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A Memorial to the Post-Master General of the United States, for the Establishment of a Daily Through Mail Route from St. Peter to Fort Ridgley via New Ulm.

To the Post-Master General of the United States :

The Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, respectfully represents :

That by reason of the rapidly increasing population and growing business interest in the valley of the Minnesota River from St. Peter to Fort Ridgley, the present mail facilities afforded to the people of that part of the State of Minnesota, are entirely insufficient, and imperatively demand a through mail route from St. Peter to Fort Ridgley via New Ulm ; that at present there are established military posts at St. Peter, New Ulm and Fort Ridgley ; that under the present Indian disturbances, Fort Ridgley is one of the most important military posts in this State, and will so remain until all possibility of an Indian attack upon the settlers is removed ; that the only communication between Headquarters at St. Paul and Fort Ridgley is by way of St. Peter, and that the public interest requires that there should be a daily mail between said posts, as well as between Fort Ripley and St. Paul.

To establish a daily through mail route from St. Peter to Fort Ridgley via New Ulm

Your memorialists therefore respectfully ask that a daily through mail route from St. Peter to Fort Ridgley via New Ulm, may be established immediately.

Approved, February 19, 1863.