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SENATE.

CAROLINE W. ABNEY.

FEBRUARY 1, 1898 .- Ordered to be printed.

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

REPORT.

[To accompany S. 3064.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (S. 3064) granting a pension to Caroline W. Abney, have examined the same and report:

The claimant herein, Caroline W. Abney, is the widow of M. W. Abney, who was in Colonel Denny's company, South Carolina Volunteers, Indian war, having enlisted February 7, 1836, and was honorably discharged May 10, 1836, having received a bounty land warrant in recognition of his services, under the act of 1855. Claimant was married to the soldier December 24, 1840. He died March 20, 1885, and she has not remarried since. She now receives a pension of \$8 a month, and asks for an increase on the ground of a "fracture of the thigh bone, rendering her unable to use her limb. She has no means of support, is dependent upon her daughters, who are really unable to give her support." Her condition in life and destitute circumstances are well known to Hon. B. R. Tillman, United States Senator from South Carolina, who corroborates the statements above mentioned and submits a letter to that effect.

Your committee recommend the passage of the bill with two amendments, as follows:

Amend by striking out, in line 7, the words "the Palmetto Regiment in the Mexican war," and insert in lieu thereof the words "Captain Denny's company, South Carolina Volunteers, Indian war;" and also strike out the word "fifteen," in line 8, and insert the word "twelve," so as to read "twelve dollars per month."