



Post Office Department,
APPOINTMENT OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, *Sept 21*, 187*7*

SIR:

Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for a new post office at *Platte Canon*, County of *Douglas*, 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,

James W. Marshall
JAMES W. MARSHALL,
First Assistant Postmaster General.

To Mr. *Cecil A. Deane*

Care of the Postmaster of *Denver, Colo*, who will please forward to him.

STATEMENT.

The proposed office will be called *Platte Canon*

[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 *SE* quarter of Section *28*, Township *7 S.*, Range *49*, in the County of *Douglas*, State of *Colorado*

It will be on or near route No.

being the route from *Denver* to *Fairplay*, on which the mail is now carried *daily* times per week

The contractor's name is

Cecil A. Deane

Will it be directly on this route?—Ans.

No

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

Ten miles from present P.O.

How much will it INCREASE the travel of the mail one way each trip?—Ans.

2 1/2 miles from Denver

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

Denver

Where intersect the route again?—Ans.

Baileys—present terminus of the new building

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

Littleton

its distance is *16* miles, in a *Northwesterly* direction from the proposed office.

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

Monteplison

its distance is *ten* miles, in a *Westerly* direction from the proposed office.

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

Monteplison—10 miles

distance by the most direct road is *10* miles, in a *Westerly* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the most prominent river near it is

Platte

The name of the nearest creek is

Clear Creek

The proposed office will be

no miles from said river, on the *South*

side of it, and will be *no* miles from said nearest creek, on the *West* side of it.

If near a railroad, state on which side the office will be located, how far from, and the name of the station or depot.

Ans. *A station will be made here—will be on the S side—name of station*

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans. *Present about 300 men*

Also, the population to be supplied by proposed office.—Ans. *About 150 permanent*

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

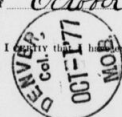
day of *October*, 187*7*

Cecil A. Deane

I hereby 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

Denver, Colo



It would be advisable to select an office name for the proposed office, as there is a Platte Canon in a different locality now in Colorado. The similarity of the names may cause confusion.

Diagram showing the site of the
 in Township Range of Principal
 Meridian. County of State
 of , 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.

