D. W. BOUTWELL.

May 1, 1888.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Thomas, of Wisconsin, from the Committee on War Claims, submitted the following

REPORT:
[To accompany bill H. R. 2253.]

The Committee on War Claims, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 2253) for the relief of D. W. Boutwell, report as follows:

The claimant, Daniel W. Boutwell, served as a scout for the United States Army from June 22, 1862, to the 8th day of October, 1862, having charge of from forty to fifty picked men under his command as such scout, for which service duplicate vouchers were issued to him by Lieut. Col. D. B. Corwin, commanding Second Indian Home Guards (at the time), for $262, in evidence of the amount due from the United States Government for said services. Claimant also cut 20 cords of wood for the United States Army in January, 1862, for which duplicate vouchers were issued by Dr. A. J. Hunton, the assistant surgeon, Fifth Regiment Volunteer Cavalry, for $10.

It appears that these amounts have never been paid to said claimant. The vouchers above referred to were placed in the hands of Hon. Thomas Ryan, member of Congress from the State of Kansas, who says that the same with other papers were presented with the bill when the same was introduced, and that since that time the same have been lost or mislaid.

Your committee are of opinion that the claim is just and that there is due thereon the sum of $272.

Your committee recommend that the words "four hundred and sixty-two," where they occur in the fifth line of the bill, be stricken out and that the words "two hundred and seventy-two" be inserted in lieu thereof, and that when so amended the bill do pass.