

## GREAT WESTERN MAIL ROUTE.

THE mail from Boston and New York via the National Road, through Wheeling, comes in ten or twelve days to Springfield—when it comes to Lafayette, on the Wabash, 160 miles from this place, in FIVE days. It is suggested that the citizens of Springfield, and the populous towns proceed to call public meetings and petition Congress to extend the great mail route from Lafayette direct through Danville, Decatur, to Springfield, when it can be BROUGHT HERE IN THIRTY-SIX HOURS, TO THE GREAT BENEFIT OF THE WHOLE WESTERN COUNTRY!!!

WE, the undersigned, citizens of Illinois, believing the above statement correct, do most respectfully petition our delegation in Congress to bring in a bill to establish the above mail route, under the direction of the Post Master General.

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Petition

of citizens of Missouri  
for a mail route from  
Cafayette to Springfield

1844 Jan 8. Reported to the  
Com. on the Post Office  
and Post Roads.

Petition of citizens of  
Missouri for the Great  
Western Mail Route  
between -

" People  
10/11/44

Mr. Sumner

THE MAIL FROM BOSTON AND NEW YORK VIA THE NATIONAL ROAD, THROUGH WHEELING, COMES IN TEN OR TWELVE DAYS TO  
Springfield - when it comes to Lafayette, on the Wabash, 100 miles from this place, in five days. It is suggested  
that the citizens of Springfield, and the populous towns proceed to call public meetings and petition Congress to ex-  
tend the great mail route from Lafayette direct through Hannibal, Decatur to Springfield, when it can be moved  
near in thirty-six hours, TO THE GREAT BENEFIT OF THE WHOLE WESTERN COURSE!!!