

## A MEMORIAL

Of the Legislative Assembly of Minnesota Territory to Congress for an appropriation of \$10,000 for the construction of a Military Road from Fort Ripley to or near the mouth of Pembina River.

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

Fort Ripley Military road.

The memorial of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota respectfully represents that a military road from Fort Ripley to or near the mouth of Pembina river is imperiously demanded for the transshipment of stores and troops to that far-off portion of our Territory.—The Point Douglas and Fort Ripley military road terminates at the Fort, and consequently the expense necessary to complete the Road to the point indicated will not exceed ten thousand dollars. In case of an outbreak on our northern frontier, the transshipment of men and provisions over the route now traversed, could only be traveled by months of labor and fatigue, and before assistance could reach them the inhabitants of that region would be massacred by the hostile tribes of Indians now resident there.

As an act of economy, justice and right, we earnestly invoke your aid in making the appropriation for, and ordering the speedy construction of said road.

And as in duty bound, we will ever pray, &c.

J. S. NORRIS,

*Speaker of House of Representatives.*

S. B. OLMSTEAD,

*President of the Council.*

APPROVED—February fifteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-five.

W. A. GORMAN.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the original act on file in this office,

J. TRAVIS ROSSETT,

*Secretary of Minnesota Territory.*