

GEORGE C. QUICK,

MARCH 28, 1890.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 6146.]

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 6146) granting an increase of pension to George C. Quick, submit the following report:

The claimant was a private in Captain Miller's company of Illinois Mounted Rangers in the Black Hawk war. He was honorably discharged in August, 1832. His name was placed on the pension-roll at the rate of \$8 per month from July 15, 1882, for disease of feet, and his pension has been increased to \$12, then to \$16 and after to \$30 per month, as the disability increased.

The board of examining surgeons at St. Louis, Mo., under date of December 5, 1883, stated as follows:

The examination of the applicant reveals the following conditions: The arch of both feet is increased, contraction of plantar muscles. Skin of feet thin and scaly. Locomotion much impaired. Complains that walking causes cramps. Says that he can not perform manual labor, which statement we believe to be true.

On August 6, 1884, the board of examining surgeons at Duquoin, Ill., stated:

We find the plantar surfaces of both feet congested, soft, and tender.

There has also been filed with your committee affidavits of Drs. S. F. Wehr, C. G. Rayhill, and M. S. Carr, and Lloyd D. Burgess, all reputable physicians, who testify to the condition of claimant's feet and who state that he is unable to perform any manual labor. There is also filed with committee a petition signed by eighteen reputable citizens of his town, who state that he is unable to perform any manual labor; this petition is dated December 27, 1889. The affidavits of Jane Glyre, Andrew S. Cook, and C. C. Mansfield, showing that he is unable to perform any manual labor, is scarcely able to dress himself, requires the personal attention of some one nearly all the time, and is wholly unable to in any manner provide for himself or family.

The claimant is nearly seventy-five years of age, as we are informed, is very poor, and we are satisfied from the evidence before us that he is wholly unable to perform manual labor. We recommend that his pension be increased to \$50 per month.

Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the said bill.