

SAMUEL CARTER.

JULY 10, 1840.

Read, and laid upon the table.

Mr. GIDDINGS, from the Committee of Claims, submitted the following

REPORT:

The Committee of Claims, to whom was referred the papers in support of the claim of Samuel Carter, report:

It appears, from the testimony, that he belonged to a company of mounted volunteers, under the command of Captain Lauchlin L. McKinnon, operating in West Florida against the fugitive Creek Indians in 1837; that, while in the service of the United States, he lost a mare, appraised at \$100, on or about the 5th day of July, 1837; and, also, a horse, appraised at \$190, on or about the 20th of September of the same year, both having failed on forced marches, and been abandoned by order of the commanding officer.

If these claims were established by the most satisfactory evidence, as set forth by the claimant, they would not come within the provisions of any existing usage of Congress in granting indemnity for loss of horses or other property while in the military service of the United States. (See Rep. No. 921, 2d session, 25th Congress.) The committee therefore recommend to the House for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the claimant is not entitled to relief.