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GRACE HARRINGTON.

May 11, 1894.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

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

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R 6403.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 6403) granting an increase of pension to Grace Harrington, have had the same under consideration and respectfully report as follows:

Grace Harrington, age 45 years, residing at Highland Falls, Orange County, N. Y., is the widow of the late Harry M. Harrington, lieuten-

ant Company C, Seventh U.S. Cavalry.

Lieut. Harrington was one of the number of officers killed in the Custer massacre on the Little Big Horn River, Montana, June 25, 1876.

The widows of several of the officers killed in this massacre have been pensioned under the general pension act or under special acts of Congress, and the amount of pension varies from \$100, the amount received by the widow of Gen. Custer, to \$15, the amount received by

Grace Harrington, the widow of Harry M. Harrington.

Grace Harrington, as appears by the considerable testimony submitted to the committee, is suffering from asthma, which has caused total disability, requiring alm, at the constant care of an attendant. Her disability is permanent and will probably increase in severity. She has no means except her pension, and from the death of her husband until her disability began depended on her own labor and this small pension for her maintenance. Her pension pays only for her attendant's care and for medicine, and at present she is dependent on others for a home.

The committee recommends an amendment to the bill providing that the word "fifty," in line 4, be stricken out, and in place thereof the word "thirty" be inserted, and as amended recommend the bill do pass.