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JOINT MEMORIAL

TO THE HONORABLE WILLIAM DENNISON, POST-MASTER-GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES.

Your memorialists, the council and house of representatives of Colorado territory, beg leave most respectfully to represent to your Honor :

WHEREAS, A community which polls from forty to fifty legal votes, in Hardscrabble precinct, in the county of Fremont, Colorado territory, and comprising thrifty farmers, all permanent settlers, are now, and have been since they settled there, obliged to travel from eight to ten miles to reach the nearest post-office, and,

WHEREAS, A weekly mail is now being carried from Pueblo, on the Arkansas river, *via* Canon City to the different points in the South Park, and the said mail is carried on the north side of the Arkansas river, but little expense would be incurred in granting the good people a post-office, as the mail could be carried over a good road, of no greater distance on the south side of the Arkansas river, which would then pass through this settlement, and greatly accommodate them, with very little additional expense to the government; now, therefore, your memorialists, the legislative assembly of the territory of Colorado, would most respectfully represent, that the settlement, in the vicinity of Castle Rock, would be greatly benefited by the establishment of a post-office in that vicinity, and would recommend that Gideon B. Frazier be appointed as post-master at that place, and that said post-office be called Castle Rock; and be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the post-master-general of the United States, and also a copy to our delegate in congress, the Hon. Allen A. Bradford, and that he be requested to use his influence to have said post-office established, and the mail route from Pueblo to Canon City changed so as to accommodate the said post-office.

Approved February 6th, A. D. 1866.

A JOINT MEMORIAL

ASKING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO APPOINT A CITIZEN OF THIS TERRITORY AS CHIEF JUSTICE.

To His Excellency, the President of the United States:

The people of the territory of Colorado, through their representatives in the legislative assembly, respectfully represent

unto the president, that many of the questions growing out of mining operations and concerning mining titles in this territory, are novel and peculiar, while other questions, concerning the irrigation of lands, and growing out of the peculiar situation of the people, remote from all other communities, are almost unknown to the laws of the eastern states; and persons residing in the territory have acquired a knowledge of these questions, necessary to a correct understanding of them, which is not possessed by residents of the eastern states, and for this reason, among others, the people of this territory are exceedingly anxious that citizens of this territory, who are identified with the people and will attend to their public duties, should be appointed judges of the territory; therefore, the council and house of representatives of Colorado territory do most earnestly and respectfully pray that your Excellency will appoint Moses Hallett, a citizen of this territory, in whom we have confidence, to be chief justice of this territory.

Approved February 8th, A. D. 1866.

JOINT RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GOVERNOR TO HAVE ALL LAWS, ETC., PASSED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE YEAR 1866, PUBLISHED.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Council concurring:

That the governor of Colorado territory, in the absence of the secretary, is hereby authorized and requested to have all laws, resolutions and memorials, passed by the legislative assembly of the session of 1866, and the journals of both houses, published and authenticated properly, and certify all bills and acts necessary to make the same effective and in force.

Approved February 9th, A. D. 1866.

JOINT MEMORIAL

TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

WHEREAS, A national railroad is being built across the continent to facilitate travel and commerce between the Atlantic and Pacific states, and from ocean to ocean, and

WHEREAS, Early communication by railroad with the older states is of the utmost importance to the development of the