

(No. 30.)

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,

CONTRACT OFFICE.

WASHINGTON, *April 19<sup>th</sup>*, 186*9*.

SIR:

To enable the Topographer of this Department to determine, with as much accuracy as possible, the relative positions of Post Offices so that they may be correctly delineated on its maps, the Postmaster General requests you to fill up the spaces and answer the questions below, and return the same, verified by your signature and dated, under cover to this Office.

Respectfully, &c., &c.,

*Edw. Smith*  
Second Assistant Postmaster General.

TO POSTMASTER AT

*Keystone,*  
*Douglas Co., Col. Ter.*

The (P. O. Dept.) name of my office is *Keystone*

\*Its local name is *Craig's Ranch*

It is situated in the *South West* quarter of Section No. *24*, in Township *Seven* (~~North~~ south,) Range *Sixty Eight* (~~West~~ west,) County *Douglas*, State of *Territory of Colorado*

The name of the most prominent river near it is *Platte*

The name of the nearest creek is *Plum Creek*

This office is *Nine* miles from said river, on the *South* side of it, and is *one* *half* miles from said nearest creek, on the *North* side of it.

The name of the nearest office on route No. *is Bear Canon*, and its distance is *Eight* miles, by the traveled road, in a *South* direction from this my office.

The name of the nearest office on the same route on the other side is *Lilleton* and its distance is *14* miles in a *North* direction from this my office.

The name of the nearest office off the route is *Granby*, and its distance by the most direct road is *12* miles in a *East* direction from this my office.

State, under this, the names of all other offices near your office, in different directions from it, and their distances from it by the most direct roads. *none*

\*If the town, village, or site of the Post Office, be known by another name than that of the Post Office, state that other name here, that it may be identified on the map of the State (or Territory.)

†If a diagram of the township and sections, (or, where the land is not so divided, a sketch map,) showing the precise location of your office, together with the adjoining Post Offices, towns or villages, the roads, railroads, and larger streams or creeks, in addition to the above, will be useful, and is desired. (See *Diagram Blank* accompanying this, to be filled up.)

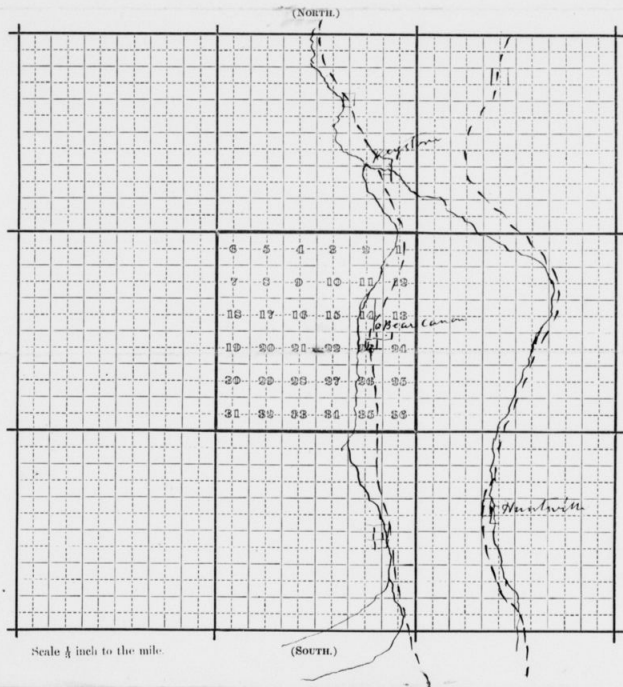
(Signature of Postmaster.)

(Date.)

*John H. Craig*  
*June 3. 1869*

Diagram showing the site of the Keystone Post Office  
in Township Section Range 68 W of the Principal  
Meridian, County of Douglas, State  
Territory of Colorado, with the adjacent Townships and Post  
Offices.

It is requested that the exact site of the proposed, or existing  
Post Office, as also the roads to the adjoining offices, and the larger  
streams or rivers, be marked on this diagram, to be returned as soon  
as possible to the Post Office Department.



HORATIO KING,  
First Assistant Postmaster General.

To Mr.  
Care of the Postmaster of

, who will please forward to him.

### STATEMENT.

The proposed office will be called

*Keystone*

[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 Section

Range

Township

in the County of

State of

It will be on or near Route No.

being the route from

to *Colorado City*

, on which the mail is now carried

times per week.

The Contractor's name is

*S. G. Mithrup*

Will it be directly on this route?—Ans.

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.

Where will the mail leave the present route to supply the proposed office?—Ans.

Where intersect the route again?—Ans.

What post office will be left out by this change?—Ans.

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on the same route, is

*18* miles, in a *Northward*

*There are two roads from*

*Denver to the Head of North*

*Archer. His office will be in*

*Archer. There is little or no*

*difference in time. I don't*

*know on which side mailmen*

*travel.*

*Denver*

*direction from it.*

*Keystoneville*

*direction from it.*

The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is

its distance is *about 25* miles, in a *S. Eastward*

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, off the route, is

distance by the most direct road is miles, in a direction from it.

State the names of the other offices near the proposed one, their directions and distances from it by the most direct roads.

Ans.

The name of the most prominent river near it is

*North River*

The proposed office will be side of it.

miles from said river, on the *South side*

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants; if not, state the number of families residing within two miles. *about 100 families (see petition)*

A diagram, or sketch from a map, showing the position of the proposed new office, and of others near it, will be useful, and is therefore desired.

ALL WHICH I CERTIFY to be correct and true, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, this

day of

*July*

1862.

*W. P. Burnett*

*Sec. Post. Gen.*

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

Postmaster of }