

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

JULY 21, 1892.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. TURPIE, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany S. 2766.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (S. 2766) granting a pension to Thomas C. Ellis, have examined the same and the proofs in relation thereto, and do find that the claimant served in the Florida Indian war from June 17, 1837, to December 18 of the same year, making six months actual service, as is shown by the record of the War Department. He now resides at Gainesville, Fla.; he is 75 years old; he is quite poor, and almost wholly blind from a disease of the eyes contracted while he was in the military service.

The bill proposes to pension him at the rate of \$20 per month. There are many precedents for allowing these pensions to soldiers of the Florida Indian war. This committee has always placed service in said war on the same ground as service in the war of 1812 and the war with Mexico.

Your committee think, considering the old age, reduced circumstances, and infirm condition of the claimant, that the amount allowed to him in the bill is not too large.

Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the bill, believing that the claimant is entitled to the relief for which he asks.

