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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MARCH 30, 1858.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. CLAY submitted the following

R E P O R T .

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of William R. Brownlee, have had the same under consideration and beg leave to report :

That the petitioner entered the service of the United States as a soldier in the regular army on the 17th of July, 1812, and was honorably discharged in July, 1817; that he was afterwards engaged in the Indian difficulties upon the frontier; that he is now old, decrepid, and nearly blind, and that he has no means of obtaining a livelihood but from the charities of friends. There is no evidence, however, to show that his present disabilities are the result of wounds received, or disease contracted, while in the line of duty in the service of the United States. The committee are, therefore, of the opinion that the prayer of the petitioner should be denied, and beg leave to be discharged from the further consideration of the case.