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FREDERICK MEREDITH.

FEBRUARY 29, 1892.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. NORTON, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 5330.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 5330) granting a pension to Frederick Meredith, have considered the same and respectfully report as follows:

Relative to the service of this soldier the War Department, under date of February 19, 1892, reports as follows:

The muster-out roll of Capt. James Hall's company, Black Hawk war, Illinois volunteers, dated August 13, 1832, the only record of the organization on file, reports Frederick Meredith, a private, enlisted June 16, 1832, in Hamilton County, to serve three months, "absent on furlough."

No further record of this soldier has been discovered.

In his petition for relief by special act of Congress, Mr. Meredith states under oath that he served three months in the Indian war and was granted bounty land therefor. He further states that he is now 82 years old, infirm, and without means of support.

Renard Napier and George N. Woodcocke, citizens of Franklin County, Mo., corroborate under oath the claimant's statements relative to age, infirmity, and destitution, and it is also shown that he is a man of temperate and industrious habits.

Your committee respectfully recommend the passage of the bill.