

JOHN BREST.

[To accompany Bill S. 242.]

MAY 29, 1858.

Mr. JEWETT, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

R E P O R T .

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred Senate Bill 242, for the relief of John Brest, report:

That they have had the same under consideration and fully concur in the report made by the Senate committee, to which they refer and make part of their report.

MR. THOMSON, of New Jersey, made the following report.

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of John Brest, asking an increase of his pension, beg leave to report:

The petitioner was a soldier in the war of 1812, and at the battle of Fort Meigs received a gun-shot wound, for which he was pensioned on the 18th of October, 1822, at the rate of four dollars per month, which was increased on the 13th of July, 1832, to six dollars per month.

He now prays for a further increase on account of increased disability. He adduces the testimony of two physicians, whose professional respectability is well established, who say that "they found the said Brest to have received, apparently a long time since, a severe gun-shot wound in the left shoulder-joint; that said wound badly fractured the bones which make up the shoulder-joint, and the pieces still continue fractured and separate, and by reason of the disability produced by said fracture the said John Brest is totally unable to labor for a living."

The committee are satisfied of the total disability of the petitioner and think he should receive full pension, and, accordingly, herewith report a bill.

They recommend the passage of the bill.

