

ABRAHAM LIVINGSTON.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 638.]

APRIL 13, 1860.

Mr. BRIGGS, from the Committee on Revolutionary Claims, made the following

REPORT.

*The Committee on Revolutionary Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Abraham Livingston, report:*

That the claimant is the only heir and legatee of Abraham Livingston, who was continental agent at Charleston, South Carolina, during the war of the revolution, and was taken prisoner by the British, and while a prisoner on his parole died at Wilson's plantation, in Christ Church parish, on the 20th November, 1780; that in December, 1779, by order of General Lincoln, said A. Livingston drew bills of exchange, payable out of his own *private funds*, in favor of Captain Turner, commissary of prisoners, for £800 sterling, on John Hodson, of Amsterdam, for the relief of his fellow prisoners, particularly those who were in the hospital, who were suffering for "want of necessaries." It appears from the evidence in the case that there are other large sums drawn for by said Livingston, by the order and request of General Lincoln, but that the above sum of £800 sterling stands as a credit on the books of the Treasury Department, as appears by the statement of "the Register of the Treasury," which said Captain Turner *acknowledges to have received*.—(See papers marked 8 and 9.) From a thorough investigation of the case your committee are satisfied of the justice of the claim, and account for the fact that it has so long remained unsettled that the executor of said A. Livingston died shortly after the decease of said Abraham Livingston, leaving his nephew, then quite a child, his only heir, and who has since died, leaving his *widow* his legatee; they therefore report a bill for the same, with a recommendation that it do pass.

