1st Session.

No. 53.

DANIEL DEMOIVILLE.

APRIL 15, 1856.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. C. C. WASHBURNE, from the Committee on Military Affairs, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Demoiville, report:

That the petitioner represents that he was a soldier in the regular army, during the progress and continuance of the Black Hawk war; that in 1851 he applied for and obtained 80 acres of bounty land; that he has applied for 80 acres more, which has been refused by the Commissioner of Pensions, and he asks that the laws may be so amended as to grant him the additional eighty acres. By the showing of the petitioner, it appears that he was not in the Black Hawk war; and by what means he procured a bounty-land warrant for such service is not shown, but it is presumed that a warrant was issued by mistake, as there was no law in existence to permit it.

The committee can see no merit in the application, but, on the contrary, it is quite evident that the petitioner has received a bountyland warrant for eighty acres to which he had no claim. They therefore report the following resolution, and recommend its adoption, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the case:

Resolved. That the prayer of the petitioner be not granted.