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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 21, 1893.—Ordered to be printed.

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

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 7099.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 7099) granting an increase of pension to Samuel S. Anderson, have examined the same, and report:

This bill was passed by the House of Representatives, reported favorably by the Senate committee, and before it was called up on its passage was referred back to that committee. The following is the House report:

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 7099) granting an increase of pension to Samuel S. Anderson, have considered the same, and report:

The claimant was a first lieutenant in Capt. Luther's company of the Second United States Artillery, in the war with Mexico. He was graduated from the United States Military Academy and appointed brevet second lieutenant Second Artillery July 1, 1841; promoted second lieutenant January 4, 1842; first lieutenant March 3, 1847, and captain March 8, 1855. He resigned, to take effect April 27, 1861. The records further show that he served in Mexico during the entire war with that country, and he is now in receipt of the pension of \$8 per month provided by law for such service.

In his petition for an increase of his pension the claimant states that he was brevetted captain and major, respectively, for gallant and meritorious conduct in the battles of Molina del Rey and Chapultepec, and that while so serving he contracted hernia, from which he has suffered ever since. He further states he is now 73 years old, penniless, and dependent upon charity for support.

Hons. Walter Evans, S. B. Buckner, J. Proctor Knott, and several other distinguished citizens of Kentucky join the claimant in petitioning Congress to grant an increase of the pension. The gentlemen signing the petition state that they know the claimant well, and sincerely hope his prayer will be granted.

Dr. D. W. Yandell, of Louisville, Ky., certifies to the long-continued suffering of the claimant from an incurable rupture, and also to his penniless and helpless condition.

In reference to his service the Adjutant-General of the War Department makes the following statement, dated February 7, 1893:

With regiment, garrison duty at posts in New York Harbor, 1841 to 1846; on recruiting service in 1846; with regiment in the military occupation of Texas, and in the war with Mexico, to November 26, 1847; aid-de-camp to Gen. Cadwalader, in Mexico, to June 30, 1848; with regiment, garrison duty, in Georgia, to 1849; in Florida in campaign against Seminole Indians, to 1850; garrison duty in Charleston Harbor, South Carolina, to 1852; on recruiting service to 1853; with regiment in Florida to 1855; on recruiting service to 1857; with regiment in New York Harbor to 1860, and at Fayetteville Arsenal, North Carolina, until he resigned April 27, 1861, and subsequently served as an officer of the Confederate army during the war of the rebellion.

In view of the fact that the beneficiary is now receiving a pension of \$12 per month, that he was educated at the expense of the Government,

and resigned his commission in the United States Army for the purpose of joining the Confederate service, and did so join, the committee believe that an increase of pension to \$20 a month would not be consistent or proper. The bill is therefore reported adversely, with a recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

