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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

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FEBRUARY 28, 1891.—Ordered to be printed.

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

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 11097.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 11097) granting a pension to William Hale, late of the Klamath Rifles, in the Klamath Indian war in California, have examined the same and report:

They have carefully examined this case and find the facts correctly stated in the subjoined House report, recommending that the bill do pass.

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HOUSE REPORT.

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 11097) granting a pension to Willam Hale, have considered the same and report as follows:

The claimant enlisted January 11, 1855, in Capt. William M. Young's company of California Volunteers, to serve during the period of the Klamath River Indian war, and served faithfully until May 26, 1855, when honorably discharged.

There is a copy of claimant's discharge certificate on file, and his service is also shown by the sworn statement of Charles C. Donnell, of Essex County, Mass., who was a resident of California from 1850 to 1862, and knew the claimant there.

The gentleman who introduced the bill in the House states that he personally knows Mr. Hale, who is over 70 years of age and very poor. He lives at West Newbury, Mass.

By an act of Congress passed March 2, 1861 (see page 199, United Statutes at Large, volume 12), the State of California was reimbursed by the General Government for the expenses incurred during said war.

In view of all the facts, including the claimant's extreme age and necessitous condition, and the recognition by Congress of the service rendered, your committee are of the opinion that the relief prayed for should be granted, and the bill is therefore reported back with the recommendation that it do pass.