

Cormick heard of it in "an indirect manner." He examined the matter thoroughly, and sent in a letter to the Department, signed in his official capacity, asserting that "not a single letter or an ounce of mail matter had ever been carried over the route," pronouncing it a swindle, and protested against the payment of any more money. Notwithstanding this fact, it is asserted the contractor succeeded in getting the pay for the second year. This story is true, and such things have happened before, that route should be discontinued at once.