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George Gamache.

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

ADVERSE REPORT.

[To accompany S. 1682.]

The Committee on Pensions, having considered the bill (S. 1682) granting a pension to George Gamache, respectfully report as follows:

A claim filed for original pension June 10, 1891, alleging asthma and rupture caused by hurried retreat at battle of Acton about 1st day of September, 1862—an encounter with the Indians.

Rejected March 5, 1892, on the ground that said injuries were not incurred in the United States service as shown by the records of the War Department.

On February 1, 1896, claimant filed an application under the dependent act of June 27, 1890, which application is now pending in the Pension Bureau.

Your committee recommend that the case be indefinitely postponed in view of rule 1 of the committee, which is as follows:

1. Consideration will not be given to any bill which has not first been submitted to the Pension Bureau for adjudication unless conclusive proof is presented that the claimant has no pensionable status before the Bureau. Claims passed upon by the Bureau, whether allowed or rejected, will not be entertained by this committee until a period of at least one year has elapsed.