

CHAPTER 36.

MEMORIAL.

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

We, your memorialists, the legislative assembly of the territory of Wyoming, respectfully call the attention of your honorable bodies to the fact, that the internal revenue department of the United States is collecting revenue duties from persons in this territory, who are living daily exposed, as to their persons and property, to the attacks of hostile indians, and who have no other protection than their own vigilance and bravery; that the internal revenue officers are themselves

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afraid to collect such revenue in person by reason of the danger from said indians; and your memorialists, believing that if your honorable bodies were cognizant of these facts, that you would agree with us, that the government of the United States does not wish to tax any of its citizens for its support, without affording, adequate protection to their lives and property in return, therefore pray: That all internal revenue collections made in this territory, and not already appropriated for other territorial objects, be ordered to be paid to the governor of this territory, to be by him used in payment of volunteer troops who may be called into the field to serve against hostile indians: And for this your memorialists as in duty bound will ever pray.