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Kingston Div'n

22 Jan'y 00

## on application for a P.O.

at Hall's Lake

Victoria N.R.

Office ent'd 1.3.00

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Establish P.O. weekly Service. Auth. D. McKay to name a P.M.

Post Office Inspector's Office

Kingston

22<sup>nd</sup> Jan. 1900

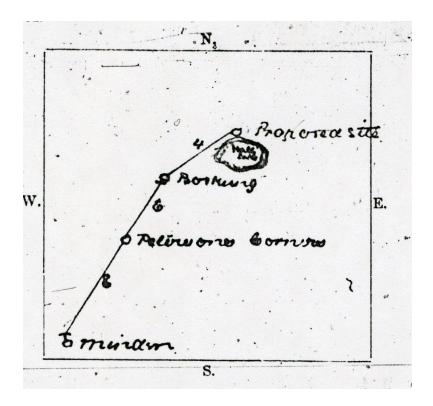
I have the honour to return the application for the establishment of a new Post Office in the Electoral Division of Victoria N. R. which was referred to me on the  $3^{rd}$ , inst. and to report hereon as follows:

- 1. Proposed name: "Hall's Lake"
- 2. Proposed site: Lot 13, Con. 10 Township of Stanhope
- 3. Proposed Postmaster: James Welch
- 4. Neighbouring Post Offices:

| Boskung            | 4 Miles South West  |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Peterson's Corners | 10 Miles South West |
| Minden             | 18 Miles South West |

- 5. Number of families to be accommodated by proposed office: Only 8 or 10 families permanent residents, but as many as 100 Lumber & Shantymen are employed in the woods during Winter.
- 6. Character of population: Farmers and floating population of Lumbermen
- Mode and frequency of service: Weekly from Boskung at a cost of \$25 per annum – or an extension of the Boskung and Minden through weekly service is

preferred. Courier starting from Minden instead of Boskung as now – additional cost at contract rate \$40. but it is probable it would be tendered for for less.



- 8. Estimated cost of Service \$ ------ per annum
- 9. Probable Revenue, \$10.00 per annum.
- 10. The map-sketch below shows the distances and bearing of the neighbouring office from the proposed office, and also the route by which, if established, it would be served.

## **Further Observations**

The extreme Northern part of the Township of Stanhope, beyond the proposed site, is under limits, and not yet open for settlement, but the woods are filled with Lumber and Shantymen in Winter. When the timber is removed of course this population will disappear, but some settlers may move in. At present there are few settlers in the locality named, though the lots immediately around the lake are all taken up. The land is said to be rough and difficult to cultivate.

> I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant, H Minick Post Office Inspector