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IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

JANUARY 31, 1851.

Submitted, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. BORLAND made the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill S. No. 442.]

*The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Sally T. Floyd, widow of George R. C. Floyd, formerly a lieutenant colonel in the army of the United States, beg leave to report:*

That from the facts set forth in said petition, and proved by the depositions of credible and respectable persons which accompany it, the committee are convinced that the husband of the petitioner previous to the campaign against the Indians in 1811, which terminated shortly after the battle of Tippecanoe, enjoyed good health and was a robust man; that the hardships and exposures to which his duties subjected him before and after that battle, in which he was second in command, brought on pulmonary disease, of which, after much and continued suffering, he died.

It appears that he continued in the army, occasionally performing duty, as temporary alleviation of his disease would permit, until 1813, when, finding himself unable longer to render service, he resigned. After vainly seeking a restoration to health, he died of the disease contracted in the campaign of 1811.

The petitioner has lived mainly for many years upon her own patrimony, but now that is expended; and in her destitution and helplessness from age, she looks to the liberality of Congress to extend to her the boon which is given to those widows whose husbands die in the military service of their country, or from wounds received or disease contracted in that service. The committee believing that her prayer should be granted, herewith report a bill for her relief.