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BENAJAH MORGAN.

JULY 21, 1892.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. WILSON, of Missouri, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 7713.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 7713) granting a pension to Benajah Morgan, have considered the same and submit the following report:

The records of the War Department show that the claimant was mustered into the service of the United States June 21, 1832, as a private in Capt. James Burns's Company, Third Regiment, Third Brigade, Mounted Illinois Volunteers in the Black Hawk war, and that he was mustered out of service August 17, 1832.

It appears that the claimant is now about 75 years old, wholly blind in one eye and nearly so in the other, and that his general physical condition is very poor. Also that he is in very indigent circumstances, having no means of support. The facts are shown by the sworn statements of the claimant and by testimony of Dr. C. C. Grizzell, B. W. Morgan, and Asa Morgan, citizens of Jackson County, Ill.; also by a petition signed by a large number of citizens of the same county.

Your committee recommend that the bill be amended by striking out the word "fifty" in line 8 and inserting in lieu thereof the word "twenty," and that as so amended the bill do pass.