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FRANCES JONES, WIDOW OF JOHN JONES.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 792.]

MAY 15, 1838.

Mr. J. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Frances Jones, widow of John Jones, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully report:

That it appears, from the testimony, that John Jones enlisted in the service of the United States in September, 1776, was commanded by Captain Arbuckle, and stationed at Point Pleasant, in the State of Virginia; that he continued in said service until the close of the year 1777, when he was discharged, and returned to his residence in Greenbrier county, Virginia; that, in the year 1778, he was again employed in the service of the State of Virginia, in the character of an Indian spy, and was paid one dollar per day for his services; that he continued in said service until the beginning of the year 1780, when he was discharged. The above service alleged to have been performed at Point Pleasant is proven by a soldier, who swears that he served in company with said Jones, for which service he now draws a pension; and that John Jones and Frances Jones lived together as man and wife in the army, and that he has never heard the fact of the marriage controverted.

Jane Hansford testifies that she has lived a neighbor to John Jones and Frances Jones for the last fifty years; that, when she first became acquainted with them, they had one child; that she was acquainted with the father and mother of Frances Jones, and always understood and believed that they were lawfully married.

All the above witnesses are certified to be credible persons, whose statements are entitled to full weight and credit. The committee, therefore, report a bill for her relief.

Thomas Allen, print.