

SAMUEL G. PHILLIPS.

FEBRUARY 21, 1838.

Read, and laid upon the table.

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

REPORT :

*The Committee of Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Samuel G. Phillips, report :*

That the petitioner states he was a resident in the county of Harris, in the State of Georgia, and that he was greatly injured, in the destruction of his property, by the Creek Indians, in the year 1836. He says he had thirty acres of corn, and ten acres of cotton, which were destroyed by the Indians ; and he had corn fodder, which was destroyed by the Indians or by our own troops, and which he is not able to state positively ; and, in addition thereto, he was driven from his farm, and lost his crops, and the opportunity of raising other crops. He estimates his crops at \$1,600 ; and, saying he is a poor man, he prays for relief. His affidavit is affixed to the petition, and Wilder Phillips sustains the allegations in the petition generally, except as to the corn fodder. If it was a case in which relief could be recommended, in justice to the United States, the committee would require more testimony to support it ; but cases of a similar kind have been uniformly disallowed, because the United States are under no moral obligation to pay for them.

The following resolution is submitted :

*Resolved,* That the petitioner is not entitled to relief.

Thomas Allen, print.