NUMBER XXI.

Memorial to Congress for an appropriation of \$20,000, to construct the Brownsville and Mankato Territorial Road.

For road fre-Brownsville to Mankato

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled : The Memorial of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota respectfully represents :

That the interests of the public would be materially advanced by the construction of a road from Brownsville, on the Mississippi river, to Mankato,near the mouth of the Blue Earth river, by way of Caledonia, Spring Grove, Bellville, Preston, Carimona, Forestville, Spring Valley, Elkhorn, Pleasant Valley, thence to Mankato.

Your Memorialists, therefore, ask an appropriation of \$20,000, for the improvement of said road in Minnesota Territory.

And as in duty bound your Memorialists will ever pray

CHARLES GARDNER.

Speaker of the House of Representatives. JOHN B. BRISBIN,

President of the Council.

APPROVED-Feb'ry twenty-third, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six. W. A. GORMAN.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a correct copy of the original Memorial on file in this office.

J. TRAVIS ROSSER.

Secretary of Minnesota Territory.

NUMBER XXII.

Memorial of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota, to the Post Master General of the United States, praying further Mail Facilities in the Minnesota Valley.

To the Postmaster General of the United States: The Memorial of Fo Mail Service the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota respectfully represents :

That the present mail service from Fort Snelling to Mankato, via Shakopee, Henderson, Le Sueur, and Traverse des Siour, is entirely inadequate to supply the wants of the community in that particular.

Your Memorialists would represent, that it is estimated that there are about fifteen thousand white inhabitants in the Minnesota Valley, and that it is confidently believed that the number will be doubled by the immigration of the coming year. When the fact is taken into consideration, that these persons have intimate business relations with the East, it will be seen that the mail service which we now have, viz: one mail a week, is entirely insufficient.

Your Memorialists would further represent, that even under the present system, mail matter is frequently an unreasonable length of time in reaching its destination, which inconvenience, they believe, could be remedied by the transmission of the mails direct from St. Paul. Your Memorialists would, therefore, most respectfully and urgently request that a daily mail may be transmitted direct from St. Paul to Mankato, via. the different post offices on the route.

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

CHARLES GARDNER.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JOHN B. BRISBIN,

President of the Council.

APPROVED-March first, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six. W. A. GORMAN.

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J. TRAVIS ROBSER, Secretary of Minnesota Territory.

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NUMBER XXIII.

A Memorial to Congress for the Establishment of an Additional Mail Route in Dakota County.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the Uni- For Mail Route ted States in Congress assembled : The Memorial of the Legislative Assembly respectfully represents to your honorable body: That Dakota county is unsupplied with mail service, except by a route from St. Paul to Faribault, via. Lakeville, near the western boundary of the county, and by the river route on its eastern boundary. That between the two routes, a distance of from 25 to 30 miles, the county is rapidly settling up with an intelligent and enterprising population who are now utterly unsupplied with any mail facilities. That Post Offices have been established by the Department at different points, but no provision has hitherto been made for the transportation of the mail by such offices.

Your Memorialists, therefore, respectfully pray for the establishment of a mail route from St. Paul, via. Kaposia, Pine Bend, Rose Mound and Vermilion, to intersect at Waterford with a tri-weekly route from Hastings to Traverse des Sioux, for the establishment of which your Memorialists have asked in a former Memorial.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c. CHARLES GARDNER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JOHN B. BRISBIN,

President of the Council.

APPROVED-Feb'ry twenty-six, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six. W. A. GORMAN.

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J. TRAVIS ROSSER, Secretary of Minnesota Territory,

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