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CYNTHIA J. CAPRON.

JUNE 4, 1896.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. WOOD, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 6321.]

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 6321) granting an increase of pension to Cynthia J. Capron, submit the following report:

First Lieut. T. H. Capron, late husband of claimant, entered the service in the Eighth Illinois Cavalry and served in that organization from 1861 to 1865, when he was discharged. He attained the rank of major. In 1867 he was appointed second lieutenant in Ninth United States Infantry. He was promoted first lieutenant in that regiment. He had hard and honorable service in the Indian campaign on the Big Horn. His health broke down from results of hardships in the war of the rebellion and in the Indian campaign, and for that reason he was retired August 30, 1887. He died December 24, 1890, of disease admittedly of service origin, for his widow has been pensioned at \$17 per month. It appears she was married to him prior to the expiration of his term of service in the war of the rebellion.

Claimant is feeble in health. She is without a home; has a family of four daughters, one an invalid. She has an income outside her pension of about \$400 per year. She is unable to support the family on her income.

The record of this soldier as submitted to the committee is very honorable. His brother officers of the Ninth United States Infantry certify highly to his honorable service and petition the granting to the widow of an increased pension. The committee recommend the bill be amended by striking out of the seventh line the word "fifty" and inserting in lieu the word "twenty-five," and that the bill as amended do pass.