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Elisha Brown

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

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 6969.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 6969) for the relief of Elisha Brown, have considered the same and respectfully report:

The claimant was a private in Company F, First United States Infantry, enlisting therein February 18, 1829, and was honorably discharged February 18, 1834. While in said service, at the battle of Bad Axe in the summer of 1832, in the Black Hawk war, Mr. Brown received a lance wound of left leg, and he is now receiving a pension rated at $4 per month on account of said wound. This pension was allowed by certificate No. 565236, under the general pension laws.

It appears from the papers before your committee that the claimant is now about 80 years old, without property or income of any kind aside from his small pension, and so disabled and crippled by the wound received in the service and by injuries incurred by a fall since his service that he can do no labor by which to support himself, and he is unable to dress or undress himself without assistance.

The facts are shown by the sworn statements of the claimant and by the affidavits of Robert McCauley and Andrew Tainter, citizens of Dunn County, Wis.

Your committee recommend that the bill be amended by striking out the word “twenty,” in line 10, and substituting in lieu thereof the word “fifteen,” so as to fix the rate of pension at $15 per month, and that as so amended the bill do pass.