

"The Contested Boundary" Between Iowa and Missouri, October 30, 1847

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The disputed boundary question between Iowa & Missouri, seems now more likely to come to some conclusion than ever before. In pursuance of laws passed severally by the contending states, counsel have been employed and several important steps have been taken towards the settlement of the affair,

The Governor of Iowa has employed Judge Mason on the part of this state. The counsel of Missouri are James H. Green and Carty Wells. An amicable suit has been made up for the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, which embraces the question at issue. The proceeding is in Chancery, and consists of a bill in which the State of Missouri is complainant, to which there is, on the part of Iowa, an answer and also a cross bill filed.

The next step is the taking of testimony, which, we understand, will be attended to this fall perhaps. There is a slight expectation that the case may be brought to a hearing at Washington, next winter, but we scarcely anticipate such good fortune. From the importance of the early settlement of the question, it should certainly meet with as little of "law's delays" as possible. When the decision comes, we have no fears but it will be in favor of Iowa. *Des Moines Valle (Iowa) Whig.*