Caswell Postal History Aroostook County, Maine

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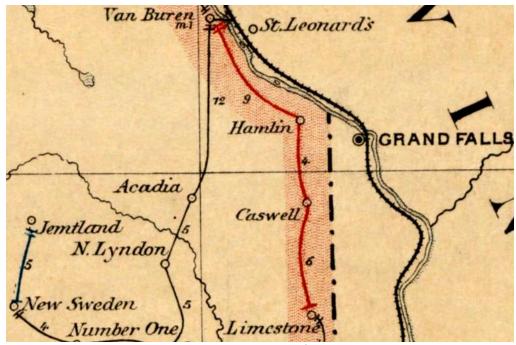
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The town was first organized on 14 April 1879 as Pleasant Ridge Plantation and was later incorporated as Caswell on 16 July 1986.

During the history of Caswell, there has been only one post office.

Briefly, the history of this one is as follows:

Pleasant Ridge Post Office opened on 25 April 1878 and was changed on 28 August 1880 to **Caswell** Post Office. Caswell Post Office closed on 22 December 1894, re-opened on 3 August 1908, and closed on 17 November 1908 (The appointment was rescinded, and it is not clear if the post office re-opened)



In 1891, there was one post office in Caswell.

Source: Post Route Map of the State of Maine, from Leventhal Map and Education Center, Boston Public Library https://collections.leventhalmap.org/search/commonwealth:cj82kj790

Post Offices from Caswell are listed below.

<u>Caswell</u> <u>Pleasant Ridge</u>

Caswell

28 August 1880:

The former Pleasant Ridge Post Office was changed to Caswell Post Office.

25 April 1878:

David Knox became Postmaster for Pleasant Ridge Post Office and remained as Postmaster when Pleasant Ridge changed to Caswell Post Office on 28 August 1880.

12 December 1884:

Richard S. Caswell became Postmaster for Caswell Post Office.

13 November 1885:

Charles E. Beale became Postmaster for Caswell Post Office.

22 December 1894:

Caswell Post Office closed. Service from Hamlin

3 August 1908:

Caswell post office re-opened.

3 August 1908:

Clyant C. Crockett became postmaster for Caswell Post Office. However, this was rescinded. It is unclear if this post office re-opened.

17 November 1908:

Caswell Post Office closed.

Pleasant Ridge

25 April 1878:

Pleasant Ridge Post Office opened.

25 April 1878:

David Knox became Postmaster for Pleasant Ridge Post Office

28 August 1880:
Pleasant Ridge Post Office was renamed Caswell Post Office.

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Sources:

The Post Offices of Maine 2022, Maine Philatelic Society: http://www.mainephilatelic.org/books/TPOOM

Letter 'K' R2, Masardis (T10R5), Ox Bow (T9R6) & Pleasant Ridge (Letter 'F' R1) Plantations [map] from 1877 Atlas of Aroostook County

https://digitalmaine.com/atlas_aroostook_1877/27/

Additional material, including links to official records of postmaster appointments, can be found at Sources for Researching Maine Post Offices, Postmasters, and Postal History: http://www.mainephilatelic.org/books/post-office-sources.pdf.