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HANDLEY DONALDSON.

JUNE 9, 1850.

Laid upon the table.

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

REPORT:

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Handley Donaldson, respectfully report:

The petitioner represents that, in the year 1811, he was at Kaskaskia, engaged in lawful business, at which place he, with several others, had their horses stolen by the Indians; that he and seventeen others went in pursuit of their property, and came to the place occupied by General Harrison's army November 6, 1811; that they encamped with the army overnight, and participated in the battle that was fought the following day; that during the action the petitioner was wounded in his leg by a tomakawk thrown by an Indian; that he is now poor and unable to support himself. These representations are supported by the affidavits of two persons who claim to have known the petitioner since the year 1818, and the certificate of thirty-four of his neighbors, who severally say that they believe the petitioner was wounded as he states. The petitioner has offered no evidence of the actual infliction of the wound, nor is it even claimed that he now suffers any inconvenience therefrom. The fact of his being accidentally with the army of General Harrison on the occasion aforesaid furnishes no reason for his having a pension, so long as the regularly-enlisted soldier or volunteer who participated in that engagement is not entitled to that benefit. The committee, therefore, recommend that the petition be laid upon the table.