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HENRY BUSH.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 164.]

MARCH 5, 1840.

Mr. CARR, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT :

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the memorial of Henry Bush, report :

That, although he fails to prove his alleged services under Pulaski, and that under Captain Orran, the proof, by Abraham Bloom, of a service of seven months under Captain Van Etter, is sufficient to authorize the committee to report in his favor for that time, and is as follows :

STATE OF NEW YORK, *Tomkins county, ss :*

Abraham Bloom, of the town of Lansing, in the county of Tomkins, aged seventy years the 22d day of October last, being duly sworn, on his oath, says : That he is well acquainted with Henry Bush, an applicant for a pension, and was well acquainted with him during the revolutionary war ; that said Henry Bush then resided at Easton, Northampton county, in the State of Pennsylvania, and that this deponent then resided in Smithfield, county and State aforesaid, about two miles from Stroudsburg ; that this deponent distinctly recollects Captain John Van Etter's company of volunteers. This company was chiefly raised in Northampton county, for the purpose of protecting the inhabitants from the Indians, and the term of service was for seven months. This deponent was well acquainted with Captain John Van Etter, and saw him and his company while stationed at Stroudsburg, and distinctly recollects that the said Henry Bush was there, a member of said company, and engaged in the service. This deponent does not recollect in what year said company was raised, but thinks it was either in 1778 or 1779. He recollects being present at Stroudsburg when said company was discharged. He saw the said Henry Bush there at the time, who was, together with the rest of the company, discharged. This was in cold weather season—this deponent thinks about Christmas or New-year. And this deponent further says, that he has no doubt but that said Henry Bush served in said company for the term of seven months ; but whether as an ensign or a private, this deponent does not recollect. And further saith not.

ABRAHAM BLOOM.

