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IRA JOHNSON—CHILDREN OF.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 727.]

January 16, 1857.

Mr. Killian Miller, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of the heirs of Ira Johnson, a revolutionary soldier, having examined into the allegations and proofs of the claimants, report:

That the said Ira Johnson, at the age of sixteen years, volunteered to go with his father, Ira Johnson, to the battle of Lexington, in the revolutionary war, and fought at the side of his father, who was killed, or died of the wounds he received in said action; that he then enlisted and fought in several battles until he was made prisoner and wounded and taken into captivity fourteen months; that on his return from Indian captivity he was appointed a sergeant in the seventh Massachusetts regiment of continental troops. His original warrant of appointment accompanies this report, and bears date the 9th of November, 1777, and is from under the hand of Lieutenant Colonel John Brooks, commandant of said regiment. It further appears that he served in the Indian wars, under General Wayne, in 1794 and 1795, and was the chosen guide to conduct General Wayne to the Indian villages on the Great and Little Miami rivers, in the Ohio country, and after his return was commissioned adjutant by the governor of New York, which commission also accompanies this report. The said Ira Johnson died the 31st March, 1812, and his widow in 1833, before any provisions were made for pensions to the soldier or his widow; but the land bounty act of September 16, 1776, was in force, but it does not appear that they ever applied. They left several children, and but for the word *minor* in the eighth section of the act of March 3, 1855, they would be entitled under the same.

Your committee having reported favorably on the petition of Thomas Giles, a similar case, have concluded to allow this case for the same reasons, and report a bill.

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