

than by fine, they ask you to grant their prayer.

Your memorialists think that for many years to come, the establishment of a Territorial Prison would be followed by the happiest results in producing a change in the character of offenders, and deterring others from becoming so.

It is plain to your memorialists, that a great increase will be added, the coming year, to the present population of this Territory: Therefore, any measure tending to the prevention of crime, is well worthy of the consideration of Legislators.

APPROVED, the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

[No. 6.]—Memorial to Congress for an appropriation to construct a road from Point Douglass to the St. Louis River. October 20, 1849.

To the honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States: The memorial of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota, respectfully represents: That a public road is greatly needed from Point Douglass, near the mouth of the St. Croix River, by the way of Cottage Grove, Stillwater, Marine Mills, passing near the Falls of the St. Croix, and crossing Snake River near Pokegama Lake, thence by the most practicable route to the Falls of the St. Louis River, in the northeastern portion of this Territory. The probable length of a road between these points would be one hundred and eighty miles. This road would run through the rich valley of the St. Croix, a vast region of country now undeveloped and but partially inhabited, and which must so remain until the means of ingress and egress are provided. By the construction of this great road, the heavily timbered pine lands lying upon the tributaries of the St. Croix would be greatly enhanced in value, and the hardy and industrious emigrants from the States would pour into these valleys, build themselves homes, and the country now a dense and unpopulated forest, would become a great and flourishing colony.

Preamble, etc.

Your memorialists would further represent that this is the only route over which mails are carried from the Mississippi to Lake Superior and the settlements in the north, in Wisconsin and Minnesota east of the Mississippi river. Those mails are now carried by footmen, there being no road or trail which will admit of any other mode of travelling. Your memorialists would further represent that the interests of the citizens, the interests of the Territory, and the interests of the Government demand that a means of this kind be provided for the development of this valuable country of the north; and they therefore respectfully urge upon your honorable body the great and pressing necessity of making an appropriation as early as practicable, to enable them to effect this great object.

Appropriation asked for.

APPROVED, the twentieth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

[No. 7.]—Memorial to Congress for the improvement of the Mississippi River above the Falls of St. Anthony. October 20, 1849.

To the honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States: The memorial of the Legislative Assembly of the
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