To the Senate and Representatives of the Citizens of the United States in Congress, assembled,

The petition of Daniel Boone, at present an Inhabitant of the Territory of Louisiana respectfully Sheweth —

That your petitioner having spent a long life in exploring the wilds of North America; and having by his own personal exertions, been greatly instrumental in opening the road to civilization in the immense Territories now attached to the United States, and in some instances matured into independent States —

An ardent thirst for discovery united with a desire to benefit a rising family has impelled him to encounter, the numerous hardships, privations, difficulties and dangers to which he has unavoidably been exposed — How far his desire for discovery has been extended and what consequences have resulted from his labors are at this time unnecessary to detail.

But while your petitioner has thus