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CAVALRY FOR NEW MEXICO.

MEMORIAL

FROM THE

LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO

ASKING THAT

Congress will authorize the raising of two regiments of cavalry in said Territory for defense against the Indians.

MARCH 23, 1870.—Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and ordered to be printed.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
Santa Fé, March 12, 1870.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of a memorial passed by the last legislature of this Territory, asking that Congress will authorize the raising of two regiments of cavalry in this Territory for defense against the Indians.

I am sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

H. WETTER,
Secretary Territory of New Mexico.

Hon. SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D. C.

To the honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the United States:

Your memorialists, the legislative assembly of the Territory of New Mexico, very respectfully represent that the military forces now stationed in this Territory are entirely too few to protect the lives and property of the inhabitants of the Territory against the outrages and cruelties committed by the savage Indians.

Your memorialists further represent that the valuable mineral resources of this Territory cannot be developed for want of protection against the savage Indians.

Wherefore your memorialists very respectfully ask that an act be passed by the Congress of the United States, authorizing the organization of two volunteer regiments of cavalry, to serve for the term of three years in this Territory, against the Indians, and your memorialists

further ask that these regiments be raised from the inhabitants of the Territory, who already have experience in Indian warfare.

And your memorialists, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Resolved by the house of representatives of the legislative assembly of the Territory of New Mexico, (the council concurring therein,) That the honorable secretary of the Territory be, and is hereby, required to transmit certified copies of this memorial to his excellency the President of the United States, to the honorable Secretary of War, to the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, to the chairmen of the committees upon Territories of the Senate and House of Representatives, and to the Hon. J. Francisco Chaves, our delegate in Congress.

GREGORIO N. OTERO,
Speaker of the House
NICOLAS PINO,
President of the Council

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE TERRITORY,
Santa Fé, New Mexico, March 12, 1870.

I, Henry Wetter, secretary of the Territory of New Mexico, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a correct and true translation of the original memorial, passed in the Spanish language, on file in this office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office, the day and year first above written.

[SEAL.]

H. WETTER,
Secretary Territory New Mexico