

## NUMBER IX.

*A Memorial to Congress for the establishment of a Mail Route from Lake City, in Wabashaw County, to Austin in Mower County.*

*To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled :*

Your Memorialists, the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, respectfully ask: That a mail route may be established in the State of Minnesota, from Lake City, in Wabashaw County, *via* Rochester, High Forest, Root River, Mower City and Lansing, to Austin in Mower County. Said route is through a thickly settled portion of country whose mail facilities are very deficient, and the revenue therefrom, it is believed, would nearly or quite reimburse the Government for the expense incident to the establishment thereof. Between the points of Lake City, Rochester and High Forest, much business of a mercantile character is carried on, the latter being a market for much of the produce through which said route would pass, and the deficiency of the mail service on the route is the cause of great embarrassment to persons doing business between the places in question. Your Memorialists therefore respectfully ask of Congress the establishment of the mail route herein described, with tri-weekly mail service thereon.

And your Memorialists will ever pray.

Approved February 28th, A. D. 1861.

For the establishment of a mail route from Lake City to Austin