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# Post Office Department,

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT P. M. GENERAL,

WASHINGTON, D. C., 24 Feb, 1886

SUP: Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for the establishment of a post office at Brayville, County of Campbell, State of Virginia, it will be necessary for you to carefully answer the subjoined questions, get a neighboring postmaster to certify to the correctness of the answers, and return the location paper to the Department, addressed to me. If the site selected for the proposed office should not be on any mail route now under contract, only a "Special Office" can be established there, to be supplied with mail from some convenient point on the nearest mail route by a special carrier, for which service a sum equal to two-thirds of the amount of the salary of the postmaster at such office will be paid.

You should inform the contractor, or person performing service for him, of this application, and require him to execute the inclosed certificate as to the practicability of supplying the proposed office with mail, and return the same to the Department.

Very respectfully,

A. E. Stinson  
First Assistant Postmaster General.

To Mr. Edwin Reay,  
care of the Postmaster of Grantslick, who will please forward to him.

## STATEMENT.

The proposed office to be called Brayville

Select a short name for the proposed office, which, when written, will not resemble the name of any other post office in the United States.

It will be situated in the \_\_\_\_\_ quarter of Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ (North or South),

Range \_\_\_\_\_ (East or West), \_\_\_\_\_ in the County of Campbell, State of Virginia.

It will be on or near route No. \_\_\_\_\_, being the route from Grantslick to Grantslick, on which the mail is now carried three times per week.

The contractor's name is Edwin Reay.  
Will it be directly on this route?—Ans.

If not, how far from, and on which side of it?—Ans. South and four miles  
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. Grantslick by special carrier  
Where intersect the route again?—Ans.

What post office will be left out by this change?—Ans. None  
If not on any route, is a "Special Office" wanted?—Ans. Yes. To be supplied from Grantslick

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on the same route, is Grantslick, its distance is three miles in a South direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is Grantslick, its distance is three and one quarter miles in a South direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, not on this route, is Grantslick, its distance by the most direct road three and one quarter miles in a South direction from the proposed office.

The name of the most prominent river near it is Roanoke.  
The name of the nearest creek is Roanoke.

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

The name of the nearest railroad is Roanoke & Shenandoah.  
If on the line of or near a railroad, on which side will the office be located; how far from the track; and what is, or will be, the name of the station?—Ans.

What will be the distance from the proposed site to the nearest flag station?—Ans.  
State name of station: \_\_\_\_\_

What will be the distance from the proposed site to the nearest station at which mail trains make regular stops?—Ans.  
State name of station? \_\_\_\_\_

If the proposed office is located where it can be supplied from a crane or flag station, or located over 80 rods from the station where mail trains make regular stops, will the mail be carried to and from the proposed office without expense to the Department?—Ans.

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans.  
Also, the population to be supplied by the proposed office.—Ans. Eighty

A diagram, or sketch from a map, showing the position of the proposed new office, with neighboring river or creek, roads, and other post office 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 26 day of March, 1886.

( Sign full name.) Edwin Reay, Proposed P. M.

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 at Grantslick

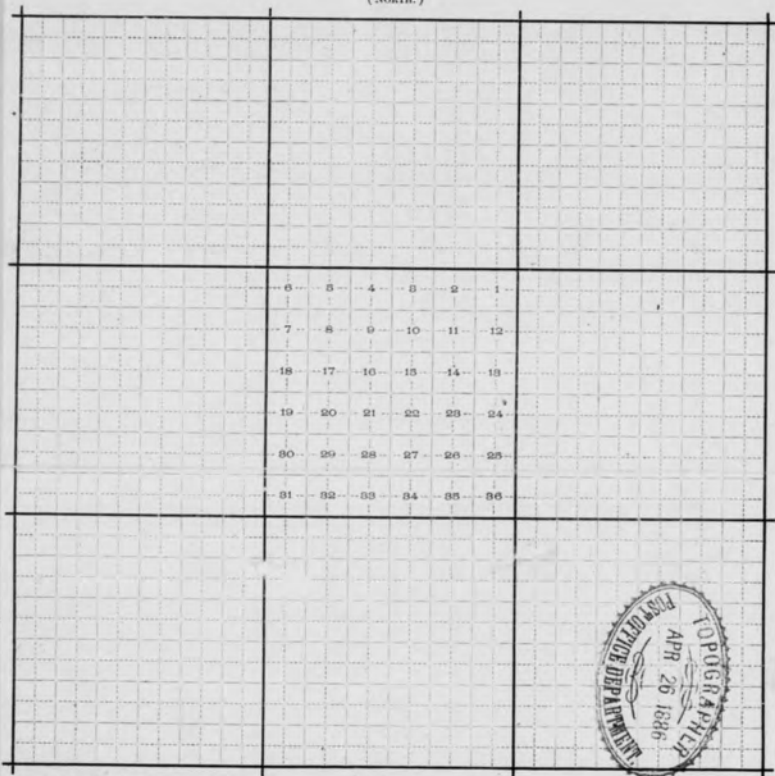
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Be careful to answer the inquiries fully and accurately, as the case will not be acted upon.

Diagram showing the site of the *Post Office*  
 in Township (N. or S.), Range (E. or W.) 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.

(NORTH.)



Scale 1/4 inch to the mile.

(SOUTH.)

*Handwritten signature or note, possibly 'Bryant's Office'.*