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Hosea Neale -- widow of.

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Mr. Mason, of Ohio, from the Committee on Military Affairs, made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Military Affairs, to which were referred the papers of Elizabeth Neale, ask leave to report:

That it appears, from the depositions of Lieutenant John Weaver and the applicant, and from other papers referred to the committee, that Hosea Neale, the husband of the applicant, was a private of Captain Posey's company of the 7th regiment of infantry, and was enlisted the 7th of March, 1810, for five years; that on the 21st day of July, 1814, whilst under the command of Lieutenant Weaver, of the 7th regiment of infantry, he was killed by the Indians, a few miles above the mouth of Rock river, on the Mississippi. And by the affidavit of the applicant, widow of Hosea Neale, deceased, it appears that she herself received four wounds from the fire of the enemy; and that their child, about three years old, was killed; and their property, to the amount of six hundred and thirty-six dollars and fifty cents, then on board of the boat, was at the same time lost. It also appears that a posthumous child, a daughter of the deceased, born on the 28th day of January, 1815, is now living.

Your committee refer to the two following letters from the Department of War, marked A and B, and pray that they may be taken as part of this report. After due consideration of all the facts on which this application is made, and sought to be sustained, your committee are of opinion that so much of the case as relates to the claim for compensation for property destroyed ought to be referred to the Committee of Claims; and, as to the residue thereof, that relief ought not to be granted; and therefore they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That so much of the claim of Elizabeth Neale as relates to compensation for the destruction of property be referred to the Committee of Claims; and that, as to the residue of the case, the applicant is not entitled to relief.

Thomas Allen, print.
A.

Department of War,

Bounty Land Office, June 6, 1834.

William Gordon has the honor to inform Mr. Vinton that the heirs of Hosea Neale, who was a soldier of the 7th regiment infantry, and who was killed during the late war, are not entitled to bounty land of the United States, as he, the said Neale, enlisted prior to the act (24th December, 1811) which granted that bounty.

The papers in the case are herewith returned.

The Hon. Samuel F. Vinton,

House of Representatives.

B.

War Department,

Pension Office, December 15, 1837.

Sir: The papers which you enclosed in the case of Elizabeth Neale, widow of Hosea Neale, deceased, are herewith returned, and, in reply, I have the honor to inform you that the pension laws do not provide for the widow of a soldier belonging to the regular army during the late war, who was killed in the service.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

GEO. WM. CRUMP.

Hon. C. Morris,

House of Representatives.