

import; to which the Mayor replied, substantially—"Governor, I have no authority to act beyond the city limits, and can do nothing in this matter except by your direction; shall the bridges be destroyed?" Gov. Hicks emphatically and distinctly replied in the affirmative. It is absolutely impossible for any misapprehension to exist on this point.

The Mayor, Marshall Kane and I, then proceeded to the Marshal's office, where we found several highly respectable citizens gathered, to whom the Mayor and Marshal gave a statement of their interview with the Governor. The Mayor then issued written orders for the destruction of the bridges. The next morning I learned by the newspaper extras that the orders had been carried into effect.

Respectfully, yours, &c.

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