



Post Office Department,

APPOINTMENT OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, Feb 12, 1874

SIR:

Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for a new post office at Harrington, County of Belmont, State of Ohio 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,
First Assistant Postmaster General.

To Mr. W. S. Barton
Care of the Postmaster of Colerain, who will please forward to him.

STATEMENT.

The proposed office will be called "Cope" dis. No. 95

[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 18, Township 7
Range 3, in the County of Belmont, State of Ohio

It will be on or near route No. 9067, being the route from Wheeling N. Va.
to Cadiz Ohio, on which the mail is now carried three times per week. both ways

The contractor's name is Wm. So. Houser

Will it be directly on this route?—Ans. no

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

How much will it INCREASE the travel of the mail one way each trip?—Ans. What we desire is not that the present travel

Where will the mail leave the present route to supply the proposed office?—Ans. changed, but that a route from Colerain P.O.

Where intersect the route again?—Ans. on said route to the proposed office shall be

What post office will be left out by this change?—Ans. none established & mail service ordered thereon by

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

its distance is 2 (two) miles, in an easterly direction from the proposed office.

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

its distance is four miles, in a North westerly direction from the proposed office.

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

distance by the most direct road is 2 miles, in a easterly direction from the proposed office.

The name of the most prominent river near it is Ohio

The name of the nearest creek is Wheeling

The proposed office will be 0 miles from said river, on the West

side of it, and will be 7 miles from said nearest creek, on the East 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. This 7 miles from Wheeling N. Va. It is North West therefore 4 or 5 miles

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans. 80 N.W. of Bridgeport on the Cleveland & Pittsburg R.R.

Also, the population to be supplied by proposed office.—Ans. about (200) two hundred

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 17th day of February, 1874.

W. S. Barton

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

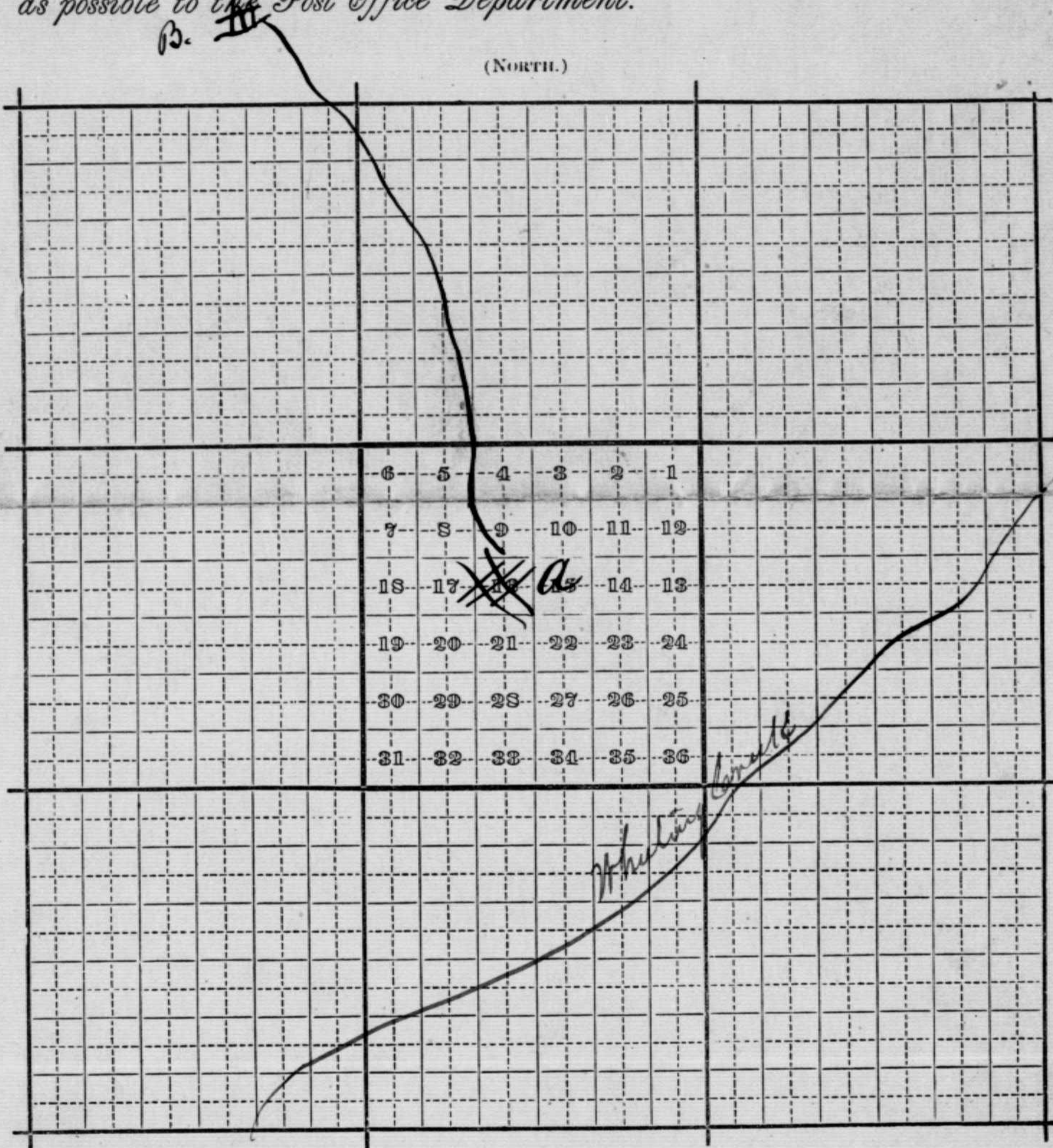
The whole name of the person intending to be P.M. is required.

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Feb. 21. 1874.
 Cooper, Ohio

Diagram showing the site of the proposed "Cope" Post Office
 in Township 7 Range 3 of Principal
 Meridian, County of Belmont, State
 of Ohio, 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.



Scale $\frac{1}{2}$ inch to the mile.

(SOUTH.)

- A. Proposed office
- B. Existing P.O.