

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

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

*J. M. Marshall*  
GEORGE EARLE,  
First Assistant Postmaster General.

To Mr. *J. Grace*  
Care of the Postmaster of *Chillicothe, Mo.*, who will please forward to him

STATEMENT.

The proposed office will be called *Blood, Mo.*

[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 *East* quarter of Section *Thirty Four*, Township *Fifty Six* Range *Twenty Two* in the County of *Livingston*, State of *Missouri*

It will be on or near route No. *10557*, being the route from *Ntica* to *Carrollton* on which the mail is now carried *Three* times per week.

The contractor's name is *Benjamin Gipsman, J. Parke Wiley*

Will it be directly on this route?—Ans. *Directly on this route*

If not, how far from and on which side of it?—Ans. *None*

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. *None*

Where intersect the route again?—Ans. *None*

What post office will be left out by this change?—Ans. *Not any*

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on the same route, is *Dawn* its distance is *Six 1/2* miles, in a *North West* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is *Calverton* its distance is *Eight* miles, in a *South East* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, is *Stephens* distance by the most direct road is *Six* miles, in a *East* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the most prominent river near it is *Grand River*

The name of the nearest creek is *Whool Creek*

The proposed office will be *Six 1/2* miles from said river, on the *South* side of it, and will be *Six 1/2* miles from said nearest creek, on the *South East* side of it.

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans. *None*

If not, state the number of families within two miles.—Ans. *Forty Seven*

Also, the number of families within one-half the distance to the next 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 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 *24th* day of *February*, 187*0*.

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

*J. M. Grace*  
Postmaster of *Chillicothe, Mo.*