

Asking that the  
Fort Randall  
reservation be  
reduced.

improvements, subjects them, at any moment, to be removed from them by the military authorities, and thus works a hardship upon them.

The reserve as now established, is a very large one, much larger, indeed, than is deemed essential to the wants of Fort Randall, and might be reduced to smaller proportions, with much justice to those who, in good faith, are in occupancy of the particular portion asked to be restored in this memorial.

Your memorialists would further represent, that this tract lies in Chas. Mix county, and embraces lands necessary to its well being and growth, without which her prosperity is crippled.

For these reasons, and others, of a kindred character, which might be mentioned, your memorialists ask that the portion of the reserve above named, together with the islands in the Missouri, some of which are occupied, be excluded from the military reserve of Fort Randall and restored to public market.

*Be it Resolved*, That our delegate in congress, Walter A. Burleigh, be requested to lay this memorial before the honorable secretary of War, and urge him to grant the requirement herein made.

And your memorialists as in duty bound will ever pray.

Approved, January 11th, 1867.

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GEORGE STICKNEY.

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#### CHAPTER XIV.

A MEMORIAL TO SAMUEL C. POMEROY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS RELATIVE TO GEO. STICKNEY.

*To the Honorable Samuel C. Pomeroy, Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands of the United States Senate.*

WHEREAS, The appointment of receiver of the local land office has been conferred by the President of the United States upon Hon. Geo. Stickney, of Union county, in this territory, and,

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WHEREAS, Said Stickney was appointed to fill a vacancy made by the appointment of John W. Boyle, late receiver in said land office, to the office of associate justice of supreme court of Dakota Territory, be it therefore

*Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Dakota,* That the appointment of Hon. Geo. W. Stickney to the position aforesaid, meets with the hearty concurrence of the members of this legislative assembly and the people at large throughout the territory; that a long residence, extending back seven years, within Dakota has given him opportunities of becoming acquainted with the character of our public domain, which in the capacity of surveyor he has largely improved; that many years experience in the practice of the legal profession render him peculiarly fitted to discharge intelligently and with facility the duties of the office to which he has been appointed, and that in that capacity, as in every other of a public nature which he has filled in the territory, he enjoys the reputation of performing his duties with ability, fidelity to his trust, and with commendable impartiality.

In Mr. Stickney, we are quite confident the general government has a faithful and competent officer, and the interests of the pioneer settler an honest and reliable friend. We therefore respectfully request that this appointment to the position of receiver as aforesaid, may be confirmed by the Senate, thereby deservedly rewarding a good citizen and securing to the government and people in a responsible position, a trustworthy servant.

And your memorialists as in duty bound will ever pray.

*Resolved,* That a copy of the above memorial be forwarded to our Delegate in Congress, the Hon. Walter A. Burleigh.

Approved, December 18th, 1866.