Mr. Waldo, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following report:

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Mary A. Kendle, daughter of Joseph Lake, respectfully report:

The petitioner represents that she is the daughter of Joseph Lake, late of New Jersey, deceased, and that the said Joseph was a soldier in the war of the Revolution; that he deceased without ever enjoying any gratuity from his government, leaving the petitioner his heir-at-law; that she is destitute of fortune, and has lost her health, and has a large family of children to provide for and educate; and she asks for a special act in her behalf, granting her a pension and bounty land on account of the services of the said Joseph Lake.

The petitioner does not sustain her petition by any evidence whatever, but rests her claim upon her own word, unsupported by her own affidavit. It is unnecessary to say that, under these circumstances, the report of the committee must be adverse. But if the allegations of the petitioner were proved beyond a reasonable doubt, the committee would still feel bound to make an adverse report. This is one of a very numerous class of cases that have been presented to, and considered by, this committee during the present Congress; and in no instance have the committee recommended that the prayer of the petition should be granted. There is yet no precedent for giving gratuities to children on account of their parent’s service, nor can the committee see any principle for making such a precedent. The reasons offered by this petitioner have no more force than others here-tofore presented, and do not change the opinion of the committee heretofore expressed; and in rejecting the prayer of this petition the committee only adhere to a principle too well established to be disturbed. They therefore recommend that the petition be laid upon the table:
REPORT

The Committee on Manufactures, to whom was referred the report of a number of the Board of Trade, on the progress of the manufacture of flax and jute in the United Kingdom, having been furnished with the evidence and opinions of various individuals and societies, have been enabled to form an opinion on the subject, and to make a report on it.

The report contains the following conclusions:

1. That the manufacture of flax and jute is in a state of rapid progress in the United Kingdom.
2. That the exportation of these manufactures is increasing, and that the demand for them is steadily increasing.
3. That the manufacture of flax and jute is a branch of industry that is capable of being substantially improved, and that the Committee is disposed to give it encouragement.

The report is accompanied with a series of recommendations, which are calculated to promote the interests of the manufactures and to facilitate their extension.