

JOHN HAMILTON.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 8.]

JANUARY 6, 1858.

Mr. STANTON, from the Committee on Military Affairs, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the petition of John Hamilton, of Champaign county, Ohio, report:

That the petitioner was a private in Captain Brassfield's company of Kentucky militia, and that he entered the service on the 15th of August, 1812, and served till the 28th of January, 1813; that, on that day, he was taken prisoner by the Indians at the battle of the River Raisin, and was transported to the interior of the peninsula of Michigan, and kept a prisoner by them until the 1st day of January, 1814, when he was exchanged at Detroit, and surrendered to Colonel Wm. O. Butler, who was then in command at that post; that he returned on foot to his residence in Kentucky, late in the winter or early in the spring of 1814. He was reported as "missing" by the officers in command of the American forces at the battle of the River Raisin. He has received no pay, rations, or clothing, for the time he was detained a prisoner with the Indians. The committee, therefore, report a bill for the payment of two hundred dollars, as compensation for his pay, clothing, and rations.