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MR. STRONG, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following REPORT:

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of William Hughes, beg leave to report:

That it appears, from the affidavits in this case, that, in January, 1814, the petitioner was drafted into the service of the United States for a six months' campaign in the Creek war; that he served as a private in Captain Buchannan's company of the East Tennessee militia, and was honorably discharged in the summer following; that while in the service, from exposures, privations, and hardships, he was taken sick, and he has been afflicted, more or less, with rheumatic pains, ever since, so that he has not been able to labor to advantage, and, at times, has been unable to stand or walk; that his hands and feet are drawn out of shape, and he is now unable to obtain a living by labor.

From the affidavits of two physicians, it appears that the disability of the petitioner is total.

The committee think the petitioner entitled to relief, and report a bill allowing him a pension of eight dollars per month, from the 1st day of January, 1839, to continue during his natural life.

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