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JESSE MORRISSON.

JUNE 18, 1836,

Read, and laid upon the table.

Mr. E. WHITTLESEY, from the Committee of Claims, made the following

REPORT :

The Committee of Claims, to which was referred the petition of Jesse Morrison, report :

That the petitioner states he had a horse in the service of the United States during the Indian war of 1832, and that said horse died in a campaign against the Sacs and Fox Indians, for which he prays relief.

Captain Parkinson, who commanded the Iowa mounted volunteers in the service of the United States in the year 1832, certifies that Jesse Morrison had a horse in the service, in his company, valued at seventy-five dollars, which was lost in the campaign against the Sacs and Fox Indians, in consequence of forced marches near Fort Winnebago; and that it was unavoidable, and not occasioned by any negligence. The loss is one for which the United States are not holden to make a remuneration.

The petitioner ran the risk of losing his horse by the fatigue and hardship of the service. In this particular, the United States are in the situation of an individual who hires for a reward agreed on by the parties; the property used being at the risk of the person who performs the services.

The following resolution is submitted:

Resolved, The prayer of the petition ought not to be granted.

W. H. Rives, printers.