

THOMAS F. McCANLESS.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 430.]

MARCH 21, 1836.

Mr. FORESTER, from the Committee of Claims, made the following

REPORT :

*The Committee of Claims, to which was referred the papers of Thomas F. McCanless, asking pay for a horse lost 5th of May, 1814, in the late Creek war, report :*

That petitioner states he was a corporal in Captain Farmer's company of mounted gun men in 1814, in the Creek campaign, Colonel Dyer's regiment; that between Fort Strother and Tennessee river, as well as he recollects, the horse of this affiant, (a sorrel horse) for the want of forage, became so weak and exhausted that he was unable to travel, and in fact unable to get up, when down, without assistance, and the troop being on the march, affiant was compelled to leave him, and has never heard from him since. Captain Farmer says he was present when said horse was left, and that the facts stated by petitioner above are true, as he believes. On 23d of May, 1817, Captain F. proved the horse worth sixty-five dollars, and his loss for want of forage. The Government is bound to pay for the horse, and report a bill accordingly.

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