

the Rolling Stone and White Water rivers, giving the people living along said rivers, connection with the mail route to the capital and the great west.

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A Memorial for a Special Mail Agency for the State of Minnesota.

To the President of the United States :

Your memorialists, the legislature of the State of Minnesota, respectfully represent :

That irregularity of the mail service in this State, together with frequent and heavy losses by parties relying upon said mail service, require a more efficient supervision of that branch of the public business than is afforded by the facilities already existing.

That in many instances, by the present location of routes, two or more mails are forwarded over the same route at an unnecessary expense.

That the losses, during the past year, to parties who have transmitted money, or its equivalent, by mails carried over several of the routes of this State, have been frequent and painfully embarrassing, arising, as your memorialists believe, from the criminal negligence or dishonesty of mail carriers or post masters.

That the expense, losses, delay and confusion now incident to the mail service in this State, would be greatly diminished by a more direct superintendence by the government.

Your memorialists would therefore respectfully suggest and urge the appointment of a special mail agent for the State of Minnesota as the surest means to remedy and correct existing abuses.

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