

JESSE KEYS.

LETTER FROM THE ASSISTANT CLERK OF THE COURT OF CLAIMS,
TRANSMITTING A COPY OF THE FINDINGS OF FACT IN THE
CASE OF JESSE KEYS AGAINST THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 17, 1902.—Referred to the Committee on War Claims and ordered to be printed.

COURT OF CLAIMS, CLERK'S OFFICE,
Washington, February 14, 1902.

SIR: Pursuant to the order of the court, I transmit herewith a certified copy of the findings filed by the court in the aforesaid cause, which case was referred to this court by the Committee on War Claims, House of Representatives, under the act of March 3, 1883.

I am, very respectfully yours, etc.,

JOHN RANDOLPH,
Assistant Clerk Court of Claims.

Hon. DAVID B. HENDERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

[Court of Claims. Congressional, No. 7114. *Jesse Keys v. The United States.*]

This case being a claim for supplies or stores alleged to have been taken by or furnished to the military forces of the United States for their use during the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, the court, on a preliminary inquiry, finds that Jesse Keys, the person alleged to have furnished such supplies or stores, or from whom the same are alleged to have been taken, was loyal to the Government of the United States throughout said war.

Filed April 25, 1898.

By THE COURT.

[Court of Claims. Congressional case No. 7114. *Jesse Keys v. The United States.*]

STATEMENT OF CASE.

The claim in the above-entitled case, for supplies or stores alleged to have been taken by or furnished to the military forces of the United States for their use during the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, was transmitted to the court by the Committee on War Claims, House of Representatives, on the 26th day of February, 1889.

On a preliminary inquiry the court, on the 25th day of April, 1898, found that the person alleged to have furnished the supplies or stores, or from whom they were alleged to have been taken, was loyal to the Government of the United States throughout said war.

The case was brought to a hearing on its merits on the 11th day of March, 1901. G. W. Z. Black, esq., appeared for claimant, and the Attorney-General, by William H. Button, esq., his assistant, and under his direction, appeared for the defense and protection of the interests of the United States.

The claimant in his petition makes the following allegations:

That he is a citizen of the United States, residing in the county of Madison, State of Alabama; that he resided, during the war of the rebellion, in the county of Madison and State of Alabama; that he has a claim against the Government for stores and supplies taken by or furnished to the Army or Navy of the United States for army use, at or near his said residence, at the times hereinafter stated and by the officers named, said property being reasonably worth, at the time and place, the value here given, that is to say—

September, 1863:

575 bushels corn, at 75 cents	\$431. 25
8,000 pounds fodder, at 1 cent.	80. 00
1 set blacksmith's tools	100. 00
1 set gunsmith's tools	35. 00
15 bushels corn meal, at \$1.	15. 00
1 crosscut saw	9. 00
1 broadax	5. 00

Taken by Colonel Dimbey's Tenth Missouri Volunteers.

September, 1864:

1 brown mare	175. 00
300 pounds beef, at 8 cents	24. 00
Taken by Captain Dahoff.	
1 sorrel horse	100. 00
Feeding raiders (provisions)	50. 00

Taken by Colonel Dimbey's Tenth Missouri Volunteers.

Total 1, 024. 25

The court, upon the evidence, and after considering the briefs and arguments of counsel on both sides, makes the following

FINDINGS OF FACT.

There was taken from the claimant, in Madison County, State of Alabama, during the war of the rebellion, by the military forces of the United States, for the use of the Army, property of the kind and character above described, which was then and there reasonably worth the sum of six hundred and twenty-three dollars (\$623).

No payment appears to have been made therefor.

BY THE COURT.

Filed June 3, 1901.

A true copy.

Test this 14th day of February, 1902.

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JOHN RANDOLPH,
Assistant Clerk Court of Claims