

borough to St. Johns in Harrison, at the earliest period possible.”

26th. “A weekly mail route from Guttenburg, Clayton Co., Iowa, *via* Elkport, and Littleport to Strawberry Point in said county.”

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NUMBER 28.

JOINT RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, The Albany Bridge Company have built a railroad bridge from the Illinois shore of the Mississippi River across eastern channel of the same to Little Rock Island, and the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company have connected the same with a railroad bridge built by them across the western channel of the said river, at or near the city of Clinton in Iowa, a part or section of which is a draw-bridge so constructed as to admit of the passage of vessels, steamboats, and other river craft, up and down the river; and

*Whereas*, These two railroad bridges, with the connection across Little Rock Island, are operated together as one to facilitate the transportation of the United States mail, passengers, merchandise, and products, between the States of Iowa and Illinois, affording safety and dispatch to the carrying of the same, without any delay or danger from ice or freshets, thereby greatly facilitating the requirements of commerce, and more particularly on account of the safe transmission of the mails of the United States; therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Iowa*, That our honorable Senators and Members of the House of Representatives in Congress assembled at Washington, be and are requested to obtain the early passage of a bill that shall declare and establish the said bridges and track across Little Rock Island a post or mail route, with same powers and restrictions as are given and required of other mail routes.

*Resolved*, That this Resolution be certified by the presiding officers of the two Houses and Clerks of the same, and copies forwarded to each of our Senators and Representatives.