

To the Honorable the senate and
house of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled
We the undersigned inhabitants living on or
near the main traveled rout from Chicago to
Springfield beg leave to represent

That whereas we
have been for years suffering for the want of
mail facilities have petitioned repeatedly without
effect and whereas the mail is now carried
from Chicago to Wilmington on said rout
thence off the course to Indiana and also
from Springfield to Pontiac on said rout thence
off the course to Ottawa leaving this link of
forty three miles out of the chain of commu-
nication direct between Chicago and Springfield
entirely destitute of any advantage of mails and
whereas there is now living on said rout at Mazon
south branch over fifty families all from eight
to fifteen miles from any post-office and whereas
we believe said rout would immediately become
a source of some profit to the department and
whereas we are resolved never to weary in well
doing but to continue our prayers from year to
year until they are answered we would therefore
respectfully solicit your Honorable body to establish
a mail rout weekly from Wilmington in Will. Co.
through Mazon Grundy Co to Pontiac in Living-

ston County all in the state of Illinois
May on South branch Oct. 10th 1847

Signed by
Charles Huston
Charles G. Huston

Elisha B. James
Dennis H. Murray
J. H. Smith

Orange Sanford

Edmund Shaw
J. W. Raguel
Richard Fuller

Nilo Nixey
Daniel S. Peck

Ivan Lockwood
Robert Gibson
William Sargent

S. R. Smith
Benjamin Jenkins
Edwin Brewster
L. W. Clower

Signed by
Fred
Frederick Hyatt

A. M. Caskey
John L. Wheeler
Otho Payne
Isaac Kilgour
Caleb Leatherman

Hiram Menaugh
Thomas Whit

Hiram Fuller
Charles Butler
Uriah Butler

Christopher Misner
John Warrington
Edward Booth

William Garbutt
Alexander K. Leann

Marcus D. Stacy

John W. Otter
John M. Clower

Illinois
Mr Wentworth
presented a
petition for a
mail route
from Wilmington
in Hill Co, via
Mazon in Grundy
Co, to Pontiac
in Sangamon Co.

January 31 1848 Referred
to the Committee on the
Post Office & Post Roads
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Wentworth