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In 1863 there were two official U.S. Postal routes that served Montgomery.

Route 2249 operated every day but Sunday, departing from East Berkshire at noon, stopping in the Village and Center before returning to East Berkshire.

Route 2250 originated in the Center and only ran on Wednesdays, leaving at 7:00 a.m. and returning at 2:30 p.m. after stops in Belvidere and Eden.

- A. How much did it cost to ride between E. Berkshire and the Village on the stage that carried the mail?
 - B. How much did it cost to ride between the Village and the Center?
 - C. How long did the trip from E.Berkshire to Montgomery Center take?
 - D. How long did the trip take between the Center and Eden?

"2249 East Berkshire by Montgomery to Montgomery Center, seven miles and back, daily except Sundays, leaving East Berkshire at 12:00 p.m., arriving at Montgomery Center by 2:00 p.m., and leaving Montgomery Center at 3:00 p. m., arriving at East Berkshire by 5:00 p.m. H. O. Rowley, of Montgomery, mail carrier; two-horse conveyance; passenger fare to Montgomery, forty cents to Montgomery Center, fifty cents. Express packages and telegrams should be sent to East Berkshire

2250 Montgomery Center, by Belvidere Corners, to Eden, fourteen miles and back, on Wednesday, leaving Montgomery Center at 7:00 a.m., arriving at Eden by 10:30 a.m. Leaves Eden at 11:00 a.m., arriving at Montgomery Center by 2:30 p.m."

Source: Gazetteer and Business Directory for Franklin and Grand Isle Counties by Hamilton Childs 1882-83