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WILLIAM W. WEST, ASSIGNEE OF DANIEL C. CLARK.

MAY 11, 1838.

Laid on the table.

Mr. E. WHITTLESEY, from the Committee of Claims, made the following

REPORT :

The Committee of Claims, to whom was referred the petition of William W. West, assignee of Daniel C. Clark, report :

That this claim is contained in the petition of Charles Smith and some other persons, of whom William W. West is one ; and as the claims are separate, the committee report on them separately.

The petitioner presents the following account :

The United States to Daniel C. Clark,

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| To one horse for William Lewis, | - | - | - | - | \$90 00 |
| To one horse for William Davis, | - | - | - | - | 100 00 |
| To one horse for Martin Shattéen | - | - | - | - | 120 00 |
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| | | | | | \$310 00 |

We, W. C. Smith and Daniel S. Graham, appointed by James D. Parish, colonel of the 9th regiment Florida militia, to appraise and value the horses and other property required for and taken into the public service, for the use of the volunteers in the Seminole campaign, do hereby certify that we have examined the above-mentioned three several horses bought from Daniel C. Clark, valued at the sum of three hundred and ten dollars, and believe said valuation to be just and true.

Given under our hands this twenty-ninth day of December, A. D. 1835.

WILKINS C. SMITH, }
D. S. GRAHAM, } Appraisers.

I, John B. Collins, assistant quartermaster of the 9th regiment of Florida militia, do hereby certify that the above-mentioned three several horses, bought from Daniel C. Clark, and valued at the sum of three hundred and ten dollars, were required for and have been received into the public service ; and I believe the foregoing valuation to be just and true. Monticello, this 29th of December, A. D. 1835.

JOHN B. COLLINS, Assistant Quartermaster.

I certify the above appraisement to be just and true.

JAMES D. PARISH,

Col. Commandant 9th regiment Florida militia.

There is an assignment on the back of the account from Mr. Clark to Mr. West.

It appears from the account that these horses were purchased for three men, said to be volunteers. This corps of troops furnish their own horses.

There is no authority proven to have been given to Mr. Collins to purchase horses for the public service.

The appraisement was not made under oath; the papers are defective; but if it were otherwise, the purchase was made by an officer who had no authority to make it, and the horses were put to a service for the performance of which a volunteer furnishes his own horse. The following resolution is submitted:

Resolved, That the petitioner is not entitled to relief.

The Committee of Claims to whom was referred the petition of William West, assignee of Daniel C. Clark, report:

That this claim is contained in the petition of Charles Smith and some other persons of whom William West is one; and as the claim is against the Government, the Committee report on their separate report.

The Committee presents the following account:

The United States to Daniel C. Clark

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| To one horse for William Lewis | 100 00 |
| To one horse for William Davis | 100 00 |
| To one horse for Martin Harrison | 100 00 |
| Total | 300 00 |

W. C. W. G. Smith and Daniel C. Clark, assignees of James B. Farish, Colonel of the 1st Regiment Florida Cavalry, to report and certify the balance of the account rendered for and taken into the public service for the use of other property reported for and taken into the public service for the use of the volunteers in the Spanish campaign, do hereby certify that we have examined the above statement and find that the same is correct and that the horses were valued at the sum of three hundred and ten dollars and believe said valuation to be just and true.

Given under our hands this twenty-ninth day of December, A. D. 1835.

WILLIAM C. SMITH, J. Farish
D. C. CLARK

I, John H. Collins, assistant Quartermaster of the 1st Regiment of Florida Cavalry, do hereby certify that the above statement shows several horses bought from Daniel C. Clark and valued each sum of three hundred and ten dollars, were reported for and taken into the public service, and I believe the foregoing valuation to be just and true.

Witness my hand this 29th of December, A. D. 1835.

JOHN H. COLLINS, Assistant Quartermaster.

I certify the above appraisement to be just and true.

JAMES B. FARISH

Col. Commandant the 1st Regiment Florida Cavalry