

ELIZA A. CUTLER JONES.

MARCH 20, 1888.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. BIGGS, from the Select Committee on Indian Depredation Claims, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 6619.]

The Select Committee on Indian Depredation Claims, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 6619) for the relief of Eliza A. Cutler Jones, submit the following report:

Your committee find that Henry C. Jones, the son of the claimant in this case, with several others, while engaged in the survey of public lands in the State of Kansas, near Fort Dodge, in March, 1874, was ruthlessly murdered by a roving band of Cheyenne Indians; that Congress, recognizing the justness of claims of this kind, has paid to Mrs. O. F. Short and Mrs. James Shaw, whose husbands and sons constituted the other members of the party at the time of the massacre, \$5,000 each as compensation for their loss.

Your committee think therefore that the claimant, who is now old and infirm, should receive a similar amount as compensation for the loss of her son, who was then a youth of twenty-one years, unmarried, and upon whom she depended for support, and accordingly recommend the passage of the bill.