith Creek.

The proposed office will be four miles from said river, on the East side of it, and will be on nearest creek, on the East side of it.

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans. 10

If not, state the number of families within two miles.—Ans. 19

Also, the number of families within one-half the distance to the next office.—Ans. 19

A diagram, or sketch from a map, showing the position of the proposed new office, with neighboring river or creek, roads, and other post offices, towns, or villages near it, will be useful, and is therefore desired.

A correct map of the locality might be furnished by the county surveyor, but this must be without expense to the Post Office Department.

ALL WHICH I CERTIFY to be correct and true, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, this 12 day of May, 18 89 Alfred Bassett.

I CERTIFY, That I have examined the foregoing statement, and that it is correct and true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Emile Gehring Postmaster of Colorado City, Col.