

To the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress Assembled;

The petition of the undersigned inhabitants of the town of *Acufeld* in the county of *Tompkins* and state of New York, respectfully shows:

That your petitioners desire the establishment of a Post-Coach mail route from Elmira in the county of Chemung, to Ithaca, in the county of Tompkins, and back, three times a week through East Veteran and West Cayuta, instead of the present route No. 1091, through Veteran and Johnson's Settlement, and that the latter route shall if necessary be discontinued.

And your petitioners show that by this change in the route, the distance between Elmira and Ithaca, will be shortened about five miles, as more fully appears by the accompanying map. That according to the present mail arrangements, East-Veteran which is a settlement containing about seven hundred inhabitants, in an area of two miles each way from the village known as "Dean's Corners," is entirely destitute of a Post Office, and said inhabitants are now subjected to the inconvenience of getting their letters at Fairport Post Office in the town of Elmira, which is four miles and a half distant from the point known as Deans Corners. That among said inhabitants there are several men of large business, any one of whose annual postage exceeds, as your petitioners verily believe, the whole amount of the annual postage received at the Veteran Post Office which is on the route we ask to be discontinued.

And your petitioners further show that the Veteran Post Office and the Johnson's Settlement Post Office, being the offices which would have to be discontinued, are each of them within two miles of other Post Offices viz. Millport and Havana, so that individuals who now get their letters at the former office would not be subjected to any very serious inconvenience by the change proposed.

And your petitioners further show that by the present mail arrangements, the Village of West Cayuta, which contains a store, two public houses, and a cluster of probably fifty families, in the area of a mile square is almost entirely deprived of mail accommodations having a mail but once a week and; your petitioners believe that the yearly revenues of an office there in case of a daily mail, would be more than that of either of the offices on the present route. And your petitioners further show that nearly all the travel between Elmira and Ithaca, is on the proposed route; and that the population upon the whole length of the road is quite as dense as on the present route. Your petitioners therefore, ask for the passage of an act making the change aforesaid and giving them the above mail facilities.

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Petition of Citizens of Town of
Veteran for a post route
from Elmira to Ithaca
by way of E. Veteran & W. Cayuta

Com^r on Post & post roads

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