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MARY E. TAYLOR.

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MAY 10, 1898.—Ordered to be printed.

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

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 8904.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 8904) to pension Mrs. Mary E. Taylor, have examined the same and report:

The report of the Committee on Invalid Pensions of the House of Representatives, hereto appended, is adopted, and the passage of the bill is recommended, with the following amendments:

In line 3, after the word "and," insert the word "be."

In line 4, after the word "authorized," insert the words "and directed."

In same line strike out the word "upon" and substitute the word "on."

In same line, after the word "roll," insert the words "subject to the provisions and limitations of the pension laws."

In same line strike out the word "Mrs."

In lines 7 and 8 strike out the words "that she be pensioned according to the provisions of the pension laws" and substitute the words "pay her a pension."

Amend the title so as to read: "An act granting a pension to Mary E. Taylor."

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HOUSE REPORT.

The claimant is the widow of William Henry Taylor, who served as first lieutenant in Captain Goodwyn's company of Alabama Volunteers in the Creek Indian war.

The records of the office of the Auditor for the Treasury show that the deceased soldier was paid for service in the above-named organization from May 11 to June 7, 1836—a period of twenty-eight days. No travel pay was allowed, and hence the time consumed in travel is not included within the period of service shown in the record.

Mrs. Taylor filed an application at the Pension Office under the Indian war act of July 27, 1892, but the same was rejected February 28, 1894, on the ground that her husband's service was two days short of the time required by that act. She married the soldier November 6, 1826, and he died September 25, 1879. She is now about 87 years old, and the testimony on file at the Pension Office fully establishes her legal widowhood. There are several precedents for the proposed legislation, and the passage of the bill is respectfully recommended.