

To the Honorable

The Congress of the United States)
The undersigned Citizens of the Counties of
Barry and Eaton in the State of Michigan
would respectfully represent that a Mail route
is much needed from Hastings in the County of
Barry to Michigan the new Seat of Government
of said State, in the County of Ingham, that a large
proportion of the Inhabitants of the said Counties of
Barry and Eaton labour under serious Embarrass-
ments for want of Mail facilities; having no
direct Communication with said Seat of Government
that Hastings the most Westerly point, and distant
Forty miles, from the Seat of Government, is the shire
Town of the County of Barry; that the intermediate
Country is well settled by an Industrious and Enter-
prising People; that the Roads will warrant the
ready transmission of a Mail; that it inter-
ests a larger proportion of the Inhabitants than
any similar route that has been Established since
the first ^{settlement} of this portion of the Interior of Michigan
a large proportion of the Inhabitants on said route have
long been Compelled to transact their Post Office bus-
ness from Ten to Twenty miles distant from their
residences; We would therefore in view of the foregoing
facts, Respectfully and Earnestly solicit your Honor-
able Body to pass a law Establishing a Mail Route
from Hastings in the County of Barry to Vermontville;
thence through Wheatons Settlements in the Town of
Chester, thence to Hoveys Settlements in the Town of
Benton, and thence for Fourteen miles to the Seat
of Government by the most Eligible route as your
Honorable Body may deem proper and right
Dated Benton Decr 15. 1847

Names

Names

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Geo. P. Gannan
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George P. Potter
David Haplains
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Asaph Sanders
Lorenzo Hatch
Roswell Durand
Moses Fox
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A. L. Jordan
Emanuel Shum
Charles Wood
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A. L. Fuller
Jacob Wheaton
Albert & Jordan
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A. Winslow is R. M. Charlotte
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Palmer Reed
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Marcus Rowley
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Samuel G. Paine
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D. T. Dyer
Hiram Huthings
Isaac Dyer
H. S. Rice
William Stoddard
Lucy Hayden
J. S. Hull

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H. Williams
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Wm. Wmone
Nathan A. Johnson
Levi Waters
H. M. Morrison
Amasa L. Jordan
Alvah L. Armstrong
Samuel Robinson
Wm. Hopkins
W. M. Bonnell
Cephas Smith
S. A. Church
F. A. Church
Henry Robinson is R. M. Vermontville
Walter Dyer
Simon M. Catter
Henry Smith
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Jesse Smith
J. M. Dyer
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S. Church
R. W. Burrell

Samuel Wheaton

Michigan
Memorial of the
citizens of the counties
of Benue & Eaton
in the State of Mi-
chigan, praying
the establishment of
a mail route in
said State from
Hastings. Michigan

~~referred to the~~
~~Post Office & P Roads~~
January 28 1848 Referred
to the Committee on the
Post Office & Post Roads

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presented by Thos M. Smith

Robert Wheaton Chester