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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

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MAY 24, 1890.—Ordered to be printed.

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

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 6721.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill granting a pension to August Seiter, have examined the same and report:

The report of the Committee on Invalid Pensions of the House of Representatives, hereto attached, is adopted, and the passage of the bill recommended.

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HOUSE REPORT.

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 6721) granting a pension to August Seiter, submit the following report:

August Seiter was a member of Capt. John Belm's company of Minnesota Volunteer Militia, engaged in Sioux Indian troubles in 1862. While thus serving and engaged in howitzer practice, by reason of the premature explosion of a shell, his eyesight became injured and he has been more or less disabled thereby ever since. His services, as well as the incurrence of the disability, are fully shown by the evidence on file with your committee.

This injury, although not incurred in battle with the Indians, was received at the scene of the disturbance in 1862, and while drilling in the handling of artillery used by said militia in subduing the hostiles which had attacked the citizens of that section in the absence of the regular troops, which had previously been withdrawn for service farther south.

Your committee are of opinion that the claimant is entitled to pension for his injury the same as if it had been received in actual battle, and therefore report favorably on the accompanying bill and ask that it do pass.