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CLAIMS OF THE CITIZENS OF THE TERRITORY OF KANSAS.

REPORT

OF

H. J. STRICKLER, COMMISSIONER TO AUDIT,

UNDER

The laws of the territorial legislature of Kansas, the claims of the citizens of that Territory for losses sustained in carrying into effect the laws of the Territory, or growing out of any difficulties in the Territory.

APRIL 7, 1858.—Referred to the Committee on the Territories.
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REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR AUDITING CLAIMS, KANSAS TERRITORY.

To the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled:

Pursuant to the provisions of the laws of Kansas Territory, the undersigned was appointed a "commissioner to audit the claims" of all and every person or persons who may present the same for consideration, for—

1. (Public.) "Moneys actually and necessarily expended for the purpose of maintaining and carrying into effect the laws of this Territory, or for the purpose of suppressing any rebellion or insurrection, whether in sustaining the militia or any posse of the marshal or any sheriff of any county of the Territory."

2. (Private.) "Claims of all persons who may have sustained any loss or damage in consequence of, or growing out of, the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property or consequent expenses at any time since the passage of the act to organize this Territory, viz: May 31, 1854, in place of Hon. Wilson Shannon, who declined."

In order to enable all persons to avail themselves of the benefits of the act above recited, the undersigned prepared, and caused to be

generally published in the newspapers of the Territory, as the easiest and most practical method of collecting the evidence contemplated, a notice, of which the following is a copy:

NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS.

Whereas, under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," and the act supplemental thereto, both passed and approved February 23, 1857, the undersigned has been appointed commissioner "to audit and certify all claims of all and every person or persons who may present the same for consideration," for—

1. (Public.) "Moneys actually and necessarily expended for the purpose of maintaining and carrying into effect the laws of this Territory, or for the purpose of suppressing any rebellion or insurrection, whether in sustaining the militia or any posse of the marshal or any sheriff of any county of the Territory."

2. (Private.) "Claims of all persons who may have sustained any loss or damage in consequence of, or growing out of, the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property or consequent expenses at any time since the passage of the act to organize this Territory, viz: May 31, 1854." The said act provides for the taking of testimony in support of all such claims, collections, and certification of vouchers, and making a true and correct statement in duplicate of all such accounts, and to be laid before the next Congress of the United States, and the other before the next legislative assembly of Kansas Territory, to the end that proper and united efforts may be made to obtain from Congress compensation and indemnity for the losses, expenses, and damages incurred by the citizens of this Territory, without distinction of party.

Notice is therefore given that the undersigned will hold sessions, according to the provisions of said act, as follows:

At Lecompton, Douglas county, September 1 to October 1.

At Fort Scott, Bourbon county, October 12 and 13.

At Paris, Linn county, October 14 and 15.

At Paoli, Lykins county, October 16 and 17.

At Ossawatimie, Lykins county, October 19 and 20.

At St. Bernard, Franklin county, October 21 and 22.

At Gum Spring, Johnson county, October 23 and 24.

At Leavenworth, Leavenworth county, October 26, 27, and 28.

At Kickapoo, Leavenworth county, October 29 and 30.

At Atchison, Atchison county, November 2 and 3.

At Doniphan, Doniphan county, November 4 and 5.

At Palermo, Doniphan county, November 6 and 7.

At Iowa Point, Doniphan county, November 9 and 10.

At Lawrence, Douglas county, November 16 and 17.

At Osawkee, Jefferson county, November 20 and 21.

At Indianola, Calhoun county, November 24 and 25.

At Tecumseh, Shawnee county, November 26 to December 12.

All persons desiring to present their claims will do so in form of a petition, in writing, reciting all the facts and circumstances connected

therewith, and bills of items or other vouchers, all duly authenticated under oath, officially certified by officers, civil or military, under whose authority the claims originated. All claims or accounts presented must be supported by the fullest proof possible to be obtained. All property claimed for must be described with reasonable certainty, and the value particularized and stated. The testimony of two disinterested witnesses upon a material point will be considered sufficient. As all the proofs and vouchers will have to be thoroughly examined and statistically arranged by the first Monday of January next, or as soon thereafter as possible, it will be necessary for claimants to be in attendance at the times and places above mentioned, with their papers complete, as no testimony otherwise will be taken before the undersigned, except in extraordinary cases. In order to expedite the business, claimants are requested to have their witnesses in attendance; also, that they may be further examined if deemed necessary. The undersigned would advise claimants to have their papers and proofs prepared with legal accuracy. When sworn to before justices of the peace, the county clerk's certificate and seal should be attached; but it will be more satisfactory to have the proofs all ready and sworn to by the parties and their witnesses in person before the undersigned.

The act above mentioned is broad in its provisions, and citizens of all parties and all parts of the Territory are requested to come forward and present their just claims, and unite their efforts in accomplishing its object, by enabling the undersigned to present a complete, full, fair, and impartial statement of the losses, damages, and expenses that have been entailed upon the citizens of Kansas by the political and social questions devolved by Congress upon them for settlement.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

LECOMPTON, K. T., *August 28, 1857.*

The commissioner deems it expedient to enter upon the discharge of his duties within the thirty days' notice; this is necessary to enable him to make his report as provided by law.

Accordingly, three hundred "claims" have been presented, under oath, with the corroborating testimony of two or more witnesses. All of which, with the accompanying affidavits and vouchers, are hereto annexed, marked A.

Upon examination, it will be found that the citizens of all parties, without distinction, and all parts of the Territory, have come forward and presented their just claims, and have united their efforts to enable the commissioner to present a complete, full, fair, and impartial statement of the losses and expenses that have been entailed upon the citizens of Kansas by the political and social questions devolved by Congress upon them for settlement.

To the accompanying statement B your attention is respectfully invited. It is a classification, as far as practicable, of the several claims, the amounts proven and awarded by the commissioner under the respective divisions mentioned in said "Notice to Claimants,"

viz: *public* and private. Upon examination you will find that the whole amount claimed is \$301,225 11. The amount proven and awarded is \$254,279 28: of the public class \$38,942 90, and private class \$215,311 38.

The amount of the public class, \$38,942 90, is for "moneys actually and necessarily expended for the purpose of maintaining and carrying into effect the laws of this Territory, or for the purpose of suppressing any rebellion or insurrection, whether in sustaining the militia or any posse of marshal or any sheriff of any county of the Territory."

The amount of the private class, \$215,311 38, is for "losses in consequence or growing out of the difficulties in this Territory by way of loss of property."

There is no appropriation made by the Territory, nor are there any funds available for the payment of these losses; but the said act contemplated, after a complete collection of the testimony, and the awards made by the commissioner, that some congressional provision would be made for the remuneration of individuals who have sustained losses incident to the unfortunate circumstances under which the Territory was opened for settlement, and which have, from time to time, been aggravated and increased by the policy of the general government and the course pursued by a large proportion of the people of the Territory.

The act organizing the Territories of Nebraska and Kansas specifically introduced a new and important feature into the policy of the general government relative to Territories. The old policy directly sanctioned congressional intervention, and, *prima facie*, left the validity of territorial laws subject to congressional approval. The Kansas-Nebraska bill acknowledged the individual capability and right of self-government to the people of a Territory equally with those of a State, so far as local legislation and interest were concerned; and that, while the theory has been fully approved by men of all parties, and the principle has been quietly and peacefully adopted and carried out in our sister Territory of Nebraska, it has been attended with a bloody and fearful struggle for so long a time on the soil of Kansas, is one of the political anomalies to which the attention of future and disinterested historians will be directed, but one which all who have resided in Kansas during the past three years can readily comprehend. The Territory of Kansas, being the joint and equal property of all the States of the Union, was thrown open for settlement to emigrants from all the States, and the repeal of the Missouri restriction as well as the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the Dred Scott case, by inducing emigrants from southern States to remove to Kansas with their property and servants, held as property under the laws of the States from which they came, precipitated an issue which time and the sober second thought of the people interested, as manifested at the polls, could only determine satisfactorily to all parties and honorably to our country. But, owing to the diverse interpretations given to the Kansas-Nebraska act, and the much talked of principle of "popular sovereignty" therein con-

tained, an antagonism arose in the opposition manifested by a large proportion of the people of the Territory to a due acknowledgment of the rights of such emigrants as might be induced to try their fortunes here, by the repeal of the Missouri compromise and the decision of the Supreme Court; while one portion of the people were in favor of carrying out the doctrine of popular sovereignty to its fullest extent, and by reliance upon numerical strength to exclude from the Territory an institution existing in one-half of the States of the Union, and from association, habits, and interest, dear to the other portion who relied upon the declared policy of the general government and their acknowledged rights under the Constitution and laws of the United States for protection in the possession of their slave property.

It cannot be denied that, from the commencement of the agitation relative to the organization and opening of the Indian Territory, it was foreseen by statesmen and politicians in all parts of the Union that a great principle was to be settled; that public excitement would arise, and that consequences dangerous to the peace and welfare of the Union might result from attempting to blend together the principles and interests of people from different portions of the Union, who were alike ignorant of the true social condition and views of each other, and equally prejudiced by education and political association against what one or the other regarded as inherent and inalienable rights. The Kansas-Nebraska act, in effect, destroyed all compromises, and virtually acknowledged the right of the people of the south to carry their peculiar institutions and property to the extreme north, while it equally sanctioned the right of the people of the north to emigrate to territory south of $36^{\circ} 30'$, and there establish their views and policy, if numerically superior to those who affiliate in sentiment and action with the people of the southern States.

Kansas, from its salubrity of climate, fertility of soil, commercial advantages, geographical position, and mineral and agricultural wealth, as well as its location near the old compromise line, was at once regarded by all parts of the Union as the decisive spot where the principles referred to were to be definitely settled, and the future progress or prohibition of the institutions determined.

The issue was made, the trial has been had, the verdict of the people has been rendered, and it becomes the duty of all good citizens, without distinction of party, peaceably to submit to the decision of the majority.

The agitation consequent upon the trial is about to terminate. The majority of the people in the formation of a State government will doubtless express and enforce their own views.

While it is a matter of congratulation that the great issue, with its trials, dangers, losses, and difficulties, has thus been brought to a termination, the general government, as the representative and agent of all the States, owes to the people of Kansas, to the pioneers, to the settlers, the champions of public opinion in the States from which they came, a debt of gratitude.

The United States opened the Territory under the peculiar circumstances mentioned. Emigration was stimulated; an ultra political

element full of prejudice and sectionalism which had long disturbed the country was here brought into the practical issues of life, aggravated by outside interference on the one side, and a total failure upon the part of the federal arm, on the other, to preserve the peace, maintain order, and protect the person and property of loyal and peaceable citizens from the outrages of marauders. The apple of discord, which had so long created trouble and anxiety in the halls of legislation at Washington, was cast among those who had sought to make their homes upon the beautiful prairies of Kansas, and for the contentions that thus arose the general government is responsible. It is confidently believed by hundreds of all parties throughout the Territory that Congress *should* and *would* make an appropriation for the reimbursement and indemnification of those who have sustained losses directly resulting from the troubles incident to the settlement of the Territory.

Political parties and residents of one portion of the Union or the other view the acts of their opponents in Kansas unfavorably. But common justice and reasonable respect for men who claim the prerogatives of American birthright demand that the acts of all parties in Kansas be regarded as the legitimate result of the action of the general government. The mantle of mutual forgiveness must be spread over all that has passed, and the actors and participants in the territorial troubles be regarded by their opponents as men who zealously contended for their rights and the establishment of principles in which their faith and confidence was sincere. Making due allowance for each other under these circumstances, and uniting their efforts to present the facts to Congress in the manner contemplated by the act under which this commission originated, not doubting that the many worthy and patriotic men who have sustained losses will have their grievances redressed by the authority to which they have a right to present their just demands. In reviewing the evidence it will be seen that the proof in some cases is comparatively slight, in others overwhelmingly convincing. It must be borne in mind that, as incident to a state of civil war, the disappearance of individuals, loss of papers, and individual asperities of feeling on the part of persons who might be useful to claimants, are to be expected. The papers herewith submitted are as complete as could be expected under all the circumstances.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner to Audit Claims.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
Lecompton, Kansas Territory, February 27, 1858.

A.

FORT SCOTT, BOURBON Co., KANSAS,
October 12, 1857.

The following petitions and testimony were presented to the commissioner, to wit:

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Bourbon, ss.*

Petition of H. T. Wilson, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, H. T. Wilson, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner: That on, from, and after the 22d day of August, A. D. 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by the armed bodies of men under two different leaders, Captains Barnes and Boggess, traversing the country, committing forays upon the property of peaceable citizens, an armed body entered the storehouse of your petitioner, in the village of Fort Scott, and took and carried away all of the articles itemized, and of the values stated in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof; said articles were taken against my will, but, being powerless to resist, and believing that it would subject me to greater injuries and damages to resist, I was forced to submit quietly. That during said month of August two companies, under the lead of Captains Barnes and Boggess, called into service by proclamation of Acting Governor Woodson, took and carried away from my premises nine head of beef cattle, which were butchered and used for the sustenance of said companies, and said cattle were of the value stated in said schedule, \$180.

That on or about the 25th of said month of August an armed body of men, under the lead of one Captain Brown, of the northern army, carried away with force and arms from the possession of my authorized agent in the present and lawful business one horse, saddle, and bridle, valued at \$125, and also one gun worth \$40, as per schedule.

That fearing other and further losses, I was thereby forced to remove, and did remove, my entire stock of goods, wares, and merchandise out of this Territory into the State of Missouri for greater security; that the costs, charges, and expenses necessarily incurred in so doing amounted to the sum of \$309, as per schedule.

Your petitioner would respectfully further represent, that for the above stated losses and expenses, or any part thereof, he has never received any compensation or indemnity, nor is there any means of recovering the same known to your petitioner,

H. T. WILSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

Schedule.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS

To H. T. WILSON,

DR.

1856.			
August 22.	To	1 pair of blankets, \$16; 6 tin cups, 30 cts. . .	\$16 30
		2 coffee pots, at 75 cts.; 1 skillet and lid, \$1 25	2 75
		2 wooden buckets, at 35 cts., 70 cts.; 1 spur, 75 cts.	1 45
23.		2 boxes of caps, at 10 cts.; 1 bridle, \$3	3 20
		1 saddle blanket	2 00
25.		1 spur, 75 cts.; 1 pair of martingales, 75 cts.	1 50
		1 leather strap, 25 cts.; 22 lbs. sugar, at 20 cts.	4 65
		4 blankets, at \$8; 1 spur, 75 cts.	32 75
		1 hickory shirt, 75 cts.; 1 pair pants, \$5	5 75
28.		71½ lbs. bacon, at 12½ cts., \$8 94; 1 paper black pepper, 10 cts.	9 04
		1 phial cayenne pepper	25
Sept. 1.		2 gun tubes, at 25 cts., 50 cts.; 15 lbs. powder, at 75 cts., \$11 25	11 75
		52 lbs. bacon, at 10 cts., \$5 20; 10 lbs. coffee, at 20 cts., \$2	7 20
20.		1 coffee mill, 75 cts.; 25 lbs. powder, at 75 cts., \$18 75	19 50
		94 lbs. bacon, at 10 cts.	9 40
		1 rifle, \$15; 1 single-barrel shot gun, \$10 . .	25 00
		9 head of cattle, at \$20 per head	180 00
25.		Horse, saddle, and bridle	125 00
		1 double-barrel shot gun	40 00
		Cost, charges and expenses necessarily in- curred in removing goods to Missouri . . .	309 00
Total			806 49

H. T. WILSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

Mr. Joseph Price, being duly sworn, says: That on or about the last day of August or the first day of September, 1856, I was in possession of a horse, saddle, bridle, and gun, belonging to H. T. Wilson, of Fort Scott, and that they were taken and carried away from me by force and arms; they were the same mentioned in the petition and schedule of H. T. Wilson, now here shown to me, and were of the value therein stated, to wit: horse, saddle, and bridle, \$125; gun, \$40.

I know that Mr. Wilson had such cattle as are mentioned in the schedule, and believe that they were taken as alleged. I know also that Mr. Wilson removed his goods to Missouri, as alleged, for I assisted in removing them and in bringing them back.

JOSEPH PRICE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Mr. Daniel F. Greenwood, being duly sworn, says: I was present at the storehouse of H. T. Wilson in the month of August, 1856, when the goods, wares, and merchandise, stated to have been taken in the petition and schedule of said Wilson (now here shown to me) were taken, as therein stated. I have a distinct remembrance of a majority of them being taken, and believe them all to have been taken. I know that the horse, saddle, bridle, and gun, alleged to have been taken from Joseph Price, was the property of said Wilson, and believe the same to have been taken as alleged in said petition.

DANIEL F. GREENWOOD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Mr. Samuel A. Williams, being duly sworn, says: I know that there were goods taken from the storehouse of said Wilson, in Fort Scott, as alleged in petition, (here shown to me,) but cannot speak definitely as to the quantity or value. I know, also, that said company did take and butcher, at different times, the cattle of said Wilson, amounting to as many as nine, and think they were worth about \$20 per head.

SAMUEL A. WILLIAMS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of H. T. Wilson there is \$497 of lost property proven of the public class, and hereby award the same to said H. T. Wilson.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

October 13, were submitted the following:

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon, } ss.

Petition of Daniel F. Greenwood, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 28, A. D. 1857.

I, Daniel F. Greenwood, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner: That on or about the last of August or first of September, A. D. 1856, an armed body of men, under the command of Captain Barnes, called out under the requisition and by proclamation of Acting Governor Woodson, turned their horses, mules, and cattle into my field of corn, containing thirty acres, against my will and consent, and entirely destroyed the corn and crops thereon growing and matured, so as to render the same utterly worthless to me, to my damage \$200, as per schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof; that an armed body of men, under the command of Captain Brown, of the northern army, by force and arms took and carried away one mule, the property of your petitioner, on or about the time above mentioned, when marauding and theft were rife through the land; at the same time, place, and manner, and by the same company, was also taken and carried away one Spanish quilted saddle, bridle, martingales, and blanket, of the value stated in the schedule; that your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity for the above losses, or any part thereof, nor is there any means known by which your petitioner can recover indemnity for said losses.

DANIEL F. GREENWOOD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th August, A. D. 1857.
 H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Daniel F. Greenwood, Dr.

1856—August.—To corn destroyed in field, at \$10 per acre ..	\$300
To one mule	200
To one quilted Spanish saddle	25
To one bridle, martingales, and blanket ...	5

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DANIEL F. GREENWOOD.

Sworn to and subscribed in presence of—
 H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Samuel A. Williams, being duly sworn, says: That the allegations of the petitioner, Daniel F. Greenwood, in his petition concerning the 30 acres of corn destroyed by companies of armed men are true, and that the valuation put upon it in said petition and schedule is fair and reasonable. I know that the mule, saddle, bridle, and blanket, alleged to have been lost by petitioner, were owned by him; that they went to the encounter between the law and-order party and

the insurgents, at Middle creek, in Linn county, and never returned; and I believe that the same were taken by Captain Brown and company, of the insurgent army.

SAMUEL A. WILLIAMS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the commissioner.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

J. H. Little, being duly sworn, says: That the mule, saddle, bridle, &c., alleged by petitioner to have been taken by Captain Brown, and were in the use and possession of a member of Boggess' company, in the service of Governor Woodson, and I believe the same to have been taken as alleged in manner and form; I was with the company at Middle creek, but was not present in camp when Brown's men took said mule.

J. H. LITTLE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Joseph Price, being duly sworn, says: That the mule, saddle, bridle, blanket, and martingales, alleged by petitioner to have been taken by Captain Brown, of the northern army, were taken as alleged, I know, for I was taken in the same manner, and at the same time and place, in company with said mule.

JOSEPH PRICE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Daniel F. Greenwood there is \$530 proven of the public class, and hereby award the same to said Daniel F. Greenwood.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon. }

Petition of Charles P. Bullock, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Charles P. Bullock, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner: That on or about the last of August or 1st of September, 1856, I furnished to Captain Barnes'

company of the Kansas militia, called into requisition by proclamation of Acting Governor Woodson, in support of the laws of the Territory, the articles mentioned in the schedule attached to this petition, and made a part thereof, except the article bacon therein set out, which was taken in the absence of petitioner, without his knowledge or consent, from his house; that the same were necessary for the support, maintenance, and efficient service of the said company, for which, or any part thereof, your petitioner has never received any of least compensation or indemnity.

CHARLES P. BULLOCK.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Charles P. Bullock, Dr.

August 28, 1856.	To two horses.....	\$250 00
	To one saddle, bridle, martingales, and blanket.....	25 00
	To one pleasure carriage and harness, damage done thereto in the service..	75 00
	To 550 pounds bacon, at 10 cents.....	55 00
	To 100 pounds lard, at 10 cents.....	10 00
	To 3 rifle guns, at \$15.....	45 00
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CHARLES P. BULLOCK.

Daniel F. Greenwood, being duly sworn, says: I know that the horses, saddle, bridle, martingales and blanket, carriage and harness, were taken as alleged in the petition of Charles P. Bullock, and were damaged as alleged, and the value of said articles as stated is fair and reasonable.

DANIEL F. GREENWOOD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

James J. Farley, being duly sworn, says: That I know that one of the horses mentioned in the petition and schedule of the petitioner, Charles P. Bullock, (now to me here shown,) was taken and used in the service of Captain Barnes' company of the Kansas militia, and that said horse was never returned, to my knowledge, but suppose that both were lost in the service; about the date set out in the

schedule there were men belonging to the Kansas militia quartered in the house of said Bullock, in his absence, and, from my knowledge of said Bullock, believe said schedule to be correct; I know that he is, and was at the time of said losses, &c., a citizen of Bourbon county, Kansas Territory.

JAMES G. FARLEY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

B. F. Hill, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner, Charles P. Bullock; I have examined his petition and schedule, and know that the carriage therein charged was furnished to and used in the service of the said militia, as alleged; and I think his bacon and lard were taken as alleged, in his absence, by the militia, as stated in his petition; I know that said Bullock lost two rifle guns in the service, as stated, and that he is a citizen of the county and Territory aforesaid.

B. F. HILL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Charles P. Bullock there is \$460 proven of the public class, and hereby award the same to said Charles P. Bullock.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon, } *ss.*

Petition of J. N. Ragon, of Linn county, Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, J. N. Ragon, of the county and Territory as aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner: That on or about the 27th day of August, 1856, whilst the Territory was in a state of rebellion and confusion, the acting governor having called out the militia to sustain him in enforcing the laws and preserving the peace of the county, an armed body of men, representing themselves to be a part of the

northern army, and commanded by one Captain Brown, came to the premises of Reuben Noel, and took and carried away one ox, ox-bell and collar, one large log-chain, the property of your petitioner. Said losses were in consequence of the disturbed condition of the county, and for which your petitioner has never received compensation or indemnity.

J. N. RAGON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to J. N. Ragon, Dr.

Aug. 27, 1856. To 1 ox, \$50; 1 ox-bell and collar, \$3; 1 log-chain, \$3; \$56.

J. N. RAGON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Robert Hargrave, being duly sworn, says:

I know that the ox alleged to have been taken in the petition (now here shown to me) of the claimant, J. N. Ragon, was so taken as alleged, and being a neighbor of said Ragon, from the facts known to me I believe that the other articles mentioned in the petition and schedule annexed were taken as alleged; and I know that Mr. Ragon is a citizen of the Territory and county, as represented in petition.

ROBERT HARGRAVE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Thomas H. Brown, being duly sworn, says:

Being a neighbor of said Ragon, and therefore being cognizant of the facts set forth in the petition of said Ragon in relation to the company of the northern army, under command of said Captain Brown, as stated in the petition of said Ragon, now here shown to me, believe all the facts set forth in said petition to be true, but being hid at the time, in fear of my life, I did not see said company take them, but am as certain that they were taken as alleged as if I had seen the taking, and would cheerfully give \$56 for the property mentioned in the schedule.

THOMAS H. BROWN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of J. N. Ragon there is \$56 proven of the private class, and hereby award to the said J. N. Ragon the same.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon, } ss.

Petition of Robert Hargrave, of the county of Linn, Territory of Kansas, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Robert Hargrave, of the county and Territory as stated in the caption, represent unto the honorable commissioner: That on or about the 27th August, 1856, an armed body of men, under the command of one Captain Brown, of the northern army, took and carried away from the premises of your petitioner, with force and arms, the articles mentioned in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof, except the articles, one saddle, blanket, and saddle leathers, which were taken at Middle creek by said Brown's company, in the siege of the camp of the law-and-order forces, called out by proclamation of Acting Governor Woodson, and that your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity for said losses, or any part thereof.

ROBERT HARGRAVE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Robert Hargrave, Dr.

Aug. 27, 1856. To 2 cows and 1 calf	\$50 00
To 1 saddle blanket and saddle leathers . . .	10 00
	60 00
	60 00

ROBERT HARGRAVE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

J. N. Ragon, being duly sworn, says:

I know the cows and calf alleged to have been taken in the petition of Robert Hargrave were taken as alleged, and believe the saddle blanket and saddle leathers were taken as alleged, because he knows that they were taken to Middle creek and never returned. Mr. Hargrave is a citizen of Linn county, Kansas Territory. The values set forth upon the cows and calf in the petition and schedule now here to me shown are fair and just.

J. N. RAGON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Thomas H. Brown, being duly sworn, says:

I know that the saddle blanket and leathers alleged to have been taken in the petition of Robert Hargrave, (now here to me shown,) were taken, and have every reason to believe, and do believe, that the cows and calf were so taken as alleged, and that the values set upon the articles in the schedule and petition of said Hargrave are fair and reasonable. Said Hargrave is a citizen of Linn county, Kansas Territory.

T. H. BROWN.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 13th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Robert Hargrave there is \$60 proven of the private class, and hereby award the same to the said Robert Hargrave.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon, } *ss.*

Petition of Thomas H. Brown, of Linn county, Kansas Territory, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Thomas H. Brown, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner: That during the summer of 1856, about the 27th of August, whilst the Territory was in a state of rebellion and confusion, the acting governor having called out the militia to enforce the law and preserve the peace, that armed bodies of men, representing themselves as a part of the "northern army," commanded by one Captain Brown, who was in arms and resisting the laws of the Territory and constituted authori-

ties, came to the premises of your petitioner, and with force and arms took and carried away the property as shown per schedule, appended to this petition and made a part thereof; at another time, 24th October, 1856, another body of armed men came to your petitioner's premises, commanded by one Holmes, representing his command as a part of Captain Brown's company, and took and carried away by force the property as shown per schedule. The said property owned jointly, and was in possession of your petitioner and his brother, John E. Brown. The said loss was in consequence of the difficulties of the Territory and the failure of the government to suppress rebellion and arrest outlaws and marauders. Said property lost was worth, upon a fair and reasonable estimate, the sum of four hundred and twenty-eight dollars and ten cents, for which loss your petitioner has never received compensation or indemnity.

THOMAS H. BROWN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th of October, 1857.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Thomas H. Brown, Dr.

1856.—August. To 80 bushels corn, \$40; 400 pounds bacon,	
\$50	\$90 00
To 300 pounds nails, \$21; 1 sack flour, \$5.	26 00
To 1 crosscut saw; 5 chopping axes.....	11 00
To 1 jar lard, \$5; 3 iron wedges \$3.....	8 00
To 1 broadaxe \$3 50; 1 frow, \$1 50.....	5 00
To 2 handsaws, \$5; 1 steel square \$1 75..	6 75
To 2 drawing knives, \$2; 4 augurs, \$2 50..	4 50
To one grindstone, \$2; 3 log chains, \$6...	8 00
To 3 ox yokes, \$9; 2 large baskets, \$2.....	11 00
To 1 keg tar, \$5; 2 tar buckets, \$1.....	6 00
To wagon sheet, \$4; 1 crock butter, \$2....	6 00
To 1 wooden bucket, 35 cents; 1 tin bucket,	
50 cents.....	85
To 1 large wash kettle, \$4; 1 brass kettle...	7 25
To 1 tea-kettle, \$1; 1 steel kettle, fry-pan	3 25
To 2 pair pot hooks, 1 oven, 2 sets spoons	3 50
To 1 cow and calf.....	25 00
To 1 saddle and bridle, \$12; 5 blankets, \$20	32 00
To 2 pair saddle bags, \$4; 2 overcoats, \$21	25 00
To 1 powder flask and horn.....	2 00
To 2 pair pants.....	6 00

Taken by Holmes and company, October 24:

To 1 Colt's revolver, navy size,	\$35 00
To 1 large spy glass, \$10; 2 pair blankets	22 00
To 1 saddle and bridle, \$14; 1 over shirt	16 00
To 55 <i>dollars</i> in money	55 00
To 2 pair drawers and 2 shirts	3 00
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THOS. H. BROWN.

Robert Hargrave, being duly sworn, says :

I know the petitioner, T. H. Brown, had at the time alleged in his petition the property therein mentioned, (said petition and schedule being to me now here shown,) and knowing also that said Captain Brown and company was in the neighborhood marauding and thieving, and seeing them within a mile of petitioner's house, believe the same to have been taken as alleged; and upon an examination of the schedule am of opinion that the articles are valued at a fair and reasonable price, and that his losses in the aggregate amount to four hundred and twenty-eight dollars, (\$428,) as stated in the schedule.

ROBERT HARGRAVE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

J. N. Ragon, being duly sworn, says:

Being a neighbor of the petitioner, T. H. Brown, and knowing that the said Captain Brown and company was in the vicinity, having seen them in a short distance of his house, I have every reason to believe, and do believe, that the articles named in the schedule of said T. H. Brown (now here shown to me) were taken, as alleged, for I know that said petitioner had the articles therein mentioned, and that the valuation is fair and reasonable, and that said T. H. Brown is a citizen of the county of Linn, Kansas Territory.

J. N. RAGON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Thomas H. Brown that there is \$428 of the private class proven, and hereby award the same to the said Thomas H. Brown.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Bourbon. } ss.

Petition of J. H. Little & Company, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Blake Little, a member of the firm trading and doing business under the name and style of J. H. Little & Co., of the county and Territory aforesaid, represents unto the honorable commissioner that on or about the 22d of August, A. D. 1856, there was furnished by myself and authorized agent and agents of the said firm to two companies of the territorial militia, under the command of Captain Boggess, called out by proclamation of Acting Governor Woodson for the purpose of carrying into effect the laws of this Territory, and suppressing rebellion and insurrection, the articles mentioned in the schedule annexed to this petition and made a part thereof; that those articles were necessary to the full and efficient equipment of said militia; and that the values stated in the schedule are fair and reasonable, and the same that are, and were at the time, charged to individuals; that said firm has never received any compensation or indemnity for said articles, and knows of no process to recover indemnity for the same; that for security against the depredations of the marauding parties which were then scouring the county, committing forays and ravages upon the property of peaceable citizens, your petitioner believed it necessary to remove the goods, wares, and merchandise of said firm to the State of Missouri, and accordingly did remove them, at the cost, charge, and expense of \$150.

BLAKE LITTLE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, 1857.
 H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to J. H. Little & Co., Dr.

1856.—August 22.	To 1 pound candles, 35 cents; 25 pounds lard, \$3 12.....	\$3 47
	To 12 canisters powder, \$12; 22 pounds buck shot, \$3 30.....	15 30
	To 2 large tin pans, \$1 60; 2 sacks flour, \$10	11 60
	To 12 tin cups, \$1 20; 8 boxes water proof caps, \$4.....	5 20
	To 9 pounds grass rope, at 30 cents...	2 70
	To 1 horse whip	1 25
	To 10 plugs tobacco, at 30 cents	3 00
	To 7 bridles, at \$2	14 00
	To 5 surcingles, at 75 cents.....	3 75

CLAIMS OF CITIZENS OF KANSAS.

	To 1 girth	\$0 40
	To 4 pair boots, at \$4	16 00
	To 2 pair boots, at \$5	10 00
August 26.	To 25 pounds lead, at 12½ cents	3 13
	To 6 canisters powder	6 00
	To 10 pounds rope, at 30 cents	3 00
	To 3 pairs martingales, at 75 cents ...	2 25
	To 25 pounds coffee, at 16¾ cents	4 17
	To 25 pounds sugar, at 16¾	4 16
	To 2 sacks flour, at \$5	10 00
	To 70 pounds bacon, at 12½ cents ...	8 75
	To 4 yards domestic, at 12½ cents ...	50
	To 2 saddles, at \$10	20 00
	To 1 saddle	10 00
	To pair blankets	8 00
	To 2 hats, at \$2	4 00
	To 1 pair pants	7 00
September.	To 720 pounds flour, at 5 cents	36 00
	To 270 pounds bacon, at 12½ cents ...	33 75
	To removing goods to Missouri for safety	150 00
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BLAKE LITTLE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

W. A. Soloman, being duly sworn, says :

That he is acquainted with the petitioner; knows that he is a citizen of the Territory; knows that on or about the time alleged in the petition said firm of Little & Co. furnished the articles mentioned in the schedule for the use, sustenance, and maintenance of the militia companies commanded by Captains Boggess and Barnes; saw the companies get nearly all of the articles mentioned in the schedule; believes, upon careful examination of the schedule, that the price of such goods [was just;] knows that said Little & Co. moved their stock into Missouri.

W. A. SOLOMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

Samuel A. Williams, being duly sworn, says:

I am acquainted with Messrs. Little & Co.; know them to be citizens of the Territory; know that they had a stock of goods in Fort Scott; know that they furnished Captains Boggess and Barnes' militia companies with necessary outfit, such as flour, blankets, bridles, saddles, lead and powder, &c.; know that 720 pounds of flour and 270 pounds of bacon was taken from the warehouse of Messrs. Little & Co., and the same was consumed by the militia; believe, upon careful examination of the schedule, the price of such merchandise just; know that Messrs. Little & Co. moved their stock of goods to Missouri for safety; believe the cost of moving the goods to Missouri and back again would amount to one hundred and fifty dollars.

SAMUEL A. WILLIAMS.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Blake Little there is proven \$247 of the public class, and hereby award the same to said Blake Little.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon, } *ss.*

Petition of B. F. Hill, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, B. F. Hill, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that on or about the 26th of August, 1856, I furnished to the territorial militia, under the command of Captains Barnes and Boggess, called out by proclamation of the acting governor, Woodson, to suppress the insurrection and rebellion then existing and to carry into effect the laws of the Territory, the articles mentioned in the schedule E, endorsed upon this petition and made a part thereof; that said articles were necessary for the use of said militia, and for their thorough outfit and sustenance; that the prices charged are fair and reasonable, and that the same were entirely lost to your petitioner and never returned; that I have never received any compensation or indemnity for said losses.

B. F. HILL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to B. F. Hill, Dr.

August 26, 1856. To 2 horses, lost in service of militia	\$200 00
To 100 pounds bacon, distributed by order of Captain Barnes, at 12½	12 50
To board furnished Captain Barnes' company, by order of Captains Barnes and Boggess	100 00
To 2 cows, taken by said company, at \$15	30 00
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B. F. HILL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

William Margrave, being duly sworn, says :

I am acquainted with B. F. Hill; he is a citizen of the Territory, county of Bourbon; I recollect that one of the horses charged in the petition and schedule of said Hill (now here shown to me) was taken and used in the service of the militia, as alleged; that the other was used, also, as an express horse in said service, and believe that one of them was lost in the service and the other was never returned nor heard of. That I know Mr. Hill did serve out, at different times, bacon, I suppose to the amount stated, to the militia for their sustenance. I heard Captain Barnes give the order to Mr. Hill to board his militia men, and I know that some of said men, at different times and in different numbers, did board with said Hill. I know that there was a heifer killed and consumed by said militia, supposed at the time of killing to belong to Mr. Wilson, but it was afterwards ascertained, as I learned from some of the company, to belong to Mr. Hill.

WM. MARGRAVE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, 1857.

Benjamin F. Brantly, being duly sworn, says:

I know the petitioner; he is a citizen of Bourbon county, Kansas Territory; that one Neilson rode a pony belonging to said Hill, in the company of Captain Boggess, in the territorial militia; that said pony was taken to Middle creek and lost in the rout of the camp by the rebel and insurgent forces, and that the rider returned on foot, sore and weary.

BENJ. F. BRANTLY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of B. F. Hill that there is \$342 of the public class proven, and hereby award the same to said B. F. Hill.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Bourbon. }

Petition of B. Hill & Co., of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, James F. Hill, of the firm of B. Hill & Son, trading under the style and firm of B. Hill & Co., in the town of Fort Scott, county of Bourbon, Kansas Territory, being a citizen of the county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about September 1, A. D. 1857, I furnished to the company of territorial militia, under the command of Captains Boggess and Barnes, called into service by proclamation of the acting governor, Woodson, for the purpose of carrying into effect the laws of this Territory and suppressing insurrection and rebellion, the articles set out in the schedule annexed to this petition and made a part thereof. That the same were necessary to the sustenance and thorough equipment of said militia, and that the prices charged therefor are reasonable and just, and the same as charged to private individuals at the time. That fearing the loss of the entire stock of goods from the forays of marauding parties infesting the county, I removed said goods to Missouri, for security. That your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity for said goods.

JAMES F. HILL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to B. Hill & Co., Dr.

September 1, 1856. To 200 pounds flour, at 5 cents, \$10;	
160 pounds bacon, at 12½ cents, \$20...	\$30 00
To 50 pounds sugar, at 16¾ cents, \$8 30:	
40 pounds coffee, at 20 cents, \$8.....	16 30
To one tea-kettle and coffee-pot, \$3; 5	
pounds star candles, at 40 cents, \$2..	5 00
To 20 boxes gun caps, 10 cents, \$2; 5	
pounds powder, at 75 cents, \$3 75..	5 75
To 10 pounds lead, at 12½ cents, \$1 25;	
hay, \$60.....	61 25
Costs, charges, and expenses attending removal to Missouri,	
for security.....	100 00

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W. A. Soloman, being duly sworn, says:

I am acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Hill; know that he is a citizen of the Territory; that he had a stock of goods in Fort Scott; that about the time alleged in petition the goods mentioned in schedule was furnished for the use, sustenance and maintenance of the militia companies called out by Governor Woodson, and commanded by Captains Boggess and Barnes; the price of the articles mentioned in the schedule to be the usual selling price of such merchandise; know that Mr. Hill moved his stock of goods to Missouri for safety.

W. A. SOLOMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Thomas B. Arnett, being duly sworn, says:

I am acquainted with James F. Hill; he is a citizen of Bourbon county, Kansas Territory, and the hay charged in the schedule of said petitioner, James F. Hill, was used and destroyed by the Kansas militia under command of Captain Barnes, and was worth \$60.

his
THOS. B. × ARNETT.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of B. Hill & Co. that there is \$117 proven of the public class, and hereby award the same to said Hill & Co.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon, } ss.

Petition of Thomas B. Arnett, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Thomas B. Arnett, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that on or about the 1st of September, A. D., 1856, I furnished to the territorial militia, under command of Captains Barnes and Boggess, called into service by a proclamation of the acting governor, the articles mentioned in the schedule hereto annexed and made a part of this petition; that all of said articles were absolutely necessary to the sustenance and thorough outfitting and equipping of said militia; that they were ordered out

for the defence of the Territory during the insurrection and rebellion; that for said necessities your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity.

THOS. B. ARNETT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1827.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Thomas B. Arnett, Dr.

1856.

Sept. 1. To 12 acres of corn, 40 bushels to the acre, at \$1	
per bushel	\$480 00
1 horse, appraised,	100 00
6 hogs, at \$10 per head	60 00
Hay, \$25; potatoes and other vegetables, \$20..	45 00
2 saddles, at \$7 50	15 00
1 saddle, bridle, and martingales	14 00
	\$714 00
	\$714 00

THOS. B. ARNETT.

B. F. Hill, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Thomas B. Arnett; he had two fields of corn destroyed and used by the Kansas militia, as stated in the petition of said Arnett, just read in my presence; I know that the horse stated in schedule was in the service of said militia, and I suppose was lost, not being returned; it was valued at \$100. I helped to butcher two of said hogs for Captain Barnes' company, to which company I belonged; they were worth \$7 50 per head. Mr. Arnett is a citizen of Bourbon county, Kansas Territory.

B. F. HILL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

James F. Hill, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with Thomas G. Arnett, and he is a citizen of the county of Bourbon, Kansas Territory. I believe that the hay charged in the schedule of said Arnett was worth about \$25; and that the same was used and

destroyed by the Kansas militia, under command of Captain Barnes, as stated in petition of said Arnett.

J. F. HILL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Bourbon.*

This affiant, Felix Cook, after examining the account rendered by Thomas B. Arnett, for losses sustained by him in the recent difficulties of last year, in the Territory of Kansas, first being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says, that the horse taken, and charged for in said account of said Arnett, was carried into the service of Captain Bogus' company, and was worth, in my opinion, the sum of one hundred dollars.

Deponent states that one saddle and bridle, martingales, of said Arnett, was taken into the service of Captain Bogus' company, and was worth fourteen dollars.

Deponent further states that the account for corn, as charged in said act, he believes to be correct, except as to the number of bushels charged; this affiant states that he believes the number of bushels per acre would be thirty, and the whole number would be three hundred and sixty bushels, which, affiant believes, was worth one dollar per bushel, or three hundred and sixty dollars. Affiant further states that said corn was used by Captain Bogus' and Captain Barnes' companies; affiant further states that the charge for vegetables was correctly stated by said Arnett, in said act, and was worth, as charged, the sum of seventy dollars, and that the same was consumed by said Captains Bogus' and Barnes' companies; this affiant further states, that he, this affiant, assisted in killing two hogs of said Arnett's, for use of said companies, and that said hogs were worth sixteen dollars; and further affiant saith not.

F. M. COOK.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 5th day of November, A. D. 1857.

SAMUEL A. WILLIAMS,
Clerk 3d Judicial District Court, Kansas Territory.

In witness whereof, I have hereto set my hand, and affixed the seal [L. s.] of said court, at office, the 4th day of December, A. D. 1857.

SAMUEL A. WILLIAMS,
Clerk 3d Judicial District Court.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Thomas B. Arnett that there is \$664 proven of the public class, and hereby award the same to said Thos. B. Arnett.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 11.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Bourbon.*

Petition of B. F. Brantley, of the Territory of Kansas, and county of Bourbon, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, B. F. Brantley, of this county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that on or about the last of August, A. D. 1856, an armed body of men, under the lead of Captain Brown, of the northern army, took and carried away with force and arms from my possession, while in the pursuit of lawful business, one horse, saddle, and bridle, valued at \$50.

On or about the first of September following, I had one horse killed while in the service of the militia, acting under the command of Secretary Woodson, a horse valued at \$150; I never received any pay or compensation for the above account.

B. F. BRANTLEY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to B. F. Brantley, Dr.

1856, August 25. To one horse, saddle, &c.....	\$50 00
September 1. To one horse.....	150 00
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	200 00
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John H. Little, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner; know that he is a citizen of the Territory; know that about the time alleged in the petition Mr. Brantley's horse was taken by one Captain Brown, or his company, in an encounter at Middle Creek with the militia company commanded by Captain Boggess; know that the petitioner, Mr. Brantley, killed through accident a horse, the property of one of the militia men called out by the governor to sustain the laws, and surrendered his own horse as an indemnity, and thereby occasioned a loss to himself whilst in the service of the militia, to the amount of one hundred and fifty dollars, being the value of the horse surrendered; the horse mentioned first was worth the sum of fifty dollars.

J. H. LITTLE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

W. A. Soloman, being duly sworn, says: I have heard the petition of Mr. Brantley read, and know all the facts set forth to be true.

W. A. SOLOMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Benjamin F. Brantley that there is \$150 of a public class and \$50 of a private class proven, and hereby award to the said Benjamin F. Brantley \$200.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

PARIS, LINN COUNTY,
Kansas Territory, October 15, 1857.

The following petitions and testimony were presented to the commissioner for consideration, to wit :

No. 12.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn, } *ss.*

Petition of Thomas L. Day, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled " An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Thomas L. Day, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that in or about the month of September, 1856, a quantity of men, bearing arms, came to my neighborhood, in the vicinity of my own house, and drove off four cows and calves and one yearling heifer, the property of your petitioner. One Isaac Day, a man in my employ, was out upon my business, when General Clark's men came up to him and demanded, took and carried away, by force of arms, my mare, with saddle, blanket and bridle; the mare was four years old and in good condition, and the money charged (as per schedule) is but a fair and reasonable price.

Also my losses, being forced by bands of armed men then warning the Territory to leave my home and to go into Missouri for protection, were as follows, (as mentioned per schedule annexed to this petition.) And I do also further state that I have never at any time received any compensation for the same in any way or form, and that the charges as in the schedule of my loss and damage is but just and reasonable.

THOMAS L. DAY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Thomas L. Day, Dr.

Sept. 1856.	To one mare, saddle and bridle, and blanket.	\$150 00
	To four cows and calves, at \$25.....	100 00
	To one yearling heifer.....	10 00

\$260 00

THOMAS L. DAY.

Thomas D. Cottle, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with Mr. Thomas L. Day; he is a citizen of Linn county, Kansas Territory. I know that Mr. Day had a horse, saddle and bridle, cows and calves, as stated in his petition, about the time stated, and that shortly after they were missing; that they were worth what is charged in the schedule.

THOMAS D. COTTLE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Thomas L. Day of \$260 that there is proven a loss of \$260 of the private class, and hereby award to said Thomas L. Day the sum of \$260.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 13.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } *ss.*

Petition of Samuel Nickel, of the Territory of Kansas, and county aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Samuel Nickel, of the county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that on or about the first day of September, 1856, a quantity of armed men, under the command of General Clark, came into my neighborhood and committed sundry depredations; they burned my dwelling house and other property with it; they broke down my fences, and carried away my property as charged in the schedule annexed to this petition. My fowls were destroyed, and with great difficulty my life was saved. And I do also declare that these men under command of General Clark took two of my guns out of my house; and I do also declare that the charges in the schedule are true and just, and that I have not at any time received any compensation for the things charged; and that my losses were occasioned solely by the difficulties in the Territory.

SAMUEL NICKEL.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Samuel Nickel, Dr.

1856, Sept. 2. To house, burned by militia during insurrection.....	\$250 00
To 1 rifle gun.....	20 00
To 1 saddle.....	10 00
To 1 lot of harness, burned with house...	30 00

1856, Sept. 2. To a quantity of shoemaker's tools.....	\$25 00
To 100 head of poultry, at 20 cents each...	20 00
To 10 acres of corn, destroyed by Clark's command.....	200 00
To 2 acres of oats, worth.....	35 00
To 2 acres of wheat, worth.....	25 00
To 15 acres of wheat, destroyed in another field by Clark's command.....	300 00
To 1 miner's pick.....	2 00
To value of fence destroyed.....	10 00
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SAMUEL NICKEL.

Oliver Westorer, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, a citizen of the United States, being duly sworn, saith: I was in General Clark's company. I heard the orders given to destroy Mr. Nickel's property. I saw the smoke from the house when it was burning, but I was not near it myself. I saw the company turn their horses into the ten-acre cornfield; they belonged to the same company above mentioned. I saw some of the company fetch a gun into the camp. I heard the men say it was Mr. Nickel's gun. It was a rifle. I was not personally acquainted with Mr. Nickel at that time. I think this was the 2d of September, 1856.

his
OLIVER × WESTORER.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th of October, 1857.

[SEAL.] HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public, Linn county, Kansas Territory.

I, William R. Nickel, of the county of Linn, Territory of Kansas, a citizen of the United States, being duly sworn, say: That I was about a mile from home when they came to burn my father's house. The company came in the night, and told us to take everything out of the house by 7 a. m. This was on the 2d day of September, 1856. My father had two rifles in the house at this time; they took both of them; they also took some powder and lead, and made inquiry if there was any money in the house. They wanted to know if we had any horses. The crops of oats, wheat, and corn were destroyed. The fence was torn down by the company under General Clark. My father had about all his poultry destroyed. I know my father had a lot of shoemaker's tools; they were all taken away, but I cannot say by whom. I have never seen anything of them since. My father's saddle and mining pick were taken. My father's house that was burned was a good hewn log house; it was 18 feet square; it had two floors, stone chimney, and was pointed inside and out.

WILLIAM R. NICKEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th of October, 1857.

[SEAL.] HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public, Linn county, K. T.

I, Levi Ward, of the county of Linn, and Territory of Kansas, a citizen of the United States, being duly sworn, say: That about 7 a. m. of the 2d day of September, 1856, I saw Mr. Nickel's house on fire; it was set on fire by some men from Missouri. They were under the command of one General Clark. I believe the whole company knew it was Mr. Nickel's house; it was set on fire designedly and on purpose to destroy Mr. Nickel's property.

The house was burned to ashes; Mr. Nickel had a field of ten acres of corn all destroyed; it was about the best crop of corn in or about that part of the county; the said company destroyed the fences and turned their horses into it; Mr. Nickel never gathered anything out of it; the whole crop was destroyed; Mr. Nickel had another field containing about two acres of oats that was destroyed; he had also about two acres of wheat destroyed; there was also about twenty acres of corn destroyed, besides the ten acres spoken of before.

I know Mr. Nickel had about 100 fine fowls; they were all destroyed; Mr. Nickel also had a quantity of shoemaker's tools also destroyed; Mr. Nickel also had a quantity of wearing material in the house when it was burned; I have also seen his horse gear hanging in the house before it was burned; there was also a mining pick there at the time the house was destroyed; he also had a rifle gun and a horse and saddle taken; it was a good one for riding.

his
LEVI + WARD.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of October, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS, [L. s.]
Notary Public, Linn county, K. T.

James P. Fox, being duly sworn, says: I was in Clark's company about the 1st of September, 1856, when it passed Nickel's house; about three hundred or four hundred men were in the company; a detachment was sent to the house for arms, brought back two guns worth \$30, \$20 for the rifle, and \$10 for the other. The house was burned by order from Clark to the company, and was worth about what is charged in the schedule; I know that part of the horses of the company were turned into a field since claimed to be Mr. Nickel's, and that part of the corn was destroyed; I don't know how much; that he had fowls, and some were destroyed and brought into camp; don't know how many he had, or how many were destroyed; that this destruction of property was in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory at the time.

JAS. P. FOX.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th day of October, 1857.

William K. Nickel, being duly sworn, says: I am a son of the petitioner, Samuel Nickel; he is a citizen of this Territory; I know that there was as much as three hundred bushels of corn in our field destroyed or carried off by General Clark's command of armed men;

that all the articles mentioned in the schedule were either destroyed or carried off in the same manner, and that the values set upon them in this schedule are fair, just, and reasonable.

WILLIAM K. NICKEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of \$927, of Samuel Nickel, that there is proven \$927 of the private class, and hereby award the same to the said Samuel Nickel.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 14.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss:

Petition of Oliver Westorer, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Oliver Westorer, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that in the month of September, 1856, my crop of corn, about four acres, was destroyed by men under the command of General Clark, during the insurrection in this Territory, and that the losses as charged in the schedule annexed to this as being part of this petition is correct and true, and were occasioned by the territorial difficulties, and not by any neglect or fault of my own.

OLIVER ^{his} + WESTORER.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Oliver Westorer, Dr.

1856.

September. To loss of my crop of corn destroyed in the territorial difficulties; yield, forty bushels per acre; at 50 cents per bushel \$80 00

OLIVER ^{his} + WESTORER.
mark.

I, William K. Nickel, of the county of Linn, and Territory of Kansas, a citizen of the United States, being duly sworn, saith: I saw the tracks where the horses in the possession of Clark's men had been

into Oliver Westover's field; the fence had been thrown down; the crop was nearly destroyed when I saw it, this was after the horses had been taken out; I left shortly after this for Missouri; when I came back I saw no sign of corn in Mr. Westover's field, all was destroyed.

W. K. NICKEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th day of October, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS, [L. s.]

Notary Public, Linn County, K. T.

I, Samuel Nickel, of the county of Linn, and Territory of Kansas, being duly sworn, saith: I know that Oliver Westover had about four acres of corn on the day the men under General Clark came to burn my house. It was very good heavy bottom corn; I know it was all destroyed; some of the men let down the fence and turned in their horses; the fence was left down by Clark's men.

SAMUEL NICKEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of October, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS, [L. s.]

Notary Public, Linn Co., K. T.

Samuel Nickel, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Westover; know that he is a citizen of this Territory; know that Mr. Westover had a field of corn of four acres, of good corn, the best in the settlement; it would have yielded forty bushels to the acre; corn was worth fifty cents per bushel; know that the corn was destroyed; believe it was destroyed by armed bodies of men; believe it was in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory.

SAMUEL NICKEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner, &c.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of \$80, of Oliver Westover, of the private class, the whole amount is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 15.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of Briscoe Davis, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Briscoe Davis, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about the 24th day of October, A. D. 1856, an armed body of men under the command of one Captain Holmes, representing himself as belonging to the northern

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army, and a part of Captain Brown's men, by force and arms entered my dwelling house and took and carried away the property mentioned in the schedule annexed to this petition and made a part thereof, except the wagon, horses, and harness, camp equipage and provisions therein charged, which were furnished to a company of militia from our neighborhood, under command of Captain Brown, assisting the sheriff of this county in the execution of the laws; that while in camp, on Middle creek, in this county, the camp and company under said Brown and sheriff were routed and put to flight by one Captain Brown, of the northern army, and the wagon, horses, and harness, &c., taken as the spoils to the victors, and never returned; that the values put upon said articles are fair and reasonable; and all of the above losses were in consequence of the difficulties in this Territory at the time; that your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity for said losses or any part thereof.

BRISCOE DAVIS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th day of October, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Briscoe Davis, Dr.

1856. August 27. To 1 wagon, 2 match horses and harness, camp equipage, and provisions.....	\$400 00
October 24. Articles robbed from house as follows, to wit:	
To money.....	25 00
To 1 fine double-barrel shot-gun and equipage.....	36 00
To musket, \$15; 1 suit of cloth, \$27.....	42 00
To 13 shirts, at \$2, \$26; 9 pairs of pants, \$36.....	62 00
To drawers and flannel shirts.....	10 00
To Macinaw blanket, \$5; 1 pair of fur mitts, \$2.....	7 00
To 3 pairs of double knit mitts, at \$1.....	3 00
To 3 pairs of leather mitts.....	3 00
To 20 pairs of socks.....	5 00
To 1 silk neck handkerchief.....	2 00
To 2 razors and shaving tricks.....	4 00
To 1 ox whip, lariats, 2 dressed deer skins, 1 hatchet, tobacco, powder and lead, shot and caps, files, gimlets, combs and brushes, fish hooks and lines.....	19 40
To fine saddle, \$15; drugs, \$6.....	21 00
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BRISCOE DAVIS.

William Rogers being duly sworn, says: I know Mr. Briscoe Davis; he is a citizen of Linn county, Kansas Territory; I have heard his petition read, and know that his two-horse wagon, camp equipage, harness, and provisions, were lost in the manner as stated in the

petition, and that they were worth between four and five hundred dollars; I was frequently at the house of Mr. Davis; once there two weeks at a time; know that he had such property as mentioned in his schedule, and that it was a current rumor through the county that it was robbed by one Captain Holmes.

WILLIAM ROGERS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th day of October, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

Wm. G. Collens, being duly sworn, says: I know Mr. Davis, of Linn county, Kansas Territory, and know that the horses, wagon, harness, and equipage and provisions charged in petition and schedule were taken or lost in the manner alleged, being present and seeing them taken by the men of Captain Brown, of the northern army.

WM. G. COLLENS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of \$639 40 of Briscoe Davis, of which \$400 is of the public class, and \$239 40 is of the private class, and hereby award to the said Briscoe Davis the sum of \$639 40.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 16.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of Jules Harshaw, of the Territory of Kansas and county aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Jules Harshaw, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that some time during the month of August, 1856, a company of men under the command of one Captain "John Brown," of the northern army, were in my neighborhood bearing arms, took away from me two mares, worth \$125 each. They were seen in the army of the said Captain Brown after they were stolen from me at Middle creek, in this county, and that I have never received any compensation for the loss of the said two mares taken as above named in the schedule annexed to this petition, and the said mares were lost by no fault or neglect of my own, and that the charges mentioned in the schedule annexed to this are fair and just, and that they were taken by the northern army during the insurrection in the Territory in 1856.

JULES HARSHAW.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Jules Harshaw, Dr.

1856. To 2 mares, taken by the northern army under the
command of Captain John Brown..... \$250 00

JULES HARSHAW.

A. O. King, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Harshaw; know that he is a citizen of this Territory; know that about the last of August, 1856, Mr. Harshaw had two mares stolen from him by persons supposed to be engaged in the insurrection. Afterwards as your deponent was taken prisoner by Brown's company at the Middle creek encounter and saw one of the mares in the possession of Brown's men. Believe they were stolen by Brown's men. Never have seen the horses since; think the horses were worth two hundred and fifty dollars.

his
A. O. X KING.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this October 15, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

William G. Collins, being duly sworn, says: I know that the petitioner, Mr. Harshaw, had two mares, and know that they were missing, and afterwards saw one of the mares in possession of Brown's men. Believe that they were stolen by Brown's men. The two mares were worth \$250.

WM. G. COLLENS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this October 15, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify that the foregoing claim of \$250, of Jules Harshaw, of the private class, the whole amount is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 17.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn, } ss.

Petition of James Sanders, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, James Sanders, of the county and Territory, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about the 27th day of August, 1856, a body of armed men, under the command of one Brown, of the northern army, as they were returning from the rout at "Middle Creek," in this county, entered my house and took and carried away, in my absence, the articles mentioned in the schedule

annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof; that these losses were in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory; that the prices charged for said articles are fair, reasonable, and just; and that I have never received any compensation or indemnity therefor.

JAMES SANDERS.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to James Sanders, Dr.

1856.		
September.	To 1 cow and calf.....	\$30 00
	1 broad axe, \$3, 1 man's hat, \$3.....	6 00
	1 man's cap, 1 boy's cap.....	1 50
	4 pairs men's pants.....	6 00
	7 bed quilts.....	35 00
	4 sheets, 2 table cloths, and bed blinds.....	5 00
	clothing for 4 small girls.....	25 00
	4 under shirts for men.....	4 00
	2 pairs men's drawers.....	2 00
	1 hammer and blacksmith's tongs.....	2 00
	socks and stockings for family of six.....	5 00
	5 pairs shoes.....	4 00
	1 molasses pitcher, knives, forks, and spoons	2 50
	1 long chain, \$1, 4 books, \$5.....	6 00
	medicine, pepper, and spice.....	5 00
	6 meal sacks with 2 bushels meal.....	5 00
	2 wooden buckets, 2 store kettles.....	2 60
	1 tea waiter at 50 cents, soap and salt, \$3....	3 50
	1 man's saddle, \$6, 1 washpan, 25 cents.....	6 25
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JAMES SANDERS.

Sworn to and subscribed before the undersigned, a justice of the peace, this 12th day of December, A. D. 1857.

RICHARD BALLARD, [L. s.]

Justice of the Peace.

Mr. Briscoe Davis being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner; know that he is a citizen of the Territory; know that Mr. Sanders left his premises about the 1st of August, 1856, leaving all his personal effects at his premises; know that he left at his premises the articles mentioned in the schedule appended to the petition of Mr. Sanders; know that before he returned to his premises all his property was either destroyed or carried away by unknown persons—gen-

erally believed to be by Brown's men, as he had camped near the house; believe the estimate of the property (having carefully examined the schedule) to be fair and reasonable, and the aggregate loss of Sanders to be one hundred and fifty-six dollars.

BRISCOE DAVIS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify that in the foregoing claim (\$156) of James Sanders, of the private class, the amount is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 18.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn, } ss.

Petition of Alexander F. C. Hall, of the Territory of Kansas and county aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, A. F. C. Hall, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about the month of August, 1856, I lost 19 head of cattle, consisting of cows, calves, heifers, and steers. They were driven off from their pasturage by some men under the command of Captain John Brown, of the northern army. They were seen by one of the witnesses driving said cattle up for the purpose of taking them away from my dwelling; and I do further declare that the losses charged in the schedule annexed to this petition were caused by the difficulties in the Territory, and by no fault or neglect of my own, and that the charges are just and reasonable.

A. F. C. HALL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to A. F. C. Hall, Dr.

1856.		
August.	To 12 steers, worth \$15 each.....	\$180 00
	1 cow and calf.....	20 00
	6 heifers, worth \$15 each.....	90 00
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A. F. C. HALL.

Thomas H. Brown, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner; he is a citizen of the Territory; know that about the last of August, 1856, Mr. Hall's cattle were missing; they were at my premises; never have seen them since; believe they were stolen, as alleged in the petition. The steers were worth \$15 each. The cow and calf was worth \$20; don't know anything about the heifers. The loss was in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory.

THOS. H. BROWN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th October, 1856.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

Mrs. Delilah Noel, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with Mr. Hall; know that he had cattle; know that, on one occasion, Captain Brown drove off as many as seven head. It was a fact notorious, that Captain Brown and his men drove off the cattle of the neighborhood. He had good looking cattle.

DELILAH NOEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1856.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify that in the foregoing claim, \$290, of A. F. C. Hall, of the private class, that whole amount is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 19.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn, } *ss.*

Petition of William Rogers, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, William Rogers, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about the 28th day of August, A. D. 1856, an armed body of men, under the command of one Captain Brown, of the northern army, took and carried away from my house, entered with force and arms, and premises, the articles mentioned in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof; that the values set upon said articles are fair and reasonable, and said losses were in consequence of the difficulties existing in the Territory at the time, and that I have never received any compensation or indemnity for said losses.

WILLIAM ROGERS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to William Rogers, Dr.

1856.		
August 28.	To 1 bay mare, five years old.....	\$125 00
	4 head of cattle, at \$20.....	80 00
	4 acres of corn ; 4 acres of wheat and garden	30 00
	1 carpet and 6 yards calico.....	7 50
	wearing apparel, \$15 ; 4 pillows, \$3.....	18 00
	3 blankets, \$6 ; 1 quilt, \$3.....	9 00
	surveying instruments, \$15 ; lot of books, \$10	25 00
	sugar stand and sugar, \$2 ; glass and pitcher,	
	\$5.....	7 00
	looking glass and tin ware.....	3 00
	1 jar butter, \$6 ; 1 jug honey, 50 cents.....	6 50
	fowls, \$22 ; two pair chains, \$1 50.....	23 50
	1 pair steel yards, \$1 25 ; 1 hand saw, \$3...	4 25
	1 square, \$2 50 ; 1 drawing knife, \$1 25...	3 75
	1 corn knife, 75 cts. ; 2 belts and collars, \$3 25	4 00
	1 saddle, \$3.....	3 00
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WM. ROGERS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

Delilah Noel, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with Mr. Rogers ; know that he is a citizen of the Territory ; know that about the time alleged in the petition of Mr. Rogers, an armed body of men, commanded by Captain Brown, drove away from the premises of the petitioner four head of cattle ; the said cattle were worth seventy-six dollars ; heard that Mr. Rogers' house was robbed at that time ; know that he had many of the articles mentioned in the schedule, and said articles were subsequently missing ; believe his premises were robbed as alleged in the petition.

DELILAH NOEL.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

Reuben E. Noel, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner ; know that he had such property as shown in the schedule ; know that Captain Brown was in the neighborhood committing depredations ; believe that Captain Brown and his men robbed the premises of Mr. Rogers ; believe the cattle mentioned were worth sixty-five or seventy dollars ; the mare was worth one hundred and twenty-five dollars ; know that Mr. Rogers had corn and wheat ; don't know how much, suppose about four or five acres ; believe all the articles

alleged in the schedule were lost or destroyed in the manner alleged in the petition.

REUBEN E. ^{his} + NOEL.
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify that in the foregoing claim, \$529, of William Rogers, of the private class, there is \$300 proven.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 20.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn, } *ss.*

Petition of Martin P. McDaniel, of the county and Territory of Kansas aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Martin P. McDaniel, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that on or about the month of August, 1856, a quantity of armed men were in my immediate neighborhood at times roaming over the neighborhood and committing sundry depredations, acting in defiance of the good order of the county. And your petitioner saith that one valuable yoke of oxen were driven away or slaughtered by the said bands of armed men who were roaming in a lawless way over the Territory; also, your petitioner lost a crop of corn by having his fences let down by persons who were roaming, and the said petitioner had twenty-five acres of corn destroyed, worth in the field, as charged in the schedule affixed to this petition, the sum of \$125, and I do also declare unto your honor that the losses charged were solely through the territorial difficulties, and by no fault or neglect of my own; and that I never received any compensation direct or indirect for the said losses, and the charges in said schedule are true, just, and reasonable.

MARTIN P. McDANIEL,

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Martin P. McDaniel, Dr.

1856.		
August.	To 1 yoke of oxen.....	\$100 00
	25 acres of corn destroyed.....	125 00
	Total.....	<u>225 00</u>

MARTIN P. McDANIEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th of October, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

C. M. McDaniel being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner; know that he is a citizen of the Territory; know that the petitioner had a yoke of oxen and, about the time alleged in petition, they were missing from the neighborhood and have never been seen since; believe that they were driven away by armed men in the manner alleged; know that the corn mentioned in petition was destroyed: it was worth about one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

C. M. McDANIEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th of October, A. D. 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER.

Commissioner.

John A. Brown being duly sworn, says: I know that McDaniel's corn was destroyed in the manner alleged; was worth one hundred and twenty-five dollars. The oxen were missing about the time alleged, and believes they were driven off by marauders; were worth eighty dollars.

JOHN A. BROWN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of October, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of \$225 of Martin P. McDaniel, of the private class, that the amount is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

No. 21.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn, } *ss.*

Petition of Wm. G. Collins, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Wm. G. Collins, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner that on or about the 27th day of August, 1856, while engaged in the service of the militia under Captains Brown and Davis, called out by proclamation of acting Governor Woodson, in support of the laws of the Territory, at Middle creek, in Linn county, K. T, the camp was routed by one Captain Brown, of the northern army, opposed to law and order, and engaged at the time in forays upon the quiet citizens; and one horse, saddle, and bridle taken and carried away and never recovered by your petitioner. That the loss was in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory at that time; that I have never received any compensation or indemnity for said horse, saddle, and bridle; that at a fair and reasonable estimate said horse was worth \$100, saddle and rigging \$25, amounting in all to \$125.

WM. G. COLLINS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Wm. P. Ritter being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with Wm. G. Collins; know that he is a citizen of the Territory; know that the horse, saddle, and bridle were taken in the manner alleged in petition. I was present and saw Captain Brown and men take the horse, saddle, and bridle; horse, saddle, and bridle were worth \$125.

WM. P. RITTER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of \$125, of Wm. G. Collins, of the public class, the amount of \$125 is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 22.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn, } ss.

Petition of William C. Smith, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing and certifying of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, William C. Smith, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that on or about the 27th day of August, A. D. 1856, while I was in the service of the militia under Captains Brown and Davis, called out by proclamation of the acting Governor Woodson to support the laws of the Territory, at "Middle Creek," in this county, while in camp, one Captain Brown, of the northern army, charged upon and routed our camp, and took and carried away by force and arms my horse, worth, at a fair valuation, \$90, and my saddle and bridle, worth \$10; also, my coat, worth \$5; amounting to a loss of \$105, all of which was in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory at the time, and that I have never received any compensation for the same.

WILLIAM C. ^{his} + SMITH.
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

William G. Collins being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with William C. Smith; know that he is a citizen of the Territory; know that the horse, saddle and bridle, and coat were taken in the manner alleged by the petitioner, by one Captain Brown, of the northern army; I saw Brown's men have the horse, saddle and bridle, and coat in their possession; the horse, saddle and bridle were worth \$100, and the coat \$5; Mr. Smith was a militiaman, enrolled, and was called into service to support the laws of the Territory.

WILLIAM G. COLLINS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim, \$105, of William C. Smith, of the public class, the whole amount is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 23.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn, } *ss.*

Petition of James E. Dunlap, of the Territory of Kansas, and county aforesaid under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, James E. Dunlap, of the Territory of Kansas and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that on or about the month of August, 1856, a company of men under the command of one Captain Bogges and Barnes, of Fort Scott, met a young man of the name of Cruise in my employ; he was riding a mare of mine when some men bearing arms under the command of the above named Captains came upon him, knocked him off the mare and they jumped upon her just as she stood with saddle, bridle, and blanket, and these said armed men rode off my mare, and I never have seen her since; and your petitioner saith that the said charge is just and reasonable as charged in the schedule annexed to this petition.

JAMES E. DUNLAP.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to James E. Dunlap, Dr.

1856.

August. To 1 mare, saddle, bridle, and blanket..... \$135 00

JAMES E. DUNLAP.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Frederick W. Cruise being duly sworn says: I am acquainted with Mr. Dunlap; know that he is a citizen of the Territory; that at the time alleged in the petition a body of armed men supposed to be a part of Captain Barnes and Bogges command, of Fort Scott, knocked me off of a mare the property of Mr. Dunlap, and took and carried away the said mare, saddle, and bridle; the said mare was the same as mentioned in petition, and worth one hundred and thirty-five dollars.

FREDERICK W. CRUISE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of \$135 of James E. Dunlap, of the private class, that the whole amount is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No 24.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn, } ss.

Petition of R. E. Elliot, pursuant to the provisions of an act of the legislature of said Territory, approved February 23, 1857, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims."

I, Ransom E. Elliot, of said county and Territory, would most respectfully state and represent unto the commissioner appointed in pursuance of said act, that I have sustained losses and damage during the difficulties and troubles that have existed in this Territory since the passage of the act to organize the Territories of Nebraska and Kansas, which losses and damages were in consequence alone of said difficulties, and as follows:

Two bay horses, one two years old the other three, worth \$110 each.....	\$220 00
One bay filly, two years old, worth \$110; one bay mare mule, 5 years old, worth \$75.....	185 00
One gray colt, worth.....	100 00
Making in all the sum of five hundred and five dollars...	<u>505 00</u>

For which losses and damages on my part thereof I have never been remunerated, either directly or indirectly. The property aforesaid was lost in the following manner, to wit: The said mule was taken by the company of men under the command of Brown, of Osawatomie, and Cline, at what is generally known as the Middle Creek defeat or engagement, on or about the 27th of August, 1856, in the county and

Territory aforesaid. Said mule was in the service of a company composed of citizens of this Territory, commanded by Brown of Sugar Creek, which last mentioned company was called out to pursue and arrest a body of horse thieves, that had stolen several horses and mules from citizens of this county and made their escape in the direction of Osawatomie, and was attacked and defeated on Middle creek, in this county, about the 27th of August, as aforesaid. Said two bay horses and gray colt and filly were missing out on the prairie, loose at the time of said Middle creek defeat, and, as I believe, taken off by said Brown, of Osawatomie, and Cline's company, at least I have not heard of them since said defeat. I ask the commissioner aforesaid, to receive this my petition, containing a brief statement of my losses and damages, and hear proof hereto offered, and to audit the same. All of which is most respectfully submitted.

RANSOM E. ELLIOT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

Wm. H. Driskell, being duly sworn, says :

I know that the petitioner is a citizen of this Territory ; that he had such property as is charged in his petition, to wit : 2 bay horses, 1 bay filly, 1 grey colt, about the time alleged they were missing, and I believe were stolen by marauders ; that all of the above animals were worth on an average about \$110 each. I have never seen them since, and I believe they were lost in consequence of the difficulties. I know that Mr. Elliot had a mare mule, and that it was reported lost in the engagement at Middle creek ; that said mule was worth about \$60 ; have never seen her since.

WM. H. DRISKELL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Wm. G. Collins, being duly sworn, says :

I know that Mr. Elliot had such property as is mentioned in the petition, to wit : 2 bay horses, 1 bay filly, 1 grey colt ; they were missing about the time alleged ; saw Capt. Brown, of the northern army, in the range with them just before they were missing ; know that said Brown and his men had been taking horses, and believe that he and his men took them ; think the values set upon them in the petition is correct ; know that Mr. Elliot furnished the mule as alleged ; that it was taken by said Brown in the encounter at Middle creek ; saw it in possession of said Brown afterwards ; it was worth about \$75.

WM. G. COLLINS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of \$505 of Ranson E. Elliott that \$75 of the public class and \$430 of the private class is proven.
 H. J. STRICKLER.

No. 25.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn, } ss.

Petition of Henry T. Ritter, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Henry T. Ritter, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about the 27th of August, 1856, while on service in the militia of the Territory, under command of Captains Brown and Davis, called out by proclamation of acting Governor Woodson in support of the laws of the Territory; at Middle creek in this county, one Captain Brown charged upon the camp of the forces of the law and order party, and having routed and put them to flight, took and carried away two mules, the property of your petitioner, worth at a fair valuation \$100; that this loss was certainly in consequence of the difficulties in this Territory; and that your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity for said losses.

Two mules at \$100 each \$200

HENRY T. RITTER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Wm. P. Ritter, being duly sworn, says:

I know the petitioner, H. T. Ritter; he is a citizen of Kansas Territory; know that the two mules described in his petition were taken and carried away in manner and form as alleged; and I saw them in possession of the said Brown the next day. They were worth \$100 each.

WM. P. RITTER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Wm. G. Collins being duly sworn, says:

I have heard the testimony of Wm. P. Ritter touching the losses of Henry T. Ritter read, and know that it is all true of my own knowledge, and adopt it as my own testimony to the same matter.

WM. G. COLLINS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Henry T. Ritter the whole amount of \$200 is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 26.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn, } ss.

Petition of Wm. P. Ritter, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, William P. Ritter, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about the 27th of August, 1856, while on service in the militia under the command of Captains Brown and Davis, called out by proclamation of acting Governor Woodson to support the laws of the Territory, in camp at Middle Creek, in this county, one Captain Brown, of the northern army of insurgents, rebels, with an armed body of men in command, charged upon said camp, and routing the said militia took and carried away 1 shot gun, worth \$25; 1 Colt's revolver, worth \$25; 1 saddle and bridle, worth \$25—the property of your petitioner, which upon a fair valuation are worth the prices stated; that all of this loss was in consequence of the difficulties in this Territory; and that your petitioner has never received any compensation for said losses.

WM. P. RITTER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

William G. Collins being duly sworn, says: I know that Mr. Ritter had such property as named in the petition; that he was robbed of it in the form and manner alleged in his petition, at Middle creek; that it was worth what the petitioner has charged: \$25 for the gun, \$25 for the pistol, for the saddle, \$25; and that he is a citizen of the Territory.

WM. G. COLLINS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of William P. Ritter the whole amount is \$75, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

OSAWATOMIE, COUNTY OF LYKINS, K. T.,
 October 19, 1857.

The following petitions and proofs were submitted to the commissioner, to wit:

No. 27.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of D. W. Collis, of the town of Osawatomie, county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is and has been a resident of said town for the last two years; that on or about the 3d day of August, A. D. 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men, under different leaders, travelling over the country, committing robberies, burning houses, and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens, an armed body of men, under the command of one General John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of the then acting governor, Woodson, entered the town of Osawatomie, and took and carried away, or burned and destroyed, upon the ground, the property of your petitioner, as mentioned and described in the schedule hereto annexed, and the value thereof set forth opposite the respective articles, which schedule is made a part of this petition.

Your petitioner would further show, that for the above stated losses, or any part thereof, he has never received any compensation or indemnity therefor, nor is there any means of recovering the same known to your petitioner.

DANIEL W. COLLIS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
 Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Daniel W. Collis, Dr.

1856.

August 3.	To 1 frame house, used as dwelling	\$250 00
	1 log house, occupied as a store	150 00
	3 feather beds, at \$25 each	75 00
	clothes for self and family	100 00
	1 set of carpenter's tools	75 00

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1 clock.....	5 00
1 table.....	4 00
1 set chairs	8 00
1 horse, saddle, and bridle.....	125 00
1 shot gun.....	25 00
crockery... ..	30 00
2 sacks flour.....	10 00
meat on hand.....	8 00
1 stove and cooking utensils	20 00
eight hundred feet of lumber	20 00
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DANIEL W. COLLIS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me October 19, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Samuel M. Merritt, of the town of Osawatomie, county and Territory aforesaid, being duly sworn, says: I have heard read the foregoing petition of D. W. Collis; I am well acquainted with the facts set forth therein, and was well acquainted with the property mentioned in the schedule hereto annexed, and verily believe the articles well worth the sums set opposite the respective articles; and that the facts set forth in said petition are true, of my own knowledge.

S. M. MERRITT.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

John Sharkey, being duly sworn, says: I have heard the petition of Daniel W. Collis read; he is a citizen of the Territory; all of the facts set forth in the petition are true; and all the articles charged in the schedule were the property of said Collis, except the horse, which was in the possession of said Collis and lost, as alleged, and the values charged are fair and reasonable.

JOHN SHARKEY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Daniel W. Collis, of nine hundred and five dollars, there is proven nine hundred and five dollars, of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Daniel W. Collis the sum of \$905.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 28.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins, } ss.

Petition of Samuel Geer, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Samuel Geer, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained great loss and damage immediately in consequence of, and growing directly out of, the difficulties in this Territory by way of loss of property since the passage of the organic act, which losses occurred in form and manner as follows, to wit: On the 6th day of June, A. D. 1856, when the Territory was in a state of great political excitement, an armed band of marauders, composed, as your petitioner verily believes, of citizens of Missouri, Georgia, and Alabama, and commanded by P. C. Smith, also a citizen of Missouri, entered the storehouse and premises of your petitioner, in the village of Osawatomie, and with force and arms took and carried away the articles charged in the schedule annexed to this petition and made a part thereof under the date of said 6th of June, 1856.

Again, on the 25th of August, of said year, your petitioner sustained a loss of one horse, as charged in the schedule, under the following circumstances, to wit: For greater security against horse thieves your petitioner had taken said horse into the country to the house of a friend three miles distant from said village, where, on the evening of the 25th, he was securely tied, and during the night was stolen.

Again, on the 30th of August, 1856, an armed body of men, in command of one General Reid, of Independence, with force and arms, pillaged and burned the said village of Osawatomie, wherein your petitioner owned the articles charged in the schedule under the said date, 30th August, 1856; all of which were taken and carried away, or destroyed by fire, so as to be utterly worthless. Your petitioner further represents, that the articles charged in said schedule were his property; that the values therein placed upon them are fair, just, and reasonable; and for said losses, or any part thereof, he has never received any compensation or indemnity.

SAMUEL GEER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th day of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Samuel Geer, Dr.

1857.			
June 6.	To one horse 7 years old, 16½ hands high.....	\$175	00
	one double shot-gun.....	25	00
	sundry articles taken from store, amounting	150	00
Aug. 25.	To one horse.....	135	00
30.	To five houses—one 2 stories, 30 by 30 feet; one 1 story, 18 by 20 feet; one 1 story, 18 by 18 feet; one 16 by 16 feet; one stable, 14 by 24 feet—value.....	2,500	00
	one two-horse wagon, and double harness...	115	00
	household furniture—beds, bedding, steads, &c.....	500	00
	stock of bacon, lard, and other articles in smokehouse.....	300	00
	prime segars, brandies, wines, cherry brandy, molasses, syrups, &c.....	300	00
	drugs, medicines, paints, oils, &c.....	1,000	00
	dry goods, hardware, queensware, groceries	2,000	00
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SAMUEL GEER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

James J. Holbrook, being duly sworn, says: I was in the storehouse of the petitioner, Samuel Geer, as his clerk, in the village of Osawatomie, on the morning of the 30th of August, when an armed mob entered said village, and pillaged and burned it, as stated; and that the property of Mr. Geer was at that time destroyed, as alleged; that his charges for said losses are fair and reasonable. I knew that Mr. Geer had five houses destroyed at that time by fire; I believe they were worth \$2,500; one of them alone, I think, was worth \$1,500—the two story house. I know that he had a wagon and double harness, which were burned at the time. His house furniture was of a fair article; he was keeping entertainment at the time, and his house was furnished for that purpose. The furniture was worth about \$500. His stock of bacon, hams, lard, &c., in the smokehouse was large; worth \$300. His liquors were of good quality, and with the molasses, &c., was worth about \$300. Had a large stock of medicines, paints, and oils, worth, in the aggregate, about \$1,000. Had a large supply of hardware, such as carpenters' tools, building material, &c. Had a very good stock of dry goods on hand. Had a

small supply of groceries. The charge for dry goods, hardware, groceries, queensware, &c., at \$2,000, at the usual selling prices, is fair and reasonable, and his losses, in the aggregate, would not be less than \$7,000; all of which losses were in consequence of the burning and pillaging of said village by armed mobs. Said Geer is a citizen of Kansas Territory.

JAMES J. HOLBROOK.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the commissioner.

H. J. STRICKLER.

Mary E. Sears being duly sworn, says: I have heard the petition and schedule of William Geer read; I was in the house of said Geer on the 6th of June, 1856, when an armed party of men entered his house and took and carried away from his store sundry articles of merchandise and a number of guns; and that they took and carried away at said time one horse, the property of said Geer. I was residing in the village of Osawatomie on the morning of the 30th of August, when an armed body of men entered said village, and burned five houses belonging to Mr. Geer; I saw them burn the houses. I know that Mr. Geer was doing business as merchant and kept entertainment.

MARY E. SEARS.

Sworn to and subscribed before the commissioner.

H. J. STRICKLER.

Robert H. Sherar being duly sworn, says: That on the evening of August, 1856, I hitched the horse belonging to Mr. Geer near my house—the same horse spoken of in the petition—and during the night it was taken away. I believe it to have been taken by one of the armed bodies of men who were marauding through the neighborhood at the time. I believe the horse was worth \$150. Mr. Geer is a citizen of the Territory.

ROBERT H. SHERAR.

Sworn and subscribed before the commissioner.

H. J. STRICKLER.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Samuel Geer of \$7,200, there is proven \$7,200 of a private class; and I hereby award to the said Samuel Geer the sum of \$7,200.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 29.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner, appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Thomas Rice, of the county of Linn and territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is a resident of

said county of Linn. That during the month of July, A. D. 1856' when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders travelling over the country committing robberies and thefts, destroying crops, &c., and doing great damage to the persons and property of peaceably disposed citizens, a body of men, unknown to your petitioner, took from the premises of your petitioner and converted to their own use, three horses, mentioned in the schedule annexed hereto, which schedule is made part of this petition. And your petitioner would further show that, for the above stated losses, or any part thereof, he has never received any compensation, nor is there any means of recovering the same known to the petitioner.

THOMAS RICE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

One sorrel mare	\$150 00
One sorrel mare.....	150 00
One small colt.....	75 00
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P. H. Thomas being duly sworn, says: I have heard the petition of Mr. Rice read. I know that he had the property mentioned in the petition at the time alleged; and that there were bodies of men traversing the country stealing and driving off horses; and I believe the property was stolen as alleged. The mares and colt were worth the prices charged, \$375; have never seen the property in the possession of the petitioner since. I know of his making frequent efforts to recover them; and I know that said Rice is a citizen of this Territory.

P. H. THOMAS.

Sworn to and subscribed before the commissioner.

H. J. STRICKLER.

James N. Gibson being duly sworn, says: I was living with Mr. Rice and tending his crops at the time his mare was missing; I worked her every day, belled and turned her out at night upon the range, and always found her within half a mile of home, until the night she was stolen as alleged; I believe she was stolen; I believe they were all stolen at the same time. I know that there were armed bodies of men going through the country at the time stealing horses. I believe they were worth fully what is charged in the petition, \$375; and said Rice is a citizen of this Territory.

JAMES N. ^{his} + GIBSON.
_{mark.}

Sworn to and subscribed before the commissioner.

H. J. STRICKLER.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Thomas Rice, three hundred and seventy-five dollars, there is proven \$375 of a private class; and I hereby award to the said Thomas Rice the sum of \$375.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 30.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } *ss.*

To the honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of P. H. Thomas, of the county of Linn and Territory aforesaid, do respectfully set forth: That your petitioner is a citizen resident of said county of Linn; that during the month of August, A. D. 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders travelling over the country, committing robberies, thefts, &c., destroying crops, and doing great damage to the persons and property of peaceably disposed citizens, a body of armed men, under command of one John Brown, camped on the claim of your petitioner, and while there carried away and destroyed the property of your petitioner, mentioned and described in schedule hereto annexed, which schedule is made a part of this petition. And your petitioner would further show, that for the above stated losses, or any part thereof, he has never received any compensation, nor is there any means of recovering the same known to your petitioner.

P. H. THOMAS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to P. H. Thomas, Dr.

1856.		
August.	To 2½ acres of oats	20 00
	300 bushels of corn	300 00
	1 acre of wheat	15 00
	Prairie plow, \$30; wagon rake, \$5	35 00
	Vegetables, \$50; chickens, \$30	80 00
	2 bedsteads, \$5; 2 barrels, \$1; 2 wash tubs, \$1	7 00
	1 washboard and pan, 80 cents; 1 box, 80	
	cents; 1 kettle, 50 cents	2 10
	Half barrel vinegar, \$5	5 00
	1 brood sow	25 00
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		\$489 10
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P. H. THOMAS.

James N. Gibson, of the county of Linn and Territory aforesaid, being duly sworn, says: I have heard read the foregoing petition, and am well acquainted with the facts set forth in said petition; they are true of my own knowledge; I am well acquainted with the property described in the foregoing petition and schedule, and verily believe the sums set opposite the respective articles a fair and reasonable compensation therefor.

JAMES N. ^{his} + GIBSON.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before the commissioner.

H. J. STRICKLER.

Thomas Rice being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner; know him to be a citizen of the Territory; believe the facts set forth in the petition to be true; know that a body of armed men was camped upon his premises; know that the petitioner had such property as is mentioned in the schedule, and believe it to have been destroyed at the time and in the manner alleged in the petition; believe the property was worth what it is estimated at by the petitioner, and believe the loss was in consequence of the disturbed condition of the country.

THOMAS RICE.

Sworn to and subscribed before the commissioner.

H. J. STRICKLER.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of P. H. Thomas, of \$489 10, there is proven \$489 10 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said P. H. Thomas the sum of \$489 10.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 31.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

Petition of Joseph James, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Joseph James, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner: That I have sustained a loss immediately in consequence of, and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the passage of the act to organize the Territory, to wit: On the third day of August, A. D., 1856, at which time I owned one yoke of fine large steers worth, as your petitioner verily believes, \$100, which as your petitioner is informed and believes was driven off by an armed body of men, upon the day of the burning and pillaging of the village of Osawatomie, by a company under command of one General Reid,

which property your petitioner has never seen nor heard of since, nor has he received any compensation or indemnity for the same in any manner or form.

JOSEPH JAMES.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th day of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

William B. Fuller being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Mr. James; have heard his petition read; was taken prisoner on the said 30th of August by the company commanded by said Reid; saw them drive away the cattle mentioned in the petition, as far as Bull creek; said cattle were worth \$100; I was taken on to Kansas City, where I was put on a boat and sent down the river; said petitioner is a citizen of Kansas Territory.

WILLIAM B. ^{his} + FULLER.
_{mark.}

Sworn to and subscribed before the commissioner.

H. J. STRICKLER.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Joseph James, of \$100, there is proven \$100 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Joseph James \$100.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 32.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } *ss.*

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of A. B. Chambers, of the county of Lykins and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resident of this county for the last two years; that during the month of June, 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders travelling over the Territory, committing robberies and thefts, and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens; that during the latter part of said month of June, a body of men unknown to your petitioner, took and carried away from the premises of your petitioner one horse of the value of \$65; and your

petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for said loss, nor is there any means of recovering the same known to your petitioner.

A. B. CHAMBERS.

Subscribed and sworn to, before me, this 19th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Abbe C. Sanborn being duly sworn, says: I have heard read the foregoing petition made by A. B. Chambers, and am well acquainted with the facts therein set forth, they are true of my own knowledge. I am well acquainted with the horse mentioned in the foregoing petition, and verily believe said horse to be worth the sum of \$65.

ABBE C. SANBORN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the 19th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

Wm. B. Fuller being duly sworn, says: I know Mr. Chambers the petitioner. He had a horse which I saw at his house on Saturday night, about twelve days before the 4th of July; on Sunday following the horse was gone; I was taken up for stealing it, tried, and acquitted.

WM. B. FULLER.

Sworn to and subscribed before the commissioner.

H. J. STRICKLER.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of A. B. Chambers, of \$65, there is proven \$65 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said A. B. Chambers the sum of \$65.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 33.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } *ss.*

Petition of James Fuller, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, James Fuller, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained a loss immediately in consequence of, and growing out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, to wit: On the 30th of August, A. D. 1856, I owned one yoke of large fine steers worth \$125, which were driven off, as I am informed and believe, by an armed body of men under command of one General Reid, upon the day that said body of men burned the village of Osawatomie; for which loss your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity in any form or manner whatever.

JAMES FULLER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th day of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Wm. B. Fuller being duly sworn, says: I know Mr. Fuller the petitioner. He is a citizen of this Territory; have heard his petition read; know that he lost a yoke of steers as alleged, worth, I believe, \$125, what he paid for them; saw the armed body of men under General Reid drive them away with others to Bull creek, when I was taken to Kansas City, put on a boat, and sent down the river; he never recovered the cattle.

WM. B. FULLER.

Sworn to and subscribed before the commissioner.

H. S. STRICKLER.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of James Fuller, of \$125, there is proven \$125 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said James Fuller the sum of \$125.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 34.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

Petition of James J. Holbrook, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the Territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, James J. Holbrook, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses and damages immediately in consequence of, and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of losses of property, since the passage of the act to organize this Territory, to wit: In the months of June and August, A. D. 1856, when armed bodies of men under different leaders were traversing the country, marauding and committing forays upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens. On the 6th of June an armed body of men took and carried away the three guns mentioned in the schedule made a part of this petition, and the clothing; and again on the 30th of August, another armed body of men, under General Reid, took and carried away and destroyed by fire, upon the ground, in the burning of Osawatomie, all the other articles charged in the schedule; all of which were of the property of your petitioner, for which or any part thereof I have never received any compensation or indemnity.

JAMES J. HOLBROOK.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th day of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to James J. Holbrook, Dr.

1856.

June 6.	To	1 double barreled shot gun	\$25 00
		1 rifle at \$25 ; one single barrel shot gun.....	30 00
		1 grey mare, 4 years old.....	200 00
		1 bay horse, 5 years old.....	175 00
		1 bay mare, 4 years old.....	150 00
		1 brown horse, 9 years old.....	85 00
		1 set double harness with breeching.....	30 00
		damage to spring Harrison wagon.....	35 00
		1 saddle, bridle and martingales.....	18 00
		1 set of silver plate.....	52 00
		1 silver watch.....	18 00
		2 blankets, \$9 00 ; 6 seamless sacks, \$3 00....	12 00
		1 stretcher and single trees.....	6 00
		1 hatchet and carriage whip.....	2 00
		clothing, and 5 fine shirts.....	10 00
		3 pairs pants at \$1 50, \$3 50, \$9 00.....	14 00
		2 summer coats, at \$6 00 ; 1 winter coat, at \$16 00.....	22 00
		2 pair boots, (stogas,) \$2 50 ; fine do \$4 50....	7 00
			891 00
			891 00

JAMES J. HOLBROOK.

William B. Fuller, being duly sworn, says: I know Mr. Holbrook, the petitioner, have heard his petition read. He is a citizen of Kansas Territory. I know that on the 30th August, an armed body of men under General Reid, took and carried away at the burning of Osawatamie, one gray mare, worth \$200; one gray horse, worth \$175; one bay mare worth \$125; one brown horse, worth \$80, the property of Mr. Holbrook. I saw them afterwards in the camp of the army of General Reid, when I was there a prisoner.

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WM. B. + FULLER.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before the commissioner.

H. J. STRICKLER.

R. W. Wood, being duly sworn, says: I know Mr. Holbrook; have heard his petition read. He is a citizen of this Territory. I know that the petitioner had two horses in the stable on the 30th of August, when it was burned; they were either burned or taken away by General Reid's company; have never seen them since, and have reason to believe they were taken at that time. I know that there was silver plate in the safe, which was destroyed; did not know at the time that it belonged to Mr. Holbrook; have since learned that it did; know

that he had stretcher and single trees. They were either taken away or destroyed by fire; his trunk and the building in which he lived was burned; believe he had all the articles charged. The horses are charged at a fair and reasonable price; and also the saddle and silver plate. As to the other articles I cannot speak definitely, not being acquainted with such things.

R. W. WOOD.

Sworn to and subscribed before the commissioner.

H. J. STRICKLER.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of James J. Holbrook of \$891 00, there is proven \$891 00 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said James J. Holbrook, the sum of \$891 00.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 35.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 13, 1857.

The petition of John Carr, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resident of said Territory for the last two years; that during the month of August, 1856, when this part of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders, travelling over the country committing robberies, thefts, and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens, and on or about the 3d day of August, A. D. 1856, an armed body of men, under the command of John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of the then acting Governor Woodson, came upon the premises of your petitioner, and then and there took from the possession of your petitioner, one horse of the value of \$65 00, as per schedule hereto annexed, and that the said body of men at the same time took from the possession of your petitioner two beds and pillows, of the value of \$10; also, one book valued at \$1 50. And your petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for any of the above losses, nor has he any means of recovering the same.

JOHN CARR.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, October 20, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

One horse, valued at.....	\$66 00
Beds and pillows.....	10 00
One book.....	1 50
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JOHN CARR.

James D. Clarke, and George R. Ferris of the county and Territory aforesaid, being duly sworn, severally say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition, and are well acquainted with the facts stated therein; and that the same are true of their own knowledge; that they are well acquainted with the property mentioned in the schedule hereto annexed, and verily believe that the sums set opposite the respective articles, are a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

JAMES D. CLARKE.
GEO. R. FERRIS.

Sworn to, and subscribed before me, this 20th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John Carr of \$76 50, there is proven \$76 50 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said John Carr the sum of \$76 50.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 36.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Morgan Crowwhite, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resident of said county for the last two years. That during the month of June, when this section of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders travelling over the country, committing robberies, thefts, and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens; and on or about the 6th of June, 1856, an armed body of men, numbering about 170, under the command of one Henry Clay Pate, entered the

town of Osawatomie, in said county, and took from the premises of your petitioner the property mentioned in the schedule hereto annexed, which schedule is made a part hereof. And also, then and there, took from the possession of your petitioner one pair of bridles; horse and bridles valued at \$155, as per schedule. And your petitioner further showeth that he has never received any compensation for any of the losses above named, nor has he any means of recovering the same.

MORGAN CROWHITE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

One horse of the value of.....	\$150 00
One pair of bridles.....	5 00
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MORGAN CROWHITE.

Robert W. Wood and George R. Ferris, of the Territory aforesaid, being severally sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition made by Morgan Crowwhite and are well acquainted with the facts therein stated, and that the same are true of their own knowledge.

Deponents further say, that they are well acquainted with the property mentioned in the schedule, and verily believe that the sums set opposite the respective articles are a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

R. W. WOOD,
GEO. R. FERRIS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Morgan Crowwhite of \$155, there is proven \$155 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Morgan Crowwhite the sum of \$155.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 37.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Mary E. Partridge, of the county of Anderson and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth : That your petitioner is and has been a resident of said county for the last two years. That during the month of June, 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders travelling over the country committing robberies, thefts, &c., outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens, an armed body of men, unknown to your petitioner, entered the dwelling house of your petitioner and broke open trunks, then and there being, and took therefrom the articles mentioned and described in the schedule hereto annexed; said schedule being a part hereof.

And your petitioner would further show, that she has never received any compensation for any of the above named losses, nor has she any means of recovering the same.

MARY E. PARTRIDGE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 20th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

One crape shawl.....	\$12 00
One gold pin.....	2 50
Shirting.....	1 50
Clothes, &c.....	30 00
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MARY E. PARTRIDGE.

Wakeman Partridge, of the county of Lykins, being duly sworn, says: I have heard read the foregoing petition made by Mary E. Partridge, and am well acquainted with the facts therein stated; the same are true of my own knowledge. Deponent further says: That he is acquainted with the articles mentioned in the foregoing schedule and verily believes that the sums set opposite the respective articles are a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

WAKEMAN PARTRIDGE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 20th, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Mary E. Partridge of \$46, there is proven \$46 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Mary E. Partridge the sum of \$46.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 38.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Hugh Kilbourn of the county of Anderson, and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a citizen of said county for the last two years. That during the month of August, 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders travelling over the country committing robberies, thefts, &c., burning houses and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens. That on or about the 27th of August, 1857, an armed body of men entered the premises of your petitioner and took and carried away the property mentioned in the schedule hereto annexed, or burned and destroyed the same on the ground. That said armed body then and there burned to the ground the dwelling house of your petitioner. Your petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for the above stated losses or any part thereof, nor has your petitioner any means of recovering the same.

HUGH KILBOURN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Wakeman Partridge, of the county of Anderson, being duly sworn says: That he has heard read the foregoing petition made by H. Kilbourn, and is well acquainted with the facts set forth in said petition, and that the same are true of his own knowledge. This deponent is well acquainted with the property mentioned in the foregoing schedule, and verily believes that the sums set opposite the respective articles is a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

WAKEMAN PARTRIDGE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

One dwelling house	\$100 00
Carpenter and framing tools	60 00
Beds and bedding	50 00
Clothing, &c	30 00
One stove, \$15 ; one shot-gun, \$5	20 00
One revolver	20 00
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	280 00
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HUGH KILBOURN.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Hugh Kilbourn of \$280, there is proven \$280 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Hugh Kilbourn the sum of \$280.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 39.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of John Yelton of the county of Lykins, and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resident of the said county for the last two years. That during the month of August, 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders travelling over the country committing robberies, thefts, burning houses, and outrages of various kinds, upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens, on the 3d day of August, 1856, an armed body of men under command of John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of the then acting Governor Woodson, entered the town of Osawatomie, in said county, and took possession of the dwelling of your petitioner, then and there being, and took and carried away and converted to their own use, the property mentioned in the schedule hereto annexed, which schedule is made a part of this petition; and that said armed body then and there burned to the ground, and destroyed the dwelling house of your petitioner valued at \$200, as per schedule.

And your petitioner would further show that he has never received compensation for any of the above stated losses, nor has he any means of recovering the same.

JOHN YELTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of August, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

One frame house valued at.....	\$200 00
Cooking stove and utensils	25 00
Bedding	10 00
Buffalo robe, \$4; crockery, &c., \$10.....	14 00
Frame house and lumber.....	300 00
	549 00
	549 00

JOHN YELTON.

James D. Clark and George R. Ferris, of the county and Territory aforesaid, being severally sworn say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition made by John Yelton, that they are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth, and that the same are true of their own knowledge. Deponents further say that they are well acquainted with the property mentioned in the schedule hereto annexed. That the sums set opposite the respective articles are a fair and reasonable compensation therefor.

JAMES D. CLARK,
GEORGE R. FERRIS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of October, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER.
Commissioner for auditing claim.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John Yelton of \$549, there is proven \$549 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said John Yelton the sum of \$549.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 40.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of John Blunt, of the county of Franklin and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resident of said county for the last two years. That during the month of May last, when this portion of the Territory was in a great state of excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders travelling over the country committing robberies, thefts, and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens; that during the month of May a posse

of men, under the deputy United States marshal, by the name of Loring, took from the premises of your petitioner one horse, of the value of \$150, and one saddle and bridle, of the value of \$10, as per schedule hereto annexed. And your petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for said loss, nor has he any means of recovering the same.

JOHN BLUNT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

One horse, of the value of.....	\$150 00
One saddle and bridle, of the value of.....	10 00
	160 00
	160 00

JOHN BLUNT.

F. F. Kilbourn and Henry H. Williams, of the county of Lykins, and Territory aforesaid, being duly sworn severally say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition, made by John Blunt, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth, and that the same are true of their own knowledge. Deponents further say that they are well acquainted with the property mentioned and described in the foregoing schedule, and verily believe the sums set opposite the respective articles are a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

HUGH F. KILBOURN,

HENRY H. WILLIAMS.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 19th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John Blunt of \$160 there is proven \$160 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said John Blunt the sum of \$160.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

No. 41.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Calvin Barnard, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resi-

dent of said county for the last eighteen months; that during the month of August A. D. 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders travelling over the country committing robberies, thefts, &c., and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens; that during the latter part of said month of August a body of men, unknown to your petitioner, took and carried away from the possession of said petitioner one black and white cow, of the value of \$30, as per schedule hereto annexed.

Your petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for said loss, nor is there any means of recovering the same known to your petitioner.

CALVIN BARNARD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

One cow of the value of..... \$30 00

CALVIN BARNARD.

William C. Childers of the county aforesaid, being duly sworn, says: That he has heard read the foregoing petition made by Calvin Barnard, and knows the contents thereof, and is well acquainted with the facts therein set forth, and that the same are true of his own knowledge. Deponent further says, that he was well acquainted with the cow mentioned in said schedule, and verily believes said cow to be worth the sum of \$30 00.

his
WM. C. × CHILDERS.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Calvin Barnard of \$30 00, there is proven \$30 00 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Calvin Barnard the sum of \$30 00.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 42.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Abbe C. Sanborn, of the county of Lykins and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth, that your petitioner has been a resident of this county for the last two years. That during the month of August, 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement occasioned by armed bodies of men travelling over the county committing robberies, thefts, &c., upon the property of peaceable citizens. That on or about the 30th of August, a large body of men, armed, under the command of one John W. Reid, called into service by the then acting Governor Woodson, took from the possession of your petitioner, two yoke of oxen, one yoke of which have been recovered at an expense to your petitioner of eight dollars; the other yoke never has been recovered, nor any compensation had therefor, valued at \$115 00 as per schedule hereto annexed. And your petitioner would further show: That one Jeremiah L. Sanborn, a brother of this petitioner, lost one yoke of oxen at the same time and by the same armed body of men for which the said Sanborn never received any compensation. Your petitioner further shows that he is authorized by power of attorney from said Sanborn to recover and collect any and all damage accruing by reason of the taking of said cattle.

ABBE C. SANBORN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

One yoke of oxen.....	\$115 00
Expenses recovering yoke.....	8 00
Yoke belonging to brother.....	100 00
	\$223 00
	\$223 00

ABBE C. SANBORN.

Power of attorney referred to in foregoing petition of Abbe C. Sanborn.

Know all men by these presents, that I, Jeremiah L. Sanborn, of Chertis, in the county of Dodge, and State of Wisconsin, have made, constituted, and appointed, and by these presents do make, constitute, and appoint, Abbe C. Sanborn, of Kansas Territory, my true and

lawful attorney for me and in my name, place, and stead, to settle with or to receive pay for me from any man or men appointed to settle for cattle taken from me in Kansas Territory, by men unknown to me in the year A. D. 1856.

Giving and granting unto my said attorney full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution and revocation, hereby confirming and ratifying all that my said attorney or his substitute shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 5th day of October, A. D. 1857.

JEREMIAH L. SANBORN, [L. s.]

Signed, sealed, and delivered, in the presence of

JAMES GIDDINGS,
ADELINE GIDDINGS.

Wm. B. Fuller, of the county of Lykins, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he has heard read the foregoing petition made by A. C. Sanborn, and is well acquainted with the facts therein stated, that the same are true of his own knowledge. Deponent further says, that he is well acquainted with the property mentioned in the schedule hereto annexed, that the sums set opposite the respective articles is a fair and reasonable compensation therefor.

his
WM. B. × FULLER.
mark.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 19th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Abbe C. Sanborn of \$223 00, there is proven \$223 00 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Abbe C. Sanborn the sum of \$223 00.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 43.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857:

The petition of Robert Reynolds, of the town of Osawatimie, county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resident of the county of Lykins for the last eighteen

months; that during the month of August, A. D. 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men, under different leaders, travelling over the country committing robberies, thefts, and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens; and on or about the 3d day of August an armed body of men under the command of one John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of the then acting governor, Woodson, entered town and took and converted to their own use one yoke of cattle of the value of \$150, as per schedule hereto annexed; also one horse of the value of \$150, and one horse of the value of \$75; also, thirty-two pounds of Osage orange seed, of the value of \$30; one Sharp's rifle, of the value of \$30, and one common rifle, of the value of \$25, also referred to in said schedule.

Your petitioner would further show that he was taken prisoner by said last-named company and forcibly carried to Kansas city, Missouri, and there put on board a steamboat and sent to St. Louis, against the will of your petitioner; and the necessary expenses incurred in going down said river and returning to this place amounted to \$75.

Your petitioner would further represent and set forth that for the above stated losses and expenses, or any part thereof, he has never received any compensation therefor, nor is there any means of recovering the same known to your petitioner.

ROBERT REYNOLDS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

One yoke of oxen.....	\$150 00
One horse of the value of.....	150 00
One horse of the value of.....	75 00
Thirty-two pounds Osage orange seed	30 00
Two guns of the value of.....	55 00
Expense incurred in consequence of being sent out of the Territory.....	75 00
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	\$535 00
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ROBERT REYNOLDS.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 19th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

We, Cyrus Lutes and R. W. Wood, of the town of Osawatomie, county and Territory aforesaid, being severally sworn, say that they have heard read the foregoing petition of Robert Reynolds; that they are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of their own knowledge, except as to the expenses of the peti-

tioner. Deponents and each for themselves say that they know of the petitioner's being taken prisoner as set forth in said petition, and that the said petitioner was forcibly carried away from his residence and was absent about three months. Deponents further say they were well acquainted with the property mentioned in the schedule hereto annexed, and verily believe the property well worth the amount set opposite the respective articles.

CYRUS LUTES,
R. W. WOOD.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 10th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Robert Reynolds to five hundred and thirty-five dollars there is proven four hundred and sixty dollars of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Robert Reynolds the sum of four hundred and sixty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 44.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Wakeman Partridge, of the county of Anderson, Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner has been a resident of said county for the last two years; that during the summer of 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men, under different leaders travelling over the country committing robberies, thefts, and outrages of various kinds; that during the forepart of June, 1856, a small body of armed men took from the premises of your petitioner a horse of the value of \$125, as per schedule hereto annexed and made a part of this petition; that on or about the 3d of August, 1856, a large body of men under the command of John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of acting Governor Woodson, took from the possession of your petitioner one wagon and harness of the value of \$150, as per schedule hereto annexed; and your petitioner would further state that on or about the 25th of August a large body of men led by one Wakeman entered the house of your petitioner's son, one William Partridge, and took therefrom a revolving rifle of the value of \$50, and converted the same to their own use.

And your petitioner further shows that he has never received any compensation for any of the above losses, nor has he any means of recovering the same.

WAKEMAN PARTRIDGE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

One horse of the value of.....	\$125 00
One wagon and harness.....	150 00
One revolving rifle.....	50 00
	\$325 00

WAKEMAN PARTRIDGE.

H. J. Kilbourn and Mary E. Partridge, of the county of Anderson and Territory aforesaid, being severally sworn, say: that they have heard read the foregoing petition of Wakeman Partridge, and are well acquainted with the facts therein stated, and that the same are true of their own knowledge; and deponents further say, that they are well acquainted with the property mentioned in the foregoing schedule, and verily believe that the sums of money set opposite the respective articles are a fair and reasonable compensation therefor.

H. J. KILBOURN.
MARY E. PARTRIDGE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th day of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Wakeman Partridge of \$325, there is proven \$325 of a private class; and I hereby award to the said Wakeman Partridge the sum of \$325.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 45.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

Petition of Samuel F. Wright, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Samuel F. Wright, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of the difficulties in this Territory, and growing directly out of them by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, to wit: on the 6th day of June, 1856, a band of armed men opened a carpet sack belonging to your petitioner, from which said men took and carried away one silver watch worth \$25, and lot of jewelry worth also \$25. Again, on the 30th August, 1856, an armed body of men under command of one General Reid, burned one

kit of tools, the property of your petitioner, worth \$15, in the burning of the village of Osawatomie; for which losses your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity.

SAMUEL F. WRIGHT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th of October, A.D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Samuel F. Wright the amount of \$65 is proven, and of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER.

N. B. Affidavit attached in another "exhibit."

ST. BERNARD, FRANKLIN COUNTY,
Kansas Territory, October 21, 1857.

Were submitted the following petitions and testimony:

No. 46.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Franklin, } ss.

Petition of Richard McCamish, of the county of Johnson and Territory aforesaid, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 24, 1857.

I, B. D. McCamish, of the county of Johnson, Kansas Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained numerous losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the passage of the act to organize this Territory, to wit: An armed body of men under the command of the notorious James H. Lane, of the northern army, on the 4th day of September, A. D. 1856, entered with force of arms and took and carried away from or destroyed by fire my houses and furniture, goods and effects, charged in the schedule annexed to this petition and made a part thereof.

Again, on the 16th of November of the said year, an armed squad of four men took and carried away from your petitioner other things charged in said schedule under date of the said 16th of November.

All of which houses, furniture, stock, and other effects were of the property of your petitioner; and the valuations set upon all of said articles in the schedule are fair, just, and reasonable, for which or any part thereof your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity in any manner whatever.

R. D. McCAMISH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21st day of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to R. D. McCamish, Dr.

1856.		
September 4.	To one hotel building	\$2,000 00
	furniture complete throughout house.....	1,000 00
	one store building and warehouse.....	750 00
	stock of goods in the store.....	1,400 00
	100 tons of hay, at \$20.....	2,000 00
	750 bushels oats, at \$1.....	750 00
	1,000 bushels corn, at \$1.....	1,000 00
	75 bushels potatoes, at \$1 50.....	112 50
	8,000 fence rails, at \$4 50 per hundred...	360 00
	100 chickens.....	35 00
	3 horses—1 at \$150, 1 at \$125, 1 at \$100.	375 00
	1 cow, at \$35; 10 hogs, at \$10, \$100	135 00
November 16.	4 pairs blankets.....	40 00
	1 coat, \$25; 1 overcoat, \$25.....	50 00
	1 saddle and bridle.....	25 00
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R. D. McCAMISH.

William P. Dunn being duly sworn, says: I have read the petition of Mr. McCamish, I know all the facts recited in the petition relating to the robbing and burning of the houses and property of said McCamish to be true. I know that a body of armed men, which I understood to be commanded by James H. Lane, approached said houses of Mr. McCamish, and burned his hotel, worth \$2,000. Said hotel was completely furnished; the furniture was worth, I suppose, \$1,000. Know his trading house, or store and warehouse was also burned at the time; storehouse and warehouse were worth \$750. Know he had a quantity of hay burned; was not less than 20 tons, might have been 40; I never examined it, and can't form a correct idea of the quantity; hay is worth now \$10 per ton. Know he had oats destroyed at that time; don't know how much, and don't know what they were worth; I paid fully \$1 per bushel at that time. Know he had corn destroyed at the time; don't know how much; it was worth \$1 per bushel. Know he had a large quantity of rails destroyed also; were worth \$4 50 per hundred in the fence, as they were. Know he had chickens destroyed; don't know their value. Mr. McCamish is a citizen of this Territory.

WM. P. DUNN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21st October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

Joseph Bernard being duly sworn, says: I have read the petition of Mr. McCamish. He is a citizen of this Territory. I know that an armed

body of men under General James H. Lane, as I believe, burned and destroyed the hotel alleged to have been burned belonging to Mr. McCamish; also, at the same time, his furniture, store and warehouse. His hotel was worth \$2,000; the furniture destroyed I think about \$1,000. He had on hand innumerable articles of merchandise, dry goods, hardware, &c. The stock of goods was worth between \$1,000 and \$1,400. He had a large quantity of hay—an unusually large quantity for one man to put up; all of which was burned. From his location on the Santa Fe road, hay was worth all of \$20 per ton. He had a large field of oats stacked up; had not used any of any consequence. Oats were worth \$1 per bushel at that time. It was all destroyed by fire. He had corn; the fence about it was burned and destroyed in such a manner as to cause the destruction of such of the corn as had not been already destroyed. Know he had potatoes, think as many as seventy-five bushels, destroyed; were worth \$1 50 per bushel. I believe there were 6,000 rails destroyed. Rails in the fence, as they were, were worth \$4 50 per hundred, at least. Had a large lot of chickens, which were there on the morning of the 4th September; all of which I suppose to have been taken or destroyed with the other articles. I know Mr. McCamish had three horses running on the prairie that morning; he desired me to help him get them up; they were missing; believe them to have been stolen by said men.

JOS. BERNARD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 21, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of R. D. McCamish, of the private class, for \$10,132, there is proven and awarded \$9,882.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 47.

The petition of Joseph Merritt respectfully represents that he is a citizen resident of Franklin county, Kansas, and has resided in said county since April, 1856; that on or about the 15th day of June of that year, in consequence of the political troubles at that time prevailing, he was compelled for his own and the safety of his family to remove from said Territory into the State of Missouri; that he had at that time growing upon his claim fifty acres of corn, thirty acres of which was upon old ground, and would have yielded fifty bushels to the acre, and the remaining (20) twenty acres, planted upon the sod, would have yielded twenty bushels to the acre; that during his absence in the State of Missouri aforesaid, the said crop was destroyed, to the damage of this claimant in the sum of two thousand dollars.—(See schedule attached to this petition.) The said claimant further states that he returned to his place in Franklin county about the middle of November of the year aforesaid, and as soon as it was prudent for him to so return. The petition of this claimant further shows that,

at the time he was thus compelled to leave his residence in Franklin county as aforesaid, he was the owner of, and had in his possession, thirteen (13) head of cattle, nine of which were milch cows, and the residue were young cattle, of the value of two hundred and fifty-five dollars, (see schedule hereunto annexed;) that, in consequence of his absence as aforesaid, the same were and became to him an entire loss.

The petition of this claimant further shows that he was the owner of, and had in his possession, at the time of his departure from the Territory as aforesaid, thirty hogs, of the value of one hundred and fifty dollars, (see schedule hereto annexed,) which also, in consequence of his absence aforesaid, were and became to him a total loss; wherefore this petitioner respectfully asks this court that said damage of twenty-four hundred and fifteen dollars be allowed.

The petitioner further states that he has not received any satisfaction or indemnity for the losses alleged to have been sustained herein, or any part thereof.

JOSEPH MERRITT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21st of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Two thousand bushels of corn at \$1.....	\$2,000 00
Nine head of cattle at \$25.....	225 00
Four head of cattle at \$10.....	40 00
Thirty hogs at \$5.....	150 00
	2,415 00
	2,415 00

JOSEPH MERRITT.

Hiram Howard of Franklin county, Kansas, being duly sworn, says: That he has heard read the petition of Joseph Merritt, and believes the same to be true. That of his own knowledge he deposes, that the said Merritt was compelled, as alleged in said petition, to leave the Territory, and that at the time of his departure, he had fifty acres of corn growing, which would have yielded him two thousand bushels, and that the market value of such corn, was \$1 00 per bushel, and that said grain was destroyed during the absence of said Merritt, and was a total loss to him. The deponent further says, that the said Merritt was compelled for the safety of himself and family, to leave the Territory; further he saith not.

HIRAM HOWARD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21st October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Wm. H. Agnew, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Mr. Merritt, had to leave this Territory in consequence of the difficulties. He left a field of 50 acres of corn, growing at the time; believe the crop to have been worth \$2,000, would have been willing to have paid that for it. Believe that loss to have grown directly out of the difficulties; believe the fence was thrown down by marauding parties; and the corn destroyed by stock in consequence; know that his cattle died; and believe that it was in consequence of the absence of Mr. Merritt, and therefore want of attention.

WM. H. AGNEW.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 21, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Joseph Merritt, of the private class, there is claimed \$2,415 00, and proven and awarded \$1,500.

A. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 48.

Petition of James H. Carter, under an act of the territorial legislature and an act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857, to provide for the auditing of claims.

The petition of this claimant respectfully shows: That he came into the Territory of Kansas, and settled on Middle creek, in Franklin county, in May, 1855. That on or about the middle of August, 1856, he was compelled to leave his residence in Franklin county aforesaid, and go to the State of Missouri, for the safety of himself and family, who were daily menaced by the marauding parties that did at that time infest the Territory; that he left growing, at the time he left as aforesaid, about eighteen acres of corn, which would have yielded thirty bushels to the acre, of the value of (75) seventy-five cents per bushel; and he was obliged also to leave at his said place of residence, about one hundred bushels of old corn, put up in barrels, of the value of (\$1 00) one dollar per bushel. The petitioner further says that he owned and was possessed of about one hundred fowls, which were also left at his residence aforesaid, of the value of thirty dollars, which fowls were, as this petitioner verily believes taken by some of the marauding parties aforesaid, and became to him a total loss.

And the petitioner further states, he left at his residence aforesaid, a log chain of the value of two dollars which was taken from his premises during his absence, by some person or persons to him unknown; and the petitioner further states that he has not at any time received compensation or indemnity, for the damage herein alleged, or any part thereof, and that the corn aforesaid on the ground, and

in the barrels became to him, with all the other things herein alleged, a total loss.

JAMES H. CARTER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 21, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

18 acres of corn, 30 bushels per acre, at 75 cents per bushel	\$405 00
100 bushels of corn, at \$1 per bushel.....	100 00
100 fowls, at 30 cents each.....	30 00
1 log chain.....	2 00
	537 00
	537 00

JAMES H. CARTER.

Hiram Howard, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Carter; know that he is a citizen of the Territory; know that Mr. Carter was obliged to leave the territory at the time and for the causes alleged in his petition; know that the entire crop of corn growing upon eighteen acres was destroyed; believe that his fence was thrown down by marauders traversing the country. Know that the petitioner had old corn, about 125 bushels; corn was worth \$1 per bushel. Know that the corn was missing when the petitioner returned; believe it was stolen and carried away by armed bodies of men; believe the corn growing would have made thirty bushels to the acre. Know that the petitioner left fowls at his premises. Know that the log-chain was stolen; saw it in the possession of the thief; was worth two dollars.

HIRAM HOWARD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, October 21, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of James H. Carter, of the private class, there is proven and awarded \$537, the amount claimed.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 49.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Franklin, } *ss.*

Petition of Jared Chapman, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Jared Chapman, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses immediately in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties

in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the organization of the Territory, as follows: In July, 1856, I was forced to leave this Territory, being in fear of my life. Previous to that time I had been frequently threatened with death, because I would not join with the marauders, at that time, in their forays and other acts of villainy. I was chased at different times by armed bodies of men, and feeling certain that their designs were upon my life, I abandoned the Territory, leaving an agent in charge of my property, who was also ordered off, and went to Illinois, until the disturbances were over. In my absence the articles mentioned and charged in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof, were taken away or destroyed by parties unknown. It was out of my power to remove all of said articles, for in so doing I would have exposed myself to certain destruction. The values charged for said articles are fair, just, and reasonable. I have never received any compensation or indemnity for said losses, or any part thereof.

JARED CHAPMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 21, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Jared Chapman, Dr.

1 cook stove, furniture and pipe	\$30 00
1 mahogany spring-seat rocking chair	10 00
1 common rocking chair.....	1 50
6 sitting chairs, at \$1 25	7 50
1 table, \$6; washstand, bowl, and pitcher, \$6 50.....	12 50
1 bedstead, \$6; 2 common bedsteads, \$3.....	9 00
1 iron kettle, \$3; 3 brass kettles at \$4, \$1 50, \$1.....	9 50
2 meat barrels and vinegar barrels.....	4 00
1 four-gallon jug of vinegar.....	1 50
1 clock, \$8; 1 large looking-glass, \$6.....	14 00
8 pictures and frames, \$10; 1 large hair mattress, \$30...	40 00
4 beds, \$40; 1 pair of red Mackinaw blankets, \$10.....	50 00
6 home-made twill blankets.....	25 00
8 quilts and bed covers, \$35; 10 sheets, \$10.....	45 00
8 pillows and bolsters, \$10; 1 large chest, \$4.....	14 00
1 trunk, \$4; 1 suit of men's clothes, \$15.....	19 00
7 women's dresses and 2 shirts.....	25 00
1 lot medicines and medical furniture.....	50 00
1 lot medical books, \$60; common reading, \$30.....	90 00
4 flat-irons, \$2 50; 2 iron wedges, \$2 50.....	5 00
2 axes, \$3; 2 tea salvers, large, \$3; small, \$1.....	7 00
1 set china ware, \$15; common ditto, \$8.....	23 00
2 sets knives and forks, \$3 50; table and tea spoons, \$3 50..	7 00
7 tin pans, \$4; one meal chest, \$2.....	6 00
2 wooden pails and 2 tin ditto, \$2 50; 1 handsaw, \$1 50..	4 00

1 cleaver, \$1; 1 pair steelyards, \$1 50; 2 spades, \$2.....	4 50
1 barn shovel, \$1; 1 fire ditto, \$1; 2 table brushes, \$4...	6 00
1 glass lantern, \$1; 1 chopping hash knife, 50 cents.....	1 50
1 man's cap.....	2 00
1 set double harness and double and single trees.....	22 00
1 iron-tooth harrow, \$10; 1 plow, \$10; cultivator, \$6....	26 00
100 bushels potatoes, \$150; 300 bushels corn, \$300.....	450 00
25 bushels beans, \$50; garden vegetables, \$50.....	100 00
Pumpkins, \$20; fruit trees carried off, \$75.....	95 00
Fence destroyed, \$20; 250 grapevines, \$75.....	95 00
250 chickens, \$62 50; 75 currant bushes, \$20.....	82 50
1 rifle gun.....	10 00
	\$1,402 00

JARED CHAPMAN.

Carl August Krouse being duly sworn, says: I have heard the petition of Mr. Chapman read. I believe the facts recited in the petition are true; I was threatened, as was Mr. Chapman also; I was left in charge of his property, and in my absence all the things charged in the schedule were taken away by persons unknown to me. I know he had all the things charged, and that the values charged are fair and reasonable.

CARL AUGUST KROUSE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 21, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Joseph F. Cole being duly sworn, says: Mr. Chapman is a citizen of this Territory. I believe he was in danger from marauders; I know that such property as is charged in the schedule was left by Mr. Chapman at his house. I was at the premises of Mr. Chapman two days before he left. All the things charged were there. I returned before he did, and found the door open, and all the articles left were gone. I know that armed bodies of men encamped in two miles of Mr. Chapman's house in the month of June. I think they were commanded by Captain John Brown. I know that he had about ten acres of corn destroyed.

JOSEPH F. COLE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 21, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Territory of Kansas, Franklin county.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for adjusting or taking the depositions for persons that have sustained loss of property grow-

ing out of the difficulties and troubles past by marauding or armed bodies of men in the Territory of Kansas:

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, an acting justice of the peace, within and for the county of Franklin, Territory of Kansas, Reuben Hackett, and states that he is acquainted with Jared Chapman, and lived a neighbor to him, and further states that he was knowing to said Chapman having the property described in the following affidavit; and further that said Chapman was forced to leave the country on account of threats upon his person and life.

The following is the described property that I know of his losing, and the value thereof annexed:

1 cooking stove and furniture, worth.....	\$30 00
1 mahogany spring seat rocking chair.....	10 00
1 common rocking chair.....	1 50
6 sitting chairs.....	7 50
1 cherry table.....	6 00
1 washstand, washbowl, and pitcher.....	6 50
Fancy bedstead.....	6 00
2 common bedsteads.....	3 00
1 large kettle.....	3 00
1 brass kettle.....	4 00
2 small brass kettles.....	3 00
2 meat barrels, 1 vinegar barrel.....	4 00
1 four-gallon jug full of vinegar.....	1 50
1 clock, 1 large looking-glass.....	14 00
1 hair mattress.....	30 00
4 beds.....	40 00
1 pair of Mackinaw blankets.....	10 00
10 home-made twilled blankets.....	25 00
8 quilts and bed comforters.....	35 00
10 sheets and 8 pillows.....	20 00
1 large chest and large trunk.....	8 00
1 suit of men's clothes.....	15 00
1 trunk of women's clothes.....	25 00
1 lot of medicines and furniture.....	60 00
1 lot of medical books.....	50 00
1 lot of history and school books.....	40 00
4 flat-irons and 2 iron wedges.....	5 00
3 axes, 1 large tea server.....	7 50
1 small server, and 1 set of china ware.....	16 00
2 sets of knives and forks.....	3 50
1 set of table and tea spoons.....	3 50
1 meal chest, 2 wooden pails, 2 tin pails.....	4 50
1 set of double harness, double and single trees.....	20 00
1 iron-tooth harrow, 1 plough, 1 cultivator.....	26 00
1 lot of potatoes, supposed to be 100 bushels.....	150 00
1 lot of corn and beans, supposed to be 300 bushels.....	300 00
Garden vegetables.....	50 00
Fruit trees and fence destroyed.....	75 00
300 chickens.....	75 00

300 grapevines	112 50
Half barrel of soap.....	8 00
1 pair steelyards, 1 cleaver, 1 saw, 2 spades, 2 shovels, 1 cap, 1 hash knife, ½ dozen tin pans, 2 table brushes, 1 castor, 1 glass lantern..	18 50
1 carpet, obstetrical supporters.....	40 00
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Total.....	1,368 00
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The above articles of which I am personally knowing to be a correct statement of value, and that said Chapman did sustain a loss of the same as described ; the above loss was sustained in September, 1856.

REUBEN HACKETT.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Territory of Kansas, county of Franklin.

The foregoing affidavit was subscribed and sworn to before me this sixth day of January, A. D. 1858.

WM. E. CRUM,
Justice of the Peace.

I hereby certify that Wm. E. Crum is acting justice of the peace for Franklin county, Territory of Kansas, January 7, 1857.

JACOB A. MARCELL,
Probate Judge for Franklin county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Jared Chapman, of the private class, the amount claimed is \$1,402 ; the amount proven and awarded is \$1,368.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 50.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Franklin, } ss.

Petition of Carl August Krouse, of the county and territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled " An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Carl August Krouse, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows : In the month of September, 1856, being away from my usual place of residence, the premises of Jared Chapman, on business, I was taken sick and thereby kept away for two weeks. When I re-

turned all the articles charged in the schedule annexed to this petition, were taken and carried away or destroyed by persons unknown to me, so that I have never recovered them, nor pay or indemnity for them or any part thereof in any way or manner. I believe all of said losses were in consequence of the difficulties then existing in the Territory, and would not otherwise have occurred. The prices charged are fair just, and reasonable. I believe they were all taken by marauders who were traversing the Territory committing depredations, pillaging and carrying away the property of peaceable citizens.

CARL AUGUST KROUSE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 21, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Carl August Krouse, Dr.

September, 1856.

To 1 cloth cloak.....	\$30 00
1 satchel and contents.....	2 75
7 shirts at \$1 ; 2 pairs pants at \$2 50.....	9 50
2 pairs drawers at \$1 00.....	2 00
1 summer coat \$3 00.....	3 00
Bedding \$9 00 ; lot carpenters' tools \$10 00.....	19 00
Barrels, buckets, pans, cups, &c.....	4 00
Lot of walnut lumber.....	6 50
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	\$76 75
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CARL AUGUST KROUSE.

Jared Chapman being duly sworn, says: Mr. Krouse is a citizen of the Territory; know that the petitioner had such property as mentioned in schedule at my premises, and that the prices of the articles are fair and reasonable. Believe the facts set forth in the petition are true.

JARED CHAPMAN.

Sworn and subscribed before me October 21, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Joseph F. Cole being duly sworn says: I have heard read the petition of Mr. Krouse, and believe all the facts set forth in it are true; know that Mr. Krouse left the property described in the schedule at the premises of Mr. Chapman; believe he lost the property in the manner alleged; believe the property so lost was worth what the petitioner estimates it at; believe the loss was in consequence of the disturbed condition of the country.

JOSEPH F. COLE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 21, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Carl August Krouse, of the private class, there is proven and awarded the amount claimed, \$76 75.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

William H. Agnew being duly sworn says: That in the latter part of August, 1856, William C. Winer, John Ryan, and J. C. Hopewell, came into the Territory of Kansas from the State of Missouri, in the vicinity of Middle creek, Franklin county, for the purpose of attending to the claim of Joseph Merritt, who had been compelled to leave the Territory in consequence of the difficulties then existing therein, and of securing the interests of said Merritt in his farm or claim aforesaid, and while here and soon after the time of their arrival at the place of Merritt aforesaid, a party of armed marauders took from them four horses and two Colt revolvers, one shot gun, and about seven dollars (\$7) in money, of the aggregate value of four hundred and fifty-seven dollars, (\$457.)

Further deponent saith not.

WM. H. AGNEW.

Sworn and subscribed before me October 21, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

The foregoing claim incomplete, no award made.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 51.

GUM SPRINGS, JOHNSON COUNTY, K. T.,
October 23, 1857.

Were submitted the following:

To the Hon. Hiram J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims in Kansas Territory:

Your petitioner, James C. Evans, would respectfully represent that from the spring of 1854 until August, 1856, he was a resident of Kansas Territory, and lived on a claim on Wakarusa, about eight miles from Lawrence; that he had upon his premises a large number of stock of various kinds, among which were sixty-three head of cattle, including work oxen, cows, and young cattle; that about the 12th day of August, A. D. 1856, the Territory being in a state of great excitement, and armed bodies of men investing the neighborhood where I lived, I was pursued and driven from my home and compelled to leave for my own personal safety by men living in the vicinity and others coming from Lawrence and other places. I was compelled to leave my home, my cattle and other property, with-

out protection. Previous to this my life had been threatened by some of the men engaged in driving me from my home. They said I should never take my stock away, and that I had better stay away myself. As soon as I was driven away these men, as I am informed and believe, took and drove away and killed sixty-three (63) head of my cattle, described as nearly as possible and valued in bill hereto annexed and marked A. I saw and recognized the heads of some of my cattle that had been killed in the neighborhood; I knew the heads and ear marks. My house was robbed about the same time. I know the names and faces of some of the men who drove me off. They were men who set the laws of the Territory at defiance and scrupled at no acts of violence. Petitioner thinks the cattle taken from him were worth, at the most reasonable estimate, thirty-five dollars a head round, amounting in all to the sum of two thousand two hundred and five dollars. All of which your petitioner respectfully requests may be inquired into and such disposition made as the law directs by the commissioner appointed for auditing claims in Kansas Territory. For all of which losses your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity.

JAMES C. EVANS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

A.

Bill of cattle taken and driven away from James C. Evans, on the Wakarusa, Kansas Territory, during the difficulties in Kansas Territory, about the 12th day of August, A. D. 1856.

1. Eight work cattle.
2. Thirty unbroke cattle.
3. Twelve cows.
4. Thirteen three-year-old cattle, making in all sixty-three head, at \$35 per head.

Total amount of loss of cattle \$2,205.

JAMES C. EVANS.

William C. Campbell, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner; he was a citizen of the Territory during the summer of 1856. I know he had sixty-three head of cattle in March, 1856; so our herdsman told me. They were worth at that time \$35 per head. I have no doubt in my mind but that they were stolen in the manner alleged in the petition.

WM. C. CAMPBELL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October, 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

John B. Lewis, being duly sworn says, I left Mr. Evans as herdsman, on or about the 15th of January, 1856; Mr. Evans was living on his claim in January, 1856. He had at that time about sixty-three head of cattle. I was his herdsman and attended to his cattle. Believe I can form a fair estimate of their value. They were worth on an average, \$35 per head.

JOHN B. LEWIS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Alexander Bell being duly sworn, says: I know that the petitioner lived on Wakarusa; that he was driven off his claim by an armed body of lawless men. They said in my presence that they had run him off, and if he returned they would kill him. One of the men who told me they had run him off assisted others in driving off his cattle. I saw about fifty or sixty cattle at his place when he was driven off; I saw them drive away twenty or thirty. Another part of his cattle were killed at or near his claim. All of Mr. Evans' cattle were driven away, killed, or missing when he returned. I knew they were his cattle by his brand. I saw them driving his cattle towards Lawrence. I found some of the same cattle in Lawrence a month after. Mr. Evans employed me to hunt for his cattle. I found two out of the sixty-five. They were well worth, on an average, \$35. I believe Mr. Evans lost his cattle in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory. They were lost in the manner, and at the time, and by the persons alleged in the petition. He was driven off in consequence of his acting as a militiaman under the call of Governor Shannon, and because he was a member of the grand jury at the May term of the district court, when a true bill of indictment was found against Governor Robinson and others for high treason; and the Free State hotel, in Lawrence, found to be a nuisance, and ordered to be abated.

ALEXANDER BELL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of James O. Evans of \$2,205 there is proven \$2,205, and I hereby award to the said James O. Evans the sum of two thousand two hundred and five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 52.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Johnson, } ss.

Petition of James Harris, formerly of the county of Anderson and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, James Harris, late of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner: That on the 24th day of May, A. D. 1856, an armed body of men, in command of the notorious Captain John Brown, when the country was in a state of great excitement, by force and arms, and with threats and menaces of violence and bodily harm, took and carried away from your petitioner one horse, saddle and bridle, and gun, as charged in the schedule made a part of this petition. Your petitioner further showeth that being repeatedly threatened by said Captain Brown and followers, and living in great fear of my life, I was forced by their menaces and threats to abandon the Territory and leave my property in an unprotected condition, whereby it was all lost, destroyed, or stolen away from the premises of your petitioner; that all of this loss was in consequence of and grew directly out of the difficulties then existing in this Territory. Your petitioner further showeth that he was a peaceable citizen, in the quiet pursuit of lawful business, and had never done aught to call down upon himself the lawless violence of said Brown and company; that I have never recovered any part of said property, nor received any compensation or indemnity therefor in any manner whatsoever, and that the values charged for said property are fair, just, and reasonable.

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JAMES + HARRIS.
 mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to James Harris, Dr.

1856, May 4.	To 1 horse, saddle, and bridle.....	\$125 00
	To 1 rifle gun.....	25 00
	To 1 milch cow.....	25 00
	To 4 thousand rails, at \$2 50.....	100 00
	To household and kitchen furniture, and clothing.....	100 00
		375 00
		375 00

his
JAMES + HARRIS.
 mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Minerva Selby, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Harris; he was residing in Anderson county, Kansas Territory. About the 24th of May, 1856, I was at the house of Mr. Henry Sherman, I there saw the petitioner; he had his horse. I left Mr. Sherman's that evening. The petitioner was there when I

left. I know that he had, at the premises of Mr. Sherman, the articles mentioned in the schedule, except the rails which were on the petitioner's claim adjoining Sherman's. Next day, in the evening, the petitioner with his family, came to my house. He said that he had been robbed at Sherman's the preceding night by Brown's men of the articles mentioned in the schedule, (excepting the rails.) He said that Sherman had been murdered the same night by Brown and his men; that the petitioner was in great danger; he was threatened frequently and was obliged to leave his home; the safety of himself and family required it. Know that Mr. Harris had 4,000 rails, and which were destroyed, your deponent believes, by fire—some perhaps, were carried away. The articles lost were well worth the sum of \$375.

his
MINERVA + SELBY.
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

Martin White, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Harris. Saw him a short time after William Sherman had been murdered. Know that the petitioner was greatly alarmed; seemed to apprehend danger from the murderers of Sherman, as the petitioner was at the premises of Sherman when the act was committed. The petitioner expressed his fears of being killed to prevent his divulging the murder. Believe he was in danger of being murdered. The safety of himself and family required him to leave his home.

MARTIN WHITE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of James Harris of \$375, there is proven \$375 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said James Harris the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 53.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Johnson, } ss.

Petition of Martin White, late of the county of Lykins, and Territory of Kansas, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Martin White, late of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained damages and losses immediately in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the

organization of this Territory, in manner and form as follows: on and after the 13th of August, 1856, an armed body of men—followers of Brown and Lane—commanded by one Captain Holmes, took and carried away by force and arms one bay horse, the property of your petitioner; that I was frequently menaced and threatened with certain and immediate destruction, and was once attacked in my own house by a body of armed men, who were repulsed and driven away, after a warm contest of a half hour; that, in consequence of their manifest determination to take my life, I was forced to beat a hasty retreat from the Territory, and leave all my property in an unprotected and defenceless condition; that, in consequence thereof, it was all lost, destroyed, or stolen and carried away: all of which is itemized and charged at a fair and reasonable valuation in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof; that, in the month of October, I furnished to George W. Tebbs, deputy United States marshal, in the execution of the laws of the Territory, for the sustenance and maintenance of his escort of United States troops, provisions and actual necessities to the amount of \$26, as shown per receipt of said Deputy Marshal Tebbs, herewith shown and charged in said schedule; that all of these damages and losses were in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory; that the estimate set upon said losses and damages are fair, just, and reasonable; that I have never recovered said property or any part thereof, nor indemnity nor compensation for the same in any way whatsoever.

MARTIN WHITE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Martin White, Dr.

1856.		
August 13.	To one fine bay horse.....	\$150 00
	6-foot cross-cut saw.....	6 00
	1 set double harness.....	10 00
	1 set harrow teeth, \$5; 1 seine, \$5.....	10 00
	1 brass kettle, \$2; soap, lard, and molasses, \$9.....	11 00
	20 head of hogs, at \$10; 1 bedstead, \$5.....	205 00
	1 fine large yoke of work cattle.....	75 00
	corn, rails, potatoes, cabbage and various vegetables.....	500 00
	provisions furnished Deputy Marshal.....	
	G. W. Tebbs.....	26 00
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		993 00
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MARTIN WHITE.

Allen White being duly sworn says :

I was at the house of the petitioner the 13th of August, 1856. Mr. White had a bay horse as described in the petition. The night of the 13th of August, '56, an armed body attacked the house of Mr. White in the manner alleged in the petition ; I was present at the time. They were commanded, as afterwards proved, by one J. C. Holmes. They demanded an unconditional surrender, saying they were seventy-five in number, with Sharp's rifles and sabres. They attacked and were repulsed. Next morning seven horses were missing—the property of Martin White & Son and myself. Seeing so manifest a determination to take our lives, we, that is Martin White and family, his son's family, and my own family, left our homes and property, and fled to Missouri for safety. Know of my own knowledge that the petitioner left at his premises most of the articles mentioned in the schedule, and believe that the property was destroyed in the manner alleged, and believe the articles mentioned in the schedule were worth what estimated at.

ALLEN WHITE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, Octobers 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

John W. White being duly sworn, says :

My father, Martin White, was a citizen of Lykins county, Kansas Territory, during the summer of 1856. I have heard the petition of Martin White read, know of my own knowledge that the facts set forth in the petition are true.

The night of the 13th of August, 1856, a body of armed men, commanded by Holmes, came to my premises demanding the surrender of horses, guns, provisions, &c., and threatened unless, to shoot me. Being unable to resist so large a force, I surrendered. They took what they wanted and inquired how many men were at my father's, saying that when they got old Martin White and killed him, they would have all the pro-slavery men in the neighborhood.

They then went to my father's house, attacked it in the manner alleged, and were repulsed. Next morning we all left for Missouri, leaving our homes and property in an unprotected condition. I have examined the schedule of the petitioner. I saw in the possession of this armed body the bay horse therein charged, and have never seen the horse since; the horse was worth \$150; know that my father left at his premises the articles mentioned in the schedule; believe the corn and vegetables destroyed were worth over five hundred dollars; know he left his hogs and one yoke of oxen; believe the articles were well worth what they were estimated at in the schedule.

JOHN W. WHITE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

James F. White, being duly sworn, says :

I have heard read the petition of Martin White ; know of my own personal knowledge that all the facts set forth in the petition are true, except as to the bay horse ; know that the horse was missing the next morning, and have every reason to believe that the horse was taken in the manner alleged ; was at my father's on the night of the attack ; next morning left for Missouri, leaving the property mentioned in the schedule ; said property was well worth the estimate fixed upon it ; my father had nearly one hundred and fifty acres of corn destroyed.

JAMES F. WHITE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

Receipt referred to in petition of Martin White.

“ Received of Martin White provisions of the value of twenty-six dollars, which were used by the troops of the United States who were acting as an escort to me, as deputy United States marshal, while performing certain duties near Osawatomie, in Kansas Territory, and which amount I promise to pay him so soon as I receive it from the government.

“ GEO. W. TEBBS.

“ FEBRUARY 13, 1857.”

I hereby certify that in the claim of Martin White of \$993 there is proven \$26 of a public class, and \$967 of a private class, and I hereby award the said Martin White the sum of nine hundred and ninety-three dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 54.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Johnson, } ss.

Petition of James F. White, late of the county of Lykins and Territory aforesaid, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature, entitled “An act to provide for the auditing of claims,” approved February 23, 1857.

I, James F. White, late of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the organization of this Territory, as follows : My life having been repeatedly threatened and menaced by the outlaws and followers of Lane and Brown, under command of Captains Holmes and Westfall, for the security of my person

and family, I removed to the dwelling of my father, Martin White, where, on the night of the 13th of August, 1856, we were violently assailed with force and arms and our lives sought as set forth in the petition of my father. Seeing and believing from this manifestation their determination to take my life, I hastily retreated from the Territory, taking with me such of my property as the hurry of the occasion and my facilities for removing them would allow; all of that which thereby was left in an unprotected condition was lost, destroyed, stolen, used, or carried away, as I am informed and believe, by the followers of the said Lane and Brown, when they were encamped on my premises, on the 29th of August, 1856, on their return from the battle at Middle creek or Sugar Mound, in Linn county. All of said losses were in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory at the time. The articles are all charged in the schedule attached to this petition and made a part thereof, at a fair and reasonable estimate. Your petitioner further showeth that he has never recovered any of said property nor pay, compensation or indemnity therefor.

JAMES F. WHITE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

1856. *Territory of Kansas to James F. White, Dr.*

August 29. To 25 bushels of corn (cribbed).....	\$12 50
Sweet potatoes.....	10 00
Irish potatoes.....	15 00
Harness and gearing.....	10 00
Clock, and various household furniture.....	10 00
Corn taken from field.....	50 00
6 bushels seed wheat, at \$1.....	6 00
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JAMES F. WHITE.

Martin White, being duly sworn, says:

I know that the petitioner was driven away from his premises at the time and in the manner alleged; know that he left at his premises the articles mentioned in the schedule. Said articles were worth more than the estimate fixed upon them. Said property was either stolen, carried away or destroyed in the manner charged.

MARTIN WHITE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

John W. White, being duly sworn, says :

The petitioner was a citizen of Lykins county during the summer of 1856 ; know that the petitioner was driven away from his premises in the manner and at the time alleged ; know that he left such property as mentioned in his schedule at his premises ; know that said property was destroyed, and believe in the manner alleged ; know that said property was well worth the estimate fixed upon it.

JOHN W. WHITE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of James F. White of \$113 50, that there is proven \$113 50 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said James F. White the sum of one hundred and thirteen dollars and fifty cents.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 55.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Johnson. }

Petition of Griffin White, late of the county of Lykins and Territory aforesaid, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature, entitled " An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Griffin White, late of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses and damages in consequence of, and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows : My life having been repeatedly threatened by the followers of Lane and Brown, on the evening of the 13th of August, 1856, I left my house and premises, containing all of the articles charged in the schedule made a part of this petition, for greater security of person and family ; when on said night my father's house (Martin White) was attacked, as stated in his petition. Believing therefore that the lives of myself and family were in imminent peril, I hastened from the Territory, taking with me such of my property as the exigencies of the occasion would allow. All of the property charged in the schedule, at a fair and reasonable estimate, was taken from my premises or destroyed on the ground, by the company under the command of one Captain Holmes—the same that attacked my father's house. All of said property was lost in consequence of the difficulties then existing. I have never recovered any part of said property, nor compensation or indemnity therefor.

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Sworn and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

1856. *Territory of Kansas to Griffin White, Dr.*

August 13. To	1 saddle, bridle, and parts of harness.....	\$20 00
	1 pair boots, at \$5, 2 pair pants, and 1 coat, at \$13.....	18 00
	2 blankets, at \$12, 2 bed coverlets, at \$20..	32 00
	8 quilts, at \$32, 1 table cloth, at \$3.....	35 00
	dried apples and peaches.....	3 00
	1 saw and mowing scythe.....	6 00
	8 gallons whiskey	4 00
	20 acres of corn destroyed and carried away..	50 00
	2,000 rails carried away.....	50 00
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GRIFFIN + WHITE.
mark.

James F. White being duly sworn, says: The petitioner was a citizen of Lykins county, Kansas Territory, during the summer of 1856. I know that the petitioner left his premises at the time and in the manner and for the causes alleged in his petition. The night of the 13th of August, 1856, when the attack was made upon Martin White's premises, Griffin White was there; your deponent went to the premises of the petitioner next morning, and found that the house had been robbed. The door having been broken open, and the articles mentioned in the schedule were missing. I know that the said articles were at the petitioner's premises before. Believe that Holmes's company robbed the premises on the 13th of August, 1856. The articles I believe were worth the estimate fixed upon them. Know that he had about two thousand rails destroyed or carried way, they were worth fifty dollars.

JAMES F. WHITE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

John W. White being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner had such property described in the schedule, and that it was missing on the morning of the 14th August, 1856. Believe it was robbed by Holmes in the manner alleged. Believe the articles lost to have been worth what he has estimated the loss. Know that his corn was destroyed; know that the corn was worth the estimated price; know that the petitioner left for Missouri for safety for himself and family.

JOHN W. WHITE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Griffin White of \$208, there is proven \$208 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Griffin White the said sum of two hundred and eight dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 56.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Johnson, } ss.

Petition of Allen White, late of the county of Lykins and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved Feb. 23, 1857.

I, Allen White, late of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulty in this Territory by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows: On the 13th of August, 1856, an armed body of men under command of one Captain Holmes, took and carried away, one gray horse of the value charged in the schedule, made a part of this petition, which was of the property of your petitioner. My life having been repeatedly threatened and menaced, and once attempted in the attack upon my father's house (Martin White) as stated in his petition, I was forced to leave the Territory in great haste; I took with me such of my property as the circumstances of the case allowed, all that I was thus compelled to leave was lost, destroyed, stolen, or carried away, and is charged in the schedule at a fair and reasonable price. I have never recovered any part of said property so charged, nor any indemnity therefor in any manner.

ALLEN WHITE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 24th, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

1856. *Territory of Kansas to Allen White, Dr.*

August 13.	To 1 gray horse.....	\$35 00
	To 1 clock, \$10, 1 fat hog, \$10.....	20 00
	To 1 box clothing (miscellaneous).....	10 00
	To 3 bushels corn meal.....	3 75
	To 1 saddle and harness, \$10, garden destroyed.....	30 00
	To 8 gallons whiskey.....	4 00
	To loss of corn and damage thereto.....	250 00
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ALLEN WHITE.

John W. White being duly sworn, says: I know that Mr. Allen White was a citizen of Lykins county, Kansas Territory, during the summer of 1856. I saw in the possession of the armed body the gray horse mentioned in the petition on the night of the 13th of August, 1856. I know that in consequence of menaces and threats, Mr. Allen White left the Territory, and also left such property at the house of Martin White as mentioned in the schedule. I know that such property as mentioned in the petition was destroyed or carried away as alleged in the petition by armed bodies of men.

We had corn growing in a field which was destroyed, it was damaged and lost to the amount of \$150 or more. I understand that he had 40 or 50 acres in corn. I believe that in the aggregate the losses of Mr. White were as much as \$350. I don't believe Mr. White ever recovered the horse, have every reason to believe he never recovered it.

JOHN W. WHITE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 24, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

Martin White being duly sworn, says: I know that Allen White lost a horse on the 13th of August, as alleged in the petition; saw the horse in the possession of Holmes' company; know that by threats and menaces, Mr. White, the petitioner was forced to leave the Territory; know that he left the property mentioned in the schedule at my premises, and said property was either destroyed or carried away; said property was worth upon a fair and reasonable estimate the sum charged in the schedule; believe that the corn destroyed, and damage consequent thereto, was worth \$250; he had some forty or fifty acres of corn; his aggregate loss would amount to \$350.

MARTIN WHITE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 24, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Allen White of \$352 75, there is proven \$352 75 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Allen White the sum of three hundred and fifty-two dollars and seventy-five cents.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 57.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
County of Johnson.

Petition of John W. White, late of the county of Lykins and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 22, 1857.

I, John W. White, late of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained

losses in consequence of, and growing out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the organization of this Territory, as follows: On the night of the 13th of August, 1856, an armed body of men under one Captain Holmes of the army of freedom, with force and arms, violently took and carried away three horses and one gun, the property of your petitioner, of the values charged in the schedule made a part of this petition; that being frequently menaced and threatened by the men belonging to said company, and fearing for my life, after the attack upon the house of my father, (Martin White,) I hastily abandoned the Territory with my family for security against their hate and malice. In so doing, I was necessarily compelled to leave a part of my property charged in the schedule, at a fair and reasonable price, which was all lost, destroyed, stolen, or carried away. I have never recovered any part of said property so charged in kind, nor any indemnity therefor in any manner.

JOHN W. WHITE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 24, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to John W. White, Dr.

1856.

August 13.	To one iron-gray horse.....	\$150 00
	To one iron-gray mare.....	130 00
	To one bay-mare.....	150 00
	To one double barrel shot gun.....	15 00
	To two hundred chickens.....	16 00
	To corn taken and carried away or destroyed....	250 00
	To one fat hog, \$8; one iron wedge, at \$1.....	9 00
	To one scythe and snath	1 75
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JOHN W. WHITE.

Martin White being duly sworn, says: I know the horses alleged in the petition of John W. White to have been taken from him by Captain Holmes' company, were so taken; I know that by threats and menaces of said company he was compelled to seek shelter and protection in Missouri; that he left at his premises his chickens, corn, hog, iron wedge, scythe and snath; said articles were worth what he charges in his schedule, and the destruction of his corn amounted to \$250, about ninety acres of corn; and that the three horses stolen by Captain Holmes' company were worth respectively \$150; he had a double barrel shot gun, which was missing after the night of the 13th, and believe the other articles were worth the values estimated in the schedule.

MARTIN WHITE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 24, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

James F. White being duly sworn, says : I know that John White had the three horses alleged to have been stolen in his petition, and believe I saw them in the company the night of the 13th of August, 1856 ; the prices set upon them in the schedule are fair and reasonable ; I know that the petitioner had ninety acres of corn destroyed ; I believe the corn would have yielded about three hundred barrels ; corn was selling at that time at two and three dollars per barrel ; I have every reason to believe he lost the other articles charged in the schedule ; the prices charged for them are fair and reasonable.

JAMES F. WHITE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 24, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of John W. White of \$721 75, there is proven \$721 75 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said John W. White the sum of seven hundred and twenty-one dollars and seventy-five cents.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 58.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglass. }

Petition of Lorenzo Hoyt, a citizen of Lawrence, in Kansas Territory, to the Hon. H. J. Strickler, a commissioner appointed by authority of the legislature of said Territory to audit and certify the claims of all persons who may have sustained any loss or damage in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in this Territory by way of loss of property or consequent damages at any time since the passage of the act to organize said Territory, and by virtue of an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," and an act supplemental thereto, passed February 23, 1857, respectfully sheweth:

That this petitioner was on the 21st day of May, 1856, and for some time before had been a citizen of Kansas Territory, and residing in Lawrence, in Douglass county therein ; that he was then the head of a family, and resided in his own house with his family on said 21st day of May ; that on said 21st day of May his said dwelling house, situated in said Lawrence, was broken open and ransacked, and the principal contents thereof of personal property was plundered, carried away, or destroyed by a collection of armed men who, this

petitioner believes and avers were not the citizens or any of them of Lawrence, and this petitioner was then informed, and has good reasons to believe, and does believe, and charges the fact to be that the said collection of men who carried away or destroyed, as herein alleged, the property of him, this petitioner, contained in his dwelling house, were a portion of a posse of J. B. Donaldson, then United States marshal for said Territory, to wit: him, J. B. Donaldson, in execution of certain processes of law requiring him to arrest certain persons in said Lawrence; and this petitioner further states, that the said acts of said collection of armed men in carrying away and destroying petitioner's property were not done in obedience to the order of said United States marshal or of the said processes of law served by him, but were done after the said posse and all and every of them had been dismissed and discharged by said marshal, and after the said processes were executed by him; and this petitioner avers the fact to be that the said acts of the said armed collection of men in so carrying away and destroying his property were contrary to law, and that the said losses of this petitioner were in consequence of and did grow out of the difficulties in this Territory, and that his damages consequent upon his said losses of property which was and all of the same was the property of this petitioner, and the losses of property are, to petitioner's best recollection, knowledge, and belief, as stated in the schedule to this thus annexed; and this petitioner further states, that he on said May 21st and had been for several months before said 21st of May, a keeper of boarders in his house, and that he suffered in the breaking up of his business as such and in refitting and refurnishing his said boarding house for the reception of boarders, great damage.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Lorenzo Hoyt, Dr.

1856.			
May 21.	To	2 cushions, worth each \$10.....	\$20 00
		3 pairs pants, worth each \$7.....	21 00
		3 pairs pants, worth each \$11.....	33 00
		1 blanket shawl.....	15 00
		1 overcoat	15 00
		1 overcoat	20 00
		1 overcoat	16 00
		1 lot of crockery (broken).....	15 00
		1 7-shooter pistol.....	20 00
		1 choice rifle, worth	40 00
		1 rifle, very superior, worth.....	50 00
	12	trunks broken open, and all their contents, consisting of a great variety of wearing apparel, both male and female—drawers, shirts, stockings, handkerchiefs, and family linen—goods too numerous and of too many pieces for petitioner to number all of the items, mostly carried away, but some left in and	

around the town in a damaged condition, but in the aggregate worth at least.....	200 00
• a large work box, containing a variety of articles belonging to petitioner's daughter (under age).....	10 00
provisions taken and destroyed	75 00
a lot of miscellaneous books.....	25 00
in being broken up in business and loss of boarders and expenses in refitting and refurnishing his said boarding house.....	75 00
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LORENZO HOYT.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglass, } ss.

Before me, a notary public duly qualified in and for the said county, personally appeared Lorenzo Hoyt, now known to me to be the person described in and who subscribed the foregoing petition, and made oath that the statements and facts set forth in the same are true, except such as are therein stated upon said petitioner's belief, and as to such statements that he believes it to be true; and further, that the above account and items of goods, provisions, and other personal property of the petitioner destroyed on the 21st of May, 1856, and the prices and value of such losses as set forth are true and just; and further saith not, &c.

JOHN M. COE, [L. S.]
 Notary Public, Douglass County.

DOUGLAS COUNTY, ss., November 16, 1857.

On this day personally came before me, a notary public, in and for said county, Mary E. Hoyt, of lawful age, and being by me first duly sworn, says that she has heard read the above and foregoing petition and account of Lorenzo Hoyt of goods, provisions, and other personal property belonging to said petitioner, and which was carried away and destroyed from the dwelling house of the petitioner in Lawrence, Kansas Territory, and that the statements of said petition are true except such as are therein averred to be true upon the belief and information of the petitioner, and as to such matters she believes it to be true; and also that the property in said account enumerated was, on the said 21st day of May, 1857, destroyed, carried away, or lost from said dwelling house, between the hours of 12 o'clock, m., and sundown of that day, and that the value of said articles annexed thereto respectively in said account is just.

MARY E. HOYT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th of November, 1857.

JOHN M. COE,
 Notary Public.

Douglas County, ss.

Charles H. Hoyt, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says that he has heard read the above and foregoing petition and account of Lorenzo Hoyt, and that the same is true except as to such matters as is alleged with belief of petitioner, and as to those matters he believes it to be true, and that to the best of his knowledge and belief the above account of goods, provisions, and other personal property, and the value of the same, is true and just.

C. H. HOYT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th of November, 1857.

JOHN M. COE, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Lorenzo Hoyt of \$640, there is proven \$640 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Lorenzo Hoyt \$640.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 59.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the commissioner, Hon. H. J. Strickler, to audit claims, &c., under the provisions of an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," &c., passed by the last legislature of the Territory of Kansas, and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Henry Tuley, respectfully represents to your honor that he is now, and has been for two years last past, a resident of Kansas Territory and of the county of Lykins; that during the month of August, A. D. 1856, the Territory in which your petitioner resided was in a troubled and distracted condition; that armed bodies of men were parading through the country committing ravages and robberies upon the persons and property of the inhabitants of the Territory; that the acting governor had called out the militia to preserve the order, quiet, and peace of the Territory, to put down insurrection and rebellion, and protect the inhabitants in their lives and property; that during that time your petitioner was residing upon his claim or farm, situated about five miles west of the town of Osawatomie, upon the Osage river, in the county of Lykins, in said Territory; that your petitioner took no part in the civil strife of the Territory, but was quietly pursuing his avocation as a farmer; that upon the night of the 12th day of August, A. D. 1856, or about that time, as your petitioner verily believes, after himself and family had retired to rest, a body of armed men, numbering from eight to ten, came to the house of your petitioner, and, after asking him some questions, demanded of him his horses, saddles, and bridles, and threatening him with violence if he refused to comply with their

demand ; that said body of men were armed with Sharpe's rifles ; that your petitioner, fearing that said company of armed men would put their acts of violence into execution, delivered to them one bay horse with saddle and bridle, worth about one hundred and forty dollars, one roan horse, saddle and bridle, worth about one hundred dollars, and also one saddle and two bridles, worth about ten dollars ; that said horses, saddles, and bridles were never returned to your petitioner, nor has he heard anything of them since that time ; that your petitioner believes that said robbery was committed by a detachment from a company of men known as the "Stubbs," who were encamped in the timber on the banks of the Osage river, about a mile from the residence of your petitioner, and numbering from seventy-five to eighty men ; that annexed to and made a part of this petition is a schedule of the property taken from your petitioner, with the various items and the respective value of such items, all of which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY TULEY.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins, } ss.

On this 20th day of October, A. D. 1857, personally appeared before me, probate judge, within and for said county, Henry Tuley, to me well known, who being duly sworn, says that the facts stated in the foregoing petition are true, as he verily believes.

HENRY TULEY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of October, A. D. 1857.

A. H. McFARLAND,
Probate Judge.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Henry Tuley, Dr.

To one large horse, saddle and bridle.....	\$140 00
To one roan horse, saddle and bridle.....	100 00
To one saddle and two bridles.....	10 00
Total	<u>250 00</u>

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins, } ss.

On this 20th day of October, A. D. 1857, personally appeared before me, judge of probate, within and for said county, Henry Tuley, to me well known, who being duly sworn, states that the foregoing schedule of property is a true and just one, both in regard to quantity and value as he verily believes.

HENRY TULEY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of October, A. D. 1857.

A. H. McFARLAND,
Judge of Probate.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } *ss.*

On this 20th day of October, A. D. 1857, personally appeared before me, judge of probate, in and for said county, Elisha Veirs, of lawful age, who being duly sworn, deposes and says : That he was at the residence of Henry Tuley upon the night of the 10th day of August, 1856, when the robbery stated in the petition of the said Henry Tuley took place ; that said robbery was committed by a detachment from a company of armed men who were encamped in the timber on the banks of the Osage river, about a mile from the residence of the said Henry Tuley ; that the detachment of men who committed said robbery, consisted of from eight to ten men, who were armed with Sharpe's rifles ; that they came to the house of the said Henry Tuley upon the night of the 10th day of August, A. D. 1856, after the family of the said Tuley and the affiant had retired to rest, and after asking the said Tuley some questions, demanded of him his horses, saddles, and bridles, and threatened him with their demand ; that they took from the possession of the said Tuley, one large bay horse, with a saddle and bridle, of the value of about one hundred and forty dollars ; one roan horse, saddle and bridle, of the value of about one hundred dollars ; and also one saddle and two bridles, of the value of ten dollars ; that said company of men who committed said robbery were know in the neighborhood as the Stubbs.

ELISHA VEIRS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of October, 1857.

A. H. McFARLAND,
Judge of Probate.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } *ss.*

On the 20th day of October, A. D. 1857, personally appeared before me, judge of probate, in and for said county, William T. McKenney, of lawful age, who being duly sworn, deposes and says : That he was at the residence of Henry Tuley upon the night of the 10th day of August, A. D. 1856, when the robbery stated in the petition of the said Henry Tuley took place ; that said robbery was committed by a detachment from a company of armed men who were encamped in the timber on the banks of the Osage river, about one mile from the residence of Henry Tuley ; that the detachment of men who committed said robbery, consisted of about eight or ten men, who were armed with Sharpe's rifles ; that they came to the house of the said Henry Tuley upon the night of the 10th of August, 1856, after the family of the said Tuley and said affiant had entered to rest, and after asking him some questions, demanded of him his horses, saddles, and bridles, and threatened him with violence if he refused to comply with their demand ; that they took from the possession of the said Tuley, one large bay horse, with one saddle and bridle, of the value of about one hundred and forty dollars ; one roan horse, with saddle and bridle, of

the value of about one hundred dollars, and also two bridles and one saddle, worth about ten dollars; that said company of armed men who committed the aforesaid robbery were known as the Stubbs.

WM. T. MCKENNEY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of October, 1857.

A. H. McFARLAND,
Judge of Probate.

I hereby certify in the foregoing claim of Henry Fuley, of \$250, there is proven \$250 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Henry Fuley the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, (\$250.)

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 60.

H. J. STRICKLER, Esq., *Commissioner for Auditing Claims.*

Your petitioner would most respectfully represent that he resides near the Santa Fé road, so called in Douglass county, Kansas Territory; that upon the 10th day of June, A. D. 1856, I started to Little Santa Fé, State of Missouri, for provisions for myself and others; that at Bull creek, on the road, I was stopped by a few men who asked who I was and where I came from; after I told them they urged me to stay at Bull creek over night, which I did, tying my horses to my wagon; about nine o'clock at night my horses were stolen from my wagon; the next morning the men wanted me to go to Cedar creek, to their camp, (Colonel Boone and Whitfield camp,) to see if I could not find my horses; the camp was five miles off; I started with three men; about midway we were met by a company of about two hundred men, drawn up in ranks and file, footmen, on one side of the road, those men and the others; as we came up, John B. Foreman, one of the men with me, ordered me into a wagon, and set two Irishmen with United States muskets and bayonets to guard me; then took me back about one-half mile with the whole company. The company halted, and the officers withdrew to one side and held a consultation; after the consultation we moved on about one-fourth of a mile further, when F. M. Coleman rode up, waved his hand, and the company again halted. The officers again withdrew for consultation, eight or ten of them. They then came and took me out of the wagon on to the prairie, about one hundred yards distant, and then asked me if I was a pro-slavery man. I told them if I was, under the circumstances in which I was placed, I would deny it. They then all left but three; Coleman returned, however, and told me when I went home I need not tell anything about them men, and if I did to say they were going to Osawatomie to make peace, or on a peace mission, and rode off again. Soon as Coleman left, Foreman said he was going to shoot me; I asked him what for; said he was afraid to let me go, that it was a hard case for them to let me go; I said you will shoot a better man than yourself. I was then ordered to deliver up my money, which I did. Foreman then said to Slade, one of the party, "he has a clean shirt on his back which he might have;" I said my shirt is mine as

long as I live. They then ordered me out upon the prairie fifty steps, which I attempted to do; I stepped six steps and was ordered to halt, and instantly fired upon by Slade. The ball entered under my left shoulder-blade and lodged in my breast, where it yet remains. I instantly fell; springing upon me, with the butt end of his rifle struck at my head, but just missed it; Foreman and the other men at this moment rode off. He attempted to strike again; I caught the small part of the breech of the gun in my hand; he then commenced kicking and stamping on my head, then tried to jerk the gun out of my hand, which raised me to my feet. I then struck him with my fist, which caused him to let go of the rifle, and ran and halloed to the others to stop. I left all and run into some tall grass near by, lay there for three hours, then started for Dr. Stilts', at Blue Mound, some ten or twelve miles off. Owing to my wound, and difficulty in avoiding these marauding parties, I was three days in reaching the place, unable to work for a year afterwards, and am now unable to perform hard labor of any kind, my wound being a permanent injury to me. I would also represent that in consequence of my inability to labor I lost my whole crop of corn, sixteen acres. That my whole losses and injuries to this arrest and attempted assassination are as follows:

Permanent bodily injuries to myself.....	\$5,000 00
Total loss of sixteen acres of corn.....	800 00
One bay horse 5 years old, 16 hands high.....	150 00
One dark bay horse 7 years old, worth.....	200 00
Cart taken by "Slade" at time of assassination.....	45 00
One set of double harness.....	12 00
Two bushels oats (cost).....	2 00
One bucket.....	40
Curry-comb and brush.....	1 00
One coat.....	10 00
One cap.....	2 00
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Amounting in all to.....	6,222 40
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For which I pray remuneration.

JOHN A. BAILLIE.

September 30, A. D. 1857.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
County of Douglass, ss.

On this 30th day of September, A. D. 1857, before me a notary public duly commissioned and sworn, personally came John A. Baillie, to me well known, who being duly sworn says that the statements as set forth in the above petition, signed in my presence, are true.

SAMUEL N. WARD, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
County of Douglass, ss.

I, G. W. Brown, a notary public duly commissioned and sworn, do certify that on the 16th day of November, in the year 1857, at my office in Lawrence, personally appeared Joseph Elearhart, who being duly sworn according to law says: that he is acquainted with John A. Baillie, the petitioner in the instrument hereto attached; that he has examined the contents of said instrument, and from his knowledge of the facts as they reached him from various sources at the time of their [occurrence] he has no doubt of the entire truth, and believes his statement with the exception of the prices of the articles mentioned, he has not the reasons for knowing their value as well as Mr. Baillie, or how far he may be finally disabled. Was knowing to Mr. Baillie, buying a span of horses and wagon, and of his setting out for Westport for them—and know he returned home wounded as he dressed and examined the wound. Since then I have never seen the horses in Mr. Baillie's possession, and believe he lost them as he states.

JOSEPH ELEARTHART.

Jacob Wrech being also duly approved according to law, states that he has heard read the statement or petition of John A. Baillie hereto attached; that he resides probably within half a mile of Mr. Baillie, and has done since March last, and has been acquainted with Mr. Baillie for upwards of a year past; that he places full confidence in the statement of Mr. Baillie alluded to, and believes he has sustained the damages therein set forth in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory of Kansas in the spring, summer, and autumn of 1856. Soon after the attempted assassination of Mr. Baillie, I was passing Mr. McCamish's, on Bull creek, in Johnson county, where I saw Mr. Baillie's wagon in the yard, and was told that Baillie had been killed, and Mr. McCamish said he wished the wagon was away from there.

JACOB WRECH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this day and year above written.

G. W. BROWN, [L. s.]

Notary Public.

I hereby certify in the foregoing claim of John A. Baillie, of six thousand two hundred and twenty-two dollars and forty cents (\$6,222 40) there is proven \$1,222 40 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said John A. Baillie \$1,222 40.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 61.

To Honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Charles Robinson, of Douglass county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, as hereinafter stated,

was engaged as an agent in said county; that on the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, your petitioner then living in said county, that on the day and year above mentioned, there was taken from the possession of your petitioner, by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia and marshal's posse, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following, which is fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at fifteen thousand and eight hundred dollars; and your petitioner further states that he has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of fifteen thousand eight hundred dollars for the loss which he has sustained, as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor pursuant to the statutes made and provided in such cases, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

C. ROBINSON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me D. H. Weir, a notary public, on this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857.

D. H. WEIR, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

One frame house.....	\$3,500 00
Barn, hay, stable and furniture.....	1,500 00
House furniture.....	200 00
Library.....	300 00
Medical library and surgical instruments.....	1,500 00
Clothing, jewelry and private papers.....	3,000 00
Furniture in hotel and used by congressional committee...	6,000 00
One Porter's rifle.....	40 00
Two Sharpe's rifles.....	70 00
Two Colt's revolvers.....	40 00
One horse, stolen.....	150 00
Two horses, poisoned.....	400 00
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	15,800 00
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False imprisonment four months, \$10,000

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglass County. }

J. S. Emery, Joel Grover and George F. Earl, of Douglas county, being duly sworn, say that they have heard the foregoing petition read and know the contents therein contained, and the facts stated are true according to these affiants' knowledge and belief; and these affiants further say that they know, on or about the 21st day of May, 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property, in the manner in the said petition described, in the sum of \$15,800, the

said property being the same as is stated and specified in the schedule which is annexed ; and further these affiants say not.

JOEL GROVER. [SEAL.]
 J. S. EMERY. [SEAL.]
 GEORGE F. EARL. [SEAL.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
Douglass County.

Before me, David H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared J. S. Emery, Joel Grover, and George F. Earl, who being duly sworn upon their oaths say: That the facts set forth in the above affidavit are true as they verily believe.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed my notarial seal, this 17th day of November, 1857, at Lawrence.

D. H. WEIR, [L. S.]
Notary Public, Douglass County.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of C. Robinson, of \$25,800, there is proven \$15,800 of a private class; and I hereby award to the said C. Robinson the sum of \$15,800.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 62.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

Your petitioner, Albert D. Searl, of Lawrence, Douglass county, Kansas, respectfully shows: That your petitioner on the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, then living in said county, that on the day and year above mentioned there was taken from the possession, conveyed away, and destroyed by fire, belonging to your petitioner by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia and marshal's posse, whose real names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following property, which is fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at the sum of thirteen hundred and thirty-eight dollars; and your petitioner further states, that he has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of thirteen hundred and thirty-eight dollars for the loss sustained by him during the civil feuds in Kansas, as is set forth in the foregoing petition and schedule annexed; and that the same may be paid pursuant to the statutes in such cases made and provided, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

A. D. SEARL.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public in and for Douglass county, Kansas, on this 5th day of December, 1857.

D. H. WEIR, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

	Valued.
Mathematical instruments.....	\$100 00
Books, maps, surveys, and valuable papers.....	1,000 00
One fine gold watch.....	125 00
Two hats.....	5 00
One pair of boots and shoes.....	8 00
One coat and one pair of pants.....	15 00
Shirts, vests, and trunk.....	30 00
Furniture destroyed.....	55 00
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Amount.....	1,338 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
Douglass County.

John G. Crocker and George F. Earl, of Douglass county, Kansas, being duly sworn upon their oaths, say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read, and know the contents therein contained, and know the facts stated are true, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief; and these affiants further say that they know on or about the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, the petitioner, A. D. Searl, sustained the above loss of property as is referred to in the foregoing petition, and described in the schedule hereto annexed, in the sum of thirteen hundred and thirty-eight dollars. And further these affiants say not.

JOHN G. CROCKER, [L. s.]
 GEO. F. EARL, [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglass County. }

Before me, David H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared John G. Crocker and George F. Earl, and after being duly sworn say that they know the contents of the above affidavit, and that they are true, as these affiants verily believe.

In testimony whereof, I have nereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal, at Lawrence, this 5th day of December, A. D. 1857.

D. H. WEIR, [L. s.]
Notary Public, Douglass county.

I hereby certify in the foregoing claim of A. D. Searl, of \$1,338, there is proven of a private class, \$1,338, and I hereby award to the said A. D. Searl, the sum of \$1,338.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 63.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

Your petitioner, George W. Hart, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows:

That your petitioner, hereinafter stated, was engaged as master carpenter in said county; that on the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, your petitioner then living in said county; that on the day and year above mentioned there was taken from the possession and destroyed of your petitioner, by some men who were said to belong to what was commonly known as the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following, which is more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at two hundred and sixty-seven dollars; and your petitioner further states that he has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of two hundred and sixty-seven dollars for the loss sustained by him, as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor, pursuant to the statutes made and provided in such cases, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

GEORGE W. HART.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal at Lawrence, the day and year above written.

D. H. WEIR, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

One overcoat.....	\$25 00
One vest and one pair of pants.....	18 00
Two coats.....	10 00
Five books on agriculture.....	12 00
One grindstone.....	12 00
One lot of tools.....	20 00
One buffalo skin.....	8 00
One carpet.....	25 00
One saddle.....	12 00
Ladies' clothing.....	125 00
• Amount.....	267 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas county. }

Joel Grover and F. A. Bailey, of said county, being duly sworn, say that they have heard the foregoing petition and know the contents thereof, and the facts therein contained are true, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief, and these affiants further say that they know that on or about the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property, in the manner in said petition described, in the sum of two hundred and sixty-seven dollars, (\$267,) the said property being the same as is stated and specified in the schedule which is hereto annexed; and further these affiants say not.

JOEL GROVER, [L. S.]
 F. A. BAILEY, [L. S.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas county. }

Before me, D. H. Weir, notary public, duly commissioned and sworn, in and for said county, personally appeared before me, Joel Grover and F. A. Bailey, whose names appear to the above affidavit, and after being duly sworn depose and say that the contents of said affidavits are true as they verily believe.

Witness my hand and seal this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857, at Lawrence, Kansas.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public, Douglas county

I hereby certify, in the foregoing claim of George W. Hart, of \$267, there is proved of a private class, \$267; and I hereby award to said George W. Hart, the sum of two hundred and sixty-seven dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 64.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims and the act supplemental thereto passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Charles Campbell, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, hereinafter stated, was engaged as a laborer in said county. That on or about the 21st day of May, 1856, your petitioner was living in said county. That on the day and year above mentioned there was taken from the possession of your petitioner, by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following, which is more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at thirty-six dollars; and that your petitioner has not received any pay from any person or persons. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of thirty-six dollars for

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the loss sustained by him, as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor pursuant to the statutes in such cases made and provided, and for such other relief as he may be entitled to in the premises.

CHARLES CAMPBELL. [L. s.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public, on this 17th day of November, 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

Schedule of property destroyed and referred to in the foregoing petition.

Three tons of hay..... \$36 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas county. }

George G. Hoyt, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, being duly sworn, say that they have heard the foregoing petition read, and know the contents thereof, and the facts stated are true according to these affiants' knowledge and belief. And these affiants further say that on or about the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, the petitioner, Charles Campbell, sustained the above loss of property in the manner in said petition described, and specified in the schedule which is hereto annexed, in the sum of thirty-six dollars. And further these affiants say not.

CALVIN G. HOYT. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas county. }

Before me, David H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, being duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared C. G. Hoyt, who signed the above affidavit, and upon his oath says that the facts are true as he verily believes.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 17th day and year above mentioned.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public, Douglas county.

I hereby certify in the foregoing claim of Charles Campbell of \$36, there is proven of a private class \$36, and I hereby award to the said Charles Campbell the sum of \$36.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 65.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

Your petitioner, Henry M. Simpson, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, hereinafter stated, was engaged as a farmer in said county; that on or about the 15th day of September, 1856, your petitioner was then living in said county; that on the day and year above mentioned there was taken from the possession of your petitioner, by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following, which is more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at two hundred dollars; and further, that your petitioner has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same; and your petitioner further prays that he may receive the sum of two hundred dollars for the loss sustained by him, as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor, pursuant to the statutes made and provided, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

HENRY M. SIMPSON. [SEAL.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public, on this 21st day of November, A. D. 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

Schedule of property, as referred to in the foregoing petition.

One horse, saddle, and bridle \$200 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. }

William Cleland and George W. Hunt, of said county, being duly sworn, say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read, and know the facts therein contained, and the contents of the same, and that the statements are true according to these affiants' knowledge and belief; and these affiants further say that they know on or about the 15th day of September, A. D. 1857, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in said petition set forth, and to the sum of two hundred dollars; the said property being the same as is stated and specified in said petition and foregoing schedule. And further these affiants say not.

WM. CLELAND. [L. S.]
GEORGE W. HUNT. [L. S.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. }

Before me, David H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared George W. Hunt and William Cleland, and upon their oaths say that the facts set forth in the foregoing petition and schedule and affidavit are true, as they verily believe.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 21st day of November, A. D. 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Henry M. Simpson, of \$200, there is proven \$200 of a private class; and I hereby award to the said Henry M. Simpson the sum of \$200.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 66.

To Honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

Your petitioner, John Hutchinson, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows:

That your petitioner, as hereinafter stated was an attorney at law in said county. That on the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, your petitioner was living in said county; that on the day and year above written, there were taken from the possession of your petitioner and destroyed by some men who were said to belong to what was known commonly as the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following goods, which are more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at three hundred dollars. And your petitioner further states that he has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same; your petitioner, therefore prays that he may receive the sum of three hundred dollars for the loss sustained by him, as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor pursuant to the statutes made and provided in such cases, and for such further relief as your petitioner may be entitled to in the premises.

JOHN HUTCHINSON, [SEAL.]

Subscribed and sworn to, before me this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal at Lawrence, this day and year above written.

D. H. WEIR, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

Schedule of goods destroyed and referred to in the foregoing petition.

One trunk of clothing containing six shirts, two coats, four pairs of pants and other wearing apparel, valued at.....	\$100 00
Blankets and buffalo robes.....	25 00
Trunk	10 00
Books	100 00
Damage to office.....	65 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
Douglas County.

J. S. Emery, and Wm. M. Hutchinson, being duly sworn, say that they have heard the foregoing petition read and know the contents thereof, and the facts therein contained are, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief true.

And these affiants further state that on or about the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, the abovenamed petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in said petition set forth in the sum of three hundred dollars. The said property being the same as stated in the above schedule, and further these affiants say not.

WM. HUTCHINSON, [SEAL.
J. S. EMERY, [SEAL.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
Douglas County.

Before me, D. H. Weir, notary public, duly commissioned and sworn in and for said county, personally appeared, Wm. Hutchinson and J. S. Emery, whose names are affixed to the above affidavit who being duly sworn, depose and say, that the contents of the said affidavit are true as they verily believe.

Witness my hand and seal this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857, at Lawrence, Kansas Territory.

D. H. WEIR, [L. s.]
Notary Public, Douglas county.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of John Hutchinson of \$300, there is proven \$300 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said John Hutchinson, the sum of three hundred dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 67.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, A. D. 1857 :

Your petitioners, G. W. Hutchinson, William Hutchinson, and John H. Wilder, of Douglas county, in Kansas Territory, respectfully show :

That your petitioners, as hereinafter stated, were merchants in trade under the firm and style of G. W. & W. Hutchinson & Co. in said county.

That on the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, and during the ensuing summer, your petitioners were living in said county ; that on the day and year above written there were taken from the possession of your petitioners and destroyed by some men who were said to belong to what was known commonly as the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioners, the following goods, which are more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at six thousand six hundred and fifty dollars.

That also at other times, in July and August following, goods in transit from St. Louis to the store of your petitioners, belonging to them, were seized and destroyed by the same or similar bodies of men, known as the militia aforesaid.

And your petitioners further state that they have not received any pay for the same from any person or persons. Your petitioners therefore pray that they may receive the sum of six thousand six hundred and fifty dollars for the loss sustained by them as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor, pursuant to the statutes made and provided in such cases, and for such further relief as your petitioners may be entitled to in the premises.

G. W. HUTCHINSON. [L. S.]
 WILLIAM HUTCHINSON. [L. S.]
 JOHN H. WILDER. [L. S.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 2d day of November, A. D. 1857. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal at Lawrence this day and year above.

D. H. WEIR, *Notary Public.*

Schedule of goods destroyed and referred to in the foregoing petition.

Damage on store building, May 21, 1856, by order of Titus	\$100 00
Goods stolen and destroyed same day	5,500 00
Goods seized and destroyed on road in June.....	400 00
Furniture, &c., burnt in hotel, May 21, 1856.....	500 00
One horse stolen in August.....	150 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
Douglas County.

———, being duly sworn, say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read and know the contents thereof and the facts therein contained, and according to these affiants' knowledge and belief, are true, and these affiants further state, that on or about the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, and in the summer following, the above named petitioners sustained the above loss of property in the manner in said petition set forth, in the sum of six thousand six hundred and fifty dollars, the said property being the same as stated in the above schedule; and further the —— say not.

C. W. PERSALL. [L. s.]
 JOHN HUTCHINSON. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
Douglas County.

Before me, D. H. Weir, notary public, duly commissioned and sworn in and for the said county, personally appeared C. W. Persall and John Hutchinson, whose names are affixed to the above affidavits, who, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the contents of the said affidavits are true, as they verily believe.

Witness my hand and seal this —— day of November, A. D. 1857, at Lawrence, Kansas Territory.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public of Douglas county.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of George W. Hutchinson, William Hutchinson, and John H. Wilder, trading under the firm and style of G. W. & W. Hutchinson & Co., of \$6,650, there is proven \$6,650 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said G. W. & W. Hutchinson & Co. the sum of six thousand six hundred and fifty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 68.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Petition of Wm. Curry, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature, approved February 23, 1857.

I, Wm. Curry, of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner that your petitioner kept a trading post at "Willow Springs," in the county of Douglas; that during the summer of 1856, whilst the Territory was in a state of great disturbance, armed bodies of men confederated together for the purpose of resisting the laws of the Territory and the constitutional authorities, and also for the purpose of plundering the peaceable, unoffending citizens, a body of these outlaws, as your petitioner is informed and verily believes, came to the premises on the night of the

30th of July, took and carried away dry goods, groceries, and many other small articles, to the value of \$600; at the same time they took, carried away, or butchered about four head of hogs, worth about \$27, all of which your petitioner owned at the time, and has never received any compensation or indemnity.

WM. CURRY.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 12th day of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Mr. Wm. McKinney, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: that he is acquainted with Mr. Curry; knows him to be a citizen of the Territory, and that he kept a trading post at "Willow Springs; that your deponent did not see the robbery committed, as it was done at night; but from all the evidence your deponent is well satisfied and believes that the robbery took place, and the amount of goods taken as alleged by the petitioner; knows that the petitioner had hogs, but don't know what became of them. The robbery took place the 30th of July, 1856.

WM. MCKINNEY.

Reese B. Matney, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: that he has heard the petition of Wm. Curry read; knows that Mr. Curry's store was robbed, and, from the vacancy of the shelves and the goods missing, believes that \$600 worth was stolen; knows that Mr. Curry had hogs, and was informed and believes that the hogs were stolen by the same marauders; don't know how many.

REESE B. MATNEY.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 12th of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing petition, and accompanying vouchers, of Wm. Curry, and allow him the full amount, as his private claim, \$627.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 69.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of John M. Banks, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims" passed by the territorial legislature, approved February 23, 1857.

I, John M. Banks, formerly a citizen of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, now a citizen of Westport, Missouri, represent unto the honorable commissioner for auditing claims that your petitioner re-

sided in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, during the year of "fifty-five" and the spring of "fifty-six;" that, during the difficulties in this Territory, your petitioner lost property, growing directly out of said difficulties.

Your petitioner resided near Prairie City, and in the midst of those desperadoes and outlaws who were constantly engaged in depredations and outrages upon the peaceable inhabitants of the Territory. Your petitioner represents that, a short time before the battle of Black Jack, John Brown marched into the vicinity of your petitioner with his lawless command, took possession of the country, run off every pro-slavery man in the neighborhood, took their property, destroyed their houses, and killed or drove off their live stock. Your petitioner states that he could not return to his premises; that he was forced to abandon his home, and leave all his property—his live stock, household and kitchen furniture; all of which your petitioner is informed and verily believes was stolen, carried away, or destroyed by Brown or his men. When your petitioner returned to his home he found all his property missing, the estimable loss of which amounts to the sum of nine hundred and fifty dollars, and the value of each article is shown in schedule appended to this petition and made a part thereof. Your petitioner further states that for said loss he has never received compensation or indemnity.

JOHN M. BANKS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, December 10, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Territory of Kansas to John M. Banks, Dr.

Household and kitchen furniture.....	\$300 00
1 library of books.....	150 00
One hundred bushels corn, at 75 cents.....	75 00
1 yoke of cattle.....	75 00
15 head hogs.....	100 00
Garden and potatoes	50 00
2 houses destroyed and carried off	200 00
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	\$950 00
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Sworn and subscribed to before me, December 10, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

Josiah N. Hargis, being duly sworn, says and deposes, that he is acquainted with the petitioner, John M. Banks; knows that he was a citizen of the Territory during the spring of 1856; knows that (after carefully reading the petition) all the facts set forth in the petition of Mr. Banks except what relates to the garden and potatoes; knows that Mr. Banks was threatened, and forced to leave the Territory in the manner and at the time alleged in the petition; knows that the property mentioned in the schedule was stolen, robbed, or

destroyed in the manner alleged; believing that his household and kitchen furniture was worth three hundred dollars; knows that the petitioner had a fine library of books, and believes that they were worth one hundred and fifty dollars; knows that Mr. Banks had a fine lot of corn, worth seventy-five dollars; knows that the petitioner had the cattle and hogs, which your deponent is informed and believes were butchered or driven away by the said outlaws. In regard to the houses, your deponent knows that one of the houses was carried away, and the other he is informed and believes was destroyed. Thinks the prices in the schedule for the articles just and correct.

J. N. HARGIS.

Sworn to before me, December 12, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

James H. Fiser, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and says, that he is acquainted with John M. Banks; knows that he was in the Territory and a citizen thereof during the year of 1855 and 1856; heard that Mr. Banks was threatened, and believes that he was obliged to leave the Territory in the manner and at the time alleged; knows that he left his property and home, and that all of his property was either stolen or destroyed; knows that Mr. Banks had all such property as shown in the schedule, and that the articles were worth the price; knows that Mr. Banks had a garden, and that it was destroyed; the garden was worth fifty dollars.

JAMES H. FISER.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, December 18, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers of John M. Banks, and allow him the full amount as his private claim.—\$950 00.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 70.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } *ss.*

Petition of James Whitlock, of Platte county, Missouri, but formerly of Kansas Territory, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature, approved February 23, 1857.

I, James Whitlock, of Platte county, Missouri, but formerly of Kansas Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner that your petitioner was a citizen of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, during the war of 1856, and whilst the disturbances were going on,

marauding parties committing depredations and outrages upon the person and property of peaceable and unoffending citizens; that your petitioner was threatened and menaced by sundry persons engaged in the disturbances to the effect that if he did not leave the country personal violence would be offered to himself and family; believing that the safety of myself and family required an immediate abandonment of home and property, your petitioner left his home and his property, and that these marauders, as your petitioner is informed, immediately stole, carried off and destroyed all the property your petitioner had, worth in the aggregate the sum of seven hundred and ninety-seven dollars.

Your petitioner had a crop of corn growing on twelve acres destroyed; had two thousand rails destroyed; also household and kitchen furniture, cattle and hogs, all lost, stolen or destroyed; and for said loss your petitioner has never received compensation or indemnity.

JAMES WHITLOCK.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 12th day of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

Account of articles lost in Kansas during the war of 1856.

12 acres corn, 30 bushels per acre, valued at \$1 per bushel	\$360 00
16 head hogs, at \$5.....	80 00
2 cows and calves, at \$40.....	80 00
Household and kitchen furniture	150 00
2,000 rails, at \$30.....	60 00
2,000 lath, at \$6	12 00
Farming utensils.....	30 00
Poultry of all kinds	25 00
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JAMES WHITLOCK.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 12th day of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

John Curtis, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: that he is acquainted with Mr. James Whitlock; knows him to have been and was a citizen of Kansas Territory; that your deponent lived in sight of Mr. Whitlock; your deponent knows that Mr. Whitlock was threatened and menaced, and was obliged to leave his home and property; the safety of himself and family required it. Knows that Mr. Whitlock lost all his property, household furniture, kitchen furniture; saw the said property taken away by marauders; saw them taking away one cow and calf; also saw them haul the corn away; about twelve acres was destroyed. The said corn would have realized thirty bushels to the acre; corn was worth about fifty cents. Mr. Whitlock had a good garden, potatoes, vegetables, which were destroyed; believes that Mr. Whitlock lost about seven hundred dollars in consequence of troubles.

JOHN CURTIS.

Peter Crocket, being duly sworn says and deposes, that he is acquainted with Mr. James Whitlock ; knows that he was a citizen of Douglas county, Kansas Territory ; that your deponent believes, from all the facts connected with, Mr. Whitlock was forced to leave his home and property and seek shelter abroad. Mr. Whitlock's politics differing from all his neighbors ; knows that Mr. Whitlock left his home and property ; knows all his property was destroyed or stolen by the marauders engaged in plundering peaceable unoffending citizens ; knows Mr. Whitlock had such articles of property as mentioned in the schedule, except the rails and picketing ; your deponent believes he had the rails and picketing or lathing. The corn was worth the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars ; one cow was worth thirty-five dollars ; never saw the other cow ; knows he had hogs, and supposes sixteen head of hogs, and were worth at least four dollars per head ; knows he had a great many chickens, and worth at least twenty-five dollars ; his household and kitchen furniture was all destroyed, and worth the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

PETER CROCKET.

I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers of James Whitlock, and allow the full amount as his private claim—\$797.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of Claims.

No. 71.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Douglas :*

Petition of Henry O'Conner, of the Territory of Kansas, and county of Douglass, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Henry O'Conner, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner : About the 1st of June, 1856, whilst the Territory was in a state of insurrection and rebellion, marauding parties traversing the Territory committing depredations and outrages upon peaceable, unoffending citizens ; that about this time, Captain John Brown came to the premises of your petitioner with his command, took possession of the property, restrained and took all the inmates prisoners, as your petitioner is informed and verily believes ; took and carried away by force of arms one horse and saddle and bridle, the property of your petitioner, also some public arms belonging to the Territory. At another time, about the 27th of June, your petitioner had a pair of wagon horses taken away from his premises at night by unknown persons, supposed to be allied with and engaged with marauders, then camped in the vicinity of your petitioner's premises. At another time, about the 3d of July, 1856, your petitioner had been threatened with violence if he remained at

home by the same marauders commanded by Brown ; your petitioner was thus forced to leave his home and effects in an unfortunate state. Your petitioner left at his premises all his goods, groceries, such as sugar, molasses, coffee, dry goods, bacon, &c., all of which was destroyed, stolen, or carried away, the same night your petitioner left, as he is informed, by the marauders of Brown. They also at the same time, killed the chickens of your petitioner, hogs, &c. ; and afterwards a short time they burned the houses, viz : one storehouse, kitchen-house, stable, cornhouse, &c., the remainder of the hogs. In August, 1856, at the time these outlaws burned out Mr. McCamish, your petitioner had about two hundred and fifty dollars worth of groceries stored in McCamish's warehouse, all of which was destroyed at that time. For said losses your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity.

HENRY O'CONNER.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, 11th December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Henry O'Conner, Dr.

1856, June. For one horse, saddle, and bridle.....	\$80 00
Goods in store robbed.....	500 00
House and furniture.....	200 00
Two horses robbed.....	250 00
Seven head of cattle.....	250 00
Thirty head of hogs.....	80 00
Goods in McCamish's warehouse, burned or stolen.....	250 00
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	1,610 00
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HENRY O'CONNER.

Mr. H. Butcher being duly sworn, says : That he is acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. O'Conner ; knows that he is a citizen of Douglas county, and that he resided in said county during the year of 1856 ; that in June '56, your deponent was at the house of Mr. O'Conner when a body of armed men came to the premises of the petitioner ; said armed body, forty-five in number, was commanded by Captain John Brown, the hero of "Black Jack Battle ;" took inmates prisoners and possession of the premises. In the morning when they left they took off one horse, saddle and bridle, the property of Mr. O'Conner ; the said horse, saddle, and bridle, were worth the sum of eighty dollars. They also took away some public arms belonging to the Territory. At another time your deponent was at the premises of your petitioner, which was about the 27th of June, 1856, during the night two horses were taken from Mr. O'Conner by unknown persons supposed to be, and your deponent verily believes, engaged in the insurrectionary movements. The said two horses were

worth the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars ; knows that Mr. O'Conner had a "trading post" miscellaneous stock of goods, such as the wants of the country demanded ; knows that his house was burned and destroyed ; knows that the petitioner had stock, such as cattle and hogs, and was informed and believes they were butchered or driven away. Your deponent was informed and believes that his store was robbed. Have never seen Mr. O'Conner in possession of said cattle and hogs.

H. BUTCHER.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, 11th day of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers of Henry O'Conner, and allow the full amount as his private claim, \$1,610 00.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 72.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of Thomas H. Thomas, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Thomas H. Thomas, of the county of Douglas, Territory of Kansas, respectfully represent to the commissioner: That during the troubles in Kansas, in the summer of 1856, your petitioner met and sustained great losses in consequence and growing literally out of the difficulties in the following manner: On the 22d day of July my house was broken open and the following articles taken therefrom: One top coat, valued at \$28; one dress coat, superfine cloth, \$22; one cloak, \$25; two pair mens' pants at \$7, \$14; two vests at \$4 50 each, \$9; one feather bed and pillows, \$26; one hundred pounds of choice chewing tobacco at 75 cents per pound, \$75; children's under clothes worth \$15; one set of carpenter's tools, \$30. About the same time two mares were taken from Mrs. Elizabeth Westley, who has since become your petitioner's wife. The said mares were taken, as your petitioner is informed and believes, by marauders. The said mares were worth the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars. Said mares have never been recovered or any compensation therefor received.

THOMAS H. THOMAS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the 17th of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

SCHEDULE.

1 over coat, valued at.....	\$28 00
1 dress coat.....	22 00
1 cloth cloak.....	25 00
2 pair new pants, at \$7.....	14 00
2 vests, \$4 50.....	9 00
1 feather bed and pillows.....	26 00
100 pounds choice chewing tobacco.....	75 00
Children's clothing.....	15 00
Carpenter's tools.....	30 00
2 mares, one at \$100 and one at \$125	225 00
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	479 00
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THOMAS H. THOMAS.

Thomas Oliver, being duly sworn, states that he knows the petitioner, Thomas H. Thomas, to have been a citizen of Kansas Territory during the year 1856, and that his house was robbed of all his personal effects as stated by said petitioner, and that the two mares were stolen as stated in said petition; that the prices charged for the several articles lost by said petitioner is not too high.

THOMAS OLIVER.

LECOMPTON, *January 6, 1858.*

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 6th day of January, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

William M. Mace, being duly sworn, says: That he knows the petitioner, Thomas H. Thomas, to have been a citizen of Kansas Territory during the year of 1856; and that the said petitioner came to your deponent the morning after the alleged robbery took place and represented to your deponent that he had been robbed of all his personal effects, and that your deponent furnished him some wearing apparel, said petitioner alleging that he had no clothes to wear.

WM. M. MACE.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 17th day of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers of Thomas H. Thomas, and allow him the full amount of his private claim, \$479.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of Claims.

No. 73.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Petition of William H. Elliott, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, William H. Elliott, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that your petitioner has met and sustained a loss growing directly out of the difficulties of the Territory; that about the 20th day of August, 1856, while the Territory was in a state of insurrection and rebellion, the governor having by a proclamation called out the militia to maintain the laws and preserve the peace of said Territory; that your petitioner was a militia-man belonging to Captain Martin's company, who was a commissioned officer of the militia. While in the service, and at Buck creek, your petitioner lost one mule, which was the property of Thomas McLane, but which your petitioner paid for out of his own private funds, for which loss your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity for said loss. The mule was worth the sum of one hundred and forty dollars, which sum your petitioner paid said owner.

WM. H. ELLIOTT.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth, } ss.

R. S. Merchant, who being duly sworn, says: That he has heard the petition of Mr. Elliott read, and knows the facts set forth in the petition to be true; knows Mr. Elliott to have been a militia-man at the time the mule was lost. The mule was stolen, as your deponent believes, from the militia camp during the night, about the 25th of August, 1856. This happened on Buck creek. I accompanied the petitioner next morning to search for the mule. We could not find the mule. There were four horses missing from the camp during that night; believe they were stolen. Never have seen the mule since. The mule was well worth the sum of one hundred and forty dollars.

R. S. MERCHANT.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, judge of the probate court in and for the county and Territory aforesaid.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the [L. s.] seal of office, this 13th day of November, 1857.

GEO. W. PERKINS, *Judge, &c.*

A. M. Price, who being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner; knows that he was a citizen of the Territory during the summer of 1856; knows that he served as a militia-man under the call of the governor; knows that he lost a mule in the manner and at the time alleged. The mule was well worth the sum of one hundred and forty dollars.

A. M. PRICE.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, judge of the probate court in and for the county and Territory aforesaid, this 13th day of November, A. D. 1857.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my [L. s.] seal of office the day and year above mentioned.

GEO. W. PERKINS, *Judge, &c.*

I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers of William H. Elliott, and allow the full amount on private account, \$140.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of Claims.

No. 74.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of William S. Wells, of the Territory of Kansas, county of Douglas, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature, approved February 23, 1857.

I, Wm. S. Wells, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner for auditing claims, that during the summer of 1856, your petitioner was a citizen of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and your petitioner had a crop of corn growing, of about four acres, also a garden of vegetables or a lot of potatoes, all of which were destroyed by marauding parties, traversing the country, committing depredations and outrages upon peaceable unoffending citizens. These marauders, as he is informed and verily believes, commanded by General Lane, went into the field and carried away corn in a wagon, threw down fencing, destroyed garden vegetables; and about the middle of September, 1856, during the night, a body of unknown men, as your petitioner is informed and verily believes, came to the premises of your petitioner and burned two houses, the property of your petitioner. For said losses your petitioner has never received compensation or indemnity. The property lost was well worth the price charged in the schedule appended to this petition and made a part thereof.

W. S. WELLS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the 11th day of December, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner, &c.*

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SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to William S. Wells, Dr.

1856.		
August.	To 4 acres of corn at \$25 per acre.....	\$100 00
	Garden vegetables and potatoes.....	25 00
September.	Two houses, burned.....	200 00
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		325 00
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WILLIAM S. WELLS.

Nicholas McKinney, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says and deposes that he has heard the petition of W. S. Wells read and knows all the facts set forth in the petition to be true. Saw the marauders in the field gathering corn; knows that all the corn was destroyed, the vegetables and potatoes were all destroyed, the houses were also destroyed; believes that the petitioner was driven away; believes the corn was worth \$100, that two houses were worth at least \$200, that the potatoes were worth \$25.

NICHOLAS McKINNEY.

Sworn and subscribed to before me.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

Mr. Henry O'Conner, being duly sworn and of lawful age, deposes and says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Wells, knows that he is a citizen of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, knows that Mr. Wells had a crop of corn growing, and a garden and potatoes, all of which were destroyed at the time and in the manner alleged. The corn and vegetables and garden were well worth one hundred and twenty-five dollars; that the two houses were burned, but by whom your deponent saith not but believes by marauders. The two houses were well worth the sum of two hundred dollars. Knows that Mr. Wells was driven from his home by the marauders.

HENRY O'CONNER.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the 11th day of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers of Mr. William S. Wells, and allow him the full amount, on private account, \$325.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 75.



TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Petition of Josiah N. Hargis, of Johnson county, Territory of Kansas, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Josiah N. Hargis, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that in the difficulties of December, 1857, the militia having been called out by proclamation of Governor Shannon to suppress rebellions and preserve the peace of said Territory; that whilst the militia was camped at Wakarusa, commanded by General Strickler, a commissioned officer and acting under the orders of Governor Shannon, your petitioner furnished per contract (with Commanding General McLean, approved by Governor Shannon) ten beef steers, for the use and sustenance of said command, and for which I was to have \$40 dollars a head, but have never received one cent. At the same time (per contract) your petitioner furnished ten sacks of flour and two sacks salt; upon the ten sacks of flour I was paid for seven sacks, at the price of \$5 per sack; the balance of three sacks is still unpaid. I also was engaged as messenger by Governor Shannon, during the difficulties, and for my services I was allowed the sum of one hundred and ten dollars, and never have been paid.

In the summer of 1856, when the Territory was in a state of insurrection, marauding parties traversing the Territory, committing depredations and outrages upon the person and property of peaceable unoffending citizens, being threatened on many occasions by these outlaws, and about the last of May 1856, a body of these outlaws shot at your petitioner with intent to kill; your petitioner finding himself surrounded by these marauders, whose intention was manifestly to destroy himself and family, was forced to leave his home and property unprotected, and seek shelter in the adjoining State of Missouri. He left his stock, farming utensils, household and kitchen furniture, which was all destroyed by Lane's men, as your petitioner is informed and verily believes. The aggregate loss of your petitioner, growing out of the difficulties, amounts to the sum of eight hundred and fifty-five dollars, for which you see schedule appended and made a part of this report; for said loss your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSIAH N. HARGIS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 11th December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
 Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Josiah N. Hargis, Dr.

1855.			
December.	To 10 beef cattle for militia, at \$40.....	\$400 00	
	To 3 sacks flour, at \$5.....	15 00	
	To 2 sacks salt, at \$5.....	10 00	
			\$425 00

PRIVATE.

1856.—	To 7 head cattle robbed by outlaws, at \$40	\$280 00	
	To 3 hogs.....	75 00	
	To farming utensils, household and kitchen furniture.....	100 00	
	Expenses as messenger for Governor Shannon	110 00	
			565 00
			990 00

H. W. Buckley, being of lawful age, and duly sworn, says : That he is acquainted with Mr Josiah N. Hargis, that he has been a citizen of the Territory since the spring of 1855 ; knows that said Hargis furnished the said beef to the commanding general of the southern division camped at Wakarusa, commanded by General Strickler ; that said beef was fat, large beef, and was worth forty dollars a head ; that part of his petition referring to the difficulties in the summer of 1856, and of the threats and outrages of the marauding parties is correct ; your deponent knows that the said petitioner was threatened in the manner alleged, and was informed, and verily believes, was shot at in the manner alleged ; your deponent also knows that said petitioner was forced to leave his home and property, and that it was all destroyed or carried away, and believes by Lane or Brown, who were leaders of irresponsible men engaged in plundering and murdering citizens of the Territory ; believes the charge in the schedule is fair and reasonable, and that the aggregate loss amounted to the sum of nine hundred and ninety dollars.

H. W. BUCKLEY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, December 11, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Henry O. Conner, being duly sworn, and of lawful age, deposes that he knows the petitioner, Mr. Hargis. He was a citizen of Douglas county in the years 1855 and 1856, and that he furnished beef to General Strickler's command at Wakarusa, at the time and in the manner alleged, and that they were worth the sum charged. Also knows, that in the summer of "1856," the petitioner was threatened with violence, and forced to leave his home and property

in the manner alleged, and that his property was all lost, stolen, or destroyed. Thinks the property was well worth the sum charged, as shown in schedule.

HENRY O. CONNER.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 11th day of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers, of Josiah N. Hargis, and allow him on public account, \$425, and on private, \$500, total, \$925.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 76.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Douglas.*

Petition of Wm. McKinney, of the county of Douglas, Territory of Kansas, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857. I, Wm. McKinney, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that, upon the 16th day of August, 1856, when the territory was in a state of disturbance and confusion, armed bodies of men confederated together for the purpose of plundering and stealing the property of peaceable citizens, your petitioner lost, in consequence of these difficulties, one mare and colt in the following manner: on the day above mentioned, Lane dispersed, as was reported, Treadwell's command camped on Washington creek, whilst passing your petitioner's premises, a part of said Treadwell's command took and carried away said mare and colt. I have never been paid any compensation or indemnity for said mare and colt, which was worth \$200.

WM. MCKINNEY.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 19th December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Wm. McKinney, Dr.

1856.

August 16. To 1 mare and colt stolen..... \$200 00

Redford Preston, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: that he knows Mr. McKinney is a citizen of the territory and resided in Douglas county during the year 1856. Knows that said mare and colt was stolen, but do not know by whom. The mare and colt were worth the sum of two hundred dollars. She was a fine mare and very fine colt.

REDFORD PRESTON.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, 12th December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

Wm. S. Wells, being duly sworn, says: that he has heard the petition of Mr. McKinney read; know of my personal knowledge that the facts are true; saw the men take the mare and colt and lead her off. The said mare and colt were well worth the sum of two hundred dollars. The mare has never been returned, or compensation paid, to your deponent's knowledge.

WM. S. WELLS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the 12th December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers of Wm. McKinney, and allow the whole amount on private account, \$200.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims

No. 77.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } *ss.*

To the Honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857:

The petition of John Sharkey, of the town of Osawatomie, county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is, and has been, a resident of said town of Osawatomie for the last two years, during which time your petitioner and Joseph C. Ranson have been engaged in the mercantile business, in said town, under the firm, name, and style of Sharkey & Co., their stock of goods consisting of a general assortment of dry goods, groceries, hardware, drugs, medicines, &c.; that on or about the 30th day of August, A. D. 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a great state of excitement occasioned by armed bodies of men, under different leaders travelling over the country committing robberies, theft, and outrages of other kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens, an armed body of men, under the command of one John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of the then acting governor, Woodson, entered the town and took possession of the entire stock of goods of said firm, and carried away a portion of them, and burning and destroying the balance; the value of said goods so carried away and destroyed as aforesaid, estimated at \$4,000, as near as your petitioner can come at from the purchases and sales. And your petitioner would further set forth, that for the above stated goods he has never received any compensation, nor is there any means of recovering the same known to your petitioner.

JOHN SHARKEY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOS,
Judge of Probate, Lykins county, K. T.

LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

Nelson J. Roscoe, of the town of Osawatomie in said county, being duly sworn, says: He has heard read the foregoing petition made by John Sharkey, and is well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of his own knowledge. Deponent further says, that some time previous to the 30th day of August, 1857, he was acting as clerk in the store of said John Sharkey; that the said Sharkey had in his store, in the town of Osawatomie, a large and general assortment for the country trade, consisting of dry goods, groceries, crockery, hardware, drugs, medicines, &c.; that from the knowledge deponent had of said stock of goods, and from the purchases, sales, &c., deponent verily believes said stock of goods then on hand and destroyed, as set forth in said petition, to be worth the sum of four thousand dollars.

N. J. ROSCOE.

Subscribed and sworn to this 30th day of November, 1857, before me.

CYRUS TATOS,
Judge of Probate, Lykins county, K. T.

LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

William Chestnut and Samuel Meriet, of said county, being severally and duly sworn, say: They have heard read the foregoing petition made by John Sharkey; that they are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same is true of their own knowledge. Deponents further say: That they were each in the habit of trading with the said Sharkey, at his store, for some time previous to the burning on the said 30th day of August; that from the knowledge deponents had of said stock of goods, they verily believe the same to be worth the sum of four thousand dollars.

S. J. MERIET.
WILLIAM CHESTNUT.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOS,
Judge of Probate, Lykins county, K. T.

I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers of John Sharkey, and allow the whole amount on public account, \$4,000.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 78.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, &c., under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1856.

Your petitioner, Christian Snicks, of the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, respectfully sheweth :

That he is one of the tribe of Muncy or Christian Indians, in the county of Leavenworth, that on or about the 4th day of September, 1856, and during the troubles and difficulties which existed in the Territory aforesaid, your petitioner was in the possession of a horse of the value of ninety dollars ; that while the horse was in the possession of your petitioner aforesaid, he was taken from the premises and possession of your petitioner, by some person or persons, who belonged to what was called the territorial militia, but what the names of said persons were or to what regiment or company they belonged your petitioner is entirely ignorant, and cannot state.

Your petitioner further shows: That since the seizure of said horse as aforesaid, he has never been returned to the possession of your petitioner, nor has your petitioner ever been paid or indemnified for the same by any person or persons whomsoever.

Your petitioner therefore prays that he may be awarded the sum of ninety dollars, as and for the loss of the same ; or that he may be paid or indemnified for the same, according to the statutes in such cases made and provided, or that he may have such further or other relief as he may be entitled to in the premises ; and your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray.

CHRISTIAN ^{his} + SNICKS.
mark.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Leavenworth County. }

Before me the undersigned, a notary public in and for the county aforesaid, personally came the above named Christian Snicks, whose name appears to the above petition, who after being duly sworn, upon his oath says, that the matters and things set forth in the foregoing petition are true in substance and matter of fact.

CHRISTIAN ^{his} + SNICKS.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the undersigned, this day ; witness my hand and seal notarial, at office, this 16th day of November, 1857.

A. MACAULEY, N. P.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

Anderson Wilson of said county, being duly sworn, says that he knows the facts contained in the foregoing petition, and that the same are true of his own knowledge.

This affiant further says that he knows Christian Snicks, the person who subscribed the foregoing petition, and that on or about the 4th day of September, 1856, he saw the pony mentioned in the foregoing petition, which was the property of said petitioner, taken away by some men whose names were unknown to this affiant, and the said pony was carried away, this affiant being at some distance when this was done; affiant further says that he does not know to what company or regiment these men referred to belonged, but they were apparently some of the territorial militia engaged during the territorial troubles of the year 1856; affiant further says that in his opinion, the said pony was worth the sum of ninety dollars, and further affiant saith not.

ANDERSON ^{his} + WILSON.
mark.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 Leavenworth County. }

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for said county aforesaid, personally came Anderson Wilson, whose name appears signed to the above affidavit, after being by me duly sworn, deposes and says that the matters and things stated in the said affidavit and by him subscribed, are true in substance and matter of fact.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed [L. s.] my seal notarial, at office, this 16th day of November, 1857.

A. MACAULEY, *Notary Public.*

I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers of Christian Snicks, (a Muncy or Christian Indian,) and allow the same on public account, \$90 00.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 79.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Petition of H. S. Randol, of Franklin county, Territory of Kansas, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857, and passed by the territorial legislature.

I, H. S. Randol, of the county and Territory aforesaid respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner that on or about last of June, as your petitioner is informed, unknown persons came to the

premises of Calvin Randol and took and carried away three horses, the property of your petitioner, value of which see schedule. On the 20th day of August, 1856, at which time the Territory was in a state of insurrection and rebellion, marauding parties traversing the Territory, committing depredations and outrages upon peaceable unoffending citizens, stealing and plundering them of their property and driving them out of the country. Upon the day above mentioned a body of armed men, equipped with all the implements of war, came to the premises of Calvin Randol, as your petitioner is informed and verily believes, with threats of violence and force of arms, took from said Calvin Randol seven head of horses and four mules, the property of your petitioner. This occurred in Franklin county, on Middle creek; the armed body of men belonging to the command of General S. H. Lane. At another time, about the 19th of September, 1856, a body of armed men, equipped with all the implements of war, came to the premises of your petitioner by night and by force of arms, robbed your petitioner of one horse; said party was a part of Lane's men, engaged in the rebellion and insurrectionary movements going on in the Territory. They also took two bridles and a line. Said horses were the property of your petitioner, and were worth, upon a fair and reasonable price, thirteen hundred and two dollars. See schedule appended and made a part of this petition. For said loss your petitioner has never received compensation or indemnity.

H. S. RANDOL.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 11th December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to H. S. Randol, Dr.

To 1 bay horse, robbery 20th August.....	\$150 00
1 sorrel horse.....	75 00
1 brown mare.....	75 00
1 brown pony mare.....	50 00
4 mules, \$100 each.....	400 00
1 bay horse pony.....	100 00
2 yearling colts.....	100 00
1 bay mare pony.....	60 00
1 bay horse pony.....	90 00
1 black pony.....	45 00
1 bay mare.....	150 00
2 harness bridles.....	6 00
1 pair lines.....	1 50
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Calvin Randol, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says and deposes: That he has carefully read the petition of H. S. Randol, and knows

that the said petitioner is and has been a citizen three or more years past. The said petitioner had placed a number of horses and mules under my charge on or about the last of June, 1856. Whilst the disturbances were going on in the Territory, armed bodies of men travelling the Territory committing depredations, stealing horses, &c., unknown persons took and carried away three horses from the premises of your deponent, the property of H. S. Randol. The said horses were afterwards seen, as your deponent is informed and verily believes, in the hands of the outlaws commanded by General Lane. At another time, the 20th August, 1856, a body of armed men came to the premises of your deponent, with threats of violence and force of arms, took possession of the premises; took your deponent prisoner, restraining him of his liberty, and took and carried away from the premises of your deponent four mules, seven head of horses, the property of H. S. Randol, and worth what they are estimated in the schedule. The said horses were taken by a part of Lane's men under command of one Moore, as your deponent was informed. That the harness was taken at the same time. The aggregate loss of Mr. Randol would amount to \$1,302 50. The said horses have never been recovered, and cannot be by any means known to your deponent.

CALVIN RANDOL.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, 11th December, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

William Wright, being duly sworn and of lawful age, deposes and says that he was at the premises of Mr. Calvin Randol on the 20th day of August, 1856; that a body of armed men commanded by one Captain Moore, and a detachment of Lane's force, as your deponent was informed and believes, took possession of the premises, making prisoners and restraining your deponent with others of their liberty, and by force of arms took and carried away four head of mules and seven head of horses, the property of H. S. Randol. At another time your deponent was at the premises of H. S. Randol when an armed body of men (a part of Lane's men,) came to the petitioner's premises and by force of arms took and carried away one horse, the property of H. S. Randol, worth one hundred dollars. Your deponent has carefully examined the schedule appended to the petition of H. S. Randol, and believes each horse was well worth the price charged, save the three stolen in June, which your deponent knows nothing about. Your deponent lives with Mr. Randol, and has never seen anything of said horses since, neither does your deponent believe he has ever received any compensation or indemnity.

WILLIAM WRIGHT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 11th of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of S. H. Randol the whole amount, \$1,302 50, is proven and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 80.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Petition of James Campbell, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under the act to provide for the auditing of claims, approved February 23, 1857.

I, James Campbell, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that on or about the 15th of August, A. D. 1857, a body of armed men commanded by one Captain Walker, who was then in direct resistance to the laws of the Territory and the constituted authorities, came to the house of your petitioner about two hundred in number, forcibly seized and carried away the property of your petitioner, to wit: one rifle gun, one shot gun, worth twenty-five and fifteen dollars respectively. At another time, the 15th of September, A. D. 1856, another body of armed men came to your petitioner's premises and took and carried away the property of your petitioner, all his household and kitchen furniture, clothing, bedding, &c., leaving nothing behind. They came with teams and hauled away whatever they could seize upon; were engaged two days in throwing down the fence, and turned in the stock upon the corn, destroying the whole crop. Your petitioner further states that the actual loss of your said petitioner, placing a fair and reasonable price upon the articles lost as shown by the schedule, would amount in the aggregate to the sum of thirteen hundred and sixty-two dollars and twenty-five cents, for which loss your petitioner has never in any manner received indemnity or compensation.

JAMES CAMPBELL.

Sworn and subscribed to this the 22d day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas to James Campbell, Dr.

August 15.

1 rifle gun.....	\$25 00
1 shot gun.....	15 00
3 feather beds and bedding, \$15.....	135 00
4 bedsteads, \$8.....	32 00
1 trunk and contents.....	35 00
Bed clothing.....	125 00
Cupboard ware.....	20 00
1 large falling leaf table.....	10 00
1 cooking stove.....	25 00
1 brass kettle.....	3 50
1 oven and lid, 1 skillet, 3 shovels, and 2 pairs of tongs, and hooks.....	10 00
3 felling axes, and 3 wedges.....	10 50
2 hoes.....	2 50

2 pairs harness, \$3.....	6 00
1 set of buggy harness.....	20 00
1 scythe and cradle.....	5 00
1 cutting knife and 3 blades.....	5 00
1 large log chain.....	3 00
1 large post auger.....	3 00
5 augers, and 1 foot adze.....	7 50
1 spinning wheel.....	3 00
1 mowing scythe.....	2 00
1 spade.....	1 50
1 bar of steel.....	3 00
1 box of irons.....	10 00
1 pot trammels, \$2.....	4 00
9 cedar pails, 2 tin buckets, and 2 tin pans.....	7 50
1 barrel flour.....	12 00
6 bushels corn, and 4 sacks.....	10 00
70 pounds bacon, 12½ cents.....	8 75
9 chairs.....	12 00
1 chest and carpenter tools.....	65 00
Library.....	30 00
Crop of wheat, 150 bushels.....	200 00
35 acres corn, 25 bushels per acre.....	350 00
2 saddles.....	17 00
1 door and facing.....	4 00
1 hatchet.....	3 00
3 set tea boards.....	5 00
25 spools.....	2 50
Negro bedding and wearing apparel.....	100 00
2 set fire irons, \$2.....	4 00
Total.....	\$1,362 25

JAMES CAMPBELL.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 22d September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

Joseph P. Robinson, who being duly sworn, says that he is acquainted with Mr. Campbell, that he resided in Douglas county, during the year A. D. 1856; was at his house the 15th of August, 1856; saw a large body of armed men surround his house, and believe that they did forcibly take and carry away the property set forth in the petition of Mr. Campbell; believe the facts set forth in the petition to be true, and that the estimated value of his property destroyed and carried away to have been worth upon a fair and reasonable calculation in the aggregate, the sum of thirteen hundred and sixty-two dollars and twenty-five cents.

JOSEPH P. ROBINSON.

Subscribed and sworn to this the 22d of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

Servilla Crumley, who being duly sworn, says that she is acquainted with Mr. Campbell; that he resides in her neighborhood; that about the 15th of September, A. D. 1856, she saw a body of armed men pass her house in the direction of Mr. Campbell's, that they had an empty wagon and returned after some time with their wagon loaded with what seemed to be bed clothing, &c.; believe that they robbed Mr. Campbell's house. There was no other house robbed in the immediate vicinity; time going and returning of the wagon would correspond to the distance to Mr. Campbell's and time occupied in loading the wagon with the stolen goods.

Heard the next day that Mr. Campbell's house was robbed; believe that Mr. Campbell's house was robbed in consequence of the disturbed condition of the country.

SERVILLA CRUMLEY,

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 22d of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Robert Corlew, who being duly sworn, says that he is acquainted with Mr. Campbell; knows that he is a citizen of the Territory; that he resides in his neighborhood; that he saw on or about the 15th of September, 1857, a body of armed men with empty wagons come to the premises of Mr. Campbell, and soon as they discovered the deponent, four of the party approached the deponent, and he withdrew; but afterwards said deponent saw the party go off with wagons loaded with bedsteads, and bedding, &c.; believe this robbery to have been committed by marauders engaged in the rebellion; know that Mr. Campbell was well fixed in his house; know that he had good furniture; know that he had a stack of wheat; know that his furniture, wheat, and all his personal effects were gone the day after I saw the marauders there; know that Mr. Campbell had a large field of corn; know that it was destroyed or carried away. Have examined the schedule appended to Mr. Campbell's petition, and know that Mr. Campbell was the possessor of nearly all the articles enumerated.

ROBERT CORLEW.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, 22d September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

I certify that in the foregoing claim of James Campbell, that the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class, \$1,362 25.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 81.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Petition of Joseph Oakley, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Joseph Oakley, of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner, that, on or about the 5th day of December, A. D. 1855, a body of armed men, under the command of _____, who represented that he acted under the authority and by virtue of the governor's proclamation, calling out the militia of said Territory to enforce the laws and preserve the peace of the country, came to the premises of your petitioner and took and carried away twenty bushels of corn for the use and support of said militia. Your petitioner further represents that, having stacks of corn near the camp of the militia, the militia men did take, carry away, or destroy the whole crop, amounting to four hundred and fifty bushels; took about the same time a buffalo robe, blankets, bed, &c. At another time, about the 1st of September, 1856, the militia was called out by acting governor Woodson, to support the laws and preserve the peace of the country. The command of General Marshall, brigadier general of the Kansas militia, camped in the vicinity of your petitioner's premises, and they destroyed a crop of corn growing upon twenty-five acres, the property of your petitioner, and worth, upon a fair and reasonable estimate, the sum of one thousand dollars, for which your petitioner has never in any manner received compensation or indemnity.

About May, 1856, a part of Clarkson's command took a valuable gun of your petitioner, which gun was at the time in possession of Mr. Shimmon; said gun was carried away by force and never returned.

JOSEPH OAKLEY.

Sworn and subscribed to this 26th day of September, 1856.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

Territory of Kansas to Joseph Oakley, Dr.

20 bushels corn furnished militia.....	\$20 00
450 bushels corn consumed or destroyed by militia.....	450 00
Buffalo robe, blankets, bed, &c., taken by the militia.....	25 00
25 acres of corn consumed and destroyed by militia.....	1,000 00
1 gun taken by militia.....	35 00
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JOSEPH OAKLEY.

William T. Oakley, who being duly sworn, says that he is the son of the petitioner. At another time was husking corn in the field for my father, when a body of militia came to the field with wagons and hauled away what they needed for use of the militia; and in fall of 1856 my father had a large crop of corn in the vicinity of the militia camp. Says, I went around the field to put up the fence; saw where persons had been getting corn; believe that the militia destroyed the crop; believe the facts set forth in the petition; believe the loss of my father in consequence of the difficulties would amount to fifteen hundred and thirty dollars.

WILLIAM T. OAKLEY.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 26th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

William H. Piatt, who being duly sworn, says that he is acquainted with Mr. Joseph Oakley; knows him to have been and is still a citizen of the Territory. I have carefully examined his petition, and believe the facts set forth in the petition to be true. Know of my own personal knowledge that the militia, commanded by General Marshall and camped near Lecompton in fall of the year 1856, took and consumed the corn, the property of Mr. Oakley, and by throwing down the fence was the cause of the destruction of Mr. Oakley's whole corn crop; believe that the corn was worth, upon a fair and reasonable estimate, one thousand dollars. Saw the militiamen in Mr. Oakley's field taking the corn frequently. Saw the militiamen throw and leave the fence down.

WILLIAM H. PIATT.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 26th day of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Joseph Oakley that the whole amount, \$1,530, is proven and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 82.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of Tousant La Hay, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under the act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Tousant La Hay, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that on or about the 15th day

of August, A. D. 1856, a body of armed men then and there forcibly took and carried away one horse, two rifles ; at another time another armed body of men came and drove away your petitioner's family ; took possession of the premises ; took, carried away, or destroyed the property of your petitioner, to wit : blacksmith tools, carpenters' tools, harness and saddles, household and kitchen furniture, three head of cattle and burned the house of your petitioner. All the above mentioned articles were the property of your said petitioner.

TOUSANT LA HAY.

Sworn to and subscribed to, this 17th day of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

List of property annexed to the petition of Tousant La Hay.

To 1 pair of matched horses.....	\$300
1 set of blacksmith tools, 1 set of carpenters' tools.....	100
1 set of harness, 3 saddles.....	60
2 rifles, 3 head of cattle.....	100
Household furniture, 1 frame house, 1 log house..	800
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Mr. Ward, who, under oath, states that he is acquainted with T. La Hay, knows him to be a citizen of the Territory. I am familiar with his effects, and know that his houses were destroyed by fire, and that his horses were stolen ; do not know who committed the depredations ; believe the property annexed to the petition to be worth what he has estimated, and that the aggregate loss of Mr. La Hay, upon a fair and reasonable valuation, would be at least thirteen hundred and sixty dollars.

Sworn to before me this 17th day of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Mr. Tuton, who, under oath, says that he knows Mr. La Hay, believes the estimate placed upon the property destroyed to be fair and just ; knows that Mr. La Hay's houses were burned ; that the houses were good, comfortable houses ; knows that Mr. La Hay's cattle was taken away, and some driven to Lawrence ; heard, on one occasion, a gentleman by the name of Swain acknowledge that he had killed some of Mr. La Hay's cattle.

Sworn to before me this 17th day of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Tousant La Hay, of \$1,360, that the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 83.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } *ss.*

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of James Sutton, of the county of Anderson, Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is and has been a resident of said county for the last two years; that during the summer of 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men, under different leaders, travelling over the Territory, committing robberies, thefts, and outrages of various kinds, in the fore part of June, 1856, an armed body of men, unknown to your petitioner, entered the neighborhood of your petitioner, and forcibly took from the possession of your petitioner one horse, of the value of \$100, as per schedule hereto annexed; that during the fore part of August, 1856, while armed bodies of men were roving about the neighborhood of your petitioner, another horse, of the value of \$100, was also taken from the possession of your petitioner by some men unknown to your petitioner. Your petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for any of said losses.

JAMES SUTTON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31st day of October, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Probate Judge for Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

One horse, of the value of.....	\$100
One horse, of the value of.....	100
Amount	<u>200</u>

JAMES SUTTON.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } *ss.*

Wilbor West and Isso Sutton, of the county of Anderson and Territory aforesaid, being severally and duly sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition made by James Sutton; that so much thereof as relates to the taking of the first horse in June, of 1856, is true of our own knowledge.

WILBOR WEST.

his

ISSO × SUTTON,
mark.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 31st day of October, 1857.
 CYRUS TATOR,
Probate Judge for Lykins County.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

Lawrence Bradly and John McDaniel, of the county of Anderson, being severally sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition, and so much thereof as relates to the taking of the horse in August, and as to the value of both horses, is true of our own knowledge.

LAWRENCE BRADLY.
 JOHN McDANIEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31st day of October, 1857.
 CYRUS TATOR,
Probate Judge for Lykins County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of James Sutton, of \$200, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER.

No. 84.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *Douglas County.*

Petition of George C. Baker, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, George C. Baker, of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about the 1st day of August, A. D. 1856, whilst the Territory was in a disturbed condition, one horse, the property of your petitioner, was taken and carried away by unknown persons, supposed to be engaged in the insurrectionary movements. The said horse was worth the sum of eighty-five dollars, for which loss your petitioner has never received compensation or indemnity.

GEORGE C. BAKER.

Sworn and subscribed to this 4th day of October, 1857.
 H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Ely Moore, jr., who being duly sworn, says that he knows the petitioner, Mr. Baker, to be a citizen of the Territory; that he knows that on or about the 1st of August, A. D. 1856, the horse men

tioned in petition was taken and carried away by unknown persons ; persons supposed to be engaged in the difficulties of the Territory ; for afterwards persons taken prisoners by the United States marshal, at Hickory Point, admitted to your deponent that they had taken the horse, and had the horse at the Hickory Point battle ; the horse was worth the sum of eighty-five dollars.

ELY MOORE, JR.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 4th day of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of George C. Baker, of \$85, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 85.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Petition of George H. Snyder, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature, approved February 23, 1857.

I, George H. Snyder, of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner that on or about the 2d day of September, A. D., 1856, whilst the Territory was in a disturbed condition the acting governor having called out the militia to sustain him in the execution of the laws and the preservation of peace, a company of armed men, representing themselves as militia, came to the premises of your petitioner with threats of violence, took possession of the premises, burned the house of your petitioner, together with his household and kitchen furniture ; taking away or destroying all your petitioner's personal effects, such as clothing, bedding, tableware, &c., (see schedule appended.) About the same time the same body of armed men took and carried corn and oats the property of your petitioner, destroying or consuming the entire crops of corn growing on fourteen acres, also all the oats of your petitioner. Said company came with wagons ; took and carried away the oats, corn ; a fine garden of vegetables was also destroyed. Chickens and hogs were shot and carried off by the said company. Fence rails burned up by said company for camp fires. The actual loss of property of your petitioner, upon a fair and reasonable estimate of the articles stolen or destroyed, would amount to the sum of twenty-one hundred and sixty-five dollars, for which loss your petitioner has never in any manner received compensation or indemnity.

GEORGE H. SNYDER.

Sworn and subscribed to this the 2d of October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas to George H. Snyder, Dr.

1856.

To house burned.....	\$400
Furniture burned in house; eight chairs.....	15
Table and two bedsteads.....	18
Book case and cupboard.....	32
Books.....	40
Damage to cooking stove.....	15
Dishes, tinware, crockery.....	40
Clothing and bedding.....	100
Looking glass and clock.....	7
Carpenter and farming tools.....	250
Provisions.....	35
14 hogs killed; seven dozen chickens.....	91
Fourteen acres of corn.....	700
One and a half acres potatoes and half acre beans ...	360
Oats and hay.....	35
Cabbage and other garden sauce.....	15
Fence rails burned.....	12
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GEORGE H. SNYDER.

Sworn and subscribed to the 2d October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

William H. Piatt, who being duly sworn, says: That he is intimately acquainted with Mr. Snyder and his personal effects. Knows that a body of armed men burnt the house of the petitioner about the time mentioned in the petition; knows that the household and kitchen furniture was consumed in the flames or carried away; knows that Mr. Snyder had the property mentioned in the schedule, and am certain that the estimate placed on the property so destroyed and shown in schedule of petition is correct, except the "carpenter's and farming tools;" do not know the value of the tools; know that the petitioner had carpenter and farming tools; saw armed men go to the premises of the petitioner and take off corn and oats; know that the petitioner had about 14 acres of corn and a stable of oats; know that they destroyed the entire crops of corn and oats; know that the house of the petitioner was worth about eight hundred dollars; it was a good frame house; had a fine garden of vegetables; saw frequently men in the garden digging potatoes, carrying the same away; know that the vegetables were carried away or destroyed; know that the petitioner had about 1½ acres of beans, which were destroyed by the party of men; believe all the facts set forth in the petition of Mr. Snyder to be true; and am certain that the actual loss of property of Mr. Snyder

would amount to the sum of twenty-one hundred and sixty-five dollars. The losses incurred were in consequence of the difficulties of the Territory.

WILLIAM H. PIATT.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the 2d October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

James N. Patton, who being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Snyder; knows that he is a citizen of the Territory; saw about the 2d September, 1856, a body of armed men go to the premises of Mr. Snyder, soon afterwards the house was burnt with all the household and kitchen furniture; know that Mr. Snyder had such property described in the schedule, and believe the property worth what it is estimated in schedule; know that Mr. Snyder had corn field, about 14 acres; know that together with the oats it was destroyed or carried away; believe all the facts set forth in the petition to be true; know nearly all of my own personal knowledge; believe that Mr. Snyder lost the property in consequence of the disturbed condition of the Territory; believe the loss upon a fair and reasonable calculation would amount to the sum of twenty-one hundred and sixty-five dollars.

JAMES N. PATTON.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 2d October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of George H. Snyder of \$2,165, the whole amount is proven and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 86.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims.

The petition of the undersigned, a citizen of Douglas county, Territory of Kansas, respectfully sheweth that your petitioner has lost property and incurred expenses in consequence of the troubles and difficulties that have occurred in this Territory. That on or about the 7th day of September, A. D. 1856, a body of armed men came to the dwelling of your petitioner, turned his family out of the house, robbed and destroyed all his household and kitchen furniture, burnt his houses, and that the actual loss of said petitioner, placing a fair and just price upon the articles lost, stolen, and destroyed, amounted in the aggregate to the sum of thirteen hundred and sixty-five dollars, for which the said petitioner has never in any manner received indemnity or compensation for said loss.

GEO. W. WARD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 17th September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

List of property annexed to the petition of George Ward, having been stolen or destroyed by armed body of men, to wit :

Two log houses and furniture	\$500 00
Bed and bedding.....	190 00
One bureau, table, chairs, safe, and cupboard.....	85 00
Silver and queensware, and other table ware	35 00
Children's and wife's clothing.....	200 00
One steer and hogs, scythe, axe.....	103 00
Iron and pot ware.....	10 00
Large stack of hay.....	15 00
One stand curtains, leather trunk.....	30 00
Two large chests and satchels.	13 00
Side-saddle, bridle, &c.....	20 00
Clock and mirror.....	25 00
Double barrel shot gun.....	20 00
Books, saw, auger, and chisels.....	60 00
Stoneware and preserves.....	14 00
Miscellaneous articles.....	10 00
Corn destroyed.....	25 00
Chickens, &c.....	10 00
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GEO. W. WARD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this the 22d September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

Mr. Tuton states under oath that he knows Mr. Ward to be a citizen of the Territory; that he was familiar with Mr. Ward's property and effects, as he had the same under charge during the absence of Mr. Ward; that he has carefully examined the annexed list of property submitted by Mr. Ward, and knows that the property enumerated was carried off and destroyed at the time by an armed body of men; and that the price annexed to the articles was about the cash price of the same; and believes that the aggregate sum of the loss incurred by Mr. Ward in consequence of the troubles in the Territory, could not, under a fair, just, and reasonable valuation, be less than thirteen hundred and sixty-five dollars.

Sworn to before me, this the 17th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

Mrs. Ward, being duly sworn, says: that she is the wife of Mr. Ward; was at home on the 7th September, 1856; on the evening of that day a body of armed men surrounded the house of the petitioner, (Mr. Ward,) and commenced firing guns; then demanded a surrender of the men. Finding there were no men about the premises, they came into the house, took and carried away all the moveable effects of Mr. Ward, such as bedding, clothing, &c.; threatened at different

times to shoot me if I did not leave the premises ; although being in deshabelle was not allowed to take a suit of wearing apparel ; but applying the torch to the houses, burnt up all the furniture and effects of the petitioner. I have examined the schedule annexed to the petition of Mr. Ward, and know that all the articles mentioned were either burned or carried away. Believe that the property, houses, &c., were destroyed by persons engaged in the rebellion, and in direct resistance to the constituted authorities. Believe that they destroyed Mr. Ward's property because he differed with them in political sentiment. Believe the estimated value of the property destroyed, stolen, or burned, as shown by the schedule, to be fair and correct.

SIDNEY W. WARD.

Subscribed and sworn to, this the 22d of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify, in the foregoing claim of George W. Ward, of \$1,365, that the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

No. 87.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of W. J. Card, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under the act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, William J. Card, of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about the 1st of July, 1856, your petitioner, in consequence of the disturbed condition of the Territory and the fear of bodily harm, (threats of violence having been made against life and property,) left his premises, to seek security elsewhere, leaving at the premises of your petitioner, camp furniture, such as bedding and cooking utensils, also six acres of corn growing, good railed fence around the same ; also, other rails, at said premises. Your petitioner further states that, when he returned to his premises he found all destroyed or carried away. Your petitioner further states that, whilst sojourning in the Delaware county, about the 1st of September, 1856, one pony, the property of your petitioner, was taken and carried away during the night by unknown persons. The loss of above mentioned property was in consequence of the difficulties and disturbed condition of the Territory. The actual loss of said petitioner amounts to the sum of six hundred dollars, for which loss your petitioner has never in any manner received compensation or indemnity.

WILLIAM J. CARD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30th September, A. D. 1857
 H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Wm. J. Card, Dr.

1856.—To camp furniture, cooking utensils, bedding, &c....	50 00
6 acres of corn destroyed or carried away by marauders.....	300 00
Fencing about the field.....	120 00
Rails.....	30 00
Sept'br.—To pony stolen.....	100 00
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WILLIAM J. CARD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30th September, 1857.
 H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Andrew J. Card being duly sworn, says :

That he is acquainted with the petitioner ; knows that he is a citizen of the Territory ; knows that in consequence of the disturbed condition of the Territory and fear of bodily harm the petitioner did leave his premises. Your deponent was with Mr. Card when he left his premises ; knows that he left the property mentioned in the schedule at his premises ; and when he returned that none of the property was there, all destroyed or carried away ; know that about the time mentioned in the petition of Mr. Card that his pony was stolen and carried away, and believe by persons engaged in the difficulties ; know all the facts set forth in the petition to be true ; believe that the losses occurred in consequence of the disturbed condition of the Territory. Your deponent knows that the petitioner had a crop of corn, having assisted in cultivating the same ; had a good fence around the same ; thinks there was about six acres, and would have yielded sixty bushels to the acre ; thinks the corn destroyed was worth \$300. Having carefully examined the schedule appended to the petition of Mr. Card, believes the estimates to be correct, and that the loss would amount to the sum of six hundred dollars.

ANDREW J. CARD.

Sworn and subscribed to this 30th of September, 1856.
 H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Aaron E. Platte being duly sworn, says : That he is acquainted with Mr. Card ; knows him to be a citizen of the Territory ; knows that he left his premises about the 1st July, A. D. 1856, and believes

that he left in fear of bodily harm, in consequence of the disturbed condition of the country ; knows that he left at his premises the articles mentioned in the schedule ; believes that they were stolen or destroyed by marauders engaged in the troubles of the Territory ; believes the estimate placed on the articles lost or destroyed to be just ; knows that he had corn-field, fencing, &c.

AARON E. PLATTE.

Sworn and subscribed to this 30th September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

D. W. Scouten being duly sworn, says : I know the petitioner, W. J. Card ; he is a citizen of the Territory ; I have heard his petition read ; I had just come into the Territory in August, 1856 ; during the disturbances I saw the corn being hauled away by one Phernster, who professed to own the corn ; I know that the rails were sold by the same person to one George Embergen ; there was between five and six acres destroyed ; corn was worth at that time 60 or 70 cents per bushel ; a few weeks after it was worth \$1. He has never received any of said property, nor pay therefor, that I know of.

D. W. SCOUTEN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th December, 1857.

WM. O. LOGE.

I certify in the foregoing claim of W. J. Card, of \$600, that there is proven \$300, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 88.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Kansas. }

Petition of Charles H. Thomas, administrator of the estate of D. C. Buffum, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act passed by the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to audit claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Charles H. Thomas, (administrator of the estate of D. C. Buffum,) of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner, that on or about the 17th of May, A. D. 1856, a party of armed men came to the premises of D. C. Buffum, and took and carried away by force of arms, one bay horse; on the 18th of May, 1856, another body of armed men came to the premises of Mr. D. C. Buffum, and took and carried away two guns, one saddle and bridle; took his bed clothing and other clothing; about the 1st of September, 1856, a large body of men rode through the corn-field of Mr. D. C. Buffum, destroying and doing great damage; at another time, about

the 16th of September, 1856, another body of armed men came to the premises of D. C. Buffum, by force and violence took and carried away one horse and harness, one saddle and bridle, and about fifty chickens, all the property of said David C. Buffum, worth upon a fair and reasonable estimate the sum of five hundred and thirty-eight dollars, for which the said David C. Buffum, or your petitioner for him, has never in any manner received compensation or indemnity.

CHAS. H. THOMAS,
Administrator of DAVID C. BUFFUM.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this the 28th day of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas, David C. Buffum, Dr.

To two guns.....	\$36 00
To two saddles and bridles.....	37 00
To one horse.....	125 00
To one horse.....	150 00
To fifty chickens.....	16 00
To damaged corn.....	100 00
Bed clothing and personal attire.....	75 00
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CHAS. H. THOMAS,
Administrator for DAVID C. BUFFUM.

Edward Thomas, who being duly sworn, says: That he knew D. C. Buffum; knew him to be a citizen of the Territory; having carefully examined the petition of Chas. H. Thomas, administrator of David C. Buffum's estate, know of my own personal knowledge all the facts set forth in the petition to be true, as I was eye witness in all the cases of robbery mentioned in the petition, except what relates to bed-clothing and personal attire; was present at the premises of D. C. Buffum a short time after that happened; believe that estimate as shown in the schedule to be fair and correct.

EDWARD THOMA

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 30th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner auditing claims.

Eliza M. Thomas, who being duly sworn, says: That she has carefully examined the petition of C. H. Thomas, administrator of David C. Buffum's estate; knows all the facts of the petition to be true of her own personal knowledge, except what relates to the bedding, clothing, and saddles; believes all the facts set forth to be true.

ELIZA M. THOMAS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this the 30th day of September, 1856.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of David C. Buffum, deceased of \$539, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 89.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Douglas :*

Petition of Aaron E. Platte, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act to provide for the auditing of claims, approved February 23, 1857.

I, Aaron E. Platte, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner, that on or about the 3d of September, 1856, whilst the Territory was in a disturbed condition, the acting governor having called out the militia to sustain the constituted authorities, a body of armed men, supposed to be militia-men, came to the premises of your petitioner and took possession of the same, sacked the house of all the contents, (see schedule,) and abandoned the same. Value of said lost property amounts to the sum of one hundred and thirty-one dollars, for which your petitioner has never in any manner received compensation or indemnity.

AARON E. PLATTE.

Sworn and subscribed to this 30th of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

SCHEDULE.

To 9 silver spoons and butter knife, valued at.....	\$12 00
clothing.....	65 00
between 30 and 40 hens and chickens.....	10 00
jewelry.....	5 00
tin ware, knives and forks, razors, books.....	5 00
1 linen, 1 cashmere tablespread, towels.....	4 50
purses, money, and bedclothing.....	9 00
box of pens, stamps, and envelopes.....	1 75
silk shawl, stockings, and handkerchiefs.....	7 00
carpet bag, oak pail, butter and salt.....	3 50
corn, potatoes, and melons.....	5 50
curtain tassels, crockery, matches.....	2 25

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AARON E. PLATTE.
SUSAN W. PLATTE.

Subscribed and sworn to this the 30th of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

Susan W. Platte, being duly sworn, says that she is the wife of the petitioner ; lives in Douglas county ; that on or about the 3d of September, 1856, (the militia having been called out and encamped near the petitioner's house,) a body of armed men came to the premises of my husband, took possession of the house, occupying the same ; my husband and myself fled from the house, which was sacked, and the articles mentioned in the schedule were either carried away or destroyed ; know all the articles mentioned in schedule were carried away or destroyed, and believe that the estimate of the property so destroyed or carried to be correct and just, as set down in the schedule, and amounts to the sum of one hundred and thirty-one dollars.

SUSAN W. PLATTE.

Sworn and subscribed this 30th September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

Aaron Sims, being duly sworn, says : I know the petitioner, A. E. Platte ; he is a citizen of this Territory, has been for two years. In the month of September, 1856, I saw the house of Mr. Platte surrounded and entered by an armed body of men, part of the territorial militia called into service by acting Governor Woodson. Mr. Platte had boxed up his goods and household effects, and put them in the wagon, when they approached and commenced firing ; they camped in the house, and made themselves welcome and at home. I saw them killing his chickens and preparing their meals ; they took of the wearing apparel of himself and family, and bed clothing and kitchen furniture, and some silver plate ; they killed nearly all of his chickens ; they were worth at about 37½ cts. each. I presume \$200 would cover his losses of property taken from his house.

AARON SIMS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Aaron E. Platte \$131, and the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 90.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Petition of Charles H. Thomas, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Charles H. Thomas, of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or

about the 16th day of September, 1856, a body of armed men came to the premises of your petitioner, took and carried away by force of arms, one horse, the property of your petitioner; said horse was a brown, and worth, upon a fair and reasonable estimate, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, for which loss your petitioner has never in any manner received compensation or indemnity.

CHARLES H. THOMAS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this the 30th of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas to Charles H. Thomas, Dr.

September 16. To one brown horse..... \$150 00

Edward Thomas, who being duly sworn, says that he was at the premises of his father, Mr. Charles H. Thomas, on the 16th September, 1856, and saw a large body of armed men approach the premises of the petitioner, a part of the force representing themselves as the northern division, entered the premises of the petitioner, and took and carried away by force of arms, one brown horse, the property of Charles H. Thomas, worth one hundred and fifty dollars.

EDWARD THOMAS.

Sworn and subscribed to this 30th September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

Lewis Jenks, who being duly sworn, says that he was at the premises of the petitioner; saw a large armed body approach Mr. Thomas' house; saw them take and carry away the horse described in the petition. The horse was worth one hundred and fifty dollars.

LEWIS JENKS.

Sworn and subscribed to this 30th September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Charles H. Thomas of \$150, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 91.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } *ss.*

Petition of Wesley Garrett, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Wesley Garrett, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the commissioner for auditing claims, that he has

sustained losses growing directly out of the difficulties of this Territory since its organization by way of loss of property, to wit: Bill of corn taken by militia in December, 1855, and from the fifty head of hogs, forty head of pigs.

Your petitioner represents that the corn aforesaid was taken by the militia, about the 5th day of December, 1855. The governor having called out the militia to preserve the peace, and enforce the laws of said Territory, (for which see receipt of "Commissary O'Driscol,") which your petitioner submits as a voucher. Your petitioner represents that he was the owner of about ninety head of hogs, and which your petitioner is informed and believes were killed and butchered by the territorial militia and United States troops at different times; the said militia and United States troops having encamped in the vicinity of your petitioner's premises, and the hogs of your petitioner constantly disappearing, and having been informed by some of the militiamen that the hogs were so killed, your petitioner is well satisfied that all his hogs were so killed; for which loss your petitioner has never received compensation or indemnity; the said hogs were worth the sum of seven hundred and twenty-five dollars.

WESLEY GARRETT.

SCHEDULE.

December 5, 1855.	To nine shocks of corn, \$1 37.....	\$12 37
December 1855-'56.	To fifty head of hogs, at \$10 50.....	525 00
December 1855-'56.	To forty head of pigs, at \$5.....	200 00
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Sworn and subscribed to before me, December 16, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

Bill of corn bought of W. Garrett.

Nine shocks of corn, at \$1 37.....	\$12 00
DECEMBER, 6, 1855.	

B. O'DRISCOL,
Commissary, Colonel Johnstons' Regiment.

Mr. O. H. Browne, of lawful age, being duly sworn, states and says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Wesley Garrett a citizen of Douglas county, Kansas Territory; that he has resided near Lecompton for the last three years. Your deponent was familiar with Mr. Garrett's live stock in the year 1856, having boarded with Mr. Garrett; knows that he was in possession of a large number of hogs, in fine condition; knows that the militia of which your deponent was a private encamped on the claim of Mr. Garrett; knows that said militia or part of them would frequently leave camp, and return with skinned hogs; time of going and returning induced your deponent to believe that the hogs so obtained were the property

of Mr. Garrett. Your deponent further states, that at the same time that hogs were brought into the camp of the militia, Mr. Garrett complained of the loss of his hogs. From all the circumstances, your deponent believes that the militia killed a great number of hogs, the property of Mr. Garrett.

O. H. BROWNE.

Sworn and subscribed to, December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

James H. Spurlock, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is intimately acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Garrett, and knows that in the years 1855 and 1856, said Garret had a great many hogs, and that they daily diminished during the time of the difficulties; and your deponent knows that the United States troops were encamped in the vicinity of Mr. Garrett's home, and the militia encamped on his claim, and your deponent heard universal complaints of the neighbors against the United States troops and the militia for killing their stock. Your deponent is satisfied and believes that a great many of Mr. Garrett's hogs were killed in the manner alleged. Your deponent is unable to state how many hogs Mr. Garrett lost, but believes that the large hogs were worth about ten dollars a head, and the pigs were worth five dollars a head.

JAMES H. SPURLOCK.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 18th day of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Wesley Garrett, that there were \$12 37 of a public class, and \$725 of the private.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 92.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Lecompton, Douglas County, } ss.

November 27 A. D. 1857

To HIRAM J. STRICKLER, *Auditor of Claims*:

Your petitioner, Loami McAurther, public administrator within and for the county of Douglas aforesaid, and administrator of the estate of John Stewart, deceased, who died some time in the month of March, A. D. 1857, would respectfully represent that deceased, in the month of September, A. D. 1856, was a resident of and resided in the county of Douglas aforesaid, and at the time aforesaid was the owner of and in the possession of three fine, young, sorrel mares, worth \$150 each, and that, at the time aforesaid, there came to the house of said deceased a body of armed men, about two hundred in number, and forcibly and violently, and against the will of the said

deceased, seized and took away from said deceased the said sorrel mares, and have ever since detained the same from him the said deceased, and also from your petitioner, said administrator; also, that the said deceased has never received any pay or remuneration therefor, nor has your petitioner, his said administrator, but the same now remains a total loss to the estate of said deceased to the amount of \$450, and for the allowance of which you are now petitioned.

L. MCAURTHUR,
Administrator of the estate of John Stewart, deceased.

L. McAurthur being duly sworn, deposes and says, that the matters and things as stated and set forth in the foregoing petition are true as he is informed and verily believes.

L. MCAURTHUR.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the 27th of November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of Jackson, } ss.

James A. Roundtree, Elizabeth Stewart, Mary Frances Stewart, Elizabeth R. Stewart, and Ezekiel Stewart, who, being duly sworn, depose and say, that, in the month of September, A. D. 1856, John Stewart deceased, was the owner of and in the possession of three sorrel mares, and that, about the time aforesaid, said mares were forcibly taken from his possession by a body of armed men, numbering about fifty or sixty men, who appeared to be organized and instigated by common designs and under the control of one commander. Deceased, at the time aforesaid, was following his legitimate business of farming; and which said horses were never recovered by deceased during his life time, and that the same horses have ever since and now remain a total loss to the estate of said deceased. Said mares were of the value of four hundred dollars (\$400) to the best of our judgment.

JAMES A. ROUNDTREE,
ELIZABETH STEWART,
MARY FRANCES STEWART,
ELIZABETH R. STEWART,
his
EZEKIEL + STEWART.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 28th day of December, A. D. 1857.

WILLIAM L. BONO, *J. P.*

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of Jackson, } ss.

I, John R. Swieangton, clerk of the county court within and for the county aforesaid, do hereby certify that William L. Bono, esq., whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing affidavit, now is, and

was at the time of so doing, an acting justice of the peace within and for the county aforesaid, duly elected, commissioned, and qualified, and that full faith and credit is due, and ought to be given, to all his official acts, as such, as well in courts of justice as thereout.

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and affixed the seal [L. s.] of said court, at office, in the city of Independence, this 28th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOHN R. SWIEANGTON, *Clerk.*

Ambrose J. Bush being duly sworn, deposes and says: That in the month of September, A. D. 1856, John Stewart, deceased, was a resident of the county of Douglas, Kansas Territory, and the owner of three sorrel mares, and in the possession of the same, and that about the time aforesaid, he lost said mares from his possession, which were never recovered by him up to the time of his death, and have since remained a total loss to his estate; said mares were worth the sum of \$400, to the best of my opinion.

AMBROSE J. ^{his} × BUSH.
mark.

Attest;

G. RAUSSER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the clerk of the district court of the United States and Territory of Kansas, in second judicial district, this 3d day of December, A. D. 1857.

In testimony whereof, I have set my hand and affixed the seal of said [L. s.] court, at office in LeCompton, this 3d day of December, A. D. 1857.

L. McARTHUR, *Clerk.*

I certify in the foregoing claim of John Stewart, deceased, \$450, that the whole amount is proven and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 93.

To Honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857:

Your petitioner, Joel Grover, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows: That your petitioner hereinafter stated, was engaged as a farmer in said county; that on the 21st day of May, 1857, your petitioner then living in said county, that on the day and year above mentioned there was taken possession of and destroyed by some men who were said to belong to what was commonly known as the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your

petitioner, the following which is more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at two hundred and thirty dollars; and your petitioner further states that he has not received any pay from any person or persons; your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of two hundred and thirty dollars for the loss sustained by him as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor, pursuant to the statutes made and provided in such cases, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

JOEL GROVER.

Subscribed and sworn to on this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 17th day of November, 1857.

D. H. WEIR, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

Schedule of property referred to in the foregoing petition.

1 one-horse buggy.....	\$150 00
One double barrel gun.....	50 00
One Sharpe's rifle.....	30 00
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Amount	230 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
Douglas County.

Chas. Robinson and George W. Hunt, of said county, being duly sworn, say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read, and know the contents thereof; and the facts therein contained are true, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief; and these affiants further say, that they know on or about the 21st day of May, 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in the said petition described, in the sum of two hundred and thirty dollars. The said property being the same as is stated and specified in the schedule which is hereto annexed; and further these affiants say not.

GEO. F. EARLE, [L. s.]
 C. ROBINSON, [L. s.]
 GEORGE W. HUNT.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *Douglas County.*

Before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, personally appeared George F. Earl, Charles Robinson, and George W. Hunt, and after being duly sworn, upon their oaths say, that the facts set forth in the above affidavit are true, as they verily believe.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857.

D. H. WEIR, *Notary Public.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Joel Grover, of the sum of \$230, there is proven \$230 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Joel Grover the sum of two hundred and thirty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 94.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Samuel N. Simpson, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows :

That your petitioner, on the 21st day of May, and at other times in the year A. D. 1856, there was taken from the possession of your petitioner and conveyed away and destroyed by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following which are fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at the sum of five hundred and seventy-five dollars ; and your petitioner further states that he has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same, and your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of five hundred and seventy-three dollars for the loss sustained by him during the civil feuds that existed during the summer of 1855 and 1856. And your petitioner therefore prays that the same may be paid according to the statutes made and provided in such cases, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

S. N. SIMPSON. [L. s.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, at Lawrence, on this 3d day of December, 1857.

D. H. WEIR, *Notary Public*.

Schedule of property referred to in the foregoing petition.

	Value.
1 overcoat	\$15 00
1 dress coat.....	15 00
1 sack coat	8 00
1 trunk.....	5 00
Vests, shirts, caps, and hats.....	45 00
1 Sharpe's rifle	25 00
1 sporting rifle.....	70 00
Books, miscellaneous works.....	40 00
1 gold watch	75 00
2,500 feet of pine lumber.....	200 00
2,500 feet of walnut lumber.....	75 00
Amount.....	573 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *Douglas County.*

George W. Hunt, S. W. Eldridge, and H. M. Simpson, of Douglas county, being duly sworn, say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read, and know the contents therein contained, and believe the facts set forth are true, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief; and these affiants further say that they know, on or about the 21st day of May, 1856, the petitioner sustained the above loss as set forth and specified in the schedule annexed, and valued at five hundred and seventy-three dollars. And further say not.

H. M. SIMPSON. [L. s.]
 GEORGE W. HUNT. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *Douglas County.*

Before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, personally appeared George W. Hunt and H. M. Simpson, known to me, and after being duly sworn, say that the facts set forth in the above affidavit are true, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 3d day of December, 1857.

D. H. WEIR, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of S. N. Simpson, of \$573, there is proven, of a private class, \$573, and I hereby award to the said S. N. Simpson the sum of five hundred and seventy-three dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 95.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Levi Woodward, of Douglas county, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, as hereinafter stated, was engaged as a farmer in said county; that on the 20th day of August, 1856, there was taken from the possession, and carried away, of your petitioner, by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following, which is fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at one hundred and fifty dollars; and your petitioner further states that he has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same. Your petitioner, therefore, prays that he may receive the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for the damage sustained by him, as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor, pursuant to the statutes in such cases made and provided, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

LEVI WOODWARD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public in and for Douglas county, on this 2d day of December, 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

Schedule of property destroyed, referred to in the foregoing petition.

One horse, valued at - - - - - \$150 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *Douglas County.*

John E. Campbell and Newton Henshaw, of said county, being duly sworn, upon their oaths say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read and know the contents therein contained and the facts set forth are true, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief; and they know on or about the 20th day of August, 1856, the petitioner sustained the above loss of property, as is set forth in said petition and schedule annexed, in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars; and further these affiants say not.

JOHN E. CAMPBELL. [L. S.]
NEWTON HENSHAW. [L. S.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *Douglas County.*

Before me, D. H. Weir, notary public in and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared John Campbell and Newton Henshaw, and after being duly sworn say, that the facts set forth in the above affidavit are true, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 2d day of December, 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public, Douglas County.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Levi Woodward, of the sum of \$150 dollars, there is proven \$150 dollars of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Levi Woodward the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 96.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, &c. under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, John A. Wakefield, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, as hereinafter stated was engaged as a farmer in said county; that on the 1st day of September, A. D. 1856, your petitioner then living in said county; that on the day and year above mentioned, there was taken from the

possession of your petitioner and destroyed by some men who were said to belong to what was commonly known as the territorial militia, whose names were entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following which is more particularly set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at thirty eight hundred and eight dollars; and that your petitioner has not received any pay for the same from any person or persons. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of three thousand eight hundred and eight dollars, for the loss sustained by him as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor, pursuant to the statutes in such cases made and provided, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

JOHN A. WAKEFIELD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, D. H. Wier, notary public, on this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and notarial seal on this 16th day of November, 1857.

D. H. WIER, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

Schedule of the goods and property destroyed and referred to in the foregoing petition.

One dwelling house burned.....	\$800 00
One bureau and its contents	200 00
One manuscript of 700 pages for book.....	500 00
Eight bedsteads and bedding.....	300 00
Bed clothing and wearing apparel.....	350 00
One cooking and one box stove.....	75 00
Fifty weight of ham and one half barrel of pork	75 00
One barrel of salt.....	8 00
One barrel of molasses	25 00
Tools, farming.....	30 00
One top for buggy.....	35 00
One double set of harness burned in barn	50 00
One set of mahogany clairs	25 00
One table and settee.....	35 00
One hundred books.....	200 00
One barn filled with grain.....	400 00
Two rifle guns.....	50 00
Destruction of corn, potatoes, and garden.....	700 00
Damage done to well	50 00
Amount.....	<u>3,808 00</u>

TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
Douglass County.

Samuel Walker and Harrison T. Wakefield, of said county, being duly sworn say: That they have heard the foregoing petition and know the contents thereof, and the facts therein contained are true according to these affiants' knowledge; and these affiants further

say, that they know that on or about the first day of September, 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in the said petition set forth, and to the sum of three thousand eight hundred and eight dollars; the said property being the same as is stated and specified in the foregoing schedule, and further these affiants say not.

HARRISON T. WAKEFIELD, [SEAL.]

SAMUEL WALKER, [SEAL.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
County of Douglas.

Before me, D. H. Wier, the undersigned a notary public duly commissioned and sworn, in and for said county, personally appeared before me Samuel Walker and H. T. Wakefield, whose names appear to the above affidavit, and after being duly sworn depose and say that the contents of the said affidavit are true as they verily believe.

Witness my hand and notarial seal on this 16th day of November, 1857.

D. H. WIER, [L. S.]

Notary Public, Douglas County.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of John A. Wakefield, of the sum of \$3,808, there is proven \$3,808 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said John A. Wakefield the sum of three thousand eight hundred and eight dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 97.

To the Honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims, under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

Your petitioner, James S. Emory, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, as hereinafter stated, was an attorney-at-law in said county; that on the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, your petitioner was living in said county; that on the day and year above written there were taken from the possession of your petitioner, and destroyed by some men who were said to belong to what was known commonly as the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following goods, which are more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at five hundred dollars. And your petitioner further states: That he has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of five hundred dollars for the loss sustained by him, as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor pursuant

to the statutes made and provided in such cases, and for such further relief as your petitioner may be entitled to in the premises.

JAMES S. EMORY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal, at Lawrence, the day and year above written.

D. H. WEIR, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

Schedule of goods destroyed and referred to in the foregoing petition.

One dressing case.....	\$25 00
Seventy-five volumes of law and miscellaneous books.....	475 00
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	500 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas county, } ss.

L. S. Bacon and R. G. Elliott being duly sworn, say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read and know the contents thereof, and the facts therein contained are, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief, true. And these affiants further state: That on or about the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in said petition set forth, in the sum of five hundred dollars, the said property being the same as stated in the above schedule; and further these affiants say not.

L. S. BACON. [SEAL.]
R. G. ELLIOTT. [SEAL.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas county, } ss.

Before me, D. H. Weir, notary public, duly commissioned and sworn in and for the said county, personally appeared L. S. Bacon and R. G. Elliott, whose names are affixed to the above affidavit, who being duly sworn depose and say, that the contents of said affidavit are true, as they verily believe.

Witness my hand and seal, this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857, at Lawrence, Kansas Territory.

D. H. WEIR, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

I hereby certify, that in the foregoing claim of James S. Emory, of the sum of \$500, there is proven \$500 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said James S. Emory the sum of five hundred dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 98.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Simon Ritter, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, as hereinafter stated, was engaged as a hackman in said county; that on the 13th day of September, A. D. 1857, your petitioner, then living in said county; that on the day and year above mentioned, there was taken from the possession of your petitioner by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose names were entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following which is more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at six hundred and forty dollars; and further that your petitioner has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of six hundred and forty dollars for the loss sustained by him, as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor, pursuant to the statute in such cases made and provided, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

SIMON RITTER. [SEAL.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 17th day of November, 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

Schedule of the goods and chattels referred to in the foregoing petition.

Four horses, at \$150.....	\$600 00
One set of double harness.....	40 00
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Amount.....	640 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. } ss.

John H. Wilder and G. W. Hutchison being duly sworn, say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read and know the contents therein contained and the facts stated are true according to these affiants' knowledge and belief; and these affiants further say that on or about the 13th day of September, 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in said petition described, in the sum of six hundred and forty dollars, the said property being the same as is described in the schedule hereunto annexed; and further these affiants says not.

G. W. HUTCHINSON. [SEAL.]
J. H. WILDER. [SEAL.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. } *ss.*

Before me, David H. Wier, a notary public in and for said county, being duly sworn and commissioned in and for said county, personally appeared John Wilder and ————, and upon their oaths say that the facts set forth in the foregoing affidavit are true as they verily believe.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and notarial seal, this 21st day of November, A. D. 1857.

D. H. WIER, [L. S.]
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Simon Ritter, of \$640, there is proven \$640 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Simon Ritter the sum of six hundred and forty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 99.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857:

Your petitioner, Samuel Fry, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, shows that your petitioner, as hereinafter stated, was engaged as a merchant in said county; that on the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, your petitioner was living in said county; that on the day and year above mentioned there was taken from the possession of your petitioner, by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following which is fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at one hundred and fifty dollars. And your petitioner further states that he has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for the losses which he has sustained, as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor pursuant to the statutes made and provided in such cases, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

SAMUEL FRY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 17th day of November at Lawrence.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Goods, miscellaneous articles, to the amount of \$150 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. }

George W. Hunt and Oliver Paul, of Douglas county, being duly sworn, upon their oaths say that they have heard the foregoing petition read, and know the contents therein contained and the facts stated are true, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief; and these affiants further say that on or about the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of goods in the manner in said petition described, in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars; the said property and goods being the same as is specified in the above petition and schedule herein contained. And further these affiants say not.

OLIVER PAUL, [L. s.]
 GEORGE W. HUNT. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. }

Before me, David H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, being duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared George W. Hunt and Oliver Paul, and after being duly sworn say that the facts set forth in the foregoing affidavits are true, as they believe.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Samuel Fry of \$150 there is proven \$150 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Samuel Fry the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 100.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857. -

Your petitioner, Thomas R. Herd, of Douglas county, Kansas, respectfully shows:

That your petitioner, as hereinafter stated, was engaged as a farmer in said county; that on or about the 20th day of August, 1856, your petitioner then lived in said county; that on the day and year above mentioned there was taken from the possession of your petitioner by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose

names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following which is fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at one hundred and thirty dollars; and your petitioner further states that he has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of one hundred and thirty dollars for the loss sustained by him, as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor pursuant to the statutes made and provided in such cases, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

THOMAS R. HERD, [L. s.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 23d day of November, 1857.

D. H. WEIR, *Notary Public.*

Schedule of property referred to in the foregoing petition.

1 bed and bedding.....	\$25 00
4 buffalo robes.....	25 00
50 bushels of corn.....	50 00
Provisions.....	30 00
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Amount.....	130 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. }

Oliver Paul and Thomas R. Herd, jr., of Douglas county, being duly sworn, upon their oaths say, that they have heard the foregoing petition read, and know the contents therein contained, and the facts stated are true according to these affiants' knowledge and belief; and these affiants further say, that on or about the 15th day of August, 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner referred to in the foregoing petition and schedule, in the sum of one hundred and thirty dollars, and further these affiants say not.

OLIVER PAUL, [L. s.]
 THOMAS R. HERD, JR., [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. }

Before me, David H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Oliver Paul and Thomas R. Herd, jr., and upon their oaths say, that the facts set forth in the foregoing petition and schedule are true, as they verily believe.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public, Douglas County.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Thomas R. Herd of \$130 there is proven \$130 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Thomas R. Herd the sum of \$130.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 101.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved, February 23d, A. D. 1857.

Your petitioner, George Earl, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, as hereinafter stated, was engaged as a laboring man in said county; that on the 21st day of May, 1856, your petitioner then living in said county; that on the day and year above mentioned, there was taken from the possession of your petitioner by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following which is fully set forth in a schedule which is hereto annexed, and valued at two hundred and forty-two dollars; and your petitioner further states that he has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of two hundred and forty-two dollars for the loss sustained by him as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor, pursuant to the statutes made and provided.

GEO. F. EARL. [SEAL.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 17th day of November, at Lawrence, Kansas. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, the day and year above written.

D. H. WEIR, *Notary Public.*

Schedule of the property and goods referred to in the foregoing petition.

Clothing.—9 pair shirts.....	\$ 27 00
One coat.....	15 00
One pair pants.....	8 00
One pair pants.....	5 50
Certificate of stock of New England Aid. Company.....	25 00
Note against S. Anderson.....	30 00
Note against M. Grout.....	15 00
One Sharpe's rifle.....	30 00
Specimens of gold.....	35 00
Books.....	50 00
Amount,.....	<u>242 00</u>

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. }

Chas. Robinson and George W. Hunt, being duly sworn, say that they have heard the foregoing petition and know the contents thereof, and the facts therein contained are true according to these affidavits.

belief ; and these affiants further say, that they know, on or about the 21st day of May, 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in said petition set forth, and to the sum of two hundred and forty-two dollars; the said property being the same as is stated and specified in the foregoing schedule; and further these affiants say not.

C. ROBINSON. [SEAL.]
 GEORGE W. HUNT. [SEAL.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. }

Before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, being duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared before me Geo. W. Hunt and Chas. Robinson, whose names appear to the above affidavits; and after, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the contents of the said affidavit are true as they verily believe.

Witness my hand and seal, this 17th day of November, at Lawrence, 1857.

D. H. WEIR, *Notary Public.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of George F. Earle, of \$242, there is proven \$172; and I hereby award to the said Geo. F. Earle, the sum of one hundred and seventy-two dollars, rejecting the "certificate of stock of the New England Aid Company" and the two promissory notes.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 102.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in the Kansas Territory:

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } *ss.*

Abraham Wilder states that on and previous to the 19th day of May, 1856, he was the legal owner of certain property, to wit:

One fine saddle pony, named "Dick," of the value of.....	\$200 00
One saddle and bridle.....	25 00
One pair matched carriage horses, of the value of.....	600 00

In all of the reasonable value of.....	825 00
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And that on or about the 19th day of May, A. D. 1856, in this county, a body of men who claimed to be territorial militia, and a part of Marshal Donaldson's *posse comitatus*, and under his command, cam

with force and arms, and forcibly took said horses and pony, saddle and bridle, out of the possession of complainant, under the pretence that that they had a right, under the proclamation, to take and press into service the property of any man. Complainant further states that, on or about the 28th day of September, A. D. 1856, he was the legal owner of certain other property, to wit:

One pair of horses and wagon, of the value of.....	\$600 00
One set of harness, and buffalo robe, of value of	75 00
One gum overcoat, axe, &c., of the value of.....	30 00
One large mule of the value of	175 00
One gray horse of the value of	175 00
One brown horse, saddle, and bridle	200 00
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In all of the amount of one thousand two hundred and fifty-five dollars, at reasonable value. And that on or about the last day of August, A. D. 1856, a body of armed men, under the command of Captain Emory, came with force and took said property forcibly away out of the possession of your complainant; since which time complainant has not been able to find said property.

Complainant further states that he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory. He further states that he has sustained damages over and above the value of said property, to the sum of five hundred dollars. He further states that during the year 1856, and also the year 1857, he was the occupant and in peaceable possession of a certain timber claim in the immediate vicinity of the city of Lawrence, county of Douglas, in this Territory, and that in the months of November and December, A. D. 1856, a portion of the militia of this Territory, mustered into the service of the United States, cut and destroyed a large quantity of the timber belonging to complainant, of the value of two hundred dollars; and that in the months of July, August, and October, in the year 1857, the United States troops, under the command of Colonel Cook, took and carried away, and otherwise destroyed a quantity of wood and timber belonging to your complainant, of the value of one hundred and fifty dollars; and that the said troops, at the time and place afore-said, took and carried away a large quantity of corn and potatoes; and also took, killed, and carried away a lot of hogs, in all of about the value of two hundred dollars. Complainant further states that he has not sold or disposed of his interest in the property mentioned in this complaint, nor has he ever received, either directly or indirectly, any compensation, either in whole or in part, from any person or persons whatever, for the same. He further states that he has used all due diligence to find said property, but to no effect. He further states that the matters and things set forth in the above complaint are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Abraham Wilder, being duly sworn, says that he is the claimant

named in the above petition ; that the facts therein stated are true of his own knowledge, except as to those matters stated on information and belief, and as to such matters, he believes them to be true.

ABRAHAM WILDER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary public.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Abraham Wilder, Dr.

1856.			
May	19.—To	1 pony, "Dick," a fine saddle horse.....	\$200 00
		1 saddle and bridle.....	25 00
		1 pair matched horses.	600 00
September.	—To	2 horses and wagon.....	600 00
		1 set double harness and buffalo robe.....	75 00
		1 fine overcoat.....	30 00
		1 gray horse.....	175 00
		1 mule.....	175 00
		1 brown saddle horse, saddle and bridle....	200 00
		2 navy revolvers.....	60 00
Nov. and Dec.	—	Damage sustained in consequence of loss of wood taken and destroyed by troops..	.....
1857.			
July, Aug. & October.	&	Wood taken by United States troops, potatoes and corn taken, hogs stolen by troops.....	.....
			2,140 00

Ruben Randall, of lawful age, being duly sworn deposes and says that he knows Abraham Wilder, the petitioner herein, and has known him since the spring of 1855 ; that the said petitioner came into the Territory of Kansas in the month of March, 1855, and settled in Douglas county upon a claim within two miles of the city of Lawrence; that the said petitioner has resided upon said claim up to this time.

The deponent further says that the petitioner herein owned and was possessed of in May, 1856, and for some time prior thereto, a pony, a light bay color of medium size with white nose, and this deponent thinks with one fore foot and both hind ones white; this deponent says that the said pony was well worth the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200); that the said petitioner at the time aforesaid was the owner of a pair of matched horses of large size and black color, which this deponent says were worth the sum of six hundred dollars, or three hundred dollars each. That the said petitioner at the time aforesaid was the owner of saddle and bridle which this deponent says were worth the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.) This deponent further says that this petitioner was in the latter part of August,

1856, the owner of an other pair of horses and wagon ; one of the span was a bay mare of large size, the other a light bay or sorrel horse, with white face, and this deponent says that the horses and wagon aforesaid were worth the sum of six hundred dollars ; that this petitioner at the time aforesaid was also the owner of a large sized mule, light color, which this deponent says was worth one hundred and seventy-five dollars ; that this petitioner was also the owner at the time aforesaid of a large sized gray mare, which this deponent says was worth one hundred and seventy-five dollars ; and that the said petitioner was the owner of a brown horse and another saddle and bridle, which this deponent says were worth two hundred dollars. Further this deponent saith not.

RUBEN RANDALL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public.*

Henry Easter, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that he is acquainted with the petitioner, and has known him since the spring of 1856 ; that he has resided in Douglas county since that time ; that on or about the 28th day of August, 1856, this deponent, in company with Mr. John Wilder, a man by the name of McFarland, and several others, were on the road to Leavenworth city, and when near Little Stranger creek, in Leavenworth county, a company of men under one Fred. Emory, as the deponent is informed and believes, came upon them and took them into the camp of said company ; that the said "Emory" then and there took from the possession of this deponent a span of horses, one of them a bay mare and the other a light bay horse, and two horses, a wagon, and a set of harness, and a buffalo robe, and an overcoat, all the property of the petitioner herein, and appropriated the same to the use of said company ; that the said Emory also, at the same time and place, took from the possession of the said "Jno. Wilder" a brown horse, saddle, and bridle, also the property of this petitioner ; that, at the same time and place, the said Emory took from the possession of this deponent and the said "John Wilder" two navy revolvers. The deponent says that the said span of horses and wagon were worth six hundred dollars, and that the said set of harness and buffalo robe were worth seventy-five dollars ; that the overcoat and axe were worth ninety dollars ; that the brown horse aforesaid was worth, with saddle and bridle, the sum of two hundred dollars ; that the revolvers were worth the sum of twenty-six dollars each. And this deponent further says that the said property, or any part thereof, has never been, to the knowledge of this deponent, returned to this petitioner herein ; further this deponent saith not.

HENRY EASTER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

John H. Wilder, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says, that "Abraham Wilder," the petitioner herein, has resided in Douglas county, Kansas, since the spring of 1855; that this petitioner was the owner, in May, 1856, of a sorrel horse, worth two hundred dollars, and also a span of black horses worth six hundred dollars, and a saddle and bridle worth twenty dollars. That on or about the 19th of May, 1856, the property above named was taken from the possession of this petitioner, by some person or persons unknown to this deponent, but claiming to be of the territorial militia, and said property then and there was carried away; that afterwards, to wit, on the 21st of May, year aforesaid, this deponent saw the said span of black horses and the sorrel horse, aforesaid, in the town of Lawrence, Douglas county, in the possession of one of the companies of militia, under the command of Colonels Abell and Titus. This deponent further says that the property aforesaid, or any part thereof, has not been returned to the petitioner, to my knowledge; that it became to him a total loss; that, in the month of September, year aforesaid, this petitioner was the owner of a light red mule, worth one hundred and seventy-five dollars; that on or about the 15th of September said mule was taken from the claim of this petitioner, in Douglas county aforesaid, by some person or persons unknown to this deponent, but he believes that said mule was taken and carried away by some person or persons connected with or belonging to the territorial militia, and the said mule was and became to the said petitioner a total loss; and this deponent further says that the petitioner was also owner of a gray mare, at the time aforesaid, of large size; that on or about the last of September, 1856, the said mare was taken from the possession of the said petitioner by, as this deponent is informed and believes, some person or persons connected with or belonging to the Kansas territorial militia; that the said mare was worth one hundred and seventy-five dollars; that the said mare was and became to this petitioner a total loss. This deponent further says, that on or about the 28th day of August, 1856, he, in company with about twenty other persons, among whom were Rev. Mr. Narte, three ladies, and Henry Easter, and several others, were on the way to Leavenworth city; this deponent had charge of five two-horse wagons that were going to Leavenworth aforesaid, a company under the command of one Fred. Emory, representing themselves to be of the Kansas militia, arrested and held the said party, together with this deponent, and plundered and took away all of the property belonging to them; that the said company of militia, at that time and place, took from the possession of this deponent certain property belonging to the petitioner herein, to wit: one pair of horses and wagon, one set of harness, buffalo robe, overcoat, axe, one brown horse, saddle, and bridle; the pair of horses aforesaid were worth four hundred and fifty dollars, the wagon was worth one hundred and fifty dollars, the harness and buffalo robe were worth seventy-five dollars, the overcoat and axe were worth thirty dollars; also, at the same time and place, the said company of militia took from the possession of this deponent and Henry Easter, aforesaid, two eight-inch revolvers, Colt's pattern, worth thirty dollars each. The deponent further says that the foregoing was the property of "Abraham Wilder," the petitioner

herein, and was and became, in consequence of such taking by the militia aforesaid, a total loss. This deponent further says that said property, or any part, has not been returned to this petitioner, or the value thereof paid to him, to the knowledge of this deponent. Further, this deponent saith not.

JOHN H. WILDER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Abraham Wilder, of two thousand one hundred and forty dollars, there is proven two thousand one hundred and forty dollars of a private class; and I hereby award to the said Abraham Wilder two thousand one hundred and forty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 103.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Petition of Samuel Crane, jr., of the county of Franklin, Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Samuel Crane, jr., late of the county of Douglas, Territory aforesaid, represent to the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory by way of loss of property since the organization of the Territory, as follows: on or about the 14th of September, A. D. 1856, an army of territorial militia, under command of Generals Reid and Heiskell, called out by proclamation or requisition of acting Governor Woodson, to suppress rebellion and insurrection, and to maintain the laws of the Territory, encamped near my premises joining the town of Franklin, in said Douglas county, and while there took and carried away, killed, used and destroyed the articles charged in the schedule annexed to this petition and made part thereof; said property was destroyed and lost to me, as follows: the cows were driven off by one of the companies of said army as I believe to Missouri; the corn was destroyed by the horses of the army being turned into the field two nights, in all several hundred head. The glass and other articles were destroyed wantonly by some members of the army when they broke my house in the town of Franklin; all of which losses were in consequence of the difficulties in this Territory, for which

I have never received any compensation or indemnity in any manner whatsoever. The prices charged for all of said articles are fair and reasonable.

SAMUEL G. CRANE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Samuel Crane, Dr.

Sept. 14, 1856.	To 2 cows, at \$40 each.....	\$80 00
	To 600 bushels corn destroyed, at \$1.....	600 00
	To 1 box of glass, 10 × 14.....	6 00
	To bed clothing destroyed in house.....	20 00
	To clothing of wife and children.....	10 00
	To 3 doors and locks.....	10 00
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C. M. Wallace, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Samuel Crane, jr. ; have heard his petition read; he is a citizen of this Territory, late of Douglas county, now of Franklin county. I know of my own knowledge that the facts recited in his petition are true, being present in the town of Franklin when his house was broken into and his cattle driven off. Two of his cows were driven off as he alleged; they were worth \$40 each; they were extra good cows. I know that he had some twenty-five or thirty acres of corn destroyed by the army; there was thirty to thirty-five bushels per acre; he had as much as six hundred bushels destroyed; corn was worth at that time and place \$1 per bushel. I know that most all of his clothing and household effects were taken away or destroyed, and his doors taken down; think his charges are all fair and reasonable; don't think he has ever received pay for them in any manner.

C. M. WALLACE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

B. C. Talley, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Samuel Crane; he is a citizen of the Territory; have heard his petition read; I was living in Franklin when the T. militia were encamped near there, as alleged in petition; know that petitioner's cows were driven off, as stated; they were worth \$40 each. I believe he had as much as 600 bushels corn destroyed, as alleged; know that his house was so broken into and his clothing, &c., taken away by some of the militia. His charges are fair, just, and reasonable.

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mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Samuel G. Crane, jr., the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 104.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Douglas*.

Petition of Thomas M. Pierson, under act of territorial assembly and act supplemental thereto, passed and approved the 23d day of February, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying all claims for damages in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory.

The petitioner respectfully showeth to this commissioner that, on or about the 6th day of December, 1855, he was the owner of a black mare, large size, worth one hundred and seventy-five dollars; that on the day aforesaid, to wit, the 6th day of December, 1855, a man by the name of Barber was riding said mare from the town of Lawrence, K. T., to his claim in Douglas county, about eight miles distant therefrom, in a southwest direction; that when about three miles, or thereabouts, distant from Lawrence aforesaid, the said Barber was met by a party, as this petitioner is informed and believes, of the territorial militia; that the said Barber was beset by two certain individuals, as this petitioner is informed and believes, were one Burns and one Clarke, and the said persons, or one of them, with a pistol, shot and wounded said mare so badly that she died the evening of the day aforesaid; the shot aforesaid penetrated the side of the mare aforesaid just behind the foreshoulder. This petitioner further says that he has received no compensation for the loss of said mare. The petitioner also says, that on the 6th day of December, 1855, aforesaid, he had in his possession, and was the owner of a 4-inch revolver, Colt's patent; that at the same time and place that the mare aforesaid was shot, wounded, and killed, the revolver aforesaid dropped from his belt upon the ground; that this petitioner a short time thereafter made search for the revolver and could not find the same, and he really believes that the said Burns and Clarke, both or one of them, took and carried away said revolver. The petitioner further says that the said revolver was worth twenty dollars; that he has not recovered possession of the same, and that he has received no compensation in part or in whole for the same. The petitioner further says that he has been a citizen of Kansas since March, 1855; that the said damage and loss were in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory.

THOMAS M. PIERSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th day of November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

Deposition in support of the claim of Thomas M. Peirson on damage done him during the difficulties in this Territory.

Robert F. Barber, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says that he has been acquainted with Mr. Pierson, the petitioner, since he settled in Kansas Territory and for a long time prior thereto; that the petitioner came into the Territory and settled in Douglas county, the spring of 1855. That on the sixth day of December, 1855, this deponent in company with this petitioner, and brother of this deponent, were riding on horseback from Lawrence to his claim, some six or seven miles distant from Lawrence, a little south of west from that place; that this deponent was riding at that time a mare belonging to Mr. Pierson, the petitioner, of black color and large size; that after proceeding some four miles in the direction of his claim, this deponent and his company were met by a company of twelve or fifteen men on horseback, which this deponent believes was part of the territorial militia; that two men belonging to this company, whom this deponent did not know, but who he is informed and believes were one Burns and Clark, rode immediately in the direction of this deponent's horse and comrades and when within a rod of them, and after a short parley between them and this deponent and his comrades, fired upon him and his comrades, killing one of the men, the brother of this deponent, and fatally wounded the mare aforesaid that this deponent was riding; the ball of the revolver penetrated the side of the said mare just behind the fore shoulder; the said mare died from the effects of the wound she received the evening succeeding; the deponent says the mare aforesaid was worth one hundred and seventy-five dollars. The deponent further says that he knows of this petitioner on the day and year aforesaid, having and owning a four or five inch Colt's revolver, and that at the time before mentioned, when the mare aforesaid was wounded, the said petitioner let the said revolver drop accidentally; that this deponent believes that the said Burns and Clark, or one of them, or some person belonging to their company, took and carried away said revolver; that the said revolver was worth twenty dollars. Further, this deponent saith not.

ROBERT F. BARBER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, 17th November, A. D., 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

Thomas Bickerton, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says that he is acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Pierson, that he resides about six miles south of west of Lawrence, Douglas county, Kansas Territory, that he has resided in that place for two years and a half; knows of this petitioner, owning a black mare, on the 6th day of December, 1855, and for some time prior thereto; live the next claim to Mr. Pierson, the petitioner; that he knows of the mare aforesaid being shot and that she died from the effects of the wound; the said mare was worth one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

THOMAS BICKERTON.

Sworn to, and subscribed before me, this 17th August, A. D., 1857.
 H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Thomas M. Pierson of ninety-five dollars, there is proven ninety-five dollars of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Thomas M. Pierson ninety-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 104.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Petition of Charles W. Smith, under act of the legislative assembly and act supplemental thereto passed in February, 1857, and approved, providing for the auditing and certifying claims for damage suffered during the late difficulties in Kansas.

The above named petitioner respectfully shows to this commissioner that on or about the 5th September, A. D. 1856, he was the legal owner of two chairs, two small trunks, nineteen wiping towels, three comforters, two quilts and one pair of blankets, and divers other bed clothing; two shawls, one black frockcoat, one pair pants, two pairs drawers, three pairs socks, several woman's skirts and underclothes, two rabet planes, two side planes, seven gauges, five chisels, one bit brace and several bits, seven locks, twenty-three pairs hinges, several papers of screws and brads, two sacks of flour, thirty pounds butter, three gallons of preserves, thirty pounds of pork and beef, two bushels and a half cornmeal, fourteen books of a miscellaneous character, and seven daguerreotypes, together with a crop of corn and potatoes; all of which were destroyed or carried away from the house, farm and possession of your petitioner, by persons claiming to belong to the territorial militia of Kansas Territory, to the damage of your petitioner two hundred and five dollars, to wit:

Damage to the crops.....	\$70
Two chairs and two trunks, with damage to windows and doors of your petitioner's house	15
Bedding taken.....	15
Clothing	25
Carpenters' tools and house trimmings.....	25
Provisions	25
Books	15
Daguerreotypes	15
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That this territorial militia to the number of about three hundred was encamped within three-quarters of a mile of the house of your petitioner, under the command of Generals Stringfellow and Cramer, in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and that this petitioner is a bona fide resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and that none of the above property has ever been paid for to this petitioner, nor has the same been returned, and that the damage aforesaid was done without the permission of this petitioner; therefore your petitioner prays that the above claim of two hundred and five dollars be allowed him for the damage he sustained in the late troubles in Kansas Territory.

CHARLES W. SMITH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857.

[L. s.]

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public*.

Nathan Harkett, of Douglas county, being duly sworn, says that he has resided in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, for the two years last past; that he is acquainted with Charles W. Smith, the above petitioner; that on or about the 5th of September, 1856, there were from three to five hundred persons, claiming to be territorial militia of Kansas Territory, and under the command of General Richardson or other person, encamped within three-quarters of a mile of the house of the above petitioner, and that while they were there encamped large quantities of corn, potatoes, melons, and other vegetables were carried off from the field of the above petitioner, and that damage was done to the house of the above petitioner and to his furniture, and that the aforesaid books, daguerreotypes, provisions, house trimmings, clothing, &c., above mentioned, were in the possession of the petitioner aforesaid when said militia encamped there, and that they were carried off while they were there, but who carried them away or of what value they were this deponent cannot state of his own knowledge.

NATHAN HARKETT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th August, A. D. 1857.

[L. s.]

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public*.

Lucretia B. Smith, being duly sworn, says that she is the wife of the above named petitioner; that she has resided in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, for the two years last past; that this deponent and her said husband had resided during that time on their farm, some six miles west of Lawrence, K. T.; that on or about the 5th of September, 1856, from three to five hundred persons, under the supposed command of Generals Stringfellow and Cramer, and claiming to be territorial militia of Kansas Territory, were encamped within three-quarters of a mile of the house of the above petitioner; that large numbers of those persons entered the cornfield of the petitioner and carried away large quantities of corn, potatoes, and vegetables; that they entered the house of the above petitioner and broke and destroyed two chairs, two trunks, and broke the window sash and carving off one window, split the door casing, carried away numerous articles of bed-

ding and clothing, together with carpenters' tools, house trimmings, provisions, books, daguerreotypes, of great value, to wit: of the value of two hundred and five dollars and upwards; that said loss was sustained during the troubles in Kansas Territory in 1856, and that none of said property has ever been returned nor any pay been received for the same by the above petitioner.

LUCRETIA B. SMITH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th day of November, 1857.

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace, for Lecompton township, Douglas county, Kansas Territory, Lucretia B. Smith, who being duly sworn, states the contents of the above paper is correct and true to the best of her knowledge and belief.

LECOMPTON, *November 17, 1857.*

THOMAS OLIVER, [L. s.]

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Charles W. Smith of \$205, there is proven \$205 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Charles W. Smith \$205.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 105.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of David Burton, under an act of legislative assembly passed and approved the 23d day of February, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying all claims for damage in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this, Kansas Territory, before H. J. Strickler, commissioner.

The petitioner respectfully showeth: That on the 15th day of September, 1856, and for some time prior thereto, he was the owner of certain personal property, the items of which, with the value thereof, are specifically set forth in a schedule annexed to and forming part of this petition; that on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, some persons belonging to the territorial militia under the command of Generals Reid and Richardson, as he is informed and believes, took and carried said property from the premises of this petitioner, without any cause therefor from this petitioner, and without paying for the same or any part thereof. The petitioner further says: That he lived at the time the property aforesaid was taken from his possession in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, near to the town of Franklin; that he now resides in Franklin county, Kansas Territory; that he has received no compensation for the loss and damage growing out of said loss of the property aforesaid or any part thereof; that the loss

aforesaid was in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this territory. Wherefore this petitioner asks that loss and damages herein set forth be allowed, and the damage assessed at the sum of 1,025 dollars.

DAVID BURTON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, 16th November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to David Burton, Dr.

To 3 yoke of oxen, at \$125.....	\$375 00
6 cows and calves, at \$40.....	240 00
6 two-year old cattle, at \$25.....	150 00
1 wagon (two-horse lumber).....	100 00
3 guns, 2 at \$40, and 1 at \$10.....	50 00
bed clothing, wearing apparel.....	50 00
hay	10 00
vegetables and corn.....	50 00
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

Deposition taken in support of the claim of David Burton for damage done him during the difficulties in Kansas Territory.

Charles E. Burton, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner herein, David Burton; that the said petitioner has lived in the Territory of Kansas about three years; that he moved upon and occupied a claim near the town of Franklin in September, 1854; that the said petitioner is now a resident of Franklin county; that on or about the 15th day of September, 1856, this petitioner was the owner of three yoke of oxen, two yoke of the same were red; the other yoke, one was red and white and the other was a brindle; the three yoke of cattle were worth three hundred and seventy-five dollars; that on the day aforesaid, (the 15th of September, 1856,) this petitioner, was the owner of six cows and calves that were worth in all two hundred and fifty dollars; that on the 15th of September, 1856, aforesaid, this petitioner was owner of six head of two-year old cattle worth twenty-five dollars a head, in all (\$150) one hundred and fifty dollars; that on the day and year aforesaid this petitioner was owner of one two-horse wagon, worth one hundred dollars; that on the 15th day of September, 1856, some persons, as this deponent is informed and believes, belonging to this territorial militia, then encamped near the premises of this petitioner, drove from the

premises of the said petitioner the three yoke of oxen, the six cows and calves, and the six two-year-old cattle; and they were, he believes, connected with, and belonging to the camp of militia aforesaid; that they received no license from this petitioner to take the said cattle, and that they gave him no compensation for the same; that on September 14, 1856, the said persons whom this deponent saw take and carry away the cattle above mentioned, in the presence of this deponent came and took away a two-horse wagon, the property of this petitioner, and paid the said petitioner nothing for the same, and took the same without any license therefor from this petitioner; that on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, some persons belonging to the company of militia aforesaid came upon the premises of the petitioner herein, and in the presence of this deponent dug up and carried away potatoes and other vegetables belonging to this petitioner, to his damage, as this deponent believes, to the amount of fifty dollars; that this petitioner received no compensation therefor, and gave no license to said persons to dig or carry said vegetables away; that on the days above mentioned some persons belonging to the militia aforesaid came to the premises of this petitioner and entered his house, and then took and carried away the following property belonging to the said petitioner, to wit, bed clothing and wearing apparel, the value of which this deponent says was at least fifty dollars—and three guns, two of which were worth twenty dollars each, and the other ten dollars; that the same persons on the days aforesaid took and carried away hay belonging to this petitioner, the amount of which this deponent cannot precisely state, but thinks there was at least ten dollars' worth; this also was taken without license, and without compensation. This deponent further says that this property has not been returned, or any part thereof, and that this petitioner has received no compensation for it, nor any part thereof. Further this deponent saith not.

CHARLES E. BURTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

William C. Bridges, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: That he was a neighbor to the petitioner, David Burton, in September, 1856; that they lived in Douglas county, Kansas; that he knows of there being an encampment of the territorial militia near the premises of the said petitioner, on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856; that he saw the persons in the act of driving away cattle belonging to this petitioner, and saw them drive said cattle into the county aforesaid. This deponent thinks there were twenty or twenty-five head in the drove. This deponent further says: that among the said cattle were three yoke of oxen belonging to the said petitioner, worth, this deponent believes, one hundred and twenty-five dollars per yoke. This deponent knows of this petitioner owning six cows, which he believes were driven away at the time aforesaid; they were worth thirty dollars per head; and also six calves, worth ten dollars

each ; and this deponent knows that the petitioner owned, at this time, a two-horse wagon, which was missing upon the 15th of September, year aforesaid, and this deponent believes that the said wagon was taken away by some person or persons to said camp. This deponent further says ; that he knows of this petitioner owning six head of two-year-old cattle on September 14, 1854, and for some time prior thereto, and that he believes that said cattle were in the drove ; they were taken away by the persons from the camp aforesaid, on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856 ; that they were worth twenty-five dollars each. Further this deponent saith not.

WILLIAM C. ^{his} + BRIDGES.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, 1856.

H. J. STRICKLER.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of David Burton of \$1,025, there is proven \$1,025 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said David Burton one thousand and twenty-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 106.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Petition of William C. Bridges, under act of the legislative assembly, and act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying of all claims for damages in consequence of, and growing out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory, respectfully showeth to this commissioner :

That he has resided in Kansas Territory since September, 1854 ; that in September, 1856, and for a long time prior thereto he resided in Douglas county, Kansas ; that on or about the 14th day of September, 1856, he was the owner of three head of oxen, worth fifty dollars a head, and four yearlings, worth fifteen dollars each ; that on the days of the 14th and 15th of September, 1856, some persons belonging to a company of men said to be the territorial militia, took from the possession of this petitioner and carried away the said cattle ; that they became unto this petitioner a total loss ; that on the 15th day of September, year aforesaid, some persons belonging to the company of militia aforesaid came to the premises of this petitioner and wilfully set fire to his house, and it was totally consumed, to the damage of this petitioner of seventy-five dollars ; that on the 15th day of September, year aforesaid, this petitioner was owner of a field of corn on his claim, containing eighteen or twenty acres ; that some persons belonging to the camp aforesaid cut and carried away a large amount of said corn ; the exact amount of said corn this petitioner

does not state, but believes that the damage done to the said field of corn was not less than fifty dollars. The petitioner further states, that he gave no license to said persons to take away said cattle or other property, and that he gave no license to them to cut and carry said corn away, nor has received any compensation for the loss of said property, or any part thereof. He further says, that he is a citizen of Kansas, and that the property aforesaid was taken during the difficulties, and the loss thereof was in consequence of and growing out of said difficulties; wherefore he asks this commissioner that he will allow the damage herein claimed and assessed at the amount of three hundred and thirty-five dollars.

WILLIAM C. ^{his} + BRIDGES.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th November, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Wm. C. Bridges, Dr.

September 14 and 15. To 3 oxen.....	\$175 00
4 yearlings, at \$15 each.....	60 00
one house.....	75 0
corn.....	50 00
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	360 00
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WM. C. ^{his} × BRIDGES.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, 18 57
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

Depositions in support of the claim of Wm. C. Bridges for damages, &c.

David Burton, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: That he knows the petitioner, Wm. H. Bridges; that in the year of 1856, and in September of that year, he was neighbor, lived near the town of Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas; that on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, this deponent saw a company of men drive cattle belonging to this petitioner away. This company were part of a company of what were called territorial militia under General Richardson and Reid, as this deponent is informed and believes; that there were three head of cattle, the property of the petitioner, driven away, one yoke of which was worth one hundred and twenty-five dollars, the single ox was worth fifty dollars; also in this lot that was driven away this deponent saw four yearlings, the property of this petitioner, which the said company drove away. The said yearlings were worth fifteen dollars per head. This deponent further says that in the after-

noon of the 15th day of September, 1856, some persons belonging to the company of militia aforesaid, as this deponent is informed and believes, set on fire a house belonging to this petitioner, and the said house was entirely consumed. The said company were encamped around the said building and occupied the same during the time were so encamped. About the time the said company were leaving, the said house was seen, by this deponent, to be on fire. The damage or loss of this petitioner in consequence of this burning of his building, this deponent says, was seventy-five dollars. The deponent further says that the petitioner owned a field of corn containing something like twenty acres. On the 15th day of September, and for a long time prior thereto, that persons belonging to the militia at different times, to the knowledge of this deponent, cut and carried corn from the said field. This deponent says the amount of corn so taken he cannot precisely state, but the damage of the taking thereof was fifty dollars. This deponent further says that the petitioner is a citizen of Kansas Territory, and has resided in said Territory for the past three years. Further he saith not.

DAVID BURTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day November, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

Charles E. Burton, of lawful age, being duly sworn says: That he saw persons belonging to the territorial militia, on the 14th day of September, 1856, drive away cattle, the property of Wm. C. Bridges, the petitioner herein; that the cattle so taken were the oxen, worth one hundred and seventy-five dollars; four yearlings, worth fifteen dollars each; that the said company were encamped near the premises of this petitioner. This deponent further says that he saw a building belonging to this petitioner burning on the 15th day of September, 1856. The said building was in the midst of the camp of said militia, and was seen by this deponent to be on fire just as the said company were leaving. The building was worth seventy-five dollars. This deponent further says that he saw persons belonging to the militia aforesaid cut and carry away from a field of corn the property of this petitioner. That on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, this deponent thinks the damages then done this petitioner was fifty dollars. This deponent further says that the petitioner is a citizen of Kansas, and has lived here for the space of three years.

CHARLES E. BURTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th of November, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of William C. Bridges of \$360 there is proven \$360 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said William C. Bridges three hundred and sixty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 107.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Douglas.*

Petition of James McGee, under the act of the legislative assembly, and act supplemental thereto, passed in February, 1857, and approved prior, and for the auditing and certifying of claims for damage suffered during the late difficulties in Kansas.

The above named petitioner respectfully shows to this commissioner, that on or about the 15th of September, 1856, he was the legal owner of two yoke of oxen of the following description: that is to say one yoke of said oxen were red, and the other yoke was spotted, of the value of \$130 each—\$260; he was also the owner of two certain milch cows of the following description, both of which were red and white, of the value of thirty dollars each; and also one pony, of the following description, to wit: dark bay pony, of large size, of the value of forty-five dollars; also one calf, of the value of ten dollars; and also one saddle and bridle and blanket, of the value of eighteen dollars; the said property, in the aggregate, was of the value of \$403. That, on the day aforesaid, the said property was taken by some person or persons belonging to the territorial militia, under the command of General Richardson, and carried away from the possession of this petitioner, and became to him a total loss. This petitioner further says, that he was, at the time the said property was taken and carried away, a citizen of Douglas county, and resided near the town of Franklin, in Kansas Territory; that the said property, or any part thereof, has never been recovered, and that the said petitioner has received for the same or any part thereof no compensation. He therefore asks this commissioner that he will allow to him as damage the sum of four hundred and three dollars.

JAMES MCGEE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 14th day of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

Deposition in support of the claim of James McGee for damage suffered during the late difficulties in Kansas, made to H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims for damage as aforesaid.

Susannah Corel, being duly sworn, says: That she is acquainted with the petitioner, James McGee; that she lives in Douglas county, Kansas; that the said petitioner lives in the said county of Douglas, and has lived in the said county since spring of 1855. That on or about the 14th day of September, 1856, a large company of what were called Kansas militia were encamped near the premises of this petitioner, and, as this deponent was informed, under the

command of General Richardson. That this deponent knows of this petitioner being owner of two yoke of oxen at the time aforesaid; the said oxen were of the following description: one yoke of the said oxen was red, the other yoke was spotted. This deponent says that the value of the said oxen was one hundred and fifty dollars per yoke; that on the day aforesaid three men came to the dwelling of this petitioner and drove away the said oxen, and the said men were soon after joined by a company of the said militia. That this petitioner was, at that time aforesaid, owner of two certain milch cows, of the following description, to wit: both of said cows were red and white; and this deponent says that they were each of the value of thirty-five dollars. This deponent says further that the said cows were driven away at the time aforesaid by the three men aforesaid belonging to the said company of militia; that this deponent further says, that on the day aforesaid this petitioner was the owner of a certain pony, of bay color; that on the evening of the said day some person or persons belonging to said company of militia took from the premises of this petitioner the said pony and carried him away; that this said pony was of the value of \$45. That on the same day some person or persons belonging to the company of militia aforesaid came to the premises of this petitioner and killed a calf belonging to said petitioner, and took away the meat and skin of the same; the said calf was of the value of ten dollars. This deponent further says, that on the same day some person or persons belonging to the said company of militia, took from the premises of this petitioner one saddle, bridle, and blanket, the property of said petitioner, and carried the same away; that these several articles were of the value of eighteen dollars; further says that none of the property which she has sworn was taken from the premises of this petitioner has ever been returned to him; further this deponent saith not.

SUSANNAH COREL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 14th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

Milley McGee, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: That he lives with the petitioner, James McGee; that on or about the 15th day of September, 1856, the said petitioner owned one yoke of red oxen, one yoke of spotted oxen, two cows, and one red calf; on the 15th day of September, in the year aforesaid, that the said cattle and calf were running at that time near the residence of this petitioner. This deponent says that he saw several men whom he believes were connected with the territorial militia drive the said cattle away; that the men aforesaid were soon after joined by a company of said militia; that the said cattle were taken by the militia aforesaid; a pony, a bay color, the property of this petitioner, was taken from the field of this petitioner by some person or persons unknown to this deponent, but belonging, he believes, to the company of territorial militia aforesaid. This deponent further says that the calf aforesaid was killed by some

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persons belonging to the militia aforesaid, and the flesh and skin thereof taken away to the camp of said company, three quarters of a mile distant from the residence and premises of this petitioner. The deponent further says that the petitioner has never recovered the property herein set forth or any part thereof, and that he has never received, either directly or indirectly, any compensation for the same. Further this deponent saith not.

his
MILLEY + McGEE.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 14th day of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD, [L. s.]

Notary Public.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of James McGee of \$403, there is proven \$403 of a private class; and I hereby award to the said James McGee four hundred and three dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 108.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Petition of W. J. Buchanon, under the act of the legislative assembly and act supplementary thereto, passed in February, 1857, and approved, providing for the auditing and certifying claims for damages suffered during the late difficulties in Kansas.

The above petitioner respectfully shows to this commissioner that on or about the 10th day of June, 1856, he was the legal owner of a Durham milch cow, which this petitioner has cause to believe was taken away without his knowledge or consent, by an armed body of men, who were at that time in the vicinity of this petitioner's residence, and who claimed to belong to the southern-rights army or militia of this Territory, to the damage of your petitioner of \$25; that this territorial militia were encamped at Bull creek, within twenty miles of the house of your petitioner, under the command of one Reid, and that persons belonging to said militia were in the habit of visiting the neighborhood of your petitioner at that time, for the purpose of taking away cattle and other property from the citizens of his neighborhood, in Douglas county, Kansas Territory; and that the above property has never been paid for to this petitioner, nor has the same been returned: Therefore your petitioner prays that the above claim of twenty-five dollars be allowed him for the damages he has sustained in the late troubles in Kansas Territory.

W. J. Buchanon, being duly sworn, says that he is the claimant of the damages set forth in the above petition.

WASHINGTON J. BUCHANON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public.*

E. Hill, being duly sworn, says: That he has resided in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, for the last three years and five months past; that he is acquainted with W. J. Buchanon, the above petitioner, ever since said petitioner has resided in Kansas Territory; that there was a body of armed men encamped at Bull creek, twelve miles distant from the residence of your petitioner, and on or about the 10th day of June, A. D. 1856, who claimed to be the territorial militia of Kansas; that parties belonging to said camp were in the habit of visiting the neighborhood of the said W. J. Buchanon for the purpose of plundering the citizens of said neighborhood, and driving off their cattle to supply their camp; that on or about that time the said W. J. Buchanon was the legal owner of one Durham milch cow, which he then lost; and this deponent does not know of the above petitioner ever having received payment for the said Durham cow; that she was never returned to said petitioner.

EBIZA HILL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, 1856.

E. D. LADD. [L. s.]

Peter Bayourger, being duly sworn, says: That he has resided for the last three years past in Douglas county, Kansas Territory; that he has been acquainted with W. J. Buchanon for the last two years past; that said petitioner was, on or about the tenth day of June, A. D. 1856, the legal owner of one Durham milch cow, worth about twenty-five dollars; that, on or about that time, said Durham cow was driven away without the consent of the owner; that the neighborhood in which the above petitioner was at that time living was frequently visited by persons claiming to belong to the territorial militia of Kansas Territory for the purpose of plundering and driving away cattle, the property of other persons, to supply their camp, and that said parties claiming to belong to the territorial militia of Kansas were at that time encamped on Bull creek, twelve miles from the house of the above petitioner.

PETER ^{his} ~~mark~~ BAYOURGER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD, [L. s.]

Notary Public.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Washington J. Buchanon of twenty-five dollars, there is proven twenty-five dollars of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Washington J. Buchanon twenty-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 109.

The petition of William Green Price, under act of territorial assembly, and act supplementary thereto, passed and approved the 23d day of February, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying all claims for damages arising out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory:

Respectfully represents to the commissioner that he is and has been a citizen of Kansas Territory since the winter of 1855; that on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, and for some time prior thereto was a resident of the town of Franklin, Douglas county, Territory of Kansas; that he was a house holder in said town at the time aforesaid, and was owner of and in possession of a grocery store in said town at the time aforesaid; that his dwelling contained furniture of all descriptions usually found in a dwelling-house; the articles thereof are respectfully set forth, with their value, in a schedule annexed to and part of this petition; that in the grocery store aforesaid this petitioner owned a stock—liquors, groceries, dry goods—which he cannot at this time particularly describe, but was of great value, to wit: the value of three hundred dollars; that the household goods were also of great value, to wit: the value of one hundred dollars; that on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, aforesaid, there was an encampment of a large number of persons, who this petitioner is informed and believes were of the territorial militia, in the said town of Franklin, under the command, as this petitioner is informed and believes, of General Reid; that the life of this petitioner had been threatened by persons belonging to said militia, and he, therefore, to save his life, as he verily believes, left his said dwelling, in Franklin, with his family on the 14th day of September, 1856, aforesaid; that he locked the door of the grocery store aforesaid, and secured it well, and also fastened securely the doors and windows of the dwelling aforesaid; that he had no time and no means to take the property aforesaid with him, either from his dwelling or the grocery store aforesaid; that none of the property for loss of which he in the petition claims damage, was so taken away.

That on the 17th day of September, year aforesaid, this petitioner returned, and found his house had been entered, the doors broken down, and windows smashed in, and the furniture that was left by him in the said houses on the 14th of September, 1856, was missing, bedding and clothing was destroyed, and dishes and tables were broken and destroyed; that the said grocery store was also broken into, and the same was plundered of every valuable thing therein, consisting of liquors, groceries of all descriptions, and forming a good stock for such an establishment. He believes that the property was taken and destroyed by some persons belonging to said militia. The petitioner further says that these goods and groceries, and household merchandise was and became to him a total loss; that he has received no compensation, either in whole or in part, for the same, nor has received any part of the said property.

He therefore asks this commissioner that he will allow his claim for damages, and assess the amount at four hundred dollars.

WM. G. PRICE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29th day of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Justice of the Peace.

SCHEDULE.

1 barrel liquor, 40 gallons.....	\$40 00
10 gallons.....	23 50
10 gallons Cogniac brandy.....	25 00
5 gallons cherry brandy.....	7 50
1 barrel ale.....	24 00
7 bar bottles.....	5 25
10 gallons sweet wine.....	10 00
1 dozen bottles claret wine.....	5 00
2 dozen jars pickles.....	20 00
1 dozen pepper sauce.....	2 00
1 dozen boxes mustard.....	2 50
2 dozen boxes shoe blacking.....	1 50
1 dozen boxes sardines.....	3 00
1 sack of coffee.....	12 00
20 pounds of tea.....	12 00
1 barrel sugar.....	12 00
3 bushels dried apples.....	9 00
2 dozen canteens.....	9 60
15 pounds starch.....	3 00
10 pounds pepper.....	2 00
1 box ginger.....	3 00
1 dozen bed-cords.....	1 80
1 dozen sacks dairy salt.....	4 80
1 box candles.....	3 60
1 box soap.....	4 50
1 barrel crackers.....	3 50
1 gross cards.....	5 00
Broken doors and windows.....	30 00
1 barrel molasses.....	30 00
Box lemon syrup.....	4 50
1 box pint flasks.....	2 00
5 quilts and 2 comforts.....	20 00
2 pillows and 2 sheets.....	3 50
1 silk dress.....	23 50
1 silk shawl.....	7 00
16 yards lawn, 40 cents.....	6 40
34 yards calico, 15 cents.....	5 10
1 pair boots and 1 pair shoes.....	5 25
Fancy hat and clothing for child.....	5 00

2 pair pants, 2 shirts, 1 coat	10 00
Sundry household articles	15 00
	\$422 30

WM. G. PRICE.

Depositions in support of the claim of Wm. G. Price for damages sustained during the difficulties in this Territory.

Lucy A. Maggard, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says : She knows the petitioner, Wm. G. Price ; he has been a resident of Kansas Territory since the winter of 1855 ; that at that time he settled in the town of Franklin, Douglas county. On the 14th and 15th days of September, and for a long time before, he was owner of a grocery store in said town of Franklin ; that the stock in the said grocery store consisted of sugar, coffee, tea, starch, liquor, ale, camphene, sardines, and other articles—a general assortment of groceries, such as are kept for sale in such establishments ; the value of these groceries this deponent believes was three hundred dollars.

The deponent further says, that this petitioner was, at the time aforesaid the owner of a house in said town of Franklin, and that he had a family and dwelled therein ; that the furniture and clothing in said house was well worth one hundred dollars ; the goods and merchandize in said house on the day aforesaid consisted of household furniture, clothing, beds and bedding, dishes, &c. ; that on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, the said town of Franklin was invested by a force of what represented themselves to be the Kansas territorial militia ; that the said militia expelled from the said town the inhabitants thereof, among which were this deponent and the petitioner herein ; the grocery store of the petitioner was well secured, and also the dwelling house was well fastened by this deponent before leaving the said town ; that the said petitioner was absent from said town for the space of three days, and on his return thereto the grocery store had been broken into, and the goods and merchandise therein, as above specified, carried away or totally destroyed ; that the dwelling house of this petitioner was also broken into, and the furniture therein, with the clothing, beds and bedding, was missing or destroyed.

This deponent further says, that she believes that the persons belonging to said militia so encamped in the town of Franklin committed the depredations upon the property of this petitioner, and that they took and carried it away ; that the said property was stolen, and this petitioner deprived of the use and value thereof, during the late difficulties in this Territory ; that the said petitioner was at that time and is now a citizen of Kansas Territory.

LUCY A. MAGGARD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29th day of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD, J. P.

Alfred Johnson, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he knew this petitioner in the summer of 1856 ; that the said petitioner, on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, and for a

long time prior thereto resided in Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas Territory; knows of his having and owning a grocery store in said town; the stock consisted of sugar, coffee, teas, liquor, ale, &c.; a general assortment of groceries; the stock aforesaid was well worth three hundred dollars; knows of his being a householder in the said town of Franklin, and had furniture in his dwelling house that is usually found in dwelling houses; that the value of the household goods was at least one hundred dollars; that this petitioner owned and possessed the above property on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, and for a long time prior thereto; that on the days aforesaid the Territorial militia were encamped in the town of Franklin aforesaid, and were under command of General Reid; that the said militia compelled the inhabitants of said town, on the days and year aforesaid, to leave the same; that the said inhabitants or most of them did so leave; that this petitioner was among the prisoners that were compelled to quit the place; that on the 16th of September, 1856, the said petitioner and this deponent returned to said town of Franklin and found the petitioner's store broken into, and the goods and merchandise therein taken away or destroyed. This deponent believes that the said property was taken or destroyed by some person or persons belonging to said militia; that the dwelling of this petitioner had also been broken into, and the household goods destroyed or carried away. This deponent believes that the household goods aforesaid were also taken or destroyed by some person or persons connected with the said militia; that the said property was carried away or destroyed during the difficulties in the Territory; that this petitioner is and has been a citizen of Kansas for about two years; further he saith not.

ALFRED JOHNSON.

Subscribed and sworn to, this 29th day of November, 1857, before me.
E. D. LADD, *J. P.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of William Green Price, of \$422 30, there is proven \$422 30 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said William Green Price the sum of \$422 30.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.



No. 110.

PAOLA, KANSAS TERRITORY,
October 26, 1857.

To the honorable commissioner appointed under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857, by the legislative authority of Kansas Territory, at Le-compton assembly.

Your petitioner, Andrew D. Carey, of Franklin county, Kansas Territory, would respectfully represent, that he has been an orderly

citizen of Kansas Territory since January, 1855; has been residing in said Territory with his family; has never belonged to any military organization or taken up arms in said Territory. Nevertheless, during the fall of 1856, perhaps in the month of October, while armed bodies of men were ravaging the country, and general distress pervaded the country, a certain body of armed men with guns, came to the premises of your petitioner, in Franklin county, Kansas Territory, and by force and violence and against the will of your petitioner, took the following property, viz: About thirty acres of corn standing in the field, and about thirty head of hogs, most of which was large enough and ready for packing, with a goodly number of shoats and pig, number not known; therefore your petitioner states that he was damaged at least two hundred and fifty-six dollars, (\$256 00,) viz:

Corn	\$156 00
Hogs	100 00
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Total.....	256 00
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For which he prays relief as contemplated by the act before mentioned, and your petitioner will ever pray, &c.

A. D. CAREY.

CERTIFICATE.

From the best of our knowledge and belief, we living in the neighborhood and being cognizant to the facts, the foregoing petition of A. D. Carey, and the matters therein stated, as to his loss of the property therein specified, are true.

W. N. ^{his} + ARMSTRONG.
S. A. ^{mark.} HESTER.

Be it remembered that on this the 4th of December, 1857, the foregoing petition and certificate were sworn to and subscribed before me, a justice of the peace, in and for the county of Lykins, Territory of Kansas: in testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand and seal.

HENRY W. POCK, *J. P. L. C.*, [L. s.]

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of A. D. Carey of \$256, there is proven of a private class \$256, and I hereby award to the said A. D. Carey, the sum of two hundred and fifty-six dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 111.

Petition of William Henry under act of territorial assembly and act supplementary thereto, passed and approved the 23d day of February, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying all claims for damages in consequence of and arising out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory.

The petitioner respectfully sheweth to this commissioner that on the 21st day of May, 1856, and for some time prior thereto, he was a resident of Lawrence, Douglas county, Kansas Territory; that at the time aforesaid, this petitioner was boarding at the house of Benjamin Johnston, which house and dwelling are situated on Vermont street, said town of Lawrence; that at that time he had in his possession and was the owner of a large trunk of the value of ten dollars, which said trunk at the time aforesaid was in the room of this petitioner, at the dwelling house of said Johnston; that said trunk contained sundry articles of great value; that in the schedule, hereto annexed, the said articles, with the value thereof specifically set forth; that on the 21st day of May, 1856, a company of men under the command and direction, as this petitioner is informed and believes of Israel B. Donaldson, then United States marshal for this Territory, and afterwards, to wit, on the day and year aforesaid, placed under the command and direction of one Samuel J. Jones, entered the said house of the said Johnston, and with force and violence and against the peace and good order of the neighborhood, then and there with felonious intent did break open and destroy the said trunk of this petitioner, and then and there did take, steal, and carry away the contents thereof, to the great damage of this petitioner, to wit, the damage of two hundred and eighty-two dollars and seventy cents; the petitioner further says that the articles thus stolen and carried away and destroyed are with the value thereof specifically set forth in the schedule hereto annexed, and part of this petition.

The petitioner further says, that he has received no compensation for the articles and property aforesaid, or any part thereof; that the property and no part thereof has been recovered by this petitioner; that he is a citizen of Kansas Territory, and has been for the period of one year and a half; that the property herein set forth and the damages and loss were a consequence of, and grew out of, the difficulties in this Territory. The petitioner further says, that he owned a certain bay horse on the 4th day of July, 1856, and for some time prior thereto; and that said horse was worth one hundred and fifty dollars; that the said horse was taken from the place where this petitioner had tied him on the prairie, near Topeka, Kansas, by, as this petitioner is informed and believes, a certain person named Hard; the said horse was and became a total loss to the petitioner.

William Henry, being duly sworn, says that he is the claimant in the petition above; that the facts therein stated are true of his own knowledge, except as to those matters stated on information and belief, and as to those matters he believes it to be true.

WILLIAM HENRY.

Subscribed and sworn before me, this thirteenth day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Justice of Peace.

Schedule of property of William Henry, lost during the difficulties.

1 trunk.....	\$10 00
1 Sharpe's rifle	40 00
1 double shot gun.....	40 00
1 Colt's revolver	23 00
1 Bowie knife	5 00
1 powder flask.....	1 50
1 shot pouch.....	2 50
22 pounds of tobacco at 35 cents	7 70
9 pair hose, 75 cents, and 8 shirts, \$2.....	22 75
1 white vest, \$8; fur tippet, \$15	23 00
5 silk handkerchiefs, \$2 50; 4 linen handkerchiefs.....	16 50
1 black broad cloth vest, \$6; 1 dress coat, \$25	31 00
1 white linen suit, \$21 50; 1 ream letter paper, \$5.....	26 50
1 pair boots, \$6 50; 1 pair shoes, \$3; 1 pair slippers, embroidered, \$5	14 50
1 bottle liniment, 50 cents; 4 boxes gun caps, 50 cents; 2 dozen cap do., 75 cents	4 00
1 head brush, \$2; 1 head comb, 75 cents; 1 clothing brush, \$1	3 75
1 valise, destroyed, \$5; 2 dozen shirt bosoms, 25 cents each	11 00
One horse.....	150 00
One Sharpe's rifle.....	50 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County, } ss.

Benjamin Johnson, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that he is acquainted with William Henry, the petitioner herein; that the said petitioner, on the 21st day of May, 1856, and for some time prior thereto, was a boarder with the deponent on Vermont street, Lawrence, Kansas; that the said petitioner was at that time owner of a large trunk, which trunk was in the dwelling of this deponent; that said trunk was filled with sundry articles, as this deponent is informed and believes, but of the value specifically or in the aggregate this deponent cannot say; that on the said 21st day of May, 1856, a company of men or posse under the command and direction of one Samuel J. Jones, sheriff of Douglas county, broke into the dwelling of this deponent by force and arms, and plundered and destroyed a large amount of property; that the said trunk, with its contents, on the same day and at the same time, was broken open and destroyed; the said petitioner is a citizen of Kansas Territory, and has not, to the knowledge of this deponent, recovered the articles of property that this deponent is informed and believes were taken from

him by the posse aforesaid, on the day aforesaid, or any part thereof, or any compensation either in whole or in part for the same; the deponent further says that he believes that the claim herein made is in good faith, and that the property and the value thereof as stated in the schedule sworn to by this petitioner is correct.

Further this deponent saith not.

B. JOHNSON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of December, 1857.
E. D. LADD, *J. P.*

Depositions in support of the claim of William Henry for damage to him during the difficulties in Kansas Territory.

Edward Clarke, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that he knows of the petitioner, William Henry, owning a certain bay horse on the 2d of July, 1856, and for some time prior thereto; that the said petitioner with this deponent, were in the town of Topeka, Kansas Territory, on the said 2d day of July, year aforesaid; that on the day and year aforesaid this deponent, together with this petitioner, tied the horses of this petitioner and this deponent on the prairie near the said town of Topeka to feed; that on the 4th of July, 1856, the horse of the said petitioner was taken by some person or persons unknown to this deponent and carried away; this deponent deposes and says, that he believes the said horse to have been stolen by some person or persons connected with the marauding parties that then infested this Territory. The said horse was worth one hundred and fifty dollars. The deponent further says, that this occurred during the difficulties in this Territory; that the said petitioner was, at the time of the taking of said horse, and is now a resident and citizen of Kansas Territory. Further this deponent saith not.

EDWARD CLARKE.

Sworn before me this 17th day of November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Albert D. Searl, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that he is acquainted with the petitioner, William Henry; that he had, during the fore part of November, 1856, a Sharpe's rifle, the property of this petitioner; that this deponent had an office in Lawrence, Kansas, and the said rifle was in the said office; that on or about the 3d of November, 1856, some person or persons unknown to this deponent took and carried away said rifle from the office aforesaid; the said office was locked and the key was left in the door, and this deponent had gone to dinner; the said person or persons obtained an entrance to said office by unlocking the same in the absence of this deponent, and the said rifle was then and there stolen and carried away.

The deponent further says, that the said rifle was taken during the continuance of the difficulties in this Territory; the said rifle was of

the value of fifty dollars; it was highly finished and polished. Further he saith not.

A. D. SEARL.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30th day of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD, *J. P.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of William Henry of \$482 70, there is proven \$300 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said William Henry the sum of \$300.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 112.

To the Hon. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims in the Territory of Kansas :

The undersigned, your petitioner, Hampton Harlison, would respectfully represent: That in the spring of the year 1855, he having a claim in the Territory of Kansas, and upon which he with his family resided, he carried into said Territory of Kansas the following property, to wit: Two horses, or a mare and horse; the mare was a dark bay, about seven years old, fifteen hands high, scars on both shoulders; the horse, a black, about fifteen hands, seven years old, no particular marks or brands recollected; said horses remained on his said improvement or claim until some time in the summer or fall of the year 1855, when they were stolen or taken away; and this petitioner has never since been able to recover either of them, although he has used every means in his power to find them; said horses were taken during the difficulties in Kansas Territory; and your petitioner further states that they were worth two hundred dollars.

This petitioner states that he cannot be more particular in the description of said horses, and refers your honor to the accompanying or annexed affidavits of men who knew them. This petitioner prays that he may be allowed the sum of two hundred dollars in payment of said horses so lost as aforesaid, or such other sum as you may think right; and as in duty bound will ever pray.

HAMPTON HARLISON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th day of January, 1858.

WM. A. HEISKELL,

Clerk Lykins County, K. T.

The undersigned, James Peterson and Thomas Arrington, state that they are well acquainted with the petitioner, Hampton Harlison, and also that they know the horses mentioned in said petition, and also knew that they were taken away from said petitioner whilst he resided on his claim in Lykins county, Kansas Territory, in the summer of 1855, and believe that said petitioner never recovered said

horses; said horses are fully described in said petition, and we know that they were well worth two hundred dollars.

JAMES PETERSON.
THOMAS ARRINGTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 11th day of January, A. D. 1858.

In witness whereof I, Samuel D. Sucus, clerk of the Jackson circuit court, have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said court, [L. s.] this 11th day of January, A. D. 1858.

SAMUEL D. SUCUS, *Clerk.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Hampton Harlison of two hundred dollars, there is proven \$200 of a private class; and I hereby award to the said Hampton Harlison the sum of two hundred dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 113.

Hon. H. J. Strickler, acting commissioner under "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved by the governor and legislative assembly of Kansas Territory, February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Knowles Shaw, would respectfully represent: That he is a citizen of Lykins county, Kansas Territory, having settled in said Territory in 1854, and that during the spring of 1856, while the Territory was in a disturbed condition, your petitioner, Knowles Shaw, was employed by Captain Wood, of United States dragoons, to bear an express from Osawatomie to Lecompton, and that your petitioner did bear said express at great peril, being assaulted on the road and his life threatened by men armed with guns, &c., calling themselves Free-State men; lost his horse, worth one hundred and forty dollars; that his necessary travelling expenses was twelve dollars; also that he served ten days and spent eighteen dollars for the support of Captain Arbuckle's company, called out by proclamation of Governor Shannon early in the spring of 1856; therefore your petitioner prays the contemplated relief under the before recited act, viz:

One horse of the value of.....	\$140 00
Travelling expenses bearing express.....	12 00
Paid out to support territorial militia, Captain Arbuckle's company.....	18 00
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Total... ..	<u>\$170 00</u>

And your petitioner will ever pray, &c.

KNOWLES SHAW.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Lykins, Territory of Kansas.

THOMAS TOTTEN,
Justice of the Peace.

We, the undersigned, being cognizant in the main to the facts as set forth in the within petition, testify to their truth to the best of our knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM M. EDWARDS.
A. H. McFADIN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 20th day of January, 1858.

THOS. TOTTEN,
Justice of the Peace.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Knowles Shaw of \$170, there is proven, of a public class, \$170; and I hereby award to the said Knowles Shaw the sum of one hundred and seventy dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 114.

Hon. H. J. Strickler, acting commissioner under "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved by the governor and legislative assembly of Kansas Territory, February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Ellen Wakefield, would respectfully represent that she is a citizen of Kansas Territory, having settled in Lykins county in said Territory, during the spring of 1856, and that during the month of July of said year there was taken from your petitioner one bright bay horse, hind feet white, small crooked white mark in the forehead, five years old, and of the value of one hundred and fifty dollars, (\$150 00.) Your petitioner further states that at the time armed bodies of men were traversing the country, and she has good reason to believe, and does believe, that the body of men taking said horse was a division of J. H. Lane's army, then making their head quarters at Ottawa Johnes. Wherefore she asks the relief contemplated by the act afore recited, viz: one horse, \$150 00; and your petitioner will ever pray, &c.

ELLEN WAKEFIELD.

We, the undersigned, being acquainted with Ellen Wakefield and cognizant of the matters set forth in the foregoing petition, testify to their truth.

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THOMAS W. HILL.

The foregoing petition and certificate were subscribed and sworn to before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Lykins, Territory of Kansas. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

THOS. TOTTEN, *J. P.* [SEAL.]

No. —.

PAOLA, KANSAS TERRITORY,
December 30, 1857.

Hon. H. J. Strickler, acting commissioner under "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved by the governor and legislative assembly of Kansas Territory at Leecompton, February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, John Linch, would respectfully represent that he is a citizen of Lykins county, Kansas Territory; that during the difficulties in Kansas, while armed men were traversing the country, viz: about the 1st day of September, 1856, an armed body of men forcibly took from your petitioner the following described property, viz: one sorrel horse six years old, flax mane and small star in the forehead; one saddle, one bridle, one martingale, one Spanish blanket, one Mackinaw blanket; and the same was utterly lost to your petitioner, and further that their value is as follows, viz:

One horse.....	\$150 00
One saddle and rigging.....	14 00
Two blankets.....	6 00
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For which he asks the relief contemplated by the aforementioned act, and he will ever pray, &c.

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The foregoing petition and affidavit was subscribed and sworn to in my presence, I being a justice of the peace in and for the county of Lykins, Territory of Kansas.

H. W. PECK, *J. P.*

We, the undersigned, being cognizant to the facts set forth in the within petition, testify to their truth.

J. T. VANDERBILT,
M. C. CONLEY.

Subscribed and sworn to.

H. W. PECK, *J. P.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of John Linch of \$170, there is proven \$170 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said John Linch the sum of one hundred and seventy dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 115.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *sect.*

Petition of Hugh Ward, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Hugh Ward, of the county of Leavenworth and Territory aforesaid, represent to the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of, and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows, to wit: The loss of one fine horse, of the value of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, which was taken forcibly and illegally from my possession by a body of men in the service of the pro-slavery party, and by them never returned; the loss of one certain other horse, of the value of seventy-five dollars, which said horse was also forcibly and illegally taken from my possession by a body of men in the service of the pro-slavery party, but which I subsequently recovered after the termination of the difficulties, but not until hard usage had so greatly impaired his value as to induce me to exchange him for twenty-five dollars worth of pork, making the actual loss sustained by the depreciation in value of the horse fifty dollars, besides the loss occasioned by a deprivation of his services; that on several occasions bodies of men in the service of the pro-slavery party have invaded my house, taken possession of my bar and dining room, and drank and consumed liquors and provisions, whereby I was injured, and sustained loss to the amount of one hundred dollars; that my house was used as an hospital for a man who was wounded, and died during the difficulties; that said man lingered in my house some five or six days, during which time I was entirely deprived of the use of that portion of my house occupied by him and his attendants, whereby I was damaged, and sustained loss to the amount of thirty dollars; that my wagon was taken by the pro-slavery party, and after being detained by them for three weeks and upwards, was returned greatly broken, and in no condition to be used, whereby I was injured, and sustained loss to the amount of twenty-five dollars; that my house was taken possession of by a body of men in the service of the pro-slavery party, under the command of Captain H. Charles Dunn, who occupied it for twenty-four hours, and at the expiration of that time withdrew from it, leaving behind, however, several of their number, who continued there for the space of one week, whereby I was damaged, and sustained loss to the amount of fifty dollars; that

my house was invaded by a number of men acting in the service of the pro-slavery party during my absence therefrom, with the intention of seizing me, and compelling me to leave this Territory; that said body of men became so exasperated at not finding me, that they assailed my house, tearing up the beds, and destroying the furniture, whereby I was injured, and sustained loss to the amount of fifty dollars; that I have never recovered said property or any part thereof, nor compensation or indemnity therefor, except in manner and form, and to the extent above specified.

HUGH ^{his} × WARD.
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31st day of October, A. D. 1857.

JOHN M. TAYLOR, J. P.

Statement of the damage sustained by Hugh Ward during the recent disturbances in the Territory of Kansas.

Damage sustained by reason of—

The loss of one horse	\$125 00
The loss of one other horse	50 00
The repeated and constant seizure of liquors and provisions, as also the use of house by the pro-slavery party.....	100 00
The use of his house as an hospital.....	30 00
Injury to wagon	25 00
Occupation of his house by a company under the command of Captain H. C. Dunn	50 00
Injury to house and destruction of furniture	50 00
Total amount.....	430 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS,
County of Leavenworth, City of Leavenworth, } *sc.*

This day personally appeared before the undersigned, John M. Taylor, a justice of the peace in and for Leavenworth county, and Territory aforesaid, Thomas Fahey and Michael Ward, of the same city, county, and Territory, who, having been duly sworn, upon their oaths depose and state, that during the late difficulties in the Territory one Hugh Ward, of the aforesaid city, county, and Territory, sustained the several losses, hereinafter mentioned, in consequence of and growing directly out of the said difficulties, to wit: The loss of one fine horse, of the value of one hundred and twenty-five dollars; the loss of one other horse worth, at the time at which he was taken, seventy-five dollars, but when returned worth only twenty-five dollars, for which amount he was exchanged, and by reason of which said Ward sustained loss to the amount of fifty dollars; the loss sustained to said Ward in the invasion and occupation of his room, and dining-room, together with consumption of his liquors and provisions, by a

body of men in the service of the pro-slavery party, whereby he was injured to the amount of one hundred dollars; the loss sustained by the said Ward by reason of the use of his house as a hospital during the difficulties, whereby he was damaged to the amount of thirty dollars; the loss sustained by said Ward by reason of damage done to his wagon, whereby he was injured to the amount of twenty-five dollars; the loss sustained by said Ward by reason of the occupation of his house by a portion of Captain Dennise's command for twenty-four hours, and by the residence for the space of a week, whereby he was damaged to the amount of fifty dollars; the loss of fifty dollars sustained by said Ward by reason of the damage done to his house and furniture at the time his house was invaded for the purpose of seizing him and sending him out of the country.

MICHAEL WARD.
THOMAS FAHEY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31st day of October, A. D. 1857.

JOHN M. TAYLOR, *J. P.*

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas, 1st Judicial District, } *sc.*

I, James R. Whitehead, clerk of the 1st district court of the United States, in and for the district and Territory aforesaid, do hereby certify that John M. Taylor, whose name appears to the above, was at the time of signing the same an acting justice of the peace of Leavenworth township, in Leavenworth county, and that full faith should and of right be given to all his official acts as such justice, and that the above signature purporting to be his is genuine.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of [L. S.] said court, at office in Leavenworth city, this 13th day of November, 1857.

JAMES R. WHITEHEAD, *Clerk,*
by W. L. KUYKENDALL, *D. C.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Hugh Ward, of \$430, there is proven, of a private class, \$430, and I hereby award to the said Hugh Ward the sum of four hundred and thirty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 116.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, &c., under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplementary thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Archibald Payne, of the county of Leavenworth, and Territory of Kansas, respectfully shows: That on or about the thirteenth day of August, A. D. 1855, he received the appointment of colonel of the fourth regiment of the northern division of the

Kansas territorial militia, and entered upon the duties of that office, and continued to act therein until on or about the first day of October, A. D. 1856, at which time he was discharged from further duty by the disbanding of said regiment, by order of his excellency John W. Geary, then governor of the said Territory. Your petitioner further shows that while in the said service as aforesaid, and in or about the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1855, your petitioner had taken from his possession certain property belonging to your petitioner, consisting of one rifle of the value of twenty-five dollars; and one saddle of the value of eight dollars, one bridle of the value of one dollar, and one blanket of the value of one dollar, in the whole amounting to the sum of ten dollars. Your petitioner further shows that on or about the twentieth day of May, 1856, there was paid, laid out and expended to and for the use of the said militia, and under a call made by the then United States marshal, for the conveyance of provisions and ammunition from the city of Leavenworth to the city of Lawrence, in the Territory aforesaid, the sum of fifteen dollars; that your petitioner, on or about the twentieth day of August, A. D. 1856, paid, laid out and expended of his own money, for express expenses, under a requisition from the then acting governor, Daniel Woodson, the further sum of fifteen dollars. Your petitioner further shows that he was the owner of two horses; that during the month of August, A. D. 1856, the said horses were taken by some of the men engaged in the service of the said militia, and were so used by them in the said service that they were both permanently injured to the amount of fifty dollars for each horse, being one hundred dollars for both of said horses; and the said horses were in use, in said service, for a period of thirteen days, for which your petitioner is entitled to receive two dollars for each day, amounting in the whole to the sum of fifty-two dollars. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may be awarded the sum of two hundred and seventeen dollars, as and for the said loss, damage and injury aforesaid, and for the moneys paid out and expended, and for the use of the horses above mentioned, in the foregoing petition set forth; and that the same may be paid, or that your petitioner may be indemnified therefor, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, or for such further or other relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises, and your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray, &c.

A. PAYNE.

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, personally came Archibald Payne, the above petitioner, and after being duly sworn, says on oath, that the above petition, and the matters and things therein stated, are true in substance and matter of fact.

[SEAL] In testimony whereof I have hereto subscribed my name and affixed my seal notarial, this 2d day of December, A. D. 1857.

A. MACAULAY, *Notary Public.*

List of property referred to in the foregoing petition.

One rifle.....	\$25 00
One saddle.....	8 00
One bridle.....	1 00
One blanket	1 00
Money paid for.....	15 00
Money paid for express expenses.....	15 00
Damages to horses.....	100 00
13 days use of horses.....	52 00
	217 00
	217 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Hugh L. Campbell, of the city of Leavenworth, being duly sworn, says: That he is personally acquainted with the facts contained in the foregoing petition, and the same are true of his own knowledge. This affiant further says, that he personally knows that Colonel A. Payne lost the property set forth in the above schedule, and the value thereof is in this affiant's opinion correctly stated, and paid out the moneys therein specified; this affiant further says, that he knows the horses mentioned in the foregoing petition were injured and damaged to the amount of one hundred dollars, as this affiant saw the said horses before, at, and after the time they were in use in the service mentioned in the said petition, and that the time they were in use as aforesaid, for at least thirteen days for each of said horses, for which it was worth two dollars per day; and further this affiant says not.

H. L. CAMPBELL.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for said county, personally came the above named Hugh L. Campbell, who, after being duly sworn, says that the matters and things contained in the above affidavit by him subscribed, are true from his own personal knowledge.

In testimony whereof I have hereto subscribed my name and
 [SEAL.] affixed my seal notarial, at office, this 2d day of December,
 A. D. 1857.

A. MACAULAY, *Notary Public.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Archibald Payne of \$217, there is proven of a public class, \$217, and I hereby award to the said Archibald Payne, the sum of two hundred and seventeen dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 117.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, &c., under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," and the act supplementary thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Aulay Macaulay, of the city of Leavenworth, county of Leavenworth, and Territory of Kansas, respectfully showeth :

That on or about the 10th day of September, A. D. 1856, there was taken from the possession of your petitioner by the direction of E. L. Berthouse, the quartermaster of the Leavenworth militia under the command of General Brindle, to be used by the companies stationed at Leavenworth, one stack of oats worth fifty dollars; of garden vegetables, to be used by the men in service at Leavenworth, such as potatoes, tomatoes, onions, cabbage, cucumbers, beets, &c., amounting to fifty dollars; also, one milch cow, which, as your petitioner believes, was taken and used by either the army while in the service or persons who obtained her in consequence of the excited state of the public at the time, worth the sum of thirty-five dollars; that the whole amount of such loss sustained by your petitioner in the whole is one hundred and thirty-five dollars.

Your petitioner therefore prays that he may be awarded the above mentioned sum of one hundred and thirty-five dollars, as and for the loss sustained by him as in the foregoing petition set forth, and that the same may be paid, or that your petitioner may be indemnified therefor pursuant to the law and statute in such case made and provided, or for such further or other relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises. And your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray.

A. MACAULAY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of October, A. D. 1857. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal notarial at office, the 10th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOSEPH KELLOGG, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Edward L. Berthouse, of the county of Leavenworth, being duly sworn, says, that about the first day of September, A. D. 1856, he was acting as the quartermaster of the militia for the city of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas during the Kansas difficulties of 1856, while the same were in actual service; that the companies engaged in the said service were in want of feed for their horses; that he, as such quartermaster at the time named in the petition of the above named petitioner, ordered the stack of oats mentioned in said petition to be taken for the use of those who were engaged in the service as

aforesaid; that the said stack of oats was taken and used for horse feed for those engaged in the service as aforesaid. He further states that said stack of oats was worth about the sum of fifty dollars.

EDWARD L. BERTHOUSE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th day of November, A. D. 1857.

REECE PAYNTER, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *ss.*

I, James R. Whitehead, clerk of the district court of the United States, within and for the first judicial district of the Territory of Kansas, hereby certify that Reece Paynter, the person whose signature appears to the forgoing affidavit as a justice of the peace, was at the time of signing the same an acting justice of the peace of Leavenworth county in the Territory of Kansas, duly commissioned and qualified as such, and that full faith and credit are due to his acts as such, and that his signature thereto affixed is genuine.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said district court at office in the city of Leavenworth, county and Territory aforesaid, this 10th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JAMES R. WHITEHEAD, [L. s.]
Clerk.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *ss.*

Personally appeared before the undersigned, William Perry, of the city and county of Leavenworth, being duly sworn deposeth and saith that from about the 5th day of September to the 30th day of September, 1856, during the time of the difficulties named in the annexed petition of A. Macaulay, he was at the city of Leavenworth, Kansas Territory. That the troops engaged in the service were in need of provisions, and by order of E. L. Berthouse, quartermaster for said companies, he with others called at the farm of said petitioner and took the vegetables and other articles named in plaintiff's petition mentioned, such as potatoes, tomatoes, cabbage, beets, onions, cucumbers, &c., for the use of the men engaged in the service as aforesaid; he further states and swears that he believes the articles named which were taken and used by those engaged in the service, over and above the oats named, were reasonably worth fifty dollars.

WILLIAM PERRY.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *ss.*

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the county aforesaid, personally came William Perry, whose name is subscribed to the above affidavit, who after being by me duly sworn,

deposes and says the matters and things in the said affidavit are true in substance and matter of fact.

In testimony whereof I have hereto subscribed my name and affixed my seal notarial at office, this eleventh day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOSEPH KELLOGG, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Aulay Macaulay of \$135, there is proven of a public class \$135, and I hereby award to the said Aulay Macaulay the sum of one hundred and thirty-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 118.

To the honorable commissioner, H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims against the government of the United States for losses sustained during the civil war of 1856 in Kansas Territory, Milton E. Clark most respectfully submits the following complaint, and asks your honor to audit the annexed claim for \$3,158.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

Petition of Milton E. Clark, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

Milton E. Clark, complainant, says, that he became a citizen of Leavenworth city, Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory, in the month of July, A. D. 1855, and has continued to reside in the same place up to the present time. Complainant says that he was engaged in the grocery and provision business in the said city of Leavenworth; and that on or about the 2d day of September, 1856, while complainant was in his store attending to his business, two armed men, Washburn and Guest, came into his (complainant's) store, took him prisoner, and forcibly shipped him on board the steamboat Emma, then lying at the wharf of said city, bound for St. Louis.

Complainant had no time to secure his goods, only by closing up his house and locking his door, it being not more than ten minutes from the time said armed men came into complainant's store till complainant was guarded by them to said steamer. Complainant says that said armed men claimed to be "acting under authority" when they took him prisoner. Complainant further says, that he with many others was guarded down the Missouri river between one and two hundred miles, and that he went on to Ohio, where he remained only until reports reached him of peace having been restored in the Territory, that he could return in safety, when he hastily returned to look after his business and effects. When complainant was arrested on the 2d of September, 1856, he left in his business house in said city, flour, bacon, coffee, sugar, tea, and groceries generally, to the

amount in value of twenty-eight hundred dollars, (\$2,800,) as near as he could make the estimate from memory. Complainant says, when he returned on the 14th of November, of the same year, after an absence of seventy-two days or thereabouts, he found in his business house a part of his goods which he left, to the amount in value of five hundred and twenty-seven dollars, (\$527,) and received from Adam Fisher, in cash, five hundred and seventeen dollars, (\$517,) the balance in goods sold out of complainant's store during his exile, making in all a loss of goods amounting to seventeen hundred and fifty-eight dollars, (\$1,758,) taken during the civil war in Kansas, in the year 1856, and during complainant's involuntary absence from his business, which absence was caused and which loss was sustained in consequence of said civil war.

This complainant further claims that his loss of time, expenses during his absence, and consequent loss in business in the fall of 1856 and winter of 1856 and 1857, caused by the civil war and disturbances in said Territory of Kansas, was equivalent to the sum of \$1,400, in all \$3,158 claimed.

MILTON E. CLARK.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fourth day of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY J. ADAMS,
Mayor of the City of Leavenworth, K. T.

Hugh Ward being duly sworn according to law, makes oath and says: That he was living in Leavenworth city, Kansas Territory, during the summer and fall of 1856, and was in Leavenworth city throughout the war in Kansas; and that on or about the 2d day of September, A. D. 1856, met Milton E. Clark going to the steamboat Emma, in charge of a company of men under arms, and that in a few days after Clark was sent off down the river, when there was no one to take care of his store; he saw a company of the Kansas militia to the number of from forty to fifty, as near as he could tell, taking away out of the back door of the store of M. E. Clark, in Cherokee street, in Leavenworth city, flour, bacon, and various kinds of groceries, and loading them in wagons or drays and hauling them away; all of which is true to the best of his recollection and belief.

HUGH ^{his}  WARD.
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this thirty-first day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY J. ADAMS,
Mayor of the city of Leavenworth, K. T.

John C. Thompson being duly sworn according to law, makes oath and says: That he was in the employ of Milton E. Clark, groceryman on Cherokee street, Leavenworth city, Kansas Territory, from early in the spring of 1856, up to the 2d day of September of the same year, at which time, while he was between his (Clark's) counter

attending to the business of the house, two armed men, one by the name of Washburn, the other Guest, came into Clark's store and forcibly put himself and Clark upon the steamer Emma, giving them not more than ten or fifteen minutes to get ready. When they were taken from the store, he says that according to an estimate he made shortly after, Clark had in his store between twenty-eight hundred and three thousand dollars worth of groceries, appraised at the cash wholesale value of such articles as he had on hand at the time. The town at this time was under the control of the Kansas militia, and the said armed men claimed to be acting under authority of the officers of said militia; and that in addition to the persons that arrested them, a number of armed men remained waiting out in the street in front of his (Clark's) store, who followed along and assisted in guarding them to said boat. Affiant further states that from his knowledge of his (Clark's) business through the summer, that his (Clark's) loss of time, expenses, and disturbance in business in consequence of the war and of his having been driven away at the time, independent of his loss of property taken, would amount to not less than between fourteen and fifteen hundred dollars, all of which is correct according to the best knowledge and belief of the affiant.

JOHN C. THOMPSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31st day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY J. ADAMS,
Mayor of Leavenworth city, K. T.

C. H. Robinson being duly sworn according to law, makes solemn oath and says: That he resided in Leavenworth city, Kansas Territory, in the summer and fall of 1856, and was there through the civil war, and that about a week or ten days after the Free State men were driven away from Leavenworth, which driving away took place about the 1st of September, 1856, he saw a company of the Kansas militia to the number of twenty or more break open and enter the back door of the store of M. E. Clark, on Cherokee street in said city, and saw them take from said store, immediately after breaking open and entering the same, divers articles of groceries and provisions in sacks like meal or flour, bacon, and various kinds of packages, the contents of which he could not tell. Said militia, he says, was composed of Georgians and South Carolinians, who at the time were encamped on the levee of said city, near Strouble's store, on Front street. Affiant further says that he saw these things from his dwelling house, and that the said taking and carrying away of goods took place about 2 o'clock p. m.; all of which is true to the best of the affiant's knowledge and belief.

C. H. ROBINSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d day of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY J. ADAMS,
Mayor of the city of Leavenworth, K. T.

William A. Shannon, being duly sworn according to law, makes oath and says: That he was doing business in Cherokee street, Leavenworth city, Kansas Territory, during the summer and fall of 1856; and acquainted with M. E. Clark, who was engaged in the grocery and provision business on the same street, and says that he saw said M. E. Clark when he was under arrest and on his way to the steamboat Emma, which took place about the 1st of September, 1856, and says that said Clark was driven away from this city and had to leave his store and effects without having any one to take care of the same. Thinks that Clark had, when he was driven away, goods in his store to the amount of between twenty-five hundred and three thousand dollars. Saw Clark's store some days after he had left the city, and found it had been broken open and much of the goods taken out and destroyed. And said affiant further states that he believes said Clark's loss of time and disturbance in business during his absence, and during his hindrance in his regular business would amount to at least twelve hundred dollars, (\$1,200.)

WILLIAM A. SHANNON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the county of Leavenworth, Kansas Territory. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my [L. s] notarial seal at the city of Leavenworth, this 30th of November, A. D. 1857.

JOS. KELLOGG, *Notary Public.*

Adam Fisher, being duly sworn according to law, makes solemn oath and says: That he was living in Leavenworth city, Kansas Territory, during the troubles and civil war in the summer of 1856, in said Territory, and that in the early part of September, of said year, shortly after the free-State men were driven away from said city, he went to St. Louis, where he met with M. E. Clark, who had been keeping a grocery and provision store on Cherokee street, in said Leavenworth city, and was then in St. Louis in consequence of having been driven away from said Territory on account of the civil war that had there existed for some weeks previous; and that, at the request of said M. E. Clark, when he returned to Leavenworth city, about the — day of October, of the same year, he took charge of said Clark's store, situate as above described, and all the goods that were then remaining in the same, and that he found said goods in a damaged condition, caused mainly by persons having entered said store, and, to all appearance, wantonly destroyed and damaged the goods; and affiant further says, that he made sale of the damaged and perishable goods for the most money they would bring, which goods sold, after deducting expenses paid out by him for taking care of said store and goods, (which expenses amounted to \$87, or thereabouts,) amounted to five hundred and seventeen dollars net, which sum he paid over to said M. E. Clark. And he also states that he took care of said store and the remainder of said goods till said Clark returned, which was about the middle of November, of the same year, at which time he handed over to the said Clark all of what remained of said goods not

sold, which goods he estimated, at the time of delivering them over to said Clark, were not worth, in cash, more than five hundred dollars, (\$500,) making in all, goods and cash, one thousand and seventeen dollars, (\$1,017,) which said M. E. Clark received out of said stock of groceries and provisions. And said affiant further states that there was no loss or destruction of said Clark's goods after he (Fisher) took possession of them till the same were delivered over to their owner, M. E. Clark, and that the goods that were sold were sold to the best possible advantage, considering their damaged condition, and that, from his acquaintance with Clark's business, he is satisfied that he (Clark) did not receive anything from his stock of goods, which he left in his store when he was driven away from Leavenworth at the time of the troubles, excepting the amount as above stated, and he believes said Clark used due diligence in taking care of his goods and trying to prevent loss in the same; all of which is true, as he verily believes.

LEAVENWORTH CITY, *November 13, 1857.*

The above named Adam Fisher, being by me first duly sworn, acknowledges the foregoing statements to be correct.

You do solemnly swear that the foregoing statements are correct to the best of your knowledge and belief.

ADAM FISHER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, acting mayor of the city of Leavenworth.

S. N. LATIO, *Acting Mayor.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Milton E. Clark, of \$3,158, there is proven \$2,000 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Milton E. Clark the sum of two thousand dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 119.

The petition of Solomon Reynard, under an act of legislative assembly, and act supplementary thereto, passed and approved the 23d of February, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying all claims for damages arising out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory, respectfully showeth to the commissioner :

That he has been a resident and citizen of Kansas Territory since June, 1856; that he settled near Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas, about the 1st of September, 1856. That on the 14th and 15th days of September, year aforesaid, he was a householder, near the said town of Franklin, and was the owner of, and had in his possession in said house, a large quantity of household goods, consisting of furniture, beds and bedding, dishes, and crocks and many other articles too numerous to mention, of great value, to wit: of the value of one

hundred and seventy dollars, and this petitioner was on the days aforementioned, owner of a set of harness worth thirty dollars; that on the 14th or 15th days September, 1856, a large body of men calling themselves territorial militia, had encamped in and around the said town of Franklin, and near the premises of this petitioner, the said militia were under the command of General Reid; that said militia threatened the inhabitants of said town with violence, in consequence of which nearly all of said inhabitants left the town; this petitioner, in consequence of these threats of violence aforesaid, quit the place and left the household goods and harness aforesaid in his dwelling aforesaid, locking up the same, and securely fastening it. That this petitioner was absent from the town aforesaid, about three days, and when he returned, the dwelling aforesaid was broken open and the goods and merchandise and harness therein destroyed or carried away; this petitioner believes that some person or persons belonging to said militia, entered his said dwelling and stole therefrom the said goods and harness and carried them away, the said goods and harness became to me a total loss. The petitioner further showeth that he has received no compensation for the said goods, or harness nor any part thereof. That he is a citizen of Kansas Territory, and has been a citizen thereof for two years.

Therefore he asks this commissioner that he would allow his claim for damage herein set forth, and assess the amount at two hundred dollars.

SOLOMON REYNARD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of November, 1857.
E. D. LADD, *Justice of the Peace.*

SCHEDULE.

Household goods, consisting of beds, bedding, furniture, crockery, &c.....	\$170 00
One set of double harness	30 00
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Depositions in support of the claim of Solomon Reynard, for damage sustained during the difficulties in Kansas.

Alfred Johnson, of lawful age being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner Mr. Reynard; that he has lived in the Territory of Kansas since June, 1856; that the said petitioner settled near the town of Franklin in Douglas county, this Territory, about the first of September, 1856. He occupied a house near said town, and had on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, and for some time prior thereto, a quantity of household goods, in said house, worth, as this deponent saith, about one hundred and seventy dollars; the petitioner also on the days aforesaid, and for some time prior thereto, was the owner of and had in his possession, a set of double harness, worth thirty dollars. That on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, a company of men calling themselves

territorial militia, under as this deponent was informed the command of General Reid, had encamped in and around the said town of Franklin; that the said militia by threats of violence had driven the inhabitants of said town away, and among those that quit said place was the petitioner herein; the said petitioner when leaving said town, left the said household goods and harness in his said dwelling; that the said petitioner was absent from his place aforesaid for about three days, and during such absence his dwelling house was broken open and the household goods therein carried away or destroyed and the harness was also missing; this deponent believes that the said dwelling was entered and the articles of household goods and harness therein were taken and carried away by some person or persons belonging to the company of militia aforesaid; the said militia were encamped in said town of Franklin, about two days; the deponent further says, that the petitioner was and is a citizen of Kansas Territory, and that he believes the said goods were to said petitioner, a total loss. Further he saith not.

ALFRED JOHNSON.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 29th day of November, 1857.
E. D. LADD, *Justice of the Peace.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Solomon Reynard of \$200, there is proven of a private class, \$200, and I hereby award to the said Solomon Reynard the sum of two hundred dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 120.

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in this, Kansas Territory.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. } Account for loss and damages.

Salem Gleason, complainant, states that on the night of the 20th day of July, A. D. 1856, and for a long time previous, he was the legal owner and in peaceable possession of two dark bay horses well broke to the harness, one of them four years old, the other five years old in the spring of 1856, of the value of three hundred and fifty dollars, and that owing to the difficulties in this Kansas Territory some person or persons to your complainant unknown, on the night of the 20th day of July, A. D. 1856, came and took said two bay horses out of the possession of complainant; and complainant further states that he has not seen or heard anything of said two bay horses since that time except by report, shortly after the time that they were taken, to the effect that they were taken by a portion of the territorial militia, and that they were in their possession shortly after they were taken.

Your complainant further states that he has used all due diligence to find said two bay horses but to no effect.

Complainant further states that each of said bay horses was reasonably worth the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars, making the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars the reasonable value of the said two bay horses; he further says that he was damaged to the amount of one hundred over and above the amount of the value of said horses, in consequence of the said loss as he is and was a farmer at the time and greatly needed their services.

He further states that he is a citizen of Douglas county, in this Kansas Territory.

Complainant further states that he has not sold or disposed of his interest in said two bay horses, nor has he ever received any compensation from any person or persons for the same; but he presents the above account with an honest intention, believing that he is justly entitled to the same.

He further states that the matters and things set forth in the above petition are true.

SALEM GLEASON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 21st day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS
County of Douglas.

Depositions of witnesses sworn and examined at the City of Lawrence, County of Douglas, Territory of Kansas, in a certain or proceeding before the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory, and to be laid before the next Congress of the United States, and also before the next legislative assembly of the Territory of Kansas.

Depositions in support of the claim of Salem Gleason, for damage arising out of the difficulties in Kansas, before the commissioner appointed under act of legislative assembly passed and approved February 22, 1857, "to audit and certify all claims arising out of the difficulties in this Territory."

Jasper Gleason being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner; that he resides in the county of Douglas, in this Territory; that this petitioner came into the Territory in May, 1855, and settled upon the claim upon which he now resides in July of the same year. That in July, 1856, and for some time previous thereto, this petitioner owned two certain horses; one of them was a dark bay, with a star in the forehead, both hind feet white, about sixteen and a half hands high; the other a bay, large size. The horses were worth one hundred and seventy-five dollars, each. The deponent further says, that on the night of July 20, 1856, the said horses were taken from the premises of this petitioner by some person or persons unknown to this deponent; that he had been riding

one of said horses, and had tied her to a stake on the prairie about fifteen rods from the dwelling of this petitioner; that on the morning of the 21st, this deponent went to the place where he had secured the said horse the night before, and found that the rope or lariat with which the horse was tied, had been cut, and the said horse was missing. The deponent further says, that the other horse herein described, was at the same time running loose on the prairie, with a bell around her neck, and he left the two horses near together feeding over night of the 20th of July, aforesaid; that on the morning of the 21st the horse with the bell on was also missing. This deponent further says, that he believes that the horses herein described, belonging to this petitioner, were stolen by some marauding parties; that at the time of their being taken there was a camp on Bull creek, some eighteen miles distant, of the territorial militia, the commander of which this deponent has not information sufficient to form a belief; that the said horses, he believes, were taken by some person or persons belonging to the camp. Further this deponent saith not

JASPER GLEASON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of November, A. D. 1857, at my office in Lawrence, said county of Douglas.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public.*

Reuben H. Burr, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he has been acquainted with the petitioner, Salem Gleason, since May 1856; that the said petitioner resides in Douglas county, in this Territory, and has resided in said county, to the knowledge of this deponent, since May 1856, aforesaid. That on the morning of the 21st of July following, this deponent having missed a pair of horses belonging to him was making search therefor; that the horses of this deponent were taken on the night of the 20th; that he was informed and believes that the petitioner had two horses taken away the same night; that he followed the trail of the said horses from his own residence north, and it terminated near the premises occupied by this petitioner; and this deponent verily believes that the said horses which he was informed were taken from the possession of this petitioner, on the night of the 20th of July, aforesaid, were taken and carried away by the same party which took and carried away a pair of horses belonging to this deponent on the same night; that this occurred during the difficulties in this Territory, and that marauding parties infested at that time the neighborhood, and plundered the people of their property. Further this deponent saith not.

REUBEN H. BURR.

Subscribed and sworn to at office in Lawrence, Douglas county, said Territory, this 12th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public.*

I certify in the foregoing claim of Salem Gleason of \$350, that there is no testimony of the loss of the horses, or that it was a consequence of the difficulties, for there was no militia in the field at that date.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 121.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins. }

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Orville C. Brown, of the town of Osawatomie, in said county of Lykins, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is and has been a resident of said county for the last three years; that during the summer of 1856, this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by large bodies of armed men travelling over the country committing robberies, burning houses, destroying crops, and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceable citizens; that on or about the 30th day of August, A. D. 1856, a large body of armed men, under the command of one General John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of the then acting governor, Woodson, entered said town of Osawatomie, and then and there set fire and destroyed one dwelling-house, with household furniture, clothing, &c., then and there being, belonging to your petitioner, more particularly mentioned and described in the schedule hereto annexed, which schedule is made a part hereof. This said body of men, at the same time and place, took from the premises of your petitioner one horse, wagon, harness, saddle, and bridle, as per schedule; also, at the same time and place, burned an office containing an iron safe, office furniture, school books, Sabbath School library, &c., as per schedule; that about the same time one cow and one yearling bull were also taken from the possession of your petitioner; that the crop then growing on the claim of your petitioner, near said town, was also destroyed by companies of men roving about the country, as per schedule.

Your petitioner would further show, that he has never received any compensation for any of the above losses.

O. C. BROWN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

1 dwelling, 16 by 40, 1½ story.....	\$800 00
1 barn, 18 by 20.....	125 00
Out-house and ice-house.....	100 00
1 wagon.....	125 00
3 harnesses.....	75 00
1 saddle, bridle, &c.....	15 00
1 mare.....	150 00
1 cow and yearling bull.....	45 00

1 acre potatoes.....	\$75 00
1 piano-forte, stool, and cover	425 00
Library	250 00
Beds, bedding, and bedsteads	450 00
Tables, chairs, bureaus, lounges, &c	90 00
Crockery and glassware.....	250 00
Linen napkins, towels, table-cloths, &c.....	75 00
Stove, pipes, furniture, &c	75 00
Pails, tubs, &c	15 00
Trunks, chests, baskets, &c	32 00
4 carpets, mats, and drugget	110 00
Robes and blankets.....	15 00
Pictures and paintings.....	65 00
Electric machine and body-brace.....	25 00
Cutlery	25 00
Silver forks, spoons, ladles, &c.....	150 00
Plated ware.....	65 00
Fishing rod, tackle, &c.....	15 00
2 barrels cement.....	18 00
Provisions and groceries	50 00
Carpenter and farming tools and implements.....	150 00
O. C. Brown's wardrobe	315 00
Mrs. O. C. Brown's wardrobe	175 00
Six children's wardrobe.....	175 00
Unmade cloth and yarns	30 00
Oakum, pitch, and spikes.....	15 00
Mirrors, curtains, &c.....	30 00
Medicines, &c.....	25 00
Vinegar, soap, and candles.....	20 00
Small articles, combs, brushes, &c	25 00
1 iron safe.....	250 00
Books	20 00
Office furniture.....	20 00
School books in office.....	354 00
Sabbath School library and hymn books	30 00
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LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

Robert W. Wood, Francis Brennan, and James J. Holbrook, of said county, being severally duly sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition made by Orville C. Brown, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that they believe the same are true. Deponents further say, that they were well acquainted with the property mentioned and described in the foregoing schedule; that the sums set opposite the respective articles are a fair compensation for the same.

JAS. J. HOLBROOK.
R. W. WOOD.
F. BRENNAN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30th day of November, A. D. 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Orville C. Brown, of five thousand three hundred and fourteen dollars, the said sum is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 122.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Lykins :*

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Thomas Roberts, of said county of Lykins, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is and has been a resident of said county for the last two years; that during the summer of 1856 this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by large bodies of armed men travelling over the country committing robberies, burning houses, destroying crops, and perpetrating outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens; that on the 30th day of August, 1856, a large body of armed men, under the command of one John W. Reid, called into service by proclamation of the then acting Governor Woodson, entered upon the premises of your petitioner and took from his possession two yoke of working oxen, valued at \$120 per yoke, as per schedule hereto annexed; and also, at the same time and place, one heifer of the value of \$25, as per schedule; and that your petitioner has never received any compensation for any of the above losses.

THOMAS ROBERTS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

Two yoke of cattle, \$120 each	-	-	-	-	\$240 00
One heifer, valued at	-	-	-	-	25 00
Amount	-	-	-	-	<u>265 00</u>

LYKINS COUNTY, *ss.*

Bainbridge Tuller, of the county aforesaid, being duly sworn, says: That he has heard read the foregoing petition made by Thomas

Roberts, and is well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of his own knowledge. Deponent further says that he was well acquainted with the property mentioned in the above schedule, and believes the sums set opposite the respective articles a fair compensation for the same.

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BAINRRIDGE + TULLER.
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Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

I certify that in the claim of Thomas Roberts of \$265, the said amount is proven and is of the public class.

No. 123.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Silas Sutton respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is a brother of Iceal Sutton, who was a resident of the county of Douglas during the summer of 1856; that said Iceal is now absent from the Territory, and has authorized me to present all claims and demands due and owing to the said Iceal; that during the troubles occasioned by armed bodies of men travelling over the country committing robberies, thefts, burning houses, &c., in the summer of 1856 and on the 2d day of July, an armed body of men, under the command of one Captain Saunders, came upon the premises of the said Iceal, and then and there took and carried away or destroyed on the ground the household furniture and clothing of the said Iceal Sutton, and also burned to the ground the dwelling house of the said Iceal Sutton, as per schedule hereto annexed; that the said Iceal had about sixteen acres of corn, which was fed up and destroyed by the different companies of men then roving about the country, which corn was valued at \$15 per acre. Your petitioner would further show that the said Iceal and your petitioner never have received any compensation for the above losses.

SILAS SUTTON,
Agent for Iceal Sutton.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31st day of October, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Probate Judge for Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

One house and furniture, cooking stove and clothing, valued at	\$300 00
Corn destroyed	255 00
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	555 00
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LYKINS COUNTY, *ss.*

Mercer Sutton and Jesse Sutton, being severally sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of our own knowledge. Deponents further say that they are well acquainted with the property mentioned in the schedule, and verily believe the sums set opposite the different articles a fair and remunerative compensation therefor.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of November,
A. D. 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins county, K. T.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Iceal Sutton there is proven the sum of five hundred and fifty-five dollars, all of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 124.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Lykins:*

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Samuel L. Adair, of the county of Lykins aforesaid, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is and has been a resident of said county for the last two years; that during the summer of 1856 this portion of the Territory was in a disturbed condition, occasioned by bodies of armed men travelling over the country committing robberies, burning houses, destroying crops, and outrages of various kinds, upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens. That on the 30th day of August, 1856, a large company of men

under the command of one John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of the then acting Governor Woodson, entered upon the premises of your petitioner, and then and there took from his premises one heifer, of the value of \$25, as per schedule. Your petitioner would further show that, at the same time and place, the same company of men took from the possession of your petitioner one yoke of cattle, of the value of \$120, said last mentioned cattle belonging to Rachel R. Gunison, widow of the late Daniel Gunison; that said widow is now absent from the Territory; that your petitioner is duly authorized to prosecute and collect all debts and dues of every kind whatever owing and payable to the said widow; that your petitioner has never received any compensation for any of the above losses.

S. L. ADAIR.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in the foregoing petition.

One heifer, valued at	-	-	-	-	\$25 00
One yoke of cattle, (widow's,)	-	-	-	-	120 00
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LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

Bainbridge Tuller, of said county, being duly sworn, says: That he has heard read the foregoing petition made by S. L. Adair, and is well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of his own knowledge. Deponent further says that he is well acquainted with the property mentioned in the schedule above, and believes the sums set opposite the respective articles a fair compensation for the same.

his
BAINBRIDGE + TULLER.
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of S. L. Adair of one hundred and forty-five dollars there is proven said sum, which is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 125.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of John McDaniel, of the county of Anderson and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that he is and has been a resident of the said county for the last two years; that during the forepart of June, 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement occasioned by armed bodies of men, under different leaders, travelling over the Territory committing robberies, thefts, and outrages of various kinds, an armed body of men unknown, under the command of one Captain Cook, took from the possession of the agent of your petitioner (one Mr. Work) a horse belonging to your petitioner of the value of \$125, as per schedule hereto annexed.

Your petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for the above loss.

JOHN McDANIEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31st day of October, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

*Probate Judge for Lykins county, K. T.**Schedule referred to in the foregoing petition.*One horse, saddle and bridle..... \$135

JOHN McDANIEL.

LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

Wilber West and Jesse Sutton, of the county of Anderson and Territory aforesaid, being severally sworn, say that they have heard read the foregoing petition made by John McDaniel, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of their own knowledge. Deponents further say that they are well acquainted with the property mentioned in the schedule hereto annexed; that the sum set opposite the articles is a fair and remunerative compensation therefor.

WILBER WEST.

JESSE ^{his} X SUTTON.
 mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31st day of October, 1857

CYRUS TATOR,

Probate Judge for Lykins county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John McDaniel of one hundred and thirty-five dollars, the same is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 126.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of A. J. Bush, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature and approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

Your petitioner respectfully represents to the honorable commissioner that he has met with and sustained loss, growing directly out of the difficulties which have heretofore disturbed the peace of Kansas Territory; that your petitioner on or about the 4th of July, 1856, sustained a loss of \$15 in recovering his horse, which had been taken by some person unknown to him and rode to Topeka; that your petitioner on the 19th of July, 1856, sustained a loss of \$40 by a band of armed men, who took from his house forcibly one saddle, one bridle and one gun, which he has never recovered and for which he has not had any indemnity; that your petitioner sustained loss in being forced to leave home with his stock to the amount of \$250 in his crop of corn and hogs. Your petitioner also says that he had one saddle taken from him in Leocompton about the 1st of September, 1856, by one of the "Blue Tigers," so called; saddle worth \$11. That your petitioner's whole loss by those troubles and invasions is (\$316) three hundred and sixteen dollars, exclusive of interest and an order of eighty-five dollars, signed January 15, 1856, F. Marshall.

A. J. ^{his} X BUSH. [L. s.]
 mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this January 15, 1857.

S. N. WOOD, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas county. }

On this 15th day of January, A. D. 1857, personally appeared before me Nancy Bush, who, being by me first duly sworn, declares that of her own knowledge the matters as set forth in above petition are true, and that A. J. Bush sustained loss in amount and manner as there stated.

NANCY BUSH. [L. s.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th day of January, 1857.

S. N. WOOD, *J. P.*

LECOMPTON, *September 13th, 1856.*

Kansas Militia at Lecompton to A. J. Bush, Dr.

For beef furnished per order to General Marshall's brigade... \$85 00

GENL. MARSHALL: I certify that I believe the above account to be correct and just—of meat absolutely furnished the portion of the Kansas militia during the time you commanded therein.

W. H. JENKINS,
Aid de camp.

Approved of by

T. J. MARSHALL,
Brigadier General commanding.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of A. J. Bush of eighty-five dollars the same is proven, which is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 127.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins. }

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Patrick Develin, of the county aforesaid, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is and has been a resident of said county for the last two years; that on the 30th day of August, A. D. 1856, a body of armed men entered the town of Osawatimie, in said county, and burned a house containing a trunk, with clothing, belonging to your petitioner of the value of \$40, as per schedule.

Your petitioner would further show, that he has never received any compensation for the above loss.

PATRICK DEVELIN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 11th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins county, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

One trunk and contents - - - - \$40 00

LYKINS COUNTY, *ss.*

Samuel M. Merrit and Thomas Kelly, aforesaid county, being severally sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition,

and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth ; that the same are true of their own knowledge.

Deponents further say, that they were well acquainted with the property mentioned in the above schedule, and that the price set opposite the trunk is a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

THOMAS KELLY.
S. M. MERRIT.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Patrick Develin of forty dollars the same is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 128.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Lykins.*

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of William B. Heith, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resident of said Territory for the last two years ; that during the summer of 1856, when the eastern portion of the Territory was in a disturbed condition, occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders travelling about the country, committing robberies and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens. That on the third day of July, when your petitioner was returning from Kansas City, Missouri, with a load of provisions, and while in the Territory, an armed body of men unknown to your petitioner, made an attack upon your petitioner, and then and there took from his possession two horses of the value of \$280, as per schedule hereto annexed ; and at the same time and place one set of double harness of the value of \$25 ; and also took from the possession of your petitioner at the same time and place, the same body of men, one load of merchandise, consisting of dry goods, and groceries, and provisions, of the value of \$112, as per schedule ; that at the same time, the same body of men took from the possession

of your petitioner one lumber wagon, which your petitioner afterwards recovered at an expense of \$20.

Your petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for any of the above losses.

WILLIAM B. HEITH.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 9th day of November, A. D. 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

One span of horses valued at.....	\$280 00
One set of double harness at.....	25 00
One load of merchandise at.....	112 00
Expense of recovering wagon at.....	20 00
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	437 00
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WILLIAM B. HEITH.

LYKINS COUNTY, *ss.*

Albert Law and Francis Law, being severally sworn, say: that they have heard read the foregoing petition made by William B. Heith, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of our own knowledge. Deponents further say that they were well acquainted with the property mentioned in the foregoing petition; that the sums set opposite the respective articles is a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

ALBERT LAW.

his
FRANCIS X LAW.
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 9th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

I certify in the foregoing claim of William B. Heith of \$437, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 129.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Lykins.*

To the Hon H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature entitled, "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of John Stotts, of the county aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resident of said

Territory for the last two years; that on the 30th day of August, 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a disturbed condition occasioned by bodies of armed men under different leaders travelling over the country committing robberies, burning houses, and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens, a large body of armed men under the command of John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of the acting governor, Woodson, entered the town of Osawatomie in said county, and took from the possession of your petitioner, and converted to their own use, one horse of the value of \$100; one saddle and bridle valud at \$10; and one blanket worth \$3, all the property of your petitioner, and more particularly described in the schedule hereto annexed; which schedule is made a part of this petition. And your petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for any of the above losses.

his
JOHN X STOTTS.
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of November, 1857.
CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

One horse valued at.....	\$100 00
One saddle and bridle at.....	10 00
One blanket at.....	3 00
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Amount.....	113 00
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his
JOHN X STOTTS.
mark.

LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

George R. Ferris and James Stotts, aforesaid county, being severally sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition made by John Stotts; that they are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of their own knowledge. Deponents further say that they are well acquainted with the property mentioned in the above schedule; and that the sums set opposite the respective articles is a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

JAMES STOTTS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of November, 1857.
CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John Stotts, of one hundred and thirteen dollars, the same is proven, and is of the private class.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 130.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Mercer Sutton, of the county of Anderson, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner has been a resident of said Territory for the last two years; that during the latter part of June, 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a disturbed condition, occasioned by armed bodies of men travelling over the country committing robberies, thefts, &c., upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens, a body of men unknown to your petitioner, took from his possession one horse of the value of \$90 00 as per schedule hereto annexed, and that your petitioner has never received any compensation therefor.

his
 MERCER + SUTTON.
 mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of November, 1857.
 CYRUS TATOR,
 Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

1 horse of the value of..... \$90 00
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COUNTY OF LYKINS, ss.

Jesse Sutton and Silas Sutton, being severally sworn, say that they have heard read the foregoing petition, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of our own knowledge; deponents further say that they were well acquainted with the horse referred to in the above schedule, that \$90 00 is a fair price for the same.

SILAS SUTTON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 3d day of November, 1857.
 CYRUS TATOR,
 Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Mercer Sutton, of ninety dollars, the same is proved and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
 Commissioner.

No. 131.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of James Stotts, of the county aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resident of said Territory for the last two years; that during the summer of 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a disturbed condition occasioned by armed bodies of men travelling over the country committing robberies, burning houses, and outrages of various kinds, upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens; that on the 30th day of August, A. D. 1856, a large body of armed men under the command of John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of acting Governor Woodson, entered the town of Osawatomie, in said county, and forcibly took from the possession of your petitioner and converted to their own use two horses, one two horse hack, one saddle, one set of double harness, three blankets, and a quantity of clothing, all the property of your petitioner, and more particularly described in the schedule hereto annexed, which schedule is made a part of this petition.

And your petitioner would further show that your petitioner has never received any compensation for any of the above named losses.

JAMES STOTTS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR.

Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

1 span of horses, valued at.....	\$185 00
1 double hack.....	116 00
1 saddle.....	16 00
3 blankets.....	9 00
1 set of double harness.....	25 00
1 lot of clothing.....	25 00

Amount..... \$376 00

JAMES STOTTS.

LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

John Stotts and Patrick Develin, of said county, being duly sworn, say that they have heard read the foregoing petition made by James Stotts, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of their own knowledge. Deponents further

say that they are well acquainted with the property mentioned in the foregoing schedule. That the sums set opposite the respective articles is a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

PATRICK DEVELIN.
his
JOHN + STOTTS.
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of November, 1857.
CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of John Stotts, of three hundred and seventy-six dollars, the same is proven and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 132.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of John P. Glenn, of county aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resident of this county for the last three years; that during the summer of 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders travelling over the country, committing robberies, thefts, burning houses, and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens; that on the 30th day of August, 1856, an armed body of men under the command of one John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of the then acting governor, Woodson, entered upon the premises of your petitioner, and then and there took from the possession of your petitioner one cow of the value of twenty-five dollars, as per schedule hereto annexed; that on the same day the same body of men entered the town of Osawatomie, and then and there burned to the ground a certain house, containing property belonging to your petitioner, more particularly described in schedule hereto annexed, which schedule is made a part of this petition. Your petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for any of the losses above mentioned.

JOHN P. GLENN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31st day of October, 1857.
CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in the foregoing petition.

1 cow of the value of	\$25 00
1 lot of property in house burned.....	25 00
1 pair of boots	5 00
	55 00
Amount.....	55 00

JOHN P. GLENN.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins, } ss.

Samuel Glenn and James D. Johnson, of county and Territory aforesaid, being severally duly sworn, say that they have heard read the foregoing petition, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of their own knowledge. Deponents further say that they are well acquainted with the property mentioned in the foregoing petition, and truly believe the sums set opposite the respective articles a fair and reasonable compensation therefor.

SAMUEL GLENN,
 JAMES D. JOHNSON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31st day of October, 1857.
 CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John P. Glenn of fifty-five dollars, the said amount is proven and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 133.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, &c., under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims and the act supplementary thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Hugh J. Campbell, of the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, respectfully shows:

That during the troubles and difficulties which occurred in the Territory of Kansas during the year 1856, to wit, on or about the 8th day of September, A. D. 1856, your petitioner had taken from his possession while enrolled as a member in the company of the territorial militia commanded by Captain A. B. Miller, a double-barreled shot gun and equipment attached thereto, worth the sum of forty dollars, and your petitioner does not know how or by whom the said gun and equipments were taken. Your petitioner further shows that

on or about the 15th day of September, A. D. 1856, there was taken from his possession by some person or persons unknown, but your petitioner believes was done by some of the men engaged in the service of the territorial militia, as aforesaid, a mule worth at least the sum of one hundred dollars, and that your petitioner has never received the said mule back again since it was taken from your petitioner, but the same was totally lost to your petitioner.

Your petitioner, therefore, prays that he may be awarded the sum of one hundred and forty dollars as and for the property which was taken from your petitioner, as is above set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid, or that your petitioner may be indemnified therefor, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, or for such further or other relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises; and your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

H. J. CAMPBELL.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Before me, the undersigned, personally came the above named H. J. Campbell, who, after being duly sworn, on oath says, that the matters and things stated in the above petition are true in substance and matter of fact.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and [L. s.] affixed my said notarial seal, this 2d day of December, 1857.

A. MACAULAY, *Notary Public*.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of H. J. Campbell of one hundred and forty dollars, that said amount is proven, and there is one hundred dollars of the public, and forty of the private class

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Leavenworth County, } ss.

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for the county aforesaid, personally came A. Payne, who, after being duly sworn, upon oath says: That he knows, of his own personal knowledge, that the articles named in the within petition of the said Hugh J. Campbell were taken from the possession of the petitioner, viz: the said shot-gun, and the said mule, as stated in said petition; that the shot-gun was, at the time, worth forty dollars, and that the said mule was worth one hundred dollars. He also states, and swears, that the said Campbell has not recovered either the said gun or the said mule.

A. PAYNE.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and [L. s.] affixed my seal notarial, this 2d day of December, A. D. 1857.

A. MACAULAY, *Notary Public*.

No. 134.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Silas Sutton, of the county of Anderson, and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resident of said Territory for the last two years; that during the summer of 1856, while your petitioner was a resident of Douglas county, in said Territory, and when that portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men, under different leaders travelling over the country committing robberies, thefts, destroying crops, and with other outrages of various kinds, a body of armed men, unknown to your petitioner, about the last days of June, 1856, took from the premises of your petitioner one horse of the value of \$80, as per schedule hereto annexed; that on or about the 5th of July, 1856, a body of men unknown to your petitioner took from his premises a work-horse of the value of \$120; that afterwards, and during the fall of 1856, your petitioner had seventeen acres of corn which was fed, gathered, or destroyed by armed bodies of men roving about the country; that said crop of corn was entirely destroyed or carried away by said men; and that your petitioner never received any compensation therefor, nor for any of the losses sustained by your petitioner.

SILAS SUTTON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31st of October, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Probate Judge for Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

One horse of the value.....	\$80 00
One horse of the value.....	120 00
Crop of corn.....	255 00
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	455 00
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SILAS SUTTON.

LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

James Sutton and Ottaway Sutton, of the county of Anderson, being severally sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition, and know the contents thereof; that so much thereof as relates to the first horse taken in June is true of our own knowledge.

JAMES SUTTON.

OTTAWAY SUTTON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31st day of October, 1857.
 CYRUS TATOR,
Probate Judge for Lykins County, K. T.

COUNTY OF ANDERSON, *ss.*

Jesse Sutton and Mercer Sutton, being severally sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition made by Silas Sutton, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of their own knowledge. Deponents further say that they are well acquainted with the property mentioned in the foregoing schedule, and verily believe the sums set opposite the respective articles to be a fair and reasonable compensation therefor.

JESSE ^{his} SUTTON.
mark.

MERCER ^{her} SUTTON.
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of November, 1857.
 CYRUS TATOR,
Probate Judge, Lykins County, K. T.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers of Silas Sutton, and allow the whole amount on private account.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of Claims.

No. 135.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Thomas Kelly, of the county aforesaid, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is and has been a resident of the Territory of Kansas for the last two years; that during the summer of 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement, occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders, travelling over the Territory committing robberies, thefts, burning houses, and outrages of various kinds upon the property of friendly disposed citizens; that on the 3d day of August, 1856, an armed body of men, under the command of one John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of the then acting governor, Woodson, entered the town of Osawatomie in said Territory, and then and there burned to the ground one dwelling house belonging to your petitioner of the

value of \$300, as per schedule hereunto annexed, which schedule is made part of this petition; that afterwards, and during the latter part of September, an armed body of men, under the command of one Captain Holmes, took from the premises of your petitioner one horse, saddle and bridle of the value of \$100, as per schedule; that on the sixth day of June, 1856, a large armed body of men entered the town of Osawatomie, committing outrages of various kinds, and then and there took from the possession of your petitioner one revolver of the value of \$18 00.

Your petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for any of the above losses.

THOMAS KELLY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this fourth day of November, A. D. 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Probate Judge for Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in the foregoing petition.

One frame house of the value of.....	\$300 00
One horse, saddle, and bridle.....	100 00
One Colt's revolver.....	18 00
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THOMAS KELLY.

LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

Patrick Devlin, of the county aforesaid, being duly sworn, says: that he has heard read the foregoing petition made by Thomas Kelly, and is well acquainted with the facts therein set forth, except the taking of the revolver; that the same is true of his own knowledge. Deponent further says that he is well acquainted with the property mentioned in the schedule, and that the sums set opposite the respective articles are a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

PATRICK DEVLIN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

John Sharky, of said county, being duly sworn, says: that he has heard read the foregoing petition, and knows the contents thereof; that the same is true of his own knowledge, with the exception of the taking of the horse, of which deponent knows nothing. Deponent further says that he is well acquainted with the property mentioned in the above schedule; that the sums set opposite the respective articles are a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

JOHN SHARKEY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4th day of November, 1857.
 CYRUS TATOR,
Probate Judge for Lykins County, K. T.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers, of Thomas Kelly, and allow him \$300 on public account, and \$118 on private account.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of Claims.

No. 136.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Calhoun County, } ss.

December 14, 1857.

Before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, auditor of public claims in Kansas Territory.

Robert Pence, of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, says: that the following described property belonging to him, was during the difficulties of 1856, in Kansas Territory, wrongfully taken from him by persons unknown to the claimant, and will be a total loss to said claimant, unless allowed, as by an act of the territorial legislature at its late session, to wit:

1 yoke of work steers of the value of.....	\$100 00
10 acres of corn.....	150 00
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Total.....	250 00
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He states further that he does not consider the above items to be estimated above their real value. He further states that he considered himself in danger, because of the difficulties just then breaking out in the Territory, and left for Missouri, and the work steers were taken by some persons unknown to this claimant, very shortly after his departure for Missouri, and drove from the Territory, the details of which he thinks can be given more fully by other testimony. And claimant further states, that during his absence, and the pending difficulties aforesaid, the ten acres of corn above mentioned, were destroyed or stolen, by whom this claimant does not know, but considers it to have been so destroyed or stolen, because of the existing difficulties rendering it dangerous to his person to return to the Territory in time to gather and endeavor to save said corn. Robert Pence, the claimant, makes oath and says that the matters and things stated in the above petition are true.

ROBERT PENCE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 14th of December, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN.

In the matter of the petition and complaint of Robert Pence, before the honorable H. J. Strickler, auditor of public claims in Kansas Territory, Jacob Morrow, gentleman, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith: That he has heard the petition and complaint of said Pence read, and will state that he saw a yoke of work steers, which he knows belonged to said Pence, in the possession of an armed band of men to him wholly unknown, and who threatened to follow said Pence on his road to Missouri to get possession of other property in his possession, and who had just left for that State, and only refrained from pursuing him, as this deponent believes, because of deponent's stating to them that said Pence had a lady with him; and moreover, deponent further says, that they said they would have another yoke of steers belonging to said Pence, provided they could find one of them which was missing. And deponent further says, he believes the said steers taken as above were worth at least one hundred dollars, and that he has good reasons to believe he, Pence, has never recovered said steers, nor any remuneration for the same. And deponent further says, that he knows said Pence had a field of corn, as much probably as stated in his affidavit, and that corn was very high at that time, and that the above price of one hundred and fifty dollars is not more than said corn, if secured in time, would have sold for in the county. And deponent further states, that such property was lost, as he believes, in consequence of the difficulties then existing in Kansas, making it dangerous for any one to pass to and from the river; and deponent does not doubt but that Mr. Pence's corn was lost to him because of his dread to return to Kansas in a proper time to gather and secure the same. And further this deponent says not.

JACOB MORROW.

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Calhoun county, } ss.

This day personally appeared before the undersigned, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Jacob Morrow, senior, who is personally known to the undersigned to be the individual whose name is subscribed to and embodied in the above affidavit, and made oath that the matters and things contained therein are correct.

Given under my hand this 14th December, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN.

I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers of Robert Pence, and allow the full amount on private account.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 137.

A list and bill of losses sustained by John F. Townsend, in the county of Douglas, Kansas Territory, in August, 1856 :

One canvas tent.....	20 00
One pair of blankets.....	10 00
One bed comfort.....	2 00
One buffalo robe.....	5 00
One Statutes of Kansas.....	5 00
One leather trunk and clothing.....	85 00
One siver lever watch.....	25 00
One silver-mounted pistol.....	10 00
	\$162 00

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of Jackson. }

This day personally appeared before me, Thomas J. Goforth, a justice of the peace in and for the county of Jackson, John T. Townsend, who on oath says that he actually sustained losses to the above amount of one hundred and sixty-two dollars, and received no part thereof either in money or goods; and further, I had to leave my claim and the following described property by force of arms, and escape for my life. This occurred in August, A. D. 1856, in the Territory of Kansas.

JOHN T. TOWNSEND, [SEAL.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 15th of December, 1857.
THOMAS J. GOFORTH,
Justice of Peace.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of Jackson. }

This day personally appeared before me, Thomas J. Goforth, a justice of the peace in and for the county of Jackson, J. E. Horwood and A. M. Allen, who on oath say that they verily believe the affidavit of John T. Townsend is true; for we knew of the said Townsend having to leave the Territory of Kansas, and that he had the articles above described in his possession a short time before he left said Territory.

J. E. HORWOOD, [SEAL.]
A. M. ALLEN, [SEAL.]

Subscribed and sworn to this the 15th day of December, A. D. 1857.
THOMAS J. GOFORTH,
Justice of the Peace.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson, } ss.

I, John R. Swearingen, clerk of the county court within and for the county aforesaid, do hereby certify that Thomas J. Goforth, esq., whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing affidavit, now is, and was at the time of so doing, an acting justice of the peace within and for the county aforesaid, duly elected, commissioned, and qualified, and that full faith and credit is due and ought to be given to all his official acts as such, as well in courts of justice as thereout.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the [SEAL.] seal of said court, at my office in the city of Independence, this 21st day of December, 1857.

JOHN R. SWEARINGEN,
Clerk.

In the foregoing claim there is no proof that the losses were occasioned by the difficulties, or in what manner the losses were sustained.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 138.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 Lykins County. }

To the honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims in the Territory of Kansas :

The undersigned, your petitioner, Samuel Ralston, would respectfully represent, that in the spring of the year 1855 he having a claim in the Territory of Kansas, and upon which a portion of his family resided, he carried into the said Territory of Kansas the following property, to wit: Seventy large hogs, all marked with a full slit in the right ear; amongst them were nine breeding sows and two boars; said hogs remained at and about his said improvement or claim, and under the care and direction of the members of his family residing on said claim, until about the latter part of the fall or the early part of the winter in the year 1855, when they were stolen or driven off, as this petitioner believes, by some ill-disposed person or persons in that portion of the Territory, and this petitioner has never since been able to recover them, although he has used due diligence in searching all through the neighborhood where they were lost. Your petitioner states that said hogs were taken during the difficulties in said Territory in the fall or winter of 1855.

Your petitioner states that said hogs were reasonably worth one thousand dollars. Your petitioner states that during the time that said hogs were in said Territory they were increased in number by the sows having pigs, and also increased in size, rendering them more valuable than when first taken to said Territory.

He states that his said claim was situated on Ten Mile creek, in Lykins county, in said Territory. This petitioner states that he can-

not be more particular in the description of said hogs, except that they were in color white and black, being a mixture of Irish graziers and Berkshire. This petitioner prays that he may be allowed the sum of one thousand dollars in payment of said hogs so lost as aforesaid, or such other sum as you may think that said hogs were reasonably worth ; and as in duty bound will ever pray.

SAMUEL RALSTON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31st day of December, 1855.

WM. A. HEISKELL,
Clerk Lykins County, K. T.

Hampton Horlason states that he lived on a claim in Lykins county, Kansas Territory, near the claim of Samuel Ralston ; the petitioner states that said Ralston brought to said claim a large quantity of hogs in the spring of 1855 ; I also know that said hogs were stolen, or believe so ; and that said Ralston never got them ; I assisted in hunting for said hogs in Lykins and Johnston counties, and found none of them.

I consider that said hogs so lost by said Ralston were well worth one thousand dollars.

HAMPTON HORLASON.

Sworn and subscribed this 31st day of December, 1857, before me.

WM. A. HEISKELL, *Clerk.*

John Dorsey states that he owned a claim in Lykins county, Kansas Territory, near the claim of Samuel Ralston, mentioned in this petition. That in the spring of 1855, said Ralston had on said claim a part of his family residing ; that he also had a large number of hogs on said claim, which he believes were stolen and never recovered by said Ralston. He further believes that said hogs were reasonably worth one thousand dollars.

JOHN DORSEY.

Sworn and subscribed this 31st day of December, 1857, before me.

WM. A. HEISKELL,
Clerk, Lykins county, Kansas Territory.

I resided in the neighborhood of Colonel Samuel Ralston's claim in Lykins county, and although I had no personal knowledge of the property lost by him, I can state that it was generally understood by his neighbors that he lost a very considerable lot of hogs, amongst which were many large and valuable ones. I also know that the Colonel spent much time in searching for them, and, as I have good reason to believe, without success.

A. M. COPPY.

PAOLA, KANSAS TERRITORY, *December 31, 1857.*

Sworn and subscribed before me this 31st day of December, 1857.

WM. A. HIESKELL,
Clerk, Lykins county, Kansas Territory.

I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers of Samuel Ralston, and allow him the sum of \$700 on private account.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of Claims.

No. 139.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner to audit claims, &c., under the act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the last legislature of the Territory of Kansas, and approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

Your petitioner respectfully represents that he is now, and has been for three years last past, a resident of the Territory of Kansas; that during the months of August and September, in the year A. D. 1857, that portion of the Territory, to wit, the southern part of Franklin county, in which your petitioner resided was in a troubled and distracted condition; that bodies of armed men were parading the country, committing outrages and robberies upon the persons and property of the inhabitants; that the acting governor had called out the militia to put down insurrection and rebellion, to preserve the peace, order, and quiet of the Territory, and to protect the inhabitants in the enjoyment of their lives and property; that during this time your petitioner resided with his family upon his claim or farm, near the southern boundary of Franklin county, in said Territory; that your petitioner had in cultivation upon his said claim or farm, about five acres of oats, which said oats had been cut, and drawn from the field, and stacked near the house of your petitioner; that on account of personal threats of violence, made against your petitioner, he was compelled to leave his said farm or claim, leaving his wife and family to preserve his crops and property; that a few nights before the battle of Osawatomie, a party of armed men, numbering thirty or forty men, commanded by Captain John Brown, surrounded the house of your petitioner, and William Partridge and several others broke down the door, and forcibly entered the dwelling-house of your petitioner; that said party of men, after searching the house, for the purpose of finding your petitioner therein, took and carried away a part of said oats; that a night or two thereafter, said party returned, and carried away another portion of said oats, said oats were worth about forty dollars; that shortly after this occurred, one of the parties of armed men before referred to, killed and carried off from the claim of your petitioner a two year old brindle steer, of the value of about twenty dollars, and also a large copper boiler, of the value of four dollars, and still subsequent to this, taking about one and a half acres of turnips, amounting to about one hundred and fifty bushels, worth at least fifty cents per bushel, amounting to seventy-five dollars, and also damaging, destroying, and taking away

corn to about the amount of twenty dollars ; that attached to and made a part of this petition is a schedule of property which your petitioner lost during the time above specified.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

THOMAS TOTTEN.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins, } ss.

Thomas Totten, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That the statements set forth in the foregoing petition are true as he verily believes.

THOMAS TOTTEN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th day of December, A. D. 1857.

WM. A. HEISKELL,
 Clerk of Lykins County, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Five acres of oats.....	\$40 00
One and a half acres of turnips, 150 bushels, at fifty cents...	75 00
One two year old steer.....	20 00
One large copper boiler.....	4 00
Corn.....	20 00
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	159 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 Counti of Lykins, } ss.

On this day of December, A. D. 1857, personally appeared before me, Elizabeth Totten and George W. Smith, who are to me well known, who being duly sworn, depose and say: That the statements set forth in the petition of Thomas Totten, hereto annexed, are true, as they very believe.

her
 ELIZABETH X TOTTEN.
 mark
 GEORGE M. SMITH.

Sworn to before me, and subscribed in my presence, this 17th day of December, A. D. 1857.

WM. A. HEISKELL,
 Clerk of Lykins County.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying affidavits of Thomas Totten, and allow the amount on private account.

H. J. STRICKLER,
 Commissioner of Claims.

No. 140.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson, } ss.

Personally appeared before John R. Swearingen, clerk of the county court of said county of Jackson and State aforesaid, Samuel R. Ruckel and makes oath that he was residing as a peaceable and quiet citizen in the town of Franklin, county of Douglas, Kansas Territory, in the house of Samuel Crane; then and there, about the 12th or 13th of August, 1856, a mob that he believes consisted of not less than two hundred and fifty men, calling themselves free-State men, without the slightest known cause commenced a violent assault with guns and other deadly weapons on the house of said Samuel Crane, with imprecations to destroy the property and slaughter the inmates.

Your affiant states that, being fully warranted by the conduct of said mob in believing that they really meant what they had threatened and were endeavoring to execute, did with a few other friends endeavor to expel them, but being finally overpowered by the force of numbers, he and his few gallant friends were compelled to retreat, (as the only possible means of saving themselves,) thus abandoning the house and all that it contained to the pillage of a set of desperadoes, whose conduct proves that plunder was one of the chief objects that prompted the assault.

Your affiant further states that he had in the house thus abandoned property at a very reasonable valuation worth not less than one thousand dollars, (\$1,000,) consisting of clothing, jewelry, carpenter's tools, and a sum of money of four hundred and twenty-five dollars, (\$425,) amounting in all to a sum not less than \$1,000, all of which was carried off by said mob, and for which no account has been made, nor has he received acknowledgment or compensation for the same to the value of one cent.

To all of which your affiant, under a full sense of the responsibility, solemnly makes oath.

S. R. RUCKEL.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson, } ss.

We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, do solemnly swear that we were present and witnessed the assault made on the house of Samuel Crane, in the town of Franklin, Kansas Territory, as stated in the foregoing affidavit of Samuel R. Ruckel, and confirm every word of his statement as to the manner of the attack to be true in terms and substance; and understanding pretty well the taking of the property that he lost and which was carried away by the mob on that occasion, we are confident that the amount of \$1,000 is not exaggerated, but is rather under than over the true amount. This we state to the best of our knowledge and belief.

H. C. RUSSELL,
 SAM'L CRANE, Sr.,
 ANN CRANE,
 R. S. CRANE,
 W. CRANE.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson, } ss.

I, W. H. Russell, late of Cass county, State of Missouri aforesaid, state that I was in Franklin, Kansas Territory, not long after the occurrence declared in the affidavit of Samuel R. Ruckel, and from what I heard I have full confidence that his statement is true, without the slightest exaggeration.

W. H. RUSSELL.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson, } ss.

This day personally appeared before the undersigned, clerk of the county court within and for the county aforesaid, Samuel R. Ruckel, William H. Russell, Samuel Crane, Ann Crane, Robert S. Crane, William Crane, and Joseph C. Russell, and being duly sworn, depose and saith that the matters and things stated in the foregoing affidavits are true.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court at the office in the city of Independence this 14th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOHN R. SWEARINGEN,
Clerk.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing complaint and accompanying affidavits of Samuel R. Ruckel, and allow the full amount on private account.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 141.

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of, or growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory, in the year 1856, approved February, 1857.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, } Account for losses during the difficulties of
 County of Douglas. } 1856.

S. Y. Lum, complainant, states that on the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, he was the legal owner and in peaceable possession of a pair of carriage horses, well broke to the harness, and good family carriage horses, the one a bay and the other a sorrel; and that, on the morning of the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, a portion of the men then assembled in the vicinity of Lawrence, as the posse of J. B. Donaldson, United States marshal for the Territory of Kansas, came to the house of complainant, which is within one mile of said town of Lawrence, and there took and carried away out of the possession of complainant, the said two carriage horses for the use of said posse; complainant states that said

two horses were reasonably worth the sum of four hundred dollars. He also states that he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory ; and that he has not received back said two horses, nor any compensation for the same, from any person or persons for the same. He also states that the matters and things set forth in the above petition are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

S. Y. LUM, *Complainant*.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public*.

Witness in support of the claim of S. Y. Lum, for loss of two horses, in 1856.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Eyree Pierce, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and says that I am well acquainted with S. Y. Lum, who has made and signed the above complaint ; I am acquainted with the contents thereof, and I believe the facts and things therein stated are true. I know that S. Y. Lum was the owner of the horses mentioned in the above complaint, and that he lost them about the time mentioned in his complaint ; deponent says that on the 22d day of May, A. D. 1856, I was in the town of Franklin, in Douglas county ; I went to hunt a horse belonging to myself, that was taken by the marshal's posse on the 21st, and while in Franklin I saw in the possession of the men that belonged to the marshal's posse, the two horses belonging to and the property of S. Y. Lum ; they started to West Point and took said horses along, and further this deponent saith not.

EYREE A. PIERCE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public*.

Richard C. Pierce, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and says: I am well acquainted with S. Y. Lum, who has made and signed the above complaint ; I know that he owned the two horses mentioned in his complaint, and that he lost them on the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856. On the 22d day of May, A. D. 1856, I was in the town of Franklin, in Douglas county, to hunt a horse that belonged to Eyree Pierce, and while there I saw in the possession of the men that composed the marshal's posse, the two horses the property of S. Y. Lum ; I saw them start to West Point, and took said horses along. S. Y. Lum is a resident of Douglas county Kansas Territory, and further deponent saith not.

R. C. PIERCE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public*.

O. A. Hanscom, of lawful age, being duly sworn, declares and says that I am well acquainted with S. Y. Lum, who has made and subscribed the above complaint; I am well acquainted with the two horses, the property of S. Y. Lum, and think that they were reasonably worth the sum of four hundred dollars; further this deponent saith not.

O. A. HANSCOM.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public.*

Bill of items of amount of property lost in consequence of the difficulties in Kansas Territory, in the year A. D. 1856, the property of S. Y. Lum.

1856.—May 21. Two carriage horses..... \$400 00

This account is just and correct.

S. Y. LUM.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying vouchers or affidavits, and allow the whole amount on public account, \$400.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of Claims.

No. 142.

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory during the year A. D. 1856:

John Anderson, complainant, states: That on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and for some time previous thereto, he was the legal owner and in peaceable possession of certain property, to wit: One hewed log dwelling house on my claim in the vicinity of Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas Territory, of the value of three hundred dollars; also, household furniture and family library, of the value of one hundred and fifty dollars, in all of the value of four hundred and fifty dollars.

And that on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a large body of armed men under the command of one General Reid, while camped in the vicinity of the residence of complainant, came to the dwelling of complainant and set fire to and burned the same with all its contents, household furniture, library, &c., whereby com-

plainant says he is greatly injured and hath sustained damages to the amount of four hundred and fifty dollars.

He also states that he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory. He further states that he has not received any compensation from any person or persons whatever for the same. He states that the matters and things set forth in the above complaint are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

JOHN ANDERSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE, J. P.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

William S. Kennedy, of lawful age, being duly sworn deposes and says: That I am well acquainted with John Anderson who has made and subscribed the above complaint; I know the contents thereof and I believe that the matters and things therein set forth are true; I know that said Anderson was the owner of the log dwelling house mentioned in said complaint.

Deponent further says that on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, I saw the men that came to Franklin under General Reid, set fire to and burn the said house, and afterwards I saw the fence burning around where the house stood. I do not know what said house was worth, and further this deponent saith not.

WM. S. KENNEDY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of November, 1857,

Bill of articles destroyed during the difficulties in Kansas Territory in the year 1856, the property of John Anderson.

Sept. 14, 1856. To house and dwelling.....	300 00
To household furniture.....	150 00
	\$450 00

This account is just and correct.

JOHN ANDERSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE, J. P.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas, } ss.

Thomas Anderson, of lawful age, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that, I am well acquainted with John Anderson who has made and signed the above petition. I know the contents thereof, and believe the matter and things therein set forth are true.

I know that complainant was the owner of the property therein mentioned.

I have lived at the house of said Anderson and believe that his household furniture and other property destroyed were reasonably worth the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

I believe the house of said Anderson that was burned was worth the sum of three hundred dollars. His house was burned by the men that came to the town of Franklin under General Reid.

Complainant is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory.

THOMAS ANDERSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE, *J. P.*

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying affidavits, and allow the full amount on private account, \$450.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 143.

Petition of Benjamin Johnson under act of legislative assembly and act supplemental thereto, passed and approved the 23d of February, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying all claims for damages in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory.

The petition respectfully showeth to this commissioner that the petitioner herein is a citizen of Kansas Territory; that he came into said Territory in the — of 185 , and has resided in this town of Lawrence, Douglas county, Kansas Territory since that period.

That he was in May, 1856, and had been some time prior thereto a householder and resided in his dwelling on Vermont street, in the said town of Lawrence; that on the 21st day of May, 1856, the said dwelling of this petitioner was broken into and plundered of everything valuable therein that could be carried away; that the persons concerned in and who broke into and plundered the property of this petitioner were, as this petitioner is informed and believes, a company or posse first under the command and direction of Israel B. Donaldson, United States marshal, and afterwards, and before the said dwelling was broken into and the property therein carried away, were placed under the command and direction of one Samuel J. Jones; that the said Jones had no legal process for the petitioner herein for a search in his said dwelling, but that the posse under him wantonly ransacked, plundered and carried away property consisting of wearing apparel, bed-clothing and other articles of great value to this petitioner, which he cannot at this time specifically set forth. The petitioner further

says that the articles, property, and goods that were taken were of great value, to wit: of the value of nine hundred and sixty dollars. The petitioner further says, that the said company or posse, after plundering trunks, wardrobes, closets, and bed-rooms, wantonly broke and destroyed furniture and looking-glasses, to the great damage to this petitioner, to wit: of one hundred and fifty dollars; that afterwards, to wit: on the day and year aforesaid, the said company or posse wantonly and maliciously set fire to the dwelling-house aforesaid of this petitioner, and great damage was done thereto, to wit: the damage of three hundred dollars. This petitioner further says, that he has received no compensation, either in whole or in part, for the losses and damages sustained as aforesaid; that such loss and damage were a consequence of and grew out of the political troubles in this Territory. Therefore, this petitioner asks this commissioner that he will allow the damages herein set forth, and assess the same at thirteen hundred and sixty-six dollars.

Benjamin Johnson, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the claimant in the above petition, and that the facts therein stated are true, of his own knowledge, except as to those matters stated on information and belief, and as to those matters he believes them to be true.

B. JOHNSON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 9th day of December, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Justice of the Peace.

Schedule of property lost by Benjamin Johnson during the difficulties in Kansas, and a consequence of and growing out of such difficulties.

2 land warrants, \$175 each	-	-	-	-	\$350 00
2 coats	-	-	-	-	35 00
1 set of furs	-	-	-	-	18 00
Pants and shirts	-	-	-	-	50 00
Children's clothes	-	-	-	-	50 00
1 silk shawl	-	-	-	-	35 00
2 dresses, (silk)	-	-	-	-	40 00
1 satin dress	-	-	-	-	48 00
1 Sharpe's rifle	-	-	-	-	30 00
1 double shot-gun	-	-	-	-	25 00
2 revolvers	-	-	-	-	50 00
Beds and bedding	-	-	-	-	185 00
Damage to furniture	-	-	-	-	150 00
Damage to house, (burning)	-	-	-	-	300 00
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Depositions in support of the claim of Benjamin Johnson for damage done him during the difficulties in this Territory.

William Henry, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That in the month of May, 1856, he was boarding with Benjamin Johnson, the petitioner herein; that the said petitioner lives in the town of Lawrence, Kansas, on Vermont street; that on the 21st day of May, year aforesaid, a large company of men, under the command of Samuel J. Jones, broke into, with force and arms, the dwelling of this petitioner, and then and there plundered and ransacked the said dwelling-house, and stole and carried away every article that could be conveniently carried, and what articles could not be so taken away were destroyed or damaged so much as to be entirely worthless. The articles consisted of land warrants, money drafts, and clothing of every description; the articles this deponent is not able to particularly state, but they were of great value. This deponent further says, that on the 21st day of May, 1856, the said company, or posse, under the command of Samuel J. Jones, after having entered by force and arms this said dwelling of this petitioner, and after stealing and plundering every portable article therein, there and then broke down doors, smashed windows, broke and destroyed mirrors, and chairs, and bedsteads, to the great damage of this petitioner.

This deponent says, that the damage done on the day aforesaid, and by the posse of men aforesaid, to the property of the said petitioner was thirteen hundred dollars.

This deponent further says, that on the 21st day of May, year aforesaid, the said posse of men, under the direction and command of one Samuel J. Jones, set on fire the dwelling of this petitioner, and did great damage to this petitioner. This deponent believes and deposes that the whole damage done this petitioner was thirteen or fourteen hundred dollars.

Further this deponent saith not.

WILLIAM HENRY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 9th day of December, 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Justice of the Peace.

Witness in support of the claim of Benjamin Johnson.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

James Christean, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith: That I am well acquainted with Benjamin Johnson, who has made and signed the above complaint; he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory.

I was in the city of Lawrence, in this county, on the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, during the entire day, and saw most of the proceedings. A large company of men entered the town on that day, under the com-

mand of Samuel J. Jones, sheriff of Douglas county. I saw several of the men that came in break open the doors and windows of several houses in the town, as the most of the inhabitants had run off to the hills as soon as the men entered the town.

Some time in the afternoon, or about sundown, Benjamin Johnson came to me and asked me to go over and see his house. I went, and found the front door open, and all of the front windows broken. The house was very much in disorder; every box, trunk, cupboard, and corner was broken open and their contents scattered all over the floor; bed and bedding were lying on the floor in great disorder. Whether any article was taken from the trunks or house I am unable to say; I do know that the men were in the house, but do not know that they took anything. I saw several of the men, as they left town, have bundles under their arms, but whose property it was I know not.

Further this deponent saith not.

JAMES CHRISTEAN.

I certify that in the foregoing claim the charge for loss of land warrants is rejected, upon the ground that relief can be had upon the application to the proper department; the amount proven is \$1,000, and award the same to Benjamin Johnson. Private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 144.

The petition of James L. Smith, under an act of legislative assembly, and act supplemental thereto, passed and approved the 23d day of February, 1856, providing for the auditing and certifying of all claims for damage arising out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory, respectfully showeth to this commissioner: That on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, and for a long time prior thereto, he resided in the town of Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas; that he was at that time, and had been for some time previous, carrying on the blacksmithing business in the said town; that he had in his possession, and was legal owner at that time of a set of blacksmith's tools, of the value of eighty-five dollars, consisting of hammers, tongs, anvil, &c., which are specifically set forth in the schedule hereto annexed, and part of this petition. That on the day and year aforementioned a company of territorial militia were encamped in the said town of Franklin, under the command of General Reid; that many, or nearly all, of the inhabitants of said town were compelled to leave the said town by threats of violence made by said militia against them; that this petitioner, for personal safety, left said town and his shop, with tools aforesaid therein. This petitioner was absent from the town about three days, and returned to his shop and found the tools, with the exception of the anvil, had been carried away; that he is informed and believes that said tools were taken

and carried away by some person or persons belonging to the territorial militia aforesaid. That this petitioner, on the days aforementioned, was owner of a quantity of iron, in bars, which was also left in his shop at the time he left the town as aforesaid, of the value of fifteen dollars; that when he returned the said iron was missing; and he is informed and believes that the said iron was taken and carried away by some person or persons belonging to the territorial militia aforesaid.

The petitioner further says, that he has received no compensation, either in whole or in part, for the loss of said tools or iron, or any part thereto, but that they were and became to him a total loss; that he is, and was at the taking of the property aforesaid, a citizen of Kansas Territory; that the said property was taken during the difficulties in this Territory. He therefore asks this commissioner to allow damage to him of one hundred dollars.

JAMES L. SMITH.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29th day of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Justice of the Peace.

SCHEDULE.

3 hand hammers and one sledge, \$1 each	-	-	-	\$4 00
8 pair of tongs, \$2 each	-	-	-	16 00
10 pincers	-	-	-	10 00
1 set-hammer	-	-	-	1 00
4 chisels	-	-	-	3 00
1 vise	-	-	-	20 00
2 screw plates, \$10 and \$15	-	-	-	25 00
8 pair of wedges, \$1 each	-	-	-	8 80
Iron, in bars	-	-	-	15 00
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Depositions in support of the claim of James L. Smith for damages sustained during the difficulties in this Territory.

Solomon Raynard, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he knows the petitioner, James L. Smith; that the said petitioner on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, and for a long time prior thereto, resided in the town of Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas Territory; that at that time he was the owner of a blacksmith shop, in said town of Franklin; that he had certain tools, consisting of hammers, tongs, vise, &c., the property of this petitioner; that on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, a large party of men, calling themselves the territorial militia, under the command of General Reid, were encamped in and about the said town of Franklin; that said militia had threatened, and did threaten, vio-

lence to the inhabitants of said town; and that, in consequence thereof, nearly all of said inhabitants did leave and quit the place. The tools aforesaid, the property of this petitioner, were in the shop of the said petitioner on the 14th day of September, 1856, and he was compelled to leave the town of Franklin aforesaid, and his shop aforesaid, with the tools aforesaid therein; that the said petitioner did quit the said place on the 14th day of September, 1856, and returned on the 16th day of the said month following, being absent a little more than two days; that when he returned the said tools, all but the anvil, had been taken away; that the said tools were taken, as this deponent is informed and believes, by some persons belonging to the territorial militia aforesaid; that the said petitioner, on the days aforementioned, was also possessed of, his own property, a quantity of iron in bars; that some persons belonging, as this deponent is informed, to the militia aforesaid, took and carried away said iron; that it was worth at least fifteen dollars. This deponent further says that the petitioner herein was, at the time the property herein set forth was taken, a citizen of Kansas Territory. Further he saith not.

SOLOMON RAYNARD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29th day of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD, *J. P.*

I certify, in the foregoing claim of James L. Smith, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class. \$102.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 145.

The petition of Lucy A. Maggard, under an act of legislative assembly, passed and approved February 23, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying all claims for damage arising out of the difficulties in this Territory of Kansas, respectfully sheweth to this commissioner that she is the widow of David Maggard, who died in the year 1848, and is a head of a family; that she has resided in this Territory since June, 1856; that she made a settlement in the town of Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas; that on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, and for a long time prior thereto, she was the occupant of a house in the said town of Franklin, the property of Dr. Hill, of the same town; that in said house this petitioner was possessed of household goods, one _____, her own property, of great value, to wit: the value of _____ hundred dollars; the articles of such household goods are specifically set forth in the schedule annexed to and part of this petition; that, on the days and year aforementioned, this petitioner was also the owner of, and had in her possession, two certain cows, of the following description: one spotted red and white, the other white, worth twenty-five dollars each; that she was also the legal owner of, and had in her possession, two certain calves, one about

six months and the other about three months old, worth, the two, fifteen dollars; that on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, a company of men, calling themselves territorial militia, under the command of General Reid, were encamped in and about the said town of Franklin; that said company of men compelled the inhabitants of said town, or the greater part thereof, to leave and quit the place; that this petitioner was forced to quit possession of the house she occupied as aforesaid by the threats of violence of the militia aforesaid, and leave in said house all of her household goods; that she was absent from the said town and her premises for the space of three days, and when she returned to the house aforesaid, which she had occupied, with all the contents thereof, had been destroyed by fire; the goods aforesaid were and became to her a total loss. She verily believes that the said house was burned, with the household goods therein, by some person or persons connected with the territorial militia. That on the 15th day of September, 1856, the said cows and calves, the property of this petitioner, were taken and carried away by some person or persons unknown to this petitioner, but whom she believes belonged to the territorial militia aforesaid, and they were and became to this petitioner a total loss. The petitioner further showeth, that she is a citizen of Kansas Territory, and has been for the past two years; that she has received no compensation for the said household goods, cows, and calves, or any part thereof, and that no part of such property has been returned to her.

She therefore asks this commissioner that he will allow the damages herein set forth, and assess the amount at two hundred and sixty-five dollars.

LUCY A. MAGGARD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29th day of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD, J. P.

Depositions in support of the claim of Lucy A. Maggard, for damage sustained during the late difficulties in Kansas.

Wm. G. Price, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner, Lucy A. Maggard; that she has been a resident of this Territory of Kansas about two years; that she settled in the town of Franklin, Douglas county, Territory of Kansas, in June, 1856; she occupied a house belonging to Dr. Hull, of Franklin, aforesaid, on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, and for some time prior thereto; a large body of men, on the days and year aforesaid, was encamped in and around the said town of Franklin; they called themselves the territorial militia, and were under the command of one Reid; the said body of men or militia compelled nearly all of the inhabitants of the town of Franklin aforesaid to quit the place, and among those so compelled to leave was Lucy A. Maggard, the petitioner; she owned at that time, and had in her possession, in the house aforesaid, certain household goods and provisions; this deponent believes that the household goods and provision aforesaid

are worth two hundred dollars; the petitioner, in consequence of the compulsion aforesaid, left the said house with the goods therein, and was absent for the space of three days, and upon her return the house aforesaid, was burned and in ashes, and the goods therein either destroyed or carried away.

This deponent believes that the said goods were destroyed or carried away by some person or persons connected with said militia; the said company remained in the said town and vicinity until the 16th of September, 1856.

That the petitioner owned, on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, two certain cows and two calves; the cows were of the following description, to wit: One was spotted red and white, and the other nearly or quite all white; they were both good cows, and worth sixty dollars; the calves, one was a spring calf, and the other about three months old; worth five dollars each.

On the 14th and 15th days of September aforesaid the said cows and calves were driven away, as the deponent is informed and believes, by some person or persons belonging to the militia aforesaid, and became to this petitioner a total loss; this deponent further says that this petitioner is a widow and head of a family, and was, at the time this property aforesaid was destroyed, a citizen of Kansas Territory. Further this deponent saith not.

WM. G. PRICE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29th day of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD, *J. P.*

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying affidavits of Lucy A. Maggard, and allow the whole amount on private account.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of Claims.

SCHEDULE.

Two cows and calves	\$65 00
Two feather beds	30 00
Two mattresses and six pillows	15 50
Two bedsteads and cords	15 00
Seven quilts, and comforts, and	} 26 00
Three blankets	
Ten sheets and twelve pillow slips	7 00
Table linen and towels	5 00
Twenty yards bleached domestic calico	2 50
Twenty-four yards bleached domestic calico	3 60
Six quilts, not quilted.	9 00
One eight-day clock	10 00
One light-stand and table	7 00
One rocking chair and four dining chairs	6 00
Cupboard ware	11 00

Cooking utensils.....	\$8 00
Pails, churn, jars, and tin-ware.....	8 00
Clothing for self and children.....	35 00
Utensils for washing.....	6 50
Books and papers.....	15 00
Sundry articles.....	20 00
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LUCY A. MAGGARD.

James L. Smith, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That the petitioner resided on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, and for some time previous, in the town of Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas; she occupied a house belonging to Dr. Hull; the household goods therein belonged to the petitioner; said goods were worth two hundred dollars; the petitioner was also owner of two cows at the time aforesaid, of the following description: One, red spots, the other white; worth twenty-five or thirty dollars each; she was also the owner of two calves, worth five dollars apiece; that on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, a company of men, calling themselves territorial militia, were encamped around the said town, and the inhabitants thereof being threatened with violence most of them quit the place; this petitioner left the town on the 14th of September, year aforesaid, leaving her household goods in the house occupied by her as aforesaid, and returned to the said town on the 16th of September following; while she was absent some person or persons belonging, as this deponent is informed and believes, to the company of militia aforesaid, burned the said dwelling-house occupied by this petitioner, and her household goods therein were destroyed or carried away; the said cows and calves, as this deponent is informed and believes, were, on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, driven away by some persons belonging to the said militia, and became, as the deponent believes, a total loss to the petitioner.

The deponent further says that the petitioner is a widow and a head of a family, and that at the time the said property was taken and destroyed she was a widow, and citizen of Kansas Territory.

The property aforesaid was taken during the difficulties in this Territory. Further he saith not.

JAMES L. SMITH.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29th day of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Justice of the Peace.

No. 146.

Account for loss and damages.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory :

C. L. Edwards, complainant, states : That on or about the 30th day of August, A. D. 1856, he was the legal owner of a certain frame house, one story high, situated on lot No. 6, on Pomeroy square, in the town of Ossawatomie, in the county of Lykins, in Kansas Territory ; and that on or about the 30th day of August, A. D. 1856, a company of men, under the command of General Reid, set fire to and burned the same to the ground. Complainant states that said house was worth the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.) He states that he has not received any compensation, either in whole or in part, from any person or persons for the same, whatever.

He further states that the matters and things set forth in the above petition are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

C. L. EDWARDS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

George R. Farris, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and says : That I am well acquainted with C. L. Edwards, who has made and signed the above petition, and know that he owned the house mentioned in said petition, and that the same was burned by the army under the command of General Reid, on or about the 28th day of August, A. D. 1856. I believe that said property was reasonably worth the sum of three hundred dollars. I am acquainted with the complainant, and know that he is a resident of Kansas Territory. I know the property mentioned in the within schedule and complaint.

GEORGE R. FARRIS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of C. S. Edwards there is proven of a private class \$300 ; and I hereby award the said C. S. Edwards the sum of three hundred dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 146.

Account for loss and damages.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory :

James Dumars, complainant, states that he was the legal owner of a light bay horse, six years old in the spring of 1856, well broken to the harness, and a fine saddle-horse ; and that about the 1st day of June, A. D. 1856, said horse strayed away, in company with three other horses, the property of Samuel Gill and Jonathan Allison ; that said Samuel Gill and myself hunted said four horses for several days in succession ; that on the third day after said horses had strayed away, said Samuel Gill found three of said horses, two of them at Baptiste Peorias, in Lykins county, but was unable to get them, as they were in the possession of a company, claiming to be territorial militia, under the command of one Captain Lucas, of Alabama ; and that said Samuel Gill informed me that he saw a light bay horse in possession of said militia that he was confident was my horse, but being a prisoner at the time, he was not permitted to go and examine him closely. After his release he informed me of these facts, but owing to the extreme difficulty and danger of travelling at that time, I did not hunt any further for said horse. Complainant further states, that about the 30th day of August, A. D. 1856, he was also the owner of a certain dark bay mare, five years old in the spring of A. D. 1856, and that on the 30th day of August, A. D. 1856, a company of men, whom I have every reason to believe were a portion of General John W. Reid's men, that attacked and destroyed the town of Ossawatomie, came with force and took said dark bay mare out of the possession of one George Cutter, in the neighborhood of the said town of Ossawatomie. Complainant states that said bay mare was reasonably worth the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars. Complainant further states that the light bay horse, lost about the 1st day of June, A. D. 1856, was reasonably worth the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars ; making in all the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars. Complainant further states that he was damaged by the loss of said horse and mare, over and above the value above mentioned, in the sum of fifty dollars. Complainant further states that he is a citizen of this Kansas Territory. Complainant further states that he has not sold or disposed of his interest in said horse and mare, nor has he ever seen or heard of them since that time, except as mentioned in this complaint. He further states that he has never received any compensation, either in whole or in part, for the loss of said horse and mare, nor the damages that he sustained in consequence thereof, from any person or persons whatever. But he presents the above account with an honest intention, believing that he is justly entitled to the same.

JAMES DUMARS, *Complainant.*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public.*

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Depositions of witnesses produced, sworn, and examined, at the town of Lawrence, county of Douglas, Territory of Kansas, before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for said county, in a certain cause now pending, or rather in course of proceeding, before the commissioner appointed to audit and certify certain claims for loss and damages sustained in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this Territory, to be laid before the next Congress of the United States, at the first session thereof, and also before the next legislative assembly of the Territory of Kansas :

Samuel Gill, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he resides in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and that he is acquainted with the petitioner herein, James Dumars; that he has known him for seven years or more; that the said James Dumars came into this Territory about the 24th day of May, A. D. 1856; the deponent further says, that this said Dumars resides in Douglas county, Kansas, and has resided in said county since the 24th day of May, aforesaid; that on or about the 1st day of June, A. D. 1856, the said Dumars and this deponent were on the road to Cedar creek, in this Territory, from their places of residence aforesaid, with two teams and wagons; the said Dumars had one of his own horses and one of the horses of this deponent in his team, and this deponent also had two horses and a wagon; this deponent further says, that the said horses, being four in number, broke from the camp on the evening of the 5th, aforesaid; this deponent followed the said horses and succeeded in recapturing three of the said horses, but the fourth horse, the property of the said Dumars, of the following description: a light bay, about fifteen hands, five or six years of age, was not found, and has not been found up to the date of this petition; this deponent further says, that afterwards, to wit: on or about the 8th day of June thereafter, he was taken a prisoner by the territorial militia, as he is informed and believes, and was held in custody by the officers in Lykins county, Kansas; where this deponent was so held in custody, a horse of the description here in the possession of the said militia, which he really believes to have been the horse of this petitioner. The deponent further says, that the horse which was so taken and held by the militia aforesaid was well worth the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars; further, this deponent saith, that this was during the difficulties in this Territory. Further he saith not.

SAMUEL GILL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County, } ss.

George Cutter, being duly sworn, says: That he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas; that he knows this petitioner herein; on or about the last day of August, A. D. 1857, a dark bay mare, five years old, for the purpose of going to Ossawatomie, in Lykins county; that upon the morning of the 30th of August, on the return of this deponent from Ossawatomie aforesaid to his house, when two miles from said town, up the Pottawatomie creek, at the house of one Carr, at which this deponent had stayed over night, the said mare was forcibly taken from the possession of this deponent by certain persons, to him unknown, whom he believes to have been a detachment from the forces of General Reid, and carried away; and this deponent further says that the said mare has never been returned; and that he has no knowledge of where the said mare was taken or where she now is; that said mare became and is a total loss to this petitioner; the deponent further says, that the said mare was worth at the time she was forcibly taken from his possession, as aforesaid, the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars; the deponent further says, the facts herein stated occurred during the difficulties in this Territory. Further saith not.

GEORGE CUTTER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that, in the foregoing claim of James Dumars of \$550, there is proven of a private class \$550; and I hereby award to the said James Dumars the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 147.

Account for loss and damages.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory:

Aaron Neal, complainant, states: That on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and for a long time previous, he was the legal owner of certain personal property, to wit: one yoke of three-year old steers, of the value of sixty dollars; also, one cow, of the value of thirty dollars; one yearling steer, of the value of fifteen dollars; making the aggregate sum of one hundred and fifty dollars. And that, on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a body of men composing a portion of the territorial militia, then under the command of Generals Reid and Richardson, and camped on the Wa-

karusa creek, in Douglas county, came, with force and arms, and took and drove to camp the cattle of your complainant; some of them, your complainant believes, were killed for beef, and the rest were driven into Missouri by the militia on their return home into that State. Complainant further states that he visited the camp in order to search for his cattle, and there found them penned up with a large drove of cattle, composed of steers, cows, calves, and yearlings, gathered from the settlers in the neighborhood. Several of them I recognized as belonging to the neighbors, but I could not recognize my cattle, as the men told me that they came to fight, and that they must have their pay. He states that he is damaged to the amount of twenty-five dollars over and above the value of the stock therein mentioned. Complainant states that he followed the party near half way into Missouri, in order to regain his property, but without effect, as some of the company threatened my life if I give any more talk about them; so I thought it best to return, and have since heard nothing of them. Complainant states that he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory. He also states that he has not sold or disposed of his interest in same property, nor has he ever received any compensation, either in whole or in part, from any person or persons whatever, for the same. He further states that he presents the above account with an earnest intention, believing that he is partly entitled to the same. He further states that the matters and things set forth in the above complaint are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

AARON NEAL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Aaron Neal, Dr.

1856. To 1 yoke of three-year old steers.....	\$60 00
1 cow.....	30 00
1 yearling steer.....	15 00
damages in consequence of loss.....	25 00
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Total.....	130 00
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The above account is just and true.

AARON NEAL.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Jourdan Neal, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That I am well acquainted with Aaron Neal, who has made and signed the foregoing complaint, and that I know its contents, and that I believe the statements therein made are strictly true.

I am well acquainted with the cattle mentioned in his complaint and schedule, and know that he lost them about the time therein mentioned, and that the cattle therein mentioned were reasonably worth the sum therein charged. I assisted Aaron Neal in trying to regain possession of them from the Missourians, Kansas militia, who had them in their camp on the Wakarusa, in Douglas county, on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, when Governor Gary dismissed them and sent them home to Missouri. These men were commanded by General John W. Reid, of Jackson county, Missouri.]

Aaron Neal is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory. These men utterly refused to give up the cattle, although found in their possession.

JOURDAN NEAL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Allowed \$105, 1st class ; \$25, 2d class.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Aaron Neal there is proven of a private class \$105, and \$25 of a public class ; and I hereby award the sum of one hundred and thirty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 148.

Account for loss and damages.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory :

Philip W. Hill, complainant, states : That on the 9th day of July, A. D. 1856, and for some time previous, he was the owner of a certain brown mare, of the value of one hundred and twenty-five dollars ; and that, owing to the difficulties in this Territory, some person or persons, to your complainant unknown, on the night of the 9th day of July, A. D. 1856, came with force and took said mare out of the possession of complainant ; and complainant further states that he has not seen or heard anything of said mare since that time. He further states that he has used all due diligence to find said mare, but to no effect ; complainant further states that said mare, at the time she was taken from complainant, was worth one hundred and twenty-five dollars ; he further states he is damaged to the amount of fifty dollars over and above the price of said mare by reason of her loss at that time, as he was a practicing physician and needed her services. Complainant further states that he is a citizen of this, Kansas Terri-

tory. Complainant further states that he has not sold or disposed of his interest in said mare, nor has he received any compensation from any person or persons for the same, but he presents the above account with an honest intention, believing that he is justly entitled to the same.

PHILIP W. HILL, *Complainant*.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 1st day of October, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public*.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Deposition of witnesses produced, sworn, and examined at the time, of Lawrence, county of Douglas, Territory of Kansas, before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for said county, in a certain cause now pending, or rather in a cause of proceeding, before the commissioner appointed to audit and certify certain claims for loss and damages sustained in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in this Territory, and to be laid before the next Congress of the United States, at the first session thereof, and also before the next legislative assembly of the Territory of Kansas :

James B. Hill, of lawful age, being duly sworn and examined on the part of the complainant, deposeth and saith : That he is well acquainted with Philip W. Hill ; that he has made the following accompanying affidavit in regard to the loss of a certain brown mare, during the difficulties in the summer of 1856, and that I know that said Philip W. Hill was the owner of a brown mare, previous ; and that about the 9th day of July, or rather on the night of the 9th day of July, some persons, unknown to deponent, came and took away said mare from where she was tied on the evening of said day ; and that I assisted said Philip W. Hill to hunt up said mare, but was unable to find anything of her. Said deponent further states, said mare was reasonably worth one hundred and twenty-five dollars ; and he knows that said Philip W. Hill is a citizen of this Kansas Territory ; he further believes that said Philip W. Hill has not sold or disposed of his interest in said mare, nor has he received any compensation for the same from any source whatever.

JAMES B. HILL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this first day of October, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public*.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Philip W. Hill, of \$175, there is proven of private class one hundred and thirty dollars, which I hereby award.

H. J. STRICKLER

Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Elijah W. Vermilyd, of lawful age, being duly sworn according to law, deposeth and saith: That he lived adjoining the residence of Philip W. Hill during the month of July, A. D. 1856, and knows that he was the owner of a certain brown mare; and that on the night of the 9th day of July, A. D. 1856, I was out late on that night, and saw said brown mare tied close by the house of said Philip W. Hill, where he was in the habit of tying said mare; and that on the following morning, when I got up, said mare was gone; this was during the difficulties in Kansas.

I further state that I assisted said Hill to find said mare, but was unable to find her. I know said Hill to be a citizen of this Kansas Territory. Said mare was worth about one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

ELIJAH W. VERMILYD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this first day of October, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public.*

No. 149.

Account for loss and damages.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims, in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory:

Jordan Neal, complainant, states: That on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, at the county of Douglas, in this Territory, he was the legal owner of certain property, to wit:

One yoke of work cattle, of the value of.....	\$60 00
One cow, of the value of.....	30 00
One work steer, of the value of.....	50 00
One three-year old mare.....	75 00
One yearling, of the value of.....	15 00

In all, of the value of.....	230 00
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And that, owing to the difficulties in this Territory, on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, in this, Douglas county, he lost the same. Complainant further states that he has good reasons to believe, and does believe, that his said property mentioned above, or portion thereof, was taken by a body of men claiming to be territorial militia, under the command of Generals Richardson and Reid, then camped at Wakarusa, in this county, on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856. Complainant further states that at the time

and place last mentioned, he saw a portion of his cattle in the camp aforesaid, but was unable to get them; their men would not give them up, but drove them, and a large drove of the neighbors' cattle, into Missouri.

Complainant further states that he is damaged to the amount of fifty dollars over and above the value of said stock of cattle and mare. Complainant further states that he is a citizen of Kansas Territory; he further states that he has used all due diligence to find and reclaim said cattle and mare, but without effect. Claimant further states that he has not sold or disposed of his interest in said cattle and mare, nor has he received any compensation, either in whole or in part, from any person or persons whatever for the same; but he presents the above account with an honest intention, believing that he is justly entitled to the same. He further states that the matters and things set forth in the above are true.

JORDAN NEAL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Deposition of witnesses produced, sworn, and examined at the city of Lawrence, county of Douglas, and Territory of Kansas, before the undersigned, in a certain controversy or proceeding before the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims for loss and damages in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in this Territory, and to be laid before the next Congress of the United States, and also before the next legislative assembly of the Territory of Kansas:

Aaron Neal, being duly sworn, deposeth and says: That on the 14th day of September, A. D., 1856, I was a prisoner in the camp of the territorial militia, then camped on the Wakarusa creek, near Franklin, in this (Douglas) county, and under the command of Generals Richardson and Reid; and that while I was there the men drove into camp a lot of cattle, composed of cows, calves, work oxen, and young steers and heifers, and among them I recognized some of my own cattle that I saw the previous evening. I found there a large drove of cattle penned up, consisting of work oxen, young steers, cows and calves, and yearlings. I found my own cattle in the pen, but could not get them; the men would not give them up; they said that they came to fight, and that they must have pay for it. They drove the cattle into Missouri. I saw in the pen, at the same time, a part of the cattle belonging to Jordan Neal, as well as several head of cattle belonging to persons residing in the neighborhood. I am well acquainted with the complainant, Jordan Neal, and know that he owned and lost about that time the cattle mentioned in his complaint. He is a resident of Douglas county, and lives on the adjoining claim with me. I know that the militia killed some cattle in camp the night

that I was prisoner there for beef, but it being dark I do not know whose cattle they were. He further says that the oxen, cows, yearlings, and other property mentioned in the above complaint, were reasonably worth the sum therein charged in said complaint and schedule.

AARON NEAL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Jordan Neal, Dr.

To one yoke of work cattle	-	-	-	-	-	\$60 00
To one cow	-	-	-	-	-	30 00
To one yearling	-	-	-	-	-	15 00
To one work steer	-	-	-	-	-	50 00
To one three-year old mare	-	-	-	-	-	75 00
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Damages in consequence of the loss	-	-	-	-	-	50 00
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This account is correct.

JORDAN NEAL.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Jordan Neal there is proven of a private class \$280, and I hereby award to the said Jordan Neal the sum of two hundred and eighty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 150.

Account for loss and damages.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of Robert McFarland to the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory :

Robert McFarland, complainant, respectfully states: That he was the legal owner on the 28th day of August, A. D. 1856, of certain prop-

erty, to wit: one dark bay horse, with a star in his face, seven years old, of the value of \$175; also one two-horse wagon, of the value of \$80; two sets of harness, \$40; one revolver, Allen's patent, \$10; two blankets, \$8; two wagon covers, \$8; one log chain, \$2; in all, \$323. That on the 28th day of August aforesaid the property above was taken from the possession of this complainant by one Captain Emory, of the territorial militia of the Territory aforesaid, at Little Stranger creek, in Leavenworth county, in said Territory.

The complainant further states that he necessarily expended the sum of sixty dollars in order to regain said property, but was unable so to do.

The complainant further states, at the time aforesaid, that he was the owner of three other horses, of the following description, to wit: one a gray horse, about eight years old; one bay horse; and another, a bay roane horse; that at the same time and place the said Emory took from the possession of the complainant the said three horses; that the said horses, at the expiration of five weeks from the time of the taking thereof, he regained possession of the same in a damaged condition.

Complainant further states that the said Emory, captain of the militia aforesaid, had the use of the said four horses and two wagons mentioned herein for the space of five weeks, to the complainant's damage of \$10 per day; in all, \$350.

Complainant further states that on or about 14th day of September, 1856, he was owner of certain other property, to wit: three milch cows, of the value of \$30 each; in all, \$90; also two yearlings, of the value of \$12 each; amount \$24; also two calves, of the value of \$5 each, \$10; also twenty-five dozen oats, of the value of 50 cents per dozen, \$12 50. That on or about the 14th day of September, 1856, the said property herein mentioned was taken from the possession of this complainant by a portion of the territorial militia, under the command of Generals Richardson and Reid, from his premises, adjoining the town of Franklin, Douglas county, Territory aforesaid, as this complainant verily believes. The complainant further states that he was, at the time the property herein described was taken from his possession, a citizen of Kansas, residing in Douglas county therein. The complainant further states that he has suffered damages in consequence of the loss of the said property to the amount of one hundred dollars. The complainant further says that he has not sold or disposed of his interest in said property, nor has he received any compensation from any person or persons for the same, or any part thereof; but that he presents the above account with an honest intention, believing that he is justly entitled to the same. Complainant further states that the matters and things herein stated are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

ROBERT McFARLAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Robert McFarland, Dr.

August 28.	1 bay horse, with a star in his face, 7 years old.	\$175 00
	2 sets of harness.....	40 00
	1 wagon.....	80 00
	1 revolver, Allen's patent.....	10 00
	2 blankets.....	8 00
	2 wagon covers.....	8 00
	1 log chain.....	2 00
	Taken by Captain Emory, at Little Stranger, on the road to Leavenworth.	
	Cost necessarily paid to recover this and other property taken at the same time.....	60 00
	The use of two wagons and four horses, 1856, 5 weeks, at \$10 per day.....	350 00
Sept. 14.	3 head of milch cows, at \$30.....	90 00
	2 yearlings, at \$12.....	24 00
	2 calves, at \$5.....	10 00
	25 dozen of oats, at 50 cents per dozen.....	12 00
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	Taken by General Reid's men, under the com- mand of General Richardson.....	869 00
	Damages sustained by team, of loss.....	100 00
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	Total.....	969 00
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ROBERT McFARLAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November,
A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Depositions of witnesses produced, sworn, and examined, at the town of Lawrence, county of Douglas, Territory of Kansas, before the undersigned, a notary public within and for the county of Douglas, in a certain controversy or proceeding before the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims for loss and damages sustained in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory, and to be laid before the Congress of the United States at the next session thereof, and also before the next legislative assembly of the Territory of Kansas:

John McFarland, of lawful age, being duly sworn and examined, deposes and says: That he is well acquainted with Robert McFarland, who has signed and made the affidavit above, and that he believes that the matters and things therein set forth are true, and that said Robert McFarland is a resident of Douglas county, in this Territory. I further state that I started to go to Leavenworth City, in this Ter-

ritory, in company with one John C. Mitchell, in the month of August, 1856; we were drawing, each of us, a two-horse wagon, the property of Robert McFarland, the above named complainant; and that on or about the 28th day of August, A. D. 1856, in the waters of the Little Stranger, in Leavenworth county, we were met by a company of men, commanded by one Fred. Emory, who took the four horses and two wagons, and harness, two blankets, one Allen's revolver, and one log chain, and two wagon covers; who claimed to be territorial militia, and, under the *governor's proclamation*, had the right to take any property that they chose for the use of the militia. This was during the difficulties in Kansas in 1856.

Deponent further says that the charges made in the above petition are just and reasonable.

JOHN MCFARLAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Aaron Neal, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith: That I am well acquainted with Robert McFarland; he resides in this Douglas county, Kansas. I live joining the farm of Robert McFarland, and know that he lost several head of cattle on or about the 14th day of September, 1856. On the 14th of September I was taken a prisoner by a portion of the militia under the command of Generals Reid and Richardson, at my home, and taken to the camp on the Wakarusa, near Franklin. The men drove into camp a lot of cattle, cows, calves, and oxen; among them I recognized some of my oxen work cattle. That night I was released; next morning I went back to the camp to hunt my oxen cattle; I found there a large drove of cattle penned up, composed of work oxen, cows, calves, and yearlings; among them I recognized some of the cattle of Robert McFarland and several of the other neighbors' cattle. I found my own in the pen, but could not get them. I saw some of the same men taking and feeding Robert McFarland's oats. Him and family were run out of the neighborhood, as well as most of the neighbors. Several of the men composing the force of Generals Reid and Richardson I know personally. I lived about two miles from the camp. This was during the difficulties in 1856.

Deponent further says the charges made in the above schedule of property are just and reasonable.

AARON NEAL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Thomas McFarland, being duly sworn according to law, deposeth and says: That I am the son of Robert McFarland, and know the property described in his complaint; I know that he lost three milch cows,

and that they were reasonably worth \$30 per head ; also two yearlings, worth about \$12 apiece ; two calves, worth about \$5 apiece ; I know that he had a stack of oats in his field, and that most of them were carried away and destroyed ; deponent further says that I am well acquainted with the stock mentioned in schedule and complaint made by Robert McFarland, and I believe the charges therein made are just and reasonable, and that the property was reasonably worth the sum therein charged.

THOMAS McFARLAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Robert McFarland there is proven \$969 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Robert McFarland the sum of nine hundred and sixty-nine dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 152.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } Account per losses.

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory :

Henry Eggert, complainant, states : That on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and for some time previous, he was the legal owner of certain property, to wit :

And that on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a body of armed men, under command of Generals Reid and Richardson, came with force and took the said property mentioned in the schedule herewith attached and made part of this petition out of the possession of complainant, and took them to the camp on the Wakarusa creek, then into Missouri; the horse I afterwards received back, but in a damaged condition ; complainant further states that he is a resident of Kansas Territory ; he futher states he has not received any compensation, either in whole or in part, from any person or persons whatever. He states that the matters and things set forth in the above petition are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

HENRY EGGERT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 16, 1856.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

E. B. Johnston, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and says : That I am well acquainted with Henry Eggert, who made and signed the above petition and know the contents thereof; that he is a resident of Kansas Territory; I am well acquainted with the cows and horse mentioned in said petition, and know that they are reasonably worth the sum therein charged; the cows were worth forty dollars each; and the use of the horse and the damage sustained by his being shot and rendered somewhat valueless was reasonably worth the sum of sixty dollars.

E. B. JOHNSTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Henry Eggert, Dr.

September 15. To 4 milch cows, \$40 each	-	-	-	\$160 00
use and damage of black horse, 6 weeks	-	-	-	50 00
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This account is just and correct.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Henry Eggert there is proven of a private class \$210, and I hereby award to the said Henry Eggert the sum of two hundred and ten dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 152.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas, } Account for loss and damages.

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory :

Paul Rote, complainant, states : That on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and for some time previous, he was the legal owner of a certain brindle ox, and also one three-year old, a heifer, of the value of eighty five dollars; and that on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a body of men camped on the Wakarusa creek, in Douglas county, and under the command of General Reid, of Missouri, came with force and arms and forcibly took said ox and heifer out of the possession of complainant and drove them into Missouri, since which time he has heard nothing from them. He

further states that he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and that he has not sold or disposed of his interest in said ox or heifer, nor has he ever received any compensation for the same from any person or persons whatever. He states that the matters and things set forth in the above petition are true, according to the best of his knowledge and belief.

PAUL ROTE.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Paul Rote, Dr.

Sept. 14. To one ox, of the value of.....	\$60 00
To one heifer	25 00
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	85 00
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PAUL ROTE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Paul W. Rote, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith : That I am well acquainted with the above named Paul Rote, who has made and subscribed the foregoing petition, and that the matters therein contained are true; I know that he is a resident of Kansas Territory; I am acquainted with the ox and heifer; that they were reasonably worth the sum of eighty-five dollars; I know that he owned such, and that about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, said ox and heifer were driven away from the bottom where they were feeding by a company of men camped on the Wakarusa, under the command of General Reid, from Missouri.

PAUL W. ROTE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Paul Rote there is proven of a private class \$85, and I hereby award to the said Paul Rote the sum of eighty-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 153.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of B. C. Talley, late of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled an act to provide for the auditing of claims, approved February 23, 1857:

I, B. C. Talley, now of the county of Franklin, and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of and grown directly out of the difficulties which have existed in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the organization of the Territory, as follows: On the 14th day of September, 1856, an army of militia, under the command of Generals Reid and Heiskell, called into service by proclamation of Acting Governor Woodson, while encamped near the town of Franklin, in said Douglas county, drove away from my possession and keeping my property, the cows, calves, and heifers charged in the schedule, and made a part of this petition, and violently entered with force and arms and took and carried away the other articles there charged, so as to leave me almost entirely stripped of worldly goods and effects, all of which was the property of your petitioner, and is charged at a fair and reasonable price in said schedule, for which losses I have never, in any manner, received any compensation or indemnity.

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 B. C. + TALLEY.
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th of November, 1857.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to B. C. Talley, Dr.

Sept. 14, 1856. To three cows and two calves.....	\$100 00
To one heifer.....	25 00
To provisions, household and kitchen furniture.....	300 00
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	425 00
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Samuel Crane, jr., being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, B. C. Talley; he is a citizen of this Territory; have heard his petition read; I was present in Franklin when his cows and calves and heifer were driven away by the militia, as he charges, and was present also when his house was entered and the articles charged taken out; the three cows and calves were worth fully \$100; the heifer was worth \$25; I can't say exactly what particular articles were taken, but I believe that there was fully \$300 worth of property taken from the house; don't think he has ever been paid for them.

SAMUEL G. CRANE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th November, 1857.

C. M. Wallace, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, B. C. Talley; he is a citizen of this Territory; have heard his petition read; I know, of my own knowledge, that the facts set out in his petition are true; I was present; his cows, heifer, and one calf were driven off by the militia; the other calf they killed in his yard; they broke into his house, in Franklin, and took and carried away everything in it except two bureaus and two chests, which they had forced open and rifled. His cows and calves were worth \$100; his heifer \$25. I cannot say exactly what his household goods were worth; I do not believe \$300 would pay him for what was taken.

C. M. WALLACE.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of B. C. Talley, there is proven of a private class \$425, and I hereby award to the said B. C. Talley the sum of \$425.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 154.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims, under an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857:

Your petitioner, Martin L. Gaylard, of Shawnee county, Kansas, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, hereinafter stated, was engaged as a farmer in Douglas county; that on or about the 15th of November, A. D. 1855, your petitioner then being in said county, on the day and year above mentioned, there was taken from the possession of your petitioner, by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose names are unknown to your petitioner, the following, whereof is fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at six hundred dollars; and further, that your petitioner has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same, and your petitioner asks that he may receive the sum of six hundred dollars for the loss sustained by him, as is set forth in the foregoing petition; and that the same may be paid therefor pursuant to the statutes made and provided, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

MARTIN L. GAYLARD. [L. s.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this 26th day of November, at Lawrence, Kansas, 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

Schedule of property destroyed, and set forth in the foregoing petition.

400 bushels of potatoes..... \$600 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

George W. Hunt and Reuben Randle, being duly sworn upon their oaths, say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read, and know the contents therein contained, and the facts set forth are true, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief; and these affiants further say that on or about the 15th day of November, 1855, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property, in the manner referred to in said petition set forth, and to the sum of six hundred dollars; the said property being the same as is stated in the petition and schedule hereto annexed. And further these affiants say not.

RUBEN RANDLE, [L. s.]
 GEORGE W. HUNT. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, duly commissioned, and same personally appeared George W. Hunt and Randle, and after being sworn say that all parts set forth in the above petition, schedule, and affidavit are true, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public, Douglas County.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Gaylard there is proven of a private class \$600, and I hereby award to the said Martin J. Gaylard the sum of \$600.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 155.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February, 1857:

Your petitioner, Cyrus A. Adams, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, hereinatter stated, was engaged as a farmer in Douglas county, Kansas Territory; that on the 22d day of May, A. D. 1856, your petitioner, then living in said county, on the day and year above mentioned, there was taken from the possession and destroyed by some men, who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose names were entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following, which is more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at thirty-five dollars, and that your petitioner has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of thirty-five dollars for the loss sustained by him, as set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid

therefor pursuant to the statutes in such cases made and provided, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

CYRUS A. ADAMS. [L. s.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, D. H. Weir, notary public, on this 16th day of November, 1857. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, at Lawrence, the day and year above mentioned.

D. H. WEIR, *Notary Public.*

Schedule of the goods and property destroyed, and referred to in the foregoing petition.

One trunk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$5 00
One vest and shirts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
One double-barrel shot gun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20 00
Amount	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>35 00</u>

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

E. A. Colman and Charles J. Colman, of said county, being duly sworn upon their oaths, say : That they have heard read the foregoing petition, and know the contents thereof and the facts therein contained, and are true, according to these affiants' knowledge ; and these affiants further state that they know, on or about the 22d day of May, 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in the said petition set forth, and to the sum of thirty-five dollars, the said property being the same as is stated in the foregoing schedule. And further these affiants say not.

CHARLES J. COLMAN. [L. s.]
 E. A. COLMAN. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public, duly commissioned and sworn in and for said county, personally appeared E. A. Colman and Charles J. Colman, whose names appear to the above affidavit, and after being duly sworn, say that the contents of the said is true as they really believe.

Witness my hand and seal, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857, at Lawrence, Kansas.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public, Douglas county.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Cyrus A. Adams there is proven of a private class \$35, and I hereby award to the said Cyrus A. Adams the sum of thirty-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 156.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory:

John G. McClelland, complainant, states : That on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and for some time previous thereto, he was the legal owner and possessed of certain property, to wit: One field of corn of about seven and a half acres, of the value of about three hundred and twenty-five dollars ; also a lot of potatoes of the value of forty dollars ; also one saddle, bridle, and blanket and circingle, of the value of eighteen dollars; in all, of the value of three hundred and eighty-three dollars.

And that on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1857, a large body of armed men, under the command of one General Reid, came and camped on the Wakarusa creek, about one mile from the residence of complainant, who is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory. He also states that said body of armed men, or a portion of them, came and took said corn to feed their horses, and that said horses eat and destroyed all of said corn, to the value of three hundred and twenty-five dollars worth ; said men, as aforesaid, took and carried away and destroyed a lot of potatoes, of the value of forty dollars ; and also came and took from complainant a saddle, bridle, blanket, and circingle, of the value of eighteen dollars. He further says that he has never received any compensation for the same from any person or persons for the same. He further states that the matters and things set forth in the above complaint are true.

JOHN G. McCLELLAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE,
J. P. in and for Douglas county.

Witness in support of the claim of John G. McClelland for loss sustained in 1856.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Isaac M. Smith, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and says : That I am well acquainted with John G. McClelland, who has made and signed the above petition, and that I know the contents thereof, and I believe the matters therein stated are true. I was living at the house of John G. McClelland in the summer and fall of 1856, and I know that he was the owner of the field of corn, and saddle, bridle, blanket, and circingle mentioned in said petition ; also the

patch of potatoes mentioned in said petition. Mr. John G. McClelland lives on the Wakarusa creek, near Franklin, in Douglas county.

Deponent also states: That on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a body of armed men, under the command of one General Reid, of Jackson county, Missouri, came and camped on the Wakarusa creek, close to the residence of John G. McClelland; and I saw said body of men come to the cornfield of said McClelland, and took and fed and destroyed the said corn to the amount of three hundred and twenty-five dollars; said men also dug up and carried away a lot of potatoes, of the value of forty dollars; also took a saddle, bridle, and circingle, of the value of eighteen dollars; in all, of the value of three hundred and eighty-three dollars. Said John G. McClelland is a resident of Kansas Territory; he has not, to my knowledge, ever received any compensation for the same from any person or persons whatever. And further this deponent saith not.

ISAAC M. SMITH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November
A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE,
J. P. in and for Wakarusa town, Douglas County.

Bill of items of property lost during the difficulties in Kansas Territory during the year A. D. 1856, the property of John G. McClelland.

1856.	
September 14. To 7½ acres of corn destroyed.....	\$325 00
To patch of potatoes.....	40 00
To saddle, bridles, and blanket.....	18 00
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Total.....	383 00
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This account is just and correct.

JOHN G. McCLELLAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this — day of November, A. D.
1857.

H. G. TOLLE, *J. P.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John G. McClelland, of \$383, there is proven the whole amount, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 157.

Account for loss and damages.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory, approved February, A. D. 1857:

Taylor Stephens, complainant, states: That on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and for some time previous thereto, he was the legal owner and in peaceable possession of a certain stock of goods, consisting of liquors, segars, tobacco, &c., as is more particularly described and set forth in the accompanying schedule hereto attached and made part of this petition; and that he was peaceably selling and bartering the same at his own store, in the town of Franklin, county of Douglas, and Territory of Kansas; and that on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a large body of armed men under the command of one General Reid, of Missouri, but claiming to be territorial militia, came and camped on the Wakarusa creek, about one and a half miles from the said town of Franklin, and that a portion of said men, to the number of several hundred, marched into the town of Franklin and commenced plundering and burning the houses in said town; that said men set fire to and burned the steam saw-mill and dwelling-house of one John Stump, and robbed and plundered the store of E. B. Purdon; and that said armed men also forcibly entered the store and drank and carried away and destroyed a large quantity of liquors and other articles of great value, to wit: Of the value of one thousand two hundred and seventy-five dollars and sixty-two cents, the property of complainant. By reason of said acts he says that he is damaged to the amount of one thousand two hundred and seventy-five dollars and sixty-two cents; complainant avers that he is a resident of Kansas Territory; he states that he has not received any compensation either in whole or in part from any person or persons whatever for the same; he says that the matters and things set forth in the above petition are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

TAYLOR STEPHENS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE,

Justice of Peace within and for Douglas County, K. T.

Amount of damage sustained by Taylor Stephens on the 15th and 16th days of September, 1856, from depredations committed on him by the territorial militia of Kansas under Clarkson and General Ried in the town of Franklin, in the county of Douglas.

One hundred and forty gallons of rectified whiskey, at \$1 50 per gallon	\$210 00
Sixty gallons of rye whiskey, at \$4 per gallon.....	240 00
Sixty gallons of brandy, at \$4 per gallon.....	240 00

Thirty gallons of Bourbon, at \$4 per gallon.	\$120 00
Thirty gallons of Malaga wine, at \$4 per gallon.....	120 00
Twenty-five pounds of tobacco, at fifty cents per pound....	12 50
Two dozen of peppermint, at seventy-five cents per bottle..	18 00
Two dozen bottles lemon syrup, at 75 cents per bottle.....	18 00
Two bottles of fine brandy, at \$1.....	2 00
One hundred and nine pounds of soap, at 12½ cents per pound.....	13 62½
Eight mirrors, at \$1 87½ per piece.....	15 00
Twenty gallons vinegar, at 50 cents per gallon.....	10 00
Six hundred cigars, at \$6 per hundred.....	36 00
One lounge bed.....	10 00
Corks, faucets, &c	7 00
One glass lantern	2 00
One lady's bonnet	12 00
One cooking stove	19 00
Tin and cupboard ware.....	25 00
Two chaping	3 00
One dozen cherry brandy	12 00
Garden vegetables.....	10 00
Sardines	10 00
Two locks.....	3 00
Rappers	2 00
Preserves	15 00
Bed clothing, family clothing, &c.....	70 00
Total	1,255 12½

This account is just and correct.

TAYLOR STEPHENS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE, *J. P.*

Witness in support of the claim of T. Stephens for losses in 1856.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

John McClelland, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That I am well acquainted with Taylor Stephens, who has made and signed the above petition, and that I believe the matters and things therein set forth are true, to the best of my belief. I live close to the town of Franklin, in Douglas county, and am well acquainted with his business, as a few days before the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, I removed to my house from the store of said Stephens between eight and ten barrels of whiskey and brandy, to safely keep for said Stephens; and that on the 14th day of September, 1856, a body of men came and camped close to my house; they

came and took and destroyed a lot of property belonging to myself; they also took and destroyed the said liquor, the property of said Stephens, to the amount of about two hundred and twenty gallons, of the reasonable value of \$925. I believe the charges made in his petition and the schedule attached thereto are reasonable, and that said petitioner had on the day of destruction of his property goods to the amount of twelve hundred and seventy-five dollars and sixty-two cents. And further this deponent saith not.

JOHN G. McCLELLAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

Witness in support of the claim of T. Stephens.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

E. B. Purdon, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That I am well acquainted with Taylor Stephens, who has made and signed the foregoing petition, and I believe that the matters and things therein set forth are true. I am well acquainted with the goods and store of said Stephens, as I am a near neighbor and often in his store; I believe, from my knowledge of the goods, that the amount charged in his petition and schedule are correct; and that on the 14th day of September a body of armed men came to the town of Franklin and destroyed and carried away the said stock of goods of said Stephens, to the amount of twelve hundred and seventy-five dollars. I know that a few days previous to the 14th day of September, 1856, he sent to the house of John G. McClelland some nine or ten barrels of whiskey for safe-keeping, and that the same was destroyed on the 14th as aforesaid. Taylor Stephens is a citizen of Kansas Territory.

E. B. PURDON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE,
Justice of Peace in and for Douglas County.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Taylor Stephens of \$1,255 12½ the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 158.

Account for loss and damages in 1858.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

To the commissioner appointed to audit it, and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory, under act approved February A. D. 1857.

Clarkson M. Wallace, complainant, states: That on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and for some time previous thereto he was the legal owner, and in peaceable possession of certain property, to wit: One pony, of the value of sixty-five dollars, also two hundred bushels of corn, of the value of two hundred dollars, and that on or about the 14th of September, A. D. 1856, an armed body of men, under the command of one General Reid, came and camped on the Wakarusa creek, about one and a half miles from the residence of complainant; and that said body of armed men came to my residence, and took out of the peaceable possession of complainant the said "pony," and that said body of armed men as aforesaid, came, took, fed, and carried away, and otherwise destroyed a lot of corn to the amount of two hundred dollars; therefore complainant says that he is damaged and hath loss to the amount of two hundred and sixty-five dollars; he also states that he is a resident of Kansas Territory, and that he has not received any compensation either in whole or in part from any persons whatever for the same; he further states that the matters and things set forth in the above petition are true.

C. M. WALLACE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this twentieth day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE, J. P.

Witness in support of the claims of C. M. Wallace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

E. B. Johnston, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and says: That I am well acquainted with C. M. Wallace, who has made and subscribed the above petition, and that I am acquainted with the contents thereof, and I believe that the matters therein stated are true; I know that he owned the property there spoken of, and that he also lost the same; he also was the owner of a cornfield at his residence, near Franklin, in Douglas county. I was a prisoner at Franklin on the 14th day of September, 1856, at the time that the Missourians came under the command of one John W. Reid, of Jackson county, Missouri, on the said 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and saw them riding the pony of C. M. Wallace, and saw them go and get the said pony; I also saw a large number of the men

under the command of the said Reid, as aforesaid, around the fence and field of the said C. M. Wallace, and saw where they had been feeding the corn of said C. M. Wallace; this was during the difficulties in Kansas, in 1856.

E. B. JOHNSTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this twentieth day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE, J. P.

Bill of items of property lost during the difficulties in Kansas Territory, during the year 1856, the property of Clarkson M. Wallace, of Kansas.

1856.		
September 14.	One pony	\$65 00
	Two hundred bushels of corn.....	200 00
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This account is just and correct.

C. M. WALLACE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this — day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE, J. P.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Clarkson M. Wallace, of \$265, the whole amount is proven, and of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 159.

Account for loss and damage.

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of, or growing out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas, } ss.

E. B. Purdon, complainant, states, that on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and some time previous thereto, he was the legal owner of a certain stock of goods, consisting of groceries, dry goods, hardware, queensware, &c., and that he was peaceably selling and bartering the same at his own store-house, in the town of Franklin, county of Douglas. Complainant also states that he was the legal owner of a certain house in the town of Franklin aforesaid, and that he owned and possessed household goods, furniture, and family library

at the time and place aforesaid, to the amount of five hundred dollars; also, garden vegetables to the amount of one hundred dollars; also, one cow and calf of the value of forty dollars, and that he owned a field of corn, of about twelve acres, of the value of two hundred dollars. He further states that his residence is in Douglas county, Kansas Territory.

Complainant further states, and charges it to be true, that on or about the 14th day of September, 1856, at the town of Franklin aforesaid, in the county of Douglass, a certain company of men, under the command of one General Reid, of Jackson county, Missouri, there and then, with force and arms, broke open the store-house of complainant, and then and there unlawfully, riotously and feloniously did steal, take, and carry away a large quantity of goods, consisting of dry goods, groceries, hardware, &c., of great value, to wit: of the value of one thousand five hundred dollars. Complainant further states, that said body of men, commanded as aforesaid, did also destroy and commit damage in the house of complainant to the value of sixty dollars at the time and place aforesaid.

Complainant also states, that said body of men, at the time aforesaid, also took, destroyed, and carried away a large lot of household goods and family library, of the value of five hundred dollars; also, took and carried away the cow and calf, of the value of forty dollars. Complainant also states, that the body of men aforesaid, at the time and place aforesaid, also took and destroyed garden vegetables to the amount of one hundred dollars; also, one field of corn, of about twelve acres, of the value of two hundred dollars, whereby complainant is greatly injured, damaged, and impoverished.

Complainant states, that he has never received back any of the property mentioned in this his complaint, or in the schedule accompanying the same, nor has he ever received any compensation, either in whole or in part, for the goods or property herein mentioned, from any person or persons whatever. Complainant states that he is a resident of Kansas Territory. Complainant also states that the matters and things set forth in the above petition are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

E. B. PURDON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 18th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE, J. P.

Witness in support of the claims of E. B. Purdon.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Clarkson M. Wallace, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That I live in the town of Franklin, in this county; that I am well acquainted with E. B. Purdon, who has made and subscribed the above complaint. I know the contents thereof, and I believe the matters and things therein set forth to be strictly true. I have been in his store almost every day during the summer and early part of this fall of 1856, and am well acquainted with his stock, as we live near

neighbors. I think the amount of goods in his store, at the time of its robbery, in the town of Franklin, was reasonably worth one thousand five hundred dollars, and the damage to his house was reasonably worth sixty dollars. I have frequently been in the dwelling-house of E. B. Purdon, and, from my knowledge of the price of household goods and books, I believe that the household goods and library of the said Purdon were worth the sum of five hundred dollars. Deponent says, that the cow and calf mentioned in the above complaint, was worth the sum of forty dollars, and that the garden vegetables was worth one hundred dollars; also, that the field of corn was worth, to the best of my judgment, two hundred dollars. E. B. Purdon is a resident of Kansas Territory. Deponent further states, that on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a large body of armed men camped on the Wakarusa creek, about one and a half miles from the town of Franklin, and said body of men so camped, was under the command of one General Reid, so called; that a portion of said body of men came into the town of Franklin with force and arms, which caused most of the inhabitants to flee for safety. The men then commenced to commit all kinds of outrages, burning and plundering houses; they burned the steam saw-mill and dwelling-house; they also broke open the store-house of E. B. Purdon, and plundered it of its contents, took and carried away the goods, and damaged and destroyed other property belonging to the said Purdon; they damaged the house of the complainant to the amount of sixty dollars; they also took and drove away a cow and calf, of the value of forty dollars, the property of said Purdon; said body of men then took, destroyed, and carried away the household goods and family library of the said Purdon, of the value of five hundred dollars; said body of men took and destroyed a lot of garden vegetables, of the value of one hundred dollars; they also took and destroyed a field of corn, containing about twelve acres, which, to the best of my judgment, was worth two hundred dollars.

Mr. Purdon has not received any compensation for the above, to my knowledge; and further this deponent saith not.

C. M. WALLACE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 18th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE, J. P.

Bill of items of property lost during the difficulties in Kansas Territory, during the year 1856, the property of E. B. Purdon.

September 14, 1856.

One store of goods in the town of Franklin.....	\$1,500 00
Household goods and library.....	500 00
Garden vegetables.....	100 00
Cow and calf.....	40 00
Damages to house.....	60 00
Twelve acres of corn destroyed.....	200 00

2,400 00

E. B. PURDON.

Sworn to and subscribed by the above, before me, this 17th day of November, 1857.

H. G. TOLLE, *Justice of the Peace.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of E. B. Purdon, of \$2,400. there is proven the whole amount, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 160.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. } Account for loss and damage.

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of, or growing out of the difficulties in this, Kansas Territory, approved February, A. D. 1857.

Robert Allen complainant, states: That on or about the 10th day of September, A. D. 1856, he was the legal owner, and in peaceable possession of certain personal property, to wit: One rifle gun of the value of twenty dollars, also one yoke of oxen, two ox-yokes and two log chains of the value of one hundred and twelve dollars. And that on or about the 10th day of September, A. D. 1856, three armed men claiming to be militia from Leecompton, came to the house of complainant, and forcibly took said rifle gun from complainant; he also states that about that time some person unknown to complainant came and took the said yoke of oxen, two ox-yokes, and two log chains out of the possession of complainant; but who said persons were, complainant is unable to say, as he did not see them take said oxen, but from information received, he believes that said oxen were taken by a portion of Lane's men, as said cattle were seen in Lawrence next day; the person having them wanted to sell them, and claimed to be militia from Leecompton. Complainant also states that he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and that he has not received any compensation either in whole or in part for the said property from any source whatever. He states that the matters and things set forth in the above petition are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

ROBERT ALLEN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21st day of November, A. D. 1857.

JOSIAH MILLER,
Judge of Probate for Douglas County.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

A. A. Taxor, of lawful age being duly sworn, deposes and says: That I am well acquainted with Robert Allen, who has made and signed the above complaint, I have been in the habit of trading with

him, buying vegetables and other farm produce; he had a yoke of oxen that from being peculiarly marked, I was well acquainted with; some time in the month of September, A. D. 1856, a man came to me to buy a yoke of cattle from him; I told him I would; next morning, some time before day, he came to my place and called me by name; I arose and went out; the moon was shining bright; he told me here was the cattle that he wanted to sell me; I knew the cattle, and asked him where he got them; he said that he got them above; that they were a pro-slavery man's cattle; I then told him plainly that they were Robert Allen's cattle, and that he had better turn them loose, and let them go home, as I would not buy the cattle; he offered them to me for twenty-five dollars, but I would not have anything to do with them; I think the man's name is Hayard, or something like that; he lived then in Lecompton; I know him by sight, but am not positive as to the name; he could not sell the cattle in Lawrence, so he turned them around in the road; next day, or day after, I saw Robert Allen, and told him that his cattle were down in the bottom, below town; I saw the same cattle in the bottom the day before the army came up from Missouri on the 14th of September, A. D. 1856.

A. A. TAXOR.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21st day of November, A. D. 1857.

JOSIAH MILLER,
Judge of Probate for Douglas County.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

William Allen, of lawful age, being duly sworn deposeseth and says: That I was in the house of Robert Allen, some time in the month of September, A. D. 1856; three armed men came to the house and made some inquiries about things; they staid at the door, then one of these men came into the house and took down the rifle-gun, and took it off; the gun was worth twenty dollars; I know that Robert Allen was the owner of said rifle-gun, and that about the same time he was the owner of a yoke of cattle, and two ox-yokes and log chains of the value of one hundred and twelve dollars; and that some time about the 10th or 12th day of September, A. D. 1856, some person to deponent unknown, came and took said yoke of cattle away; some day or two after Mr. A. A. Taxor, having informed Robert Allen he had seen the said oxen, and that a man wanted to sell them to him, but he refused; I went and hunted for said oxen where said Taxor had seen them the day before, but could not find them; Robert Allen, has never to my knowledge, received back said cattle, or ————— nor has he ever to my knowledge, received any compensation for the same. Robert Allen is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory; this was during difficulties in Kansas, in the year 1856.

WM. ALLEN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21st day of November, A. D. 1857.

JOSIAH MILLER,
Judge of Probate for Douglas County.

Bill of property lost during the difficulties in Kansas Territory in the year 1856—the property of Robert Allen—on or about the 10th of September, 1856.

One rifle gun, taken by three armed men, claimed to be militia from Lecompton—the gun worth.....	\$20 00
Also, one yoke of oxen, two ox-yokes, and two log-chains, worth.....	112 00
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	132 00
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This account is just and correct.

ROBERT ALLEN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this — day of November, A. D. 1857.

JOSIAH MILLER,
Judge of Probate for Douglas County.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Robert Allen (\$132) the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 161.

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory in the year 1856:

Millegan Wallace, complainant, states: That on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and for some time previous thereto, he was the legal owner and in peaceable possession of certain property, to wit: household and kitchen furniture, bed and bedding, and clothes, to the amount of three hundred dollars; also, a field of corn of about three acres, of the amount of one hundred dollars; in all, of the amount of four hundred dollars, (\$400;) and that on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a body of armed men, under the command of General Reid, came into the town of Franklin and commenced plundering the houses and stores in said town of Franklin. A portion of the men came, entered my dwelling-house, and took, destroyed, and carried away household furniture, bed and bedding, and clothes, to the amount of three hundred dollars; said men also took and destroyed a field of corn, the property of complainant, of the value of one hundred dollars; in all, of the value of four hundred dollars.

He states that he is a resident of Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas Territory. He also states that he has not received any compensation for the same from any person or persons whatever. He further states

that the matters and things set forth in the above complaint are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

MILLEGAN WALLACE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of November, 1857.
H. G. TOLLE, J. P.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. } ss.

William S. Hull, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That I am well acquainted with Millegan Wallace, who has made and signed the above complaint. I know its contents, and believe that the matters and things set forth therein are true. I know that said Millegan Wallace was the owner of certain household and kitchen furniture, also bed and bedding, to the usual amount of a common family, and that the same was destroyed on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, by the body of men that came to Franklin under General Reid. From my acquaintance with the house of Millegan Wallace and its contents, I am under the impression that his goods that were destroyed were reasonably worth the sum of three hundred dollars. I know that he had a full field of corn adjoining the town of Franklin that was destroyed by the said body of armed men, at the town aforesaid; said field of corn was worth one hundred dollars. Said property was destroyed during the difficulties in Kansas in the year A. D. 1856. Said Wallace is a resident of Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas. And further this deponent saith not.

WM. S. HULL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE, J. P.

Bill of items of property lost during the difficulties in Kansas in 1856, property of Millegan Wallace.

1856.

September 14.	To household and kitchen furniture, bed-clothing, and clothes.....	\$300 00
	To field of corn destroyed.....	100 00
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		400 00
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This account is just and correct.

MN. WALLACE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. TOLLE, J. P.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Millegan Wallace of \$400, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 162.

Statement of goods, wares, clothing, and merchandise and money, and other effects, together with other injuries and damages, lost and sustained by Dr. G. S. Skilbeck, at Franklin, in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and forcibly and violently robbed, stolen, and carried away and committed, on or about the nights of the 12th and 16th of August, A. D. 1856, by a body of men armed with Sharpe's rifles, pistols, and bowie knives, and numbering about 250 :

The merchandise above written, amounting to twenty thousand dollars, (\$20,000,) and five thousand dollars in money, (\$5,000;) the merchandise consisting in silks, satins, broadcloth, ready-made clothing, gingham, stuffs, muslins, mouslaine de laines, boots and shoes, ribbons, tapes, eight double-barrel shot guns and eight rifles, twenty sacks of flour, bacon, sugar and coffee, and tea; a large assortment of cutlery and hardware, such as butts and screws; one horse, saddle, and bridle, proved to be worth one hundred and fifty dollars before the grand jury in Lecompton, Douglas county, taken by the same set of robbers on the 15th of August, 1856.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson, } ss.

This day personally appeared before me, William L. Bone, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Jackson, and State of Missouri, Robert S. Crane, who being sworn, says: That on the 12th and 16th days of August, A. D. 1856, he was a resident of the town of Franklin, in the county of Douglas, and Territory of Kansas, and knows of his own personal knowledge of the robbery of the store of Dr. G. S. Skilbeck, on the nights of the days referred to above. Affiant rented the storehouse in which said goods, &c., were deposited, to said Skilbeck; knows that he had a large stock of goods in said store, and would say that he believes that said Skilbeck had goods in said store to the amount of twenty thousand dollars, as the main room in said store was large and was crowded with goods of the description mentioned in the aforesaid statement, and knows that many boxes of goods were in the main storeroom, as well as in the back room of said house, which were not opened, there not being sufficient room in which to display them. Affiant states that on the 12th and 16th days mentioned above, affiant knows that a body of men attacked the town of Franklin, and robbed the store of said Skilbeck. Affiant saw said men, about 250 in number, removing many of the goods mentioned in the aforementioned statement, and on the morning of the 17th of August, 1856, the whole of the goods were taken out of said store, and had been removed by said company of robbers.

R. S. CRANE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 26th day of October, A. D. 1857.

WILLIAM L. BONE
Justice of the Peace.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson, } ss.

This day personally appeared before me, William L. Bone, a justice of the peace within and for the county and State aforesaid, Ann Crane, who being legally sworn, says: On the 12th and 16th days of August, 1856, affiant was a resident of the town of Franklin, in Douglas county, in the Territory of Kansas, and was well acquainted with Dr. G. S. Skilbeck, who then had a dry goods store in said town of Franklin, and kept such articles as are usually kept in dry goods establishments, as well as groceries; and on the evening of the 12th day of August, 1856, the store of said Dr. G. S. Skilbeck was attacked and robbed by a company of men—supposed to be about 250 men—with wagons; they took many goods from said Skilbeck on that night, such as boots and shoes, and they rolled out barrels of liquor and crackers. On the night of the 16th of August, 1856, or rather in the evening of that day, affiant saw several men break the windows of said Skilbeck's store, and packed out a large quantity of the goods; and after dark a number of men came with wagons and took out the balance of the goods from said store. On the morning of the 17th of August, 1856—very early in the morning—affiant went to said store of Skilbeck's, and found that all of the goods and valuables had been taken out of said store. At the time of the last attack and robbery, on the 16th day aforesaid, said Skilbeck was a prisoner in the hands of the abolition party in that Territory, who had been engaged in said robberies. The storeroom in which said goods were kept belonged to the son of affiant, and he had blankets and valuables in said store, and it was to look after these that took affiant to said store on the morning aforesaid.

ANN CRANE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 26th day of August, A. D. 1857.

WILLIAM L. BONE,
Justice of the Peace.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson, } ss.

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, justice of the peace within and for the county aforesaid, Samuel Crane, senior, who being legally sworn, says: That he has examined the foregoing affidavit of his son, Robert S. Crane, and the statements therein made are true to the best of his knowledge and belief. Affiant was a resident of the town of Franklin, Douglas county, and Kansas Territory, on the 12th and 16th days of August, 1856, and was a keeper of a hotel at that place and at that time, and therefore had an opportunity of knowing the truth of the statements made in said affidavit.

SAMUEL CRANE, SR.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27th day of October, 1857.

WILLIAM L. BONE, *J. P.*

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson, } ss.

I, John R. Swearingen, clerk of the county court within and for the county aforesaid, do hereby certify that William L. Bone, esq., whose genuine signature appears to the above and foregoing affidavits, now is, and was at the time of so doing, an acting justice of the peace within and for the said county aforesaid, duly elected, commissioned, and qualified, and that full faith and credit is due and ought to be given to all his official acts as such, as well in courts of justice as thereout.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed [SEAL.] the seal of said county, at my office in the city of Independence, this 27th day of October, A. D. 1857.

JOHN R. SWEARINGEN, *Clerk.*

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson, } ss.

This day personally appeared before me, Thomas J. Goforth, an acting justice of the peace in and for the county of Jackson aforesaid, Peter Behan and Samuel R. Ruckle, who on oath say, that they were well acquainted with Dr. G. S. Skilbeck of the town of Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas Territory, in the year A. D. 1856, and the statement made by Ann Crane and Samuel Crane, as to his losses in the Territory was correct, to the best of their belief and knowledge, and they were residents of the town of Franklin, in Kansas Territory, at the time of the occurrence above stated, and therefore had a legal right to know the statements of the said Ann Crane, Samuel Crane, and Robert Crane to be correct.

PETER BEHAN, [SEAL.]

S. R. RUCKLE, [SEAL.]

Subscribed and sworn to, this the 14th day of November, A. D. 1857.

THOMAS J. GOFORTH, *Justice of the Peace.*

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson, } ss.

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned justice of the peace for the county aforesaid, Dr. G. S. Skilbeck, who on oath says, that the affidavits of the above, and statements relating to his losses as above named, and my being taken prisoner are all correct and true, and occurred as above stated.

G. S. SKILBECK, M. D. [SEAL.]

Subscribed and sworn to, the 14th day of November, A. D. 1857.

THOMAS J. GOFORTH, *Justice of the Peace.*

Fees, seventy-five cents.

I certify that in the foregoing claim \$25,000 of G. S. Skilbeck, that there is proven \$8,000, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

NOTE.—The complainant in the above case has failed to specifically set forth his losses or to subscribe and swear to the same; no testi-

mony to show that the complainant lost any money. The award is made therefore more upon the accredited losses from rumor, than upon the testimony.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 163.

To the Auditor of Claims :

The petition of Benjamin S. Hancock to the commissioner of claims appointed under the act of the territorial assembly of Kansas Territory, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, A. D. 1857, for the purpose of receiving and approving claims for damages occasioned by the recent troubles in Kansas.

Your petitioner respectfully shows to the commissioner that he has been a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, for the last three years, and is now a resident thereof; that from April, A. D. 1855, to October, 1856, your petitioner resided on a claim or farm some three or four miles south of Lecompton, Kansas Territory; that this petitioner had an enclosed ploughed field of eleven acres, ten of corn and one half an acre of potatoes on said farm in November, A. D. 1855, which corn and potatoes were worth fifty dollars per acre, and that said corn and potatoes were totally destroyed on or about the 15th day of November, 1855, by the territorial militia, but under whose command this petitioner is unable to state.

And your petitioner further shows that during the month of August, 1856, (he having the same field planted with ten acres of corn and one acre of potatoes, worth also fifty dollars per acre,) was destroyed by the territorial militia under the command of William Martin and John Randolph.

And your petitioner further shows that on and before the 6th day of July, A. D. 1856, he was the legal owner, and had in his possession one dun mare, worth two hundred and fifty dollars, and one gray horse, worth one hundred dollars; and being the owner and having the possession of the horses aforesaid, they were stolen and taken away from your petitioner on the 6th day of July aforesaid by the territorial militia, while your petitioner was going from Westport home. And on the day and year aforesaid he was also the owner and possessed one superior breeding sow about to be delivered of a litter of pigs, worth twenty dollars, which was also stolen and carried away from your petitioner by Colonel 'Titus' men.

And your petitioner further shows that on or about the 3d day of September, A. D. 1856, the territorial militia of Kansas Territory, to the number of four or five hundred men, under the command of Generals Richardson and Stringfellow, were encamped at Lecompton, Kansas Territory; that on or about the 3d of September aforesaid, a company of said territorial militia, to the number of sixty men or thereabouts, under command of Captain John Randolph, came to the house of your petitioner, on the claim or farm aforesaid, and having driven your petitioner therefrom, they then shot, destroyed, carried away, and stole the property of your petitioner, of the description and value following, to wit:

78 fowls, Shanghais, Polands, and other breeds.....	\$78 00
1 bag coffee, 163 pounds, at 14 cts. per pound.....	22 82
1 barrel sugar, 320 pounds, 11 cents per pound.....	35 20
2 sets of harness (double)	60 00
1 set single harness.....	35 00
4 saddles, 5 bridles.....	85 00
4 head halters and chains.....	9 00
3 pitch forks.....	3 25
2 mowing scythes, 1 cradling do.....	10 00
6 rakes, 1 spade.....	5 00
2 bay horses, 1 dun mare.....	300 00
4 horse brushes, 2 currycombs.....	4 50
1 plough, 1 sled, 1 set doubletrees.....	30 00
1 shovel, 1 pick, 2 crowbars.....	17 00
2 stone hammers.....	4 00
1 Durham bull, 2 years old.....	50 00
1 Durham cow, 3 years old.....	40 00
1 large chest of carpenter's tools.....	200 00
11 large blankets.....	55 00
25 yards imported carpet.....	37 50
Several sets of dishes, knives, forks, and spoons.....	30 00
800 feet siding lumber, \$4 per 100.....	32 00
4 sets silver tea spoons.....	36 00
2 sets silver table spoons.....	36 00
1 large library of books.....	300 00
2 sets four-horse driving reins.....	20 00
1 acre garden produce.....	200 00
1 barrel of flour.....	20 00
1 barrel vinegar.....	8 00
1 coal scuttle and lot of pots, skillets, 12.....	4 00
1 large lot of clothing.....	100 00
9 gallons preserves, \$4 per gallon.....	36 00
1000 pounds hams and middlings, 14 cents.....	140 00
2 trunks and contents.....	50 00
5 iron wedges.....	5 75
1 bag of shot, 25 pounds, and 25 pounds of lead.....	3 25
1 chest of saddler's tools and findings.....	100 00
3 quilts, 2 beds, quilt blocks for 3 quilts.....	23 00
600 pounds hoop and other iron, 8 cents.....	48 00
2 large washing tubs.....	3 00
2 axes	6 00
12 swingletrees for horses.....	15 00
2 fine horse blankets.....	10 00
1 gold breastpin and \$2 50 taken from wife.....	7 50
4 large cow bells and straps.....	6 00
1 doubletree for four horses in width.....	25 00
4 hoes	3 50
½ barrel of salt, 170 pounds, 4 cents.....	6 80
5 long ropes	6 25
12 girths.....	12 00

2 stable forks.....	\$2 50
1 lot of tin and china ware.....	10 00
Loss of use of two houses 8 months each, at \$12.....	192 00
1 sledge hammer.....	2 50
2 large cow bells.....	4 00
5 horse collars	8 75
2 new buggy bridles.....	6 00
1 violin.....	20 00
3 white blankets, 1 coverlid.....	10 00
1 log chain.....	4 50
1 doz. table spoons (common).....	1 00
Damages on stove and pipe.....	2 50
6 new shirts.....	24 00
1 banjo.....	2 50
1 pair fenders.....	6 00
Corn and potatoes for year 1855.....	525 00
Corn and potatoes for year 1856....	550 00
1 dun mare.....	250 00
1 gray horse.....	100 00
1 breeding sow and pigs.....	20 00
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And your petitioner further shows that he was the lawful owner and actual possessor of the foregoing property at the time and place aforesaid; and that it was carried away and destroyed as before specified, and that he has not been paid for any of said property nor has any ever been returned to this petitioner, and that he has not put the value of said property too high, but that he has sustained the actual damage aforesaid, of four thousand two hundred and twenty-two dollars and fifty-seven cents, by reason of the recent troubles in Kansas. Wherefore your petitioner prays that the sum of four thousand two hundred and twenty-two dollars and fifty seven cents may be allowed him in the premises.

B. S. HANCOCK.

LAWRENCE, *December 9, 1857.*

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Douglas County, } ss.

Benjamin S. Hancock being duly sworn says: That he is the person described in the above petition, and that the facts therein set forth are true.

B. S. HANCOCK;

Sworn before me, at Lawrence, December 9, 1857.

THOS. OLIVER,
*Justice of the Peace for Leocompton township,
 Douglas County, Kansas Territory.*

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Douglas County, } ss.

Margaretta Hancock, being duly sworn, says: That she is the wife of the above petitioner; that all the statements contained in the above

petition of B. S. Hancock are true in every particular, of her own personal knowledge; that the property in the schedule above set forth was actually destroyed as aforesaid by the parties aforesaid, was owned by the above petitioner, and was of the value therein stated.

MARGARETTA ^{her} ~~X~~ HANCOCK.
mark.

Sworn before me, this 9th December, 1857, at Lawrence.

THOMAS OLIVER,

Justice of the Peace for Lecompton township, Douglas county, K. T.

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Douglas County, } ss.

E. Amelia Hancock, being duly sworn, says: That she is the daughter of the above petitioner; that she resided with her father on his claim near Lecompton, Kansas Territory, from the time he came to said claim in April, 1855, to March, 1856, when this deponent left the Territory and went to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania; that the above petitioner had an enclosed field on said claim, of eleven acres, planted with corn and potatoes in 1855, but whether said field was planted in 1856, this deponent cannot say. That when this deponent left home in March, 1856, the above petitioner was the lawful owner and possessor of all the property set forth in the petition aforesaid, but when this deponent returned to this Territory in March, 1857, said property had been carried away and had disappeared, and, as this deponent was informed and believes, was carried away and destroyed as set forth in the petition aforesaid. And this deponent further says, that none of said property has been returned or paid for, and that she believes the damage to the petitioner to be correctly set forth in his petition.

E. AMELIA HANCOCK.

Sworn before me, this 9th December, 1857.

THOMAS OLIVER,

Justice of the Peace for Lecompton township, Douglas county, K. T.

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Douglas County, } ss.

Thomas H. Thomas, being duly sworn, says: That he has resided in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, ever since the 17th day of May, A. D. 1856; that he is the step-father of the above petitioner, and that he is cognizant of all the facts set forth in the above petition, (having lived within a mile of the petitioner at the time of said losses,) except about the crop on the field during the year 1855; that all the other statements are true and as set forth therein.

THOMAS H. THOMAS.

Sworn before me, this 9th December, 1857.

THOMAS OLIVER,

Justice of the Peace for Lecompton township, Douglas county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Benjamin Hancock, of \$4,222 57, there is proven \$2,120, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 164.

To the Auditor of Claims:

The petition of Charles H. Lovejoy, under the act of the territorial assembly and act supplemental thereto, passed and approved the 23d day of February, A. D. 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying of claims for damages, in consequence of the late troubles in Kansas Territory.

Your petitioner respectfully shows to the commissioner he is now a resident and has resided in Kansas Territory ever since the 23d day of March, A. D. 1855; that your petitioner has resided in and near Lawrence, Douglas county, from September, A. D. 1855, up to the present time; that on or about the 4th day of March, A. D. 1856, your petitioner was the lawful owner of one brown mare pony, of large size and five years old, and of the value of sixty-five dollars; that your petitioner put said mare pony in the charge and custody of one George F. Warren, at Lawrence, Kansas Territory, on the said 4th of March, for safe-keeping, and thereupon left the Territory for the eastern States, said Warren to keep said pony until the return of your petitioner, when he was to deliver her up again; and your petitioner further shows that on or about the 18th day of March, aforesaid, as your petitioner is informed and believes, said Warren was called as a witness before the congressional investigating committee, and after that, for some reason, was compelled to leave the Territory; but before leaving, said Warren took said pony and left her with one John M. Graham, a friend and acquaintance of your petitioner, and requested him to take care of said pony and deliver her to this petitioner when he should return. That said Graham thereupon took possession of said pony and kept her in his possession until the 9th day of July, A. D. 1856. That said Graham lived in the vicinity of Lawrence, Douglas county, Kansas Territory, at that time, and tied said pony out on the prairie to graze. That on the night of the 9th of July aforesaid, said pony disappeared and could not be found, and has not been found since; and your petitioner believes that she was stolen, as large numbers of horses were stolen at that time throughout the Territory, but by whom stolen your petitioner is unable to say. Your petitioner has not been paid for said pony, nor has she been returned to your petitioner, and your petitioner prays that the sum of sixty-five dollars may be allowed him for this damage sustained in the loss of said pony.

CHARLES H. LOVEJOY.

LAWRENCE, *December 9, 1857.*

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KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Douglas County, } *ss.*

Charles H. Lovejoy, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, being duly sworn, says that he is the person named in the above petition, and that the facts therein set forth are true.

CHARLES H. LOVEJOY.

Sworn before me, this 9th day of December, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *J. P.*

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Douglas county, } *ss.*

John M. Graham being duly sworn, says that he is now a resident, and has resided in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, ever since the 19th of May, A. D. 1855; that he has been acquainted with the above petitioner ever since the 14th day of September, A. D. 1855; that in July, 1856, the above petitioner was the lawful owner of one large brown mare pony worth sixty-five dollars; that said mare pony had been left at that time in the charge of this deponent for safe-keeping, to be returned to the above petitioner when he should call for her; that on or about the night of the 9th of July, 1856, and while she was in the charge of this deponent, and she being tied on the prairie to feed, said mare pony disappeared, and has never since been found by this deponent or the petitioner, and this deponent believes that the said pony was stolen from this deponent by persons unknown to this deponent. This deponent further says that there was much horse-stealing going on at that time in the Territory, occasioned by the political troubles of the Territory. And this deponent further says that said pony has never been paid for or returned, and that this deponent was not to be responsible to the above petitioner for the value of said pony in case she was stolen.

JOHN M. GRAHAM.

Sworn before me at Lawrence, this 9th day of December, 1857.

E. D. LADD, *J. P.*

I have examined the foregoing petition of C. H. Lovejoy, with accompanying affidavit, and award the amount charged on private account, \$65.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of Claims.

No. 165.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } *ss.*

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Charles H. Crane, of the town of Osawatomic, county of Lykins, Territory of Kansas, respectfully showeth: That the said Charles H. Crane is now and has been a resident of the town, county,

and Territory aforesaid since the month of March, A. D. 1855, and during said time said Crane has been engaged more or less in the pursuit of agriculture, and also in the practice of the law at said place; that, on or about the 30th day of August, A. D. 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of great excitement occasioned by armed bodies of men under different leaders, travelling over the country committing robberies, thefts, and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens, an armed body of men, under the command of one John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation by the then acting Governor Woodson, entered the town of Osawatomie, drove out the inhabitants, and burned many buildings, and took and carried away goods and chattels; and your petitioner, at the time aforesaid, had taken and driven away by said company of men one sorrel horse, which was used and appropriated by them without any consideration therefor. And your petitioner further shows that about the same time two white cows were taken and driven away from him, which were worth and of the value of \$30 each; and also a roan horse worth \$100. And your petitioner further shows that the following goods were burned in the house of Samuel Geer and O. C. Brown at the time first mentioned: piano sheet music; a book of music; powder flask and chair. And your petitioner further sets forth that, in consequence of the aforesaid bands of lawless men, he, with his family, were compelled to leave his premises and nearly all his household goods, and that, in his absence, the following articles were taken and carried away from his house and premises, to wit: one set of bits, 8 or 10 tin pans, 2 tin quart cups, 1 two quart pail, six quart tin pail, wash dish, 200 envelopes, mahogany pistol box, gallon jug, three gallon jug, vinegar cruets, grindstone, 3 quart pitchers, 3 three pint basins, 2 quart basins, chamber pot, 2 small jars, linen bag, draw shave, 5 joints six-inch pipe, quilt, 18 yards cotton cloth, 3 pairs sheets, 3 pairs pillow cases, 2 feather pillows, 2 large cushions, umbrella, $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch auger, cloth for two new sheets, reels, brass top and shovel. *All the foregoing goods and chattels are included in a schedule hereto annexed, and which forms a part in this petition. None of the foregoing goods and chattels have been since recovered by me, nor has any compensation been received therefor.*

CHARLES H. CRANE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 3d day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Judge of Probate, Lykins county, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Sorrel horse.....	\$100 00
Roan horse.....	100 00
Two white cows.....	60 00
Piano sheet music.....	4 00
Book of music.....	5 00
Powder flask.....	1 25
Chair.....	75

Set of bits.....	\$0 50
Eight or ten tin pans.....	2 00
Two feather pillows.....	3 00
Two 2 quart cups.....	30
Two quart pails.....	25
Six quart pails.....	50
Wash dish.....	25
Two hundred envelopes.....	1 00
Mahogany pistol box.....	1 00
Charges for transportation of law library from Osawatomie to Kansas city, Missouri.....	11 00
Charges on the river to St. Louis and Oneida, Knox Co., Illi- nois, where stored till fall of 1857, (550 lbs.).....	14 42
Return charges on same.....	14 42
Freight from Kansas city to Osawatomie, (50 miles,) one dollar per hundred, (550 lbs.).....	5 50
Three gallon jug.....	1 00
One gallon jug.....	25
Grind stone.....	1 00
Vinegar cruet.....	75
Three quart pitcher.....	75
Three 3 pint basins.....	75
Two quart basins.....	25
Chamber pot.....	50
Two small jars.....	50
Linen bag.....	50
Draw shave.....	75
Five lengths 6-inch stove-pipe.....	2 50
Gimlet.....	10
Eighteen yards cotton cloth.....	2 25
Three pair sheets.....	2 25
Three pair pillow cases.....	1 50
Two lounge cushions.....	1 50
Umbrella.....	1 00
Quarter inch auger.....	25
Cloth for two new sheets.....	1 50
Reels.....	50
Brass top shovel.....	1 50
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C. H. CRANE.

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
 Lykins County, } ss.

J. Merritt Anthony and Robert W. Wood, being duly sworn according to law, upon their oaths, state: That they have been residents of Kansas Territory; that they now reside in it, and that they are personally acquainted with Charles H. Crane and have lived in his family, and that they have read the foregoing affidavit and

schedule made by him, and that they are personally acquainted with the principal facts therein stated and know them to be true, and that they were acquainted with and knew the property set forth in the schedule, and know the value thereof. And these deponents further state that the value of the goods and chattels, as set forth in the foregoing schedule, is not over estimated, and that the losses therein set forth were actually sustained by him.

JACOB M. ANTHONY.
R. W. WOOD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30th of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

I have examined the foregoing petition of C. H. Crane and accompanying affidavits, and allow him the sum charged on private account, \$346 59.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of Claims.

No. 166.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Petition of Allen B. Hazzard, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Allen B. Hazzard, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that your petitioner has met and sustained a loss growing directly out of the difficulties of the Territory; that about the 15th day of May, 1856, whilst the Territory was in a state of insurrection and rebellion, the United States marshal, J. B. Donaldson, having by a proclamation called upon all good citizens in the Territory to aid and assist him in making certain arrests of individuals in the town of Lawrence, and in maintaining the peace and carrying out the laws of said Territory, your petitioner, in compliance with the said proclamation, left Kickapoo on or about the day hereinbefore mentioned; that on his road to Lecompton, in attempting to ford Buck creek, (which was much swollen by recent rains,) your petitioner lost one mule by drowning, which was the property of Isaac Jelf, but which your petitioner paid for out of his private pocket, for which loss your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity whatever. The mule was worth and valued at the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

ALLEN B. HAZZARD.

This day personally appeared Spear Nicholas before me, Josiah Elliott, J. P., Leavenworth county, who, being duly sworn, says that he has heard the petition of Mr. Hazzard read, and knows the facts

set forth in the petition to be true; knows Mr. Hazzard to have been on his way to Leocompton at the time the mule was lost. The mule was drowned, as your deponent knows, in Buck creek, about the 15th of May, 1856. The mule was well worth the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

JOSIAH ELLIOTT, *J. P.*

This day personally appeared M. P. Berry before me, Josiah Elliott, justice of the peace for Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory, who, being duly sworn, says he is acquainted with the petitioner; knows that he was a citizen of the Territory during the spring of 1856; knows that he went to Leocompton under the call of the marshal; knows that he lost a mule in the manner and at the time alleged. The mule was well worth the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

JOSIAH ELLIOTT, *J. P.*

This the 11th day of December, 1857.

I have examined the foregoing petition of A. B. Hazzard and accompanying affidavits, and award the sum charged on a public account, \$125.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of Claims.

No. 167.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } *ss.*

Petition of Frederick Ellerman, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Frederick Ellerman, of the county and Territory as aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory by way of loss of property since the organization of the Territory, as follows, to wit:

1 sorrel horse, four years old, worth	\$100 00
1 sorrel colt, 1½ years old, worth.....	50 00

The said horse and colt were taken from your petitioner at the house of N. Humbers, on Richland Prairie, in the county of Leavenworth, some time in the month of September, A. D. 1856, or thereabouts, and the next day after the battle of Hickory Point, by a person who came to the house aforesaid, at the time last aforesaid, with Captain Robinson's company, and who claimed to be connected therewith; that said horse and colt were taken as aforesaid without the consent and against the will of your petitioner, and were run out of the

Territory by the aforesaid person, or by other parties whose names are unknown to petitioner; that by reason of the taking of the horse and colt as aforesaid, your petitioner has sustained damages to the amount of one hundred and fifty dollars; for your petitioner has been unable to recover the said horse or colt, although using due diligence to recover them, and said horse and colt are a total loss to your petitioner. Wherefore your petitioner asks that his claim be allowed by your honor.

FREDERICK ELLERMAN.

Sworn and subscribed the 15th day of December, A. D. 1857, before me,

PHILIP P. WILCOX,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } ss.

Jefferson Dyer, of Buchanan county, Missouri, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he knows Frederick Ellerman; he lives on Crooked creek, near the line of Jefferson and Atchison counties, in Kansas Territory, and lived there in September, A. D. 1856; that sometime in the month of September, 1856, or thereabouts, and while the fight at Hickory Point was progressing between the company of Captain Robinson and the forces of Jim Lane, under the command of Captain Harvey, this deponent left a sorrel horse and a sorrel colt, the property of Frederick Ellerman, at the house of N. Humber, on Richland Prairie, in the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas. The sorrel horse was four years old and was worth, at the time he was left at Humber's as aforesaid, the sum of one hundred dollars; that the sorrel colt was one and a half years of age at the time last mentioned, and was worth the sum of fifty dollars.

JEFFERSON DYER.

Sworn and subscribed the 15th day of December, 1857, before me.

PHILIP P. WILCOX,
Notary Public, Atchison county, Kansas Territory.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } ss.

N. Humber, of Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he knows Jefferson Dyer; knows the sorrel horse and sorrel colt which were left at deponent's house on Richland Prairie, in Leavenworth county, at the time the fight at Hickory Point was progressing, in September, A. D. 1856, or thereabouts; that a person called by name Joe, and who claimed to be connected with the forces that were contending at Hickory Point, took the horse and colt from my house without my consent or the consent of Ellerman, and run them off; they were taken the next day after the fight was over. Captain Robinson's company was at my house at the time the horse and colt were taken. Ellerman has been in

search of the animals, but never has to my knowledge recovered them. The horse was worth one hundred dollars. The colt was worth more than fifty dollars. Deponent has never seen the person who run off the animals, since they were run off. He was a stranger to deponent; had never seen him before.

N. HUMBER.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 19th day of December, A. D. 1857.

PHILIP P. WILCOX,
Notary Public in and for Atchison county, Kansas Territory.

I have examined the foregoing petition of Frederick Ellerman and accompanying affidavits, and award the full sum charged, on private class, \$150.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 168.

LECOMPTON, KANSAS TERRITORY,
December 28, A. D. 1857.

To the honorable commissioner for auditing claims :

The claimant, Mason T. Summers, residing in Kansas city, in the State of Missouri, would respectfully represent that on or about the 10th of September, A. D. 1856, he was selling goods in Summerville, in the county of Leavenworth, Kansas Territory, and had been engaged peaceably in said occupation for over one year; that while thus engaged, and without any provocation upon his part, a body of armed men numbering some 20 or 30, forcibly entered his store and took therefrom by force and arms, goods consisting of hats and caps, boots and shoes, ready-made clothing, ammunition, guns, and many other articles which this claimant does not now remember, amounting in all to the sum of about twelve hundred dollars, as near as claimant can at this time remember. Claimant further states that the said body of armed men did feloniously and with force, take and carry away said goods, and with threats and menaces prevent claimant from offering any resistance whatever to the depredation thus carried on, and that he is damaged above the amount of goods in the sum of five hundred dollars. Claimant states that he could not at any other earlier period, present his claims owing to the absence of his witnesses; and prays that the same may be audited and allowed by the commissioner, for presentation to Congress. Claimant states that the above is true to the best of his belief.

MASON T. SUMMERS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand and seal of office, the day and date above written.

THOS. A. RUSSELL, *Notary Public.*

Meredith D. Breeding makes oath and says, that the above petition and matters therein contained, he believes to be true, except that this deponent says that he does not think the value of the goods carried away would amount to over one thousand dollars. This deponent says that he was clerking for the claimant at the time the above depredation was committed and witnessed the carrying away of the aforesaid goods. As to the damages the claimant sustained by the loss of business, &c., this deponent saith not, but believes he was damaged to a considerable amount.

M. D. BREEDING.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, an acting justice of the peace, within and for the township of Kickapoo, in the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1857.

S. F. RHEA, *J. P.*

This is to certify that said claimant, Mason T. Summers, introduces Claudius Oliphant, who testifies that the foregoing affidavit contains the truth as to the amount of goods that was taken by said body of men, as described in the foregoing petition, is true or correct to the best of his knowledge and belief, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1857.

CLAUDIUS OLIPHANT.

S. F. RHEA, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *ss.*

I, H. B. C. Harris, clerk of the board of county commissioners, within and for the county aforesaid, do certify that Spartain F. Rhea, whose name appears signed to the foregoing certificate or proof of acknowledgment is now and was, at the time of signing the same, a justice of the peace for said county, duly commissioned and qualified, and authorized to take such certificate or proof of acknowledgment. I am well acquainted with his hand writing, and believe the above to be genuine.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said board of county commissioners, it being a court of [L. s.] record, at office in Kickapoo city, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1857.

HENRY B. C. HARRIS, *Clerk.*

I have examined the foregoing petition of Mason T. Summers, with the accompanying affidavits, and award him the amount charged on private account, \$1,000 00.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 169.

LEAVENWORTH CITY,
Leavenworth County, K. T., October 27, 28, 29, 1857.

The following were submitted :

The petition of Armistead Dawson for damages sustained in the difficulties during the fall of 1856.

Said petitioner states : That during the month of September, 1856, a body of armed men, under the command of one Captain Harvey, while passing along the road, passed said Dawson's store ; the said company stopped and went into the store-room and took out the articles mentioned in the account hereto attached, amounting to two hundred and forty-four dollars; taken out of the said store without the leave of said Dawson and against his consent. That said Dawson is a resident of Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory, and his said store was at a place called Eastin, in said county. That he does not know under what authority they forcibly took said property, but suppose they were acting in opposition to the laws of the Territory. That, in addition to said property mentioned in said account, there was taken, by the same company under Captain Harvey, four horses and one mule, worth about four hundred and twenty-five dollars. That said horses were out on the prairie, and the men of said company drove them from the prairie into the lot and then caught them. That said horses have never been restored, nor any compensation been made for them.

A. DAWSON.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, October 27, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

Account referred to in petition.

I hereby certify that the following goods were taken without leave, by men purporting to belong to Captain Harvey's company, from A. Dawson, during the disturbances in Kansas Territory, 1856, September 9:

4½ sacks flour, at \$5	-	-	-	-	-	\$22 50
10 bushels meal	-	-	-	-	-	12 50
1 keg (200 pounds) lead, at 10 cents per pound	-	-	-	-	-	20 00
1 keg powder	-	-	-	-	-	12 00
½ dozen red flannel shirts	-	-	-	-	-	12 00
10 guns, at \$7 a piece	-	-	-	-	-	70 00
Sundry shoes and boots	-	-	-	-	-	50 00
Candy, sugar, &c.	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
One revolver	-	-	-	-	-	25 00
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OCTOBER 27, 1857.

S. J. KOOKOGY,
Clerk of A. Dawson.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 27th day of October, 1857.

J. M. GALLAGHER,
Justice of the Peace.

Territory of Kansas to A. Dawson, Dr.

1857. To 4 horses and 1 mule	-	-	-	-	\$425 00
To amount of goods taken from store	-	-	-	-	244 00
					669 00
					669 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS :

Personally appeared before me, H. J. Strickler, commissioner, Marshall F. Comstock, who makes oath that he is personally acquainted with Armistead Dawson, who has made the foregoing petition, and is personally acquainted with the facts set forth in the said petition, being present at the time said goods were taken from said store, and saw the horses taken by the said company of men, (Captain Harvey's.) That he saw four horses taken and one mule, worth, he thinks, about four hundred and twenty-five dollars; and that he thinks the goods in said account were worth about two hundred and forty-four dollars; that this witness was taken prisoner by the said Captain Harvey, and saw the goods and horses as they were carried off; the witness was keeping house for said Dawson at the time; that it was all done about the 9th of September, 1856. Armistead Dawson is a citizen of the Territory, and was living in Leavenworth county during the year 1856.

M. F. COMSTOCK.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 27, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Armistead Dawson of the private class there is proven the amount claimed, \$669.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 170.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS }
Leavenworth County, } ss.

Petition of Marshal H. Comstock, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, approved February 23, 1857.

I, M. H. Comstock, of the county and Territory aforesaid, hereby respectfully show to the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner, that I was living at Dawson's store, at Easton, in Leavenworth county,

Kansas Territory, in September, 1856, and while living there I was taken prisoner or confined by a body of men, under the command of one Captain Harvey. They took from me at that time a sorrel bald-faced mare; they took her out of the lot and rode her off with the company; and they took with the said horse a bridle, saddle, and martingales; they also took one rifle and one revolver, belonging to me, and one pair of saddle bags. All these things, this petitioner thinks, were taken about the 9th of September, 1856. That in June, 1856, the petitioner lost one horse, worth, as he thinks, about \$108, the amount he paid for him; that the beforementioned mare was worth about \$200; that the said bridle, saddle, rifle, and revolver, were worth in all about seventy-one dollars; that said property taken in September, 1856, was by Captain Harvey's company, who, as the petitioner believes, was acting in opposition to the laws of the Territory. The petitioner does not know how the horse in June was taken, or by whom.

M. H. COMSTOCK.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October, 27, 1857.

H J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Marshall H. Comstock, Dr.

1857. To one horse	-	-	-	-	-	\$108 00
one mare	-	-	-	-	-	200 00
one bridle, saddle, rifle, and revolver	-	-	-	-	-	71 00
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M. H. COMSTOCK. •

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

The affidavit of Armistead Dawson, of the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas.

Personally appeared said Armistead Dawson, who states that he is personally acquainted with the facts set forth in the petition of Marshall Comstock; that said facts are true; that said Comstock was living at his (Dawson's) house at the time the said company of men, Harvey's, took the articles mentioned in his account, and that said articles of Comstock were taken at the same time his (Dawson's) were taken by said Harvey; that Comstock had a horse in June, which was taken from him, but by whom he does not know, or how. That Marshall Comstock is a resident of Kansas Territory; that said property mentioned in said Comstock's account, hereto attached, is worth about three hundred and seventy-nine dollars, as he thinks.

A. DAWSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 27, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

Personally appeared before Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner, John M. Gallagher, who states upon oath that he is acquainted with the mare mentioned in Marshall Comstock's petition, and that the mare is worth \$200. That the said mare was a race "nag"—a fast runner; she was about 3 years old; large for that age.

J. M. GALLAGHER,

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 27, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

Personally appeared before me, H. J. Strickler, commissioner, Thomas Whipple, who makes oath that he is acquainted with Marshall Comstock, the petitioner; and that he thinks the saddle spoken of in his account is worth about \$20; bridle was worth about \$5; he knows that said Comstock had a rifle and revolver, but he does not know what they were worth; supposes the rifle was worth \$25; the revolver was worth, as he thinks, \$12. That he was acquainted with both the horses in said account; that the mare was worth \$200, or more; that the horse lost in June was worth about \$150.

THOMAS WHIPPLE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 27, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Marshall H. Comstock for \$379, there is proven \$271, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 171.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

The petition of John M. Gallagher, to the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner to audit claims, under an act of the territorial legislature, February 23, 1857.

I, John M. Gallagher, hereby state to said commissioner that I am a resident of Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory, and during last September, 1856, was living at Eastin, in said county; and about the first of said month the goods mentioned in the account hereto attached were taken by two different companies of men, one under Captain Dunn, marked (A,) of about \$57 26; and the other under Captain Harvey, of \$211 76, marked (B,) as hereto attached; that

said goods were taken by the two different companies at different times—those taken by Dunn were about the first day, and Harvey's about the 9th; that the several articles mentioned in said account were taken as therein mentioned, as specifically as if herein set forth item by item, with the values of each attached, and that the aggregate value of both accounts is \$269 01; which losses he has sustained, never having received any recompense therefor, and which grew directly out of the difficulties then existing in Kansas Territory.

J. M. GALLAGHER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 27, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

A.

A schedule of goods taken from J. M. Gallagher, by Captain Dunn's company, about the 1st September, 1856.

3 sacks flour, at \$4.....	\$12 00
300 pounds bacon hams, at 10 cents.....	30 00
12 pounds rope at, 25 cents.....	3 00
26 pounds coffee, at 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents.....	4 33
20 pounds sugar, at 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents	3 33
4 pounds soda, at 15 cents.....	60
1 pair boots, at.....	4 00
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B.

Territory of Kansas to J. M. Gallagher, Dr.

To one sorrel pony.....	\$120 00
To 10 pair boots, at \$5.	50 00
To 6 dress coats, at \$5	30 00
To 20 pair socks, at 40 cents.....	8 00
To 12 pounds rope, at 25 cents.....	3 00
To 1 silk handkerchief.....	75
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Total.....	269 01
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J. M. GALLAGHER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 27, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

The affidavit of Marshall H. Comstock, of said county.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Personally appeared before me, H. J. Strickler, commissioner, Marshall H. Comstock, who makes oath that he is personally acquainted with John M. Gallagher, the petitioner, in the petition hereto attached; that said Comstock was living at Eastin at the time said goods mentioned in Gallagher's account were taken; that he was just across the street at Eastin, and saw the men go into the store of Mr. Gallagher and take out the goods; that he saw three sacks of flour taken, and all the articles in said account he recollects were taken by said Dunn's company, but does not recollect that the quantity is the same of every article mentioned. He recollects that one sorrel pony was taken off by Harvey's company, worth about \$120; he saw one box of boots carried off, he thinks the box was full; a box usually holds twelve pair; he thinks such boots sold for \$5 a pair about that time; saw some dress coats carried out; he saw the men putting on socks, don't know how many; carried off all the rope they could get; don't recollect any other item. Said Gallagher is a citizen of Kansas Territory.

M. H. COMSTOCK.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 27, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John M. Gallagher, of the private class, there is proven the amount claimed—\$269.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

No. 172.

Statement of Harold Howard, for damages in the difficulties in Kansas Territory last fall.

Complainant, Harold Howard, states that he is a resident of Lykins county, Kansas Territory, and that, during the fall of 1856, while he was living on his claim, in Leavenworth county, a company of men, under Captain A. B. Miller, came past his cabin, (the complainant's) and one of the men took said complainant's horse, saddle, and bridle, worth about one hundred and fifty dollars, which said horse was never returned; that said complainant has never received any recompense for said horse in any shape; that said horse, complainant thinks, was taken in September, 1856, during the difficulties of the people of the Territory; that said horse was used in said company; he, the complainant, was asked to join said company by some of the men, and he refused, saying he did not want to leave home, and afterwards the said horse was taken. He was living in Leavenworth county at the time his horse was taken.

HAROLD HOWARD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 27, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS.

Fayette Aldrich personally appeared before me, Hiram J. Strickler, commissioner, and made oath that he believes the facts set forth in the petition of Harold Howard, hereto attached, are true; and that said Fayette Aldrich is a citizen of Kansas Territory, and that he knows that said Howard had a horse, bridle, and saddle taken by some seven or eight men, one of whom was just getting on to said horse as he saw one of them at the time; that said horse was taken in the beginning of the fall of 1856, during the difficulties; said horse was worth, as he thinks, with bridle and saddle, about one hundred and fifty dollars.

FAYETTE ALDRICH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 27, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Harold Howard there is proven the amount claimed, of the public class, \$150.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 173.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims, &c., under "An act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto," passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, John S. Danks, of the county of Leavenworth, and Territory of Kansas, shows that in the month of August, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, he was residing on the headwaters of the Little Stranger creek; that on the 30th day of said month of August, A. D. 1856, there was taken from your petitioner two horses by some of the military companies enrolled and engaged in the difficulties of the year 1856. Your petitioner shows that the said two horses were of the value of one hundred and fifty dollars each—the two amounting to the sum of three hundred dollars. Your petitioner is entirely unable to say what man or men took the said horses, as they were taken about the middle of the day of the said 30th of August, at a time when the whole of the family of your petitioner were confined to the house and entirely unable to be out; and your petitioner is informed and verily believes the said horses were used in a company of men commanded by Captain A. B. Miller, forming a part of what was called the territorial militia. Your petitioner shows that one of the said horses so taken as aforesaid was never returned to your petitioner,

nor has it ever been seen by your petitioner since the seizure as aforesaid ; that the other of said horses your petitioner found about the last day of February of the present year, but he was entirely worthless, and of no account or value to your petitioner.

Your petitioner further shows that he has sustained other losses in consequence of the difficulties of the past year, but he is unable to make out a list thereof with certainty, and therefore he makes no other claim than is above set forth. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may be allowed the above named sum of three hundred dollars as and for the loss of the property above named, with the interest thereon from the time of said loss, under the act aforesaid.

And your petitioner will ever pray.

JOHN S. DANKS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 26th of October, 1857.

JOHN M. TAYLOR,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Isaac Allen, of Leavenworth county, being duly sworn, says : That he is well acquainted with John S. Danks, the petitioner, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing petition, and has known him for the period of eighteen months last past ; that he resided, in the month of August, A. D. 1856, within sight of the place occupied by the above named petitioner, and knew of the loss of the horses mentioned in the foregoing petition at the time therein stated, and in the manner as is therein set forth. This affiant further says that he has seen the said horses before they were seized and taken, as stated in said petition, and is well acquainted with the value of said horses, and this affiant considers them worth, in the aggregate, at least two hundred and fifty dollars at the time they were so taken from the premises of the above named petitioner. And further saith not.

ISAAC ALLEN.

Subscribed and sworn before me, this 26th day of October, A. D. 1857.

JOHN M. TAYLOR,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Leavenworth County, } ss.

William A. Shannon, of Leavenworth City, being duly sworn, says he has known and is personally acquainted with John S. Danks, the petitioner, in the foregoing petition named, and has known said petitioner in the Territory of Kansas since about the 1st day of August, 1856 ; that this affiant knew the horses mentioned in the foregoing petition before the seizure stated in said petition, and that he considers the said horses fully worth the sum stated in said petition, to wit, three hundred dollars. This affiant further says

that he knew from information of the loss of the said horses by the said petitioner at the time stated in said petition, and the manner thereof; and the facts stated in said petition relative to the said loss this affiant verily believes to be true.

WILLIAM A. SHANNON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, October 26, 1857.

JOHN M. TAYLOR, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Leavenworth County, } *ss.*

George Stagers, of Leavenworth county, being duly sworn, says: that he has known John S. Danks, the petitioner, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing petition, for about eighteen months last past; that said petitioner was a neighbor of this affiant at the time of the loss of the horses hereinafter mentioned. This affiant well recollects that on the 30th day of August, A. D. 1856, the said petitioner lost the two horses mentioned in the foregoing petition, and this affiant believes the same were seized and taken by some of the volunteer territorial militia to this affiant unknown. This affiant, after the time of the seizure aforesaid, (but the particular day this affiant does not recollect,) saw one of said horses in the possession of a man whose name was unknown to this affiant, who belonged, as affiant believes, to the company of said militia, under the command of Captain A. B. Miller. This affiant further says that he knew the said horses and the value thereof, and, in this affiant's opinion, they were fully worth the sum of three hundred dollars. This affiant further says that the facts stated in the foregoing petition relative to the loss of the horses is true, according to this affiant's best knowledge and belief. And further saith not.

GEORGE ^{his} × STAGGERS.
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, October 27, 1857.

JOHN M. TAYLOR, *J. P.*

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas, First Judicial District, } *ss.*

I, James R. Whitehead, clerk of the first judicial district court of the United States in and for the first judicial district for Kansas Territory, do hereby certify that John M. Taylor, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing affidavits, was, at the time of taking and signing the same, a justice of the peace of Leavenworth county, Territory aforesaid, duly commissioned and qualified as such, and that his signature attached thereto is genuine.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at office, in Leavenworth City, this 27th day
 [L. S.] of October, 1857.

JAMES R. WHITEHEAD, *Clerk.*
 By G. RAUSSER, *Deputy Clerk.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, {
Leavenworth County, } ss.

H. T. Green, of Leavenworth county, being duly sworn, says: That he is well acquainted with the horse mentioned in the petition of John S. Danks, the petitioner, whose name is subscribed thereto; and this affiant says that the said horse is worth very little if anything to the said petitioner or to any one, as it appears to be so injured that no use can be made of said horse. The value which this affiant would put upon said horse does not exceed fifteen dollars. And further saith not.

H. T. GREEN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, October 27, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John S. Danks there is proven the amount claimed (\$300) of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 174.

To the honorable the commissioner appointed under the provisions of an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857:

The petition of Robert Williams respectfully represents, that he is now, and has been for the last thirty months, a resident of Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory; that he has ever been a law-abiding man. And further your petitioner would represent, that during the excitement of 1856, growing out of the political differences, to wit, some time in the month of August, 1856, there was taken from the possession of your petitioner, in Salt Creek valley, in said county and Territory, one large bay horse, of the value of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, by some of the marauding parties then infesting the Territory. And further, that during said troubles and difficulties, to wit, some time in the month of September, 1856, there was taken from the possession of your petitioner a sorrel horse and rigging, of the value of one hundred and seventy dollars, by some marauding band which were then troubling the country; said horse was taken from the possession of your petitioner in Salt Creek valley, in said county and Territory. And your petitioner avers that the taking of said horse was consequent upon the troubles then existing in the Territory, growing out of political differences; and that in consequence whereof he has sustained damages in the sum of three hundred dollars; wherefore he prays the allowance of his aforesaid demand.

R. WILLIAMS.

Personally appeared before me Robert Williams, who, being duly sworn, deposes and saith that the matters and facts set forth in the foregoing petition are correct and true, to the best of his knowledge and belief; and that said demand has never been paid, and that deponent has not received any remuneration therefor.

R. WILLIAMS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Testimony in support of the above in another exhibit.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of R. Williams there is proven the amount claimed, \$300, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 175.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Leavenworth County, } *ss.*

John Kendall, a citizen of Leavenworth City, in said Territory, respectfully represents to the commissioner for auditing claims, appointed in pursuance of an act of the legislature of said Territory, approved February 23, 1857, that during the latter part of the month of August, in the year 1856, while peaceably travelling on the highway, three miles from said city, he was forcibly arrested and robbed of one Colt's revolver and leather belt, worth twenty-five dollars, and one bowie knife, worth three dollars, by a company of men representing themselves to belong to the militia of the Territory, and to be commanded by one Fred. Emory; and he further says that said property was at that time the property of himself, and that the same was taken and kept without his consent, and that the same never has been returned to him. And he further says that the loss of said property occurred during the late difficulties in our Territory, and that he has never received any compensation whatever therefor, and he believes, without the commissioner is pleased to allow his claim, he never will. All of which he respectfully submits, under oath, after being first duly sworn thereto.

JOHN KENDALL.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Leavenworth County, } *ss.*

Harvey W. Ide, being duly sworn, says: That he knows, of his own knowledge, that the facts set forth in the within statement of John

Kendall are true, except that he does not know that said property was at the time stated the property of said Kendall, but he believes it was ; and further, that the same was reasonably worth the sum of \$28.

HARVEY W. IDE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John Kendall, of the private class, there is proven and awarded the amount claimed, \$28.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 176.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Leavenworth County, } *ss.*

Harvey W. Ide respectfully represents to the commissioner for auditing claims, appointed in pursuance of the act of the legislature of said Territory, approved February 23, 1857, that during the latter part of the month of August, 1856, while he was peaceably travelling on the public highway, about three miles from the city of Leavenworth, he was forcibly arrested by a company of men representing themselves to belong to the militia of the Territory, and to be commanded by one Fred. Emory, and was then robbed by said company of one new 5-inch Colt's revolver and a fine leather belt, both worth twenty-five dollars, and a bowie knife, worth three dollars ; which said property was at said time the property of your petitioner, the said Ide, and which has never been returned to him, and he expects it never will be, as he has frequently spoken to and with the individuals who composed said company, and they wholly refused to return the same or to pay your petitioner therefor. And he further represents, that two or three months previous to said time he purchased said revolver and belt and paid therefor the sum of twenty-five dollars, but he does not now remember what he paid for said knife, but says that the same was worth the sum of three dollars. And he respectfully represents that he has never received any compensation whatever for the loss of the said property, and that unless the commissioner is pleased to allow his account he never will.

HARVEY W. IDE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Leavenworth County, } *ss.*

Eli Evans, being duly sworn, says: That he knows, of his own knowledge, that all the facts and statements contained in the within representation of Harvey W. Ide are true and just, except that he does not know that said Ide purchased said property and paid the sum therefor, as is stated, or that the same was at the time mentioned the property of said Ide, but knows that the same was taken by said company, as is therein stated; and he further says, that said revolver, belt, and knife were reasonably worth \$28, and that he believes and has no doubt that said property was the property of said Ide, and that the same was purchased by him, as is stated in his within representation.

ELI EVANS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Harvey W. Ide, of the public class, there is proven the amount claimed, \$28.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 177.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *ss.*

Petition of Daniel Noland, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Daniel Noland, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the passage of the act to organize the Territory, as follows: On or about the 13th of June, A. D. 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a highly excited and unsettled condition, arising from the political disturbances then existing, and from the armed bodies of men in the neighborhood in resistance of the laws, and the militia called out to suppress them, I owned and was in possession of two fine sorrel match horses, worth, as I believe, \$500, which horses were taken at night from my premises by persons unknown. Your petitioner believes he would not have sustained the loss of said horses if the difficulties had not existed. Your petitioner further showeth that he has never recovered said property, nor indemnity nor compensation therefor in any way or manner.

^{his}
 DANIEL × NOLAND.
 mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas to Daniel Noland, Dr.

1857. To 2 horses \$500 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

This affiant, W. Dundon, personally appeared before Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner, and made oath that he is acquainted with D. Noland, the petitioner ; that he is a resident of Kansas Territory ; that said Noland was in possession of the two horses mentioned in the petition, in April, 1856 ; that he saw said horses in his possession ; that he knew the two horses, having seen them in Leavenworth City several times during the spring of 1856. Affiant knows that said horses were match horses, worked together as such, and that said horses were lost by said Noland some time in June, 1856. That he never saw said horses after that time, or heard of them afterwards. Said horses were lost during the Kansas difficulties, about the time the Kansas militia were forming ; that said horses were worth about five hundred dollars.

W. DUNDON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

This affiant, David H. Newland, personally appeared before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner, and makes oath that he knows that Daniel Noland owned the two sorrel horses mentioned in the petition hereto attached, and that some time in the summer of 1856 Mr. Daniel Noland came to this affiant and said that he had lost his two horses, and hired a horse from this affiant, stating that he was going to look for his two horses lost. I noticed that he never had his said horses afterwards ; they were gone, I suppose. I know the horses well. I never heard of them afterwards, nor have never heard of them since.

DAVID H. NEWLAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Daniel Noland there is proven, the amount claimed, of the private class, \$500.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 178.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Before H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims under an act of the legislature of Kansas Territory, and a supplemental act passed February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, David H. Newland, of Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory, being engaged in the business of livery and feed of horses, &c., in the city of Leavenworth, complains unto your honor, that during the latter part of the month of August, 1856, and while engaged, as aforesaid, in the livery business, and owning a large number of horses and hacks, that, by the order of Colonel J. S. Clarkson, of the Kansas militia, four valuable horses were placed in the service of the northern division of said militia as express horses, and were used as such express horses, as follows: two horses for the term of four weeks, and the two other horses were used for the term of three weeks. At the time they were thus put into service they were valued as follows: one bay horse, four years old, sixteen hands high, \$160; one matched pair of bay horses, seven years old, fifteen and a half hands high, \$300; one dark sorrel horse, six years old, fifteen and a half hands high, \$150; total, \$610; which said four horses were much injured, and rendered unfit for use as livery horses, and were sold for the sum of \$40 per head in the month of November, 1856; total loss on said four horses, \$450. And your petitioner further showeth that during the months of August and September, 1856, that, as such stable keeper, he fed and furnished to the mounted militia of the northern division of Kansas militia, by the orders of Captains A. B. Miller, H. C. Dunn, and Frederick Emory, and J. J. Clarkson, at sundry times during the war within the above months, grain and hay as follows, as to quantity and value, viz:

Fifteen tons of hay, at \$12 per ton - - - -	\$180 00
Three hundred bushels of corn and oats, at \$1 per bushel	300 00
To service of hired men to feed and attend to said stable and horses while engaged in war - - - -	50 00
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Total amount for hay, grain, and attention - - - -	<u>530 00</u>

And your petitioner further showeth that during the aforesaid months of August and September, 1856, he furnished, and there were taken from his stable, as aforesaid, by the various members of the northern division of the Kansas militia for the use of the war, saddles, blankets, bridles and halters, of the following numbers and value:

Ten saddles, of the value of \$8 per saddle - - - -	\$80 00
Ten bridles and martingales, at \$1 - - - -	10 00
Ten blankets for saddles, at \$1 50 - - - -	15 00
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	<u>105 00</u>

By the aforesaid bill of particulars it will appear that your petitioner has lost and sustained damages to the amount of the above specified sums, viz :

To damage of four horses	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$450	00
To hay, grain, and services	-	-	-	-	-	-	530	00
To saddles, blankets, bridles, &c.	-	-	-	-	-	-	105	00
Total loss during war of 1856	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,085	00

Which said sum of one thousand and eighty-five dollars your petitioner claims as justly due him, and that he is injured to that amount, and prays that the same may be allowed him.

DAVID H. NEWLAND.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, October 25, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

Patrick Quinn, being duly sworn, says: That he was, boarding one pair of horses at the stable of David H. Newland during the months of August and September, 1856, and during the troubles in Kansas Territory, and that the horses (four in number) were, by the order of J. J. Clarkson, put into the service of the Kansas militia; and that, at the time they were put into said express service, they were worth, as claimed in petition, \$610; and that when they were returned to said Newland they were unfit for use and much injured, so as to render them valueless for the business of livery; and this affiant further says, that large quantities of hay, corn, and oats were fed to the horses of the Kansas militia during the months of September and August, 1856; and that he believes that the amount herein claimed is not more than was fed and used by said militia. And this affiant further says, that he knows that there was a large number of saddles, bridles, martingales and blankets taken by the members of the Kansas militia during the war, but the precise number he is unable to say; but he can say that he thinks the amount claimed does not exceed that taken by the men aforesaid.

PATRICK QUINN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

Rufus G. Newland makes oath and says: That by the order of Colonel J. J. Clarkson, of the northern division of the Kansas militia, in the month of August, 1856, four horses belonging to David H. Newland were put into the service of said militia as express horses; that they remained in said service some three or four weeks, during which time they were rendered wholly unfit for service by hard labor

therein performed; that at the time the said four horses were ordered into service as aforesaid they were fine and fleet horses, and worth, at a low value, \$600; and that after they were returned, and had been fed for some weeks, they were sold for a small price, as damaged. And this affiant further says, that there were quartered and fed in the stable of said Newland a large number of horses belonging to the aforesaid militia, under the command of Captains Emory, Dunn, Miller, and Colonel Clarkson; and that they paid nothing for the same, and that there was fed, at the least calculation, fifteen tons of hay and three hundred bushels of corn and oats, besides the services of several men employed as hostlers. And this affiant further says, that there were taken from the stable of D. H. Newland saddles, bridles, martingales, and blankets, to a number of ten or twelve of each article; and that the above horses, hay, corn, oats, saddles, &c., were used for and in furtherance of the war which existed during the months of August and September, 1856; and were lost, injured, and destroyed, as set forth in his, said Newland's, petition.

R. G. NEWLAND.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of David H. Newland there is proven the amount claimed, \$1,085, of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 179.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *ss.*

Petition of William Freeland, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857:

I, William Freeland, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the passage of the act to organize the Territory, as follows: On or about the beginning of last fall, some time in September, probably, while the petitioner was keeping hotel in Leavenworth City, several companies of men, at different times, men that seemed to belong to the militia of Kansas took several meals at his hotel at different times of the day. At one time, he recollects, that one of the companies under Captain Samuel Burgess, eat at his hotel; that said men did not pay for their meals as other men did, for the reason, as the petitioner thinks, they either did not have the money, or else they supposed, as some of them said, they did

not think they ought to pay, belonging at the time to the public service ; your petitioner, not supposing he would be allowed anything for said meals at his hotel, kept an irregular account of them, but thinks that his whole loss in this respect would amount at least to \$210 50.

Your petitioner believes he would not have sustained the said loss of property if the difficulties had not existed in the Territory at that time. Your petitioner further showeth that he has never recovered said property, or any part thereof, nor any indemnity or recompense therefor, in any way or manner.

WILLIAM FREELAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas to William Freeland, Dr.

1856.

Aug. and Sept. To 221 meals by Captain Burgess' company, at 50 cents per meal.....	\$110 50
To 200 meals by Captain Murphy's Kickapoo rangers, and other companies, at 50 cents.....	100 00
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	210 50
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WILLIAM FREELAND.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *ss.*

This affiant, John Freeland, personally appeared before honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner, and stated upon oath that he was living with the petitioner, William Freeland, all the time he was keeping hotel in Leavenworth City, Kansas Territory ; that he was clerk at said hotel, and made account of meals taken by the men of Captain Burgess and Captain Murphy, until he thought there was no use in doing so, as it was labor for nothing ; that said men belonged, as he supposed, to the Kansas militia ; that the account of \$210 50 is correct ; that at least that many meals were taken by said men, for which no pay was ever received.

JOHN FREELAND.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of William Freeland there is proven the amount claimed, \$210 50, of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 180.

To the honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims, &c., under "An act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto," passed and approved February 23, 1857:

Your petitioner, William A. Shannon, of the city of Leavenworth and Territory aforesaid, respectfully shows: That he has been a resident and inhabitant of the city of Leavenworth from about the first day of May, A. D. 1856; that he was engaged in said city as a merchant during the troubles and difficulties which occurred in the year 1856; and your petitioner shows that hereto annexed is a bill of items for articles supplied from your petitioner's store to the territorial militia, as is set forth in said bill of items, and for moneys paid out by your petitioner, to save your petitioner's family from imminent danger which menaced them from the men who were engaged in said difficulties. Your petitioner shows that he has never been paid or remunerated for any portion of the said articles or expenses; but the said goods were used by said militia, and were worth the sum set forth in the said bill of items, and amounted to the sum of \$109 90. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may be allowed and paid the above mentioned sum for the goods furnished by him as is above set forth, and for the monyes paid out, as is stated in said petition.

And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

WILLIAM A. SHANNON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Statement of losses sustained by the abovenamed petitioner, as is stated and set forth in the foregoing petition.

1856.		
September 1.	Powder delivered to Clarke.....	\$24 00
15.	Powder in jugs to Colonel Payne.....	3 00
29.	Rope for lariats to Colonel Clarke.....	3 00
29.	Cambric furnished Emory.....	1 00
August 15.	Cash paid out to bear expenses of family while business was closed, and to prevent injury.	75 00
September 3.	Shot, and matches, and tin-ware, by Colonel Clarkson	3 90
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

George F. Shannon, of the city of Leavenworth, being duly sworn, says: That he is a brother of the abovenamed petitioner, and that from about the time the said petitioner commenced business in the

city of Leavenworth, as is stated in said petition, this affiant was engaged with said petitioner as an assistant until about the 27th day of August, 1856, at which time this affiant left the city of Leavenworth for a short time. This affiant says that he knows, of his own knowledge, the facts set forth in the foregoing petition are true in substance and matter of fact; that the goods mentioned in the annexed bill of items were supplied to the territorial militia, as is also stated in said petition. And affiant further says the said petitioner paid out and expended the moneys referred to and set forth in said petition and bill of items for the causes and reasons also stated in said petition. And further, this affiant says that he knows and is well acquainted with the value of the goods aforesaid, and that they are worth the sums and prices in said bill mentioned. And further this affiant says not.

GEO. F. SHANNON.

Subscribed and sworn to, this 28th day of October, 1857.
 H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of William A. Shannon there is claimed \$109 90, of which there is proven and allowed \$24 40 of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*



No. 181.

To Hiram J. Strickler, territorial commissioner for auditing claims, under the act of territorial legislature of February 23, 1857:

The petition of Eli M. Mackemer represents: That whereas, from difficulties originating in political affairs in the Territory of Kansas, the governor thereof, by proclamation, called upon the militia of the Territory to aid him in maintaining the supremacy of the laws, and in obedience to said proclamation the Delaware company of Kansas militia were mustered into service, and, under Captain L. F. Hollingsworth, proceeded to Lecompton. That, by the orders of the officers of said company, your petitioner's team of two horses and driver were taken and necessarily used in the transportation of men and baggage from Delaware City to Lecompton, to his loss and damage; and that a horse was also necessarily used and required for a similar purpose, and grievously injured, by T. J. Sinin, of Captain Dunn's company, at the requisition of the captain of his company, for which he claims as follows:

To use of two-horse team and driver and expenses from 17th	
August to 21st September, 1856, 35 days, at \$4 per	
day.....	\$140 00
1 horse 30 days, at \$1.....	30 00
	170 00
	170 00

E. M. MACKEMER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Leavenworth County, } ss.

John Stigers and Ellis L. Mackemer, being duly sworn according to law, say: That the Delaware company of Kansas militia mustered into service, in obedience to the call of the governor, and proceeded to Lecompton, and Captain Dunn's company also; that the two-horse team of E. M. Mackemer was, on the requisition of Captain Hollingsworth, taken and used to carry baggage to Lecompton for thirty-five days, as above stated, and that four dollars is only a just charge for the use thereof; that J. S. Sinin also necessarily used one horse for thirty days, at least, in the militia service of Captain Dunn's company, under the orders of Captain Dunn, belonging to said E. M. Mackemer, and nearly destroyed said horse in the service, and that one dollar per day is a just charge for the same.

J. STIGERS.
E. M. MACKEMER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Eli M. Mackemer there is proven the amount claimed, \$170, of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 182.

To Hiram J. Strickler, territorial militia commissioner for auditing claims, under the act of the territorial legislature of February 23, 1857:

The petition of John Stigers and George Stigers respectfully represents: That whereas, in the month of August and September, 1856, the governor of Kansas Territory, by proclamation, called upon the militia of said Territory to aid him in maintaining the laws of said Territory, and in obedience to the requisition of his proclamation the Delaware company of Kansas militia, under command of Captain L. F. Hollingsworth, were mustered into service to proceed to Lecompton; and that, at the requisition of the officers of said company, your petitioner's property was required and necessarily used, to their loss and damage, for the purpose of transporting men and baggage from Delaware City to Lecompton. That their team of three horses, wagon, and driver were used in such service as aforesaid, and for which they pray an allowance may be made as follows:

To one three-horse team, 35 days, at \$5 per day - - \$175 00

JOHN G. STIGERS.

Sworn to and subscribed October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Leavenworth County, } ss.

Ellis S Mackemer and Eli M. Mackemer, being duly sworn according to law, say the facts set forth in the above petition, to wit: that the Delaware company, in obedience to the proclamation of the governor, was mustered into service and proceeded to Lecompton, under Captain L. F. Hollingsworth; and that, by order of the officers of said company, the teams above described, belonging to said John Stigers and George Stigers, were taken and used for the purpose of hauling baggage and men to Lecompton for the space of thirty-five (35) days are true, and that the charge of five dollars per day is just and usual.

E. M. MACKEMER,
E. S. MACKEMER.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John and George Stigers there is proven the amount claimed, \$175, of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 183.

To the honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims, &c., under "An act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857."

Your petitioner, William H. P. Bristow, of the township of Stranger, county of Leavenworth and Territory aforesaid, respectfully shows: That during the month of September, A. D. 1856, your petitioner was engaged in the business of selling goods in the town of Easton, in said county; that on the 15th and 16th days of September, A. D. 1856, there was taken and carried away from the store of your petitioner by one Lindsay Greeming, a private in the company of militia commanded by Captain H. C. Dunn, forming a part of the territorial militia, then in actual service during the difficulties of the year 1856, the goods and merchandise, a list of which appears and is set forth in the bill of items. That for no part or portion of said goods or merchandise has your petitioner ever been paid or indemnified by any one. That the whole amount or value of said goods and merchandise is the sum of four hundred and fifty-two dollars and fifty-two cents, for which your petitioner claims indemnity and payment. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may be awarded and paid the sum

above mentioned for the loss and damages by him sustained as is in the foregoing petition set forth.

WM. H. P. BRISTOW.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Bill of items.

2 bolts domestic, 65 yards, at 12 cents	-	-	-	\$7 88
6 bolts fancy prints, 20.73 yards, at 15 cents	-	-	-	33 77
1 bolt fancy print, 20 yards, at 12 cents	-	-	-	2 40
1 bolt fancy print, 20 yards, at 15 cents	-	-	-	3 00
4 bolts fancy prints, 150 yards, at 16 cents	-	-	-	24 03
1 bolt fancy pink lawn, 6 yards, at 30 cents	-	-	-	1 80
1 bolt gingham, 18 yards, at 25 cents	-	-	-	4 50
1 bolt gingham, 20 yards, at 35 cents	-	-	-	7 14
1 bolt gingham, 20 yards, at 25 cents	-	-	-	5 00
1 bolt gingham, 24 yards, at 25 cents	-	-	-	6 04
1 bolt lawn, 18 yards, at 40 cents	-	-	-	7 38
1 bolt cotton handkerchiefs, 13 yards, at 25 cents	-	-	-	3 25
1 bolt silk handkerchiefs, 2 yards, at 75 cents	-	-	-	1 50
1 bolt silk handkerchiefs, 6 yards, at \$1	-	-	-	6 00
Spool cotton, \$1; pins, \$1; thread, 70 cents	-	-	-	2 70
Parasol, \$1; linen edgeing, \$1 50	-	-	-	2 50
Black ribbon, \$1; nankeen, \$9 75	-	-	-	10 75
Chanabray, \$3 33; cometteen, \$3 78	-	-	-	7 11
1 satin vest, \$4; 2 marseilles, \$2, \$4	-	-	-	8 00
1 white vest, \$4; 1 buff, \$2	-	-	-	6 00
1 linen coat, \$1 50; 1 striped coat, \$1 50	-	-	-	3 00
1 winter vest, \$2; 1 Irish linen, 10 yards, at 75 cents	-	-	-	9 40
Cap jaconet, 10 yards, at 30 cents, \$3; cambric, 10 yards, at 30 cents, \$3	-	-	-	6 00
5 pairs boots, at \$3 50	-	-	-	17 50
8 pairs boots, at \$4	-	-	-	32 00
16 pairs men's shoes, at \$1 75	-	-	-	28 00
8 pairs ladies' shoes, at \$1 50	-	-	-	12 00
8 pairs goat skin shoes, at \$1 25	-	-	-	10 00
4 men's hats, at \$1 25	-	-	-	6 00
1 ladies' bonnet	-	-	-	2 00
3 salt cups, at 50	-	-	-	1 50
2 castors, at \$2, \$4; 6 cups and saucers, at 35 cents, \$2 10	-	-	-	6 10
1 load watermelons	-	-	-	3 75
3 penknives, \$1, \$3; 2 dozen bed cords, at 40 cents, \$9 60	-	-	-	12 60
10 pounds shot, at 12½ cents, \$1 25; pistol flask, \$3	-	-	-	4 25
22 pairs socks, at 40 cents, \$8 80; 1 bridle, \$2 50	-	-	-	11 30
1 bectree, \$2; 1 sack, 50 cents	-	-	-	2 50
40 cakes shaving soap, at 5 cents	-	-	-	2 00
Window broke open	-	-	-	2 00

10 yards jaconet, at 30 cents, \$3; 22 yards black alpacca, at 50 cents, \$11	-	-	-	-	-	\$14 00
6 yards delaine, \$2 10; 20 yards bed sacking, at 15 cents, \$3	-	-	-	-	-	5 10
15 yards cap lace, at 25 cents, \$3 75; 6 pairs stockings, at 35 cents, \$1 10	-	-	-	-	-	5 85
10 yards small lace, \$1; 20 yards unbleached muslin, at 15 cents, \$3	-	-	-	-	-	4 00
20 yards bleached muslin, at 15 cents, \$3; 15 yards bleached muslin, at 10 cents, \$1 50	-	-	-	-	-	4 50
20 yards cross band cambric, at 25 cents	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
9 pairs silk gloves, at 75 cents, \$6 95; book of notes, \$1 25	-	-	-	-	-	8 20
Note in it, \$12; 6 testaments, at 10 cents, 60 cents	-	-	-	-	-	12 60
6 sets knives and forks, \$4; 4 sets knives and forks, \$15	-	-	-	-	-	19 00
Scissors, \$1; ½ gross tea-spoons, \$2	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
½ gross table spoons, \$3 50; 11 yards bishop lawn, at 40 cents, \$4 40	-	-	-	-	-	7 90
36 yards white muslin, at 15 cents, \$5 40; 36 yards white muslin, at 12 cents, \$4 32	-	-	-	-	-	9 72
½ dozen black silk handkerchiefs, at \$1	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
5 fancy silk handkerchiefs, at 80 cents	-	-	-	-	-	4 00
Envelopes, \$2 50; tobacco, \$16	-	-	-	-	-	18 50
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WILLIAM H. P. BRISTOW.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth, }^{ss.}

Payton Bristow, of the township of Stranger, and county of Leavenworth, and Territory aforesaid, being duly sworn, says: That he is a son of the above named petitioner, William H. P. Bristow; at the time stated in the said petition he was living in the vicinity of the town of Easton, and within about three miles of the place designated in the said petition, occupied by the above named petitioner. This affiant knows that the said petitioner, on the 15th and 16th days of September, A. D. 1856, sustained the loss of the property in the annexed bill of items set forth, by the seizure of the said goods and merchandise, as is in the said petition described and set forth. This affiant further says that he knows the facts set forth in the said petition, and that the same are true of deponent's own knowledge; this affiant further says that he is well acquainted with the value of the goods and merchandise set forth in the said bill of items, and that the prices therein specified are just and reasonable, and the whole amount which was so taken and seized from the above named petitioner, as is stated in said petition, was the sum of four hundred and fifty-two dollars and fifty-two cents. And further this affiant saith not.

PAYTON BRISTOW.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
 Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Wm. H. P. Bristow there is proven the amount claimed, \$452 52 of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 184.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *ss.*

Petition of Martin Hefferlin, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Martin Hefferlin, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the organization of the Territory, as follows, to wit: one large bay horse, taken at Summer-ville, near Easton, in said county; said horse, about five years old, taken by Captain Harvey's company, about the 9th day of September, 1856, the same day he passed through Easton, spoken of in Messrs. Dawson's, Gallagher's, and Comstock's petition, worth about \$140; and Captain Martin's (Kickapoo Rangers) company passed my house in September, 1856, or about that time, and caused an accident to a neighbor's wagon, for which I paid five dollars, and he said he would pay for it. The said horse was tied near my house, where he had just been fed, when the man belonging to said company, Harvey's, came over Stranger's creek to my house, and took the horse off about one hundred yards, and saddled him, and went off with him. That I have never recovered said property or any part thereof, nor compensation or indemnity therefor in any manner.

MARTIN HEFFERLIN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *ss.*

This affiant, David Large, personally appeared before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner, and makes oath that he believes the facts set forth in the foregoing petition are true; that he is personally acquainted with the facts, and is acquainted with Martin Hefferlin, the petitioner; that he is a resident of Kansas Territory, a peaceable and quiet man; that I was at his house on the day his said horse was taken by Captain Harvey's company, and saw the said horse taken off as described in the foregoing petition; that the said horse was worth \$140, or thereabouts, as he thinks.

DAVID ^{his} + LARGE.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Martin Hefferlin there is proven \$140 of the public class; amount claimed, \$145.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 185.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Joseph Evans respectfully represents to the commissioner for auditing claims, appointed in pursuance of the act of the legislature of said Territory, approved February 23, 1857: That during the latter part of the month of August of the year 1856 the northern division of the Kansas militia took from him one span of mules, worth five hundred dollars, and kept the same, without his consent, for 21 days, together with a passenger hack; and during said time said span of mules were used very hard, so that when they were returned they were exceedingly poor; and he says that he is entitled to, and believes the same to be worth, the sum of seven dollars for each day said mules and hack were kept and used, making in all \$147. And he further represents that said hack was damaged during said time to the amount of (\$40) forty dollars. And he further represents that he lost by said division of militia one 8-inch Colt revolver, worth \$25, and one overcoat, worth \$10. He further represents that about the same time he lost, by a company of men in the city of Leavenworth, representing themselves to belong to the militia of this Territory, one steel rifle, worth \$25; and he further represents that said property, except said hack, was at said time his own, and that he has never received any compensation for the detention and loss of said property, and that he fears that, unless the commissioner allows his claim, he will never receive any recompense whatever therefor. He also further represents that said hack was hired by him at said time, and he expects to pay for the damage done thereto.

JOSEPH EVANS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Recapitulation in form of schedule.

To mules detained and used 21 days, at \$7	-	-	\$147 00
damage done hack	-	-	40 00
1 8-inch Colt revolver, lost	-	-	25 00
1 steel rifle	-	-	25 00
1 overcoat	-	-	10 00
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JOSEPH EVANS.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

H. W. Ide, being duly sworn, says: That he knows the foregoing and annexed statement of Joseph Evans to be true of his own knowledge, except that he only knows that said mules and hack were detained eight days; nor does he know that said property was the property of said Evans; but he says that he believes it was; and further that he thinks the charges therein are reasonable; nor does he know that said rifle was taken, as is stated.

H. W. IDE.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Eli Evans, being duly sworn, says: That of his own knowledge he knows that the whole of the foregoing and annexed statement of Joseph Evans is true; and he further says that said hack was damaged, as is stated, to the amount of forty dollars, at least.

ELI EVANS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Joseph Evans there is proven the amount claimed of the public class, \$247.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 186.

To the honorable the commissioner appointed under the provisions of an act, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims."

The petition of Samuel S. Ellis states that the following losses and damages were sustained by him, your petitioner, in consequence of the difficulties in this Territory existing in the fall of A. D. 1856; and your petitioner states that he makes this statement under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857. Your petitioner states that about the 1st of September, 1856, he was the entire owner of a bay mare mule; that said mule was at that time being kept on the farm or place of Hathaway, in the county of Leavenworth, in the Territory of Kansas; that about the 1st of September last the said mule was taken from the premises of the said Hathaway, during the difficulties in this Territory and consequent thereon. And your petitioner states that at the same time, in consequence of said difficulties aforesaid, your

petitioner also lost a saddle, bridle, martingale, and well rope, all of which your petitioner lost in the fall of 1856, during said difficulties and in consequence thereof, all of which said property are of great value, to wit, of the value of one hundred and fifty dollars; wherefore the said petitioner claims that, in consequence of the difficulties in this Territory, he, the said petitioner, has lost and been damaged in a large sum, to wit, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

SAMUEL S. ELLIS.

Subscribed and sworn to before the undersigned, a notary public within and for the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and affixed my seal [L. s.] notarial at the city of Leavenworth, this 27th October, 1857.

JOSEPH KELLOGG,
Notary Public.

Personally appeared Craven Calvert and James Blake, witnesses for the support and proof of the above petition and demand, being duly sworn, depose and say: That to their own knowledge Samuel S. Ellis had taken from his possession during the political difficulties of the year 1856 in Kansas, by the Kickapoo Rangers, who were then a part of the northern division of the territorial militia, one bay mule, of the value of one hundred and fifty dollars, that said mule was taken for the use of said army.

CRAVEN CALVERT.
JAMES B. BLAKE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Samuel S. Ellis there is proven the amount claimed of the public class, \$150.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 187.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *ss.*

Petition of M. P. Rively to the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner to audit claims, under an act of the territorial legislature approved February 23, 1857.

I, M. P. Rively, petitioner, respectfully show to the commissioner that I have sustained the loss of the following property, growing out of the difficulties of Kansas Territory, since the organization of the said Territory, to wit: Twenty-six dollars and fifteen cents worth of goods, taken by the company of Captain Dunn, of the Kansas militia, August 25, 1856; said company was organized and under marching

orders at the time of its superior officers ; the petitioner took a memorandum of the articles mentioned in this account attached ; petitioner's store was right on the road leading west from Leavenworth city, and the store was open to all, and nearly all took what they wanted ; and the petitioner further states that some time in August or September, whilst said difficulties were still going on, he lost three horses, two taken during one night, and one afterwards, whilst marauding parties were in the neighborhood, and all the neighbors around were at the same time making general complaint of losses of horses ; that he has never recovered any of said property, or received any recompense for the same ; the petitioner thinks that said horses are worth about \$375.

M. P. RIVELY.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas to M. P. Rively, Dr.

1856.	
To two sacks flour.....	\$7 50
To thirty-four pounds picket rope	8 50
To two wollen shirts, \$4 ; one bake pan, 80 cents.....	4 80
To one dozen tin cups, \$1 35 ; one pair of spurs, \$1 50.....	2 85
One pair of gauntlets.....	2 50
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To three horses, at \$125.....	375 00
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This affiant, Benjamin A. Rively, personally appeared, and states upon oath that he is acquainted with Major M. P. Rively, and that he believes the facts set forth in his petition are true, and that during the difficulties in August or September, 1856, the petitioner M. P. Rively lost three horses worth \$375 ; that said goods mentioned in the account were worth \$26 15 ; that the said affiant was living with petitioner at the time of said losses, and is well acquainted with the loss of said horses and said goods ; that M. P. Rively is a resident of Kansas.

BENJ. A. RIVELY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 29, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

This affiant, John A. Lindsay, personally appeared before H. J. Strickler, commissioner, and states upon oath that he is acquainted with M. P. Rively, the petitioner, and that he knows that M. P. Rively lost two bay horses and one sorrel, in August or September,

1856, or thereabouts, whilst the difficulties were going on in Kansas; that he knows the horses well, having seen them often; this affiant living close by, and was at Mr. Rively's every day; that the horses were worth about \$375.

JOHN A. LINDSAY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 29, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of M. P. Rively there is proven the amount claimed, \$401 15, of which \$26 15 is of the public, and \$375 of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 188.

To the honorable the commissioner appointed to audit certain claims under the provisions of an act, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing claims," approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioners, Lewis N. Rees and Perry Keith, partners, doing business under the name, firm, and style of Rees & Keith, would respectfully state: That in the month of December, A. D. 1855, the militia of the Territory of Kansas was called into requisition by the governor of Kansas Territory, for the purpose of suppressing insurrection and maintaining and executing the laws; that the first brigade of the northern division of Kansas militia was called out, and entered into the service under the command of Brigadier General Lucian J. Eastin, and that the fourth regiment of the above named brigade, under the orders of Brigadier General Eastin, entered into service under command of Colonel Archibald Payne, and that Jarrett Todd was the commissary for Colonel Payne's regiment on the expedition; and that your petitioners, upon the requisition of the said commissary, did furnish for the said command, and delivered to the same commissary, provisions and necessaries for the troops then called into service, amounting to the sum of five hundred and twelve dollars and twenty-one cents, as per account and bill of items herewith exhibited, marked A, attached hereto and made a part of this petition, will more fully appear in all its particulars, which said account in all its particulars is correct, and the same is still due and owing, no part thereof ever having been paid to your petitioners, and no remuneration of any kind having been received therefor; and your petitioner herewith exhibits a voucher, the receipts and certificate of the said Jarrett Todd, and also the certificate of Colonel A. Payne, endorsed on said exhibit A; and your petitioners herewith tender their proofs of the matters and facts charged in this their petition, and respectfully ask that their account be audited under the provisions of an act entitled

"An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, A. D. 1857, passed at the session of the territorial legislative assembly of the Territory of Kansas for the year A. D. 1857.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

LEWIS N. REES,
PERRY KEITH,
Petitioners.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

This affiant, Lewis N Rees, one of the above named petitioners, makes oath and says: That the matters and facts set out and stated in the foregoing petition, as therein stated, are true; that the accompanying account referred to is correct; that the articles were furnished as stated, and that no part thereof has been paid from any source, and the full amount remains justly due and owing to your petitioners.

LEWIS N. REES.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

United States of America in account with Rees & Keith, Dr.

1856.

December 1. To	2 sacks coffee, 329 lbs., at 17 cents.....	\$55 93
	300 lbs. N. O. sugar, at 13 cents.....	39 00
	12 sacks extra superfine flour, at \$5 50.....	66 00
	41 gallons molasses, at 80 cents.....	32 80
	2 kegs powder, at \$12 50.....	25 00
	2 bbls. crackers, at \$11.....	22 00
	180 lbs. salt, at 2 cents.....	4 50
	286 lbs. bacon, at 15 cents.....	42 90
	12 gallons vinegar, at 30 cents.....	3 60
	4 lbs. pepper, at 25 cents.....	1 00
	2 lbs. allspice, at 30 cents.....	60
	4 dozen spoons, at 75 cents.....	3 00
	4 coffee mills, at \$1.....	4 00
	5 frying pans, at \$1.....	5 00
	9 butcher knives, at 50 cents.....	4 50
	1 box, at 25c.; 40 lbs. star candles, at 40c.	16 25
	1 box, at 25 cents; matches, at \$2 50.....	2 75
	4 camp kettles, at \$2.....	8 00
	135 lbs. lead, at 12½ cents.....	16 88
	1 dozen buckets.....	6 00
10,000	gun caps, at \$1.....	10 00
	3 bags shot, at \$3.....	9 00
	3 sacks for sugar, at 25 cents.....	75
	1 keg for vinegar.....	1 50
	7 sacks extra superfine flour, at \$5 50...	38 50
	300 lbs. side bacon, at 15 cents.....	45 00

1 bbl. butter crackers.....	\$11 00
20 gallons Bourbon whisky, at \$1 25.....	25 00
1 pair of blue blankets.....	6 00
3 kegs for whisky, at \$1 50.....	4 50
1 box for packing.....	1 25

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The undersigned, Jarrett Todd, do certify that the within account and the items thereof were procured by me from Rees & Keith, as commissary for Colonel A. Payne, regiment of Kansas militia, under an order from General Lucian J. Eastin, in December, 1855; that they were procured as provisions and necessaries for the troops then called into service by Governor Wilson Shannon to suppress a rebellion.

JARRETT TODD.

FEBRUARY 3, 1857.

I certify that the above is correct.

A. PAYNE,
Col. commanding 4th R., N. D., K. M.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Rees & Keith there is proven the amount claimed of the public class, \$512 21.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 189.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims in Kansas Territory, under an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and an act supplemental thereto, both passed and approved by the legislature of Kansas Territory, February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Leander F. Hollingsworth, of Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory, being a captain of what is known as the Delaware company of the 4th regiment northern division of the Kansas militia, being duly appointed and commissioned by the governor of Kansas Territory, complains and says: That in the month of April, 1856, he, as captain of the aforesaid company, received of L. J. Eastin, acting brigadier general of the division aforesaid, one stand of United States muskets and bayonets, viz: 160 muskets and bayonets, which said stand of arms was received by your petitioner as principal, and for which your petitioner as principal, and C. M. Burgess and J. M. Hall as sureties, executed their bond to the Territory of Kansas for the sum of thirty-two hundred dollars, that being double the value of said muskets and bayonets.

Your petitioner further showeth, that while he was absent from the town of Delaware, by order of the commanding officer, eighty of the aforesaid muskets and bayonets were taken from the county jail, where they were deposited for safe-keeping by sundry persons, who were in

the said town of Delaware, on or about the 1st of September, 1856, which was occasioned by an alarm that the enemies of Delaware were about to attack her citizens.

Your petitioner further showeth that said eighty muskets and bayonets were taken away and have been lost or destroyed, so that they cannot be recovered, though due diligence has been used to do the same.

In consideration of the above facts, your petitioner prays that his account as to said eighty muskets and bayonets may be audited and allowed as to him and his aforesaid securities.

L. F. HOLLINGSWORTH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

This day personally appeared before the undersigned W. H. Fox and John Stigers, and, after being severally duly sworn according to law, state that the facts as stated in the foregoing petition respecting the taking and loss of the United States muskets and bayonets are true. The said Fox states that he saw the house opened and the arms taken therefrom, as stated in the petition; and the said John Stigers states that he knows that said arms were taken in the manner and form as stated in the foregoing petition.

WILSON H. FOX.
J. G. STIGERS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 28, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

This claimant, L. F. Hollingsworth, has an ample remedy in the courts.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 190.

LEAVENWORTH, *November 13, 1857.*

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, &c., under the provision of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims" and an act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Isabel Caleb, of the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, respectfully showeth: That on or about the first day of September, A. D. 1856, there was taken from the possession of your petitioner, by some person or persons whose names are to your petitioner unknown, one pony of the value of eighty dollars, and one steer of the value of twenty dollars; that the said pony and steer were so taken by some member or members of a company of men composing a part of the territorial militia in the service of the Territory

during the difficulties which existed in said Territory at, before and after the time above stated.

Your petitioner further shows that the said pony and steer, after the seizure aforesaid, were never returned to your petitioner, but were entirely lost to your petitioner ; nor has your petitioner ever been paid or indemnified therefor.

Your petitioner therefore prays that she may be awarded the sum of one hundred dollars, as for the loss and damage by her sustained as is in the foregoing petition set forth ; and that the same may be paid, or that your petitioner may be indemnified therefor, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, or for such further or other relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises. And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

ISABEL ^{her} + CALEB.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of November, A. D. 1857.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 13th of November 1857.

A. MACAULEY, *Notary Public.* [L. s.]

Anderson Wilson of said county, being duly sworn, says that on or about the first day of September the above named petitioner was the owner of the pony and steer mentioned in the foregoing petition, and that on said day the said pony and steer were taken from the said petitioner, and the said petitioner lost the same in the manner as is described in the said petition. That the said pony, in the opinion of this affiant, was at the time of said loss worth the sum of fifty dollars, and the steer was worth the sum of twenty dollars ; and further this affiant says not.

ANDERSON ^{his} + WILSON.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of November, A. D. 1857.

Witness my hand and official seal this 13th day of November, A. [L. s.] D. 1857.

A. MACAULEY, *Notary Public.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Isabel Caleb there is claimed \$100. Proven \$70, of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER. *Commissioner.*

No. 191.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Jonas Wallman, of the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, respectfully showeth : That your petitioner

at the time hereinafter stated was engaged in the city of Leavenworth, as a wholesale and retail dealer in dry goods, clothing, fancy and staple goods, boots and shoes, hats and caps, &c. That the said business was carried on, on Cherokee street in said city; that on or about the fifth day of September, A. D. 1856, your petitioner was about removing from the city with some of his goods to a place of safety during the difficulties in this Territory, in the year of 1856, but which had not been taken away; that on the day and year aforesaid there was taken from the possession of your petitioner, from the levee in said city, by some of the men who were said to belong to what was commonly known as the territorial militia, whose names were entirely unknown to your petitioner, a box of goods, which are more particularly set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars and seventy-five cents. That your petitioner, after the seizure aforesaid, never received back from any person or persons whomsoever any portion of said goods, nor has he ever been paid or indemnified for the same or any portion thereof. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may be awarded the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars and seventy-five cents, as for the loss sustained by him as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid or that your petitioner may be indemnified therefor, pursuant to the statute in such cases made and provided, or for such further or other relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises; and your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

JONAS WALLMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before the undersigned this day.

Witness my hand and seal notarial, this 13th day of November, [L. s.] A. D. 1857.

A. MACAULEY, *Notary Public.*

Schedule of the goods referred to in the foregoing petition.

20 india rubber coats, at \$3	-	-	-	-	\$60 00
20 india rubber pants, at \$1 50	-	-	-	-	30 00
6 india rubber blankets, at \$2 50	-	-	-	-	15 00
10 india rubber caps, at \$1 -	-	-	-	-	10 00
11 india rubber bags, at \$1 50	-	-	-	-	16 50
30 cloth caps, at \$1	-	-	-	-	30 00
50 pairs ladies' shoes, at \$1 25	-	-	-	-	62 50
20 summer coats, at \$2 50	-	-	-	-	50 00
35 summer pants, at \$1 25	-	-	-	-	43 75
1 dozen pocket knives	-	-	-	-	9 50
7 bowie knives, at \$1 50	-	-	-	-	10 50
2½ dozen gloves, at 2 50	-	-	-	-	6 25
1 dozen powder flasks	-	-	-	-	4 75
1 dozen pocket books	-	-	-	-	9 00
2 pairs spectacles	-	-	-	-	9 00
10 pairs ladies' hose, at \$1 50	-	-	-	-	15 00

375 75

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Jacob Jereslaw, of the said city, being duly sworn, says: That he has heard read the foregoing petition and knows the contents thereof, and the facts as therein contained are true, according to this affiant's knowledge. And this affiant further says: That he knows that on or about the fifth day of September, A. D. 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the loss of the property in the manner in the said petition set forth, and to the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars and seventy-five cents; the said property being the same as is stated and specified in the foregoing schedule; and further this affiant saith not.

JACOB JERESLAW.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day. Witness my hand and [L. s.] seal notarial, at office, this 13th day of November, A. D. 1857.

A. MACAULAY,
Notary Public.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Jonas Wallman there is proven the amount claimed, \$375 75, of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 192.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, &c., under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, David O. Keefe, of the county of Leavenworth, Territory of Kansas, respectfully shows: That in the month of August, A. D. 1856, your petitioner was the owner and proprietor of a valuable horse; that some time in or about the tenth day of August, A. D. 1856, the said horse was forcibly taken from the possession of your petitioner, together with a saddle, bridle, martingales, and blankets, by a man or party of men who were said to belong to a company of the territorial volunteer militia commanded by Captain A. B. Miller, being a part of the organized militia of the Territory of Kansas; that the man or men so taking the said horse and other property were entirely unknown to your petitioner by name. Your petitioner further shows: That after the said horse and property as above mentioned were so taken as aforesaid, and some time in or about the month of September, A. D. 1856, your petitioner saw the said horse, saddle, bridle, and martingales, together with a blanket, also taken from your petitioner's shop by the men above stated, in the charge and possession of the said Captain Miller, and being used by him in and during

the troubles and difficulties which occurred in the Territory of Kansas of the year 1856. Your petitioner further shows: That afterwards, and some time in or about the 15th of October, A. D. 1856, your petitioner obtained possession of the horse above mentioned; that when he was so taken from your petitioner as aforesaid he was considered and was worth to your petitioner the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, but when the said horse came into the possession of your petitioner, as last above stated, the said horse was of no value whatever to your petitioner—having been almost killed by the use in the service aforesaid. Your petitioner further shows that the saddle, bridle, martingales, and blankets, above mentioned, were never returned to nor did they ever after the time the same were seized as aforesaid come into the possession of your petitioner. Your petitioner further shows that he has hereto annexed a schedule of the entire loss and damage which he has sustained by the seizure and use of the horse aforesaid, as well as the value of the said saddle, bridle, martingales, and blanket as aforesaid and that the whole amount to the sum of two hundred and seventy-three dollars.

Your petitioner therefore prays that he may be awarded the above mentioned sum of two hundred and seventy-three dollars, as and for the loss and damage by him sustained as is in the foregoing petition set forth, and that the same may be paid, or that your petitioner may be indemnified therefor pursuant to the laws and statute in such case made and provided, or for such further or other relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises; and your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

DAVID O. KEEFE.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. } ss.

David O. Keefe, the petitioner above named, being duly sworn, says: That he has heard read the foregoing petition by him subscribed, and the facts therein contained are true of his own knowledge.

DAVID O. KEEFE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day. Witness my hand and [L. s.] seal notarial, this 13th day of November, A. D. 1857.

A. MACAULAY,
Notary Public.

Schedule referred to in the foregoing petition.

Damage done to horse	-	-	-	-	-	\$110 00
Use of the horse for 64 days, from 10th of August to 1st						
November, at \$2 per day	-	-	-	-	-	128 00
1 saddle, \$15; 1 bridle, \$5; 1 blanket, \$5	-	-	-	-	-	25 00
						<u>263 00</u>

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Rufus G. Newland, of the said county, being duly sworn, says : That he knows David O'Keefe, the petitioner above named ; that he knows that the horse, saddle, and bridle mentioned in the foregoing petition were taken from the possession of the petitioner above named, as is in the said petition set forth ; and this affiant says that the horse, saddle and bridle, and martingales aforesaid, at the time they were taken as in said petition set forth, were worth the price or sum set forth in said petition and the schedule annexed to said petition ; that the said horse was brought back, at or about the time stated in said petition, to the stable of this affiant, being led with a rope, having nothing on him whatever ; and that the said horse was very greatly injured or damaged, so that he was nearly worthless. And this affiant further says that he has been in the livery stable business, and knows the price for the use of horses, and that the same was worth two dollars per day during the time the said horse was in use by the persons mentioned in the said petition. And further this affiant saith not.

R. G. NEWLAND.

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY, ss.

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the county aforesaid, personally came Rufus G. Newland, whose name is subscribed to the above affidavit, and, after being by me duly sworn, deposes and says that the contents of the affidavit by him subscribed are true in substance and matter of fact.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal notarial at my office, this 13th day of November, A. D. 1857.

A. MACAULAY, *Notary Public.* [L. s.]

I certify that in the foregoing claim of David O'Keefe there is claimed \$263, of which there is proven and allowed \$153 of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 193.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, &c., under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Philip Rothschild, of the city of Leavenworth, county of Leavenworth, and Kansas Territory, respectfully shows : That since on or about the — day of May, A. D. 1855, your petitioner has been engaged in the city of Leavenworth aforesaid, in the sale of goods, wares, and merchandise, consisting of clothing, furnishing goods, and other articles in the line of their business, such as guns, pistols, bowie knives, blankets, boots, &c.; that while engaged in said business in a store occupied by your petitioner, situated on the levee of this city, and in and during the month of August, A. D.

1856, and on various days therein, but which particular day or days your petitioner is unable to specify, your petitioner's store and premises were visited by a number of men whose names are unknown to your petitioner, and as your petitioner was informed and verily believes to be true, who belonged to what was denominated the territorial volunteer militia; and the said men took from the said store and premises a quantity of goods and merchandise, a schedule of which is hereto annexed. Your petitioner further shows that the said schedule contains the quantity and value of the said goods so taken from the store of your petitioner in the manner above stated, and for no part of which has your petitioner been paid or indemnified by any one, nor has any portion of said goods ever been recovered or returned to your petitioner by the persons so taking them from your petitioner's possession.

Your petitioner shows that the total amount of said goods loss is eleven hundred and eight dollars and five cents.

Your petitioner therefore prays that he may be awarded the above mentioned sum of eleven hundred and eight dollars and five cents, as and for the loss sustained by him, as is in the foregoing petition set forth, and that the same may be paid, or that your petitioner may be indemnified therefor pursuant to the laws and statute in such case made and provided; or for such further or other relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

PHILIP ROTHSCHILD.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

Philip Rothschild, of the city of Leavenworth, being duly sworn, says: That he has heard read the foregoing petition, and knows the contents thereof, and the same is true of his own knowledge, except as to those matters which are therein stated to be on information and belief, and as to those matters he believes it to be true.

PHILIP ROTHSCHILD.

Schedule referred to in the foregoing petition.

26 pairs blankets, at \$5.....	\$130 00
16 bowie knives, at \$1 80.....	28 80
11 guns, at \$20.....	220 00
56 flannel shirts, \$1 50.....	84 00
8 revolvers, \$18.....	144 00
17 overcoats, \$9.....	153 00
10 india rubber coats, \$4.....	40 00
17 pairs leggings, \$1 50.....	25 50
23 under shirts, \$1 50.....	34 50
5 pairs cassimere pants, \$5.....	25 00
38 pairs buck gloves, \$1.....	38 00
17 satin vests, \$4 75.....	80 75
19 pairs calfskin boots, \$5 50.....	104 50

1,108 05

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the county aforesaid, personally came the within named Philip Rothschild, whose name appears on the within petition, who, after being by me duly sworn, deposes and says that the matters and things set forth are true in substance and matter of fact.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name and [L. s.] affixed my official seal, this 13th day of November, A. D. 1857.

A. MACAULAY,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Morris Rothschild, of the city of Leavenworth, being duly sworn, says: That he knows the facts stated in the foregoing petition, and the same are true, of his own knowledge. Deponent further says that at and before and during the time stated in the foregoing petition, he was a clerk in the employ of the above named Philip Rothschild; that he had personal knowledge of the taking and seizure of the goods and merchandise stated in the said petition, and the schedule annexed to said petition, as is therein detailed and set forth; and that the said petitioner sustained the loss to the amount stated in said petition, and that the value of the goods so lost by the aforesaid petitioner was, at the time of the loss aforesaid, of the price and value specified in the said schedule. And further deponent says not.

MORRIS ROTHSCHILD.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the county aforesaid, personally came the within named Morris Rothschild, whose name is signed to the within affidavit, who, after being by me duly sworn, deposes and says, that the matters and things set forth in his said affidavit, as therein set forth, are true in substance and matter of fact, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and [L. s.] affixed my seal notorial, at office, this 13th day of November, A. D. 1857.

A. MACAULAY,
Notary Public.

In the foregoing claim of Philip Rothschild I certify that there is proven the amount claimed, \$1,108 05, of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 194.

To the honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, &c., under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto," passed and approved February 23, 1857 :

Your petitioner, Frederick Samuels, of the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, respectfully shows: That on or about the first day of September, A. D. 1856, and during the difficulties in the Territory of Kansas, your petitioner had taken from his possession and from his premises, situated in the Muncy tract, in said county, (your petitioner being one of the Muncy Indians,) a horse, of the value of eighty dollars; a bull, of the value of twenty-five dollars; and a mare and colt, of the value of one hundred dollars; that said property was taken from your petitioner by a number of men connected with what was denominated and called the territorial militia; that your petitioner has no knowledge and could not learn or discover the names of the persons who took the said property; that the said property, after the loss or seizure of the same as is herein above mentioned, was never returned, nor has your petitioner ever received any portion of said property from any person or persons whomsoever. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may be awarded the sum of two hundred and five dollars as and for the loss and damage by him sustained, as in the foregoing petition set forth, and that the same may be paid, or that your petitioner may be indemnified therefor pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, or for such further or other relief as your petitioner is entitled in the premises.

And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

FREDERICK ^{his} + SAMUELS.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the undersigned, this day. Witness my hand and seal notarial, this 13th day of November, [L. s.] A. D. 1857.

A. MACAULAY,
Notary Public.

Anderson Wilson, of the county of Leavenworth, being duly sworn, says: That on or about the first day of September, A. D. 1856, there was taken from Frederick Samuels, the petitioner above named, the property mentioned, to wit: one horse, of the value of eighty dollars; one bull, of the value of twenty-five dollars; and a mare and colt, of the value of one hundred dollars. And this affiant further says that the said property was taken by a number of men in the service of the territorial militia during the time of the difficulties and troubles in said month in the Territory; and this affiant further says that the facts set forth in the foregoing petition are true, and that the property as is set forth in said petition was of the value as also therein

stated at the time of its being taken as aforesaid. And further this deponent says not.

ANDERSON ^{his} + WILSON.
_{mark.}

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day. Witness my hand [L. s.] and seal notarial, this 13th day of November, A. D. 1857.

A. MACAULAY,
Notary Public.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Frederick Samuels there is proven the amount claimed, of the public class, \$205.

H. J. STRICKLER.
Commissioner.

No. 195.

To the honorable the commissioner appointed under the provisions of an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims:"

Your petitioners, William Engleman and Frederick Engleman, doing business under the name and style of F. & W. Engleman, make the following statement under the provisions of "An act for the auditing of claims," passed February 23, A. D. 1857, of the losses and damages sustained by them in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in the Territory of Kansas since the organic act to organize the Territory of Kansas, to wit, in the fall of A. D. 1856 and winter of 1856 and 1857.

Your petitioners state that in the fall of 1856 they were keeping a grocery and provision store, wholesale and retail, on Water street, in the city of Leavenworth, Kansas Territory. That during said fall the petitioners, in consequence of said difficulties, were compelled to leave this city, close the business, and go to St. Louis, Missouri.

That the loss and damage to said parties in going to St. Louis, Missouri, are.....	\$200 00
The suspension of their business for 3 months.	500 00
That the said parties were obliged to transport their goods to Weston, Missouri, for safe-keeping; for transporting goods to Weston, Missouri, freightage, drayage, &c., according to voucher No. 1.....	255 00
For labor about said goods in Weston, according to voucher No. 2.....	25 60
For storage of said goods at Weston, voucher No. 3.....	100 00
For labor and care in and about said goods charged to the petitioners by McCurdy & Burns, as voucher No. 1, already referred to, and No. 4.....	150 00
For hauling the same back to the city of Leavenworth from Weston, as per voucher No. 5.....	50 70
For loss of goods out of the house in consequence of said difficulties, as according to voucher No. 6.....	2,750 00
Total.....	4,031 30

The above four thousand thirty-one dollars and thirty cents is the amount claimed by your petitioners as losses and damages, in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in this Territory in the fall of A. D. 1856.

All of which your petitioners submit for allowance.

FREDERICK ENGLEMAN.
WILLIAM ENGLEMAN.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

The affiant, William Engleman, one of the above named petitioners, being duly sworn, deposes that the above statement and petition is true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Sworn to before me, Joseph Kellogg, notary public, in said county. In witness whereof I have set my hand and affixed my notarial [L. s.] seal.

JOSEPH KELLOGG,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

This affiant, Gustav Stahl, being duly sworn, says and deposes: That in the fall of A. D. 1856 he resided in the city of Leavenworth, Kansas Territory; that during the difficulties in said Territory and in the year 1856, he saw armed men break into the storehouse and grocery of F. & W. Engleman, in said city, and load a wagon with goods taken from said store. That this affiant saw armed persons take and carry away two large wagon loads of goods from said store, and saw persons go in and out said store at different times, taking away goods with them. That the description of the goods in the voucher marked 6 are such as were taken from said store; and that this affiant believes that about the amount stated in said bill, No. 6, was taken from said store. And this affiant states that this happened whilst the said Englemans were in St. Louis, where they had been driven during said difficulties. This affiant also states that he believes, from personal knowledge, that the remainder of the account in the petition hereto annexed is true and correct, and that the said Englemans were damaged the amount therein stated.

GUSTAV STAHL.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas. In testimony whereof, I have set my hand and seal, this 12th day of November, 1857.

JOSEPH KELLOGG, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

Henry Goldsmith, this affiant, being duly sworn, deposes and saith: That in the fall of A. D. 1856 he resided in the city of Leavenworth, Kansas Territory, during the Kansas difficulties; that he is well acquainted with William Engleman and Frederick Engleman; that they kept a grocery and provision store in said city; that during said difficulties they were driven by armed men from their premises and this Territory; that this affiant knows about the time their business was closed, and their necessary expenses during their absence. And this affiant further knows that their goods, or a portion of them, had to be transported to Weston, Missouri, during the difficulties, for safety; and he knows of the costs of said transportation, knowing of the amounts paid therefor. And this affiant further states that the amounts stated in the vouchers numbered one, two, three, four, were sums paid for the purposes therein stated, and were paid for said purposes. And this affiant states that the account in the petition herein annexed is true, to the best of his knowledge and belief. And further this affiant states not.

HENRY GOLDSMITH.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the county of Leavenworth, Territory of Kansas, this 12th of November, A. D. 1857. In witness whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my seal of office.

JOSEPH KELLOGG, [L. S.]
 Notary Public.

Voucher No. 1.

Messrs. Engleman to H. P. McCurdy, Dr.

To amount expended at Leavenworth.....	\$25 00
To amount paid E. S. Wilkerson	38 00
To amount paid Wells & Washborn.....	188 49
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Credit, by amount cash for lard, &c., sold.....	251 99
	64 00
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	187 14
Rees & K	3 00
Drayage.....	50
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	190 64
McCurdy & Burns, fees and expenses.....	150 00
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	340 64
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Voucher No. 2.

Judge S. P. McCurdy to Joseph M. Tureman.

1856.	
September 22. Cash paid for labor.....	\$4 00
Cash paid for drayage, 54 loads, at 40 cents...	21 60
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	25 60
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[No. 2.]

WESTON, October 16, 1856.

One day after date we promise to pay, to the order of Joseph M. Tureman, twenty-five dollars and sixty cents, value received, negotiable and payable without defalcation or discount, with interest at ten per cent.

Voucher No. 3.

Judge S. P. McCurdy to Joseph Holladay.

Receiving sundry packages merchandise.....	\$50 00
Storage	50 00
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	100 00
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WESTON, Mo., October 7, 1856.

[No. 3.]

WESTON, Mo., October 16, 1856.

One day after date we promise to pay, to the order of Joseph Holladay, one hundred dollars, value received, negotiable and payable without defalcation or discount, with ten per cent. interest from date.

Voucher No. 4.

WESTON, October 16, 1856.

One day after date we, or either of us, promise to pay Solomon P. McCurdy, or order, three hundred and forty dollars and sixty-four cents, for value received, negotiable and payable without defalcation or discount, for value received.

F. & W. ENGLEMAN.
GOLDSMITH & KLINGSTEIN.

Voucher No. 5.

Paid on Ransom Henly.....	\$20 00
Eugene.....	11 00
Charles Henly.....	19 50

Voucher No. 6.

15 sacks coffee, 2,460 pounds, at 16 cents.....	\$324 00
8 barrels sugar, 1,760 pounds, at 12½ cents.....	220 00
22 boxes star candles, 880 pounds, at 30 cents.....	264 00
14 boxes soap, 854 pounds, at 7½ cents.....	64 05
7 boxes wine, at \$6.....	42 00
9 boxes tallow candles, 450 pounds, at 20 cents.....	90 00
10 dozen oysters, at \$9.....	90 00
11 dozen sardines, at \$6.....	66 00
10 dozen axes, at \$16.....	160 00
7 Spear & Jackson's handsaws, at \$2 75.....	19 25
3 butcher saws, at \$2 50.....	7 50
3 barrels crushed sugar, 660 pounds, at 18 cents.....	118 80
2 barrels powdered sugar, 440 pounds, at 18 cents.....	79 20
18 pairs calfskin boots, at \$5.....	90 00
24 pairs kip boots, at \$4.....	96 00
5 dozen men's brogans, at \$18.....	90 00
8 boxes tobacco, 22 pounds, at 35 cents.....	61 60
280 pounds tobacco, at 25 cents.....	70 00
18,000 segars, at \$20 per M.....	360 00
40 sacks flour, at \$3.....	120 00
10 dozen yeast powder, at \$3.....	30 00
1 sack cloves.....	15 00
1 sack allspice.....	12 00
40 pounds tea.....	24 00
6 pairs blankets.....	48 00
2 lounges, \$8; 2 dozen slirts, \$60; clothing, \$100.....	168 00
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	2,750 00
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I certify that in the foregoing claim of W. & F. Engleman there is claimed \$4,031 30, of which there is proven and allowed \$2,750, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner of claims for property in Kansas.

Your petitioner, David McCollum, a resident of the county aforesaid, and near Stranger creek, complains that during the troubles of the fall of 1856, and about the first of September of that year, while

a company of warlike men were near his farm, there was taken from his lot, or pound, the following property, viz :

September 1.	1 horse, two years old, fifteen hands high, value	\$100 00
	1 pair match mules, five and six years old, fifteen hands high, value.....	300 00
	Total.....	<u>400 00</u>

Your petitioner believes that the said two mules and one horse were taken by a detachment of a company under the command of John Wright, yet your petitioner does not believe that said mules and horse were taken by the order of said John Wright, yet the same were never returned nor gotten by your petitioner. And your petitioner further complains and says that on the 10th day of September, A. D. 1856, that his premises and house were again entered by a body of armed men, some twenty-two in number, who claimed to be of Captain Bell's company, and then and there took and carried away the following property, viz:

September 10.	2 saddles, 2 blankets, and 2 bridles, value.....	\$30 00
	2 rifle-guns.....	33 00
	1 shot-gun.....	20 00
	2 fine blankets.....	9 00
	4 riding bridles and 1 blind bridle, at \$1 each..	5 00
	Total	<u>97 00</u>

Which last aforesaid property was worth ninety-seven dollars, and the same is a total loss to your petitioner.

Therefore, by reference to the foregoing items, it shows that your petitioner lost 2 mules, worth.....	\$300 00
1 horse, worth.....	100 00
And other property, last mentioned, worth.....	97 00
Total value of loss of your petitioner.....	<u>497 00</u>

Four hundred and ninety seven dollars ; and therefore he prays that the same may be allowed him.

DAVID McCOLLUM.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, George W. Purkins, judge of the probate court, this 13th of November, A. D. 1856.

GEORGE W. PURKINS, *Judge.*

David H. McCollum, being first duly sworn, deposes and says : That on the night of the 1st day of September, 1856, he was at the house of David McCollum, and knows that he had two mules and one horse in a pound, or lot, that was well constructed and of sufficient height to keep said stock from escaping, and that during the night they were taken from the lot, or pound ; that there was a company of armed men

in that neighborhood, and that he has good reason to believe, and does believe, that the mules and horse aforesaid were taken by this armed body of men; that search was made after said armed men left that vicinity, but said stock had been carried away. And further this deponent said, that in the daytime of the 10th of September, 1856, he was yet at the house of David McCollum, and that a body of armed men, some twenty-two in number, entered said McCollum's house and premises, and then and there took and carried away from said house and premises two saddles, two bridles, blankets and martingales, two rifle-guns, one shot-gun, two blankets, and five other bridles, and that the property last above mentioned was worth the sum of ninety-seven dollars. And this deponent further says that the two mules were worth three hundred dollars, and that the horse was worth one hundred dollars, and that all of the said property has been an entire loss to David McCollum, being taken and carried away as above described. And further this deponent saith not.

DAVID H. ^{his} + McCOLLUM.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, George W. Purkins, judge of the probate court, &c., this 13th day of November, 1857.

GEORGE W. PURKINS, *Judge, &c.*

Albert Mason and Solomon Buxton, being duly sworn, say: That they know that David McCollum owned two mules; that they were worth three hundred dollars. And further these deponents say that he owned one young horse, worth one hundred dollars; that he owned said horse and mules at the commencement of the troubles of the fall of 1856; that the same were taken from the neighborhood during the troubles or war as aforesaid; that diligent search has been made for the above property, and that the same has not been found, and that they believe that the same were lost in consequence of said war.

SOLOMON ^{his} + BUXTON.
mark.
ALBERT H. MASON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, judge of the probate court, &c., this 13th day of November, 1857.

GEORGE W. PURKINS, [L. s.]
Judge, &c.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of David McCollum there is proven the amount claimed, of the private class, \$497.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 197.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

Before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner of claims for property lost in Kansas Territory.

Your petitioner, Albert Mason, of the county aforesaid, and a resident on Stranger creek, complains and says: That on the 10th day of September, 1856, and in the day, his house was entered by a company of men who represented themselves as under the command of Captain Bell, and that said company of men took and carried away the following property, viz:

One shot-gun, valued at.....	\$16 00
One saddle.....	8 00
One pair saddle-bags.....	4 00
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	28 00
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Which said property was worth twenty-eight dollars, and that the same has not been returned, and is a loss to your petitioner, and he prays that the amount may be allowed him.

ALBERT W. MASON.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 15th day of November 1857.

GEORGE W. PURKINS,
Judge of the Probate Court for Leavenworth county.

William Mason, being of lawful age, first being duly sworn, deposeseth and saith: That on the 10th day of September, 1856, about twenty-two men entered the premises and house of Albert Mason, and then and there took and carried away one shot-gun, one saddle, and one pair saddle-bags; and that, in his opinion, the property taken was worth twenty-eight dollars; and this deponent further says that these men aforesaid claimed to belong to a company commanded by one Captain Bell. And further this deponent saith not.

his
 WILLIAM + MASON.
 mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, judge of the probate court, this 13th day of November, 1857.

GEORGE W. PURKINS, *Judge, &c.*

Solomon Buxton, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: That on the 10th day of September, 1856, the house of Albert Mason was entered by an armed body of men; that they took from the same one shot-gun, one saddle, and one pair saddle-bags, and some other little

articles; that the value of said property was at least twenty-eight dollars. And further this deponent saith not.

his
SOLOMON + BUXTON.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, judge of the probate court, this 13th day of November, 1857.

GEORGE W. PURKINS, [L. s.]
Judge, &c.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Albert Mason there is proven the amount claimed, of the public class, \$28.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 198.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

Before H. J. Strickler, commissioner of claims for property lost by troubles in Kansas.

Your petitioner, Solomon Buxton, of the county aforesaid, and near Stranger creek, complains and says: That on the 10th of September, 1856, and in the daytime, his house was forcibly entered by an armed body of men, some 22 in number, who claimed to belong to a company commanded by one Captain Bell, and that said men took then and there and carried away sundry property of your petitioner, among which were the following, viz:

One mare, 15 hands high, color, sorrel, valued at	-	-	\$125
One-rifle gun and one pouch and fixtures	-	-	30
			155
			155

Your petitioner claims that he has sustained damage in the loss of the mare, gun, and pouch, &c., aforesaid, one hundred and fifty-five dollars.

Your petitioner says that the property aforesaid thus taken has not been recovered by him, and that the same has been a total loss, and that said loss has grown out of the war or troubles in Kansas Territory, and therefore he prays that the above sum may be allowed him.

his
SOLOMON X BUXTON.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, judge of the probate court, &c., this 13th November, 1857.

GEORGE W. PURKINS, *Judge, &c.*

David McCollum, of lawful age, makes oath and says: That on the 10th day of September, 1856, some twenty-two armed men entered the house of Solomon Buxton and took from the same one rifle-gun, pouch,

and fixtures ; and at the same time said men took from the premises one sorrel mare, of the value of one hundred and twenty-five dollars ; and further this deponent says that the gun and fixtures thus taken by said men were worth thirty dollars. And further this deponent saith not.

DAVID McCOLLUM.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, judge of the probate court, &c., this 13th day of November, 1857.

GEORGE W. PURKINS, *Judge, &c.*

David H. McCollum, being sworn, says : That he saw a sorrel mare, one gun and fixtures, which said property belonged to Solomon Buxton ; that this deponent saw the said property in the possession of armed men on the 10th day of September, 1856, and that said men were carrying the same away from the premises of said Buxton. And further this deponent saith not.

his
DAVID H. X McCOLLUM.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th November, A. D. [L. s.] 1857.

GEORGE W. PURKINS, *Judge, &c.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Solomon Buxton there is proven the amount claimed, \$155, of the public class

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 199.

To the honorable the commissioner appointed under the provisions of an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims :"

Your petitioner, John J. Moore, makes the following statement under the provisions of "An act for the auditing of claims," passed February 23, 1857, of the losses and damages sustained by your petitioner in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in the Territory of Kansas since the organization of said Territory, to wit : in the fall of A. D. 1856.

Your petitioner states, that in said fall, and in consequence of said difficulties, he was damaged—

By the loss of the use and injury to one horse - - - - -	\$100
Expenses of said petitioner of himself and family, expended in consequence of his being driven from his claim in Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory, and injury to property left on said claim - - - - -	200
Damage to a building said petitioner was erecting in said county, the builder thereof being driven from the county, and the materials being wasted and building damaged - - - - -	200
	500
	500

The above five hundred dollars is the amount claimed by your petitioner as losses and damages in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this Territory in the fall of A. D. 1856. All of which your petitioner submits for allowance.

J. J. MOORE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for the county of Leavenworth, Territory of Kansas, this 9th day of November, A. D. 1857.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my [L. s.] notarial seal, at the city of Leavenworth, the day and date above written.

JOS. KELLOGG,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

This affiant, Christian Peters, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeseth: That he was, in the fall of A. D. 1856 a citizen of Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory; that he knows John J. Moore, the petitioner in the petition hereto annexed; that he knows that the builder of said house, mentioned in his petition, was driven from said work by armed men in the fall of A. D. 1856, during the Kansas difficulties, and that by reason thereof the said John J. Moore was damaged to the amount stated in his petition; and this affiant further states that he knows of the said John J. Moore losing his horse during said difficulties, and that he was damaged to the amount alleged in the petition; and that the loss of said horse and damage was in consequence of said difficulties; and that said petition hereto respects is true, to the best of the knowledge and belief of this affiant.

CHRISTIAN PETERS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, this 13th of November, A. D. 1857. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal.

JOSEPH KELLOGG, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

Not allowed; no loss of property.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 200.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

The petition of Thomas Starnes to the Hon. Hiram J. Strickler, commissioner to audit claims under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature approved February 23, 1857:

I, Thomas Starnes, of the county and Territory aforesaid, claim damages for losses of the following property since the passage of the act of Congress organizing the Territory, which said losses grew out of the difficulties in the Territory in the year 1856, and for which said losses I have never received any recompense, nor have ever recovered any of said property, to wit: 125 dozen bundles of oats, bed clothes and furniture, cooking utensils, books, saddle-bags, wearing clothes, poultry, two head of cattle; amounting in all, as shown by the account hereto attached, to the sum of \$254 50. That said property was taken during the excitement prevailing in this country about the first of September, 1856. That his house and home were on Little Stranger creek, which was used as a camping ground by Colonel J. J. Clarkson and his men; that they camped there for about a week, and that during that time the oats were taken for their horses, the bed clothes and furniture for their men, and cooking utensils; they being at leisure, with nothing particular to do, took the books to read, and wearing clothes and saddle-bags were packed off on horseback, and poultry they cooked and eat while in camp; two of my cattle, which had strayed off towards Delaware City, were taken by some of the men from South Carolina, as the company was called, under Captain Jones. My house being so close to Clarkson's camp it was more convenient to get these articles and other necessaries, provided I had have had them, than to have gone off in the neighborhood further from camp.

THOMAS STARNES.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public within and for the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas. In testimony whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my notarial seal, this 13th of November, A. D. 1857.

JOSEPH KELLOGG, [L. s.]
 Notary Public.

Affidavit of Henry Kitchen.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace in and for said county, Henry Kitchen, who states, upon oath, that Thomas Starnes had two head of cattle taken in September, 1856, or about that time, while the difficulties were prevailing in Kansas. That said cattle were taken by some of the men of Captain Jones' South Carolina company stationed at Delaware City; that said cows were running with affiant's cattle, and had been for some time, and affiant knew said cattle well; that said cattle were killed for beef for said company.

HENRY KITCHEN.

Sworn and subscribed before me, the 12th day of November, 1857.
 WILSON H. FOX, *J. P.*

1857. *Territory of Kansas to Thomas Starnes, Dr.*

125 dozen bundles of oats.....	\$62 50
Bed clothes and furniture.....	76 00
Cooking utensils	7 00
Books, \$5 ; saddle-bags, \$3	8 00
Wearing clothes.....	20 00
Poultry, 7 dozen, at \$4 per dozen.....	28 00
2 head of cattle, at \$25 each.....	50 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

Personally appeared before the undersigned, a justice of the peace in and for the county and Territory aforesaid, William Zuel and Matthew Trent, who state, upon oath, that they are personally acquainted with the foregoing petitioner, Thomas Starnes ; that he is a resident of Kansas Territory, and they believe the facts as set forth in his petition are true ; that they were present at said Starne's house while the said Clarkson was encamped on Little Stranger, near to his house, and saw several of the articles taken off, as mentioned in said account; that a stack of oats was taken, and a stack generally contains at least 125 dozen bundles ; that they took off bed clothes and furniture, cooking utensils, books, saddle-bags, and wearing clothes. That they saw a good many chickens taken off ; don't know exactly how many ; that they suppose the said property was worth about \$200. They don't know anything about the cows.

MATTHEW TRENT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th of November, 1857.
 C. C. REDMAN, *J. P.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Thomas Starnes there is proven the amount claimed, \$251 50, of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 201.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

The petition of Charles Starnes to the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner to audit claims against the Territory of Kansas, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature approved February 23, 1857:

I, Charles Starnes, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully claim damages for losses of the following property, growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory since its organization, to wit: One bay horse, about four years old, worth about \$125; which said horse was lost in August, 1856, near Delaware city, in the said county of Leavenworth, while the United States district court was in session at Delaware, I being in attendance on said court as a grand juror, and from home; and after said court was over and I returned home, about four miles off, I never again saw my horse. During that time there was a great deal of excitement in the neighborhood, and dangerous to look after any losses of property or anything else, as a man would by so doing endanger his life. There was at this time a great deal of what is called "horse pressing," taking them into the militia service by some, and out of the Territory by others. A man named Bartholomew, as he was called, had the horse tied near his house where he was temporarily living, and is supposed went off with him, as he was afterwards seen with said horse going towards Nebraska. It was reported that he belonged to a gang of robbers who, like others, were going through the Territory taking property, and availing themselves of the excitement circumstances to evade detection. I further state that I have never recovered said property or any recompense for the same.

CHARLES STARNES.

Affidavit of R. R. Rees.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

Personally appeared before me R. R. Rees, who states, upon oath, that he is well acquainted with the foregoing petitioner, Charles Starnes; that he is a citizen of Kansas Territory, a man of good character; and he believes, from what he knows of said Starnes, that the facts as set forth in the foregoing petition are true.

RICHARD R. REES.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 5th day of November, 1857.
 R. PAYNTER, J. P.

Not proven, and rejected.

H. J. STRICKLER,
 Commissioner.

No. 202.

To the honorable the commissioner appointed under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857:

Your petitioner, Merrill Smith, respectfully states: That the militia of the Territory of Kansas was called into service by the governor of Kansas Territory in the month of December, A. D. 1857, and that the fourth regiment of the 1st brigade, northern division, was in the field, and that Captain Charles Dunn commanded a company attached to and composing a part of said 4th regiment; and that upon a requisition of the said Captain Dunn your petitioner did furnish two wagons and teams for the term of fifteen days, which were justly worth at that time seven dollars and fifty cents per day, making the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars; that said militia were called out to suppress an insurrection and to maintain and enforce the laws; and that said wagons and teams were furnished to haul provisions for the said army so engaged in the service above specified. And your petitioner states that afterwards, in the months of August and September, A. D. 1856, the aforesaid 1st brigade of the northern division of Kansas militia were again called into service for the same purpose above specified by the acting governor of Kansas Territory; and that in that service, under a requisition of Captain Charles Dunn, who again commanded a company composing a part of the 4th regiment of the 1st brigade northern division Kansas militia, your petitioner did furnish one two-horse wagon to haul provisions, for five days, for the use of said army, which was justly worth five dollars per day, making the sum of twenty-five dollars; that he also furnished one horse and rigging for the use of said army for thirty days, worth one dollar per day, making thirty dollars; that he also furnished another horse and rigging, for the use of the civil service, which was a valuable horse, and which was lost and never returned to your petitioner, and which was justly worth one hundred and eighty dollars, which said horse was taken under the following circumstances: Your petitioner was assisting a civil officer in the arrest of parties accused of crime, under a warrant of a justice of the peace of Leavenworth county, and was overpowered and his horse taken by persons connected with the parties accused, and never returned, which crimes with which the parties were charged grew out of the political difficulties in the Territory of Kansas in the year 1856.

And your petitioner also charges that during the aforesaid difficulties in the year 1856 your petitioner was engaged in hauling material for the building of the capitol at Lecompton, under an arrangement with the contractors for building the capitol; that in attempting to pass with loads near Lawrence the train of wagons was stopped by a body of armed men, some barrels of plaster of paris broken in, and threatened the train that if they attempted to pass that way again the teams would be taken and destroyed, and consequently the teams were detained and had necessarily to remain out of employment and at heavy expense of watching and guarding

for above thirty-four days; that there were thirteen wagons of your petitioner thus detained; that the loss of such detention was fully five dollars per day for each wagon, which would make the loss on account of such detention amount to about the sum of twenty-two hundred and ten dollars. And your petitioner would also state that, while thus detained, trains passing through his stock engendered disease among them, whereby he lost about fifteen or twenty head of stock, which added largely to the loss of your petitioner consequent upon his delay caused by difficulties as above specified: Wherefore your petitioner charges that he has actually lost and has due him, from the causes above mentioned, about the sum of two thousand six hundred and fifty dollars, which losses and amounts justly owing to him were consequent upon and grew necessarily out of the difficulties in the Territory of Kansas during the years 1855 and 1856. And your petitioner here tenders his proof of the charges set out in this petition, and respectfully asks that the same may be audited under the provisions of an act entitled "An act for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857, passed at the session of the legislature of the Territory of Kansas A. D. 1857. All of which is respectfully submitted.

MERRILL SMITH, *Petitioner.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

This affiant, Merrill Smith, the above petitioner, makes oath and saith that the facts stated in the above petition are true, and that he has never received any pay or remuneration, from any source whatever, for any part of the above claim.

In testimony whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my notarial [L. s.] seal, this 13th of November, A. D. 1857.

JOS. KELLOGG, *Notary Public.*

Territory of Kansas to Merrill Smith, Dr.

1855.		
December.—To use of two wagons and teams for 15 days,		
by requisition of Captain Dunn, at \$7 50 per day.....		\$225 00
1856.		
August and September.—To one two-horse wagon for five		
days, at \$5 per day.....		25 00
To use of one horse in Dunn's		
company, 30 days.....		30 00
To one horse lost in arrest.....		180 00
To use of 13 wagons, 34 days, at		
\$5 per day each wagon.....		2,210 00
Total.....		<u>2,670 00</u>

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

This affiant, William Burgess, being by me personally sworn, saith : That he was in charge of the teams that had the freighting of the material for building the capitol at Lecompton ; that he was employed by Mr. Merrill Smith to attend to the teams, and that said teams consisted of thirteen wagons, in August and September, 1856 ; for thirty-four days we were stopped at Lawrence, by the men there; we were detained at Lawrence half a day, and then went back towards the Missouri line, and were doing nothing for thirty-four days.

WM. F. BURGESS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas.

In testimony whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my notarial seal, this 13th of November, A. D. 1857.

[L. s.]

JOSEPH KELLOGG, *Notary Public.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

I, H. C. Dunn, captain of the " Salt Creek company " of the Kansas militia of the 4th regiment N. D. K. M., Leavenworth county, hereby certify that Merrill Smith furnished for the use of my company, while in service under the command of Colonels A. Payne and J. J. Clarkson, the two wagons and teams mentioned in his account for 15 days, the two-horse wagon for 5 days, and one other horse for 30 days. And I hereby certify that the amount of \$280 for the same is just and reasonable.

A. PAYNE,
Col. Com'g 2d Brig. N. D. K. M.
 H. C. DUNN,
Captain Salt Creek Company.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

This affiant, Lindsay Greeming, being by me personally sworn, saith : That he was with the teams of Mr. Merrill Smith while they were freighting material for building the capitol at Lecompton. The freight consisted of castings, &c., used for buildings. They were going from Kansas City to Lecompton by Lawrence ; that he was with them several days ; he would come up to Leavenworth sometimes and go back, and was with them the next day after they were stopped near Lawrence and detained there ; that the hauling of said freight was broken up and the team stopped, and they had to go back towards Missouri for safety, in which condition they remained for about thirty-four days, until the difficulties and excitement were over ; when the hauling was resumed there were 13 wagons engaged, and this all occurred in August and September, 1856, and I think his losses on account of the interruption of said team was worth \$2,210. This occurred during the political disturbances in the Territory. I know,

further, that two wagons and teams of Merrill Smith were used by Captain Dunn's company in taking out provisions, &c., about December, 1855, which were worth \$225, and he also furnished a horse to Captain Dunn's company for 30 days or thereabouts, and it was worth \$1 per day, making \$30; this was in August and September, 1856, and at the same time Captain Dunn had Smith's wagon and two horses for at least five days, which were worth \$5 per day

LINDSAY GREEMING.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public within and for the county of Leavenworth, Territory of Kansas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and notarial seal, this 13th November, 1857.

[L. S.]

JOSEPH KELLOGG, *Notary Public.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Merrill Smith, of \$2,670, there is proven and allowed \$280, of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 203.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, {
County of Leavenworth. }

Petition of Isaac House, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Isaac House, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that your petitioner has met and sustained a loss growing directly out of the difficulties of the Territory; that on or about the 10th of September, 1856, whilst the Territory was in a state of insurrection and rebellion, the governor of the Territory having by a proclamation called out the militia to assist in maintaining the peace and carrying out the laws of said Territory; that the company of Captain Martin, (a regularly commissioned officer of the militia of the Territory,) in obedience to said proclamation immediately assembled in Kickapoo, in said county and Territory; and the said company seized upon sixty bushels of corn, worth \$1 per bushel, total value being sixty dollars, to be used as forage for their horses, which corn was the private property of your petitioner, and for which he has received no compensation or indemnity whatever.

ISAAC HOUSE.

John W. Freeland, who, being duly sworn, says: That he has heard the foregoing petition of Mr. House, and knows that the facts set forth in the petition are true. Believes that the corn was taken by Captain Martin's company on or about the 10th of September, 1856. Believes they took sixty bushels at that time.

JOHN W. FREELAND.

And Alexander Ralston, who, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner; knows that he was a citizen of the Territory during the fall of 1856. Believes that he lost sixty bushels of corn in the manner and at the time alleged. The corn was well worth one dollar per bushel at that time.

ALEXANDER RALSTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, Josiah Elliot, a justice of the peace for Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory.

JOSIAH ELLIOTT, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

I, H. B. C. Harris, clerk of the board of county commissioners within and for the county aforesaid, do certify that Josiah Elliott, whose name appears signed to the foregoing certificate or proof of acknowledgment, is now, and was at the time of signing the same, an acting justice of the peace for said county, duly commissioned and qualified, and authorized to take such certificate or proof of acknowledgment. I am well acquainted with his handwriting, and believe the above to be genuine.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said board of county commissioners, it being a court [L. s.] of record or office, in Kickapoo city, this 13th day of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY B. C. HARRIS, *Clerk.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Isaac House there is proven the amount claimed, \$60, of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 204.

KICKAPOO, LEAVENWORTH COUNTY, K. T.,
November 30, 1857.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

Petition of A. M. Price, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature, approved February 23, 1857.

I, A. M. Price, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner, that your petitioner has met and sustained losses growing directly out of the difficulties of the Territory, by way of loss of property. One bay horse and saddle, the property of your petitioner, were taken from the premises of Johnson Mige, August 20, 1856, by an armed body of men, representing themselves as militia men. Your petitioner afterwards saw the said horse in the possession of a militia man, who belonged to Captain Miller's company. Your petitioner, with proof, went to

Captain Miller and demanded his horse, proving by Mr. Wood that said horse was the property of your petitioner. Captain Miller refused to give up said horse; and your petitioner has never recovered said horse or received any compensation for said loss. Horse and saddle were worth \$140.

A. M. PRICE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 30, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

William H. Elliott, who, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Price; knows that he is a citizen of the Territory; knows that about the time alleged that said petitioner lost one horse and saddle in the manner set forth in the petition. Saw the horse in possession of one of Captain Miller's men; knows that Captain Miller refused to give up the horse; believes that petitioner never recovered the horse or received any compensation therefor; believes the horse and saddle were well worth \$140; the horse was a bay, in good condition.

WM. H. ELLIOTT.

Sworn and subscribed before me, October 30, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

W. T. Wood, being duly sworn, says: That he knows the petitioner to have lost a horse about the time alleged in the petition; saw said horse in the possession of Captain Miller's company; know that Captain Miller refused to give up said horse. Believe the petitioner never received any compensation for said horse; never saw the petitioner with said horse afterwards. The horse was worth the sum of one hundred and forty dollars.

W. T. WOOD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, October 30 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of A. M. Price there is proven the amount claimed, \$140, of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 205.

ATCHISON, ATCHISON COUNTY, K. T.,
November, 1857.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison. }

Petition of Brown Ellit, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Brown Ellit, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in con-

sequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows: On or about the first of September, A. D. 1856, armed bodies of militia men, called out by requisition of Governor Shannon to suppress rebellion and insurrection and support the laws, encamped upon my claim, and while there used, destroyed, and fed away the articles charged in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof. One of said companies was known as the Kickapoo Rangers, commanded by Captain William Martin. The other companies I did not know. The charges made in said schedule for said articles are fair and reasonable. That for said losses I have never received any compensation or indemnity in any manner whatever.

BROWN ELLIT.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 2d November, A. D. 1857.

P. P. WILCOX,

Justice of the Peace in and for Atchison county, K. T.

Territory of Kansas to Brown Ellit, Dr.

1856.

Sept. 1.	To five acres of corn, nearly all destroyed, fed away by the Kansas militia.....	\$25 00
	500 rails, destroyed from enclosures, at \$5.....	25 00
	Garden potatoes, vegetables and vines used and destroyed by militia men.....	25 00
		75 00
		75 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Atchison, } ss.

W. J. Eagles, a man of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: I know that the petitioner is a citizen of Kansas Territory; have heard his petition read; know that he had the things charged in his schedule, and that they were taken and destroyed as alleged; think he has made his charges for them quite low; believe he had more than \$25 worth of corn destroyed, and more than \$25 of rails, and \$25 of potatoes and other garden vegetables destroyed.

W. P. EAGLES.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d November, 1857.

P. P. WILCOX,

Justice of the Peace.

Isam Edwards, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Brown Ellit; saw the militia taking his corn, and rails, and vegetables away, and using them. I think he had more than \$25 worth of corn destroyed, also more than \$25 worth of rails burned, and more than \$25 worth of vegetables taken away. Don't think he has ever received any pay for them.

his
 ISAM + EDWARDS.
 mark.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 2d November, A. D. 1857.

P. P. WILCOX,

Justice of the Peace for Atchison county, K. T.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Brown Ellit that the whole amount, \$75, is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

No. 206.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Atchison, } ss.

Petition of Harrison Weider, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Harrison Weider, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows: Between the 1st and 15th of September, A. D. 1856, when the Territory was in a state of insurrection, armed bodies of militia were called out by Governor Wilson Shannon to sustain the laws. One of these bodies of armed men, called the Kickapoo Rangers, commanded by one Captain William Martin, encamped near my premises for four days, and during their sojourn used, fed away, and destroyed one large rick of oats in one of my enclosures, containing one hundred dozen bundles, worth, on a fair estimate, 50 cents per dozen; that I could not prevent the use and destruction of said oats; that for said oats I have never received any compensation or indemnity in any manner whatsoever.

100 dozen bundles oats, at 50 cents.....\$50 00

HARRISON WEIDER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d day of November, A. D. 1857.

P. P. WILCOX,

Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Atchison, } ss.

Samuel Rider, a man of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner, Harrison Weider; he is a citizen of this Territory; have heard his petition read; know, of my own knowledge, that the facts therein set forth are true. The Kickapoo Rangers were encamped upon my premises, near the premises of Mr. Weider, as and at the time stated by him. I know he had the oats mentioned. I helped to cut them and bind them. There were as many as one hundred dozen bundles, if not more. They were well worth

50 cents per dozen, and I know that the rangers used and fed them to their horses, as alleged. Don't believe he has ever received any pay for them.

SAMUEL ^{his} + RIDER.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d November, A. D. 1857.
P. P. WILCOX,
Justice of the Peace.

W. J. Eagles, a man of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Harrison Weider; he is a citizen of the Territory. I know, of my own knowledge, that his oats were taken as alleged in his petition, by Kickapoo rangers. I think there was as much as a hundred dozen bundles destroyed. They were selling at the time at fifty cents per dozen. I do not think he has ever received any pay for them.

W. J. EAGLES.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 2d November, 1857.
P. P. WILCOX, J. P.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Harrison Weider the whole amount, \$50, is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 207.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } ss.

Petition of Hiram Quiet, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Hiram Quiet, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows: On or about the 21st of August, A. D. 1856, when the country was traversed by armed bodies of militia men, called out by requisition of the governor, Wilson Shannon, to suppress rebellion and insurrection, and to support the laws, I had three horses stolen from me at night, all bay mares; one was worth \$100, the second \$125, and the third \$70; all of which were afterwards seen in the possession of individuals of one of said companies of militia men, and I believe were taken by them. I have never received any compensation or indemnity for said losses in any manner.

HIRAM QUIET.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d day of November, A. D. 1857.

P. P. WILCOX, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } *ss.*

Harvey Poleet, a man of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Hiram Quiet; he is a citizen of this Territory. I have heard his petition read. I know that he had the three horses (mares) mentioned in his petition. They were worth fully the prices charged, respectively, \$100, \$125, and \$70. I believe they were taken by the militia men, as alleged. I saw them in the company of militia at Atchison, Kansas Territory, after the time stated. He has never recovered them, nor pay for them, that I know of.

HARVEY + POLEET.
his
mark.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 2d November, A. D. 1857.

P. P. WILCOX,
Justice of the Peace.

Thomas Poleet, a man of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Hiram Quiet; he is a citizen of this Territory. I know that three of his mares were taken by the Atchison company of militia. I saw them in the company afterwards. One of these mares he afterwards recovered, but she was again taken away, and I do not know what became of her. The first was worth between \$80 and \$100, the second was worth \$125, and the third about \$50. He has never received any pay for them that I know of.

THOMAS POLEET.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 2d November, A. D. 1857.

P. P. WILCOX, *J. P.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Hiram Quiet the whole amount, \$275, is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 208.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } *ss.*

Petition of W. J. Eagles, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, W. J. Eagles, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows: In August, 1856, one of my horses (the mare, saddle,

bridle, and blanket charged in the schedule made a part of this petition,) was forcibly and violently, and with menaces and threats, taken away from me by Captain Palmer's company of armed militia. Again, in September my fine iron-gray stallion was taken away from my agent, with saddle and bridle, by Captain Miller's company of armed men, and used in the service of the militia. When I returned from service in the militia called out by Governor Shannon, two yoke of my cattle were missing, and I believe were driven off by the militia on their return from said service. Other cattle were driven from the neighborhood by them at that time. The prices charged for all of said articles in the schedule are fair, just, and reasonable. I have never received any compensation for them, in whole or in part. An indictment was found by the grand jury against said Captain Miller for the taking of said stallion, and upon the trial a *nolle prosequi* was entered.

W. J. EAGLES.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d November, A. D. 1857.
P. P. WILCOX, *J. P.*

Territory of Kansas to W. J. Eagles, Dr.

September 1, 1856.	To 1 iron-gray stable horse, or stallion,	\$300 00
	To 1 bay mare - - - - -	100 00
	To 2 yoke work cattle, at \$75 - - -	150 00
	To 2 saddles, 1 at \$7, 1 at \$10 - - -	17 00
	To 1 saddle blanket, at \$2; 2 bridles, at	
	\$1 50 - - - - -	5 00
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W. J. EAGLES.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, }^{ss.}

John Rutledge, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, W. J. Eagles; he is a citizen of this Territory. Have heard his petition read. I know that his stallion and mare were taken as he has alleged. I saw them in the militia companies afterwards. I know that he lost two yoke of cattle as alleged. I believe they were taken by the militia on their return, as he stated. The stallion was worth \$300, the mare \$100, the cattle \$150.

his
JOHN + RUTLEDGE.
mark.

Attest:

WILLIAM O. YAGER.

C. S. Anderson, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Mr. Eagles. I was present when the militia took away the stallion mentioned in the petition, and also the saddle. The stallion was worth about \$300, the saddle between \$5 and \$10. I know that he

had such a mare as he has charged, and that she was missing after the time mentioned.

C. S. ANDERSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d day of November, 1857.
P. P. WILCOX, *J. P.*

Brown Ellit, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Mr. Eagles; he had two yoke of cattle stolen or driven away from his place about the time of the return of the militia from the service of the governor. They were encamped on the range where the cattle usually run. They drove off other cattle from the neighborhood; tried to drive off some of mine, but I *cried them out of it*. They killed one in my presence.

BROWN ELLIT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 2, 1857.
P. P. WILCOX, *J. P.*

Isam Edwards, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner. Saw his horse and mare in the service. They had his saddles and bridles upon them at the time. I know he had such cattle as he has charged, and that they were missing about the time stated. Believe they were taken, as alleged, by the militia. The horse was worth \$300, the mare \$100; the saddles were worth about \$10 apiece, the bridles about \$1 50 apiece, the cattle about \$75 or \$80 a yoke. He has never received any pay for these things, that I know of, nor recovered them.

his
ISAM + EDWARDS.
mark.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 2d November, A. D. 1857.
P. P. WILCOX, *J. P.*

I certify in the foregoing claim of W. J. Eagles that the whole amount of \$572 is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 209.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } *ss.*

Petition of Isaac Blessing, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Isaac Blessing, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows: On the night of the 9th of September, 1856, at the house of John Dean, in Jefferson county, an armed body of men under command of Captain Clark, of the northern army, violently entered

and took and carried away from me 1 saddle and rigging, worth \$35, 1 gun, worth \$14, and one revolver pistol, worth \$15. These prices are fair, just, and reasonable. I have never recovered said property nor any pay therefor, in whole or in part.

his
ISAAC + BLESSING.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 2, A. D. 1857.
P. P. WILCOX, J. P.

Michael Dean, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Isaac Blessing; he is a citizen of this Territory. I know, of my own knowledge, (for I was present and saw it all,) that all the articles charged in his petition were taken from him exactly as alleged, and that the prices charged for them are fair and reasonable. He has never recovered them, or pay for them, in any manner.

MICHAEL DEAN.

John Hart, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Isaac Blessing. I know he had such property as he has charged. I didn't see them taken, but have every reason to believe they were taken as he alleges. His prices charged are fair and reasonable. I have heard his petition read. He has never recovered them, nor pay for them, that I know of.

JAMES HART.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 2, 1857.
P. P. WILCOX, J. P.

I hereby certify in the foregoing claim of Isaac Blessing that the whole amount, \$64, is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 210.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } ss.

Petition of John Hart, of the county of Jefferson and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, John Hart, of the county of Jefferson and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows: On the 7th September, A. D. 1856, I had one bay mare stolen from me at night. I believe she was taken away by some of the armed bodies of marauders then traversing the country, and that the loss was solely in consequence of the difficulties in this Territory at the time. Others of my neighbors had horses stolen from them by some of said marauders about the same time. I never recovered said

mare, nor heard of her, nor any compensation or indemnity for her; she was worth, at a fair valuation, \$130.

JOHN HART.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 2, 1857.

P. P. WILCOX, *J. P.*

Michael Dean, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, John Hart; have heard his petition read; he is a citizen of this Territory. I know that the petitioner had such a mare as is described in his petition, and that she was taken, as he alleges, on the 7th September, 1856, I believe, by some of the company from Grasshopper falls, belonging to Jim Lane's command of rebels. The mare was worth \$130. Other horses were taken about the same time by Captain Clark's company, belonging also to Lane's command. He has never recovered this mare, or pay for her, that I know of.

MICHAEL DEAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 2, 1857.

P. P. WILCOX, *J. P.*

Isaac Blessing, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Mr. Hart; he is a citizen of the Territory. I know that he had such a mare as he has described in his petition stolen from him by Captain Clark's company of marauders; know that they stole others about the same time from the neighbors. The mare was worth \$130. He has never recovered her, nor pay for her.

ISAAC ^{his} X BLESSING.
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, November 2, 1857.

P. P. WILCOX, *J. P.*

I certify in the foregoing claim of John Hart that the whole amount, \$130, is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 211.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } ss.

Petition of Michael Dean, of the county of Jefferson and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Michael Dean, of the county and Territory as aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows: On the 9th of September, 1856, while wrapt in deep sleep at my home, an armed body of men, followers of Jim Lane, of the northern army, commanded by one Captain Clark, with force and

arms violently entered my house and premises, and took and carried away the horses and other articles mentioned in the schedule, annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof. I was powerless to resist their superior strength and numbers, and they took me away with them as a prisoner. The prices charged for these articles are fair, reasonable, and just. I have never recovered them, or any part thereof, nor pay for the same, in any manner whatsoever.

MICHAEL DEAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 2, 1857.

P. P. WILCOX, J. P.

Territory of Kansas to Michael Dean, Dr.

1856.

September 9.	To 1 sorrel horse.....	\$125 00
	1 sorrel mare.....	125 00
	2 saddles, at \$15; 2 bridles, at \$4 and \$2 50.....	36 50
	revolver pistol.....	20 00
	1 gun, at \$14; and shot-pouch and horn, \$1 50.....	15 50
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MICHAEL DEAN.

Isaac Blessing, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Michael Dean; he is a citizen of this Territory. I have heard his petition read. I was in bed with Mr. Dean on the night of the 9th of September, 1856, when Captain Clark's company entered the house and premises, and took and carried away the articles charged in his schedule, and myself and Mr. Dean as prisoners. His horse and mare taken from him that night by those men were worth \$125 each. His saddles were also taken by them; they were worth \$15 each; also the bridles, one worth \$4 and the other \$2 50. His revolver, taken also, was worth \$20; and his shot-gun, pouch and horn, were worth \$15 50. He has never recovered any of these articles, or pay for them.

ISAAC ^{his} × BLESSING.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 2, 1857.

P. P. WILCOX, J. P.

John Hart, being duly sworn, says: I know that the petitioner, Mr. Dean, is a citizen of the Territory. I know he had such horses as he charges; they were taken, I believe, as he has stated, by Lane's men. He had all the other property charged in the schedule, and has never had any such since. I know he was made prisoner on the night of the 9th September, 1856, and his property was missing after the same time. The valuation set upon the articles in his schedule are not only fair and reasonable, but low. He never recovered them, or pay for them.

JOHN HART.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 2, 1857.

P. P. WILCOX, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } *ss.*

I, Henry R. Weightman, clerk of the county court in and for the county, Territory aforesaid, hereby certify that P. P. Wilcox, whose genuine signature appears to the petitions of Brown Ellit, Harrison Weider, Hiram Quiet, W. J. Eagles, Isaac Blessing, John Hart, and Michael Dean, and the affidavits of W. J. Eagles, Isam Edwards, Samuel Rider, W. J. Eagles, Harvey Poleet, Thomas Poleet, John Rutledge, C. S. Anderson, Brown Ellit, Isam Edwards, Michael Dean, John Hart, Michael Dean, Isaac Blessing, Michael Dean, Isaac Blessing, John Hart, and before whom said petitions and affidavits were sworn to and subscribed, is, and was at the time, an acting justice of the peace, duly commissioned and qualified; and that Alfred G. Otis, before whom the petition of Thomas Poleet and affidavits of Hiram Quiet and George Poleet were subscribed and sworn to, is, and was at the time, an acting notary public, duly commissioned and qualified, and that all the official acts of said Wilcox and Otis are entitled to full faith and credit.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and set [L. s.] the seal of said county court, at office, in Atchison, this 3d day of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY R. WEIGHTMAN,
Clerk.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Michael Dean the whole amount, \$321 50, is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 212.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } *ss.*

Petition of Thomas Poleet, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Thomas Poleet, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows: About the 15th day of September, A. D. 1856, when the Territory was in a State of insurrection, and armed bodies of militia were called out by Governor Wilson Shannon to sustain the

laws, a lawless body of armed men, coming in from Nebraska Territory, as I believe, came by my place and took from me one large sorrel mare of the value of two hundred dollars, which I have been informed, and verily believe, was taken out from the Territory when said persons retreated back to Nebraska. The above value is a reasonable and moderate one for said mare. I have never received any compensation or indemnity for said property in any way whatever.

THOMAS POLEET.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, by Thomas Poleet, this 2d day of November, A. D. 1857.

ALFRED G. OTIS,
Notary Public for Atchison County, K. T.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } ss.

Hiram Quiett, being duly sworn according to law, states as follows: I know Thomas Poleet, who presents the foregoing petition. I know that he had a large sorrel mare, as within described, and that on or about the 15th day of September, A. D. 1856, she was taken from him by some of the armed bodies of men who were at that time passing through this section of country. I could not state positively where the men came from, but I know that said Poleet had his mare taken from him, and that he never recovered her. The Territory was at that time in a state of insurrection, and armed bodies of men were travelling the country in all directions. The said mare was taken out of the county, as I believe. I think that one hundred and seventy-five dollars would be a fair price for said mare. Mr. Poleet is a citizen of Atchison county, Kansas Territory, and has been for two years past, and lived here at the time of the loss above spoken of. He has never received any compensation for said mare, as I believe.

HIRAM QUIETT.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, by Hiram Quiett, this 2d day of November, 1857.

ALFRED G. OTIS,
Notary Public for Atchison County, K. T.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } ss.

George Poleet, of the county and Territory aforesaid, being duly sworn, states as follows: I know that Thomas Poleet had the sorrel mare spoken of in his petition, and that she was taken from him on or about the 15th of September, A. D. 1856, by some of the armed bodies of men who were then passing through the country. I have since learned that she was taken out of the Territory to Nebraska and Iowa, but have no knowledge where she now is, and do not think it possible to recover her. She was worth from \$175 to \$200. Thomas Poleet is a citizen of the Territory, and was at the time his property was

thus taken. He has never received any compensation, as far as I know, and if he had received any, I should doubtless have known it; I live close by him.

GEORGE POLEET.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, by George Poleet, this 2d day of November, A. D. 1857.

ALFRED G. OTIS,
Notary Public, Atchison County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of \$200 of Thomas Poleet, the amount of \$175 is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 213.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, special commissioner appointed to take proof of supplies furnished the Kansas militia, and for other purposes.

The undersigned hereby applies to you, and through you to the proper legislative assembly, for compensation for articles furnished the Kansas militia in December, A. D. 1855. He states that the two accounts, herewith filed, marked A and B—one for the sum of \$189 46, and the other for the sum of \$81 52—are true and correct accounts of the articles furnished Colonel D. M. Johnston's company of Kansas militia in December, A. D. 1855, by him, and that the articles mentioned were furnished by him at Atchison, Kansas Territory; that the price charged therefor is a fair and reasonable one; that he has as yet received no pay therefor from any person; that said articles were necessary for the troops then in service. He asks that said accounts be allowed, and that such provision be made for the payment of the same, as the law contemplates. He asks an order upon the territorial treasury, or other proper fund, for the payment of the same, and for all other legal and equitable relief. He calls attention to accompanying affidavits for full proof of his rights.

STEPHEN JOHNSTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27th day of October, A. D. 1857.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the [L. s.] seal of said court at Platte city, this 27th of October, 1857.

WM. C. REMINGTON,
Clerk Platte Circuit Court.

A.

Special requisition issued by order of Colonel D. M. Johnston for the use of the Kansas militia, ordered out by Wilson Shannon, governor of Kansas Territory, Atchison, Kansas Territory, December 1, 1855.

50 tin cups, at 6¼ cents, \$3 12; 5 camp kettles, at \$7 50...	\$10 62
8 frying pans, at 75 cents; 20 tin plates, at 20 cents.....	10 00
2 axes and handles, at \$1 65; 2 coffee mills, at 75 cents...	4 80
50 lbs. lead, at 10 cents; 28 lbs. powder, at 40 cents.....	16 20
4 bags buck shot, at \$3.....	12 00
3 blank books, at 50 cents; 1 bag salt, at 50 cents.....	2 00
2 wooden buckets, at 50 cents; 1 gross matches, at \$1 25.	2 25
10 gallons rectified whiskey, at 60 cents	6 00
1 gallon Cognac brandy.....	4 00
Jugs for whiskey and brandy.....	1 65
12 boxes sp. percussion caps, at 50 cents.....	6 00
6 covered tin buckets, at \$1.....	6 00
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I hereby certify that I have this day purchased and received, for the use above named, the above articles from Stephen Johnston, and that the above is correct.

D. M. JOHNSTON, *Colonel.*
 By J. H. THOMPSON, *Adjutant.*
 B. O'DRISCOLL,
Acting Commissary.

On this 24th day of October, A. D. 1857, personally appeared before the undersigned, Alfred G. Otis, a notary public, in and for Atchison county, Kansas Territory, B. O'Driscoll, who, being first duly sworn according to law, states as follows: I know Stephen Johnston, from whom the within list of articles was obtained on December 1, 1855. They were obtained from him at Atchison, Kansas Territory. I was acting commissary in Colonel D. M. Johnston's company of Kansas militia at that time. The Kansas militia, including said company, were then on duty suppressing rebellion, under the orders of Governor Wilson Shannon. The above articles were necessary for our troops, and were used by them at that time. I consider the prices charged as within a fair and reasonable price therefor. Said Johnston has not been paid anything thereon, as far as I am advised.

B. O'DRISCOLL.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, by B. O'Driscoll, this 24th day of October, A. D. 1857. Witness my hand and seal notarial, at Atchison the same date.

[L. s.]

ALFRED G. OTIS, *Notary.*

D. M. Johnston, being first duly sworn according to law, says that the above statement is true and correct, and that he was colonel of the company of Kansas militia in which said articles were used.

D. M. JOHNSTON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, by D. M. Johnston, this 24th day of October, A. D. 1857. Witness my hand and seal.

[L. s.]

ALFRED G. OTIS, *Notary.*

B.

Colonel D. M. Johnston, for use of Kansas militia, bought of Stephen Johnston.

8 bags, 100 lbs. each, superfine flour, at \$5.....	\$40 00
4 barrels crackers, at \$9.....	36 00
90 lbs. rice, at 12½ cents, \$11 25; 1 bag, at 75 cents.....	12 00
78 lbs. sugar, at 12½ cents, \$9 75; 1 bag, at 25 cents.....	10 00
1 box, 25 cents; 66 lbs. soap, at 10 cents, \$6 85.....	7 10
9 gallons vinegar, at 30 cents; packages, \$1 35.....	4 05
9 lbs. sperm. candles, at 37½ cents.....	3 38
450 lbs. bacon, at 15 cents; 54 lbs. coffee, at 17 cents; 1 bag, at 50 cents.....	77 18
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I hereby certify that the above goods were purchased for and received for the use of the Kansas militia, called out by order of Wilson Shannon, governor of Kansas Territory, and that said account is correct.

D. M. JOHNSTON,
Colonel North Kansas Regiment.

By J. H. THOMPSON,
Adjutant.

B. O'DRISCOLL,
Acting Commissary.

On this 24th day of October, A. D. 1857, personally appeared before the undersigned, Alfred G. Otis, a notary public in and for Atchison county, K. T., B. O'Driscoll, who, being first duly sworn according to law, states as follows: I know Stephen Johnston from whom the within list of articles was obtained on December 1, 1855; they were obtained from him at Atchison, K. T.; I was acting commissary in Colonel D. M. Johnston's regiment of Kansas militia at that time; the Kansas militia, including said company, were then on duty suppressing rebellion under the order of Governor Wilson Shannon; the above articles were necessary for our troops, and were used by them at that time; I consider the prices charged, as within, a fair and reasonable price therefor; said Johnston has not been paid anything therefor, as far as I am advised.

B. O'DRISCOLL.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, by B. O'Driscoll, this 24th day of October, A. D. 1857. Witness my hand and notarial seal the same date.

[L. s.]

ALFRED G. OTIS.

D. M. Johnston, being first duly sworn according to law, says that the above statement is true and correct, and that he was colonel of the company of Kansas militia in which said articles were used.

D. M. JOHNSTON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, by D. M. Johnston, this 26th day of October, A. D. 1857. Witness my hand and notarial seal.

[L. s.]

ALFRED G. OTIS, *Notary Public*.

The undersigned, Alfred G. Otis, states on oath as follows: That he well knows Stephen Johnston whose account is herewith presented; that he was at the time of furnishing these supplies a merchant doing business at Atchison, Kansas Territory, and residing there; that he well knows B. O'Driscoll and Colonel D. M. Johnston, whose affidavits are filed in this case; that they are gentlemen of respectability and truth, and that their testimony is entitled to full credit.

ALFRED G. OTIS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, by Alfred G. Otis, the 2d day of November, A. D. 1857.

[L. s.]

P. P. WILCOX,
Notary Public in and for Atchison County, K. T.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Stephen Johnston the whole amount of \$270 78 is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 214.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison, } ss.

Petition of David M. Bivens, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

I, David M. Bivens, of the county and Territory as aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory by way of loss of property since the organization of the Territory, as follows: On or about the 9th day of September, A. D. 1856, an armed body of marauders, under command of one Colonel Harvey, of the northern insurgent army of James H. Lane, at night, with force and arms, violently entered and took and carried away and

destroyed on the spot the articles charged in the schedule annexed to this petition and made a part hereof, from the storehouse of your petitioner in the county of Leavenworth. This was at and during the time that the militia of the Territory was called into service by the governor to suppress rebellion and insurrection, and to enforce the law. The prices charged for said articles are fair, reasonable and just. Your petitioner further showeth that for said losses he has never received any compensation or indemnity in any manner whatsoever. Your petitioner would further state under oath that, for security, he had removed his family from the Territory to Missouri, and was making arrangements and using his best efforts to remove his goods and family.

DAVID M. BIVENS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 6th November, A. D. 1857.
In witness whereof, I have this day set my hand and seal, this 6th [L. s.] November, 1857.

PHILIP P. WILCOX, N. P.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to David M. Bivens, Dr.

1856.		
September.	To 12 bolts cassinets, 22 yards per bolt, at \$1 per yard.....	\$264 00
	To 10 bolts tweeds, 22 yards per bolt, at \$1 50 per yard.....	280 00
	To 14 bolts satinets and cloths, 22 yards per bolt, at \$3 per yard.....	924 00
	To 6 cases men's boots, 12 pair, at \$5 per pair.	360 00
	To 3 cases men's brogans, 24 pair, at \$2 per pair.	144 00
	To 2 cases ladies' kip shoes, 12 pair, at \$1 50 per pair.....	36 00
	To 6 cases ladies' morocco gaiter boots and shoes, 24 pair in each case, at \$2 per pair...	288 00
	To 3 cases children's boots and shoes, 12 pair, at \$2 50 per pair.	90 00
	To 1 case men's silk hats, 6, at \$5 each.....	30 00
	To 1 case men's black Kossuth hats, 12, at \$3 each.....	36 00
	To 1 case men's brown slouch hats, 12, at \$1 25 each	15 00
	To 1 case men's wool hats, 8, at \$1 each.....	8 00
	To 1 case boys' wool hats, 6, at \$1 each.....	6 00
	To 1 case plush caps, 9, at \$2 50 each.....	22 50
	To 1 case plush caps, 10, at \$1 75 each.....	17 50
	To 1 case boys' caps, 12, at 75 cents each.....	9 00
	To 1 case ladies' bonnets, 12, at \$4 each.....	48 00
	To 6 bolts lawns, 16 yards, at 30 cents per yard	28 80
	To 12 bolts oiled gingham, 30 yards, at 45 cents per yard.....	162 00

To 60 bolts calicos, 33 yards, at 15 cents per yard.....	\$297 00
To 6 bolts worsted ladies' goods, 17 yards, at 40 cents per yard.....	40 80
To 144 pairs woolen socks at 30 cents per pair	43 20
To 1 show case contents, jewelry, combs, knives, &c.....	70 00
To queensware, consisting of plates, dishes, cups, saucers, pitchers, glass ware, mugs, castors, table and cupboard fixings, &c., &c.	250 00
To hardware, locks, and bolts, knives and forks, hinges, butts, screws, tacks, carpenters' tools, nails, cutlery, knives, razors, scissors, augers, &c.....	100 00
To groceries, sugar, coffee, tea, saleratus, tobacco, spices, ginger, cloves, &c., candies, confectionaries, &c.....	100 00
To drugs and patent medicines	40 00
To lot of ready made clothing, coats, pants, vests, shirts, &c.....	150 00
To 7 bolts domestics, 33 yards, at 12½ cents per yard, and tickings; 5 bolts osnaburgs, 33 yards, at 20 cents per yard, twilled; 6 bolts linens, bleached and brown, 12 yards, at 75 cents per yard.....	110 87½
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DAVID M. BIVENS.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Atchison, } ss.

William M. Stephenson, a man of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner, David M. Bivens; have heard his petition and schedule read over; he is a citizen of this Territory; he had a storehouse in Leavenworth county as alleged; I was in his storehouse two days before it was robbed; it then appeared as if he had just received a large stock of new goods; I was not sufficiently familiar with his store and business to swear directly to each item charged, but I believe that he lost all that he has charged, and that the prices are fair and reasonable; I never knew nor heard of his receiving any pay for them in any manner; the settlers in that neighborhood, at that time, had generally left the country on account of the disturbances, thinking that neither their persons nor property were safe, but at the mercy of lawless bands of thieves and marauders; I have every reason to believe, and do believe, that his store was robbed by the company of thieves under Colonel Harvey, as alleged by the petitioner; and it is generally believed throughout the neighborhood, I know.

WM. M. STEPHENSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 6th November, A. D. 1857.
 [L. s.] In witness whereof, I have this day set my hand and seal.
 PHILIP P. WILCOX, *N. P.*

John Braly, a man of lawful age, being duly sworn, upon his oath, says: I am well acquainted with the petitioner, David M. Biven; he is a citizen of the Territory; I have heard his petition and schedule read over; I was engaged in business for him as his clerk, in his store, on the 9th of September, A. D. 1856, when it was robbed; on the night of the 9th I was sleeping in a house a few rods from his storehouse; I left the storehouse about nightfall, securely locked and barred, with the key in my pocket; Mr. Bivens was on his farm that night, several miles from his store; before day, while it was yet quite dark, I was awakened by the firing of a gun, and a running of horses along the road leading by and from the storehouse, and found, on drawing near, papers and sundry little articles of merchandise lying in the road and about the door, which was standing half open; on entering I found it stripped—robbed of nearly everything of any value; there was left a few kegs of nails, molasses, vinegar, a few scythes and pitchforks; everything else was taken; I found old clothes, coats, hats, shoes, boots; &c., laying about the house, which had been left in exchange for new ones; I knew more about Mr. Bivens' stock of goods than he did himself; I have carefully examined his schedule, and know that he had all the goods that he has charged, and that they were stolen from his storehouse on the 9th of September; the wagon tracks, fresh that morning, and the quantity of goods taken, together with my horse, the robbing and depredations which had been going on, committed by said Colonel Harvey's company, his being encamped near said storehouse that evening, the declarations of men belonging to said company that it was Harvey's company which robbed Mr. Bivens' storehouse, all convince me and confirm me in the belief that it was robbed in the manner alleged in the petition. I am familiar with the prices of goods in that neighborhood, and say that the prices charged in his schedule are fair, just, and reasonable, and just such as goods were selling at, at the time and place. I have been acquainted and living with, and near the petitioner ever since; he has never received any pay for them, in whole or in part, to my knowledge.

JOHN BRALY.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 6th day of November, A. D. 1857.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto, this day, set my hand, and [L. s.] affixed the seal of my office, this 6th November, A. D. 1857.
 PHILIP P. WILCOX, *N. P.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of David M. Biven, the whole amount of \$3,970 67 is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 215.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Atchison. }

Personally appeared before me, Alexander E. Mayhew, a justice of the peace within and for Shannon township, in the county and Territory aforesaid, Ambrose Kenser, who being duly sworn, makes oath and says: That he is personally acquainted with James Cravens; that he was present on or about the 1st day of December, A. D. 1855, when the said James Cravens lent his bay horse, aged about nine or ten years, about fifteen hands one inch high, and worth about one hundred and twenty-five dollars, to one Amos Gröndike, for the purpose of serving in the militia force called out by the legal authorities to suppress insurrection in the Territory; that the said Amos Gröndike left the town of Atchison upon the said horse, in company with the force sent from that place; that, upon the return of said Gröndike, he said to deponent that he had lost the above described horse near Lecompton, while in the service above mentioned; that he heard the said Cravens upon one occasion request the said Gröndike to pay him the value of the said horse, which the said Gröndike promised to do; but this deponent verily believes that no satisfaction has ever been made to the said Cravens for the loss of the said horse.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of October, A. D. 1857.

ALEXANDER E. MAYHEW,
Justice of the Peace.

Deposition of Samuel T. Walters.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 Atchison County. }

Personally appeared before me, A. J. G. Westbrook, a justice of the peace, Samuel T. Walters, who being duly sworn, makes oath and says: That he was with Amos Gröndike on or about the 5th day of December, A. D. 1855, when he borrowed a bay horse, aged about nine or ten years, about fifteen hands high, of James Cravens, for service in the militia force, called out at that time by the legal authorities to repress insurrection in the Territory; that the said Amos Gröndike set out upon the said horse, and used him upon the aforesaid service until about the 7th or 8th of December, 1855, when he was lost or stolen from camp; that search was diligently made for the said horse, but he was never found; that this deponent does not recollect precisely whether he was present when the said horse was appraised, prior to being used in the service, but understood at the time that he was appraised at one hundred and twenty-five dollars; and this deponent verily believes that the said James Cravens has never received any compensation for the loss of said horse.

S. T. WALTERS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of November, 1857.

A. J. G. WESTBROOK,
Justice of the Peace.

I certify in the foregoing claim of James Cravens that the whole amount of \$125 is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 216.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of B. D. Castleman, of said county and Territory, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled an "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, B. D. Castleman, of Tecumseh, in the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner: That I have sustained losses and damages in consequence of, and growing directly out of, the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows: I have resided in the town, county, and Territory as aforesaid since the first day of June, A. D. 1856, and that I settled there in good faith to become a citizen of the same, and still reside there, desirous of living in a country where personal security and the rights of property are regarded by the inhabitants, and guaranteed by the federal arm in its protection to infant territories. The said Benjamin D. Castleman further says: I was engaged in the business of a merchant, and had acquired a considerable run of trade, and had on hand a considerable stock of assorted goods suitable to the market, on or about the 3d day of September, A. D. 1856. And the said Benjamin D. Castleman further says, that at the time of the said month of September, and for some time before, disorder, confusion, and robbery prevailed in the said territory; and also, that a large body of men, most of whom had been conducted into the territory by James H. Lane, about the first of August, A. D. 1856, and had collected and were encamped at Topeka, about five miles distant from Tecumseh; and on the third of the said month of September, a detachment of the said encampment at Topeka, numbering about fifty persons, armed with Sharpe's rifles, Colt's revolvers, pistols, bowie knives, and other deadly weapons, and mounted on horses, left the said town of Topeka, and, among other robberies, forcibly entered the store of the said D. B. Castleman, with the aforesaid weapons in hand, and forcibly and violently plundered, robbed, and carried away from the said store a small quantity of the goods aforesaid; and afterwards, on the next day, to wit: on or about the fourth of the said month of September, another detachment from the said encampment at Topeka, armed,

equipped, and mounted, as aforesaid, numbering about two hundred men, and accompanied with wagons, marched into and against the said town of Tecumseh, and, among other robberies, tumultuously surrounded, and forcibly and violently entered the said store of the said Benjamin D. Castleman and forcibly plundered, robbed, stole, and carried away from the said store the balance of said goods, loading the same into wagons, and otherwise taking the same to their encampment at Topeka aforesaid; that all of said goods so taken are charged at a fair and reasonable estimate in the schedule annexed to this petition and made a part thereof; that the aforesaid goods, wares, and merchandise were taken from the said store in his presence, by the aforesaid overpowering force, with menaces and threats of violence to his person, should he offer any resistance to the taking of his goods, wares, and merchandise, as aforesaid; and that he has made use of every means in his power to recover the aforesaid goods, wares, and merchandise, mentioned in the foregoing account, and has wholly failed to recover any part of the same; that the detachment aforesaid appeared to be under the command of Captains A. Jameson, Cleveland, and Charles Moffett; that the most, and nearly all the persons in the detachments and army aforesaid, are unknown to him, the said Benjamin D. Castleman, and, as far as known, are entirely irresponsible and unable to pay for the goods, wares, and merchandise aforesaid, so that he is wholly without remedy for the recovery of the same; and that he has never associated or identified himself with any parties, organizations, or societies calculated to disturb the peace and good order of society, and the prosperity of the Territory, but entirely devoted himself to his legitimate business, as a peaceable citizen of said Territory should do.

BENJ. D. CASTLEMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 29th, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to B. D. Castleman, Dr.

Groceries, &c.

Sugar, coffee, tea, rice, molasses, vinegar, soap, glass, candles, tobacco, cigars, matches, raisins, pepper, dried apples, peaches, saleratus, Brown's wooden buckets, wrapping paper, cinnamon, hair brushes, shoe brushes, meal sieves, mustard, indigo, sardines, oysters, blacking, salt, whiskey, brandy, wine, lemon syrup, pickles, pepper sauce, tomattoe catsup, candies, bed cords, plowlines, Manilla rope, cotton batting, soda, crackers, tar, cheese, figs, &c., &c.....

\$813 00

Dry Goods, &c.

Silks, muslins, delaines, Swiss shalla, silk and cotton handkerchiefs, bombazines, calicoes, blue and white drilling, bed ticking, crash, cambric, velvets, cloths, cashmeres, satinets, jeans, red and white flannel, hosiery, gloves, silk, cotton and flax threads, glazed wadding, woolen, cotton, and silk shawls, gingham, table cloths, checks, cottonade, cravats, goggles, spectacles, port-monies, hair oil, cologne, combs, tooth brushes, linen handkerchiefs, shirts, pants, vest and coat buttons, silk and patent-leather belts, jaconets, Irish linens, painted lawns, brown and bleached domestics, brown and bleached shirtings, hickory, fancy articles, &c.....	\$1,217 00
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Clothing, &c.

Pants, vests, coats, linen handkerchiefs, linen shirts, hickory shirts, calico shirts, lindsey shirts, flannel over-shirts, &c.....	325 00
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Books, stationery, &c.

School books, literary works, cap and letter and note paper, post office stamps, stamped envelopes, buff and white envelopes, pens and ink, &c.....	51 00
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Medicines.

Paregorics, vermifuge, eye-waters, liniments, pain-killer, sweet and castor oil, laudanum, calomel, epsom salts, essences, tinctures, extracts, &c.....	43 00
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Guns, ammunition, &c.

Three fine double barrellled shot guns.....	120 00
Powder, lead, shot, caps, flasks, shot bags, &c.....	186 00

Hardware, &c.

Nails, pocket knives, hatchets, axes, shovels, saws, drawing knives, hollow wares, padlocks, door locks, augers, chisels, table cutlery, hammers, gimlets, hinges, screws, razors, hoes, scythes, hay forks, &c.....	517 00
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Boots and shoes.

Men's boots, shoes and slippers, ladies' boots, shoes and slippers, boys and misses' boots, shoes and slippers, children's boots and shoes, child's shoes, infant's morocco shoes, &c.....	283 00
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Hats, caps, and straw goods.

Fur and wool hats, fur and plush and cloth caps, &c., straw and leghorn bonnets, straw hats, &c.....	\$132 75
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Tin and Queensware.

Buckets, pans, cups, canteens, coffee boilers, &c., cups and saucers, plates and bowls, &c.....	128 00
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B. D. CASTLEMAN.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas. }

Jesse Michener, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: That he was in the store of Benjamin D. Castleman, in the forenoon, on or about the 4th day of September, A. D. 1856, when a body of men, numbering from one hundred and fifty to two hundred men, armed with Sharpe's rifles and other deadly weapons, and arrayed in a hostile and warlike manner, marched into and against the town of Tecumseh, Shawnee, Territory aforesaid, and while other robberies, plunderings and pilferings were being committed, about thirty of said band marched in front of the store of said Benjamin D. Castleman, halted, and formed in battle array, and with force and violence entered the store of said Benjamin D. Castleman with the weapons aforesaid in hand, and with threats of immediately killing the said Benjamin D. Castleman, should he offer the least resistance to them; robbed and plundered the said store, loading the same into four or five wagons, and otherwise carried the same away. The goods, wares and merchandise aforesaid, consisted of the articles mentioned in the foregoing account; and the said Jesse Michener further says: That from his knowledge of the said store, the supplies received and sales made, he believes the foregoing account to be a correct and true-statement of the goods, wares and merchandise taken from said store at the time aforesaid; and further says, that the marauders aforesaid appeared to be under the command of one Captain Cleveland, and those in other parts of the town were commanded by persons unknown to him; but few of the persons aforesaid were known to him, and as far as known are worthless and irresponsible men, and the remainder being men from a distance, and from places unknown, and constituting a part of the encampment at Topeka, under the command of Jas. H. Lane. The said Jesse Michener further says, that the Territory at the time aforesaid, was in a state of disorder and insurrection; and the maruders aforesaid seemed to search for men in a defenceless condition, and then rob and plunder them of their property.

JESSE MICHENER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of January, 1857.

CHAS. P. BULLOCK,

*Clerk 2d judicial district court.*Per JOHN MARTIN, *Deputy Clerk.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
United States of America, } *ss.*

James M. Heron, of lawful age, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says: That the matters and things set forth in the affidavit of Jesse Michener, are correct and true as he verily believes; and further says, that he is a citizen of the county of Shawnee, and Territory aforesaid, resides near the town of Tecumseh, of said county, and was present at the store of the said Castleman, at the time of the robbery of the same, and believes the persons engaged in the robbery to be a maurauding and thieving band of robbers, and that their only object was plunder. And the said James M. Heron further says: That he was frequently present in the store of the said Castleman, before the robbery, and had a good opportunity to inspect his stock; and can safely say that he believes that there was the amount of goods taken that is claimed by said Castleman, and that the same is correct and true; and further saith not.

JAMES M. HERON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this ninth day of January, A. D. 1857.

CHAS. P. BULLOCK,
Clerk U. S. District Court, 2d Judicial District, K. T.

By JNO. MARTIN,
Deputy Clerk.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas, } *ss.*

Achilles M. Jordan, of lawful age, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says: That on or about the fifth day of September, A. D. 1856, in the Territory of Kansas aforesaid, he, the said A. M. Jordan, was at the town of Topeka, county of Shawnee and Territory aforesaid, and while there saw a company of men and teams leave town, and go in the direction of the town of Tecumseh, of said county, for the purpose, as they said, of procuring provisions, &c.; a few days afterwards I was again at the said town of Topeka, and there saw quite a large amount of goods, of various kinds, being divided out among the crowd present; this was just after the store of B. D. Castleman, of the town of Tecumseh, had been robbed; these goods had the appearance of having been plundered or stolen; the persons concerned with the goods were to me strangers, and unknown, and so far as I know are not responsible. I was invited among others to come up and take part, and finally did select a broom and meal sieve, thinking that should I ever find the proper owners of them that I would pay them; a few days after this the mark of these articles was identified by the clerk of the said B. D. Castleman, and claimed as the goods of the said Castleman, and as having been among those stolen from him a few days previous, and I was so well satisfied of the fact, that I paid him, the said Castleman, for them, without hesitating; and the said Jordan further says, that he has no doubt but the balance of the goods of said Castleman went at the same time, and in like manner; further, that they fell into the hands

of foreigners and dishonest men that will never account for them in any way or manner ; and the said affiant further says, that the Territory of Kansas was then in a state of general insurrection, and that the country was full of marauding parties of armed men, who robbed and plundered men and their houses when an opportunity offered ; and the said Jordan further says, that he verily believes that it was one of these lawless bands that robbed and plundered the store of said Castleman ; and the said Jordan further says, that the said B. D. Castleman is a peaceable and orderly citizen of the town of Tecumseh aforesaid, and known as a worthy and correct business man, and was at the time of the robbery aforesaid at home attending to his legitimate business.

A. M. JORDAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this ninth day of January, A. D. 1857.

CHAS. P. BULLOCK,

Clerk of U. S. Court, 2d Judicial District, K. T.

By JNO. MARTIN,

Deputy Clerk.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee. }

A. B. Eiland, of lawful age, being sworn, upon his oath deposes and says: That on the third day of September, A. D. 1856, he was present in the store of Benjamin D. Castleman, engaged there at that time as clerk, when a band of about fifty men, armed with Sharpe's rifles, pistols, and knives, entered and violently took and carried away, against the consent of said Castleman, a small part of the goods and merchandise in said store, belonging to said Castleman, declaring as they did so, that they intended to have other goods from the same place; in return for these goods they gave the said Castleman an order upon some company in Chicago for the amount of the goods, which order the deponent regards as utterly worthless and void; that again on the 4th day of September, 1856, a company of about one hundred and fifty men, armed, as was the company of the preceding day, with rifles, pistols, and knives, violently entered, took and carried away against the will and consent of said Castleman, the greater part of the goods, wares, and merchandise, composing the stock in trade of the said Castleman, amounting in value, as this deponent verily believes, to about thirty-five hundred or more dollars, including the value of the goods taken on the day previous, to wit, the 3d of September, A. D. 1856; that the said goods after being removed from said store, were deposited in four or five wagons, drawn by ox teams and taken from the town, beyond the power and control of Castleman; the goods, &c., above mentioned, consisted of the articles mentioned in the account herewith furnished by said Castleman, and now exhibited to deponent, which account this deponent says to the best of his belief is true; that of the company of armed men above mentioned, this deponent at that time knew not one, but now recognizes a man named

Charles Moffet, as one of the leaders of said company ; and as far as this deponent knows, they are and were worthless and irresponsible men, from whom said Castleman cannot expect to recover compensation by any process whatever ; that the condition of the Territory at that time was one of anarchy, confusion, rebellion, insurrection, murder, robbery, and the whole catalogue of calamities and villanies ; that said Castleman at that time was in a defenceless condition, and any forcible resistance to the action of said company by said Castleman would have been rash and imprudent, and would have exposed his life to immediate destruction ; that there was no place to which the said Castleman could have removed his goods, &c., without exposing them to seizure "*in transitu*;" that so far as this deponent knows, said Castleman has never received any pay for said goods, or any part thereof, except ninety cents received by this deponent from A. M. Jordan, for a broom and meal sieve, which were given to him in the distribution of the spoils at Topeka.

A. B. EILAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 6th of October, A. D. 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of \$3,815 75, there is proven \$3,815 75 of the private class, and awarded to the claimant, B. D. Castleman.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 217.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of William Matney, of the county of Shawnee, and Territory of Kansas, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, William Matney, of said county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows : On the 4th day of September, A. D. 1856, an armed body of men, calling themselves followers of James H. Lane, by and with his authority, took and carried away from my premises and possession, with force and arms, the articles charged at a fair and reasonable price in the schedule annexed to this petition and made a part thereof. The horses and equipments were taken for the use of Lane's men ; all or any part of which property I have never recovered or seen, nor received pay or indemnity therefor in any manner whatever. And that the men who took them are vagrant wanderers, and wholly worthless and irresponsible.

WILLIAM MATNEY.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 25th November, A. D. 1857.
 WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Wm. Matney, jr., Dr.

Sept. 4, 1856. One span of match sorrel horses.....	\$400 00
One saddle, bridle, blanket, and rope.....	20 00
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	420 00

WILLIAM MATNEY.

George Matney, a man of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I have heard the petition of William Matney read. He is a citizen of Shawnee county, Kansas Territory. I was sojourning at his house on the 4th of September, 1856, when an armed body of ten men, calling themselves Lane's men, came to his claim and took and carried away the property charged in his schedule, in the manner alleged in his petition. I know, of my own knowledge, that the facts therein set forth are true. His span of horses taken by them at that time was worth \$400; his saddle, bridle, blanket and rope were worth \$20.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 25, 1857.
 WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

William Yocum, a man of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: William Matney, the petitioner, is and has been a citizen of Shawnee county, Kansas Territory, for three years; I have heard his petition read. On the 4th September, 1856, I was at work loading hay in sight of his house; I saw an armed body of about ten men ride up to his house; I went to see what was going on; they had left when I got there. He told me that they had taken his horses, saddle, &c. I know he had such horses; have never seen them since; believe they took them as he alledges; they had taken other horses at that time from our neighbors. The span taken was worth \$400. His saddle, bridle, blanket, and rope were worth \$20. He has never recovered them, or pay for them.

WILLIAM YOCUM.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th November, 1857.
 WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

Personally appeared before me, William Yocum, county commissioner for Shawnee county, Kansas Territory, Thomas Herrold, who
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is of lawful age and to me well known, and deposeth and saith : I was living at William Matney's during the excitement in the Territory, and in the morning of the 4th of September, 1856, there was an armed force rode up to Mr. Matney's and took two of his horses, and two of Mr. George Matney's, and also their saddles and blankets and bridles. And further the deponent saith not.

THOMAS HERROLD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 6th day of November, 1857.
WILLIAM YOCUM,
County Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of William Matney, of \$420, there is proven \$420, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 218.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } *ss.*

Petition of George Matney, late of the county of Shawnee, Territory of Kansas, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, George Matney, late of the said county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows: On the 4th September, 1856, while sojourning at the house of William Matney, jr., an armed body of men, belonging to Jim Lane's command, entered upon his premises and took and carried from my possession a span of horses, one worth \$200, the other \$150, and saddle, bridle, blanket, and ropes, worth \$25; all of which were my property. These prices are fair, just, and reasonable. I have never recovered said property, or any part thereof, or any pay or indemnity therefor, in any manner whatsoever. The persons who took them are vagrants, and are wholly worthless and irresponsible.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, the 25th of November, 1857.
WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

William Matney, jr., being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, George Matney; he was a citizen of this county and Territory on the 4th of September, 1856; I have heard his petition read; he

was at my house at that time, when an armed body of ten men came and took and carried away, with force and arms, as alleged in his petition, the horses, saddle, bridle, and rope, therein charged. The facts set forth in his petition are true, I know of my own knowledge. One of the horses they took from him was worth \$200; the other, \$150. His saddle, bridle, blanket, and ropes, were worth \$25. He has never recovered them, or any pay for them.

WILLIAM MATNEY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 25, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

William Yocum, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, George Matney; have heard his petition read; he was a citizen of this county and Territory on the 4th of September, 1856, when an armed body of men came to the house of William Matney and took and carried away from him two horses, one worth \$200, the other \$150; and also one saddle, bridle, blanket, and ropes, worth \$25. He has never recovered them, or pay for them.

WILLIAM YOCUM.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 25, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of George Matney, of \$375, there is proven \$375, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 219.



TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee. }

Petition of Samuel E. Thompson, of said county and Territory, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Samuel E. Thompson, of said county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about the 26th of July, 1856, when bodies of armed men were scouring the country in search of horses to mount men for the purpose of escorting James H. Lane and his army into this Territory from Nebraska and Iowa, one horse, of the value of \$80, and one mare, worth \$200, were taken from the prairie at night, near my house, in Shawnee county, Kansas Territory; said horses were taken, as I am informed, and believe from facts afterwards

ascertained, by the men belonging to the company of outlaws and horse thieves, commanded by one Captain Abbott, of the northern or insurgent army. In company with several of my neighbors I made pursuit, and heard of the passing of horses through Bloomington, ten miles east of my home; in the after part of said night we came upon a company of armed men, belonging to said northern army, who proffered to deliver them up upon the condition that we should *press* horses from pro-slavery or conservative men, and, in return, receive our horses and one-half the valuations of the horses so *pressed* and delivered to them. This proposition I declined. We made further diligent efforts and search, without success. I applied to Captain Newby, of the United States dragoons, for an escort of troops to assist me in the recovery, which was refused. Afterwards, to wit, in the spring of 1857, I recovered, at an expense of \$12, the horse above mentioned, so much abused as now to be to me almost utterly worthless, and I would gladly take for him the \$12 expended in his recovery. I have never recovered any compensation or indemnity for said losses in any manner whatsoever. The persons belonging to the company which took them are wholly irresponsible and worthless.

SAMUEL E. THOMPSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 26, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

William C. Murray, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Samuel E. Thompson; have heard his petition read; he is a citizen of this county; I know that Mr. Thompson lost the horses described in his petition, as alleged; they were worth the prices charged; went with him in pursuit of them; the statements made about the search and pursuit are true; I know that he recovered his horse almost worthless, as he states; I would not winter him for him, nor give \$12 for him.

WILLIAM C. MURRAY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 26th of November, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

W. G. Johnson, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Samuel E. Thompson; have heard his petition read; he is a citizen of this Territory; the facts set forth in the petition are true, I know of my own knowledge, except the proposition from the armed company, which I did not hear, but believe to be true. I know they were stolen on the night stated, from the evidence and traces I saw the next morning. The bell was taken off and thrown in the fence corner; the fence was thrown down to catch them, &c. I believe they were taken by Abbott's company; they were worth the prices charged. The one recovered is not, and has not been, worth anything, in my estimation, since his recovery; I have helped to get him up several times; sometimes could not get him up.

W. G. JOHNSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 26th of November, 1857.
 WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of \$280, of Samuel E. Thompson, of a private class, the whole amount claimed is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 220.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of W. G. Johnson, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, W. G. Johnson, of said county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows: On the 26th of July, 1856, when bodies of armed men were scouring the country in search of horses to mount men for the purpose of escorting James H. Lane and his army into this Territory from Nebraska and Iowa, one sorrel horse, worth \$125; one bay mare, worth \$125; one mule colt, \$40. In company with several of my neighbors, Messrs. Thompson and Murray, I made pursuit, and heard of the passing of horses through Bloomington, ten miles east of my home, in the after part of the said night. We went to the United States dragoons, and asked for an escort of troops, but were refused by Captain Newby, of the United States army. We made further diligent search and pursuit, without success. I have never recovered any of said property, nor pay for them, in any manner whatsoever.

W. G. JOHNSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 26, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

Samuel E. Thompson, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Mr. Johnson. He is a citizen of this county, Kansas Territory; have heard his petition read. I know, of my own knowledge, that the facts set forth in his petition are true, and that the men of Captain Abbott's company acknowledged to me that they had Mr. Johnson's horses in their company; said they would give them up if we would "press" other horses from pro-slavery or conservative men and deliver them to them; said we would do well to get away from them with our heads and without our horses; they

threatened and abused us. I think the mule colt cheap at \$40. The horse and mare were worth the prices charged. He has never recovered them.

SAMUEL E. THOMPSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 26th of November, 1857.

W. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

William C. Murray, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Mr. Johnson. He is a citizen of this county, Kansas Territory; have heard his petition read. I know, of my own knowledge, that the facts set forth in the petition are true, except the application to Captain Newby, which I believe to be true. The prices charged for the horses and mule colt, I think, are fair and reasonable. He has never recovered them, nor pay for them.

WM. C. MURRAY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 26th of November, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of William G. Johnson, of the private class, the whole amount claimed (\$290) is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

No. 221.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of Robert A. Edwards, of said county and Territory, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Robert A. Edwards, of said county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioners, that I have sustained losses and damages in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows: On or about the last of August and 1st of September, A. D. 1856, when the Territory was in a state of rebellion and insurrection—when the acting governor, Woodson, by proclamation, had called out the territorial militia to sustain the laws—when James H. Lane had brought in a horde of armed men from Iowa, Illinois, &c., to resist the authorities of law in this Territory—an armed body of men, in command of Captain Jameson, a follower of said Lane, came to my claim, in Shawnee county, Kansas Territory, within two miles of Topeka, where the free State or northern army of insurgents were camped and quartered, and, with force and arms, threats, and menaces of violence, drove and forced me and mine away from my home on said claim; also assured me and swore that if I

returned to said claim they would kill me. Thereupon and thus I was forced to quit my home and join the militia of the Territory to suppress the rebellion. When and subsequently, at sundry times, they, the said body of armed men, took and carried away or destroyed upon the premises all of the articles charged in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof. Being thus forced from my home and my property, it was left in an entirely unprotected and defenceless condition. Said body of armed men, under said Captain Jameson, and sundry other bodies, all belonging to said northern army, under the lead of said General James H. Lane, at divers subsequent times took and carried away all the articles charged in said schedule. The said northern army were encamped at the time stated at Topeka, in two miles from my said claim, and used the stock and provisions and forage charged for their maintenance and the sustenance of their stock. A part of said army made their quarters in my house for some time, and thus completed the entire destruction and consumption of my property. The prices charged for said property are fair, just, and reasonable, and only such as it would have sold for at the time. I have never recovered said property, nor pay or indemnity therefor, in any manner whatsoever, in whole or in part.

R. A. EDWARDS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

SCHEDULE.

40 hogs, at \$14, \$560; 15 sows, with pigs, at \$8, \$120...	\$680 00
10 2-year cattle, at \$25. \$250; 5 yearlings, at \$10, \$50	300 00
1½ set harness, at \$35, \$52 50; 1 wagon, at \$100.....	152 50
5 ox yokes, at \$2 50, \$12 50; 7 log chains, at \$1 50, \$10	22 50
3 ploughs, at \$6, \$18; 200 bushels potatoes, at \$1 50, \$300	318 00
180 bushels oats, at \$1 25, \$225; 10 acres corn, at \$35, \$350	575 00
500 feet plank, at \$4, \$20; 1 cross-cut saw, at \$8.....	28 00
4 augers, at \$1, \$4; 2 chisels, at 50 cents, \$1.....	5 00
1 handsaw, at \$3; 2 wagon sheets, at \$1 50, \$5.....	8 00
1 wagon sheet, at \$5; 1 dining table, at \$8.....	13 00
1 breakfast table, \$5; 1 set chairs, at \$6.....	11 00
6 books, at \$5; 4 dozen chickens, at \$4, \$16.....	21 00
3 turkeys, at \$1, \$3; women's and children's clothing, \$50.....	53 00
2 wash tubs, at \$1 25, \$2 50; 1 churn, at \$1 25.....	3 75
1 wash board, at 75 cents; 1 grindstone, at \$5.....	5 75
1 spade, at \$1 50; 1 pitchfork, at \$1.....	2 50
1 garden rake, at 50 cents; 1 bedstead, at \$5.....	5 50
1 crib, at \$6; 1 cooking stove, at \$30.....	36 00
3 sacks flour, at \$6, \$18; 2 sacks meal, at \$2, \$4.....	22 00
50 lbs. meat, at 16 cents, \$8; 4 bushels onions, at \$3, \$12	20 00
34 gallons pickles, at \$1, \$34; 8 do. preserves, at \$1, \$8	42 00
20 lbs. sugar, at 20 cents, \$4; 3 blankets, at \$5, \$15.....	19 00

6 quilts, at \$5, \$30; 3 comforts, at \$2, \$6.....	\$36 00
1 bolt factory, at \$4 50; 15 yards factory, at 15c., \$2 25	6 75
12 sheets, at 75 cents, \$9; 6 table cloths, at \$1, \$6.....	15 00
7 pillow slips, at 25 cents, \$1 75; 1 overcoat, at \$10...	11 75
2 trunks, at \$3, \$6; 1 door-lock, at \$1 25.....	7 25
1 sash and glass, at \$1 80; $\frac{1}{2}$ sack salt, at \$2 40.....	4 20
1 bushel dried applies, at \$3; 2 flat irons, \$1 75.....	4 75
2 axes, at \$1 25.....	2 50
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R. A. EDWARDS.

William B. Edwards, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Robert A. Edwards; he is a citizen of this Territory; I have heard his petition and schedule read over; I was living near said petitioner at the time he was driven from his claim; I know that he was driven from his claim, as he states; I was familiar with his household, and with his farming business; I know that at the time he was driven away he had all the property charged in his schedule, except the cattle; as to the number of them I cannot speak positively; I know he had some, and I know that when he returned all his property was taken away or destroyed; I did not see them taken away, for I was driven away in the same manner by the same men, at the same time; but I know that the companies of armed men encamped at Topeka at that time were in the roguing business, and had been robbing around through the neighborhood; and although I did not stay to see them take all these things, I have good reason to believe, and do believe, that they took everything that he has charged; I think all the prices charged are fair and reasonable; I do not think he ever recovered any of said property, or any pay for it.

WILLIAM B. EDWARDS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st December, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

S. M. Edwards, being duly sworn, says: I am well acquainted with the petitioner, Robert A. Edwards; he is a citizen of this Territory, and has been for more than three years; I have heard his petition and schedule read; I left the Territory the last of June, A. D. 1856; at that time the petitioner had most all the articles charged in his schedule—the sugar, coffee, meal, and flour, and some few of the cattle, were bought afterwards; I returned the 2d of September; at that time all of his property was gone; his corn and potatoes were planted and growing when I left, and were all gone and destroyed when I returned; I had been living with him for six or eight months before I left, and knew all about his property and business, and can speak positively as to what he had; he has charged very reasonable prices for his property; I have been living with him since I returned, and I know that he has not recovered the property, and do not think he has received any pay for it.

S. M. EDWARDS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 1, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I. M. Edwards, being duly sworn, says: I know Robert A. Edwards, the petitioner, well; I have heard his petition read; I was living near the claim of Robert A. Edwards about the last of August, A. D. 1856; I know that he was driven from his house and home, as he alleges; I know that he had cattle at that time, and was buying stock during the summer season; I do not know exactly how many he had, or how many he lost; I know he had a great many swine; he had forty barrows running in one gang; and had also more sows and pigs than he has charged; he has charged a very reasonable price for the swine; he had fully as much corn and potatoes destroyed as he has charged; I do not know of all the little articles about the house being taken, but there are a great many that I know of; I know that he had all just such property as he has charged, and I believe it was all taken and destroyed, as he has alleged; for all the articles charged he has made a reasonable estimate; he has never recovered any of said property, or pay therefor, that I know of.

I. M. EDWARDS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st December, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

Jesse W. Stephenson, being duly sworn, says: I know Robert A. Edwards, the petitioner; I have heard his petition read; I have been living on the claim adjoining his for more than two years. About the last of August or first of September, 1856, after the petitioner had been driven away from his home, as he alleges, I saw an armed body of men draw away from his claim two wagon loads of oats, one wagon load of green corn in ears; on the corn was a cooking-stove, a crib-cradle, a large dining-table, a lot of clothing and bed-clothing, a wagon sheet, &c. When I saw them they were within half a mile of his house; I recognized the property as the property of the petitioner. Said body of men were a part of the northern army, then encamped at Topeka; they were driving in the direction of Topeka, and I believe were taking these things there. The petitioner had as many oats destroyed, I think, as he has charged. His potatoes would have amounted to two hundred bushels, if they had turned out well. I cannot say positively how much corn was destroyed; it would have yielded forty bushels to the acre; corn was selling that fall at seventy-five cents per bushel; I cannot say how many acres of corn he had destroyed; I know that there was a great quantity destroyed. I believe he had hogs destroyed, as he alleges; I heard them shooting over on his claim; and am informed and believe that they hauled four hogs to Topeka that same day. I bought some hogs, a part of the petitioner's lot of hogs, and one of them weighed, when killed, one hundred and ninety-seven pounds, net. I know that he had hogs, and sows, and pigs missing at that time. I know that he had a lot of two-year old cattle; I saw him hunting them after the

difficulty ; I have never seen him with them since ; do not think he ever found them. He also had some yearlings missing after the fracas. I know he had all such things as he has charged. I know that before the difficulties he had a home of ease, comfort, and plenty ; that he was menaced and driven away, and threatened with death if he returned ; that when he returned in September, 1856, his house and premises were stripped of everything movable, and his home turned into a waste. I have heard his schedule read ; I think his charges are reasonable enough for this country. I was satisfied that there were men lurking around his place waiting for him, and did not feel safe to go there during the difficulty.

JESSE W. STEPHENSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 1, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

A. W. Pardee, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Robert A. Edwards ; have heard his petition read. On or about the first of September, 1856, I was at the claim and house of petitioner ; passed by, coming from Topeka to Tecumseh ; when near his claim I saw three wagons and ox teams coming from his cornfield loaded with corn ; I supposed that corn belonged to Mr. Edwards ; when I arrived in town I understood that that corn was taken from Mr. Edwards' claim by the northern army. I was perfectly satisfied that such was the case.

A. W. PARDEE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 1, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

J. Morman, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Robert A. Edwards ; have heard his petition read. On or about the first of September, 1856, on Sunday, I was at Mr. Edwards' house on his claim, when an armed body of men, belonging to the northern army, came up to said house and took me prisoner, and took my horse from me, and offered me a seat in an ox wagon, which they took from said Edwards' claim. They loaded said wagon with cabbage and other garden vegetables. They then drove off to Topeka. Mr. Edwards had been driven from home by them before that time. There were ten men in that squad.

J. MORMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 1, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Robert A. Edwards there is proven the whole amount claimed, \$2,443 80, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 222.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of James Willoughby, deceased, late of the county of Leavenworth, Territory aforesaid, by Harvey Rupe, his administrator, duly appointed and qualified in pursuance of law, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Harvey Rupe, as administrator of James Willoughby, deceased, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I am informed and believe that my decedent, James Willoughby, sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of the Territory, as follows: On or about the 1st of September, 1856, an armed body of men, consisting of eighty or one hundred, commanded by one Colonel Harvey, of the northern or free-State army, then in resistance of the laws and territorial militia, called out by proclamation of Acting Governor Woodson to suppress rebellion and insurrection, came to the premises of said deceased, and, with force and arms, took and carried away from the possession of my decedent the four mules, two horses, and harness charged in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof. The rifle-gun was taken at the same time, by the same company, from the storehouse of one Mr. Dawson, in the village of Easton, in said Leavenworth county. The last mule charged was taken or "pressed" by a company of territorial militia, calling themselves the Carolina company, without any order or authority from any commander. The prices charged for said property are fair, just, and reasonable. My decedent never recovered said property, nor any pay therefor, neither have I recovered any of it or pay for it, in whole or in part, for him.

HARVEY RUPE,
Administrator.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d December, A. D. 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to James Willoughby's estate, Dr.

1856.	September 1.	To four mules	\$500 00
		To two horses.....	225 00
		To set of harness for ten horses in saw-mill	50 00
		To one rifle-gun	12 00
		To one mule taken by the Carolina company.....	125 00
			912 00
			912 00

HARVEY RUPE.

Harvey Rupe, administrator as aforesaid, produced and exhibited his letters of administration duly authenticated and in due form of law, under the hand and seal of the clerk of the probate court in and for said county of Leavenworth.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

Jane Willoughby, widow of James Willoughby, deceased, being duly sworn, says: I have heard the petition of Harvey Rupe, administrator of James Willoughby, my deceased husband, read. I know that my husband lost, during the difficulties in this Territory, about the 1st of September, 1856, all the property charged in the schedule of his administrator. I was not present when Colonel Harvey's company took the property charged, but I saw the company going off with one of the horses and one of the mules charged. I could not recognize the other mules and horses from the house where I was. They took the horse Mr. Willoughby was riding, and took him prisoner. Mr. Willoughby told me that they had taken his rifle from Mr. Dawson's store. One of the men belonging to the Carolina company of militia told Mr. Willoughby, in my presence, that his mule was "*pressed*" for the use of their company. The prices charged for these articles in the schedule are fair and just. Mr. Willoughby told me he was offered \$150 for one of the mules before they were taken. He never recovered any of said property, nor pay therefor, in whole or in part. Mr. Willoughby came to Kansas and settled in August, 1855.

JANE WILLOUGHBY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, December 2, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

A.

This day personally appeared before the undersigned, a justice of the peace within and for Leavenworth county, Andrew Oliphant and William Ridenour, and made oath that about the 9th day of September, 1856, and during the late difficulties in Kansas Territory, a company of men, said to be commanded by a Colonel Harvey, took from James S. Willoughby, then a resident of Leavenworth county, one bay horse, of the value of seventy-five dollars, also five mules, of the value of one hundred dollars each; in all, five hundred dollars; also, one lot of gearing, valued at forty dollars, with what had been destroyed by them. James S. Willoughby was then a resident of Leavenworth county, in Kansas Territory.

A. OLIPHANT.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of December, 1857.

J. M. GALLAGHER,
Justice of the Peace.

This day personally appeared before the undersigned, a justice of the peace within and for Leavenworth county, Samuel H. Oliphant, and made oath that on or about the 9th day of September, 1856, he saw in possession of Colonel Harvey's company five mules, value about one hundred dollars each, in all, about five hundred dollars; also, one bay horse, value about seventy-five dollars, being the same described and valued by Andrew Oliphant and William Ridenour in affidavit marked A; also, one sorrel mare, value of eighty dollars, the property of James S. Willoughby, then a resident of Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory. Deponent says that this took place during the difficulties in Kansas Territory.

SAMUEL H. OLIPHANT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of December, A. D. 1857.

J. M. GALLAGHER,
Justice of the Peace.

This day personally appeared before the undersigned, a justice of the peace within and for Leavenworth county, Thomas A. Minard and Wm. H. Mackey, and made oath that on or about the ninth day of September, 1856, they saw in possession of one Colonel Harvey's company, then in the town of Easton, and during the difficulties then existing in Kansas Territory, five mules, value about one hundred dollars each; in all, about \$500; also, one sorrel mare, value about \$80; also, one bay horse, worth about one hundred dollars; all being the property of James S. Willoughby, then a citizen of Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory.

THOMAS A. MINARD.
WILLIAM H. MACKEY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of December, 1857.

J. M. GALLAGHER,
Justice of the Peace.

This day personally appeared before the undersigned, a justice of the peace within and for Leavenworth county, Samuel J. Kookagy, and made oath that on or about the ninth day of September, 1856, he saw in possession of Colonel Harvey's company five mules, value about \$100 each; also, one sorrel mare, value about \$80; also, one bay horse, value about \$100; also, one rifle, value about \$12; in all, \$692, the property of James S. Willoughby, and for which he has never recovered any compensation. This was during the difficulties in Kansas Territory, and said Willoughby was at that time a citizen of Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory.

SAMUEL J. KOOKAGY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of December, 1857.

J. M. GALLAGHER,
Justice of the Peace.

This day personally appeared before the undersigned, a justice of the peace within and for Leavenworth county, M. H. Comstock, and made oath that about the latter part of August, 1856, a company of men, supposed to be South Carolinians, had taken from James Willoughby a brown mule, marked H. S. on left hip, value about \$100. This was during the difficulties in Kansas Territory. James S. Willoughby was then a citizen of Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory.

M. H. COMSTOCK.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of December, 1857.

J. M. GALLAGHER,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

I, George W. Purkins, judge of the probate court in and for the Territory and county aforesaid, which said court is a court of record, do hereby certify that J. M. Gallagher is and was an acting and qualified justice of the peace for Leavenworth county at the time of the date of the above instruments of writing, and that his genuine signatures are hereunto attached, and that full faith and credit should be attached to his official acts.

In testimony whereof, I, George W. Purkins, judge of the said [L. S.] court, have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at office, this 8th day of December, 1857.

GEORGE W. PURKINS,
Judge.

I certify that of the foregoing claim of James Willoughby, of \$912, there is proven \$692, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 223.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of William B. Edwards, of the said county and Territory, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, William B. Edwards, of said county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows, to-wit: On or about the 4th of September, 1856, an army of men, under command of General James H. Lane, were encamped

and embodied at Topeka, in this county, about 2½ miles from my home and claim, for the purpose of resisting to the death, as they said, the laws of this Territory.

My politics were those of the law-and-order party, and thus being opposed to theirs, I was threatened with death at sundry different times by them. Fearing violence at their hands, I was forced to leave my home in an unprotected and defenceless condition and join the militia called into service by proclamation of Acting Governor Woodson. While in the service of said governor my house, home, and premises, were robbed of all the articles charged at fair and reasonable rates in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof, by the men belonging to said army, for which I have never received any compensation or indemnity in any manner whatsoever.

W. B. EDWARDS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 5th December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

1 breakfast table, at \$5; 1 beadstead, at \$5	- - -	\$10 00
6 hams, at \$2 50, \$15; 4 shoulders, at \$2 50, \$10	- - -	25 00
4 middlings, at \$2 88, \$11 52; 2 sacks flour, at \$6, \$12	- - -	23 52
2 sacks meal, at \$2, \$4; 40 bushels potatoes, at \$1 50, \$60	- - -	64 00
2 acres of corn, at \$10, \$20; 1 axe, \$1 50	- - -	21 50
1 spade, at \$1 25; 1 sack table salt, 50 cents	- - -	1 75
1 rope, 50 cents; 1 overcoat, \$8; 1 overcoat, \$15	- - -	23 50
1 dress coat, \$16; 1 satin vest, \$4; 4 pair pants, at \$4, \$16	- - -	36 00
1 bolt factory, at \$3 75; ¼ bolt factory, \$1 50	- - -	5 25
Women's clothing, \$50; 250 feet lumber, at \$4, \$10	- - -	60 00
4 shoats, at \$2, \$8; 1 sow and pigs, \$8	- - -	16 00
2 quilts, at \$2 50, \$5; 25 pounds coffee, at 20 cents, \$5	- - -	10 00
15 pounds sugar, at 20 cents, \$3; 1 window sash and glass, \$1 80	- - -	4 80
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T. J. Edwards, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Wm. B. Edwards; have heard his petition read; he is a citizen of this Territory; I was at the house of the petitioner on or about the 2d September, 1856, after he had been threatened, as he alleges, and driven from home. At that time I saw all the articles charged in his schedule at his premises and house. I was at his house again about the last September, 1856, when the house was stripped and robbed of everything. I was with him most all the while after he was driven away until he returned, and am certain that he did not take the things away himself, nor have them taken away; I was familiar with his house and family; upon a careful examination of

his schedule I recognize all the articles and think the charges all reasonable enough. He has never recovered any of these articles that I know of, nor pay for them. I have good reasons to believe, and do believe, that they were taken away by the men under command of General James H. Lane, at that time encamped at Topeka, within 2½ miles of petitioner's house.

T. J. EDWARDS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, 5th December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I M. Edwards, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Wm. B. Edwards; he is a citizen of this Territory; have heard his petition and schedule read; I know that he was threatened and driven away, as he alleges; like the others, I was run off too, and did not stay to see what was done; I know when I left he had most all the articles he has charged; I don't recollect all the little items. When I returned, at the same time he did, there was nothing in the house nor on the claim; the house had been broken open, and every appearance indicated that it had been robbed; and I believe it was robbed by the men encamped at Topeka, as he alleges. I joined the territorial militia at the same time that R. A. Edwards, T. J. Edwards, and Wm. B. Edwards did. The prices charged are fair and just. He has never received any of said articles that I know of. I know his corn and potatoes were destroyed; he had as many, and as much, as he has charged.

ISAAC M. EDWARDS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 5, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

Amelia Raker, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Wm. B. Edwards; I know that he was run off, as he alleges; I was living with his family at the time, and had to run with them; I have heard his petition and schedule read over; I know that he had all the articles charged in his schedule. I heard during the troubles that his house and premises were robbed by the men from Topeka, and believed it, as I had good reason to do.

AMELIA RAKER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 5th December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Wm. B. Edwards there is proven the whole amount claimed, \$301, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 224.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of James K. Waysman, of the said county and Territory, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, J. R. Waysman, of said county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses and damages in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about and during the month of December, 1855, when the territorial militia were encamped on the Wakarusa river, near the town of Lawrence, in command of Governor Shannon, for the purpose of suppressing the rebellion and insurrection then existing in said town of Lawrence, I had a drove of over 400 cattle, besides the increase, running on the range of prairie lying between Tecumseh and Lawrence. I had persons gathering them together into winter quarters previous to and at that time. I was informed, and believe, that four of my steers, two cows, and one calf, running with said drove were driven into Lawrence, and there used for the sustenance of the outlaws and rebels gathered there to resist the execution of the laws of the Territory by the governor and territorial militia.

Again, in the spring of 1856, I was and still am the lessee of the ferry across Kansas river, at Tecumseh, from Thos. N. Stinson, lessor and proprietor. Said Stinson, on or about the 11th day of May, 1856, received from Marshal J. B. Donaldson a letter, herewith shown, stating that he, the said J. B. Donaldson, "had issued a proclamation calling on the law-and-order citizens of this Territory to assist him in the execution of the duties of his office, and asking the assistance of the citizens of Tecumseh and vicinity;" and also represented that "he labored under great embarrassment for want of a ferry boat, and prayed that his (Stinson's) should be sent to Lecompton, with the necessary complement of hands for its operation, promising pay for the use thereof.

"Very respectfully,

"J. B. DONALDSON.

"Mr. THOS. N. STINSON."

I being the lessee and owner of said ferry and boats, the said letter was handed to me by the said Stinson. Feeling an interest in the support of the laws, I despatched said ferry boat, as requested, on the 12th of May, to Lecompton, in charge of a complement of hands, with all the necessary rigging and fixtures for its successful operation. It was kept and used there at Lecompton under the direction of the said marshal, J. B. Donaldson, for and during thirty-five days; and although frequently requested to return it, he never did so. Therefore, at great trouble and expense I restored and returned it to its original place at Tecumseh.

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Again, at the call of the marshal, J. B. Donaldson, I furnished D. W. Hand, a member of Captain Wm. O. Yager's company, in the service of the marshal, one horse, saddle, bridle, and blanket, and martingales. On the morning of the 21st May said company was required to go from their camp near Lawrence into Lawrence on foot; said horse was left in charge of a special guard for that purpose, and, while the company was gone, was used in pursuit of persons flying from Lawrence. In this use said horse was shot and killed, and saddle and bridle, &c., lost.

Again, in September, 1856, while the country was in a disturbed and unsettled condition, one of my steers was driven from its usual range on the prairie, between the Kansas and Wakarusa rivers, by a part of Lane's army living in and around the village of Centropolis. On making diligent search I was informed, and believe, that it was killed and used by said men.

All of which losses and damages will more fully appear by the bill of particulars or schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof. I certify that said schedule is true and correct, and that the prices charged are fair, just, and reasonable, and that I have never recovered any part of said property so charged, nor pay therefor, in whole or in part.

JAMES K. WAYSMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of December, A. D. 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to James K. Waysman.

1855—December. To one cow and calf, red and white.....	\$35 00
one steer, black and white.....	35 00
one steer, black and white.....	30 00
one steer, red and white.....	30 00
one steer, red.....	25 00
one cow, blue.....	30 00
All taken at Lawrence.	
1856—May. To use of ferry boat from 13th May to 18th June, 35 days, at \$5.....	175 00
To expense and labor bringing boat back.....	75 00
To chains, saw, auger, axe, ropes, and shovels, lost and destroyed from the boat while in the use of the marshal.....	28 90
To horse, saddle, bridle, blanket, and martin- gales	150 00
To one steer, large red brindle.....	50 00
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JAMES K. WAYSMAN.

A. D. M Hand, being duly sworn, says: I am well acquainted with the petitioner, James K. Waysman; have been living with him in this Territory three years; am familiar with his business; I have heard his petition read; I know that he has suffered sundry losses in consequence of the difficulties in this Territory; I was employed by him in December, 1855, in gathering his cattle together from the prairie between Tecumseh and Lawrence, where they had used all the summer and fall. I was informed while so employed, by men living around Lawrence, and believe, that four of said steers, two cows, and one calf, were driven by the insurgents into Lawrence and butchered for their use and sustenance. The prices he has charged in his schedule for said cattle are fair, just, and reasonable.

I know that his ferry boat was sent to Lecompton for the use of the marshal's posse, as he alleges, about the time stated, and that it was kept about the time stated, and may be longer; that he had to bring it back himself at great expense and trouble; and that the rigging and outfit were gone when it was so returned; that Boles and Michener, who assisted the petitioner in bringing it back, have left, and are now non-residents of the Territory. The use of said boat was worth \$5 per day. I think it was worth \$75 to return it to its place as it was before its removal; and that the charge for rigging and fixtures lost and destroyed (\$28 90) is fair and reasonable.

I know that the facts set forth in the petition in relation to the horse killed on the 21st May, 1856, are true, for to me the horse was furnished, and was in my care and keeping until left in charge of the special guard, as stated. It was fully worth, with saddle, &c., \$150.

I know that the large red brindle or brown steer, charged last in his schedule, was driven off, as stated; that it was never recovered, and that I was told by different persons near Centropolis that it was killed by a gang of Lane's men. It was worth \$50.

A. D. M. HAND.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

Alfred T. Byler, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, James K. Waysman; he is and has been a citizen of this Territory for three years; I have heard his petition and schedule read; I know he has lost property in consequence of the difficulties. While in search of my cattle at different times, near Lawrence, I saw several cattle belonging to said Waysman; in the fall of 1855 I saw two steers, one cow and calf running on the range near Lawrence, and, upon inquiry, was told by a man living near Lawrence that he helped to kill one of said steers, and that a man named Yates had said cow and calf and one black steer, and that he had butchered the steer. The prices charged for the cow and calf are fair, and for the steers about the usual prices. I know the ferry boat was taken, as alleged. I know it was gone a good while; it was worth \$5 a day; it was worth fully \$75 to bring it back; I do not know what articles were lost out of the boat; Mr. Waysman had it brought back. I know that the horse,

saddle, bridle, &c., charged, were furnished to said Hand, and were lost in the service of the marshal. I did not see him shot, but heard the report of the gun; know he was never returned home; that said Hand rode one of my horses home, and believe that it was shot and killed, as alleged. It was worth, with the saddle and bridle, \$150. I believe that the men at Centropolis drove a number of cattle from their range about the time stated, and amongst them one belonging to said Waysman. I was told they had butchered some of them. I believe they did butcher them, sell them, or otherwise put them out of the way; they were never recovered. I know that they had some of our cattle in their possession. I recovered some of mine and he recovered some of his. I was told by men in the neighborhood that they had butchered cattle which, from the description, I knew to be mine. The price charged for said steer is fair, and about what it was worth at that time.

A. T. BYLER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of J. K. Waysman, of \$663 90, there is proven \$598 90; of which \$478 90 is of the public class, and \$120 of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 225.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of Charles H. Withington, of Breckinridge county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Charles H. Withington, of said county of Breckinridge and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of the difficulties in this Territory. On the 16th September, A. D. 1857, when the Territory was in a state of rebellion, a party of twelve men, armed, representing themselves to be a part of Lane's army, came at daylight, and, with revolvers cocked, made me and my family prisoners; then ransacked my house, plundered my store, stole my horses, and loaded them into their wagons and drove off. I have never received any of said property or any pay for it.

C. H. WITHINGTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

1856.

September 16.	1 horse, saddle, and bridle.....	\$165 00
	1 mare, \$90; 1 saddle, bridle, and spurs, \$62	152 00
	1 mule, \$150; 1 double-barrel shot-gun, \$50	200 00
	1 best Hankins, \$35; 2 common rifles, \$30..	65 00
	1 Colt's revolver, \$20; in cash, \$12.....	32 00
	1 pair 4-point Mackinaw blankets.....	12 00
	1 pair 3½-point Mackinaw blankets.....	9 00
	5 single 3-point Mackinaw blankets.....	20 00
	1 single-barrel shot-gun.....	9 00
	Groceries, provisions, dry goods, &c.....	1,000 00
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C. H. WITHINGTON.

O. F. Short, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Charles H. Withington; he is a citizen of the Territory, as represented; have heard his schedule read. The night of the 15th September, 1856, I stopped to stay over night with said Withington; slept with Major John Montgomery; at about daylight was awakened by heavy rapping on the door; got up and found ourselves in the hands of an armed band; I saw them plunder his dwelling-house, rob his store, and drive off with all he has here charged; these things I saw. I regard the prices charged fair and reasonable. I do not believe he has ever recovered any of said property, or any pay for it.

O. F. SHORT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

Robert Gillaspie, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, C. H. Withington; he is a citizen of this Territory; I have heard his petition read; I was present at the house of Mr. Withington on the morning of the 16th September, 1856, when the armed body of men, described in the petition, entered the house. I know, of my own knowledge, that the facts set forth in the petition are strictly true. They ransacked his house, plundered his store-room, loaded his goods and effects into their wagons and drove off. They also took and carried away his horses. I know that they took the horse, saddle, and bridle charged at \$165, and that it was well worth it. They also took the mare, worth \$90; also the saddle, bridle, and spurs; fine silver-plated California saddle, worth \$65; also, the mule, worth \$150. I know that they took all the guns, rifles, and pistols charged, and that the prices are fair and reasonable. I saw them take all the blankets charged; the prices charged for them are the St. Louis prices for the same article. They cleared his store-room of its entire contents; they had to steal a span of mules from one of his neighbors to draw them away with. His stock of goods consisted of dry goods, groceries, clothing, &c. His entire stock was taken. I think his stock of goods was worth between fifteen and seventeen hundred dollars.

ROBERT GILLASPIE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

Major John Montgomery, being duly sworn, says: I am well acquainted with the petitioner, C. H. Withington. He is a citizen of this Territory. Have heard his petition and schedule read. I stayed over night, on the 15th September, 1856, with C. H. Withington; slept with Mr. Short, as he has stated in his affidavit. At daylight was awakened by the rapping at the door; found ourselves in the hands of an armed band. I saw them plunder his house and store-room, and load all his goods, wares, &c., into their wagons and drive off. The prices charged are fair and just. I think his aggregate losses would fully amount to the sum he has charged—\$1,664. I don't think he has ever received any pay for said goods, &c., nor recovered them.

JOHN MONTGOMERY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 11th December, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Charles H. Withington the whole amount claimed is proven, \$1,664, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 226.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } *ss.*

Petition of James R. Warren, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, James R. Warren, of said county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about the 1st September, 1856, an armed body of men, a part of the forces under command of J. H. Lane, at that time encamped at Topeka, came to my premises, near said Topeka, and, with force and arms, took and carried away one horse, my property, of the value of \$70, and violently entered the house at which I was living, and took and carried away the clothing and other articles charged in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof. Again, on the 3d of said month of September, another body of armed men, a part of the same forces of J. H. Lane, again came to my premises, and took and carried away, with force and arms, one fine mare, of the value of \$100. The prices charged in said schedule for said articles are fair, just, and reasonable. I have never recovered any part of said property, nor pay nor indemnity therefor in any manner.

JAMES R. WARREN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th December, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

Territory of Kansas to James R. Warren, Dr.

1856.			
Sept. 1.	To 1 horse, \$70 ; 2 rifle-guns, \$20	- -	\$90 00
	1 cloth coat, \$15 ; 2 pair blankets, \$7	- -	22 00
	1 blanket coat, \$15 ; 1 dragoon coat, \$12 50	- -	27 50
	2 pair pants, at \$5, \$10 ; 1 do., \$4 50	- -	14 50
	1 satin vest, \$5 ; 1 silk plush vest, \$3 50	- -	8 50
Sept. 3.	1 pair boots, \$6 ; 1 mare, \$100	- -	106 00
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JAMES R. WARREN.

Isaac Renfro, being duly sworn, says : I know the petitioner, James R. Warren. He is a citizen of this Territory. I have heard his petition read. During the months of August and September, 1856, James R. Warren was living at my house, adjoining his premises. I was shot at several times by the men under Lane, encamped at Topeka, and was forced to leave home. When I left I know Mr. Warren had the horse and mare, guns and clothing, on his premises, and about and in my house. I left home on the 28th of August, 1856. The prices he has charged for all the articles in his schedule are fair and reasonable. I believe they were taken as he has stated, and have good reason for so believing. He has not recovered any of said property to my knowledge.

ISAAC RENFRO.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 10, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

Albert G. Green, being duly sworn, says : I know the petitioner, James R. Warren. He is a citizen of this Territory. I have heard his petition read. On or about the 3d of September, A. D. 1856, I saw a body of six or seven armed men, from Lane's camp, at Topeka, catch and carry away the mare charged to have been so taken by them in the petition. I saw her afterwards also in their possession in Topeka. I tried to persuade and prevent them from taking her. I saw an armed body of over a hundred at the house where Mr. Warren was living on the 1st of September, 1856. I saw them enter the house; I don't know what they took away, being distant from the house, at the time, sixty or seventy rods. I believe the majority of them went there for the sake of plunder, for horses, &c. They were a part of Lane's forces in camp at Topeka at the time. I think the price charged for the mare is a small one, \$100. I don't know of his recovering any of said property, or pay for it.

ALBERT G. GREEN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 10, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

John T. Adams, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, James R. Warren; he is a citizen of this Territory. I have heard his petition read. I know that the horse charged by the petitioner to have been taken by Lane's men was so taken. I did'n't see them take it, but saw it in their possession; saw one of them riding it on the evening of the same day (1st September) that it was taken. Said horse was worth 70 or 75 dollars. There were about 150 men in the company that was around about said premises. I saw a part of said company enter the house of Isaac Renfro, where Mr. Warren was living at the time, as alleged. I saw them also take some of the clothing charged in the schedule. I was taken prisoner and carried to Topeka. I saw some of the company fall back and enter the house after I was taken away a prisoner. I know that Mr. Warren had all the articles of clothing charged in his schedule before they entered his house, and I believe they took all of them. I saw them take and carry away the mare charged; she was worth \$100. The prices charged for the clothing taken are very fair and just. He has never recovered any of said property, nor pay therefor.

JOHN T. ADAMS. .

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 10, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of James R. Warren, of the private class, the whole amount claimed, \$268 50, is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 227.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

Petition of Milton J. Everett, of said county and Territory, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory of Kansas, on the 19th day of December, A. D. 1857, the undersigned, Milton J. Everett, who makes the following affidavit: On or about the 9th day of September, A. D. 1856, in the night, I, the undersigned, Milton J. Everett, lost four horses; said horses were stolen from me during the disturbances, and in consequence thereof, at my residence, on Slough Creek township, Jefferson county. I have recovered two of the said horses in a damaged condition. The other two I have never recovered, nor in any manner been compensated for their loss. I consider my damages as equivalent to \$100 for damages done to the recovered horses, and also \$275 for the loss of the two which I have not recovered.

MILTON J. EVERETT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 9th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOSIAH A. GREEN, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } *ss.*

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county aforesaid, the undersigned, Thompson Coker, on the 9th day of December, A. D. 1857, who makes the following affidavit:

At the time that the horses of Milton J. Everett were taken, on the next morning, I saw three horses which I recognized as belonging to the said Milton J. Everett. These horses were at this time in possession of a company of men known at that time as Harvey's company of free-State insurgents, under J. H. Lane. I know that the said M. J. Everett failed to recover two of the said horses.

THOMPSON COKER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 9th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOSIAH A. GREEN, *J. P.*

Sworn to before me, the undersigned, clerk of the probate court of Jefferson county, Territory of Kansas, on this the tenth day of December, A. D. 1857.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year last above written.

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J. W. DAY, *Clerk.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } *ss.*

Wm. T. Everett, being duly sworn, says: The petitioner, Milton J. Everett, is my father; he is a citizen of this Territory. I have heard his petition read. I was living with him for some time before his horses were stolen. I know that he had such horses; I did not see them taken. I know that he never recovered but two of them back. I have been living there since. One of the horses which he never recovered was worth \$150, the other \$125. The two recovered were greatly damaged; they have never recuperated. One of those recovered was taken from the men made prisoners by the marshal's posse of dragoons near Hickory Point, in Jefferson county, Kansas Territory. They were damaged to the extent of \$50 each.

WILLIAM T. EVERETT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Milton J. Everett, of the private class, of \$375, there is proven and allowed \$275.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 228.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Calhoun, } ss.

I, James Kuykendall, of the county and Territory aforesaid, wishing to avail myself of the benefits of an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed February 23, 1857, would respectfully petition the commissioner appointed for the purpose of auditing and certifying all claims of persons who may have sustained any loss or damage in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in said Territory, that on or about the 21st day of August, 1856, he was keeping a ferry on the Kansas river, at a point between Tecumseh and Topeka, which ferry was licensed in accordance with the laws of the Territory, which ferry was of great value to your petitioner, at which ferry he had just launched a new boat, when the acting governor of the Territory made a polite requisition upon him for said boat; said boat was then taken to Lecompton, and the ferry of your petitioner entirely stopped until late in the spring of 1857, when he built a new boat, which was of great damage to the petitioner.

He further states, that on or about the 8th day of September, 1856, an armed company of men came to his house for the purpose (as they said) of robbing him or taking his horses and guns. Not being able at that time of finding the horses and guns as aforesaid, after a search of some time they left, taking a saddle of great value, to wit: of the value of \$20.

And again, on the first Monday in October, 1856, your petitioner had three horses taken from him of great value, one of which was worth \$150, one worth \$100, the other, an estray which he had taken up and posted under the stray laws a short time previous, appraised at \$75.

For all of which losses your complainant has received no satisfaction or recompense whatsoever. He therefore asks an allowance for said losses and damages of \$445, the amount of his losses; and he therefore presents this his petition.

JAMES KUYKENDALL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th of November, 1857.

W. S. KUYKENDALL,

Clerk of commissioner's court.

By J. M. KUYKENDALL,

Deputy clerk.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Calhoun, } ss.

Celia Kuykendall, on oath, states: That on or about the 8th day of September, 1856, an armed body of men came to the house of James Kuykendall, in said county, and after searching every room of the house, except the negro kitchen, when about to leave they took a man's saddle, remarking that they would return it when the war was over, which they have not yet done. I suppose the saddle was worth some \$20. And further says not.

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 CELIA X KUYKENDALL.
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of November, 1857.

W. T. KUYKENDALL,

Clerk of commissioner's court.

By J. M. KUYKENDALL,

Deputy clerk.

On or about the 23d of August we took the boat down to Lecompton and delivered it to the acting governor, Woodson, and the committee of safety, Cramer, Jones, and Donaldson; that the damages sustained on the boat were \$100. I know that the saddle was taken, for where I was standing on the hill at home I saw a body of men of near thirty in number, three of them being prisoners. The saddle was valued at \$20. After that there were three horses taken—one out of the stable and one from lot, the other outside; one of the value of \$150; the other two were of the value of \$100 each. This covers all the items I have alleged in my petition.

J. M. KUYKENDALL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

James M. Hands, being duly sworn, says: On or about the first Monday of October, 1856, the petitioner had taken from him three horses, supposed to have been taken by a body of men unknown to him. One of said horses was worth \$150; the other \$100. I saw the petitioner's boat at Lecompton, and crossed in it. The prices herein set forth are fair and reasonable. The petitioner is a citizen of the Territory.

J. M. HANDS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

Perry Fleshman, being duly sworn, says: I am well acquainted with the petitioner. In regard to the saddle, I saw it in the possession of a body of armed men at Indianola a few days after the said saddle was taken. I know that the boat was taken to Lecompton, for I crossed in it, and saw the troops crossing in it. And further, I know that the petitioner was the owner of three horses which were taken in time of the difficulties. And further, the prices herein charged are fair and reasonable. The petitioner has been a citizen of the Territory for three years, and is now.

PERRY FLESHMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

LECOMPTON, KANSAS TERRITORY,
Executive Office, August 21, 1856.

DEAR SIR: It is impossible for us to cross over the river the troops and our friends who are coming to our aid in this hour of need without a ferry boat. For the sake of our country and humanity, let us have your boat. Send it down at once. You shall be compensated as soon as practicable for your trouble and expense.

Very truly, your friend,

DAN. WOODSON,
Acting Governor, Kansas Territory.

Judge KUYKENDALL.

LECOMPTON, KANSAS TERRITORY, *August 20, 1856.*

DEAR SIR: We are in great need of an additional boat at our ferry, as there will be much crossing here, and wish you to send us yours immediately. Believing in the high character you bear for devotion to the cause, we expect a hearty compliance.

Respectfully,

THOS. J. B. CRAMER,
Commissary for Committee of Safety.
SAML. J. JONES, }
JOHN DONALDSON, } *Committee.*

Judge KUYKENDALL.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of James Kuykendall of \$445, there is proven \$100 of the public, and \$345 of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 229.

DECEMBER 12, 1857.

In conformity with an act passed by the legislative assembly of the Territory of Kansas, approved February 23, 1857, I, Raleigh J. Fulton, do certify that on or about the 8th day of September, 1856, I was robbed by a body of armed men of the following property, to wit:

1 bay horse, 6 years old, value.....	\$125 00
1 Colt's revolver, \$25; 2 muskets, \$16 each.....	57 00
2 saddles, \$20; 3 bridles and martingales, \$9.....	29 00
2 buffalo robes, \$10; 1 blanket, \$3.....	13 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Calhoun, } ss.

This 12th day of December personally appeared before me, James Kuykendall, clerk of the commissioner's court in and for said county,

Nancy Fulton, and states that she was personally known to the taking of the property as above stated, and that she believes said property to be worth the amount respectively stated above.

NANCY FULTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

JAMES KUYKENDALL, *Clerk.*

Perry Fleshman, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner; he has been a citizen of the Territory for over three years. I saw the horse charged in his declaration in the possession of an armed band, a part of Lane's forces. I saw one Captain Southwick, of said forces, demand and take away from him the revolver charged. I did not see the other things taken, but know that he had the guns and saddle; believe they were taken, as he states. The prices charged for the horse, saddle, and gun, are as low as any person would estimate them in this Territory.

PERRY FLESHMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Raleigh J. Fulton the whole amount of \$240 is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 230.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Calhoun, } ss.

I, Perry Fleshman, of the county and Territory aforesaid, wishing to avail myself of the benefit of an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed February 23, 1857, would respectfully petition the commissioner appointed for the purpose of auditing and certifying all claims of persons who may have sustained any loss or damage in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in said Territory, that on or about the 30th of August, 1856, an armed body of men came to his house for the purpose, as they said, of robbing him, or taking his horses and guns, which they did—that is, one horse, worth \$125, four guns, (one a double-barrel shot-gun, the other three rifles, all worth \$90,) one Indian hatchet, powder and lead, two powder flasks, two shot pouches, and powder horns and shot bag, worth \$12; that on or about the 8th day of September, 1856, a company of armed men came to his house and took one horse, worth \$125; one gun, worth \$15; one lariat, worth \$1; one bridle, worth \$2; one buffalo rug, worth \$5; for all of which losses your complainant has received no satisfaction or recompense whatsoever. We, therefore, ask an allow-

ance for said losses, to the amount of \$375, the amount of his losses; and he therefore presents this his petition.

EMILY FLESHMAN.
PERRY FLESHMAN.

The within and foregoing was subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JAMES KUYKENDALL,
Clerk comm's court, Calhoun county.

By J. M. KUYKENDALL,
Deputy clerk.

Raleigh Fulton, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner, Perry Fleshman; I have heard his petition read; I know that he had the property described in the petition; did not see them taken, but saw one of the horses and one gun in the possession of a body of armed men, purporting to be a party of Colonel Harvey's command. Colonel Harvey was an officer under James H. Lane. The horses were worth \$125 each. The gun that I saw in their possession was worth \$30. One of the others was worth \$30. The other two guns were worth \$20 each. I know he had all the articles charged at his house, and know they were missing after Harvey's company were about there.

R. J. FULTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

James Kuykendall, being duly sworn, says: I know that Mr. Fleshman has been a citizen of the Territory for upwards of three years. I know that up to the time of the robberies in August, 1856, he had two horses and several guns; that since then he has never had any. I have never seen the property in his possession since. The report was that they had robbed him, as he states in his petition. I had reasons to believe, and did believe, that said report was correct.

JAMES KUYKENDALL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that the foregoing claim of Perry Fleshman for \$375, of the private class, is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 231.

The petition of Hiram Penny, of Tecumseh, county of Shawnee, Kansas Territory, for damage sustained during the late difficulties, under an act of the legislative assembly, and act supplemental thereto, both passed and approved February 23, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying of all claims for damage, and growing out of the difficulties in the Territory.

The petitioner respectfully represents: That he is a resident of Tecumseh, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory; that he has been a resident of said place since June, 1856; that at the time of his becoming a resident of Tecumseh he was the owner of a pair of horses of the following description, to wit: one of said horses, of gray color, about 14 hands high, and between 7 and 8 years of age; the other of said horses of iron-gray color, about the height of one described above, and 5 years old. Said horses were valued by the petitioner at one hundred dollars each. The said horses were taken from your petitioner on or about the 1st of August, 1856, by some person or persons in the night time; said person or persons unknown to your petitioner. And further, your petitioner would represent that, with a good degree of diligence, he endeavored to find and reclaim said horses, but was never able to hear of them, and that said horses were a total loss to your petitioner. And further, that in consequence of said loss your petitioner was seriously damaged by being deprived of the use of said horses.

Your petitioner would further respectfully represent, that in addition to the foregoing losses he sustained the loss of an excellent saddle, valued at fifteen dollars, (\$15.) The petitioner now, therefore, asks of this commissioner that he claims damages to the amount of two hundred and seventy-five dollars, and that it be allowed him.

HIRAM ^{his} + PENNY.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 9th day of December, A. D. 1857.

M. C. BREWSTER, *J. P.*

Robert Lacy and N. U. Vance, being duly sworn, do depose and say: That they are personally acquainted with the above named Hiram Penny, and were at the time of his losing the aforementioned horses; and do further depose and say, that the foregoing statement of the said Hiram Penny is, to the best of their knowledge and belief, true and correct, and that the above named amount of damage is a just and fair demand.

R. W. LACY.
N. U. VANCE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 9th day of December, 1857.
M. C. BREWSTER, *J. P.*

I certify that M. C. Brewster, before whom the above petition and affidavit were subscribed and sworn to, is, and was at the time, an acting justice of the peace in and for Shawnee county, Kansas Territory, duly commissioned and qualified, and that his signatures above are genuine.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Hiram Penny, of \$275, the whole amount is proven, and of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 232.

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Calhoun County. }

NOVEMBER 24, 1857.

Before the honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner and auditor of public claims in Kansas Territory.

I, R. W. Chim, your petitioner, would represent: That during and pending the difficulties in Kansas Territory I had taken or stolen from me the following property, to wit: one dark-red bay horse, black mane and tail; one double-barrel shot-gun; one lariat, or rope, all valued by witnesses at one hundred and thirty dollars; and I do fully believe the same will be a total loss unless allowed as by the act of the territorial legislature, at its late session—affidavits of Herbert and Moore accompanying.

And I would further represent to your honor, that pending the same difficulties I also lost one fine saddle mare, color light bay, with saddle, bridle, martingales, and two Mexican blankets, all worth \$125, and believe the same will be a total loss unless allowed as under the provisions of the above act. And your petitioner will ever pray for redress as under the provisions of the foregoing act of the legislature of Kansas Territory.

R. W. CHIM.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 22, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

Wm. Chim, being duly sworn, says: I have heard the petition of my father, R. W. Chim, read. He is a citizen of this Territory. I know that my father had such a horse as the one first described in his petition; did not see it taken from him, but have good reason to believe, and do believe, that it was so taken; it was worth one hundred and fifteen dollars. He had also the shot-gun and lariat, worth twenty-five dollars.

I know that my father started to Leavenworth about the time stated with the second horse, a mare, mentioned in petition, and also the bridle, saddle, blanket, and martingales mentioned. He returned with-

out them. Offered fifty dollars reward for her recovery, and I hunted over three counties for her, but never found her. He has never recovered her. She was worth, with saddle, bridle, &c., one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

WM. H. CHIM.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 22, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee County, K. T.

Some time in the early part of September, 1856, we saw some six men arrest Mr. R. W. Chim and take from him one dark bay horse, with black main and tail, valued at about one hundred and fifteen dollars; also, one lariat, worth about one dollar; also, one double barrell shot-gun, of English manufacture, worth about twenty-two dollars. The above described property Mr. Chim has never been in possession of since, to the best of our knowledge.

FELIX HERBET,
JOHN MOORE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21st day of November, 1857.
J. M. GALLAGHER, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

I, H. B. C. Harris, clerk of the board of county commissioners, and recorder within and for the county aforesaid, do certify that J. M. Gallagher, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing, is, and was at the time, an acting justice of the peace, duly commissioned according to law, and also that I believe his signature there attached is genuine.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my name, and the official [L. S.] seal of said county, at my office in Kickapoo city, this 21st day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. B. C. HARRIS,
Clerk.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of R. W. Chim the amount claimed, two hundred and fifty-five dollars, is proven, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 233.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of James M. Hands, of said county and Territory, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, James M. Hands, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in

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consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about the 21st day of July, A. D. 1856, I was keeping a grocery and variety store in the town of Tecumseh, in said county; on the evening of that day a party of about forty soldiers belonging to and part of the command (of several companies of mounted men) of Colonel Johnston, of the United States army, which had encamped for the night in said town of Tecumseh, on their route to Topeka, as an escort or support for the marshal, J. B. Donaldson, in executing the laws, rushed into my said storehouse during the usual hours of business, and took and carried away sundry articles of my stock, charged in the schedule annexed to this petition and made a part thereof. With the assistance of my friends, and begging and entreaties, I succeeded in drawing them out of my said storeroom, when I immediately closed my doors and secured the same as usual. I then retired to my usual place of rest, and during the night said storeroom was broken open, and all the articles charged in my schedule taken away or destroyed, as I verily believe, by the same United States soldiers who commenced robbing and pillaging from said storeroom before I closed it, as above stated. I made due complaint to Colonel Johnston, the officer in command, without procuring the slightest redress or promise of indemnity.

The prices I have charged for all of said articles are fair, and just, and reasonable. I have never received pay for said articles, in whole or in part.

JAMES M. HANDS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee County, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to James M. Hands, Dr.

1856.

To $\frac{1}{2}$ box of tobacco, 65 lbs., at 60 cents.....	\$39 00
1 box of fine segars, \$5; glassware, \$10.....	15 00
Ready made clothing, \$50; boots and shoes, \$75.....	125 00
1 barrel of whiskey, 40 gallons, at \$3.....	120 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ barrel of whiskey, 20 gallons, at \$1 50.....	30 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ barrel of cherry-bounce, 20 gallons, at \$4.....	80 00
1 keg of Holland gin, 11 gallons, at \$5.....	55 00
10 gallons of port wine, at \$6.....	60 00
8 gallons of brandy, at \$8.....	64 00
Total.....	588 00

JAMES M. HANDS.

Carl Casper, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, James M. Hands; he is a citizen of this Territory. I have heard his petition and schedule read. I know that on or about the 21st of July, A. D. 1856, a great number of the United States soldiers, then encamped in Tecumseh, did crowd into Mr. Hands' storeroom as he alleges, and did take and carry away different things belonging to Mr. Hands, such as tobacco, clothing, boots, &c., which I saw them take. They came in numbers sufficient to fill the room, so as to make it difficult to see what was going on, or move about. I left the room full of soldiers, and the next morning saw that the storeroom had been broken into. I believe it was broken open and robbed by the same lot of soldiers.

CARL CASPER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
P. J., Shawnee county, K. T.

N. U. Vance, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, James M. Hands; have heard his petition and schedule read; he is a citizen of this Territory. I was present in the storeroom of the petitioner, on or about the 21st of July, when it was crowded into by a number of United States soldiers, about 40 or 50, and saw them taking articles from his store. 'I don't know the value of the things taken by them. I know that at the time, he had just such articles as he has charged in his schedule. I think he had as many as he has charged. I think he has charged all the articles at his selling prices. I saw the next morning that the storeroom had been broken into during the night, and a great many articles were missing. I think that in the aggregate, his losses amounted to more than \$500. I believe it was broken into by the United States soldiers, belonging to the command of Colonel Johnston, encamped during the night in Tecumseh. A great many of the soldiers were drunk the next day.

N. U. VANCE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
P. J., Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of James M. Hands, the whole amount claimed, \$588, is proven, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 234.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of Isaac Renfro, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Isaac Renfro, of said county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequenc

of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about the 1st of September, 1856, while on my premises, near Topeka, in this county, I was pursued and shot at several times by a body of armed men from Lane's camp at Topeka. I evaded their pursuit and fled from home, leaving my property in a defenceless condition, and in their power; while I was kept away, fearing to return, they took and carried away from my said premises, all the articles charged in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof. Said articles are charged at a fair and reasonable estimate; and I have never recovered any of them, or received pay for them in any manner.

ISAAC RENFRO.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
P. J., Shawnee county, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Isaac Renfro, Dr.

September 1, 1856.	To 1 horse, \$75 ; 1 colt, \$100,.....	\$175 00
	To 1 gun, \$10 ; 1 sack flour, \$6 50....	16 50
	To 20 pounds coffee, at 18 cents.....	3 60
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ISAAC RENFRO.

Albert G. Green, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Isaac Renfro; he is a citizen of this Territory. I have heard his petition read. On or about the 1st of September, 1856, I saw at several different times armed bodies of men, belonging to Lane's command, at Topeka, on and about the premises and in the house of said Renfro. I saw them take his colt, and afterwards saw both the horse and colt in their possession. I don't know that they took the other things charged in his schedule, but I have no doubt of it at all. The colt and horse were worth the prices charged, respectively, \$100 and \$75; he has never recovered them, nor pay therefor, that I know of.

ALBERT G. GREEN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 10, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
P. J., Shawnee county, K. T.

John T. Adams, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Isaac Renfro; he is a citizen of this Territory. I have heard his petition read. On or about the 1st of September, 1856, I was present at the house of said Isaac Renfro, when the armed body of men spoken of in the petition came upon his premises, shot at and drove him away and made me a prisoner. Saw them take his colt and gun;

saw one of them afterwards riding his horse. Didn't see them take the other things charged, but know that they were in his house at that time. They took me away before all of them left. I have no doubt in the world that they took them all. The prices charged for all the articles are fair and just. He has not recovered said property that I know of.

JOHN T. ADAMS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 10, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
P. J., Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Isaac Renfro there is proven the whole amount claimed, \$195 10, all of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 235.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of John T. Adams, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, John T. Adams, of said county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this Territory by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about the 1st of September, 1856, an armed body of men belonging to Lane's command encamped at Topeka, came upon my premises and took and carried away, with force and arms, the articles charged in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof. The prices charged for said articles are fair and reasonable; I have never recovered them nor pay therefor, in any manner whatever.

his
JOHN T. + ADAMS.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 10, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
P. J., Shawnee county, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to John T. Adams, Dr.

1856.

September 1.	To one colt.....	\$75 00
	Two guns, one double shot, \$20; one rifle, \$15	35 00
	Amount.....	<u>110 00</u>

his
JOHN T. + ADAMS.
mark.

Albert G. Green, being duly sworn, says : I know the petitioner, John T. Adams ; he is a citizen of this Territory ; on or about the time alleged, September 1, 1856, I saw the said armed body of men in and about the house and premises of said Adams, as he has alleged. I saw them take the colt ; it was worth the price charged, \$75. Did not see them take the guns, but believe they did. They took him along with them to Topeka as a prisoner. He has never recovered said property, that I know of. The guns are charged at reasonable prices.

ALBERT G. GREEN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 10, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

James R. Warren, being duly sworn, says : I know the petitioner, John T. Adams ; he is a citizen of this Territory ; I have heard his petition read ; I know that at or about the time alleged, he had such property as he has charged ; I was not present and did not see the taking ; I have good reasons to believe and do believe that they took them as he has alleged. The prices charged are just and fair. He has never recovered them, nor pay for them, that I know of.

JAMES R. WARREN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 10, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John T. Adams of \$110, the amount claimed is proven, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 236.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of S. J. Livingston, of said county and Territory, under an act, entitled " An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, S. J. Livingston, of said county and Territory, represent to the commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows : On or about the last of August, 1856, while the country was in a state of rebellion and insurrection, I was living on a claim on the edge of the city of Lawrence, being absent at and about the time, in Missouri, on business ; when I returned I was prevented from going to my house, by force and arms, by the insurgents at that time quartered and gathered together in said Lawrence to assist the execution of the law ; said insurgents not only prevented

and hindered me from going to my house, but upon several occasions fired it, with the intent of burning it down, when it was put out by some of my friends in Lawrence; they took and carried away, robbed and plundered, or destroyed upon the ground, the articles charged at fair and reasonable rates in the schedule annexed to this petition and made a part thereof. Finally, when I was permitted, after the troubles were over, to return to my home, I found it occupied by one of said insurgents. The wagon and harness first charged in said schedule were lost in the service of the militia at Lecompton; I loaned it to a militia man for the use of the militia, and it was never returned. I have never recovered any of said property, nor pay or indemnity therefor, in any manner, in whole or in part. In support of all of which I here offer the testimony of Martin Young, Ann Hopper, and Frank Hopper.

S. J. LIVINGSTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee County, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Wagon and harness	\$125 00
Five hundred rails, \$25; two feather beds, pillows, clothing, &c.....	75 00
Pots, skillets, kettles, and other cooking utensils.....	10 00
Cupboard-ware, plates, dishes, pitchers, glasses, &c.....	35 00
Bed clothing, quilts, blankets, carpets, sheets, &c.....	45 00
Two trunks of clothing.....	50 00
Chairs, bacon, and flour.....	75 00
Carpets and domestics, \$10; pans, crocks, and jars, \$5.....	15 00
Three mattresses, \$12; six table cloths, \$10.....	22 00
One bonnet, \$5; two hats, \$5.....	10 00
Candlesticks, basket of clothing, \$10; coffee, tea, sugar, \$6	16 00
Buckets, barrels, and boxes.....	5 00
Four dozen fowls, \$12; ten bushels of corn, \$10.....	22 00
Vegetables of all kinds taken, and garden destroyed, rails taken away from garden.....	75 00
	580 00
	580 00

Martin Young being duly sworn, says: I know Mr. S. J. Livingston, the petitioner; he is a citizen of the Territory. I have just heard his petition read. About and before the time alleged, I had been living near Mr. Livingston; I had previously lived with him. I went to join the militia in Lecompton about the last of August; when I left, I know that he had all the property described in his petition. I went back to his house about the last of September to remove his goods and effects from his house; all the property mentioned in the schedule was taken and carried away or destroyed upon the ground, as he has alleged; there was, also, a man and family living in the house; the man belonged to the party then resisting the law. There was nothing remaining in the house but one press, one table, two bedsteads, three

chairs, and two or three pieces of cooking utensils. I don't think Mr. Livingston removed any of these goods himself, or has ever recovered any of them. The prices he has charged for these articles, thus taken, are fair and just. I believe the people in Lawrence, gathered at that time, took them; I know that the wagon and harness were loaned, as he has alleged, and were never returned to my knowledge.

MARTIN YOUNG.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee County, K. T.

B. F. Hopper, being duly sworn, says: I am well acquainted with the petitioner, S. J. Livingston; he is a citizen of this Territory. I have heard his petition and schedule read; I know that he was living on the claim adjoining Lawrence, as he states, at the time mentioned. I know that he was absent from home when the difficulties commenced; his wife went to her mother's and stayed until he returned; he returned about the last of August, 1856. I know it would have been dangerous for him to have gone home; there were a great many threats made against him, if he returned home, by the men gathered in Lawrence to resist the execution of the laws; I heard several of them say they were going to tear his house down or burn it up, and believe the threats made were sufficient to keep him from returning. I know that when his wife went away all the things charged in the schedule were in the house; and when they returned, after the difficulties, they were all gone. Believe they were taken by the men in Lawrence. I know they took the chickens charged; I saw them shoot them. I think the prices charged are reasonable enough. I know he had the rails, and after the difficulty was over I was there and they were gone.

B. F. HOPPER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee County, K. T.

Mrs. Ann Hopper, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, S. J. Livingston, he is a citizen of the Territory; I was at his house a few days before his property was taken; I know he had a lot of rails about his hay lot; I think as many as five hundred; he had the beds, &c., mentioned; prices charged are low; he had the usual household and kitchen furniture for a family; I believe he had all that he has charged; I can't speak positively as to every particular item; I did not see these things taken, but saw them there before they left, and when they dared to go back, I went with them, and the things were all gone. I believe these things were all lost by their being driven from home by fear of violence to their persons and lives, at the hands of the men gathered in Lawrence.

her
ANN × HOPPER.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of S. J. Livingston, there is proven \$580, the amount claimed; of the private class, 455; of the public, \$125.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 237.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of Martin Young of said county and Territory, under an act, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Martin Young, of said county and Territory, represent to the commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of, and growing out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about the first of September, I was living at the house of John L. Hopper, on Kaw river, one mile from Lawrence, I with seven others in the family were lying sick at the time; for the purpose of getting medical aid, and believing it unsafe for us to remain, we were removed to Lecompton; at the time of leaving I had a crop of corn growing, and about matured, on the claim of John L. Hopper, near Lawrence; also a crop of potatoes, a garden, and lot of chickens; all of which were destroyed, during my absence, by the insurgents embodied in Lawrence to resist the execution of the laws. The prices charged are fair and just; I have never recovered any of it, nor pay therefor in whole or in part. All of which will more fully appear from the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof, and from the proofs herewith offered.

MARTIN YOUNG.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee County, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Five acres of corn, sixty bushels per acre, three hundred bushels, at \$1 per bushel.....	\$300 00
Twenty bushels potatoes, at \$1.....	20 00
Vegetable garden, \$25; 1 dozen chickens, \$3.....	28 00
	348 00
	348 00

John L. Hopper, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner; he is a citizen of this Territory; I have heard his petition and schedule read; I know of my own knowledge that the facts set forth in the petition are true; he was living at my house; he had a crop of corn, potatoes, garden, and chickens on my claim at the time, as he states; he was sick as stated; I removed him to Leocompton; it was unsafe for him to remain; he had ten acres of corn growing, and about matured, about half of it was destroyed, as he states; it would have yielded sixty bushels per acre; what was left yielded sixty bushels per acre; corn was worth about \$1 at that time; corn a little dryer sold shortly after at \$1 50; he had about twenty bushels of potatoes destroyed, they were worth about \$1 or \$1 25 per bushel; his garden destroyed was worth \$20 or \$25.

JOHN L. HOPPER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee County, K. T.

B. F. Hopper, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Martin Young; I know of my own knowledge that the facts set forth in his petition, which I have read, are true; he had four or five acres of corn destroyed, as he alleges, and at the time it would have yielded sixty bushels per acre, it was worth at the time \$1 per bushel; his potatoes destroyed were worth \$20 or \$25; his chickens destroyed were worth about \$3.

B. F. HOPPER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee County, K. T.

Mrs. Ann Hopper, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner, Martin Young; I know that the facts set forth in his petition are true; I know his corn, potatoes, garden, and chickens were destroyed; I lived at the same house; his garden was a tolerable good one, and was worth \$25; his chickens were worth \$3; he had a dozen.

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ANN × HOPPER.
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Martin Young, of the private class, the amount claimed, \$348, is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 238.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of J. L. Hopper, of said county and Territory, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, J. L. Hopper, of said county and Territory, represent to the commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about the last of August or 1st of September, 1856, an armed body of 22 men, a part of the insurgent force embodied in Lawrence in resistance of the laws, came to my house, near said Lawrence, searched it, and with force and arms took and carried away the guns charged in the schedule annexed to this, and made a part thereof, at a fair price, and with threats and violence drove me and mine from home. Being thus forced to abandon my home and stay away, in my absence they took and carried away or destroyed all the articles charged at a reasonable estimate in said schedule. I have never recovered any of said property, nor pay therefor, in whole or in part.

J. L. HOPPER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
 Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to John L. Hopper, Dr.

1856.

September 1. To 10 acres corn, 60 bushels per acre, at \$1	
per bushel.....	\$600 00
8 hogs, at \$4, \$32; 1 double barrel shot-	
gun, \$15.....	47 00
1 rifle-gun, \$20; 25 bush. potatoes, at \$1.	45 00
1 small plow and harness.....	12 00
2 chopping axes, at \$1, \$2; 1 lot books,	
\$10	12 00
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	716 00
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J. L. HOPPER.

Mrs. Ann Hopper, being duly sworn, says: I have heard my son's petition and schedule just read over; I know that the facts set forth in his petition are true; I was present when the armed body of 22

men, (I counted them,) came to his house, searched it, took away the two guns, threatened, if we stayed, to destroy our houses and property and kill us; said that we should not stay in the country; I know that he had thus to leave his property unprotected, and that when we returned it was all destroyed, as charged in the petition and schedule; I know he had all and as much as is charged.

ANN ^{her}+ HOPPER.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

Martin Young, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner; he is a citizen of this Territory; I have heard his petition and schedule read; I was lying sick at the house of Mr. Hopper at the time the armed body of men mentioned in the schedule came to his house; I counted them; know they searched the house and took the guns; they were worth what he has charged for them—for the shot gun, \$15, for the rifle, \$20; I know that they were driven from home, and that it was dangerous for him to go back; know that his corn and potatoes were destroyed; four of his hogs were missing, and one or two crippled; his plow, axes, and books were all there when he left, and gone when we returned; he had 10 or 12 acres of corn destroyed, it would have yielded 60 bushels per acre; corn was worth at the time \$1 per bushel; the hogs were worth \$5 or \$6 per head. He had some 30 or 40 bushels of potatoes destroyed, worth \$1 50 per bushel, at the time, in Lawrence. The plow and harness, axes and books, were worth about \$25.

MARTIN YOUNG.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 2, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of J. L. Hopper, of the private class, the amount claimed, \$716, is proven.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 239.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of B. F. Hopper, of said county and Territory, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," approved February 23d, 1857.

I, B. F. Hopper, of said county and Territory, represent unto the commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of and grow-

ing out of the difficulties in this Territory, since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about the last of August or 1st of September, 1856, I was living at the house of my brother, J. L. Hopper, near Lawrence, an armed body of men from Lawrence came and drove us all off, as stated in his petition and in my mother's; while we were thus forced and compelled to be absent, they took and carried away from said house and premises, or destroyed all the articles charged in the schedule annexed to this petition and made a part thereof; the prices charged are just and fair; I have never recovered them nor any pay therefor, in any manner.

B. F. HOPPER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to B. F. Hopper, Dr.

1856.

Aug. and Sept. To 10 acres corn, 60 bushels per acre, at \$1 per bushel.....	\$600
1 two-horse wagon and harness.....	125
1 beef cow, \$40; 1 two-year-old steer, \$30	70
1 prairie plow, \$25; 1 saddle and bridle, \$25.....	50
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B. F. HOPPER.

William H. Oliver, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, B. F. Hopper; he is a citizen of this Territory; I know the petitioner lost the cow charged; she was worth about \$40; also the steer, worth \$20; also the prairie plow, worth \$25; saddle and bridle, \$25; one two-horse wagon and harness, \$125; and about ten acres of corn destroyed, 60 bushels per acre, \$1 per bushel; and that the facts set forth in the petition are true.

WILLIAM H. OLIVER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

Martin Young being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, B. F. Hopper; he is a citizen of this Territory; I have heard his petition read; I know of my own knowledge that the facts therein set forth are true; he had between ten and twelve acres of corn destroyed, as stated, 60 bushels to the acre at least, at \$1 per bushel; they took from him one two-horse wagon, cheap at \$125; also, the beef cow,

worth \$40 or \$45 ; also the steer, worth \$20 ; also the prairie plow, \$25, lowest price ; saddle and bridle, \$25 ; he has never recovered them that I know of.

MARTIN YOUNG.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of B. F. Hopper, of the private class, there is \$845, the amount claimed, proven.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

No. 240.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of Ann Hopper, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Ann Hopper, of said county and Territory, represent unto the commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of, and growing out of the difficulties in this Territory, since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about the last of August, or first of September, 1856, I was living at the house of my son, J. L. Hopper, near Lawrence, where I had all my goods and worldly effects; an armed body of men—a part of the forces gathered in Lawrence to resist the laws—came to said house, and with threats and violence, force and arms, drove me and the family of said J. L. Hopper from said house and home. Fearing to return, in our absence they took and carried away, or destroyed upon the premises, all the articles charged at fair and reasonable rates in the schedule annexed to this petition, and made a part thereof. I have never recovered any of said property, nor pay for them in whole or in part, in any manner.

^{her}
 ANN + HOPPER.
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Mrs. Ann Hopper, Dr.

1856.

September 1. To	1 horse, saddle, and bridle.....	\$125 00
	1 vegetable garden.....	75 00
	20 dozen chickens, \$60 ; 1 cherry table, 1	67 00

12 chairs, \$13 ; 1 cupboard and ware, \$15	\$28 00
1 small spinning-wheel, \$5 ; 2 hemp hackles, \$5.....	10 00
1 stove-pipe and vessels, \$5 ; 1 barrel of soap, \$10.....	15 00
1 mattress, \$4 ; 1 clock, \$5.....	9 00
1 small table, and 33 pounds of tallow...	6 50
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John L. Hopper, being duly sworn, says : I know of my own knowledge that all the facts set forth in the above, my mother's petition and schedule, are true. I know that she had all the articles she has charged in her schedule, at my house when we were driven away; and when we returned, as soon after the difficulties as we thought safe, they were all gone, and I have no doubt were taken by said men from Lawrence. The prices she has charged are just and correct.

J. L. HOPPER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

Martin Young, being duly sworn, says : I know the petitioner, Ann Hopper ; she is a citizen of this Territory ; I have heard her petition read ; I know the facts set out in the petition are true ; I had been living with them for more than a year ; I know that she had all the articles charged, at the time we were driven off, and when we returned, as soon after as it was safe to do so, they were all gone ; the prices charged for each item are reasonable enough ; they could not be bought cheaper ; I have no doubt they were taken by the men from Lawrence ; she has never recovered any of them that I know of.

MARTIN YOUNG.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, December 12, 1857.

WILLIAM O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Ann Hopper, of the private class, there is proven the amount claimed, \$335 50.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.



No. 241.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of Andrew Inves, of said county and Territory, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Andrew Inves, of said county and Territory, represent to the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property since since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about the 5th day of September, 1856, when the Territory was in a state of rebellion and confusion, I was fixing a place to chain and secure my horse against the thieves and marauders who were at that time taking horses wherever they could find them, calling it pressing for the service of the militia; at the time, my horse was staked out on the prairie about two hundred yards from my house, with another horse belonging to a friend; he went up on the prairie to look after them and returned with the word that they were gone; upon examination, I found that they had been stolen; I immediately pursued in the direction of Tecumseh, and on the way a neighbor told me that she had just seen our two horses ridden by; she said she recognized the horses, but did not recognize the riders; I made further diligent pursuit and search, and heard of them in the possession of two irresponsible and worthless men, representing themselves as territorial militia men, who have since abandoned the Territory; I afterwards found and recovered one of the horses—the one belonging to my friend; I have never recovered mine, nor pay therefor. Upon a reasonable estimate, said horse was worth \$200.

ANDREW INVES.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d day of December, 1858.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

Dr. Wm. H. Brown, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Andrew Inves; have heard his petition read; he is a citizen of the Territory; I am the friend spoken of in his petition; I know the facts set forth therein are true; his horse was worth fully \$200; she was young, large and stout.

WM. H. BROWN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d day of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

George Osborne, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, Andrew Inves; he is a citizen of this Territory; have heard his petition read; on or about the 5th of September, 1856, I saw the two men spoken of in the petition riding the two horses spoken of; I know the

men and the horses; they were irresponsible as he alleges; I thought, when I saw them starting out on the prairie, that they were after stealing horses; she was a good looking fine mare; I think she was worth between \$150 and \$200.

GEORGE OSBORNE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d day of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Andrew Inves, of the private class, there is proven the amount claimed, \$200.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

No. 242.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of R. S. Shepherd, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, S. R. Shepherd, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about the 24th of September, 1856, an armed body of men, being part of the free State army from Lawrence, going to Topeka, en route for Nebraska, passed near the house of my father, and two men from the company came near the house about night; after they had passed we discovered that my horse had been taken; I made pursuit and tracked them in direction of Topeka, but could not recover said horse; I have never received him nor pay for him in any manner, in whole or in part; he was a bay, five years old, and worth \$160.

S. R. SHEPHERD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of December, 1856.

WM. O. YAGER,

Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

Orland Moffett, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, S. R. Shepherd, he is a citizen of this Territory; I have heard his petition read; I know that the petitioner had such a horse as is described in his petition, and that it was missing about the time he has stated; I don't know how he was taken; I know that he hunted for it a great deal, but never found it; it was worth what he has charged, \$160.

ORLAND MOFFETT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,

P. J., Shawnee county, K. T.

Paul Shepherd, being duly sworn, says: I have heard my son's, S. R. Shepherd's, petition read; he is a citizen of this Territory. I know all the facts set out in his petition are true, except that I did not see the men pass. I learned that there was such a company as is spoken of in the petition passed Topoka the same evening that my son's horse was taken, with a number of horses; that is to say, more horses than riders. Said horse was worth \$160; she was an animal without blemish, five years old.

PAUL SHEPHERD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
P. J., Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of S. R. Shepherd, of the private class, there is proven the amount claimed, \$160.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 243.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } *ss.*

Petition of Thos. S. McKinney, of said county and Territory, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, T. S. McKinney, of said county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the organization thereof, as follows: On or about the 4th of September, 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a state of rebellion and confusion, an armed body of men, belonging to a part of the army of insurgents in command of General James H. Lane, at that time encamped at Topeka, took and carried, with force and arms and threats of violence, from the possession of Jesse Michener, one large sorrel horse, the property of your petitioner. Said horse, at a fair and reasonable estimate, was worth \$125. It was taken by them to their camp, and although diligent efforts were made I never recovered it nor pay therefor in whole or in part.

T. S. MCKINNEY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
P. J., Shawnee county, K. T.

James Morman, being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner, T. S. McKinney; he is a citizen of this Territory; I have heard his petition read; I know that his horse was taken from Jesse

Michiner at the time, in the manner, and by the persons alleged. I was in company with said Michiner at the time, and said body of armed men did take and carry away, not only the horse that he was riding, belonging to T. S. McKinney, but took mine also, and made us both prisoners of war. Said horse was worth \$125.

JAMES MORMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
P. J., Shawnee county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of T. S. McKinney, of the private class, there is proven the amount claimed, \$125.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 244.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee, } ss.

Petition of Wm. H. Oliver, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Wm. H. Oliver, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about the last of August, 1856, I had twenty-five bushels of old corn in sacks, at the house of J. L. Hopper, near Lawrence. I was driven away by an armed body of twenty-two men. Fearing to return, in my absence the corn was taken, with the property of Mr. Hopper, by the men gathered in Lawrence to resist the laws. Said corn was worth with the sacks \$40. I have never received it, nor pay for it in whole or in part.

WM. H. OLIVER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th day of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
P. J., Shawnee county, K. T.

John L. Hopper, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, William H. Oliver; he is a citizen of this Territory. I know the facts set forth in the petition are true of my own knowledge. The corn and sacks were worth the price charged, forty dollars. I saw the body of twenty-two men come to the house as stated.

J. L. HOPPER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th day of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

Mrs. Ann Hopper, being duly sworn, says: I know the petitioner, William H. Oliver; he is a citizen of this Territory. I know of my own knowledge that the facts set forth in the petition are true. I was present when the armed body of men came and ordered us off. He had the corn in the house of said Hopper. It was worth forty dollars, as charged.

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ANN + HOPPER.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th day of December, 1857.

WM. O. YAGER,
Probate Judge, Shawnee county, Kansas Territory.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of William H. Oliver, of the private class, there is proven the amount claimed, forty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 245.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn, } ss.

The petition of Milican Miller, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Milican Miller, of the Territory and county aforesaid, unto the honorable commissioner state: That in the month of August, 1856, I was, in company with Mr. Smith, David Turman, and others, in search of some horses that had been stolen out of our settlement. We camped on Middle creek. In the morning early I went out of the camp, when I saw one Captain John Brown, of the northern army, come to our camp with many others with him, when I saw that I had to escape for my life as soon as possible. My horse was left in the camp when I went out, together with my saddle, bridle, blanket, and other equipments. Captain Brown's men took some of our company prisoners. He took my horse, saddle, blanket, and other things mentioned, and I never have had any of them since, or any compensation for the same at any time.

And your petitioner further certifies that the said charges in the schedule annexed to this petition are reasonable and just; that the losses were occasioned solely on account of the territorial difficulties, and that Captain Brown, of the northern army, carried away my property by the force of arms, and my charges are only just and reasonable.

MILICAN MILLER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, a notary public in and for the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, this 10th day of October, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS. [L. s.]

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Milican Miller, Dr.

To one mare, saddle, blanket, bridle, and lariat..... \$135 00

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Milican Miller of one hundred and thirty-five dollars there is proven one hundred and thirty-five dollars, of which amount one hundred and thirty dollars is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

Affidavit of David Turman, of the county of Linn, a citizen of the Territory of Kansas, in relation to the evidence of Milican Miller.

I, David Turman, a citizen of the Territory of Kansas, being duly sworn, say: That I was with Mr. Miller, on Middle creek, on the day he had his horse stolen from him by Captain John Brown, of the northern army; I left Mr. Miller with his horse, saddle, bridle, and just as he rode it at our camp, when I went out; while I was out I was taken a prisoner by some men acting under the command of Captain Brown; they kept me a prisoner the whole night, when I saw some of Captain Brown's men bring Mr. Milican Miller's horse into the camp where I was kept; I told the men there and then that the horse they had brought in belonged to Mr. Miller; I knew the horse well; it had the saddle, bridle, blanket, martingale, lariat, and was just as he rode it; I saw the horse in question with Captain Brown's men; they were using it when they set me at liberty; I never saw it since; I know his horse, saddle, and other things with it was worth \$135; it was a fine horse and a good saddle.

DAVID TURMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

No. 246.

Account for loss of an arm.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of, or growing out of, the difficulties in Kansas Territory, by act of legislative assembly, approved February 23, 1857.

Absalom White, complainant, says : That owing to the difficulties in Kansas Territory, in the month of August, A. D. 1856, this complainant, in company with several others of his companions, met in hostile array a company of southerners, there camped and fortified at the house of H. T. Titus, in Douglas county, at which time and place a battle ensued ; and this complainant states that a ball from a rifle or musket in the hands of one of the party of said southerners struck the left arm of your complainant, and so shattered the same that amputation became necessary, and that said arm was amputated, as may be seen by inspection ; your complainant says that he is damaged and injured to the amount of two thousand dollars ; he states that his loss was occasioned by, and in consequence of, the difficulties in Kansas Territory, in the year A. D. 1856, and that he is a resident of Kansas. He states that the matters and things set forth in the above are true.

ABSALOM WHITE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

Witness in support of the claim of Absalom White, for loss of an arm, in consequence of, or growing out of, the difficulties in Kansas Territory.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Thomas Bickerton, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says : That I am well acquainted with Absalom White, who has made and signed the above complaint ; I am acquainted with the contents, and I believe the matters thus set forth are strictly true ; he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory ; I was present at the house of H. T. Titus, in the month of August, A. D. 1856, and saw said White there ; when I first saw him, that day, he had two arms ; I saw him at the time the ball struck and shattered his left arm ; this was during the difficulties in Kansas, in the year A. D. 1856 ; said arm was reasonably worth, to any man, two thousand dollars.

THOMAS BICKERTON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

Witness in support of claim of Absalom White for loss of arm.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

S. B. Prentice, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That I am a practicing physician in the county of Douglas. I am acquainted with Absalom White, who has made and subscribed the above complaint; he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory. Deponent further says, that some time about the 17th day of August, A. D. 1856, I was called to the said White, and found him in Lawrence, his left arm badly fractured by a ball from a rifle or musket. On examination, I found that amputation would be absolutely necessary to save his life, and I amputated the arm accordingly.

S. B. PRENTICE.

Sworn to and subscribed, this 17th day of November, 1857, before me.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public.*

This account is, by agreement with the commissioner, to be sent up with the other papers, although he refuses to allow the same, as, in his opinion, it is not covered by the act of February 23, A. D. 1857. To this opinion the counsel for complainant demurs, and says that said account is within the provisions of the act of February 23, A. D. 1857, of the legislative assembly of the Territory of Kansas. See 6th clause of section 1 of said act: "All persons who may have sustained any loss or damage in 'consequence' of, or growing out of, the difficulties in this Territory" at any time since the passage of the act to organize this Territory.

JAMES CHRISTIAN,
Attorney for claimant.

The foregoing claim of Absalom White was not allowed, upon the ground that he was engaged in rebellion and making unwarranted attack upon the person and property of a private citizen, not in obedience to the laws of the country, or commands of any legal authority.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 247.

Claim for loss and damages.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of, and growing out of, the difficulties in this Kansas Territory.

John Stroup, complainant, states that on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and for some time previous, he was the legal

owner of certain property, to wit: one steam saw mill, situated in the town of Franklin; also one dwelling house, in the town of Franklin, county of Douglas, Kansas. Complainant states that said steam saw mill was reasonably worth the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars, (\$3,500.) He also states that said dwelling house was worth the sum of three hundred dollars. Complainant further states that he owned and possessed household furniture in said house to the value of three hundred dollars at the time and place aforesaid. He also states that, at the time and place aforesaid, he was also the owner of certain other property, to wit: three yoke of work cattle, of the value of three hundred dollars; also three cows and calves, of the value of one hundred dollars; also 4,000 feet of lumber, of the value of one hundred and twenty-five dollars; also one set of harness, of the value of twenty-five dollars; also one extra saw, for the use of the mill aforesaid, of the value of one hundred dollars. Complainant further says, that on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a body of armed men, claiming to be territorial militia, under the command of one John W. Reed, called General Reed, came with arms and burned and destroyed the saw mill aforesaid, together with its contents; also the said dwelling, with the household and kitchen furniture aforesaid, together with about 4,000 feet of lumber. Complainant further states, that the body of men aforesaid took and carried away three yoke of oxen, three cows and calves, one set of harness, the property of complainant, at the time and place aforesaid; he also states that at the time and place aforesaid there was in the said steam saw mill an extra circular saw, of the value of one hundred dollars, that was utterly ruined and destroyed by the fire in the burning of the said steam saw mill.

Complainant states that he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and that he has not received back any of the property mentioned in this complaint, or in the schedule attached to this complaint; nor has he received any compensation, or recovered for the same, or any part thereof, from any person whatever. He further states that the matters and things set forth in the above complaint are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

JOHN STROUP, *Complainant.*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. FOLLE,
Justice of the Peace.

Witness in support of the claim of John Stroup.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

E. B. Purdon, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That I am well acquainted with John Stroup, who has made and signed the above complaint, and that I believe the matters and things therein set forth are true. I am acquainted with the property described in said complaint and schedule accompanying the same; and I

believe the prices therein charged are reasonable. John Stroup is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory. I am a resident of Franklin, in this (Douglas) county. I know that John Stroup was the reputed owner of the property above described in his complaint. And on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a large body of armed men came and camped on the Wakarusa creek, under the command of General Reed, of Missouri, about a mile and a half from the town of Franklin, in this county, and that a portion of said men came into the town of Franklin and set fire to and burned the steam saw mill with its contents, and also the dwelling house of said Stroup; said armed men took and drove away three yoke of cattle and three cows and calves of complainant, also took one set of harness; they also took and destroyed the household furniture of the complainant, which was of the value of three hundred dollars; there was in the mill at the time of its destruction an extra circular saw, but I do not know the worth of such articles; and further this deponent saith not.

C. B. PURDON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. FOLLE, *Justice of the Peace.*

Witness in support of the claim of John Stroup for loss and damages in 1856.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, }

Clarkson M. Wallace, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That I am well acquainted with John Stroup, who has made and signed the above complaint. I know its contents, and believe the matters and things therein set forth are true. John Stroup is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory. I know that he was the legal owner and in peaceable possession of the property mentioned in his complaint and in the schedule accompanying the same, and I believe the charges therein made are reasonable. Said property was situated in the town of Franklin, in this county, and the personal property was at the same place; and that on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a large body of armed men came under the command of one General Reed, of Jackson county, Missouri, and camped on the Wakarusa creek, one and a half mile from the town of Franklin, in Douglas county, and that a portion of said men, armed with guns, swords, and pistols, as well as several pieces of artillery and other warlike instruments, as well offensive as defensive, came into the said town of Franklin and commenced all kinds of outrages, such as burning houses, breaking open stores and dwellings, and plundering and stealing everything that they could find. I saw them set fire to the steam saw mill of John Stroup; myself and father assisted in putting out said fire, and did put it out once but another crowd of said men came and set fire to it the second time, and said that if I attempted to put it out they would put a ball through my head; they then burned it, with its contents, besides a large quantity of lumber stacked on the ground; they also set fire to and burned

the dwelling house of John Stroup, with its contents; they then drove off three yoke of oxen and three cows and calves, the property of said Stroup, of the value of four hundred dollars. Deponent says that the household furniture of said Stroup, burned in his dwelling house, was reasonably worth the sum of three hundred dollars; and that said dwelling house was worth the sum of three hundred dollars; that the said steam saw mill was worth the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars, and that the circular saw burned in said mill, being an extra saw, worth the sum of one hundred dollars; deponent says that there was about four thousand feet of lumber burned at the mill which was worth the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars; said body of men took and carried away one set of harness, worth twenty-five dollars, making in all the sum of \$4,745. The said Stroup has not, to my knowledge, ever received any compensation for the same from any person or persons whatever; and further this deponent saith not.

C. M. WALLACE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. FOLLE,
Justice of the Peace.

Bill of items of property lost during the difficulties in Kansas Territory during the year 1856, the property of John Stroup, of Kansas Territory.

1856.

September 15.	To one circular saw mill.....	\$3,500 00
	one dwelling house.....	300 00
	household furniture.....	300 00
	3 yoke of cattle.....	300 00
	3 cows and calves.....	100 00
	4,000 feet of lumber.....	120 00
	one set of harness.....	25 00
	one extra saw.....	100 00
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		4,745 00
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I certify that in the foregoing claim of John Stroup, of four thousand seven hundred and forty-five dollars, there is proven said amount, which is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 248.

Account for loss and damages.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory.

E. B. Johnston, complainant, states: That on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, he was the legal owner of certain personal

property, to wit: one mare and colt of the value of two hundred dollars; one bay pony of the value of fifty dollars; two beef cows of the value of twenty-five dollars; 300 bushels of corn of the value of one dollar per bushel, three hundred dollars; in all of the value of \$700. Complainant states that on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a large body of armed men came and camped on the Wakarusa creek, in this (Douglas) county, about one mile from the residence of complainant, and that said body of men were under the command of one General Reed. Complainant states that a portion of said body of armed men, at the time aforesaid, with force and arms, came and took and carried away the said mare and colt of complainant, and also the pony aforesaid. Complainant states that said body of armed men, at the time and place aforesaid, also took and carried away two cows belonging to complainant. Complainant also avers it to be true that said body of armed men also took, carried away, and turned into the corn field of complainant, a large number of horses and mules, whereby the said horses ate and destroyed a large quantity of corn of your complainant, to wit: three hundred bushels of corn, of the value of three hundred dollars. He states that the two cows took from complainant were worth fifty dollars, and that said mare and colt were worth two hundred dollars, and that the pony taken from complainant was worth fifty dollars. He also states that he is a resident of Douglas county, in Kansas Territory.

Complainant also says that he has never received back any of said property, nor has he ever received any compensation for the same, either in whole or in part, from any person or persons for the same.

He further states that the matters and facts set forth in the above complaint are true, according to the best of his knowledge and belief.

E. B. JOHNSTON, *Complainant*.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. FOLLE, *J. P.*

Witness in support of the claim of E. B. Johnston for losses in 1856.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

C. M. Wallace, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, I was in the town of Franklin, in this county, and saw the company that came up from Missouri under the command of General Reed have the pony of E. B. Johnston in their possession, and took the mare away with them; further, I know the said E. B. Johnston, and that he owned said pony; further this deponent saith not.

C. M. WALLACE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. FOLLE, *J. P.*

Witness in support of the claims of E. B. Johnston for losses sustained in Kansas in 1856.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas, } ss.

A. M. Wheadon, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says : That I am acquainted with E. B. Johnston, and know that he had a corn field where he lived. Some time after the 14th day of September, I passed by the field of said Johnston, and saw that some person had been feeding the corn of the said Johnston. I don't think E. B. Johnston lost more than one hundred bushels of corn, which was worth one dollar per bushel at the time ; and further the deponent saith not.

A. M. WHEADON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. J. FOLLE, J. P.

Bill of items of property lost during the difficulties in Kansas during the year A. D. 1856, the property of E. B. Johnston.

1856.

September 15. 1 mare and colt.....	\$200 00
2 beef cows, \$25 each.	50 00
1 pony.	50 00
300 bushels of corn, \$1 00 per bushel.....	300 00
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Total.....	\$600 00
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This account is just and correct.

COMPLAINANT.

Sworn to and subscribed this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of E. B. Johnston, of six hundred dollars, there is proven the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, which is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 249.

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory, during the year A. D. 1856, approved February, 1857.

Michael Glen, complainant, states : That on or about the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and for some time previous thereto, he was the legal owner and in peaceable possession of certain property, to wit, household and kitchen furniture, clothing, &c., of the value of seventy-five dollars ; also a small field of corn of about three acres, of the value of one hundred dollars, in all of the value of one hun-

dred and seventy-five dollars. And that on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a body of men, under one General Reed, came to the town of Franklin, the residence of complainant, and entered the dwelling house of said complainant, and took and carried away and destroyed the household furniture, clothing, bed, and bedding of the complainant, of the value of seventy-five dollars. And that said body of men took and destroyed the field of corn, the property of complainant, of the value of one hundred dollars, in all of the value of one hundred and seventy-five dollars. Complainant states that he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and that the matters and things herein set forth are true, according to his knowledge and belief.

MICHAEL GLEN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. FOLLE, *Justice of the Peace.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

John Bart, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That I am well acquainted with Michael Glen, who has made and signed the above petition; I know the contents thereof, and I believe the facts therein stated are true; I know that Michael Glen was the owner of the property mentioned in his complaint, and that it was reasonably worth the sum of seventy-five dollars; I know that he was the owner of a small field of corn adjoining the town of Franklin, in Douglas county, of about three acres, and that the same was worth one hundred dollars. Deponent states that on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a body of armed men, under one General Reed, came into the town of Franklin, and entered and plundered the house of said Glen, they took, carried away, and destroyed every thing that was in his house; the household furniture and bed and bedding and clothing of said Glen was of the value of seventy-five dollars; the corn field that was destroyed, the property of said Glen, was worth the sum of one hundred dollars; said Glen is a resident of Kansas Territory; and further this deponent saith not.

JOHN L. BARTH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. FOLLE, *Justice of the Peace.*

Bill of items of property lost during the difficulties in Kansas Territory during the year 1856, the property of Michael Glen.

September 14, 1856. To household and kitchen furniture....	\$75 00
To three acres of corn.....	100 00
	175 00
	175 00

This account is just and correct.

MICHAEL GLEN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. FOLLE, *Justice of the Peace.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Michael Glen, of one hundred and seventy-five dollars, there is proven one hundred and seventy-five dollars, which is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 250.

Account for loss and damages.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory, approved February, A. D. 1857.

William S. Hull, complainant, states that on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, and for some time previous thereto, he was the legal owner and in peaceable possession of certain property in the town of Franklin, county of Douglas, Territory of Kansas, to wit:

One dwelling house, of the value of.....	\$150 00
Furniture, &c., for house, of the value of.....	300 00
One yoke of oxen, of the value of.....	110 00
Surgical instruments.....	35 00
Books and medicine, of the value of.....	50 00
Clothing, of the value of.....	150 00
Pocket case, of the value of.....	10 00
1,000 feet of lumber, of the value of.....	40 00
A field of corn, of the value of.....	250 00

Amounting, in all, to..... 1,095 00

And that on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, a body of armed men, under the command of General Reed, and who claimed to be a portion of the territorial militia, entered the said town of Franklin and commenced to plunder and burn the houses. Said men set fire to and burned the steam saw mill and dwelling house of John Stump, and plundered and robbed the stores of E. B. Purdon and Taylor Stephens, and various other houses and offices.

Complainant states that said body of armed men, at the time and place aforesaid, plundered and destroyed the dwelling house and office of your complainant, and took and destroyed a large quantity of furniture in the house of complainant, to the value of \$300. Complainant says that the dwelling house destroyed by said men, the property of complainant, was worth the sum of \$150. He also states that said

body of men, at the time and place aforesaid, took and destroyed books, medicines, clothing, and surgical instruments, the property of complainant, to the amount of \$245. He also states that said body of men took and carried away a yoke of oxen, the property of complainant, of the value of \$110; also they burned and destroyed 1,000 feet of lumber, the property of complainant, of the value of \$40. They also fed, carried away, and destroyed a field of corn, the property of complainant, of the value of \$250; in all of the value of \$1,095. Complainant states that he is a resident of Kansas Territory, and that he has not received any compensation, either in whole or in part, from any person or persons, for the same, whatever. He further states that the matters and things set forth in the above complaint are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

W. S. HULL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. FOLLE,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Milligan Wallace, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That I am well acquainted with Dr. William S. Hull, who has made and signed the above petition. I know its contents, and I believe the matters and things set forth are true, and I know that said Hull owned the property therein mentioned, and that it was reasonably worth the sums therein charged; and that on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1856, the company of men that came to Franklin, under the command of General Reed, burned the house of said Hull, and stole and destroyed nearly all the property of said Hull, consisting of his household goods, books, medicines, and medical instruments. I think that the property destroyed was reasonably worth the amount of one thousand and ninety-five dollars. He was the owner of a field of corn that was destroyed by the armed men that came to Franklin on the 14th of September, 1856. And further this deponent saith not.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. FOLLE,
Justice of the Peace.

Witness in support of the claims of Dr. W. S. Hull.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

E. B. Purdom, of lawful age, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says: That I am well acquainted with Doctor William S. Hull. He is a resident of the town of Franklin, in Douglas county

I am a resident of the same place. I have been in his house and office frequently. His house was furnished in the usual style. I think that his household furniture was reasonably worth the sum of three hundred dollars, and that his medicines, books, and medical instruments were worth one hundred dollars, and that his house was worth one hundred and fifty dollars. I know that his dwelling house and contents were burned at the ransacking of the town of Franklin, in September, 1856.

E. B. PURDOM.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1857.

H. G. FOLLE,
Justice of the Peace.

The amount of losses sustained by W. S. Hull, in the town of Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas Territory, taken and destroyed on the 14th and 15th days of September, A. D. 1856, by the militia of Kansas Territory, to wit :

Dwelling house.....	\$150 00
Furniture, &c., for house.....	300 00
One yoke of oxen.....	110 00
Surgical instruments.....	35 00
Books and medicines.....	50 00
Clothing.....	150 00
Pocket case.....	10 00
1,000 feet of lumber.....	40 00
Corn in the field.....	250 00
Total.....	1,095 00

This account is just and correct.

Sworn to and subscribed before me.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of W. S. Hull, of one thousand and ninety-five dollars, the said sum is proven, which is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 251.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn, } ss.

Petition of Robert Smith, of the Territory of Kansas and county of Linn, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Robert Smith, of the Territory and county aforesaid, beg to represent unto the honorable commissioner, that in or about the month

of August or the early part of September, your petitioner was the legal owner of a span of horses, as stated in the schedule annexed to this petition, as taken in Cass county, State of Missouri.

Your petitioner was passing through Lykins county, upon my own business, in the evening; that Osawatomie had been burned in the morning by some bands of marauders; and while camping after the day's journey a band of marauders stole my span of horses. I never have received the same since at any time, or any compensation for the same; and that my charge in the schedule annexed to this is a true and correct account of my losses as occasioned by the difficulties of the Territory.

ROBERT SMITH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of January, 1858.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Robert Smith, Dr.

One large black horse.....	\$125 00
One large sorrel mare.....	125 00
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I, Robert Smith, do certify that the above account is true and correct, and the charges there made are not over charged.

ROBERT SMITH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of January, A. D. 1858.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

To the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled:

The undersigned petitioner, Robert Smith, a citizen of the Territory of Kansas, would respectfully represent to your honorable body that during the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six, and during the disturbances in Kansas Territory, he was a resident citizen of said Territory, and that during said disturbances in said Territory and by reason thereof, and at the hands of the marauding bands of thieves and robbers which at the time aforesaid existed in said Territory, he sustained losses of property to the amount of two hundred and fifty dollars, consisting of the following, two horses, to-wit:

One large black gelding horse.....	\$125 00
One fine sorrel mare.....	125 00
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Total amount.....	250 00
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STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of Cass, } *ss.*

On this the 18th day of November, A. D. eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, personally appeared before me, Hamilton Finey, clerk of the county court in and for the county and State aforesaid, Robert Smith, who after being by me duly sworn according to law, upon his oath states: That the above and foregoing memorial and the matters and things therein as stated are true, and that the mare and horse above described were lost by him in the manner and by the means above stated, and that they were each worth the respective amounts charged for them in the above account.

Also personally appeared before me Edward C. Heiskell and William O. Clayton, who, after also having been duly sworn according to law, states: That they know that the said Smith lost two horses at the time mentioned in the above and foregoing memorial, but as to the value of said horses they were not sufficiently acquainted with them to form a belief as to their value.

ROBERT SMITH.
 E. C. HEISKELL.
 W. O. CLAYTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this the 18th day of November, A. D. 1857.

In testimony of all whereof, I, Hamilton Finey, clerk of the county and State aforesaid, have hereto set my hand and affixed the seal of [L. s.] said court the day and year first above written.

HAMILTON FINEY,
Clerk.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing petition and accompanying affidavits of Robert Smith, and allow him the amount claimed on private account, \$250.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 252.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

The petition of Isaac T. De Ment, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Isaac T. De Ment, of the Territory and county aforesaid, beg to represent unto the honorable commissioner, that on the 3d day of September, 1856, the southern army, under the command of G. W.

Clarke, about 300 men with him, the said army came up to a building I was using as a storehouse, and also another building I used as a residence. They forcibly broke open my storehouse and carried away a quantity of the goods I had there for sale. After they had taken or plundered my store to their satisfaction they set it on fire, and it was, together with all the goods mentioned in the schedule, that was not plundered by the southern army, consumed to ashes; this continued to burn until about evening, when the said army came and set fire to my residence; and that also, together with my furniture, bedding, a quantity of wearing apparel belonging to myself and family, and also my cooking stove and cooking apparatus, was all destroyed.

And your petitioner begs to represent unto the honorable commissioner that the schedule affixed to this petition is a true and correct statement of the list of goods, together with value of the same, as were burned and plundered on the day as above mentioned, together with the value of said buildings.

ISAAC T. DE MENT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st day of December, 1857.
 HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The Territory of Kansas to Isaac T. De Ment, Dr.

1 crate of crockery ware, value of.....	\$150 00
30 sacks of salt, worth \$5 each	150 00
A quantity of tin ware to the value of.....	60 00
A quantity of stone jars, jugs, &c.....	40 00
50 pieces of cotton print, average worth \$5 each.....	225 00
4 pieces of satin cloth, worth.....	120 00
1 piece of corduroy cloth.....	24 00
5 pieces of lawn.....	31 25
4 pieces of silk lustring.....	40 00
2 pieces of flannel, red.....	20 00
1 piece of flannel, white, remnant.....	5 00
2 pieces of linsey jeans.....	12 00
1 piece of osnaburg.....	6 00
1 piece of sheeting.....	5 00
1 piece of hickory shirting	3 00
2 boxes of artificial flowers.....	10 00
1 dozen silk handkerchiefs.....	12 00
1 dozen cotton handkerchiefs.....	3 00
6 coats, men's, assorted.....	36 00
9 pair of pants, assorted	20 00
3 vests, assorted.....	9 00
1 dozen hats, assorted.....	25 00
2 dozen caps, assorted.....	20 00

A quantity of school books, school stationery, and other books	\$25 00
A chest of carpenter's tools.....	120 00
1 box of augers and chisels.....	50 00
1 box of cast steel axes	15 00
1 box of candy.....	3 00
1 box of tea.....	20 00
1 bag of Java coffee	12 00
A quantity of gun caps, shot, lead, and flasks of powder....	12 00
A quantity of table and other cutlery.....	25 00
A quantity of men's and boy's boots and brogans.....	50 00
1 barrel of molasses.....	15 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ barrel of cognac bandy.....	20 00
2 dozen bunches of spun cotton warp.....	20 00
A quantity of thimbles, cotton spools, pins, &c.....	25 00
3 clocks, spring ditto.....	25 00
3 mirrors, \$2 ; a lot of silk ribbon, \$5.....	7 00
2 pieces of fine cambric.....	30 00
8 kegs of cut nails.....	40 00
A stock of patent and other medicines.....	50 00
1 box of ladies' silk gloves	10 00
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ box of tobacco, large size.....	35 00
A quantity of hinges and screws.....	4 00
1 box of ladies' bonnets, silk.....	15 00
Wash boards, tubs, buckets, brooms, &c.....	15 00
3 boxes of soaps and candles.....	20 00
A lot of saddlery.....	15 00
A barrel of sugar, \$20 ; 3 loaves of ditto, \$6.....	26 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ keg of mackerel.....	3 00
Value of storehouse	180 00
Value of dwelling house.....	180 00
Bed clothing and bedding burned.....	35 00
1 cooking stove and utensils burned.....	30 00
Total amount.....	2,158 25

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The affidavit of Antwine Belowine, of the Territory of Kansas and county of Linn, in relation to the burning of Isaac T. De Ment's store and dwelling house, and the plunder of the goods out of the store of said Mr. De Ment, on September the 3d, 1856, at Sugar Mound, in the county and Territory aforesaid.

I, Antwine Belowine, being a citizen of the United States, and duly sworn, saith: I know Mr. De Ment had a store and dwelling house on Sugar Mound, in the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, as stated above, on the 3d day of September, 1856. I had been to the store in the morning of same day, about 9 a. m. I was at the time acting as a clerk for De Ment. I locked the door safely when I came

out, and put the key into my pocket. I was a short distance, about 1 of the clock p. m., when my attention was called to the site by seeing smoke arise from the store. I heard a noise of a quantity of men about, and also of a great quantity of shooting with guns. It sounded to me as if there were between one and two hundred guns. General Clarke and the southern army were in the neighborhood at that time. I did not go up to the store at the time it was on fire, for fear of my life. I hid myself in the bushes that night for fear of the army, and of bands of marauders that were all around the country at the time the store was set on fire. I know Mr. De Ment had a good stock of goods in the store. I am well acquainted with the stock of goods that were in the store at the time it was burned, as I was a clerk at the time for Mr. De Ment, (here the bill, as charged in the schedule, was read distinctly, article by article,) and I do swear that the bill annexed to this is a true account of the goods that were in the store at the time it was set on fire by the southern army, and the charges for said goods as itemized in the schedule are true and correct, and not in any way over charged. I cannot say that all the goods were burned with the store, as some persons said some of the goods were in the possession of the southern army after the burning of Mr. De Ment's store and dwelling house. Mr. De Ment never received any pay for the goods charged in the schedule. Mr. De Ment's store was a good and comfortable log building, well chinked, and good plank floor. The size was 24 by 18 feet, with good door and roof, and worth \$190. The dwelling was rather less size, and worth \$190. I know that Mr. De Ment had a quantity of bed clothes and wearing apparel destroyed with the burning of his house, and that he had a good cooking stove in the house when it was set on fire.

ANTWINE BELOWINE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st day of December, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

The affidavit of William T. Turner, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, in relation to the burning of Mr. Isaac De Ment's store and residence, together with the goods in said store, and also with the loss of part of his bedding and wearing apparel, at Sugar Mound, in the said county and Territory, on the 3d day of September, 1856.

I, William T. Turner, a citizen of the United States, being duly sworn, saith: On the 3d day of September, 1856, a man named G. W. Clark came to Sugar Mound with some three hundred men, mostly from Missouri; many of them I knew. On said day, about 1 p. m., they drove a wagon with a span of horses, and there loaded it out of Isaac De Ment's store, and between 1 and 2 of the clock, on same day, they put fire to it and burned it to ashes, many others carrying away goods out of said store. Their object was to plunder. Nothing more

was done till about sun down of same day, and between sundown and dark the said company of men put fire to Mr. De Ment's dwelling house and burned it, with the contents thereof, to ashes. I believe, to the best of my knowledge, being acquainted with the business of merchandise, that the stock of goods was worth about \$1,700 as it was when G. M. Clark's men came to it, exclusive of the value of the building. The value of the storehouse, to the best of my knowledge, was worth about \$180. The value of the dwelling house was worth about the same as the other house. I know that there were considerable things burned with the house, but I cannot particularize them, only I know that there was a cooking stove burned with the house, and all the cooking utensils were all burned and spoiled. I examined the place the next day after the fire. I had been in the store the forenoon part of the day it was set on fire. I resided in plain sight of the store and dwelling, only about half a mile off. The ground between is a level piece of prairie.

WILLIAM T. TURNER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st day of December, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

The affidavit of Miss Everilla B. Hobson, of the Territory and county aforesaid, in relation to the quantity of goods, and probable value, that were in Mr. De Ment's storehouse that was burned by the southern army on the 3d day of September, 1856.

I, Miss Everilla B. Hobson, a citizen of the United States, of the full age of womanhood, being duly sworn, saith: I live about a mile and a half from the place where Mr. De Ment's store was; I was so living at the time it was burned. I often used to go to the store for the purchase of goods, (here the schedule was read to Miss Hobson, item by item,) and I believe, to the best of my knowledge, that such a quantity of goods as has been read from the paper affixed to this, that there was that quantity in the store at the time it was burned, as I saw them a few days before the burning of the store, but I cannot say anything of the value, only that the quantity, as named in the schedule, was in the store when I was there.

EVERILLA B. HOBSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st day of December, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

I have examined the foregoing complaint, and accompanying affidavits, of Isaac T. De Ment, and allow him the full amount on public account, \$2,158.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 253.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims, &c.

The undersigned would represent that he is an authorized agent of Edward Fox, who is now absent from this portion of the Territory, but delegated me to lay his "claim," under the provisions of an act entitled an "Act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature and approved February 23, 1857, before the above mentioned commissioner; the undersigned agent for said Fox represents that said Fox was the owner of an iron-gray horse, worth the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars, and that on the 9th day of September, 1856, when the Territory was in a state of excitement and confusion, armed bodies of men were traversing all parts of the Territory, committing depredations of every character. A large party of these men, commonly called Lane's men, came upon said day, forcibly took and carried away the said horse, belonging to said Fox, without his consent or payment therefor.

G. M. DYER.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

G. M. Dyer and O. B. Tebbs, being duly and severally sworn, depose and say: That they are personally acquainted with Edward Fox; he lived in the summer of 1856 near Osawkee; is a citizen of the Territory; know that said Fox was the owner of a fine gray horse, worth one hundred and seventy-five dollars; that your affiants saw the said horse in the possession of a body of armed men, called "Lane's men," on the 9th of September, 1856, and then and there saw said Fox demand of these men his horse, which Fox said had been taken from him the day before by these men; these men refused to give up said horse. Mr. Fox being a poor man other persons interceded for him, and asked that the horse might be given up, but they still refused and carried the horse off without paying any compensation for said horse.

O. B. TEBBS.
 G. M. DYER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, February 9, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER,
 Commissioner.

I have examined the foregoing petition of Edward Fox, with accompanying affidavits, and allow the full sum charged, on private account, \$175.

H. J. STRICKLER,
 Commissioner of claims.

No. 254.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Petition of Enoch B. Reed, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act passed by the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Enoch B. Reed, of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about the 16th day of August, 1856, your petitioner left home from "threats of violence" that had been used by persons engaged in the rebellion, and the fear of bodily harm, having been threatened several times the day before. Your petitioner left a part of his personal property and kitchen and household furniture at his premises; they were taken, destroyed, or carried away by unknown persons during your petitioner's absence, supposed to be by persons engaged in the rebellion then going on in the Territory.

Your petitioner states that he had a crop of corn growing and some vegetables, that were about one-third destroyed by unknown persons.

The value of said property, lost in consequence and growing out of the disturbed condition of the country, would amount, upon a fair and just valuation, to the sum of two hundred and thirty dollars and fifty cents, (see schedule appended;) for which loss your petitioner never in any manner has received compensation or indemnity.

E. B. REED.

Sworn to and subscribed this the 29th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to E. B. Reed, Dr.

To corn destroyed by marauders.....	\$150 00
1 cow.....	30 00
1 saddle.....	22 00
2 men's saddles.....	22 00
1 foot adze.....	1 50
1 handsaw.....	1 50
Lot of plank.....	3 50
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E. B. REED.

Sworn to and subscribed this the 29th day of December, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

Robert Corlew, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. Reed; knows him to be a citizen of the Territory; knows that he was in danger of losing his life and property; and believes that he was shot at several times the day before he left his premises; knows that he left such property at his premises as is described in the schedule; knows that he had all the property described in the petition; and knows said property was taken or carried away by unknown persons—by persons engaged, your deponent believes, in the rebellion; believes that the losses were incurred in consequence of the disturbed condition of the country; having carefully examined the schedule of the petitioner, believes that the estimate fixed on by Mr. Reed is correct and just.

ROBERT CORLEW.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 29th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Harrison Butcher, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. Enoch B. Reed; knows that he was a citizen of the Territory in the summer of 1856; believes that he was in danger of life and property; knows that Mr. Reed had such property as is described in the schedule appended to his petition; and knows that when Mr. Reed returned it was missing; saw his corn field frequently, and knows that one-third of the crop was destroyed; believes that the estimate placed on the property in the schedule lost or destroyed to be fair and correct; believes that the losses occurred in consequence of the disturbed condition of the Territory; believes all the facts set forth in the petition to be true.

H. BUTCHER.

Subscribed and sworn to this the 29th of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I have carefully examined the foregoing petition, and accompanying affidavits, of Enoch B. Reed, and allow him the amount charged, on private account, \$230.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 255.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of Lewis Jenks, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Lewis Jenks, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about the 22d

day of May, A. D. 1856, whilst the country was in a disturbed condition, the United States marshal having called out a posse to sustain him in executing certain writs, the house of your petitioner was broken open by unknown persons, and the following articles were taken and carried away: one rifle, one gun, one pistol, \$20 in money, one saddle and bridle, the property of your petitioner. At another time, about the 2d of September, 1856, the house of your petitioner was sacked and the following property was taken, to wit: one robe, bridle and harness, four blankets, and wearing attire. At another time, about the 16th September, 1856, a body of armed men (believed to be a part of the militia disbanded at Franklin) came to the premises of Charles H. Thomas, took and carried away by force and violence two horses, the property of your petitioner; also, at the same time carried away or destroyed one hundred bushels of corn, the property of your petitioner. The actual loss of your petitioner amounts to the sum of \$535, for which he has never in any way received compensation or indemnity.

LEWIS JENKS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this — day of —.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Territory of Kansas to Lewis Jenks, Dr.

1856—May 22. To 2 guns taken from house.....	\$40 00
1 pistol	15 00
Money.....	20 00
Saddle and bridle.....	10 00
Robe, harness, blankets, and wearing apparel	100 00
2 horses, robbed.....	250 00
Corn, 100 bushels, destroyed.....	100 00
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LEWIS JENKS.

Sworn to and subscribed this the — day of —.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

Charles H. Thomas, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. Jenks; knows that he is a citizen of the Territory; knows that he had such property described in the petition; knows that some of the property was missing; knows that large parties of men went to the petitioner's corn field, and saw them go there one day with a wagon, and seemed to be loading and carrying away the same. Mr. Jenks had two horses; one was taken from my house, after night, by unknown persons; the other horse I saw in possession of armed persons; believe the estimate of the horses, saddle, and bridle, to be

correct and just; do not know the value of the other articles; believe the consumption of corn was worth \$100. From all the circumstances, believe the facts set forth to be true.

CHARLES H. THOMAS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, September 30, 1857.

Edward Thomas, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner; knows that Mr. Jenks had such property about the time mentioned in the petition; it was missing; from all the circumstances, believes the facts set forth to be true; saw unknown persons take the horse that was at my father's house, the property of Mr. Jenks; saw armed men in the corn field, and on one occasion saw a wagon at the field; saw the horses in the field. Having carefully examined the schedule of the petitioner, believes the estimate of the property lost to be correct; believes the losses were in consequence of the difficulties of the Territory.

EDWARD THOMAS.

I have examined the foregoing petition of Lewis Jenks, with accompanying affidavits, and award him the full amount as charged, on private account, \$535.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 256.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *Douglas County.*

Petition of William M. Helm, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, William M. Helm, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that, on or about the 4th day of July, A. D. 1856, in consequence and during the troubles, one horse was stolen from your petitioner, and subsequently, about the 7th September, the cattle of your petitioner were taken away by unknown persons, and driven to Lawrence. All the above mentioned articles was the property of your said petitioner, and the actual loss of said petitioner, placing a fair and just price upon the articles lost, the aggregate amount would be one hundred and seventy-five dollars; for which the said petitioner has never in any manner received compensation and indemnity for said loss.

W. M. HELM.

Sworn to and subscribed this the 17th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

1856, July 4.	To 1 horse.....	\$75 00
September 7.	5 head of cattle.....	100 00
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John Jones, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. William M. Helm; he resided with him the greater part of the year A. D. 1856, at his house; knows that he had such property as described in the petition; knew that it was missing, and believes that it was stolen; heard persons afterwards say that they saw the property in the town of Lawrence; believes the facts set forth in the petition to be true; believes the horse and cattle were worth what Mr. Helm has rated the property at.

JOHN JONES.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the 17th day of September, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

Yousant La Kay says, under oath, that he knows Mr. Helm to be a citizen of the Territory; knew that he had a horse stolen about the 4th of July; believes that the horse was worth seventy-five dollars; knew Mr. Helm had some cattle, and that they disappeared; believes that they were stolen; that the cattle were worth one hundred dollars.

Sworn to before me, this 17th day of September, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

I have examined the foregoing petition of Wm. M. Helm, and allow the same of private account, \$175.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 257.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of Andrew J. Rodrique, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under the provisions of an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Andrew J. Rodrique, of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner that during the summer of 1856, whilst the Territory was in a state of rebellion and confusion, your petitioner lost one yoke of steers, believing they were stolen by persons in arms engaged in the resistance of law and the constituted authorities of the Territory. This occurred about the

1st of August, 1856. At another time, about and during October, 1856, the militia men in the service of the United States camped at Lecompton, took and carried from the field the potatoes of your petitioner, amounting to at least thirty bushels; also, about twenty cords of wood was taken by the troops camped at Lecompton. At or about the same time six tons of hay was taken and consumed by the troops camped near Lecompton. Said loss of property was in consequence of the disturbed condition of the Territory. It was worth (see schedule) in the aggregate the sum of three hundred and fifteen dollars, for which your petitioner has never received compensation or indemnity.

ANDREW J. RODRIQUE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 3d October, 1857.
 H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Andrew J. Rodrique, Dr.

To one yoke of oxen butchered.....	\$100 00
To thirty bushels potatoes taken by troops.....	75 00
To twenty cords wood.....	80 00
To six tons hay.....	60 00
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ANDREW J. RODRIQUE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the 3d of October, 1857.
 H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Jacob Herd, being duly sworn, says that he knows Mr. A. J. Rodrique to be a citizen of Kansas Territory; that he knows him to have been possessed of a certain yoke of steers, which steers he saw in the camp of a Captain Samuel Walker, who was in command of a body of free State forces at Coon Point, Douglas county; that he knew the steers to be the property of Mr. A. J. Rodrique; that they were butchered by the aforesaid Captain Samuel Walker and company; that he believes the steers to have been of the value of one hundred dollars.

JACOB S. HERD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d October, A. D. 1857.
 H. J. STRICKLER;
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Dr. J. M. Pelot, being duly sworn, says he was first lieutenant of corps A, Kansas militia infantry, mustered into the service of the United States. Said company was camped in Lecompton from the 11th of October to the 1st of December, 1856; knows certain members of

said company to have taken, on or about the 1st of November, 1856, potatoes from the field of Mr. Rodrique in considerable quantities; knows that Mr. Rodrique was not paid by the officers of said company for said potatoes. It is very probable that thirty bushels were thus consumed by said company.

JAMES M. PELOT, M. D.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 2d October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Dr. J. M. Pelot, being duly sworn, says: That he knows the militia men in the employ of the United States to have taken considerable quantities of cord wood belonging to Mr. A. J. Rodrique; that he saw the wood brought into the camp of said soldiers; that they admitted to him that said wood was the property of Mr. Rodrique.

JAMES M. PELOT, M. D.

I have examined the foregoing petition of A. J. Rodrique and accompanying affidavits, and allow him \$200 of the public class and \$115 of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 258.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of Caroline E. Steiner, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature, approved February 23, 1857.

I, Caroline E. Steiner, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner: That on or about the 26th day of August, 1856, the house erected for her, and in which were deposited divers goods and chattels belonging to her, were consumed by fire or stolen by marauders, as she believes. The articles thus lost by her were of the value of fifty dollars, as set forth in the following schedule; for which your petitioner has never, in any manner, received compensation or indemnity.

CAROLINE E. STEINER.

Sworn to and subscribed, the 29th of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas to Mrs. Caroline E. Steiner, Dr.

To one feather bed.....	\$30 00
bedding.....	12 00
table furniture.....	3 00
jewelry.....	5 00
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CAROLINE E. STEINER.

Sworn to and subscribed, the 29th September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

O. H. Browne, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner, Mrs. Caroline E. Steiner; that the goods and chattels mentioned in her petition, except the jewelry, were in his possession—that is, he carried the key to the house in which they were deposited; that he left them in the house locked for a few days; that when he returned nothing remained of the house or contents but ashes; that deponent verily believes the destruction to have been caused by marauders; that the destruction occurred about the 26th day of August, 1856, and in consequence of the disturbed condition of the county, and that deponent believes the valuation of the property mentioned in the schedule to be correct.

O. H. BROWNE.

Sworn to and subscribed, this the 29th of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I have examined the foregoing petition of Caroline E. Steiner and accompanying affidavits, and award the full amount, on private account, \$50.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 259.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner of claims of Kansas Territory:

Your petitioner, William C. Tillotson, would respectfully submit to your consideration this following claim for losses sustained by reason of the civil disturbances that have occurred in this Territory:

1st. That he is, by profession, a farmer, and resides near the town of Osawkee, in the county of Jefferson, Territory of Kansas.

2d. That on about the 22d day of August, A. D. 1856, there came to his house a party of men during the night time, whose names are

unknown to him, who took or captured from him two horses, valued at four hundred dollars, described as follows :

No. 1. A black gelding, 5 years of age, and 15½ hands in height.

No. 2. A gray mare, 6 years of age, and 15½ hands high.

Your petitioner further alleges that he was unable to distinguish said party by reason of the darkness of the night; and that of his certain knowledge the country at this time, and especially his neighborhood, was infested by a lawless band of persons who were engaged in the indiscriminate stealing of horses and other property; and that from reliable evidence said horses were afterwards seen in the possession of and used by men engaged in waging war in this Territory; and that he has never, since their capture, received any compensation or return for the same. All of which he respectfully submits.

WILLIAM C. TILLOTSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th day of February, A. D. 1856.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

W. F. Dyer, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith: That he has known William C. Tillotson for several years; that he is a person of good standing and moral character, and that, to his certain knowledge, the two horses described in the annexed petition were lost in the manner described, and were of the value estimated therein; that, from reliable information, he believes said horses were in the possession of certain war parties in the Territory of Kansas.

W. F. DYER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th day of February, A. D. 1858.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

O. B. Tebbs, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith that the matters set forth in the above affidavits of W. F. Dyer are true.

O. B. TEBBS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th day of February, A. D. 1858.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

I have examined the foregoing petition of William C. Tillotson, and accompanying affidavits, and award him the amount charged on private account, \$400.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner of claims.

No. 260.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner of claims for Territory of Kansas :

The undersigned would respectfully submit to your consideration the following statement in relation to their losses occasioned by the civil wars in this Territory :

1st. That we reside in the town of Osawkee, county of Jefferson, Territory of Kansas, and are merchants by profession; and that during the month of September, A. D. 1856, having on hand a large stock of merchandise, a party of men, (one hundred and twenty-five or more,) about that date, styling themselves "free State men," under the command of Whipple, Ritchey and others, hailing from Topeka, did enter our town and, by force and violence, take from us the quantity of goods, merchandise, &c., as described in the annexed schedule, and at the same time did forcibly seize upon the number of horses and mules as enumerated in said schedule, all of which was our bona fide property, and was actually worth the several values attached to the same, and that we have not at any time received compensation or return for the same.

W. F. & G. M. DYER.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 8th day of February, 1858.

J. W. DAY,

Clerk of Probate Court.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

On this 9th day of February, A. D. 1858, personally appeared before me, clerk of the probate court for the county aforesaid, Territory of Kansas, Jefferson Riddle, O. B. Tebbs, Marion Christison, William Sprague, and Henry Roach, known to me to be persons of good standing and veracity, who made the following affidavit upon oath, to wit:

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

Jefferson Riddle, O. B. Tebbs, Marion Christison, William Sprague, and Henry Roach, being duly sworn, depose and say that the matter and circumstances set forth in the petition of W. F. & G. M. Dyer to General Strickler, in relation to their claims against said Territory, are true; and that to their knowledge the bill of goods and other articles described in the schedule of said Dyers, annexed to said petition, were actually forcibly taken from their possession by the party referred to in said petition, and that they were worth the several sums of money at which they are estimated in said schedule.

JEFFERSON ^{his} × RIDDLE.
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O. B. TEBBS.

M. CHRISTISON.

WILLIAM SPRAGUE.

HENRY ROACH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th day of February, 1858.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of the Probate Court.

SCHEDULE.

Schedule of property taken from and losses sustained by W. F. and George M. Dyer, in the town of Osawkee, Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, in the month of September, A. D. 1856, by a party of armed "free State men," under a military organization commanded by Whipple, Ritchey, and others, viz :

150 pairs Indian blankets, at \$10.....	\$1,500 00	
Satinets, cloths, flannels, linseys, tweeds, cassimeres, hosiery, gloves, &c.....	1,000 00	
Boots, shoes, and ready-made clothing.....	800 00	
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Hardware, consisting of hatchets, hammers, saws, files, cutlery, (pocket and table,) razors, augers, &c	300 00	
Guns, pistols, powder, lead, caps, &c.....	300 00	
Groceries and provisions.....	500 00	
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Saddlery, consisting of bridles, saddles, harness, surcingles, girths, croupers, &c., &c.	250 00	
Hats and caps.....	125 00	
	<hr/>	375 00
2 mules, at \$200.....	400 00	
1 horse.....	175 00	
1 horse.....	150 00	
1 horse.....	150 00	
1 grey mare.....	175 00	
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Beef cattle.....	100 00	
Set carriage harness.....	50 00	
Lot of oats.....	25 00	
	<hr/>	175 00
	<hr/>	\$6,000 00

I, Wm. H. Emrick, do hereby swear that I was in Osawkee at the time a party of men (said to be acting under order of one James H. Lane) robbed W. F. and G. M. Dyer, and I saw them take and carry off all of their horses and mules except one mule, together with the stock of goods, harness, saddles, &c., in fact nearly everything they had, save the household and kitchen furniture.

From my knowledge of the facts, I have no hesitation in swearing that their losses are full six thousand dollars.

This robbery was committed in September, 1856, and the officer who was said to be in command of the party, called himself Colonel Whipple.

W. H. EMRICK.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st day of December, A. D. 1857.

J. S. SPUR, *Probate Judge.*

OSAWKEE, KANSAS TERRITORY, *December 7, 1857.*

I, Elisha Harding, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, swear that I was in Osawkee, in September, 1856, at the time that W. F. and G. M. Dyer were robbed by a party of men under command of one Colonel Whipple, and that I saw them take all of the mules and horses, (except one mule,) together with the goods, provisions, guns, &c., in fact nearly everything they had, except the household and kitchen furniture.

And, from my knowledge and observation, I have no hesitation in swearing that these men robbed W. F. and G. W. Dyer of at least six thousand dollars.

Given under my hand this the 7th day of December, A. D. 1857.
ELIJAH HARDING.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this day and date above written.
J. S. SPUR, *Probate Judge.*

I have examined the foregoing petition of Wm. F. and George M. Dyer, with the accompanying affidavits, and award them the whole amount claimed on private account, \$6,000.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 261.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

Petition of Peter Majors, of the county of Linn, and Territory of Kansas, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Peter Majors, of the Territory and county aforesaid, beg to represent to the honorable commissioner, that during the early part of the month of September, 1856, I was the legal owner of a fine mare, and the said mare was taken away from your petitioner by force of arms, and applied to the use of the militia under General Clarke, as proved in the depositions of two witnesses, whose depositions are annexed to this petition. And your petitioner begs to state to the honorable commissioner, that the charge in the schedule annexed to this petition is just and reasonable.

PETER MAJORS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th day of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Peter Majors, Dr.

One mare, value of..... \$150

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The affidavit of Tilghman Clarke, a witness in the case of Mr. Majors, being one of the militia :

I, Tilghman Clarke, being a citizen of the United States and duly sworn, say : That I rode a mare to Westpoint, in Missouri ; I returned the mare to the company ; the mare I returned to the company, I was informed, was Mr. Majors' mare ; it was a good one, and worth the charge mentioned in the schedule.

TILGHMAN CLARKE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th day of November, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The affidavit of Oliver Wesstover, of the county of Linn, and Territory of Kansas, being one of the militia company under General Clarke, at the time Peter Majors' mare was stolen by the said militia company :

I, Oliver Wesstover, a citizen of the United States, being duly sworn, say : That I saw Peter Majors' mare in General Clarke's company ; I was one of the militia at the time ; I knew the mare when I saw it brought into the camp ; I told one of the officers that it was Mr. Major's mare ; I remained in the company some time after this, and when I left, Mr. Majors' mare was there with the company ; I believe the mare was worth one hundred and fifty dollars ; it was a good one ; I never saw it since.

OLIVER ^{his} + WESSTOVER.
 mark.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 13th day of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Peter Majors the whole amount is proven, and is of the public class, \$150.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 262.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The petition of Tilghman Clarke, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Tilghman Clarke, of the Territory and county aforesaid, beg to represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I was the lawful owner of a mare of fine size and stature, and that on the second day of September, 1856, I was in my cornfield, when some of General Clarke's men came into my field and took away a mare of mine out of said field; she had been tied with a rope; the men all being armed, it was useless for me to offer resistance; the said mare was about four years old, and was worth one hundred and fifty dollars, as charged in the schedule that is affixed to this petition; the charge of \$150 is just and reasonable.

TILGHMAN CLARKE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th day of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Tilghman Clarke, Dr.

To one mare, value..... \$150

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The affidavit of William Crawshaw, of the county of Linn, and Territory of Kansas, a citizen of the United States, being duly sworn, saith: That I was a prisoner under General Clarke; I saw Mr. Clarke's mare tied in his cornfield, as stated in the petition of said Clarke; I heard one of the captains of General Clarke's army give orders to go and fetch that mare out of that field, and I saw Clarke's men take the mare in question away; and that the charge of \$150 is not unreasonable, as the mare was worth it. This was on the second day of September, 1856.

WILLIAM CRAWSHAW.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

Affidavit of Oliver Westover, of the county of Linn, and Territory of Kansas, being one of General Clarke's company at the time Mr. Tilghman Clarke's mare was taken:

I, Oliver Westover, a citizen of the United States, being duly sworn,

say: That I was one of General Clarke's men—that is, one of the militia—and I saw Mr. Clarke's men in possession of the mare, some time after she had been taken away from Clarke, and the mare was a good one, worth one hundred dollars.

OLIVER ^{his} + WESTOVER.
mark.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Tilghman Clarke, that the whole amount, \$150, is proven, and is of the public class

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 263.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

The petition of Reuben E. Noel, of the Territory of Kansas and county aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims."

I, Reuben E. Noel, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that on or about the month of August, 1856, sundry armed men were roaming about my neighborhood, committing sundry depredations, and that at or about this time I had a very fine cow, as charged in the schedule; a gun was taken from the house of John E. Brown, by John C. Brown of the northern army of Osawatomie, the said gun was the property of your petitioner, and worth about ten dollars; my crop of corn was destroyed, about seven acres, during the same time these companies were roaming about the country, worth one hundred and seventy-five dollars; and the said petitioner further saith that these losses were caused solely by the difficulties in the Territory, and by no fault or neglect of my own.

REUBEN E. NOEL.

Sworn to and subscribed, this 23d day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DEVILLERS,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Kansas Territory to Reuben E. Noel., Dr.

One cow, worth.....	\$20 00
One gun, worth.....	10 00
Crop of corn, seven acres.....	175 00
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	205 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

I, William Rogers, of the county and Territory aforesaid, being duly sworn, say: That I know Mr. Noel had several cows driven off, at or about this time; I accused a man myself of driving off some of Mr. Noel's cattle, "he said he had been ordered to drive off some of Mr. Noel's cattle;" this man's name was J. H. Masterson; this man had been associated with General Clarke's company, and also after Mr. Noel's cattle were driven off, he was associated with Clarke's company, but do not know where he obtained orders to drive off Mr. Noel's cattle; I know Mr. Noel had a rifle gun, that it was a good one, and that the charge in the schedule is reasonable and just; I know Mr. Noel had a good crop of corn, good bottom corn, as good as any raised in the country; I know that the crop was nearly all destroyed, some of the acres would yield over fifty bushels per acre; I feel assured that there were two hundred and fifty bushels destroyed; the fence was good and strong, and I feel assured that the fences in the neighborhood were thrown down, and that these fences were thrown down by the men who were camping, and that I know Captain John Brown of the northern army came into the neighborhood at this time with his army.

WM. ROGERS.

Sworn to and subscribed, this 23d day of October, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

I, Fergus H. Graham, of the county and Territory aforesaid, being duly sworn, say: That I know Mr. Noel lost the cow, charged in the schedule, since the territorial difficulties. I heard the guns of armed marauders during the time John E. Brown of the southern or northern army was camped in the neighborhood; his men used to fire of their guns every night; several of the neighbors lost cattle at the time Captain Brown's army was in the neighborhood; I believe the cow was worth twenty dollars, it was a fair cow; I have seen the rifle gun of Mr. Noel; I live near to him; I never saw it after Captain Brown of the northern army came into the neighborhood; I believe it to be worth ten dollars; Captain Brown's men were in the neighborhood when I left; I went through the corn belonging to Mr. Noel, it was very good corn, it would yield upon some acres seventy-five bushels per acre; I know that the loss was as much as one hundred and seventy-five dollars, and that it was caused solely by the difficulties in the Territory, and by no fault of Mr. Noel.

FERGUS H. GRAHAM.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23d day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLERS, *Notary Public.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Reuben E. Noel, that the whole amount, \$205, claimed is proven, and is of a private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissineor.*

No. 264.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The petition of David Reese, of the county of Linn, and Territory of Kansas, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

I, David Reese, of the county and Territory aforesaid, beg to represent unto the honorable commissioner: That in or about the month of August, 1856, a number of armed marauders, as near as I can judge between 40 and 50 men, all bearing arms, came to my dwelling and took me a prisoner; they took all my family prisoners, but released them again soon, under the command that they were to leave the Territory. When they took me a prisoner, they took from me my horse, saddle, bridle, blanket, and martingale, ready for riding; they broke several articles of my household furniture, and then went into my workshop. I am a blacksmith; a quantity of my valuable tools were partly broken, and some taken away; and a quantity of new iron was also taken away by them. I was taken from home and kept a prisoner eight or nine days. My horse and saddle were never returned to me; I never received any compensation for it; and my damage by the loss of my blacksmith tools was more loss to me than the cost of them. My household goods were broken in sport to the value of about forty dollars; and my tools and iron destroyed, broken, and carried away, was to the value of sixty dollars.

I do beg to inform the honorable commissioner that the charges are, as in the schedule which is annexed to this petition, true, just, and reasonable, and the losses occasioned were solely on the account of the territorial difficulties.

DAVID ^{his} + REESE.
 mark.

Sworn to before me, this 13th day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to David Reese, Dr.

To one horse, bridle, saddle, blanket, and martingale, stolen by General Clarke's men.....	\$150 00
Loss of tools destroyed in my shop, and my house- hold goods.....	100 00
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	250 00
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I, David Reese, certify that the above account is true and just, and the charges were occasioned by the territorial difficulties.

DAVID ^{his} + REESE.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

Affidavit of William Hutchins, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, in relation to the losses of David Reese, of the said county and Territory.

Mr. William Hutchins being duly sworn, saith : I was a prisoner under the command of General Clarke, and David Reese, the person in question, was a prisoner also at the same time and in the same company as myself ; he was a prisoner with me about four days. I heard some of Clark's men say " they had taken a devilish good horse of old Reese's," and " they had fixed his blacksmith's tools," meaning they had destroyed them. Mr. Reese's horse was a good one, so was the saddle and blanket ; when I was a prisoner I saw it, and I believe the charge of \$150 to be reasonable. I do not know the worth of the other goods ; but I know that Clark's men destroyed part of his household goods and his blacksmith's tools, and destroyed some iron. I left the horse with Clark's men when they set me at liberty.

WM. HUTCHINS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 13th day of October, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of David Reese, the whole amount of \$250 is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER.
Commissioner for auditing claim.

No. 265.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, &c., under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplementary thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, Hiram B. Kelly, of the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, respectfully shows : That before, at, and after the time hereinafter stated, he was a resident of the county and Territory aforesaid ; that on or about the twenty-fifth day of August, A. D.

1856, while your petitioner was working upon his farm on said day, he was accosted by three men, who rode up to your petitioner with a demand for a horse for service in and during the troubles then existing in the Territory; that the said men belonged to and were a part of the company under the command of Captain A. B. Miller, as your petitioner was informed, and verily believes; that, in compliance with said demand, your petitioner was compelled to and did give to the said men a horse belonging to your petitioner, to wit: a sorrel mare, which was worth at the time it was delivered to the said men the sum of one hundred and ninety-five dollars; that the said mare was taken away by the said men, and was kept in the service aforesaid until about the eighth day of September, A. D. 1856, at which time the said mare was brought back in a permanently damaged condition, as your petitioner states, at least the sum of fifty dollars. Your petitioner shows that the time during which the said horse was in use, as is above stated, was thirteen days; and that the said horse was worth at least the sum of two dollars for each day she was in the use of and in the service aforesaid. Your petitioner further shows that the said horse while in said service was used and rode so hard and so violently that she was almost totally ruined, and was permanently injured in the shoulders; that at the time she was brought back she was worth no more than the sum of seventy-five dollars; and the sum of fifty dollars is the difference in the value of the said horse when she was so taken away and when she was brought back to your petitioner as aforesaid. Your petitioner states that the sum of twenty-six dollars is justly due to your petitioner for the use of the said horse as aforesaid. Your petitioner therefore prays that there may be awarded to him the sum of seventy-six dollars, for the damage and for the use and injury aforesaid to the said horse; and that the same may be paid, or that your petitioner may be indemnified therefor, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, or for such further or other relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises. And your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray, &c.

H. B. KELLY.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Hiram B. Kelly, the above petitioner, being by me duly sworn upon oath, says: That the matters and things stated in the foregoing petition are true in substance and matter of fact. In testimony whereof I have hereto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal, this 30th day of November, A. D. 1857.

A. MACAULAY, [L. S.]
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Archibald Payne, of the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That on the twenty-fifth day of August, A. D. 1856, he was colonel commanding the fourth regiment of the northern division of Kansas territorial militia. That Captain A. B. Miller was, at the time named in the petition of H. B.

Kelly, commanding a company of said militia. That he knows of his personal knowledge that the facts in relation to the taking of the horse named in his petition are true. He further states and swears that the damages done said horse while in the service as aforesaid was at least fifty dollars; that said horse was kept in the service of the persons named in said petition at least thirteen days. And that two dollars per day for such use of said horse was a reasonable compensation only.

A. PAYNE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30th day of November, A. D. 1857. In testimony whereof I have hereto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal, the day and year first above written.

A. MACAULAY, [L. S.]
Notary Public.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of H. B. Kelly for \$76, there is damage of \$50 proven, and award the same of public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 266.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins. }

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Jesse Sutton, of Anderson county, in said Territory, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is, and has been a resident of the Territory for the last two years; that during the summer and fall of 1856, when your petitioner was a resident of Douglas county, in said Territory, and when that portion of the Territory was in a disturbed condition, occasioned by bodies of armed men, under different leaders, travelling over the country, committing robberies, burning houses, destroying crops, &c., and various outrages upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens, your petitioner, in consequence of threats made by a company of men under the command of one Captain Saunders, was compelled to leave the country for fear of violence being committed upon the person of your petitioner; that your petitioner left, on the claim belonging to him, in Douglas county, about nineteen acres of corn, then and there growing, of the value of \$12 per acre, as per schedule hereto annexed; that your petitioner also left about twelve head of hogs, of the value of \$50, as per schedule, which hogs were driven away or killed by said company of men. Your petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for any of the above losses.

his
JESSE × SUTTON.
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of November, 1857.
CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins county, K. T.

Schedule referred to in the foregoing petition.

One lot of corn, of the value of.....	\$128 00
One lot of hogs, of the value of.....	50 00

Amount.....	178 00
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LYKINS COUNTY, *ss.*

Silas Sutton and Mercer Sutton, of Anderson county, in said Territory, being severally sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition, and are well acquainted with the facts set forth in said petition, and that the same are true of their own knowledge; deponents further say that they were well acquainted with the property mentioned in the above schedule, and believe that the sums set opposite the respective articles a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

SILAS SUTTON.

MERCER ^{his} X SUTTON.
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Judge of Probate, Lykins county, K. T.

I certify, in the foregoing claim of Jesse Sutton, that the whole amount is proven, \$178, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

No. 267.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } *ss.*

Petition of Thomas Oliver, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Thomas Oliver, of the county of Douglas, Territory of Kansas, respectfully represent to the commissioner, that during the troubles in Kansas, in the summer of 1856, your petitioner met and sustained great losses, in consequence and growing literally out of the difficulties, in the following manner: In the month of August or September, after Governor Shannon resigned, and Daniel Woodson, esq., was acting governor, a band of armed men came to the premises of William Young, jr., and burned down his large house, fifty feet long, in which I had stored pine panelled doors, sash, glass, pine clear boards, and various other articles of building materials, brought by me from Pittsburg, Pa., at great expense, with the intention of building a

house on my claim close by, as soon as the troubles in this part of the Territory would permit, together with a fowling-piece belonging to a deceased son, which the leader of said armed band took previous to burning said house, worth twenty-five dollars; in all I claim \$500 for property actually destroyed, which is nothing compared with the loss I sustained for the want of a house to shelter a large family during a Kansas winter. In conclusion, I state that I never received for said loss directly or indirectly, in Kansas or elsewhere, a continental cent of indemnity. Loss, \$500.

THOMAS OLIVER.

SCHEDULE.

Building materials.....	\$475 00
One fowling-piece.....	25 00
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	500 00
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William Young, jr., being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Thomas Oliver; knows him to have been a citizen of Kansas Territory for the last two years; that he is a neighbor of the deponent, and is familiar with his affairs; have carefully read his petition and examined the schedule; know of my own knowledge the facts set forth in the petition to be true, and the estimate in the schedule to be just and reasonable; the petitioner had such property, and it was destroyed at my house, as alleged; it was worth the sum of \$475; I know the gun was so taken, and worth the sum of \$25.

WILLIAM YOUNG.

Benjamin S. Hancock, being duly sworn, says: That he is personally acquainted with the petitioner, Thomas Oliver; knows him to be a citizen of Kansas; that he is a neighbor (for two years) of the deponent, and is familiar with his affairs; having carefully read his petition and examined his schedule, know of my own knowledge the facts set forth in the petition to be true, and the estimate in the schedule to be just and reasonable. The petitioner had such property; it was worth the sum of four hundred and seventy-five dollars. I know the gun was so taken, and worth the sum of twenty-five dollars.

B. S. HANCOCK.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, February 1, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Thomas Oliver, the whole amount, \$500, is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 268.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of William Young, jr., of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, William Young, jr., of the county of Douglas, Territory of Kansas, respectfully represent to the commissioner, that during the troubles in Kansas in the summer of 1856, your petitioner met and sustained great losses in consequence and growing literally out of the difficulties in the following manner: In the month of June, 1856, while returning to my home from Kansas city, a band of armed men rode up to me and demanded and took from me a horse I purchased one day previous for one hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$175); again, in the month of July, a band of armed men came to my premises and took therefrom three mules and one pony, worth at least five hundred dollars; a few days previous three hundred dollars was paid for two of said mules to a gentleman in Lecompton. After Governor Shannon resigned his office as governor, and Daniel Woodson, esq., acting as governor of this Territory, in August or September, a band of armed men came to my premises and took from me all my groceries and provisions, laid in for winter use, such as a bag of coffee, half a barrel of sugar, &c., worth at least ninety dollars, (\$90.) In the evening of the same day they returned and set fire and burned down my double log house, two stories high, roofed with pine shingles, fifty feet long, worth at least fifteen hundred dollars, (\$1,500,) with all its contents; also, a chest of carpenter tools, which I used while erecting said house, worth at least twenty-five dollars. I sustained various minor losses, the items I am now unable to recollect. My entire claim is twenty-two hundred and ninety dollars, which will only, in a very small degree, compensate me for the loss I have sustained in consequence of the destruction of my house and the want of my stock. In conclusion, I state that for said loss your petitioner has never received a cent of compensation, directly or indirectly, or indemnity of any sort.

WILLIAM YOUNG, JR.

SCHEDULE.

1 horse.....	\$175 00
3 mules and 1 pony.....	500 00
Provisions.....	90 00
House, &c.....	1,500 00
Carpenter tools.....	25 00
Total.....	<u>2,290 00</u>

WILLIAM YOUNG, JR.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, November 23, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

Thomas Oliver, of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner, Wm. Young, jr.; knows that he has been a citizen for two years past; knows that the petitioner had such property as is mentioned in his petition, and that the property was lost in the manner alleged. I was present and saw the horse taken by the armed men; the horse was worth one hundred and seventy-five dollars, which sum he had paid for said horse the day before. Know that the three mules and one pony were taken by force, in the manner alleged; the said mules and pony were worth the sum of five hundred dollars; know that the petitioner had his provisions laid in for winter use, such as coffee, sugar, &c., which he had just purchased from Kansas city; the provisions were well worth the sum of ninety dollars, having paid that in Kansas city. This all happened at the time and in the manner alleged in the petition. About the 31st of August, 1857, an armed body of men came to the premises of Mr. Young and set fire to and burned down his house, with his household and kitchen furniture. The house was a large two story log house, fifty feet long, well built, pine shingles, and good doors and windows. Such a house could not be built for less than fifteen hundred dollars. The aggregate of Wm. Young's loss would amount to the sum of twenty-two hundred and ninety dollars, allowing a reasonable and just price for each article lost.

THOMAS OLIVER.

Benjamin S. Hancock, being duly sworn, says: He is acquainted with the petitioner, Wm. Young; knows that he has been a citizen of Kansas for two years past, and is a neighbor of the deponent, and is familiar with his affairs, having carefully read his petition and examined his schedule; know of my own knowledge the facts set forth in the petition to be true, and the estimate in the schedule to be just and very reasonable. The petitioner had such property, it was worth twenty-five hundred and ninety dollars.

B. S. HANCOCK.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st day of February, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER,

I certify in the foregoing claim of William Young that the whole amount, \$2,290, is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 269.

J. H. Strickler, auditor of claims against the Territory of Kansas:

The undersigned would respectfully present to your honor the following claims and statement in his behalf, and against said Territory, to wit: That on or about the 9th of September, A. D. 1856, there came to his premises, to wit: near Osawkee, in the county of Jefferson, and Territory aforesaid, a party of men styling themselves *free State men*, under the command of one Whipple Ritchey and others, subordinate officers of one Jim Lane, and did take from him, said undersigned, by force and violence, the following property, to wit:

One black Sandwich Island stallion, (imported,) six years old, worth.....	\$250 00
One black gelding mule, three years old, 15½ hands high, worth.....	150 00
One bay gelding mule, three years old, 15½ hands high, worth.....	150 00
One sorrel mare, eight years old, 15½ hands high, worth....	150 00
One family carriage, worth three hundred dollars, the same recovered by the marshal of said Territory at Topeka, damage or cost of repairs on the same.....	120 00
Two sacks of flour, two sacks of meal, and bacon.....	25 00
One overcoat, and other clothing.....	25 00
One brass mounted rifle, and shot gun.....	30 00
One ivory handle carving knife.....	3 00
Seventy-five shanghai chickens.....	35 00
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Also the following property taken from the possession of W. H. Tebbs, on or about the same time, near the town of Alexandria, in the county of Leavenworth, and Territory aforesaid, while the said W. H. Tebbs, was fleeing to the State of Missouri for refuge; the said property was taken by for cefrom said W. H. Tebbs, by one Colonel Harvey and others, styling themselves *free State men*, under the command of Jim Lane, to wit:

One large white pacing horse, (gelding,) 17½ hands high, nine years old, worth.....	150 00
One saddle and bridle, worth.....	20 00
One Colt's revolver, worth.	20 00
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All of which was the property of said O. B. Tebbs.

O. B. TEBBS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, on this 16th day of January, A. D. 1858.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson. } *ss.*

I, J. W. Day, clerk of the probate court within and for the county and Territory aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing affidavits were sworn to and subscribed before me, on the day and date affixed to each affidavit.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my [L. s.] official seal, this 19th day of January, A. D. 1858.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson. }

On this 16th day of January, A. D. 1858, personally appeared before me, J. W. Day, clerk of the probate and county courts of said county and Territory, W. F. Dyer, Benjamin Busby, and Henry Roch, citizens of the county aforesaid, and known to me to be persons of good character and veracity, who made the following affidavit on oath, to wit:

W. F. Dyer, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That the matter and circumstances set forth in the annexed petition of O. B. Tebbs to the auditor of claims against Kansas Territory are true; and that the two mules, sorrel mare, family carriage, and provisions, mentioned in said petition, were to his knowledge taken by force from said Tebbs, at the time and place mentioned in said petition, by the said Whipple and others; and that said property was worth the amounts annexed to the same in said petition; and that the said Tebbs has never received compensation or return for the same.

W. F. DYER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this 16th day of January, A. D. 1858.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of the Probate Court.

Benjamin Busby, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That the black stallion mentioned in said petition of said Tebbs was seen by him in possession of said Whipple and others, at the time and place mentioned in said petition; and he verily believes that they obtained the same by force; and that said stallion was worth two hundred and fifty dollars; and that said Tebbs has never received compensation or return for the same.

his
 BENJAMIN × BUSBY
 mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of January, A. D. 1858.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

Henry Roch, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith: That at the time and place mentioned in the annexed petition of O. B. Tebbs the said Whipple, and others, did take from his, said Tebbs, premises a lot of shanghai chickens, twenty or more in number; and that the said Tebbs never received compensation or return for the same.

HENRY ROCH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th day of January, A. D. 1858.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

The undersigned is not able to prove (only by his wife) the residue of property mentioned in the said petition.

O. B. TEBBS.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } *ss.*

W. E. Thompson, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That the white or grey horse, saddle, and revolver, mentioned in the annexed petition of O. B. Tebbs, were to his certain knowledge taken by violence from the possession of the said W. H. Tebbs (mentioned in said petition) at the time and place and in the manner as expressed in said petition, and that to the best of his belief said articles were worth the several sums attached to the same in said petition, and that he, the said petitioner, has never received compensation or return for the same, and that the said property was taken by the said Harvey and others mentioned in said petition.

W. E. THOMPSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st day of February, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of O. B. Tebbs the whole amount, \$1,178, is proven and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 270.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

The petition of William Hutchin, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, William Hutchin, of the county and Territory aforesaid, beg to represent unto the honorable commissioner: That in the month of

August, 1856, I was taken a prisoner by some armed men under General Clarke, near West Point, in Missouri. I had a buggy or spring wagon, and a span of horses all in good harness at the time. These were taken from me, and I was commanded to surrender myself up to them. My property was taken from me, and I was placed under guard as a prisoner, only I was without hope of trial by justice or judge. My life was held by the control of a few men. Some wanted me to be poisoned; others suggested that the shortest way to get rid of me was to give me "hot balls." In this state of affairs I applied for a hearing, to know what wrong I had done. The only reply given to me was, that "it was enough for me to know that I had to leave the Territory." When I was examined they stripped off all my clothes, even to my shirt, and I was treated as a common thief. About this time nearly fifty men were sent to my house to fetch all the goods they could find, together with money, horses, and all that was worth bringing; and one of my witnesses will inform the honorable commissioner in his deposition how my house was violently entered; the keys of all the boxes, chests, trunks, drawers, and other things, were demanded, and also how they searched all these things mentioned, and also the wearing apparel of myself and family was taken from my house. All the money they could find was taken, and the goods mentioned in the schedule annexed to this petition is a true and correct account of the goods destroyed, stolen, injured, and returned by the company under the command of General Clarke, as certified to by one of the eye-witnesses to part of the scenes, viz: the surgeon of the army under the command of General Clarke. And your petitioner further begs to represent to your honor that the charges for property destroyed, stolen, &c., in the schedule, were occasioned solely because I assumed the privilege of my country, viz: "to vote as I saw most proper." My family at this time suffered severely from being expelled from their home. My wife (in a delicate state) was compelled to lie upon the damp ground under a wagon, and in consequence of exposure my family did not regain their health until this spring.

WILLIAM HUTCHIN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, 1857.
HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to William Hutchin, Dr.

One horse, killed by being over-driven upon express business by the militia.....	\$200 00
Three horses stolen but returned in an injured condition....	300 00
Cash stolen out of my house.....	16 50
Two tents, with ropes, size eighteen by sixteen feet.....	50 00
Two wagon sheets.....	15 00
A quantity of wearing apparel.....	35 00

One Colt's revolver and equipages.....	\$ 30 00
Four saddles, saddle blankets, bridles, lariats, and martin-gales	155 00
Seven guns and one keg of rifle powder.....	175 00
Seven powder flasks, five bags of shot and gun caps.....	40 00
A chest of carpenter's tools.....	170 00
One watch and key	50 00
Pair of spurs and whip.....	3 50
Stack of hay destroyed.....	100 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The testimony of T. J. B. Rockwell, being a citizen of the United States and duly sworn, saith: That on or about the 25th of August, 1856, I knew William Hutchin to be taken a prisoner near West Point, by a body of men under the command of George W. Clarke; also, two horses and a spring wagon. They were detained at this place about three or four days, the man being in a bad state of health, and in his shirt-sleeves at the same time. In five days after he was taken a prisoner there was a body of about fifty men sent to his house. They then took two horses and a two-horse wagon, tents, shot guns, rifles, saddles, and a lot of hunting equipages. They were taken to the camp near Paris, the county seat of Linn county. Some twelve days after the above dates the horses and wagon were returned to him, but in a very damaged condition. I am satisfied these things were returned in an injured condition, full fifty per cent. less in value than when they were taken from home. A quantity of other things, consisting of guns, saddles, tents, wagon sheets, and other things, were never returned that I have knowledge of. I know William Hutchin was in such bad health as to render it necessary to procure medical aid, and the manner in which he was exposed was calculated to bring on other serious diseases, in his half-clad condition. I heard some of the men say in the camp "they had two tents of Hutchin's"—I do not know the value of them—and also a revolver. I saw a wagon load of different things come into the camp, which the men said had been brought from Mr. Hutchins, but cannot particularize them. That for me to endure the losses and to be placed in his condition I would not have suffered for the charges named in the schedule. I was the surgeon in charge of the army at the time of said difficulties.

THOS. J. B. ROCKWELL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 26th day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The affidavit of Thomas Smith, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, being one of the militia who served under General Clarke during the time William Hutchin was a prisoner under the said company.

The said Thomas Smith being duly sworn, saith : That on or about the last of August I was in General Clarke's company as one of the militia. I saw Mr. Hutchin taken a prisoner by the said militia company. I saw his buggy and two buggy horses taken away from him. We left West Point a few days after this and went near Paris, the county seat, where orders were given to go and take all the things out of Mr. Hutchin's house and burn it. I did not go with them. I saw the company come back with a wagon and two horses belonging to Mr. William Hutchin and a load of goods of different sorts. I cannot say the particular value of them, only I know they were brought into the camp, the same things as mentioned in the schedule. I saw the men begin to pick the things up, and one of the company came out of the camp with a rifle that he said he had taken of Hutchin's. I left then for a few days, and after I returned I found Mr. Hutchin still a prisoner. When I finally left, I left him a prisoner under the charge of the militia.

THOMAS ^{his} X SMITH.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Linn.*

I, Noel Henderson, of the county of Linn, Territory of Kansas, a citizen of the United States, being duly sworn, saith : That on the 2d day of September, 1856, a quantity of armed men came to Mr. Hutchin's house ; they demanded the guns, two horses, and wagon ; they hunted the house over themselves, without leave from any person but themselves ; they took all the goods and chattels mentioned in the bill appended to this. Some of the company said they had Mr. Hutchin a prisoner before they came to the house ; one of the men used improper language to Mrs. Hutchin. They took Mr. Hutchin's four horses, and a wagon, and a buggy, and all the horse gear they could find, and the wagon was full of different sorts of plunder ; while one part were loading the wagon, others were searching the house and filling their pockets. I was in the house when they demanded of Miss Hutchin to unlock every box and drawer there was in the house. I saw them searching the bureau where the money used to be kept.

NOEL HENDERSON.

Sworn to before me, this 13th day of October, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public, Linn County, K. T.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, *County of Linn.*

The affidavit of James L. Hutchin, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, being a son of William Hutchin, the petitioner; the said J. L. Hutchin being a citizen of the United States, and over the age of 21 years, was duly sworn, and saith: That on the latter end of the month of August, or about the beginning of September, a company in command of one Captain Davis, serving under General Clarke, came to my father's house and ordered me to fetch my father's two-horse wagon and his two wagon horses, to have them harnessed and put into the wagon. I had to do so by compulsion, as the men were all armed, and about fifty in number; while I was doing this, some went into the company, others standing at the door to know when they were going to burn the house. I went into the house then, and the men demanded of my mother the keys of all the boxes, trunks, and drawers there were in the house; she gave them up to them, as they told her they were going to burn the house in three hours or less. The men began to search all the boxes, and drawers, bags, and everything else they pleased. I saw some of the men put several things into their pockets. They then began to load up the wagon with the goods some carried out of the house to the wagon, while others searched. When they had taken all they could find, they told me they had a writ from General Clarke to burn the house in three hours, and they ordered us to leave the Territory immediately. After they had left, I began to look round to see what they had taken away with them, as we had to leave for the safety of our lives; but in consequence of the loss of our team, clothing, and other things taken away, we suffered more from exposure than from the loss of our goods. I found among the missing articles my father's four horses; sixteen dollars and fifty cents had been taken in money, a new revolver, seven guns, with all things belonging to them, and a keg of powder and a bag of shot, three saddles, and all the horse gear they could find; the saddles were nearly new. They took all our carpenter's tools, to the value of \$75, a watch and key, two wagon sheets, and two very large tents; we had recently bought them; they were worth \$65, *i. e.*, the tents and wagon covers. The stack of hay was destroyed by the men tearing down the fence, as we had to leave to save our lives. One of our horses was killed by over running it upon express business by Clarke's men; it was a fine horse; we brought it from Illinois. The other horses, buggy, and wagon were returned to us after we came back, but they were not worth half what they were when the militia took them from us. I have examined the schedule, and certify that the charges are correct and just.

J. L. HUTCHIN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, A. D. 1858.

HENRY DE VILLIERS, *Notary Public.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The affidavit of Henry Thomas in relation to the loss of William Hutchin. The said Henry Thomas was boarding and working with Mr. Hutchin at the time his house was sacked and pillaged by the army under General Clarke.

I, Henry Thomas, of the county and Territory aforesaid, being duly sworn, saith: That on or about the 2d day of September, 1856, a quantity of armed men came to Mr. William Hutchin's house, where I was boarding at the time. I saw the men ride up to the fence, fasten their horses, and come into the house; they then demanded all the keys, but they did not wait to unlock all the boxes. They broke open some of the boxes, among which they came to a trunk of mine, and tore it open. I was in the Black Hawk war, and I have fought in the wars of the United States, and have received two land warrants from Washington City for my services, but I never saw anything so bad and mean in my life as I saw under General Clarke, at the time they came to steal Mr. Hutchin's property. Mr. Hutchin had two horses and a wagon, together with the harness, taken on the day they came to the house. The horses were worth \$200 each; they were brought from Illinois to this Territory; the wagon was worth \$120; that was also brought from Illinois. I saw the men searching the boxes, but do not exactly know what was taken, but I believe that amount of money was taken. I saw the tents and wagon sheets taken, as charged in the bill, and they were worth sixty-five dollars or more; they were made expressly for our use when we left Illinois. I saw the men take clothes out of the house by the armful. I do not know the name of every article taken, but I know they had more than \$35 worth. I know that Mr. Hutchin had a revolver; I have handled it often; I saw some of the men take it away; it was worth \$30. I saw the men take all the bridles, saddles, saddle blankets and martingales there were about the place; there were three or four saddles, five bridles, martingales and lariats to the amount of one hundred and fifty-five dollars. We had these things all new when we started for Kansas. I know that Mr. Hutchins had seven guns, some were double barrel shot guns. There were four rifles amongst the seven; these were worth \$175. One of these was a double barrel rifle, which cost \$75 dollars, and was worth \$50 dollars when it was taken away. There were five bags shot, one keg of powder, about thirty pounds of lead, and sixteen powder horns and flasks; the whole of these were worth \$40. Mr. Hutchin had a chest of carpenter's tools; these were all taken, and the chest of tools was worth \$170. Mr. Hutchin had a watch and key taken; it was worth \$50. I saw one of the men put on the spurs charged, and the fellow also took a whip; the spurs and whip were worth \$3 or \$4. Some of the company tore down part of the fence, and Mr. Hutchin had about \$100 worth of hay destroyed.

HENRY ^{his} + THOMAS.
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Witness:

WM. HUTCHIN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

I certify in the foregoing claim of William Hutchin the whole amount is proven, and award to said William Hutchin the sum of \$1,340.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 271.

Before the Honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims in Kansas Territory.

Nathaniel Miller says: That the following described property or goods were wrongfully taken from Skinner H. Miller, during the late difficulties in Kansas Territory, by persons wholly unknown to this claimant, and will be totally lost to said Skinner H. Miller, unless allowed by an act of the territorial legislature at its late session, to wit: goods deposited with Skinner and Croysdale, in their storehouse at Elk City, K. T., and taken as above stated, when Skinner & Croysdale's store was robbed, in September, 1856, to the value of \$417 45.

He states that Phinehas Skinner, one of the firm, is dead, and that he is the proper person and the only person to attend to this matter; and the above is a true rending of the account of the goods so deposited, and that he is unable to give a more particular account of the manner in which said goods were taken and disposed of than the above, but believes that he can produce witnesses before the commissioner, who will be able to give a more full and detailed account of the manner in which said goods were taken.

Nathaniel Miller, the claimant, makes oath and says that the matters and things stated in the above petition are true.

NATHANIEL MILLER.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Calhoun county. }

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 27th of November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,
Judge of the Probate Court of Calhoun county, K. T.

In the matter of the petition of Nathaniel Miller, before the Honorable H. J. Strickler, auditor of public accounts in Kansas Territory.

Phinehas Skinner, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith: That he has heard the petition of said Miller read, and knows that said goods, belonging to Skinner and Miller, were deposited in Skinner & Croys-

dale's store, at Elk City, Kansas Territory, and believes that said goods were worth the amount charged in said petition, to wit: \$417 45; but knows nothing of the robbing of said store only from hearsay.

In testimony whereof he has hereunto set his hand and seal, this 27th of November, 1857.

PHINEHAS SKINNER. [SEAL.]

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Calhoun county. }

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 27th November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,
P. J., Calhoun county, K. T.

In the matter of the petition of Nathaniel Miller, before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, auditor of public claims in Kansas Territory, Samuel W. Richardson, being duly sworn deposes and says: That he has heard the petition of Nathaniel Miller read, and knows that said goods belonging to Skinner & Miller were deposited in Skinner and Croysdale's store at Elk City, Kansas Territory, and believes that those goods were worth the amount as charged in said petition of said Miller, to wit: \$417 45.

In testimony whereof he has hereunto set his hand and seal, this 27th day of November, 1857.

SAMUEL W. RICHARDSON, [L. s.]

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Calhoun County. }

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 27th day of November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,
Probate Judge, Calhoun county, Kansas Territory.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Calhoun. }

I, James Kuykindall, clerk of the commissioner's court in and for the county of Calhoun and Territory aforesaid, do certify that C. G. Allen has been duly commissioned judge of probate in and for said county, and that he has taken the oath of office as prescribed by law, and that full credit should be given to all his official acts.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of [L. s.] said court at office in Calhoun, this 30th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JAMES KUYKINDALL, Clerk.
By J. M. KUYKINDALL, Deputy Clerk.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Nathaniel Miller, the whole amount is proven, and award to said Nathaniel Miller the sum of \$417 45, private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 272.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The petition of Levi Ward, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Levi Ward, of the Territory and county aforesaid, beg to represent unto the honorable commissioner, that about the first of September, 1856, sundry bands of marauders, as well as the southern army, were camping in my immediate neighborhood, various depredations were being daily committed, causing the lives and property of the settlers to be in danger; at length the southern army gave orders for all the settlers to leave the county and seek for safety elsewhere; your petitioner being poor and nearly destitute of means, and having a large family, I had (for fear of safety of life) to go to Missouri, and had to leave what little stock I had behind, which caused me to lose a cow and calf, and about eighty head of domestic fowls; some of my household goods were destroyed, consisting of chairs, and a barrel of soap, and sundry other articles; but my family were taken sick through exposure; I had to procure medical aid, and ran in debt, besides having to suffer with my family; and your petitioner begs to state that the charges in the schedule annexed to this of my losses were occasioned solely through the territorial difficulties, and not by any fault or occasion of mine whatever.

his
 LEVI + WARD,
 mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27th day of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Levi Ward, Dr.

Fifty head of domestic fowls, at twenty cents each.....	\$10 00
One cow and calf, drove off..	25 00
One barrel of soap destroyed, value of.....	5 00
Three chairs.....	3 00
Damage and expenses by being compelled to leave the Territory during the difficulties.....	150 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

Affidavit of Joseph Taylor, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, in relation to the petition of Levi Ward, annexed to this affidavit.

I was living with Mr. Ward as a lodger at the time of the territorial difficulties. Mr. Ward had a quantity of fowls killed by the militia men who were then staying in the neighborhood; we had a cow lost at the time; the cow had a calf with her; she was worth \$25. We were driven from our homes, and had to stay away, for the safety of our lives, about five weeks; we were all taken sick by being compelled to leave our homes; we had to procure medical aid, and the family of Mr. Ward were all sick in consequence of exposure. Some of the property left in the house was destroyed, and some stolen; a barrel of soap was taken, and some of the household goods were destroyed. I know that the charges in the schedule annexed to this are not unjust or unreasonable, and that Mr. Ward's losses and damages by leaving the Territory were not less than one hundred and fifty dollars.

his
 JOSEPH + TAYLOR.
 mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 37th day of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

I certify in the foregoing claim of \$193 of Levi Ward there is proven \$43, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 273.

KANSAS TERRITORY, *November 24, 1857.*

Before the honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing public accounts for Kansas Territory.

Paulina Bradin states that the following described property was wrongfully taken from her while in the possession of John Tincher, during the Kansas difficulties in 1856, by persons unknown to this claimant, and will be totally lost unless allowed as by an act of the legislature of Kansas Territory at its late session, to wit:

One horse, of the value of.....	\$125 00
One wagon.....	100 00
Gearing for same.....	15 00
Wagon sheet and picket rope.....	6 00
	246 00
	246 00

She states that the valuation put upon the above items is not, as she believes, greater than their value, and that she is unable to give a more detailed account of the loss of said property than that she had let John Tincher have them to go to the city of Leavenworth, and he informed her they had been forcibly taken from him, whose testimony she has submitted by way of confirmation of her own statement.

Paulina Bradin, the complainant, makes oath and says the matters and things set forth in the above petition are true.

PAULINA BRADIN.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Calhoun County. }

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 27th of November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,
P. J., Calhoun county, K. T.

In the matter of Paulina Bradin's petition, before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner of public claims, in Kansas Territory.

John Tincher, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he has heard the petition of the claimant read, and states that he had the horse and wagon, gearing, &c., in his possession, belonging to said Paulina Bradin, and was returning from Leavenworth City, where he had been on business, when he was assaulted by an armed band of men, about three miles from Leavenworth City, who demanded said property of him, and by threats of violence put him in dread of his life if he did not give up said property; and that he was unable to defend and protect the same, and was compelled, contrary to his wish, and against his consent, to surrender it into the possession of the individuals mentioned, who were and are wholly unknown to this deponent; and that he knows, having lived with said Paulina Bradin ever since, who is his sister, that she has never recovered said property or any portion of it, or received any remuneration for the same.

In testimony whereof he has hereunto set his hand and seal, this 27th November, 1857; and further, that said property was worth the amount charged in said petition, to wit, \$246.

JOHN TINCHER, [L. s.]

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Calhoun County }

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court, of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 27th November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,
Judge of Probate, Calhoun county, Kansas Territory.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Calhoun. }

I, James Kuykendall, clerk of the commissioner's court in and for the county of Calhoun, do hereby certify that C. G. Allen has received and been duly commissioned probate judge of said county; and further, that he has taken the oath of office as the law provides, and that full credit should be given to all his official acts.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at Calhoun, this 30th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JAMES KUYKENDALL,
Clerk.

By J. M. KUYKENDALL,
Deputy Clerk.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Paulina Bradin the whole amount is proven, and is of private class—\$246.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 274.

KANSAS TERRITORY, *November 27, 1857.*

Before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing public claims in Kansas Territory, Ellwood Ballinger states that the following property, belonging to Samuel J. Richardson, was forcibly and wrongfully taken from him while riding and using the same, during the late Kansas difficulties, by persons unknown to him, said Ballinger, and will be totally lost to said claimant unless allowed as by an act of the territorial legislature at its late session, as he was riding and using said horse with the consent of said Richardson, to wit:

1 horse, of the value of.....	\$150 00
1 saddle and bridle.....	25 00
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	175 00
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Said Ballinger further states that the valuation put upon the above items is not, as he believes, of a greater amount than their real value, and believes, also, he can produce witness before the commission to fully substantiate the above.

ELLWOOD BALLINGER.

Ellwood Ballinger, the claimant, makes oath and says, that the matters and things stated in the above petition are true.

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
 Calhoun county. }

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 27th November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,
Judge of the Probate Court of Calhoun county, K. T.

In the matter of the petition and complaint of Ellwood Ballinger, before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, auditor of public accounts in Kansas Territory, Henry D. Oden, being duly sworn, deposes and saith: That he was in company with said Ballinger some time, he thinks, in September, 1857, when seven or eight armed men rode up suddenly and, with threats and violence, demanded the horse then in our possession, and he is fully of the opinion and knows that the horse mentioned in said Ballinger's petition was forcibly taken from him contrary to his consent or wish, and further, he has good reason to believe that said Ballinger has never recovered said horse or anything by way of compensation for the same, and that those persons were and are wholly unknown to this deponent, and that this thing occurred in Calhoun county, Kansas Territory.

In testimony whereof, he has hereunto set his hand and seal, this [L. s.] 27th November, 1857.

HENRY D. ODEN.

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Calhoun county. }

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, November 27, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,

Judge of the Court of Probate, Calhoun county, K. T.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Calhoun. }

I, James Kuykendall, clerk of the commissioner's court in and for the county of Calhoun, do hereby certify that C. G. Allen has received and been duly commissioned probate judge of said county; and further, he has further taken oath of office, as the law provides, and that full credit should be given to all his official acts.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of [L. s.] said court, at office in Calhoun, this 30th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JAMES KUYKENDALL, *Clerk.*

By J. M. KUYKENDALL, *Deputy.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Ellwood Ballinger that the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class, \$175.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 275.

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Calhoun County. }

Before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, auditor of public claims in Kansas Territory.

Henry D. Oden states that the following described property, belonging to him, was wrongfully taken by force, and stolen from him

during the difficulties in Kansas Territory, in 1856, by persons wholly unknown to him, and will be totally lost, unless allowed as by an act of the legislature of Kansas Territory at its late session, to wit :

One brown or black mare, of the value of	-	-	\$120	00
One saddle, bridle, and blanket	-	-	20	00
One bay horse	-	-	80	00
One set of harness, two-horse wagon, new	-	-	25	00
One box of surgical instruments, to wit: one scarificator,				
worth	-	-	6	00
One fine set of cupping instruments	-	-	8	00
One silver watch	-	-	25	00
One mattress, and two blankets, comfort, quilts, and sheets, worth	-	-	20	00
			309	00

He states further that the valuation put upon the items above are not greater than their real value ; and further, that the mare, saddle, and bridle, mentioned above, were forcibly wrested from him in the presence of Mr. William C. Willock, by an armed band of seven or eight men, wholly unknown to this claimant, said claimant being without arms of any description, and unable to defend himself or protect said property ; and further, that he left the horse mentioned above running on the commons around Elk City, when he left for Missouri, and was told by divers individuals on his return that he had been caught and taken off in open daylight by a large band of armed men ; and that as to the rest of the property he will only state that he had his medical shop in Skinner & Croysdale's store, and lived there, as his family was in Missouri, and has good reason to believe they were taken out when the said store was robbed, and that he can give no more full account of the loss of the same than the above.

Henry D. Oden, the claimant, makes oath and says: That the matters and things set forth in the above petition are correct.

HENRY D. ODEN. [L. s.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 27th of November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,
Probate Judge, Calhoun county, K. T.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Calhoun, } sct.

I, James Kuykendall, clerk of the commissioner's court in and for the county of Calhoun, do certify that C. G. Allen has been duly commissioned probate judge of Calhoun county by the governor of said Territory, and that he has taken the oath of office as prescribed by law, and that full credit should be given to all his official acts.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at Calhoun, this 30th day of November, [L. s. A. D. 1857.

JAMES KUYKENDALL, *Clerk.*
By J. M. KUYKENDALL, *Deputy.*

In the matter of the petition of Henry D. Oden, before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner and auditor of public accounts in Kansas Territory, William C. Willock, being duly sworn, deposeseth and saith: That he has heard said petition read, and knows that the black mare was taken, as described in said petition, together with the rigging, and that he considers the same not to be overcharged as to value; but that he considers the same to be worth \$145, as charged in said petition; and further, that certain armed men told him they had been trying to catch the bay horse mentioned in said petition, and intended to have him, if it took them three days to catch him, and that he afterwards saw said horse in the possession of the same men; and that said horse was worth \$80; and as to the harness, mattress, and bed clothes, he saw them in the storehouse the day before said store was robbed, and knows they were missing the next day, and believes they were worth what is charged for them in said petition; and further, that as to the surgical instruments, he knows Dr. Oden is a physician, but does not remember anything concerning said instruments; nor does he know aught about the loss of the watch; and further, the individuals who took each and all of the above property were and are wholly unknown to this deponent; and moreover, this deponent has good reasons to believe said Oden has never recovered any of said property, or received any remuneration for the same. In testimony whereof, he has hereunto set his hand and seal, this 27th of November, 1857.

WILLIAM C. WILLOCK. [L. s.]

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Calhoun County. }

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 27th of November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,
Probate Judge, Calhoun county, K. T.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Henry D. Oden that the whole amount, \$309, is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 276.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

The petition of Nicholas Gouyn of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "an act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

I, Nicholas Gouyn, of the county and Territory aforesaid, beg to represent unto the honorable commissioner that some time during the

month of August, A. D. 1856, your petitioner was a resident of the Territory, living at the time above mentioned at the Miami village ; I was at that same time the lawful owner of one mare and one horse, this said horse and mare were taken from my pasturage ground by some of the southern army, who were at the time in question camping near Mr. Mocaby, at the Kansas boundary line ; one of my witnesses will also show to the honorable commissioner, in his deposition, that one of the southern army crossed the river near the said village in search of the horses in question ; and your petitioner further begs to represent unto the honorable commissioner, that after some time the horse in question was set at liberty, or broke away from the said southern army, and, in consequence of the hard usage by these men, the horse came home and died in a fews days after, as it bore every token of being rode to death ; the mare I never saw any more, and your petitioner begs to state further, that the said horse and mare were taken from me by the southern army ; I never sold them, and I never have received in any way compensation for the said property, and that the charge for the same in the schedule annexed to this is a true and just account of my losses during the territorial war of 1856, and that my property was taken by the southern army as shown in the depositions that are annexed to this petition.

N. GOUYN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27th day of November, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS, *Notary Public.*

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Nicholas Gouyn, Dr.

To one mare, valued at.....	\$100 00
To one horse, valued at.....	125 00
	225 00
	225 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The affidavit of William Hutchin, of the Territory and county aforesaid, in relation to the loss of Nicholas Gouyn, the said William Hutchin being a prisoner in the charge of the southern army, at the time Mr. N. Gouyn's horses were brought into the camp of the southern army.

I, William Hutchin, of the Territory and county aforesaid, being duly sworn, say: That I was a prisoner at Westpoint, in Missouri, in the charge of the southern army. The horses belonging to the army were staked out, when one of the men said "Captain Lowry had taken a horse of Gouyn's," when some one made answer and said that

“he had not only took one, but he had taken two of Gouyn’s horses.” I saw the said Captain Lowry lead the horses that the men said he had taken from Gouyn.

WILLIAM HUTCHIN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27th day of November, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

The affidavit of Michael Gouyn, a son of the petitioner, and a resident of the Territory, living with his father at the time the horse and mare in question were taken from his father by the southern army.

I, Michael Gouyn, of the county and Territory aforesaid, being a citizen of the United States, and duly sworn, say: That I know my father had the horse and mare in question; they were owned by him; they were in the pasture at the time they were taken by one of the southern army, named Lowry; he was sometimes called Captain Lowry. He went to the pasture about 4 o’clock in the afternoon of Saturday, previous to the burning of Osawatomie. We went in search after them, with my father and two others, but did not overtake them. We could not go very far, as our lives and other property were in danger. About three or four weeks, after the horse was set at liberty and came home with a part of a bridle upon him. He died a short time after; I think it was about two weeks after. The horse was sound and good; so was the mare, at the time they were taken away. The horse died from the effects of overdriving and hard usage. The mare was 4 years old, the horse 7 years. They were sound and good. We had often been offered one hundred dollars for the mare, but refused to sell her for that sum. The horse cost \$125. My father never sold them; they were stolen, as stated in the petition; and the charge of \$225 is just, as they were fully worth that sum.

MICHAEL GOUYN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27th day of November, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Nicholas Gouyn of two hundred and twenty-five dollars, there is proven two hundred and twenty-five dollars of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Nicholas Gouyn two hundred and twenty-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 277.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The petition of Calvin McDonald, of the Territory of Kansas and county aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims."

I, Calvin M. McDonald, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that on or about the months of August and September sundry bands of marauders were roaming in our immediate neighborhood. The armies of the north and of the south were there frequently in search of each other. Our lives and property were in constant danger, and although we could not always see with our eyes these men destroy our crops and drive off our cattle, yet we have good evidence that they were so destroyed; and if these bands of men were not roaming the country, these losses that are charged would not have occurred; and they were occasioned solely and only through the territorial difficulties, and by no cause or neglect of our own. My crop was injured and destroyed to the amount of \$100; and that the charge in the schedule is reasonable and just.

CALVIN M. McDONALD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23d day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The Territory of Kansas to Calvin McDonald, Dr.

To loss of crop of corn during the territorial difficulties, by
 Captain John Brown's men, of the northern army..... \$100 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

I, William Rogers, of the Territory and county aforesaid, being duly sworn, say: That I know Mr. Calvin McDonald had a quantity of corn destroyed during the difficulties in the Territory; some persons made gaps in his fence; I feel assured it was done by Captain Brown's men, of the northern army; I saw a hog that had been shot by them lying in one of these gaps; his crop was nearly eaten up by Captain Brown's horses; the charge of \$100 is just and reasonable; and that the loss was occasioned, as stated in the petition, through the difficulties in the Territory, and not by any neglect of Mr. McDonald.

WM. ROGERS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23d day of October, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Calvin M. McDonald of \$100, there is proven \$100 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Calvin M. McDonald the sum of \$100.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 278.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

The petition of John R. Williams, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, John R. Williams, of the county and Territory aforesaid, beg to represent unto the honorable commissioner, that about the 1st day of September, 1856, a quantity of armed men, under the command of General Clark, and others, under whose command I do not know, a I believe they were bands of marauders, committed many and sundry depredations in our neighborhood; considerable amount of property was destroyed by said hordes of depredators for mere sport and for mischief. The fence around the farm of your petitioner was partly destroyed, and my crop of corn eaten up; and also ten acres of wheat was destroyed; nine large fine hogs were killed and taken away, others shot and left to perish on the ground. My fowls were killed, and part of my wearing apparel and bedding that I was necessitated to leave, to the amount of \$45, was destroyed or stolen. And your petitioner begs to represent to the honorable commissioner that the losses of property charged in the schedule annexed to this petition, were occasioned solely by the territorial difficulties which arose out of the "slavery question." Had not this useless question been agitated in this Territory, my losses, together with those of my own immediate neighborhood, would never have occurred. But northern and southern armies followed each other in succession, and each one vented their rage upon the persons and property of the unoffending citizens of the Territory. My losses were occasioned solely in this way. And your petitioner begs so state that the charges in the schedule are just and reasonable, and were caused as set forth in this petition.

JOHN R. WILLIAMS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to John R. Williams, Dr.

6 acres of Indian corn destroyed, yield at 40 bushels per acre, worth 50 cents per bushel in the field.....	\$120 00
10 acres of wheat destroyed, worth \$10 per acre.....	100 00
9 head of fine fat hogs, killed and taken away by the militia, worth \$12 each.....	108 00
1 stack of oats, destroyed	25 00
100 head of poultry, worth 20 cents each.....	20 00
6 turkeys, at 50 cents each.....	3 00
A quantity of wearing apparel and bedding, destroyed in my house.....	45 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The affidavit of Samuel Nickel, of the county and Territory aforesaid, being a witness of the destruction of the property of John R. Williams, the said Samuel Nickel being also a sufferer in the territorial difficulties of 1856, in that immediate neighborhood.

Samuel Nickel, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Kansas Territory, being duly sworn, says: I am well acquainted with Mr. Williams; his corn was destroyed by Clark's men; it was very fine and good, being rich bottom land, and it would yield, I am satisfied, 40 bushels per acre; Mr. Williams had a good fence around his field; his hogs were killed by the men who were then marauding the neighborhood; whether Clark's men killed them I cannot say, but I know his hogs were killed and carried away as I have said; they were fine and good, worth \$12 each; his stack of oats was destroyed by Clark's men tearing down the fence; I believe the stack was worth as much as charged in the schedule; his fowls were destroyed, and whether he had as many as 100 or not, I cannot say positive, but I know he had a large quantity killed, and I think they were worth \$20. Mr. Williams, as well as myself, had to leave the Territory, as we could not remain at home with safety of our lives; during the time we were out, Mr. Williams had his crop of wheat destroyed; he came back after he was driven off the first time in order to save his wheat crop, but he was not permitted to stay, and he had to leave again the second time; the wheat crop was worth at least \$10 or \$12 per acre. I have seen the charges, in the schedule annexed to this petition, of Mr. Williams' expenses, and I have examined them one by one and I know them to be true, and the charges to be correct and not overrated, but are just and reasonable, to the best of my knowledge. I was out of the Territory for protection with Mr. Williams at the same time, and was an eye witness of most of his losses.

SAMUEL NICKEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d day of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS, *Notary Public.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

The affidavit of Levi Ward, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, in relation to the losses of John R. Williams, the said Levi Ward being an eye witness to Mr. Williams' losses, and one who was driven out from his house at the same time as Mr. Williams.

I, Levi Ward, of the Territory and county aforesaid, being duly sworn, say: That I live near Mr. Williams' house, he has a field near me, and at the time in question Mr. Williams had about six acres of corn destroyed by the men in Clarks' company, they tore down the fence, and did not put it up again; Mr. Williams' crop of corn was very good, it would yield at least forty bushels per acre, the six acres were all destroyed; I think the charge is correct, and it was worth one hundred and fifty dollars; Mr. Williams had a fine lot of hogs, and some of them would average at least two hundred pounds each, his charge of one hundred and eighty dollars is not unjust, nor too high; Mr. Williams had ten acres of wheat destroyed, he was driven off from his house twice, it was worth ten dollars per acre; I know Mr. Williams had a stack of oats destroyed at the same time, it was worth twenty-five dollars; I saw Mr. Williams' stock of poultry, and they were all destroyed; they were worth twenty dollars. I went out with Mr. Williams into Missouri, with our families for safety; Mr. Williams was obliged to leave his house, and he had to leave some of his bedding and clothes; in the meantime a company of marauders stole and destroyed the bedding and clothes he had left in his house; I believe there was at least forty-five dollars worth.

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 LEVI × WARD.
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2d day of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS, *Notary Public.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of John R. Williams of \$421, there is proven \$421 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said John R. Williams the sum of four hundred and twenty-one dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 279.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Linn County. }

The petition of John A. Brown, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims."

I, John A. Brown, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent

unto the honorable commissioner, that on or about the month of August, 1856, sundry armed bands of men were roaming over the immediate neighborhood where I reside, and that my crop of corn was destroyed at the time these bands of armed men were in my neighborhood; my fence was destroyed or let down, as I can prove that it was done at this time by the men spoken of, and that it was not occasioned by any loss or carelessness upon my part whatever; the said crop of corn, thirteen acres, was worth \$112 50; the crop was good, and I do further declare that the charges in the schedule are reasonable and just.

JOHN A. BROWN.

Sworn to and subscribed, this 23d day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Kansas Territory to John A. Brown, Dr..

Thirteen acres of corn destroyed during the insurrection of
the Territory by bands of armed men..... \$112 50

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

I, Martin P. McDaniel, being duly sworn, depose: That at the time mentioned in the petition of J. A. Brown, sundry bands of marauders were in his neighborhood; the northern army under Captain John Brown were there, and also the southern army were there part of the time; I examined the fence around Mr. Brown's field, and am satisfied from the position of the fence that it had been thrown down by violence. Mr. Brown left the Territory about this time; Mr. Brown left for the safety of his life; I am satisfied the loss of Mr. Brown's crop did not occur by any neglect of his own; I know he had thirteen or fourteen acres in corn, and that it was all destroyed; I believe it would yield about twenty-five bushels per acre; Mr. Brown did not gather any of the corn, as the whole was destroyed; his corn at that time was worth fifty cents per bushel, and the charge in the schedule is reasonable and correct.

MARTIN P. McDANIEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23d day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of John A. Brown of one hundred and twelve dollars and fifty cents, there is proven \$112 50 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said John A. Brown the sum of one hundred and twelve dollars and fifty cents.

H. J. STICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 280.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The petition of Mary Lovell, (a widow lady,) of the county of Linn, and Territory of Kansas, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

The petition of Mary Lovell, a citizen of Kansas Territory, to the honorable commissioner, by law appointed. I, Mary Lovell, was living at Sugar Mound in the county and Territory aforesaid; during the month of August, sundry bands of marauders, as well as the territorial militia, were in my neighborhood; about this time sundry bands of armed men came to my residence, I being a lone widow and unprotected, they demanded of me all my property; they had, at the time they were telling me, a wagon and span of horses of mine in their possession which they had forcibly taken from my premises; there was one mare and one horse, together with all the horse tackling belonging thereto; they ordered me to leave the Territory as they were going to take all I had; this caused me much fear, as I knew several houses had been burned about this time, and to save my life I had to walk in a pair of old shoes from Sugar Mound to Westpoint in Missouri, a distance of about 25 miles; but before I started my household goods were all taken from me, consisting of three featherbeds, bed-clothing, and bedsteads, just as they had been made in the morning, worth 20 dollars each; my horses were worth 125 dollars each; the harness, worth about 20 dollars; wagon, 80 dollars; a cow and calf were taken away by these marauders, worth 25 dollars; a lot of cooking vessels, worth 10 dollars; one table, worth 5 dollars; and two trunks, full of wearing apparel and bed-clothing, worth 20 dollars each; these, as charged in the schedule annexed to this petition, were the items of my losses as mentioned in the petition, caused solely by the Territorial difficulties, and the loss of the same has been to me a cause of much trouble and inconvenience; and the list of articles as charged in said schedule is just and reasonable.

her
 MARY X LOVELL.
 mark.

Witness—

MICHAEL GOUYN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27th day of November 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

The Territory of Kansas to Mary Lovell, Dr.

One horse and mare, value of 125 dollars each	-	-	\$250
Wagon - - - - -	-	-	80
Horse tackling for said horses - - - - -	-	-	20
One cow and calf, worth - - - - -	-	-	25
A lot of cooking vessels and crockery - - - - -	-	-	10
Table - - - - -	-	-	5
2 trunks, and each full of clothing and bedding, worth \$20 each	-	-	40
3 featherbeds and bed-clothes, worth \$20 each -	-	-	60
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The affidavit of William Robinson, of the county and Territory afore-said, in relation to the losses of Mrs. Mary Lovell, a widow woman.

The said William Robinson being duly sworn, says: I am a citizen of the United States; I was in the southern army under the command of General G. W. Clarke; I know some men left our camp with a wagon, and a span of horses, and some goods inside, consisting of beds and bedding, but I do not know how many there were. The men had stolen them from some persons in the Territory; and one of the men in our camp said "they were widow Lovell's team and goods." I do not know the value of the beds and clothing, but the wagon, horses, and horse gear, was worth between three and four hundred dollars. There had been a cow and calf drove off belonging to the same widow; I believe it was worth twenty-five dollars.

WILLIAM ROBINSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st day of December, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Mrs. Mary Lovell, of \$490, there is proven of a private class \$490, and I hereby award to the said Mrs. Mary Lovell, the sum of \$490.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

No. 281.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The petition of Fergus H. Graham, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims."

I, Fergus H. Graham, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that on or about the months of August and September, sundry bands of armed men were marauding in my neighborhood, as well as the militia of the Territory. These men were in search of John Brown of the northern army; and during the time these armies were there my crop of corn of eight or nine acres was destroyed, in part, to the value of \$80. These men let down the fences, as I have good reason to believe; and that my loss was occasioned solely by the difficulties of the Territory, and by no neglect of mine; and that the charge annexed to this petition is correct and just.

FERGUS H. GRAHAM.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23d day of October, 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

Territory of Kansas to Fergus H. Graham, Dr.

To destruction of eight acres of corn destroyed by the northern army during the Territorial difficulties \$30 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

I, Reuben E. Noel, of the Territory and county aforesaid, being duly sworn, say: That I know that Mr. Graham had a part of his corn crop destroyed; that bands of armed men under Captain J. Brown, of the northern army, were roaming in various directions in our neighborhood at the time his crop was destroyed. I live near to Mr. Graham's; I saw the corn before it was destroyed; the crop was good bottom corn, and that the loss of \$30 as charged is reasonable; and that the loss of Mr. Graham was occasioned solely through the difficulties of the Territory.

REUBEN E. NOEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23d day of October, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Fergus H. Graham, of \$80, there is proven of a private class \$80, and I hereby award to the said Fergus H. Graham the sum of eighty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

No. 282.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

Petition of William Hobson, of the county of Linn and Territory of Kansas, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, William Hobson, of the Territory and county aforesaid, beg to represent unto the honorable commissioner, that in or about the month of September, 1856, sundry armed bands of marauders came into my neighborhood, together with the southern army under General G. W. Clark. Orders were sent by this said southern army for us to leave the Territory; passports were given to my family for leave to pass through Missouri. We had to leave the Territory, as it was not safe or prudent to remain, as there was no safety or security for the life of myself or family. I had only a few weeks before this erected a steam saw and grist mill, at an expense of about four thousand dollars; in my dwelling house and outhouses were some erected, others were in an unfinished condition. I was obliged to leave my mill, which stood at the risk of any passer by; the weekly loss of said mill was \$130; the mill stood useless that time, in a spoiling condition; my cornfield was injured to the loss of more than 500 bushels of corn; my large and numerous family had to be removed to the State of Illinois for safety of life, and to us at an expense, there and back, of \$300. Eleven head of cattle were driven off, worth \$167, and the officers of the militia only paid me \$80 on the account of said cattle; one rifle-gun and saddle and bridle were taken from my camp while we were on our way out of the Territory; and your petitioner begs to state to the honorable commissioner that the charges in the schedule annexed to this petition are just and reasonable, and were occasioned solely by the territorial difficulties, and not by any cause or neglect of mine whatever.

WM. HOBSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st day of December, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to William Hobson, Dr.

Loss to me by having to leave the Territory, my steam saw and grist mill, averaging \$130 per week, being obliged to stand useless for that time.....	\$1,170 00
Expenses of removing my family to the State of Illinois for safety of life, and expenses of return to the Territory	300 00

500 bushels of corn destroyed on my plantation, by having to leave my house.....	\$500 00
11 head of cattle drove off, to the value of.....	\$167 00
Cash sent to me by one of the officers for said cattle, as used by the militia.....	80 00
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Due me on account of said cattle.....	87 00
One rifle-gun taken by the militia.....	30 00
One saddle and bridle.....	15 00
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	2,102 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Linn. }

The affidavit of Antwine Belowine, of the Territory and county aforesaid, in regard to the losses of Wm. Hobson, as filed in his petition; the said deponent being in company, part of the time, with Mr. Hobson's family when he had to leave the Territory.

I have lived near Mr. William Hobson, and I know he had a steam saw and grist mill. I am somewhat acquainted with mills, and I know that the loss to Mr. Hobson was as much as 130 dollars per week, as charged, and that he was at the same loss for nine weeks, occasioned by his being compelled to leave the Territory for the safety of his life and the lives of his family. I have known Mr. Hobson for about three years; he was always a quiet man, and one who minded his own business. I know of no occasion whatever of any just cause being given for orders of Mr. Hobson's family being driven off. Mr. Hobson had about 500 bushels of his corn destroyed; it was destroyed while we were away. I cannot say who destroyed it, but it was destroyed by stock, through Mr. Hobson having to leave the Territory. I believe the corn was worth \$1 per bushel in the field. Mr. Hobson had to leave eleven head of cattle behind, as his life would have been in danger if he had waited behind and drove them, as the southern army, under General Clark, and several bands of marauders were in the woods camping at that time, and Mr. Hobson would have been killed or taken prisoner if he had ventured into the woods. Mr. Hobson had a rifle-gun, a saddle and bridle in his camp, at the time they were preparing to leave. Some of Clark's men came to the camp, when Mr. Hobson was away, and demanded of the women and children the gun, saddle and bridle; and the charges in the bill of \$26 are just and reasonable. I went to the State of Illinois with Mr. Hobson and family, but did not return with them to the Territory. I came back before they did, and, from the rate of charges upon our way, I know that the expenses must have been, at least, 300 dollars. I believe the charge to be just and reasonable.

ANTWINE BELOWINE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st day of December, A. D. 1857.

HENRY DE VILLIERS.
 Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of William Hobson of \$2,102, there is proven, of a private class, \$632, and I hereby award to the said William Hobson the sum of six hundred and thirty-two dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

No. 283.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

The petition of Samuel S. Bridgeman, of the county of Linn, and Territory of Kansas, under the provisions of an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Samuel L. Bridgeman, of the Territory and county aforesaid, beg to represent unto the honorable commissioner, that on or about the last days of September, 1856, sundry armed bands of marauders came to my residence, myself being sick, also my wife and family were sick at that time; one of my children died the next day; these men were all armed, and came up and demanded my mare from me; they took her away from me. I was unable to follow on account of sickness, and my life would have been endangered thereby. The said mare was sound and good, about five years of age. My charge, as mentioned in the schedule, is just and correct, and I never have received any compensation for the same at any time.

S. L. BRIDGEMAN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of November, 1857.
HENRY DE VILLIERS,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Linn. }

Territory of Kansas to S. L. Bridgeman, Dr.

To one brood mare, value of..... \$125 00

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Samuel L. Bridgeman of \$125, there is proven \$125 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Samuel L. Bridgeman the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

No. 284.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

Petition of Joseph F. Mason, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Joseph F. Mason, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory by way of loss of property, since the organization of this Territory, as follows, to wit: The loss of two milch cows and their calves, one of the Durham breed, and of the value of seventy-five dollars, the other cow and calf worth fifty dollars; also one mule, eight years old, and of the value of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, together with one yoke of working oxen, of the value of one hundred and twenty-five dollars; all of which property was of the total value of three hundred and seventy-five dollars; that the aforesaid cows, calves, oxen, and mule, were stolen from your petitioner, he has every reason to believe; that they were taken away from the possession of your petitioner by some band of persons unknown to your petitioner, during the existence of the political difficulties in the Territory; and I, the said Joseph F. Mason, do further represent unto the honorable commissioner, that none of the foregoing stock, as described in the accompanying and annexed statement, has been restored to or recovered by him, although diligent search therefor has been made by your petitioner, nor has he received any compensation therefor; further, your petitioner avers that the losses herein referred to have accrued to him since the organization of the Territory aforesaid.

JOSEPH F. MASON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of December, A. D. 1857.

WILLIAM PERRY,
Notary Public.

Statement of losses sustained by Joseph F. Mason, in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in the Territory of Kansas, and since the organization of said Territory.

One milch cow and calf, of the Durham breed	\$75 00
One milch cow and calf.....	50 00
One mule.....	125 00
One yoke of oxen.....	125 00
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Joseph F. Mason, being by me duly sworn, deposes and says: That the foregoing statement of loss is just, true, and correct, and that he has received no compensation therefor.

JOSEPH F. MASON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of December, A. D. 1857.

WM. PERRY, *Notary Public.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

Be it remembered, that on this the 11th day of December, 1857, before me, William Perry, a notary public within and for said county, personally appeared Otto Beeler and Frederick Probel, both of lawful age, who, having been duly sworn, depose and say: That the petition and statement of losses of Joseph F. Mason hereunto annexed, have been read to them, and that the facts set forth in the said petition are true, and that the value set forth in the annexed statement of losses is correct, just, and true; and your affiants further depose that the losses, as therein set forth, accrued to the said Joseph F. Mason during the existence of the political difficulties in this Territory, and since its organization.

OTTO BEELER.
FREDERICK PROBEL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year above written
WILLIAM PERRY,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth. }

I, H. B. C. Harris, clerk of the board of county commissioners within and for the county aforesaid, do certify that William Perry, whose name appears signed to the foregoing certificate or proof of acknowledgment, is now and was, at the time of signing the same, a notary public within and for said county, duly commissioned and qualified, and authorized to take such certificate or proof of acknowledgment; I am well acquainted with his handwriting, and believe the above to be genuine.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said board of county commissioners, it being a court
[L. s.] of record, at office in Kickapoo city, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1857.

HENRY B. C. HARRIS.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Joseph F. Mason, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 285.

Before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims in Kansas Territory.

Polly Skinner, administratrix of the estate of Phineas Skinner, deceased, says that the following described property, belonging to the estate of said Phineas Skinner, deceased, was, during the late difficulties in said Territory of Kansas, wrongfully taken by persons unknown to this claimant, and will be totally lost to said estate unless allowed, as by an act of Congress provided, to wit :

Bacon of the value of.....	\$2,000 00
One hundred head of stock hogs, at \$6.....	600 00
Eleven mules of the value of \$125 each.....	1,375 00
One horse of the value of \$75.....	75 00
Two wagons of the value of \$80 each.....	160 00
One hundred head of cattle of the value of.....	1,500 00
Dry goods, groceries, and merchandise, such as is generally kept in the stores of a new country, of the value of.....	2,500 00
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She states that the valuation put upon the above items, she believes, is not greater than their real value, and that she is unable to give a more particular account of the manner in which the property was taken and disposed of than the above ; but believes that she can produce witnesses before the commissioner, who will be able to give a more full and detailed account of all that transpired.

Polly Skinner, the claimant, makes oath and says, that the matters and things in the above petition as stated are true.

POLLY SKINNER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, H. J. Wolf, clerk of the Weston court of common pleas, in Platt county, Missouri.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of said court, the same being a court of records, at office in the city of Weston, on this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

[L. s.]

H. J. WOLF, *Clerk*.

Know all men by these presents, that I, Polly Skinner, of Platt county, Missouri, administratrix of the estate of Phineas Skinner, deceased, do hereby constitute and appoint Wilford Middleton my true and lawful attorney and agent to present the above and foregoing claim for allowance before H. J. Strickler, and do all and everything necessary for the prosecution and recovery of the same, as fully as I myself could do were I personally present, hereby ratifying and confirming all he may legally do in the premises.

Witness my hand seal, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

POLLY SKINNER, [L. s.]

Administratrix.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of Platt. }

Be it remembered, that on the 20th day of November, A. D. 1857, personally appeared before me, H. J. Wolf, clerk of the Weston court of common pleas, within the county and State aforesaid, Polly Skinner, to me well known to be the person whose genuine signature is subscribed to the above power of attorney, and in due form of law acknowledged the same to be her act and deed.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of said court, the same being a court of record, at office in the city of Weston, the day and year above written.

[L. S.]

H. J. WOLF, *Clerk.*

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Kansas Territory. }

In the matter of the petition and complaint of Polly Skinner, administratrix of the estate of Phineas Skinner, deceased, and touching the loss of certain mules in said petition mentioned, Robert C. Willock being sworn, deposeth and says : That one Robert Chism and himself were riding each a mule belonging to said Phineas Skinner, near where the town of Holton, in Calhoun county, and Kansas Territory, now stands, some time near the last of August, in 1856, when they were assailed by a band of an hundred or more of armed men, who, by threats to kill them, forced them to give up said mules, contrary to their wish or consent ; and that this was during the difficulties in Kansas, in 1856 ; and that he has good reasons to believe that said mules have not been recovered by the administratrix of said estate, but have become a total loss to said estate. And your deponent further saith, that he believes said mules and rigging were worth one hundred and fifty dollars each, or both the sum of three hundred dollars in value. And further this deponent saith not.

In testimony whereof he has hereunto set his hand and seal, this 25th of November, 1857.

ROBERT WILLOCK. [SEAL.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Calhoun. }

Subscribed and sworn to before the undersigned, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 25th day of November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,
Judge of the Probate Court of Calhoun county, K. T.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas, } *ss.*

In the matter of the petition and complaint of Polly Skinner, administratrix of the estate of Phineas Skinner, deceased, before H. J. Strickler, auditor of public claims in Kansas Territory.

Henry D. Oden, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith : That in regard to the item of the robbery of the store, as set forth in said complaint, that he was well acquainted as he believes with the amount of goods in said store, he being almost every day in the same for two

months before, and all the time since its robbery, and that he is of the opinion there must have been twenty-five hundred dollars' worth of goods and groceries in the store when the same was robbed, which robbery was committed in part in his presence, as follows: he, said deponent, was in the store in the morning and examined what amount as he judged in the aggregate was then in said store, for the purpose of purchasing the same of the administrator, and after leaving the store went into the prairie, where some individual was cutting hay, in plain view of said storehouse; and that while there he saw eight or nine men, with a two-horse wagon, ride and drive up to the front door of the storehouse, in Elk city, and get down, and remained therein about half an hour, and then leave; and that he went to the store in an hour or so afterwards, and found the door up stairs broken down, one of the windows in the storeroom taken out, and the other broken in by the throwing a keg or box of rice through the same, as said rice was scattered about over the ground under said window, and that the goods still left in the store were scattered about over the counter and floor. And deponent further saith, that from an examination he made of the amount immediately before and after those men went to the said storeroom, there must have been taken out at least six hundred dollars worth of goods. And deponent further saith, that in confirmation of the fact that these men did at that time take said goods from said storehouse, he had a conversation when they afterwards came to where he was, with them, and they stated had it not been for the occurrence at Hickory Point, where they said their party was cut up by your party, (alluding to deponent and others present,) that they would not have taken anything from Elk city. And deponent further saith, that he knows that Mr. Skinner had a very considerable amount of property of other descriptions, such as bacon, stock, hogs and cattle, wagons and mules, at and about Elk city, which he has good reasons to believe were lost, by the disturbances existing at the time in the Territory, to said estate, because of the dread and refusal of any and every person to ride about on their horses, or to pass through the country from Elk city to Missouri; but the exact amount of which this deponent cannot say, but is of the opinion that the amount of property stated in the petition and complaint of the administratrix of said estate, and the value given the same, is not far from and is probably correct. And deponent further saith, that the robbing of the store, as mentioned above, was about the first of September, in the year of 1856, and during the difficulties existing at that time in said Territory. In testimony whereof, he has hereunto set his hand and seal, this 25th of November, 1857.

HENRY D. ODEN. [SEAL.]

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Calhoun County, } ss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, this 25th day of November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,

Probate Judge of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas, } ss.

In the matter of the petition and complaint of Polly Skinner, administratrix of the estate of Phineas Skinner, deceased, before H. J. Strickler, auditor of public claims for Kansas Territory.

Elwood Ballenger, being duly sworn, deposes and says : That some time during the month of September, 1856, and pending the Kansas difficulties of that season, he was passing near the store of Phineas Skinner, in Elk city, Kansas Territory, when he met or was accosted by several armed men, who then and there stated to him and others in company with him, that they had taken from the store aforesaid, three days before, as many goods as they could haul or take away, and that they were going to take the balance that day; and that he is unable to state definitely what amount of goods was in said store, not being a competent judge, but that said store seemed to be about as full of goods as other stores in a new country, and so far in the interior, and he is satisfied that the amount claimed in the petition of Polly Skinner, administratrix of said estate of said Phineas Skinner, deceased, and here presented, before H. J. Strickler, auditor of claims aforesaid, is not above the amount taken from said store, as he was in said store directly afterwards, and saw what was left, and believes that goods to the value of twenty-five hundred or three thousand dollars must have been taken, as he believes, on the two occasions alluded to; and further, that he is unable to say by whom said goods were taken, as the persons who stated they had and would take the same, were unknown to him. And deponent further says, that a few days after, he was in the company of Mr. William C. Willock, who had in his possession a horse belonging to the estate of Phineas Skinner, deceased, when said deponent and others were assailed by an armed band of seven or eight men, who demanded and compelled said Willock to give up the said horse of Phineas Skinner aforesaid, together with a respectable saddle and bridle on the same; and that deponent does not know who said individuals were, and further, that he has good reason to believe that said horse has never been recovered by the estate aforesaid; and further, that said horse and rigging was worth the sum of ninety dollars. And deponent further says, that the same men who threatened to rob, and said they had already taken from the store aforesaid, stated that they had tried to catch a certain bay horse belonging to H. D. Oden, and a black mule belonging to Phineas Skinner, which were running together in the prairie around the store, and that they would have said horse and mule if it took them three days to catch them; and that he afterwards saw said horse and mule hitched at the store, and in the possession of the same men; and that he has good reason to believe the mule is totally lost to said estate; and that said mule was worth one hundred and fifty dollars; and further, that the men who took said mule were and are wholly unknown to said deponent. And deponent further states that he knows Mr. Skinner had the amount of property of every description mentioned in the complaint of the said Polly Skinner, aforesaid, and moreover believes that much of said property was lost to said estate, by the disturbances in the Territory, as every-

body as far as he knows was afraid to ride about through the country, or pass to and from the river, and that the amount in the several items mentioned by complainant is not more than he believes to have been lost to said estate in consequence of the disturbances aforesaid.

In testimony whereof, he has hereunto set his hand and seal this 25th of November, 1857.

ELWOOD BALLENGER. [SEAL.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 26th November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,

Judge of the Probate Court of Calhoun county, K. T.

In the matter of Polly Skinner, administratrix of Phineas Skinner, deceased, in her petition and complaint before H. J. Strickler, auditor of public claims for Kansas Territory, William C. Willock, being duly sworn, deposed and saith: That some time about the 1st of September, in the year 1856, he was passing near the store of Phineas Skinner, at Elk city, in Kansas Territory, in company with Elwood Ballenger and others, when he was accosted by certain individuals whom he met on the road and who inquired of him who was the owner of the store at Elk city, as also of some other property mentioned in the petition of Polly Skinner as presented before the auditor of public claims for Kansas Territory, and said they had the day before taken from the said store as much as they could haul or take away conveniently, and that they intended to take the balance that day. And deponent further saith that he had the key of said store in his possession, and that he was pretty well acquainted with the amount of goods in said store; so far as he feels himself competent to judge of goods as presented to the eye, for that said store seemed to be as full of goods as stores generally are in a new country so far in the interior, and that he believes, from his knowledge of what was left in said store after being plundered as stated by those men, that twenty-five hundred or three thousand dollars' worth of goods must have been taken by the said individuals, according to their own statement; and, further, that he afterwards saw seven or eight men go to the store with a two-horse wagon and remain there about half an hour, and is certain, from the appearance of the goods afterwards, that they took or stole a considerable amount of the same, but that he is wholly unable to say who those individuals were, and believes further that none of the goods so taken were ever recovered by the administrators of said estate. And deponent further states that the same individuals said they had been trying to catch a certain bay horse belonging to Henry D. Oden, and a black mule of Mr. Skinner's, which were running together around Elk city the day before; and that they intended to have said horse and mule, if it took them three days to catch them; and that he saw both the horse and mule hitched near the storehouse next day in possession of the same individuals; and that he believes the administrator of the estate aforesaid has never been able to recover said mule or obtain

any compensation in any way for the same; and that said mule, in his judgment, was worth one hundred and fifty dollars; and, further, that said individuals were and are wholly unknown to said deponent, he having never seen or heard of them before that day or since. And this deponent further states that whilst using a horse belonging to Mr. Skinner, he was assailed by seven or eight armed men and compelled to give up said horse contrary to his wish or consent, he being overpowered and unable to defend and protect said horse; and that he does not believe the managers of Mr. Skinner's estate has ever been able to recover either the said horse or any remuneration for the same; and states, further, that a saddle and bridle and blanket were taken with the aforesaid horse at the same time; and that the horse and rigging were, in his opinion, worth ninety dollars; and that he does not know who were the persons forcibly taking said horse, as he never saw them before or since.

And deponent further saith that, to his knowledge, Mr. Skinner had a very large amount of property at and in the neighborhood of Elk city; and that he has heard the petition of Polly Skinner read, and knows that Mr. Skinner had all of said property mentioned in said complaint, at the place aforesaid, and believes that much of said property was lost to the estate in consequence of the difficulties pending at that time in the Territory, the exact amount of which, however, this deponent is unable to say, but thinks the amount stated in the complaint already mentioned is very nearly or altogether correct, because, deponent further states, that everybody, so far as he knows, was afraid to ride about through the country or pass to and from Missouri, where the administrators of said estate resides, and who consequently were unable, as he believes, to come or send to the Territory in a proper time to collect and remove said property. And further this deponent saith not.

In testimony whereof, he has hereunto set his hand and seal, this 26th November, 1857.

WILLIAM C. WILLOCK. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Calhoun. }

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 26th November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,
Judge of the Probate Court of Calhoun County, K. T.

In the matter of the petition and complaint of Polly Skinner, administratrix of the estate of Phineas Skinner, deceased, before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner and auditor of public claims in Kansas Territory, Obadiah Tincher, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith: That he met Kemp M. Wood, administrator of the estate of Phineas Skinner, deceased, who said he was on his way to Elk city, where Mr. Skinner's property in Kansas was, for the purpose of collecting and securing as much of said property as possible; and who further said that, in consequence of the disturbances then existing in the Ter-

ritory, he was afraid to proceed with the object aforesaid, and finally, in consequence of the appearance of two armed bands of men on the road, said Wood did turn back, as he said, because he was afraid to proceed, and left, to the knowledge of this deponent, a very large amount of property scattered around Elk city, as the deponent believes, to the amount of seven or eight thousand dollars, such as is named in complainant's petition, and which this deponent believes was lost because of a want of attention to the same at the proper time.

In testimony whereof, he has hereunto set his hand and seal this 27th November, 1857.

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OBADIAH + TINCHER. [L. s.] }
mark.

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Calhoun County, } ss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 27th November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,
Judge P. C. C. C., K. T.

In the matter of the petition and complaint of Polly Skinner, before the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner of and auditor of public accounts in Kansas Territory, John C. McCarter, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith: That he has heard the petition of Polly Skinner read, and in reference to the loss of certain mules mentioned in said petition, states that he saw a mule near Easton, branded with the letter S, which mule he understood from others, but does not know the fact himself, belonged to Phineas Skinner's estate; and that he knows said mule was pened and taken off by an armed band of men, and has good reason for believing that said mule has never been recovered by said estate, and that he considers said mule was worth \$125.

In testimony whereof, he has herounto set his hand and seal this 27th November, 1857.

JOHN C. McCARTER. [L. s.]

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Calhoun County, } ss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. G. Allen, judge of the probate court of Calhoun county, Kansas Territory, this 27th November, 1857.

C. G. ALLEN,
Probate Judge, Calhoun County, K. T.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Calhoun County, }

I, James Kurkendall, clerk of the commissioner's court in and for the county of Calhoun, do certify that C. G. Allen, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, has been duly commissioned probate judge in and for said county, by the Governor of said Territory; and further, that he has taken the oath of office, as prescribed by law, and that full credit should be given to all his official acts as said judge of probate.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
 [L. s.] seal of said court, at office in Calhoun, this 30th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JAMES KURKENDALL, *Clerk*,
 By J. M. KURKENDALL, *Deputy*.

I certify in the foregoing claim of Mrs. Polly Skinner that there is proven the whole amount, \$8,210, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 286.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, John H. Day, of the city of Leavenworth, and Territory of Kansas, respectfully shows, that in the year 1855 your petitioner was engaged in the selling of drugs and medicines in said city; that on or about the first day of December, 1855, your petitioner delivered to Dr. Royal, the surgeon and physician of the territorial militia, upon the order of Colonel A. M. Payne, also commanding the regiment of militia, said Royal was surgeon and physician, a bill of drugs and medicines amounting, in the whole, to the sum of twenty dollars and fifty-five cents. Your petitioner further shows that at or about the same time, your petitioner paid to one Green D. Ford, for the use of the said militia, the sum of two dollars, which said money was used for the purpose aforesaid, as your petitioner was informed and believes. Your petitioner, therefore, prays that he may be awarded the sum of twenty dollars and fifty-five cents, as used for the said goods and money aforesaid, in the foregoing petition set forth, and that the same may be paid, or that your petitioner may be indemnified therefor, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, or for such further and other relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises. And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

JOHN H. DAY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 18th day of December, 1857.

In testimony whereof I have hereto subscribed my name and affixed my seal, this 3d day of December, 1857.

A. MACAULAY, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth, } ss.

Archibald Payne, of the county of Leavenworth, being duly sworn, says: That on the first day of December, 1855, he was the colonel commanding a regiment of territorial militia, and that this affiant gave the order mentioned in the foregoing petition, and upon which the goods set forth in said petition were delivered to Dr. Royal, to the amount of twelve dollars and fifty-five cents, to and for the use of the men in the regiment under the command of this affiant.

A. PAYNE.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Leavenworth. }

Before me, personally came A. Payne, and, being duly sworn, and on oath, states that the facts stated in the above affidavit, by him subscribed, are true in substance and in matter of fact.

Given under my hand and official seal, at office, this 30th day of November, 1857.

A. MACAULAY, [L. s.]
Notary Public.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John H. Day, the whole amount is proven, and is of the public class. \$20 55.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 287.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Lykins. }

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Ephraim Husted, of the county aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is and has been a resident of said county for the last two years; that during the summer of 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a disturbed condition, occasioned by bodies of armed men travelling over the country committing robberies and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens; that during the fore part of the month of August of the same year, a large body of men were in camp near the house of your petitioner, commonly known as the Georgia camp, under the command of one Captain Cook; that on or about the 5th day of August, 1856, said body of men took from the possession of your petitioner four horses, as your petitioner is informed and believes, two of which your petitioner subsequently recovered at an expense of \$50, the other two were valued at \$300 as per schedule hereunto annexed.

Your petitioner would further show that he has never received any compensation for any of the above losses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 21st day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Judge of Probate, Lykins county, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

Two horses of the value of.....	\$300 00
Expense of recovering same.....	50 00

LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

Josiah Goodwin and Mason A. Fairchilds, of the county aforesaid, being severally sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition made by Ephraim Husted, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of their own knowledge.

Deponents further say that they were well acquainted with the property mentioned in the above schedule ; that the sum set opposite the articles is a fair compensation therefor.

JOSIAH GOODWIN.
M. A. FAIRCHILDS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 21st day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Ephraim Husted that the amount of \$300 is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 288.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Daniel Martin, of the county aforesaid, respectfully sets forth that your petitioner is a resident of the said county of Lykins; that during the summer of 1856 your petitioner was a resident of Westpoint, and that that portion of the county was in a disturbed condition, occasioned by bodies of armed men travelling over the county, committing robberies, burning houses, destroying crops, and other outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens; that during the latter part of August and fore part of September, 1856, the property belonging to your petitioner, mentioned and described in the schedule hereto annexed, which schedule is made a part of this petition, was taken from the possession of your petitioner by companies of armed men under the command of G. W. Clark and Captain Donaldson, called into service by a proclamation of the then acting governor of the Territory, Woodson; that said property was taken by said companies of men and converted to their own use; that your petitioner has never received any compensation for any of said losses; that your petitioner and family, six in number, were taken prisoners at the said town of Westpoint and carried to Kansas city, on the Missouri river, then shipped down the river at their own expense; that in consequence of threats made by said companies of men, your petitioner did not deem it safe to bring his family back until the following spring; that in consequence of such removal of your petitioner and family from their residence, and such long absence therefrom as aforesaid, the expense incurred in going from and returning to their said residence, and the extra expense of sustaining his family away from his said residence, amounted to the sum of \$500.

DANIEL MARTIN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of December, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

One horse, valued at.....	\$200 00
One other horse, valued at.....	150 00
One telescope.....	100 00
One lumber wagon.....	75 00
One light wagon.....	110 00
Garden destroyed.....	50 00
One set harness.....	32 00
One saddle.....	22 00
Bedding, &c.....	40 00
One yoke of oxen.....	80 00
Provisions, feed, &c.....	125 00
Expense incurred by moving family.....	500 00
Five axes.....	6 00
	1,490 00

LYKINS COUNTY, *ss.*

William M. Martin and Leander Martin, of said county, being severally sworn, say: They have heard read the foregoing petition made by Daniel Martin; that they are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true, of their own knowledge. Deponents further say, that they are well acquainted with the property mentioned in said schedule; that they believe the sums set opposite the respective articles a fair compensation therefor.

WM. M. MARTIN.

LEANDER MARTIN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of December, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

Upon examination of the foregoing claim, the evidence shows that complainant was a citizen of Missouri, and the act confines me to citizens of the Territory.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

No. 289.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of William Saling, of the county of Lykins, in said Territory, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is and has been

a resident of said county for the last two years ; that during the summer of 1856, this portion of the Territory was in a disturbed condition, occasioned by bodies of armed men travelling over the county, committing robberies, burning houses, destroying crops, &c., upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens ; that on or about the 20th day of August, 1856, a company of men, supposed to be under the command of one General Cook, took from the premises of your petitioner one horse and bell, of the value of \$102, and converted the same to their own use ; that your petitioner has never received any compensation for the same.

WILLIAM SALING.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10th day of December, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

Samuel Glenn and James C. Saling, of said county, being severally sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth ; that they verily believe the same to be true ; that they believe the horse and bell to be worth the just and full sum of \$102.

SAM'L GLENN.

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JAMES C. + SALING,
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10th day of December, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of William Saling the whole amount (\$102) is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER.

No. 290.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled " An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Harrison H. Updegraff, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner is and has been a resident of the Territory for the last two years ; that during the summer of 1856, when this portion of the Territory was in a disturbed

condition, occasioned by armed bodies of men, under different leaders, travelling over the country committing robberies, burning houses, and outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens; that on the 30th day of August, 1856, a large body of armed men, under the command of one John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of the acting governor, Woodson, entered the town of Osawatomie, in said county of Lykins, and then and there burned to the ground one house, the property of your petitioner, together with cooking stove and cooking utensils, carpenter's tools, turning lathe, one rifle, and bedding, more particularly mentioned and described in the schedule hereto annexed, which schedule is made a part of this petition; and at the same time and place the same body of men burned a large amount of lumber belonging to your petitioner, namely, three thousand feet, as per schedule.

And your petitioner would further show, that he has never received any compensation for any of the above losses.

H. H. UPDEGRAFF.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in foregoing petition.

One horse, of the value of -	-	-	-	-	\$300 00
One lot of carpenter's tools	-	-	-	-	30 00
Two cook stoves and cooking utensils	-	-	-	-	60 00
One box stove and pipe	-	-	-	-	18 00
Turning lathe and machinery	-	-	-	-	20 00
One rifle	-	-	-	-	15 00
Bedding	-	-	-	-	10 00
Three thousand feet lumber	-	-	-	-	100 00
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H. H. UPDEGRAFF.

LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

Robert W. Wood and James Statts, of said county, being severally sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition made by J. H. Updegraff, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of their own knowledge. Deponents further say that they were well acquainted with the property mentioned in the above schedule; that the sums set opposite the respective articles are a fair and reasonable compensation for the same.

R. W. WOOD.

JAMES STATTS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of November, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of H. H. Updegraff, the whole amount, \$545, is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 291.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Lykins, } ss.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed by an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

The petition of Joseph B. Higgins, of Kansas city, Missouri, respectfully sets forth: That your petitioner was a resident of the town of Osawatomie, in said county, during the summer of 1856; that this portion of the Territory was, at that time, in a disturbed condition, occasioned by large bodies of armed men travelling over the country, committing robberies, burning houses, destroying crops, and perpetrating other outrages of various kinds upon the property of peaceably disposed citizens; that on the 7th day of June, 1856, a large body of armed men entered the town of Osawatomie and took from the possession of your petitioner one horse, of the value of \$225; that on the 30th day of August, 1856, a large body of armed men, under the command of one John W. Reid, called into service by a proclamation of the then acting governor, Woodson, entered said town of Osawatomie and burned five buildings; these and the horse belonging to your petitioner, are more particularly mentioned and described in the schedule hereunto annexed, which schedule is made a part of this petition; that said last company of men, at the same time and place, also destroyed and carried away other property more particularly mentioned and described in the schedule hereto annexed; that your petitioner has never received any compensation for any of the above losses.

J. B. HIGGINS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of December, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,

Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

Schedule referred to in the foregoing petition.

One hut building.....	\$250 00
One other log building.....	200 00
One smoke house.....	100 00
One other log building and out-buildings.....	450 00
One barn	100 00
One frame house.....	150 00
Two chests of carpenter's tools.....	250 00
Five bedsteads	25 00
One dozen chairs.....	18 00
Two stoves.....	46 00

Clothing, bedding, &c.....	\$100 00
One horse.....	125 00
One bath tub.....	7 00
Lot of buckets.....	3 00
Lot of crockery.....	40 00
One barrel vinegar.....	10 00
Lot of farming utensils.....	10 00
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LYKINS COUNTY, ss.

John Sharkey and James Statts, of said county, being severally sworn, say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition, and are well acquainted with the facts therein set forth; that the same are true of their own knowledge. Deponents further say that they were well acquainted with the property mentioned in the schedule above; that the sum set opposite the respective articles are a fair compensation for the same.

JOHN SHARKEY.
JAMES STATTS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of December, 1857.

CYRUS TATOR,
Judge of Probate, Lykins County, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of J. B. Higgins the whole amount of \$1,704 is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 292.

Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," and the act supplement thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, John G. Crocker, of Lawrence, Douglas county, Kansas, respectfully showeth: That your petitioner on the 21st day of May, 1856, then living in said county, that on the day and year above mentioned there was taken from the possession, conveyed away, and destroyed, by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia and marshal's posse, whose real names are unknown to your petitioner, the following property which is fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars; and your petitioner further states that he has not received any pay from any person for the same; and your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for the loss sustained by him during the civil feuds in Kansas,

as is set forth in the foregoing petition and schedule annexed, and that the same may be paid pursuant to the statutes made and provided, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

JOHN G. CROCKER, [L. s.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, duly commissioned, personally appeared John G. Crocker, and upon his oath says: That the facts set forth are true according to this affiant.

D. H. WEIR.
Notary Public.

Schedule of property referred to in foregoing petition.

Carpenter's tools.....	\$50 00
Lumber destroyed.....	100 00
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Total.....	150 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas county, } ss.

George W. Hunt and A. Cutler, of Douglas county, Kansas, being duly sworn, upon their oath, say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read; and know the contents therein contained; and know the facts stated; and do believe them to be true according to their, affiants, knowledge and belief. And these affiants further state: That they know on or about the 21st day of May, 1856, the petitioner John G. Crocker, sustained the loss of one hundred and fifty dollars of property referred to in the foregoing petition, and described in the schedule hereto annexed and valued at one hundred and fifty dollars; and further these affiants say not.

GEORGE W. HUNT. [L. s.]
A. CUTLER. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas county. }

Before me David H. Weir, notary public, in and for said county, duly commissioned, personally appeared George W. Hunt and George F. Earl, and after being duly sworn, say: That the facts set forth in the above affidavit are true according to these affiants knowledge and belief.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my [L. s.] notarial seal, the day and year (5th day of December, 1857,) above written.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John G. Crocker, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class, \$150.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 293.

To the honorable the Commissioner of Claims :

The petition of George D. Brooke, under the act of the legislative assembly, and an act supplemental thereto, approved February 23, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying of claims for damages suffered during the late troubles in Kansas Territory.

The above petitioner respectfully shows to the commissioner that this petitioner has resided in Kansas Territory for the two years and a half last past, at a place called Palmyra, Douglas county ; that on or about the 25th day of June, 1855, this petitioner had taken from him two yoke of oxen ; that one ox, of one yoke, was a brindle and the other a black and white ox ; of the other yoke, one ox was red and the other black and white ; that this petitioner believes that certain men residing in his neighborhood stole the above oxen, and that one of the persons he suspected said that he knew where they were, and asked this petitioner what he would give him if he would find them ; that those persons were pro-slavery men and from Missouri ; that this petitioner was the legal owner of said oxen, and they were worth the sum of one hundred dollars per yoke ; that this petitioner has not received any pay for said oxen, nor has either yoke been returned to him ; therefore, he prays that the sum of two hundred dollars may be allowed him for the damage he has sustained in the premises.

GEORGE D. BROOKE.

LAWRENCE, *November* 16, 1857.H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. }

George D. Brooke being duly sworn, says : That he is the claimant named in the above petition, and that the facts as therein stated are true.

GEO. D. DROOKE.

Sworn before me, this 16th November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } *ss.*

Elizur Hill, being duly sworn, says : That he has resided in Kansas Territory for the three years last past ; that he has known the above petitioner for the two and half years last past ; that in June, 1855, the petitioner was the legal owner of the two yoke of oxen mentioned in the above petition ; that they were worth \$100 a pair ; that on or about the 25th day of June, 1855, said cattle disappeared and were taken from the petitioner by persons who were prowling about the neighborhood, as this deponent believes, and that they have never been returned ; that various persons lost property at that time in the

country, and it was believed that pro-slavery men drove them off to Missouri, and sold them.

ELIZUR HILL.

Sworn to before me, this 16th November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. }

W. J. Buchannon, being duly sworn, says: That he has resided in Kansas Territory for the two years and a half last past; that he has known the above petitioner during the whole of that time; that in June, 1855, the petitioner was the legal owner of the two yoke of cattle described in the above petition; that they were of the value of \$100 a pair; that on or about the 25th of June, 1855, those oxen disappeared and were taken from the possession of the petitioner, and that a day or two after, one man, by the name of Kuntz, told this deponent that he drove the oxen away himself, but would not say where he drove them; that several months after William and Hugh O. Cameron told this deponent that they knew where the oxen were, but their telling of the whereabouts of the oxen would depend on what they were paid for the information; that all of said men were pro-slavery, and came from the State of Missouri, and were reported to be dishonest men, and were afterwards in the general band of H. Clay Pate; those oxen have not been returned, nor been paid for, as this deponent is informed and believes.

WASHINGTON J. BUCHANNON.

Sworn to before me, this 16th November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

I certify in the foregoing claim of George D. Brooke that the whole amount, \$200, is proven, and of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER.

No. 294.

To honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto," passed and approved February 23, 1857:

Your petitioner, E. A. Colman, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory respectfully shows: That your petitioner, hereinafter stated, was engaged as a farmer in said county; that on the 12th day of August, A. D. 1856—your petitioner then being in said county—that on the day and year above mentioned there was taken from the possession of your petitioner and driven away by some men who were said to belong to what was commonly known the territorial militia, whose names were entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following, which

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is set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at two hundred dollars, and your petitioner has not received any pay for the same from any person or persons. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of two hundred dollars for the loss sustained by him as set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor pursuant to the statute made and provided, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

E. A. COLMAN, [L. s.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, D. H. Weir, notary public, on this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

Witness my hand and seal, at Lawrence, on this 16th day of November, 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

A schedule of the property stolen and referred to in the foregoing petition

One span of horses - - - - \$200

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Forest Savage and Cyrus A. Adams, of said county, being duly sworn, upon their oaths say: That they have heard read the foregoing petition, and know the contents thereof and the facts therein contained are true, according to these affiants' knowledge; and these affiants further state that they know, on or about the 12th day of August, 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in the said petition set forth, and to the sum of two hundred dollars, the said property being the same as is stated and specified in the foregoing schedule. And further these affiants say not.

FOREST SAVAGE. [L. s.]
CYRUS A. ADAMS. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Before me, David H. Weir, a notary public, duly commissioned and sworn, in and for said county, personally appeared Forrest Savage and Cyrus A. Adams, whose names appear to the above affidavit, and, after being duly sworn, say that the contents of said affidavit are true, as they verily believe.

Witness my hand and notary seal, at Lawrence, on this 16th day of November, 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

I certify in the foregoing claim of E. A. Colman the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 295.

To honorable H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provision of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto," passed and approved February 23, 1857:

Your petitioner, Leopold T. Reuter, of Coffey county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, hereinafter stated, was engaged as a farmer in said county; that on the 5th day of September, 1857—your petitioner then being in said county—that on the day and year above mentioned there was taken from the possession of your petitioner by some men, who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following, which is more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at two hundred and sixty-five dollars and sixty cents; and your petitioner further states that he has not received any pay for the same from any person or persons. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of two hundred and sixty-five dollars and sixty cents for the loss sustained by him as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor pursuant to the statutes made and provided in such cases, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

LEOPOLD T. REUTER. [L. S.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Leopold T. Reuter, Dr.

To one pair blankets.....	\$10 00
To sixty pounds of flour.....	4 20
To two bushels of meal.....	4 00
To forty pounds sugar.....	8 00
To twenty-five pounds of coffee.....	5 00
To twenty-two pounds of bacon.....	4 00
To one set of single harness.....	7 00
To chains.....	7 00
To knife.....	50
To three iron wedges... ..	4 50
To mules.....	210 00
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Amount.....	265 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Levi P. Haddens and Milton Short, of Coffey county, being duly sworn, upon their oaths say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read, and know the contents thereof and the facts therein contained are true, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief; and these affiants further say they know that on or about the 5th day of November, A. D. 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in the said petition described, in the sum of two hundred and sixty-five dollars and sixty cents, the said property being the same as is specified in the schedule which is hereto annexed. And further these affiants say not.

MILTON SHORT. [L. s.]
 LEVI P. HADDENS. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Milton Short and L. P. Haddens, whose names appear to the above affidavit, and, after being sworn, depose and say that the contents of said affidavit are true, as they verily believe.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, at Lawrence, this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public, Douglas county.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Leopold T. Reuter there is proven, of a private class, two hundred and sixty-five dollars, and I hereby award to the said Leopold T. Reuter the sum of \$265.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 296.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto," passed and approved February 23, 1857:

Your petitioner, Milton Short, of Coffey county, Kansas, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, hereinafter stated, was engaged as a farmer in said county; that on the 1st day of September, 1856—your petitioner then living in said county—that on the day or year above mentioned there was taken from the possession and destroyed, belonging to your petitioner, by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following, which is fully set forth in a schedule

hereto annexed, valued at one hundred and fifty-nine dollars; and your petitioner states that he has not received any pay for the same from any person or persons. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of one hundred and fifty-nine dollars for the loss sustained by him as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the sum may be paid therefor pursuant to the statutes made and provided in such cases, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

MILTON SHORT. [L. s.]

Sworn to and subscribed on this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, at Lawrence, the day and year above written.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Milton Short, Dr.

Six bushel of meal.....	\$12 00
2,100 lbs. of flour, \$7 per cwt.....	147 00
	159 00
	159 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Levi P. Heddens and Leopold T. Reuter, of Coffey county, being duly sworn, upon their oaths say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read, and know the contents thereof and the facts therein contained are true, according to these affiants' knowledge and belief; and these affiants further say, that on or about the first day of September 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in the said petition described, in the sum of one hundred and fifty-nine dollars, the said goods being the same as is described in the schedule hereto annexed. And further these affiants say not.

LEVI P. HEDDENS. [L. s.]
LEOPOLD T. REUTER. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public in and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Levi P. Heddens and Leopold T. Reuter, whose names appear to the above affidavit, and, after being duly sworn, depose and say that the contents of said affidavit are true, as they verily believe.

Witness my hand and seal, at Lawrence, Kansas, this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public, Douglas county.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Milton Short there is proven, of a private class, \$159, and I hereby award to the said Milton Short the sum of one hundred and fifty-nine dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 297.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commisssioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto," passed and approved February 23, 1857:

Levi P. Heddens, of Coffey county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, hereinafter stated, was engaged as a farmer in said county; that on the 1st day of November, 1856—your petitioner then being in said county—that on the day and year above mentioned there was taken from the possession and destroyed, of your petitioner, by some men who were said to belong to the territorial militia, whose names are entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following, which is more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at one hundred and ninety-six dollars and fifty cents. And your petitioner further states, that he has not received any pay from any person or persons for the same; and your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of one hundred and five dollars and — cents for the loss sustained by him as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor pursuant to the statutes made and provided in such cases, and for such further relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

L. P. HEDDENS. [L. s.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this 17th day and year above, A. D. 1857.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, at Lawrence, Kansas, day and year above mentioned.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to L. P. Heddens, Dr.

To two thousand five hundred weight of flour, at \$7.....	\$175 00
To fifteen bushels of meal, at \$2.....	30 00
Amount.....	<u>205 00</u>

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Milton Short and Leopold T. Reuter, being duly sworn, say: That they have heard the foregoing petition read, and know the contents thereof and the facts therein contained are true, according to the affiants' knowledge. And these affiants further say, that on or about the first day of September, 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in the said petition described, in the sum of two hundred and five dollars, (\$205,) the said property being the same as is described in the schedule which is hereto annexed. And further these affiants say not.

LEOPOLD T. REUTER. [L. s.]
 MILTON SHORT. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Before me, D. H. Weir, a notary public, duly commissioned and sworn, in and for said county, personally appeared Milton Short and Leopold T. Reuter, whose names appear in the above affidavit, and, after being duly sworn, depose and say that the contents in the above affidavit are true, as they verily believe.

Witness my hand and seal, at Lawrence, Kansas, this 17th day of November, 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public, Douglas county.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Levi P. Haddens, there is proven, of a private class, \$205, and I award to the said Levi P. Haddens the sum of two hundred and five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 298.

The petition of Daniel E. Lanker, under the act of the legislative assembly, and act supplemental thereto, approved 23d February last, providing for the auditing and certifying of claims for damages suffered during the late troubles in Kansas Territory.

The above named petitioner respectfully shows to this commissioner, that on or about the 15th of September, 1856, the territorial militia of Kansas Territory, under the command of General Reid, at the time they marched up to Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas Territory, took and carried away from the possession of this petitioner one yoke of oxen—one of said oxen being white and red, and the other a red ox—of the value of one hundred and twenty dollars, and one large red cow, of the value of thirty-five dollars; that this petitioner was then a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and that he

now resides in Anderson county, Kansas Territory; that said property was taken from this petitioner without his permission; that he was the legal owner thereof; that he has never been paid or received any remuneration therefor; and that none of the property has been returned to him; that this loss was sustained in consequence of the late troubles in Kansas Territory.

Therefore your petitioner prays that the above claim of one hundred and fifty-five dollars may be allowed to him.

DANIEL E. LANKER.

LAWRENCE, K. T., *November 16, 1857.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Daniel E. Lanker, the above petitioner, being sworn, says that he is the claimant in the above petition named, and that the facts therein set forth are true.

DANIEL E. LANKER.

LAWRENCE, *November 16, 1857.*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year last above written.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Tobias Lanker, of Anderson county, Kansas Territory, being duly sworn, says: That he has resided in Kansas Territory for the eighteen months last past; that on the fifteenth day of September, 1856, this deponent resided in Lawrence, Kansas Territory; that he is the brother of the above petitioner; was the legal owner of one pair of oxen—one of said oxen was a red and white ox, and the other one was red; that he was also the legal owner of one large red cow; that said oxen were worth one hundred and twenty dollars; that the territorial militia which came to Franklin in September, 1856, took and carried away the aforesaid oxen and cow, and that this deponent saw when they drove them away; and that said cattle have never been returned or paid for; that this loss was sustained in consequence of the troubles in the Territory last year.

TOBIAS LANKER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th November, 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } *ss.*

Miles Majer, being duly sworn, says: That he has resided in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, for the two years last past; that he is acquainted with the petitioner above named; that on or about the 15th

of September, 1856, the above petitioner was the legal owner of a pair of oxen, one white and red, the other red, and one large red cow; the oxen were worth \$150, and the cow thirty-five dollars. That the territorial militia, under General Reid, drove said oxen and cow away with them in the presence of this deponent; and that said cattle have neither been paid for nor returned, as this deponent is informed and believes.

MILES MAJER.

Sworn to before me, this 16th November, 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Daniel E. Lanker there is proven, of a private class, \$125; and I hereby award the said Daniel E. Lanker the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 299.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims under the provisions of an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857:

Your petitioner, Samuel Walker, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, respectfully shows: That your petitioner, hereinafter stated, was engaged as a farmer in said county; that on the first day of September, A. D. 1856—your petitioner then being in said county and Territory aforesaid—that on the day and year aforesaid, there was taken from the possession and destroyed by fire, by some men who were said to belong to what was commonly known as the territorial militia, whose names were entirely unknown to your petitioner, the following, which is more particularly set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and valued at seven hundred and twenty-five dollars, and that your petitioner has not received any pay for the same from any person or persons. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may receive the sum of seven hundred and twenty-five dollars for the loss sustained by him, as is set forth in the foregoing petition, and that the same may be paid therefor pursuant to the statutes in such cases made and provided, and to such other relief as your petitioner is entitled to in the premises.

SAMUEL WALKER. [L. s.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this 16th day of November, 1857. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Samuel Walker, Dr.

To one dwelling-house, burned.....,.....	\$250 00
To one yoke of oxen and steer.....	125 00
To fifteen tons of hay.....	225 00
To corn and hogs.....	125 00
	725 00
	725 00

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

John A. Wakefield and H. T. Wakefield, of said county, being duly sworn, say : That they have heard the petition, and know the contents thereof and the facts therein contained are true, according to their belief ; and these affiants further say that they know that on or about the first day of September, 1856, the above named petitioner sustained the above loss of property in the manner in the petition set forth, and to the sum of seven hundred and twenty-five dollars; the said property being the same as is stated and specified in the schedule annexed. And further these affiants say not.

JOHN A. WAKEFIELD. [L. s.]
 HARRISON T. WAKEFIELD. [L. s.]

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Before me, D. H. Weir, the undersigned, a notary public, duly commissioned and sworn, in and for said county, personally appeared John A. Wakefield and Harrison T. Wakefield, whose names appear to the above affidavit, and, after being duly sworn, depose and say, that the contents of the said affidavit are true, as they verily believe.

Witness my hand and seal, at Lawrence, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

D. H. WEIR,
Notary Public, Douglas county.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Samuel Walker, of \$725, there is proven, of a private class, that amount; and I hereby award the said Samuel Walker the sum of \$725.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 300.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for the auditing of claims, under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto," passed and approved February 23, 1857:

Your petitioner, James Whaley, of Douglas county, Kansas, shows: That your petitioner, as hereinafter stated, was engaged as a farmer

in said county ; that on the 13th day of September, A. D. 1856, your petitioner was then living in said county ; that on that day I was driven away from my home and taken a prisoner to the camp of the force of some 2,800 men, then camped a short distance below the town of Franklin, said county ; was kept a prisoner for two days, when I was released by order of Governor Geary ; that on said 13th day of September two yoke of my oxen were driven away with me, one yoke of which never returned ; that twenty acres of corn, owned by me, was destroyed by said force of men, which said force of men were denominated the "territorial militia," and were under the command of General Reid.

Schedule of property destroyed.

1 yoke of oxen, worth.....	\$100 00
20 acres of corn, at \$20 per acre... ..	400 00
	500 00
	500 00

Of all which property your petitioner was the legal and undisputed owner on said 13th day of September, and at the time of its disturbance ; and your petitioner further states that he has not received any pay for said property from any person or persons whomsoever. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may be allowed therefor the said sum of \$500.

JAMES WHALEY. [L. s.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

Mrs. Ann Whaley, wife of the above named petitioner, being duly sworn, deposes and says : That on the 13th day of September, A. D. 1856, as set forth in the above petition, she saw a company of five persons take her husband prisoner, and take him to the main body of the force, denominated the Kansas militia, at the distance of some 400 or 500 paces from the residence of deponent ; that she saw men from said body drive off the oxen, which never returned, and to which reference is made in the above petition ; that her said husband was absent at said time for two days ; that said arrest and detention was the occasion, as your deponent believes, of the severe illness, near to death, of her said husband, by which illness he was confined to his bed and house, and residence, unable to labor from the time of said arrest until the April following ; at and about the time of said arrest the field of twenty acres of corn, belonging to said petitioner, was destroyed by said force of Kansas militia ; and deponent further says that said yoke of oxen were of value of \$100, and said 20 acres of corn was of the value of \$400 ; total, \$500 ; of which she believes said petitioner was the real and sole owner at the time of said loss.

ANN WHALEY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of James Whaley there is proven, of a private class, \$500, and I hereby award to the said James Whaley the sum of \$500.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 301.

The petition of Edward S. Jewett respectfully represents: That in time of the invasion, in the year 1856, in the county of Douglas, Territory of Kansas, the said petitioner had taken from him, in time of said invasion, in the month of May, one black horse, valued at..... \$150 00
September. To damages done to gray mare..... 100 00
To hunting, and reward paid for said mare..... 46 00
To 16 acres of corn, at \$20 per acre..... 320 00
To garden, 1½ acre, destroyed..... 40 00
To 100 Chittigong and Shanghai fowls..... 250 00
To 2 kettles and large tin boiler..... 4 50
To 2 stone hammers, and 2 trowels..... 7 20
To 1 shovel..... 1 50
To 1 cow..... 30 00

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Your petitioner respectfully prays that the above losses and damages may be inquired into by the commissioner appointed to investigate losses, and to ask Congress for an appropriation to pay the same; and, as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

EDWARD S. JEWETT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 14th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } *ss.*

On this 14th day of November, A. D. 1857, before me, a notary public in and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn, came Aaron E. Platts, to me well known, who, being by me duly sworn according to law, deposed and said: That on or after the 3d day of September, A. D. 1856, I saw four or five hundred men on the premises of Edward S. Jewett, of said county, in Lecompton township; many of them went into the house. I passed by his place two or three days afterwards, and found the fences thrown down and the corn nearly

all destroyed. Said Jewett had about fifteen or sixteen (15 or 16) acres of corn, which was worth twenty dollars per acre. He also had an acre or more of garden and melons, which were entirely destroyed.

AARON E. PLATTS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year first above written.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

On this 14th day of November, A. D. 1857, before me, a notary public in and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn, came John L. Harding, to me well known, who, being by me duly sworn according to law, deposed and said: That about the middle of September, A. D. 1856, I was passing the farm of Edward S. Jewett, in Le-compton township, said county, and saw horses and men in his field of corn; the men feeding the horses on corn and carrying corn out of the field. The said men called themselves the Kansas militia. General Richardson was there, in command of said company of men. I think there were about sixteen acres of corn in said field; corn was selling during said fall at from ten to twenty dollars an acre; said corn in said Jewett's field was worth more than ten dollars an acre; I think it was worth eighteen dollars an acre.

J. L. HARDING.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year first above written.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

On this 14th day of November, A. D. 1857, before me, a notary public in and for said county, duly commissioned and sworn, came Henry Baldwin, to me well known, who, being by me duly sworn according to law, deposed and said: I live on the claim adjoining that of Edward L. Jewett; that I know that said Jewett had a field of fifteen or sixteen acres of corn, worth fifteen dollars, or thereabouts, per acre, which was destroyed on account of said Jewett not being able to attend to said crop in the fall of the year 1856; that said Jewett's life was in danger by his remaining at home; that I know that said Jewett had a large flock of Shanghai and Chittigong fowls; I should say there were sixty or more; and that such fowls were selling last spring at from two and a half to five dollars a pair; I think that Jewett's fowls were as good as those that I saw last spring; and I believe said fowls were destroyed on account of its being unsafe for said Jewett to remain at home to attend to his affairs; and I believe that sundry other things were taken from said Jewett's house; that said Jewett had a mare taken from him; that said mare was greatly dam-

aged by Titus and Clark's company ; I think she was damaged sixty dollars. And further deponent saith not.

H. S. BALDWIN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Edward S. Jewett there is proven, of a private class, \$900, and I hereby award to the said Edward S. Jewett the sum of nine hundred dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No 302.

To the Honorable Commissioner of Claims :

The petition of Peter Baysinger, under the act of the legislative assembly, and an act supplementary thereto, approved 23d of February, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying of claims for damage suffered during the late troubles in Kansas Territory.

The above named petitioner respectfully shows to this commissioner, that on or about the 30th of November, 1854, this petitioner resided at Black Jack Point, on the Santa Fé road, in Kansas Territory ; that while this petitioner was absent from home a large band of armed men, as this petitioner is informed and believes, entered the house of this petitioner and drove his family from therein and stole and carried away five hundred and sixty-five dollars in gold, broke and destroyed one gun, of the value of fifteen dollars ; that he was the legal owner of the said money and of the said gun ; that those persons claimed to be Missourians, and declared that this petitioner should not live in Kansas Territory ; that on or about the 30th of March, 1855, a party of armed men, as the petitioner is informed and believes, came to the house of this petitioner, while he was absent, and tore the roof off from the house and threw the sides of it nearly down ; also tearing down the chimney ; put fire into the beds and lard can, with the honest intention of burning the house ; broke to pieces one bedstead, one double-barrel shot-gun, one clock, and divers dishes and household furniture, of the damage to this petitioner of five hundred dollars ; that this petitioner was the legal owner of said house and property destroyed ; that the house was one story and a half high and 18 by 20 feet on the ground ; that he now resides in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and that said property and money has not been returned to this petitioner, nor any part been returned to him, nor has any remuneration been made therefor. Therefore this petitioner prays that the sum of ten hundred and sixty dollars may be allowed him for his damage in the premises.

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PETER + BAYSINGER.
mark.

LAWRENCE, *November 16, 1857.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Peter Baysinger, the above petitioner, being sworn, says: That he is the complainant in the above named petition; that he sustained the damage therein stated, and that all the facts therein set forth are true.

PETER ^{his} + BAYSINGER.
 mark.

Sworn before me, this 16th of November, 1856.

E. D. LADD,
 Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Adoniram J. Miller, being duly sworn, says: That he emigrated to Kansas Territory and landed here on the 14th day of November, 1854; that he remained here for eighteen months thereafter; that he resided for three months after his arrival within three-quarters of a mile of the above petitioner, in Black Jack Point, Kansas Territory; that the above petitioner was the legal owner of a house one story and a half high and 18 by 20 feet on the ground, or thereabouts; that on or about the 30th of November, 1854, this deponent saw the petitioner have several hundred dollars in gold; that during the 30th day of November this deponent saw two women on the prairie in the vicinity of the petitioner's house, swinging their arms and motioning him to come to them; that upon going to them they said a band of armed men had mobbed the petitioner's house, and had shot a man who was in the house; that this deponent and the women went to the house, and that most of the men had left; that one of the women, who was the wife of the petitioner, when they entered the house, went to a box and opened it, and on finding it empty, said that they, the men, had stolen \$460 or \$560, this deponent does not remember which; that this deponent saw a rifle, which was broken to pieces, of the value of \$15 or \$20; and that he spoke with some of the men, who said they were from Missouri, and resided therein.

A. J. MILLER.

Sworn before me, this 16th of November, 1857.

E. D. LADD,
 Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas, } ss.

Robert H. Pearson, being duly sworn, says: That he has resided in Kansas Territory for the three years last past; that he has been acquainted with and resided in the vicinity of Mr Baysinger for and during that time; that on or about the 30th November, 1855, this deponent was at the house of the petitioner above named; and that about noon a party of about twenty-five horsemen and eight or ten

wagons rode up in front of the petitioner's house, dismounted, and immediately got on the roof of the petitioner's house, commenced tearing the shingles off, then tore down the chimney, and in a short time completely destroyed the house; then took away two guns, put fire in the beds and in the can of lard; and when they left the bedding was all on fire, and had it not been for this deponent and two or three other persons the house would have been burnt up; that those persons said they were residents of Missouri; and this deponent knew some of them to be residents of that State; that the damage done to the house and furniture would amount to five hundred dollars, and upwards.

R. H. PEARSON.

Sworn to before me, November 16, 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } *ss.*

Elizabeth E. Baysinger, being duly sworn, says: That she is the daughter of the above petitioner; and that she has resided with her father, at Black Jack Point, and Ottawa creek, Kansas Territory, for three years last past; that on or about the 30th November, 1854, while the petitioner was about, a band of armed men, numbering one hundred, or upwards, came to the petitioner's house, where this deponent was; many of them entering the house, with oaths and curses, and attempted to shoot her and her mother; that these men drove her, and her mother, and brothers, and sisters away; broke a gun to pieces, and stole and carried away five hundred and sixty dollars, in twenty dollar gold pieces, it belonging to the above petitioner; and that they were residents of the State of Missouri; that on or about the 30th March, 1855, another band of armed men, as the deponent is informed and believes, (the deponent was about,) attacked the house of the petitioner, and tore it down; but who did it this deponent knoweth not, she only seeing the ruins after the house was demolished.

ELIZABETH E. ^{her} + BAYSINGER.
mark.

Sworn to before me, this 16th November, 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Peter Baysinger there is proven \$800 of the private class, and I hereby award to the said Peter Baysinger the sum of eight hundred dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 303.

The petition of Reuben H. Burr, of Douglas county, Kansas, for damages sustained during the late difficulties, under an act of the legislative assembly, and act supplementary thereto, passed and approved February 23, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying of all claims arising out of the difficulties in this Territory.

The petitioner respectfully represents: That he is a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory; that he came into the Territory and settled upon the northwest quarter of section number twenty-five, (25,) township fourteen, (14,) range nineteen, (19,) in said county of Douglas, on or about the 3d day of May, 1856; that he has lived upon the claim above described up to this time; that he was, at the time he settled upon the claim aforesaid, the owner of two certain horses of the following description: that is to say, one a dark medium bay gelding, about sixteen hands high, six or seven years old, with dark mane and tail; the other a large mare, of a bright bay color, about sixteen hands high, two white hind feet and half of one fore foot white, and a blaze in the face, six years old. The said horses were of great value to this petitioner, to wit, of the value of four hundred dollars; that is, two hundred dollars for each horse; that on the 20th of July, at night, some person or persons, unknown to the petitioner, took and carried away the said horses, and they became to him a total loss; that due diligence was used by this petitioner to reclaim said horses, but he was not, and has not been able to find them or either of them, up to this time.

The petitioner further represents, that at the time the said horses were taken there was an encampment of militia at Bull creek, under, as he is informed and believes, the command of General Stringfellow; that this petitioner followed the said horses by their tracks in that direction, and believes that the said horses were taken by some person or persons belonging to the camp aforesaid. The petitioner further represents, that the horses aforesaid were taken during the difficulties in this Territory; that he has received no compensation either in whole or in part for the loss of said horses. The petitioner further states, that at the time the horses aforesaid were taken from his premises he was breaking prairie on his claim aforesaid; that he was able to break an acre per day, which was worth to him, the said petitioner, four dollars per acre; that in consequence of the loss of the horses aforesaid, the said petitioner sustained damages to the amount of two hundred dollars; that he was not able to purchase another team, and therefore the work that might have been done had not the horses aforesaid been stolen from him, was not done, to his damage as aforesaid; that he had no other team by which said labor could be accomplished.

The petitioner therefore asks of this commissioner that his demand and claim for damage, to the amount of six hundred dollars, be allowed.

REUBEN H. BURR.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, at my office at Lawrence, in said county of Douglas, this 12th November, 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Notary Public.

Deposition of William H. Van Cleve, in support of the claim of Reuben H. Burr, before the commissioner for auditing and certifying all claims for damages sustained out of the late difficulties in this Territory.

William H. Cleve, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner, Reuben H. Burr; that he has been acquainted with said petitioner since May, 1856; that the said Burr resides, and has resided since May, 1856, in Douglas county, Kansas; that the said Burr was at that time the owner of two horses; they were of bay color, one a mare and the other a horse; the mare had a blaze in the face, the horse was bay, and both of large size, about sixteen hands high; they were worth two hundred dollars each. The deponent further says, that on or about the 20th of July, 1856, these horses were taken from the premises of the said Burr; that it was in the night time; that at the time the said horses were so taken, there was an encampment on Bull creek, about eighteen miles from the place of the petitioner, and this deponent believes this camp was of the territorial militia, and under the command of General Stringfellow. The deponent further says, that the said horses were taken, as he believes, by some person or persons, unknown to him, belonging to the said company of militia, or by some marauding party that at that time infested the Territory; the deponent further says, that the horses aforesaid were taken during the late difficulties in this Territory; the deponent further says, that the petitioner was, at the time the horses aforesaid were taken, breaking prairie with them; that a day's work for an ordinary team is from an acre and a quarter to an acre and a half per day; that it is worth about four dollars per acre to break prairie; that breaking may be done as late as the 1st of November; that this petitioner, in the year of 1856, and in July of that year, was obliged to suspend work on account of loss of his horses aforesaid; that this deponent believes that the loss of the said horses was a damage to this petitioner of seventy days' work; that the damage, he believes, would be two hundred dollars. This deponent further says, that the petitioner did, at the time the said horses were stolen from him, have no other breaking team. Further this deponent saith not.

WILLIAM VAN CLEVE.

Margaret Ellen Van Cleve, being duly sworn, deposes and says: She is acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Burr; he is her father; he moved into the Territory in May, 1856, and lives in Douglas county, Kansas Territory; that she lived, in the summer of 1856, in Douglas county, said Territory; that on or about the 20th of July of that year, and for some time prior thereto, th petitioner owned a pair of bay horses, of large size; that the said petitioner

had no team, and was in the habit of tying his horses to a stake driven into the ground on the prairie; that the said horses, on the night of the 20th of July aforesaid, were so tied out; that on the morning of the 21st of July this deponent went out upon the prairie to the place where the said horses were tied the night before, and saw that the ropes with which said horses were tied were cut close to the stake which was driven into the ground; this deponent further says, that these horses were taken during the difficulties, and she would believe by some of the marauding natives that were then depredating upon the property of the people of this Territory. Further this deponent says not.

MARGARET ELLEN ^{her} + VAN CLEVE.
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The foregoing deposition of William H. Van Cleve, and the above deposition of Margaret Ellen Van Cleve, were respectively sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th day of November, A. D. 1857, at my office in Lawrence, Kansas.

E. D. LADD.
Notary Public.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Ruben H. Burr, there is proven \$400 of a private class, and \$200 of a public class, and I hereby award to the said Ruben H. Burr the sum of six hundred dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 304.

The petition of Maurice Hartmann, under the act of the legislative assembly, and act supplemental thereto, approved 23d of February last, providing for the auditing and certifying of claims for damage suffered during the late troubles in Kansas Territory.

The above named petitioner, respectfully shows to this commissioner, that in the first part of December, 1856, the territorial militia of Kansas Territory, took at Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas Territory, from a wagon, four bags of shot, twenty-five pounds each; one bale of lead, one hundred pounds; one keg of powder, twenty-five pounds; altogether of the value of \$43, for which they gave receipt, now in the hands of petitioner; furthermore, that on the 21st of May, 1856, about twelve men of the United States posse, while others of the same militia were destroying the press in the adjoining office of the Kansas Free State, broke into my office, and destroyed and broke medicines and fixtures, of the value of \$150; took and carried away one pair of pistols, of the value of \$40; one pistol, of the value of \$8; powder-flask, shot-pouch, mould, powder, balls, &c., of the value of \$5; one gold chain, of the value of \$35; money, \$25; one boat \$25. Furthermore, that during the months of August and September,

1856, armed bodies of men under the command of Lane and others, assembled at Lawrence, took and carried away and destroyed five tons of hay, of the value of \$60; lumber, of the value of \$25; fire wood, one and a half cords, of the value of \$4 50; one door, of the value of \$3 50; consumed, destroyed, and carried away one saddle and stable utensils, worth \$11 25—were taken out of my stable; my house being occupied for six weeks by about one hundred and fifty men, I suffered damages of \$50; that this petitioner was during the whole time a resident of Lawrence, Douglas county, Kansas Territory; that said property was taken and destroyed, from the petitioner, without his permission; that he was the legal owner thereof; that he has never been paid or received any remuneration therefor, and that none of the property has been returned to him; that these losses were sustained in consequence of the late troubles in Kansas Territory. Therefore your petitioner prays that the above claim of four hundred and eighty-six dollars and twenty-five cents may be allowed to him.

MAURICE HARTTMANN.

LAWRENCE, *Douglas County, K. T., November 17, 1857.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Jackson Bower, being duly sworn, says: I know Mr. Harttmann, he has been a citizen of the Territory for two years; I know that during the months of August and September, A. D. 1856, Mr. M. Harttmann had all his hay, and some lumber and other things destroyed by the men under command of J. H. Lane; he had a saddle taken from him at the same time by the same men; these men were in possession and occupying the house of Mr. Harttmann, whether with his consent or not, I do not know; his hay was worth \$10 per ton, there were five or six tons destroyed; the saddle was worth ten dollars.

JACKSON BOWER,

Receipts referred to in petition.

December, 1855, received of W. Stephens one keg of powder and one bag of shot.

W. HARGUS.

December 3, 1855, received of James Stamp three bags of shot and one bale of lead.

W. HARGUS.

Sworn to before me, this 17th day of November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Maurice Harttmann, there is proven \$520 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Maurice Harttmann the sum of five hundred and twenty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County, } ss.

In the matter of the petition of D^r. Maurice Hartmann to the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims, as per statute of February 23, 1857, Robert G. Elliott, being duly sworn by me, deposes and says: That on the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, deponent resided in the town of Lawrence, said county; that the office of said deponent adjoined the office of said Dr. Maurice Hartmann; that said deponent knows that the contents of said office of said petitioner were destroyed by the United States posse, and carried away by them; that drawers and trunks were opened and ransacked, and the contents destroyed and taken away by the members of said posse.

R. G. ELLIOTT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. [L. s.] D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public.*

No. 305.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

This affiant, Moses Young, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeseth and saith: That he resided in the county of Leavenworth, in the Territory of Kansas, in the summer and fall of 1856, during the difficulties in said Territory. This affiant knows of one Robert Williams, in said county, owning a dark bay horse at that time, and the said horse was taken from the possession of the said Williams, by armed men, during said difficulties in the fall of 1856; and that the loss of said horse to the said Williams was consequent upon said difficulties. And this affiant believes and states that said horse was worth about the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, as stated in the petition of the said Williams.

MOSES YOUNG.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the county of Leavenworth, in the Territory of Kansas.

In testimony whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my notarial [L. s.] seal, at the city of Leavenworth, this 1st day of December, A. D. 1856.

JOS. KELLOGG, *Notary Public.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

This affiant, Merrill Smith, being duly sworn, deposeseth and saith: That he was an aid of Robert Williams, who was deputised by Richard R. Keep, a justice of the peace of Leavenworth township, Kansas Ter-

ritory, to serve a legal process in Leavenworth county, in September, A. D. 1856, during the difficulties in this Territory; and this affiant further states, under oath, that the said Robert Williams, whilst in the execution of said process, lost a horse and the saddle and other articles on said horse; that an armed body of men took by force said horse and articles from the said Robert Williams, in September, A. D. 1856, during the difficulties in the Territory of Kansas, and that said loss was consequent on the difficulties above stated. And this affiant states that the said horse, saddle, and articles were worth about the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars, as stated in the said Williams' petition.

MERRIL SMITH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, a notary public in and for the said county and Territory.

In testimony whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my seal notarial, at the city of Leavenworth, the 30th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JOS. KELLOGG, *Notary Public.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Robert Williams of \$175, the whole amount is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 306.

'TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

This affiant, Robert Williams, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that he was deputised by Richard R. Keep, a justice of the peace of Leavenworth township, Kansas Territory, to serve a process in the fall of 1856, during the difficulties in Kansas Territory; that the affiant had Merrill Smith to assist him in executing said process; that in attempting to execute said process Merrill Smith lost a horse, as stated in his petition; that said horse was taken from him by an armed body of men, whilst assisting this affiant in executing said process; and that the said loss of property happened in the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, and was consequent on the difficulties in the fall of 1856. This affiant states, also, at the same time, that said Merrill Smith lost the saddle and other articles on said horse at the time; and that this affiant would judge the loss was about the amount stated in the petition, one hundred and eighty dollars.

ROBERT WILLIAMS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the county and Territory aforesaid. In testimony whereof I have [SEAL.] set my hand and affixed my seal notarial, this 30th of November, A. D. 1857.

JOS. KELLOGG, *Notary Public.*

I certify in the foregoing claim of Merrill Smith of \$180, that the whole amount is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 307.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Petition of O. H. Browne, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, O. H. Browne, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner, that on or about the 26th day of August, A. D. 1856, the house which he occupied, and which he had erected for a third person, who had not however accepted of the house at a valuation, it not then having been completed, together with the contents, was consumed by fire, the work of incendiaries or marauders, or stolen previous to or about the time of burning of the house. The following are the items of property thus burned or stolen—(see schedule appended.) The amount of damage thus sustained by petitioner is one thousand and forty-five dollars, (\$1,045,) for which your petitioner never in any manner received compensation or indemnity.

O. H. BROWNE.

Sworn to and subscribed the 25th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to O. H. Browne, Dr.

To house burned.....	\$275 00
Furniture.....	50 00
Bedding.....	45 00
Clothing.....	90 00
3 trunks.....	25 00
Provisions ...	60 00
Library.....	200 00
Horse stolen.....	80 00
Horse gears.....	30 00
Minnie rifle.....	30 00
Farming utensils.....	25 00
Two-horse wagon.....	60 00
Cabin taken down and removed.....	75 00
	1,045 00

O. H. BROWNE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 28th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Douglas county. }

Personally appeared before the undersigned commissioner, William C. Murray, who, being duly sworn, says: That he is well acquainted with O. H. Browne; that deponent furnished the boards for the roof of the house mentioned by said Browne in his petition; that it was a neat, good dwelling-house, with a porch, well furnished with cooking utensils, buckets of all descriptions, &c.; that said Browne's bedding appeared to be comfortable, his clothing appeared better and more abundant than usual on the frontier; he had several trunks, abundance of provisions, a great many books; the horse reputed to have been stolen, ran in a field in sight of my residence. I believe he had horse gears, Minnie rifle, and farming utensils in a limited quantity; he had also a two-horse wagon; as to the cabin taken down and removed, I am positive, and speak from personal observation, since its removal. As to the valuation in the schedule, I cannot speak definitely, but believe, from my general knowledge, that it is reasonable; I know that the house was burned, and believe all the facts alleged by the petitioner to be correctly stated; I believe all the damages alleged, to have been done by marauders.

WM. C. MURRAY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the 29th day of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify, in the foregoing claim of O. H. Browne of \$1,045, that the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 308.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of Sylvester H. Davis, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Sylvester H. Davis, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner: That during the month of July, A. D. 1856, your petitioner was notified, by sundry persons and armed bodies of men, to leave the Territory, using threats of violence if your said petitioner did not leave. In consequence of the threats and the fear of great bodily harm, your petitioner left his premises, and a short time afterwards armed bodies of men engaged in the rebellion, then going on in the Territory, took possession of your

petitioner's premises, consuming or carrying away his crops, destroying or carrying away all his personal property, and doing great damage to the premises, which loss, upon a fair and reasonable calculation, would amount to seventeen hundred and seventy-two dollars, for which your petitioner has never in any manner received compensation or indemnity.

SYLVESTER H. DAVIS.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 23d day of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas to Sylvester H. Davis, Dr.

Aug., 1856. To 700 bushels corn, \$1 50 per bushel	\$1,050 00
50 bushels potatoes, \$2 per bushel.....	100 00
100 bushels wheat, \$2 per bushel.....	200 00
2,000 head of cabbage, at 5 cents per head.	100 00
Beans, beets, parsnips, peas	30 00
Pickles, 1 barrel.....	12 00
1 stove and cooking utensils.....	30 00
Flax, bundles.....	5 00
10 good boxes, \$1 each.....	10 00
4 pair of harness, at \$10 per pair	40 00
Damage done to house.....	25 00
Damage done farm.....	25 00
Damage done fruit trees.....	25 00
Crowbar and sledge hammer.....	5 00
Faning implements.....	14 00
1 bull.....	25 00
150 chickens, 20 cents.....	30 00
2,000 bundles of oats, \$25 per 1,000.....	50 00
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	\$1,772 00
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Subscribed and sworn to, this 23d of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

John D. Burton, who being duly sworn, says that he is acquainted with Mr. Davis, resided in Douglas county during the year 1856; knows that he left the Territory in consequence of threats of violence about the last of July, 1856; believes that he was in danger; knows that Mr. Davis left a good crop of corn, wheat, potatoes, and other vegetables, and that he left some personal effects; knows that he had a good many chickens; knows that his crop of corn, wheat, oats, and potatoes were destroyed or carried away, nothing left, all his property either destroyed or carried away. Does not know what his loss would amount to, but suppose that he lost fifteen hundred dollars in consequence of the troubles and disturbed condition of the country.

JOHN D. BURTON.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 23d day of September, 1857.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

Heard Mr. Burton's affidavit read; agree and subscribe to it as correct.

GEORGE W. CAREY.
H. BUTCHER.

Subscribed and sworn to this 23d September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Sylvester H. Davis of \$1,772, there is proven \$1,772 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Sylvester H. Davis, \$1,772.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 309.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson. }

Petition of James Skaggs, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, James Skaggs, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that on or about the 4th day of September, A. D. 1856, a body of armed men, under the command of one Colonel Harvey, acting under the command of James H. Lane, and who was in direct resistance to the legal and constituted authorities of the Territory, came to the premises of your petitioner, and that the said Colonel Harvey then and there forcibly took, seized, and carried away the following property, to wit: five guns, saddles, bridles, and blankets; the value of said property, upon a fair and reasonable calculation, amounted to the sum of one hundred dollars. Your petitioner further respectfully represents that the said Colonel Harvey and command took your petitioner prisoner, carrying him towards Lawrence. Furthermore, on or about the 8th day of September, A. D. 1856, a fine large mare was taken away from the premises of your said petitioner by persons believed to be engaged in the rebellion, and that the loss of said mare your petitioner believes was a consequence of the difficulties in Kansas; that for the loss of said property your petitioner has never, in any manner, received compensation or indemnity.

JAMES SKAGGS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 18th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas to James Skaggs, Dr.

1856.		
September 4.	To 5 guns.....	\$75 00
	Saddles, bridles, and blankets	25 00
8.	1 mare.....	200 00
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The above account is just and correct.

JAMES SKAGGS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this the 18th September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

William F. Skaggs, who, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. James Skaggs; that he resided in Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, about the 4th September, 1856; that he was at the premises of Mr. Skaggs on the 4th of September; that an armed body of men, under the command of one Colonel Harvey, came to the house of your petitioner and forcibly took and carried away the property, mentioned in the schedule, belonging to Mr. Skaggs; believes that the property was stolen and lost in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory. Believes the property stolen, and mentioned in the schedule, to have been worth, upon a fair and reasonable valuation, what Mr. Skaggs has charged. Knows that the mare was stolen, and believes by persons engaged in the rebellion. Mr. James Skaggs with myself were taken prisoners and marched towards Lawrence. Believes that we were taken prisoners because we differed with them in political sentiment.

WM. F. SKAGGS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the 18th September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of James Skaggs, of \$300, there is proven \$300, of a private class, and I hereby award to the said James Skaggs \$300.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 310.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Petition of Augustus Wattles, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Augustus Wattles, of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner: That during the troubles in Kansas, and in consequence of the disturbed condition of the country, that your petitioner has sustained losses of property, to wit: two horses, one mule, one ox, one heifer. Your petitioner further states the circumstances attending the said loss to be as follows:

About the last of September, A. D. 1855, persons, without the consent of your petitioner, came to the premises of your petitioner and took and carried away, at different times, one fine horse, fine mare mule, one fine mare, with saddle and bridle. At another time during the difficulties in the Territory, about the 1st of September, A. D. 1856, one heifer, the property of your petitioner, was driven away and butchered by marauders; also, one large ox was driven away and butchered at Lawrence, Kansas Territory, by persons engaged in the difficulties then going on in the country. Your petitioner further states that the horses and mule lost, as above stated, were the property of your petitioner; were worth, at a fair and reasonable estimate, the sum of five hundred and forty dollars. For this loss your petitioner has never, in any manner, received compensation or indemnity.

AUGUSTUS WATTLES.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 24th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
 Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

Territory of Kansas to Augustus Wattles, Dr.

November, 1855.	To 1 horse.....	\$150 00
	1 mule.....	170 00
	1 mare, saddle and bridle.....	165 00
	1 heifer	15 00
	1 ox.....	40 00
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AUGUSTUS WATTLES.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 24th day of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
 Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

Witness for Augustus Wattles.

Benjamin M. Lawrence, who being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. Wattles; knows that he is a citizen of the Territory; that he resides in his neighborhood; believes the facts set forth in the petition of Wattles; having carefully examined the same, knows most of the facts to be true; believes that the property lost was worth upon a fair and reasonable estimate what Mr. Wattles has placed in the schedule; believe that Mr. Wattles lost his property in consequence of the troubles and difficulties going on in the Territory.

B. M. LAWRENCE.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 24th day of September, A, D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

L. B. Cushman, who being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. Wattles; knows that he is a citizen of the Territory; knows that Mr. Wattles had such property as described in Mr. Wattles' petition; know that the property was taken away in the manner described; know all the facts set forth in the petition to be true except what relates to the heifer; heard, at one time, a person say that he had butchered Mr. Wattles' ox in Lawrence; believe the property so lost to have been worth the sum of \$540; believe that Mr. Wattles incurred the loss in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory.

LEONARD B. CUSHMAN.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this the 24th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Augustus Wattles of \$540, there is proven \$540 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Augustus Wattles \$540.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 311.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County, } ss.

Petition of Alfred Johnson under an act of territorial assembly, and an act supplemental thereto, passed and approved the 23d day of February, 1857, providing for the "auditing and certifying of all claims" for damage arising out of the difficulties in this Kansas Territory.

Respectfully shows to this commissioner, that he he has resided in the Territory of Kansas since June, 1856. About the 1st of Septem-

ber, 1856, settled near the town of Franklin, Douglas county, in this Territory. That on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, and for some time prior thereto, this petitioner boarded with Mr. Reynord, whose dwelling was situated near said town of Franklin. That on the days and year aforesaid he was the owner of certain goods and wearing apparel, consisting of coats, shirts, pants, bed clothes, &c., which is specifically set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, and made a part of this petition, of the value of one hundred dollars. That on the day aforementioned, a company of men calling themselves territorial militia, under the command of General Reid, were encamped near the said house where this petitioner was staying. That threats had been made by the militia aforesaid to the inhabitants of the town of Franklin recently, and they were compelled for safety to quit the place. This petitioner left the said place, leaving his said goods and clothing in the said dwelling of the said Reynord, and was absent for the space of three days, and on his return he found that the said dwelling house of said Reynord had been broken open and the household goods therein were destroyed or carried away. That the said goods and clothing of this petitioner were, as he is informed and believes, taken and carried away by some person or persons belonging to said company of militia. That the said goods did become to him a total loss, to his damage of one hundred dollars.

The petitioner further says: that he was and is a citizen of the Territory of Kansas, and that he has received no compensation either in whole or in part for said goods and clothing, and that he has recovered no part of said property; therefore he asks this commissioner that he will allow the damages herein set forth, and assess the sum of one hundred dollars.

ALFRED JOHNSON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this November 29, 1857.

E. D. LADD, J. P.

Depositions in support of the claim of Alfred Johnson, for damages sustained during the difficulties in this Territory.

Soloman Reynord, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner herein named; the said petitioner boarded with him on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, and for some time prior thereto, at his dwelling near the town of Franklin, Douglas county, Kansas.

That the said petitioner owned on the day and year aforesaid, and had in his possession, at the dwelling house of this deponent, certain goods and clothing, consisting of bed clothing and wearing apparel, of the value of one hundred dollars; that on the 14th and 15th days of September, 1856, there was an encampment of what was called the territorial militia near the premises of this deponent; that said militia were under the command of General Reid; that the inhabitants of the town of Franklin aforesaid and vicinity were compelled to leave the said town owing to threats of violence that the militia then and

there made to them ; that this deponent, with his family and this petitioner, were so compelled to leave ; that they were gone for about three days, and when they had returned the said dwelling of this deponent had been entered ; the household goods that was left therein, together with the goods and clothing of this petitioner, were destroyed or carried away. This deponent further says that the said property was, as he is informed and believes, taken by some person or persons connected with the said militia ; that he verily believes that the said goods were and became to this petitioner a total loss. This deponent further says that the property aforesaid was taken, carried away, or destroyed, during the difficulties in this Territory. That said petitioner was and is a citizen of Kansas ; further he saith not.

SOLOMAN REYNORD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29th day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *J. P.*

SCHEDULE.

To 2 coats, fine.....	\$25 00
4 pair pants.....	16 00
6 shirts.....	12 00
1 coverlid.....	10 00
1 trunk.....	2 00
4 fine quilts.....	35 00
Razor and strop.....	2 00
2 sheets.....	3 00
1 pair of gloves.....	1 50
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ALFRED JOHNSON.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Alfred Johnson of \$106 50, there is proven \$100 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Alfred Johnson the sum of one hundred dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 312.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } *ss.*

To the honorable Auditor of Claims :

I, the undersigned, Henry Ogle, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, beg leave to lay before you the following petition :

Whereas, in the month of August, 1856, I lost a horse, said horse

having been taken from my possession by a body of armed men and carried off by them, so that I have never yet recovered possession of said horse, and in no manner been indemnified for the loss; and also the same body of men did take a saddle from me, and I have never yet recovered possession of it. Said horse was appraised as worth \$100, and the saddle at \$6. Now, therefore, I lay in my claim before you for the amount of \$106.

HENRY OGLE.

Personally appeared before a justice of the peace, within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory of Kansas, the undersigned, H. Ogle, and makes the following affidavit: That in the month of September he lost a horse; said horse was taken from his possession and carried off, so that he has never recovered him, nor in any manner has he been indemnified for loss; also a saddle was taken from his house by a body of armed men, and he has never yet recovered it. He believes the horse to have been worth \$100, and the saddle \$6.

HENRY OGLE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOSIAH A. GREEN,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

I, J. W. Day, clerk of the court, within and for the county and Territory aforesaid, do hereby certify that Josiah A. Green is an acting justice of the peace within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory aforesaid, having been duly elected and commissioned to that office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, [SEAL.] at office, in Osawkee, this 29th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JO. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson. } ss.

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory of Kansas, the undersigned, William Fowler, and makes the following affidavit: That in the month of August, A. D. 1856, I saw a horse belonging to Henry Ogle, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, in the possession of an armed body of men. Said horse was, prior to this, in the field of said Henry Ogle, but was driven or scared out of the field by one of said body of men, and caught out of my sight; but I afterwards saw the said horse in the possession of said body of men, who carried him off, so that the said Henry Ogle has never yet recovered possession of him. I believe the said horse to have been worth \$100 at the time he was taken.

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WILLIAM + FOWLER.
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JOSIAH A. GREEN,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

I, J. W. Day, clerk of the court in and for said county and Territory aforesaid, do hereby certify that Josiah A. Green is a legally acting justice of the peace within and for said county and Territory.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 29th day of December, A. D. 1857.

J. W. DAY, [SEAL.]
Clerk of Probate Court.

I hereby certify that in the claim of Henry Ogle of \$106 there is proven, of a private class, \$106, and I hereby award to the said Henry Ogle the sum of one hundred and six dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 313.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson. }

To the honorable auditor of claims :

The undersigned, William Butler, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, begs leave to lay before you the following petition: That whereas a party of armed men did, in the month of September, 1856, forcibly enter my enclosed field and turned loose their horses into said field, in which I had standing corn at the time, and said horses did eat and destroy my corn; and also said men did burn and destroy the rails around my field, so that I was damaged to the extent of twenty-seven dollars, said damage having been appraised by my neighbors called together for that purpose; now I therefore enter my claim before you for that amount.

WILLIAM BUTLER.

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Jefferson, the undersigned, William Butler, and makes the following affidavit: That in the month of September, 1856, an armed body of men did turn their horses into his field of corn, and that said horses did eat and destroy a quantity of said corn; and also that the said men did burn and destroy a quantity of fence rails which he had around said field as an enclosure, and that he believes that he was damaged to the extent of twenty-seven dollars.

WILLIAM BUTLER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JOSIAH A. GREEN,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

I, J. W. Day, clerk of the court within and for the county and Territory aforesaid, do hereby certify that Josiah A. Green is an acting justice of the peace within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory aforesaid, having been duly elected and commissioned to that office.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal of office in Osawkee, this 29th day of December, A. D. 1857.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory of Kansas, the undersigned, Jacob B. Hollingworth, and makes the following affidavit: That in the month of September, 1856, an armed body of men did enter the field and enclosure of William Butler, containing standing corn; that the said men did turn their horses into said corn, and that the said horses did eat and destroy a quantity of said corn, and that the said men did burn a quantity of rails belonging to the said William Butler, and that he believes the said William Butler was damaged to the extent of twenty-seven dollars.

JACOB B. HOLLINGWORTH.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.
 JOSIAH A. GREEN, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson. } ss.

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory of Kansas, the undersigned, Charles F. Brown, and makes the following affidavit: That in the month of September, 1856, an armed body of men did enter the field of William Butler containing standing corn; that the said men did turn their horses into said corn, and that the said horses did eat and destroy a quantity of said corn, and that the said men did burn a quantity of rails belonging to the said William Butler, and that he believes the said William Butler was damaged to the extent of \$27.

CHARLES F. BROWN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th December, 1857.
 JOSIAH A. GREEN.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

I, J. W. Day, clerk of the court within and for the county and Territory aforesaid, do hereby certify that Josiah A. Green is an acting justice of the peace in and for the said county and Territory, having been duly elected and commissioned to that office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal,
[SEAL.] at office in Osawkee, this 29th day of December, A. D. 1857.

J. W. DAY, *Clerk.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of William Butler there is proven \$27 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said William Butler the sum of twenty-seven dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 314.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } *ss.*

To the honorable auditor of claims :

I, John Fidler, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, beg leave to lay before you the following petition: Whereas, in the month of August, 1856, a body of men did forcibly take possession of a horse belonging to me, and I have never yet recovered possession of said horse, and have never been indemnified for the loss of said horse—said horse was appraised by my neighbors as being worth \$115—now, therefore, I lay in my claim before you, in order that I may be indemnified to that amount.

JOHN FIDLER.

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory of Kansas, the undersigned, John Fidler, and makes the following affidavit: That in the month of August, 1856, he lost a horse; said horse was taken from his possession without his consent, and he has never recovered said horse or in any manner been indemnified for the loss. He believes the said horse to have been worth \$115 at the time he was taken.

JOHN FIDLER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JOSIAH A. GREEN, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } *ss.*

I, J. W. Day, clerk of probate court in and for said county and Territory, do hereby certify that Josiah A. Green is an acting justice of the peace within and for the county and Territory aforesaid.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal,
[SEAL.] this 29th day of December, A. D. 1857.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Jefferson, } ss.

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory of Kansas, the undersigned, William F. Ashby and David N. Gilbert, who make the following affidavit: That in the month of August, 1856, we saw a body of armed men catch a horse belonging to John Fidler, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, and take possession of said horse and carry it off; and that the said John Fidler has never received said horse. We believe said horse to have been worth \$115 at the time he was taken.

WILLIAM F. ASHBY.
 DAVID N. GILBERT.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.
 JOSIAH A. GREEN, J. P.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Jefferson, } ss.

I, J. W. Day, clerk of the court within and for said county and Territory, do hereby certify that Josiah A. Green is a legally acting justice of the peace within and for the county and Territory aforesaid.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my [SEAL.] official seal, at office in Osawkee, this 29th day of December A. D. 1857.

J. W. DAY,
 Clerk of Probate Court.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of John Fidler there is proven, of a private class, \$115, and I hereby award to the said John Fidler the sum of one hundred and fifteen dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
 Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 315.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Jefferson, } ss.

To the honorable auditor of claims:

I, the undersigned, William C. Stagg, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, beg leave to lay before you the following petition:

Whereas, on the 29th day of August, 1856, a horse was stolen from my premises, and I have never yet recovered said horse or in any manner been indemnified for the loss of said horse, which I value at, together with the bridle and saddle taken at the same time, as worth \$100. And furthermore: Whereas a certain individual, Thomas D.

Hodges by name, was wounded in a skirmish between two contending parties, and placed in my house in a perfectly helpless condition, and remained there for a period of six weeks, during which time I nursed, fed, took care of him, and was at considerable expense on his account. He was in a helpless condition for the period of four weeks, during which time myself and family attended to him. I consider my services in this instance to be worth \$125.

Now therefore I lay my petition before you, and beg that I may be indemnified for this amount.

WILLIAM C. STAGG.

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory of Kansas, the above signed William C. Stagg, and made affidavit that the facts set forth in the above petition are true.

JOSIAH A. GREEN, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } *ss.*

I, J. W. Day, clerk of the probate court in and for said county and Territory, do hereby certify that Josiah A. Green is an acting justice of the peace within and for the county and Territory aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, [L. s.] this 29th day of December, A. D. 1857.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson. } *ss.*

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory of Kansas, the undersigned, William Harford and James P. Carson, who make the following affidavit: That in the months of September and October, A. D. 1856, William C. Stagg, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, did nurse, attend, feed, and take care of a certain individual, Thomas D. Hodges by name, who was severely wounded in a skirmish between two parties and was taken into the house of the said William C. Stagg, in a perfectly helpless condition. He stayed in said house for the period of four weeks in that condition, and was there altogether six weeks at least, during which time said William C. Stagg was at the expense of nursing, feeding, and taking care of him; and we believe that the time, trouble, and expense of said William C. Stagg to be worth \$125.

JAMES P. CARSON,
WILLIAM HARFORD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOSIAH A. GREEN, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Jefferson, } ss.

I, J. W. Day, clerk of the court in and for said county of Jefferson, and Territory aforesaid, do hereby certify that Josiah A. Green is an acting justice of the peace within and for said county and Territory.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, [L. s.] this 29th day of December, A. D. 1857.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of William C. Stagg there is proven, of a private class, \$225, and I hereby award to the said William C. Stagg the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 316.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Jefferson, } ss.

To the honorable auditor of claims :

I, the undersigned, William Horford, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, beg leave to lay before you the following petition :

Whereas I, in my professional capacity, did attend and furnish medicine to a certain individual, Thomas D. Hodgens by name, who was a member of Palmer's company of Atchinson county, under the command of General Richardson, during the disturbances in this Territory, and who was severely wounded in the neck by a rifle ball in a skirmish between two contending parties on Slough Creek, in Jefferson county. Said wound was very severe, and such as to endanger his life, having been made in the back part of the neck, and caused a paralysis of the nerves of that member, and also of his arms. I attended him faithfully until his recovery, travelling a distance of five miles each visit. I also furnished medicines and nursed the patient. I believe my services to have been worth, at least, \$40. Now therefore I lay in my petition that I may be indemnified to that amount.

WILLIAM HORFORD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 29th December, 1857.

WM. C. YAGER,
J. P., Shawnee County, K. T.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Jefferson, } ss.

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county aforesaid, the undersigned, William C. Stagg, who makes the following affidavit :

That in the months of September and October, A. D. 1856, an individual, Thomas D. Hodgens by name, was wounded in a skirmish

between two contending parties in the county of Jefferson, and was brought into his house in a helpless condition. The wound was very severe, having been made in the back of the neck, and rendering him perfectly helpless. William Horford, of Jefferson county, professionally attended this individual, nursed, and furnished him medicines during the period of his helplessness, until he recovered. He travelled a distance of five miles each visit; and the said William Stagg believes that the services of the said William Horford were worth the sum of forty dollars, (\$40.)

WILLIAM C. STAGG.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOSIAH A. GREEN, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

I, J. W. Day, clerk of the probate court in and for Jefferson county and Territory aforesaid, do hereby certify that Josiah A. Green is an acting justice of the peace in and for the said county and Territory, having been duly elected and commissioned to that office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my [L. S.] official seal, at office in Osawkee, this 29th day of December, A. D. 1857.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk Probate Court.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory of Kansas, the undersigned, James P. Carson, who makes the following affidavit:

That in the months of October and September, in the year 1856, William Horford, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, did professionally attend and render medical service, furnish medicines, and nurse a certain Thomas D. Hodges, who was wounded and in a helpless condition, at the house of W. C. Stagg. Said William Horford faithfully attended the said individual until his recovery, travelling a distance of five miles to visit him. He believes that the services of William Horford were worth \$40.

JAMES P. CARSON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of December, A. D. 1857.

J. A. GREEN, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

I, J. W. Day, clerk of the court in and for the county and Territory aforesaid, do hereby certify that Josiah A. Green is an acting justice of the peace within and for the said county and Territory.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at office in Osawkee, this 29th day of December, [L. s.] A. D. 1857.

J. W. DAY,
Clerk of Probate Court.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of William Horford of \$40, there is proven, of a private class, that amount, and I hereby award to the said William Horford the sum of forty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 317.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

To the honorable auditor of claims:

I, the undersigned, Charles F. Brown, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, beg leave to lay before you the following petition :

Whereas, on the 2d day of December, 1856, I allowed J. M. Shannon, acting as quartermaster for the militia of Kansas, ten barrels of corn, at the price of \$1 per bushel, and have never yet received pay for said corn. Now therefore I lay in my claim before you, that I may be indemnified for the loss of said corn.

CHARLES F. BROWN.

Signed before me, a justice of the peace, this 28th day of December, 1857.

J. A. GREEN, *J. P.*

This is to certify that I have this December 2, 1856, received of Charles F. Brown ten barrels of corn, at one dollar per bushel, for commissary, for the use of troops called out by Governor Shannon for the use of the security of Kansas, commanded by Captain Din Hollipt, Kansas militia.

J. M. SHANNON,
Acting as Quartermaster.

Personally appeared before me, on this 28th day of December, the undersigned, C. F. Brown, and made affidavit that this certificate is a true one; that he received it from J. M. Shannon.

C. F. BROWN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

J. A. GREEN, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Jefferson, } ss.

I, J. W. Day, clerk of the court within and for the county of Jefferson and Territory aforesaid, do hereby certify that Jacob A. Green is an acting justice of the peace in said county and Territory, having been duly elected and commissioned to that office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, at office in Osawkee, this 29th day of December, A. D. 1857.

J. W. DAY, [SEAL.]
 Clerk of the Probate Court.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Charles F. Brown there is proven \$25 of a private class, and I hereby award to the said Charles F. Brown the sum of twenty-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
 Commissioner for auditing claims.



No. 318.

DONIPHAN, *Doniphan County, K. T.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Doniphan. }

Petition of Bernard L. Wolf, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, B. L. Wolf, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses and damages in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the organization of the Territory, as follows: Your petitioner, in obedience to the requisition of the acting governor, was enrolled and doing service as one of the marshal's posse in enforcing the laws of this Territory during the months of August and September, A. D. 1856, and being so engaged about the 30th day of August, A. D. 1856, your petitioner suffered the loss of his horse, valued at the price of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, and being fully worth said sum, by the accidental but unavoidable discharge of a gun in the use of your petitioner while on a march in said service. Said horse, although not instantly killed by said discharge, was rendered entirely unfit for future service, and has been from the time of said injury an entire loss to your petitioner. Your petitioner avers that said accident resulted from no negligence or carelessness of his own, or any other person, but was entirely unavoidable. Your petitioner respectfully prays compensation for said loss, as he has never yet received any compensation whatever.

BERNARD L. WOLF.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 5th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JNO. A. VANARSDALE, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Doniphan. }

Personally appeared before me, John A. Vanarsdale, a justice of the peace in and for the above county and Territory, Anderson Cox and Otey O. Newman, who, being duly sworn, say, that they are personally acquainted with B. L. Wolf, the above petitioner; that he is the person he represents himself to be, and a citizen of the Territory of Kansas, and was such in the month of August, A. D. 1856; that he was engaged under the requisition of the acting governor of Kansas at the time last stated, and had in his service his own horse, valued at and worth one hundred and twenty-five dollars; that they were with said Wolf on a march, about the 30th of August, A. D. 1856, when, by the unavoidable discharge of a musket, said horse was so injured as to be an entire loss to the said Wolf.

O. O. NEWMAN,
 A. COX.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 5th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JNO. A. VANARSDALE, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Doniphan, } *ss.*

I, James R. Whitehead, clerk of the county court within and for the county of Doniphan aforesaid, do hereby certify that John A. Vanarsdale, before whom the foregoing declaration and affidavits were subscribed and sworn to, is now and was at the time of subscribing his name thereto a justice of the peace in and for the county of Doniphan aforesaid, duly appointed, commissioned, and sworn, and that all his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereto is genuine.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court at my office in the town of Troy, this 14th [L. s.] day of November, A. D. 1857.

JAMES R. WHITEHEAD, *Clerk.*
 By HENRY BODER, *D. C.*

I certify that in foregoing claim of Bernard L. Wolf of the public class there is proven and awarded the amount claimed, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 319.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Doniphan. }

Petition of James S. Brewer, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, James S. Brewer, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner of claims that I have sustained losses and damages in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the organization of the Territory, as follows: Your petitioner, in obedience to the requisition of his excellency, Wilson Shannon, then governor of the Territory of Kansas, was engaged and doing service as one of the marshal's posse in enforcing the laws of said Territory during a portion of the month of December, A. D. 1855, using at the time aforesaid in said service a mule, his own property, the loss of which mule he then and there sustained by the death of the same, resulting from unavoidable exposure and excessive usage while immediately engaged in said service as aforesaid. The death of said mule was in no way attributable to the negligence or carelessness of your petitioner. Your petitioner avers that said mule was valued at and fully worth the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars. Your petitioner further states and avers that he has never yet received any compensation for the loss of said mule, and respectfully prays that he be allowed said compensation.

JAMES S. BREWER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 9th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JNO. A. VANARSDALE,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Doniphan. }

Personally appeared before me, John A. Vanarsdale, a justice of the peace in and for the county and Territory aforesaid, J. H. James and Smith Crane, who, being duly sworn, make oath and say: That they are personally acquainted with the above petitioner, James S. Brewer; know him to be a citizen of Kansas Territory; that he was engaged under the requisition of the governor of this Territory during a portion of the month of December, A. D. 1855, using in said service a mule, his own property, which mule, while so engaged, died from unavoidable exposure and excessive usage, attributable in no way to any carelessness or negligence on the part of the said James S. Brewer. Said mule was fully worth the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

J. H. JAMES.
 SMITH CRANE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 9th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JNO. A. VANARSDALE,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Doniphan. }

I, James R. Whitehead, clerk of the county court within and for the county of Doniphan aforesaid, do hereby certify that John A. Vanarsdale, before whom the foregoing declaration and affidavit were subscribed and sworn to, and whose name is subscribed to the foregoing certificate thereto, is now, and was at the time of subscribing his name thereto, a justice of the peace in and for the county of Doniphan aforesaid, duly appointed, commissioned, and sworn; that all his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit; and that his signature thereto is genuine.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand and affixed the [L. S.] seal of the said court, at my office, in the town of Troy, this 14th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JAMES R. WHITEHEAD, *Clerk,*
By HENRY BODER, JR., *D. C.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of James S. Brewer there is proven and awarded the amount claimed, of the public class, \$150.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 320.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } *ct.*

The petition of Francis D. Plummer, of Jefferson county, in the Territory of Kansas, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

Francis D. Plummer, of the Territory and county aforesaid, would respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner: That on the 5th day of September, 1856, the northern army, under the command of one Colonel Harvey, while in Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, forcibly took from the possession of your petitioner one gray horse, 16 hands high, nine years old; also, one saddle and bridle and lariat, which your petitioner has been unable to recover since that time, and has not received remuneration therefor; that during the month of August, in said year, as aforesaid, while the militia of Kansas Territory engaged in the political difficulties existing at that time, and while they were encamped near your affiant's house, they used an fed to theird

horses and destroyed corn to the amount of one hundred bushels; and also used and destroyed the vegetables in his garden, consisting of potatoes, cabbages, &c., of the value of twenty-five dollars.

Your petitioner begs to represent to the honorable commissioner, that the schedule affixed to this petition is a true and correct statement of the property lost and destroyed, together with the value thereof, by the persons and at the times as therein stated; all of which he most respectfully submits.

FRANCIS D. PLUMMER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of January, 1858.

DAVID T. MITCHELL,
Notary Public, Douglas county, K. T.

Territory of Kansas to Francis D. Plummer, Dr.

1856.		
August.	To 100 bushels corn, at \$1	\$100 00
	garden vegetables.....	25 00
Sept. 5.	1 horse.....	100 00
	saddle, bridle, and lariat	22 50
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	Total amount.....	247 50
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Jefferson, } *scd.*

The affidavit of Woodin Foster, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, in relation to the stealing and taking of a horse, saddle, bridle, and lariat; the taking, using, or destruction of corn and garden vegetables, the property of Francis D. Plummer, in August and September, 1856, in Jefferson county, Kansas Territory.

Woodin Foster, a resident of the county and Territory aforesaid, being duly sworn, states: That during the months of August and September, 1856, he was living with Francis D. Plummer, at his residence, in Jefferson county, Kansas Territory; that during the month of August, 1856, the Kansas militia, under the command of Colonel Clarkson, was encamped near the house of said Plummer while engaged in the political difficulties existing in Kansas Territory; and at that time the said militia used and destroyed one hundred bushels of corn, which, at the time, was worth one dollar per bushel; that at the same time they used and destroyed the vegetables in his garden, consisting of potatoes, cabbage, &c., of the value of twenty-five dollars. That on the 5th day of September, 1856, the northern army, under the command of one Colonel Harvey, came into the neighborhood of said Plummer, and at that time the said army stole and carried from the residence of the said Plummer, as

aforesaid, one gray horse, of the value of one hundred dollars; also, at the same time and place, one saddle, bridle, and lariat, of the value of twenty-two dollars and fifty cents; and that the said Plummer has not received any pay or remuneration for the said property; and it was taken or destroyed without his consent.

WOODIN FOSTER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 13th day of January, 1858.

DAVID T. MITCHELL.

Notary Public, Douglas county, K. T.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Jefferson county, } *ct.*

The affidavit of James Skaggs, of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, in relation to the taking and carrying away of a horse, the property of Francis D. Plummer, in September, 1856, in Jefferson county Kansas Territory.

James Skaggs, a resident of Jefferson county, Kansas Territory, being duly sworn, states: That on or about the 5th day of September, 1856, the northern army, under the command of one Colonel Harvey, came into the neighborhood of himself and the said Plummer; he saw a gray horse, the property of the said Plummer, in the possession of said Harvey's command, and knows that they carried said horse off with them without remuneration or the consent of said Plummer; and that said horse was worth the value of one hundred dollars.

That your affiant has examined the schedule here filed, and from his knowledge of all the facts in connexion therewith, he believes that said Plummer had the amount of property, as therein stated, stolen and taken from him, or destroyed without his consent, to the amount as there stated, and of the value as therein claimed.

JAMES SKAGGS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of January, 1858.

DAVID T. MITCHELL,

Notary Public, Douglas county, K. T.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Francis D. Plummer of \$247 50 there is proven and awarded \$125 of the public class, and \$122 50 of the private class of claims.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 321.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

The petition of J. N. O. P. Wood, of the county of Douglas and Territory of Kansas, under the act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 22, 1857.

J. N. O. P. Wood, of the county of Douglas and Territory of Kansas, would respectfully represent unto the honorable commis-

sioner: That during the year 1856 he was dealing in merchandise, (consisting of provisions, dry goods, groceries, &c.,) in the town of Lecompton, county and Territory aforesaid. That during the summer and fall of the year 1851 a large number of prisoners, amounting from eighty-four to one hundred and thirteen in number, were held in the town of Lecompton, Kansas Territory, by the United States marshal for the Territory of Kansas, for various and different offences against the laws of the United States and those of Kansas Territory; and while held as aforesaid your petitioner furnished the said prisoners with boarding and lodging; and for number of prisoners, time of keeping, price, &c., you are referred to the schedule here filed, which is made a part of this petition. That a number of said prisoners were tried before the proper tribunal in Kansas Territory, convicted, and sentenced to hard labor in the penitentiary, and that, after their conviction and sentence as aforesaid, your petitioner furnished to the master of convicts of Kansas Territory (under whose charge they were placed) provisions, bedding, and clothes, amounting to seven hundred and fifty-six dollars and seventy-three cents, (\$756 73.) That during the summer of A. D. 1856, your petitioner furnished to the United States marshal, Donaldson, and to other persons having command of the territorial militia engaged in the political difficulties existing in Kansas Territory at that time, provisions and other necessaries, amounting to the sum of one thousand seven hundred and eighty-two dollars and eleven cents; and that, during the winter of 1856, and at the time of the existing political difficulties, your petitioner lost, by having them stolen and forcibly taken from him by persons engaged in said difficulties, articles of merchandise and live property, amounting in the whole to five hundred and seventy-five dollars; and during the summer of 1856 he lost, as aforesaid, two saddles and bridles, of the value of thirty-four dollars and fifty cents, as will be more fully shown by reference to the schedule here filed, and interest on the same, at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, for the term of two years, amounting to one hundred and twenty-one dollars and twenty cents, which, as in other cases, added to the whole, amounts to the sum total of seven thousand eight hundred and forty-five dollars and thirty-one cents, all of which your petitioner most respectfully presents.

J. N. O. P. WOOD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 21st day of January, 1858.

DAVID T. MITCHELL,
Notary Public, Douglas county, K. T.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. } ss.

On this 19th day of January, 1858, personally came before me, William P. Caldwell, who, being duly sworn, states, that he was a soldier in the militia of Kansas Territory in the year 1856, whilst engaged in the political difficulties then existing in Kansas, at which time he, together with the other soldiers engaged with him, were

stationed at Lecompton, Kansas Territory, to guard the prisoners who were there held in custody at said time and place; that he acted as one of the guard to said prisoners all the time that they were held at Lecompton, and knows the number of them.

He also states that he has examined the following accounts of J. N. O. P. Wood as to the number of prisoners, the time of boarding, and the prices charged for boarding. He states that he knows from his own knowledge that said Wood furnished provisions and boarded the number of said prisoners as therein charged, from about the 22d day of September to 17th day of November, 1856; that the prices therein charged in said account he believes to be correct and remain unpaid.

WILLIAM P. CALDWELL.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th day of January, 1858.

DAVID T. MITCHELL,
Notary Public, Douglas county, K. T.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. } ss.

On this 21st day of January, 1858, personally came before me Samuel J. Cranner, who, being duly sworn, states, that during the year 1856 he was acting as United States deputy marshal for the Territory of Kansas; that he frequently had business with the prisoners which were then held in custody at Lecompton, Kansas, and is well acquainted with the number of prisoners and the time they were held as prisoners aforesaid.

He also states that he knows that J. N. O. P. Wood boarded the said prisoners during the time they were held as such; that he (your affiant) has examined the account of said Wood here filed, for the boarding of said prisoners, and he believes the time as charged for keeping said prisoners is correct; that the number of prisoners as therein charged is correct, and the prices therein charged are reasonable, as he verily believes from the best of his knowledge

SAMUEL J. CRANNER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 21st day of January, 1858.

DAVID T. MITCHELL,
Notary Public, Douglas county, K. T.

Personally came before me Samuel B. Ford, who, being duly sworn, states that he was a soldier at the time and place with William P. Caldwell; that he has examined the above affidavit, and agrees with him as to the statements therein as to the number of prisoners and time they were held as prisoners; and that J. N. O. P. Wood furnished them with provisions and boarding; the price as therein charged is reasonable.

SAMUEL B. FORD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 21st day of January, 1858.

DAVID T. MITCHELL,
Notary Public, Douglas county, K. T.

KANSAS TERRITORY, }
Douglas County. }

Personally appeared before me Robert B. Nelson and Benjamin C. Brooke, who, being of lawful age and being duly sworn, say, that they have examined the following account and believe that the number of prisoners, time of board, and price charged therefor, to be correct and reasonable; and that they believe the said account to be due and unpaid, as they verily believe.

R. B. NELSON.
B. C. BROOKE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this 21st day of January, 1858.

DAVID T. MITCHELL,
Notary Public, Douglas county, K. T.

Territory of Kansas, county of Douglas, to J. N. O. P. Wood, Dr.

1856.

Sept. 22.	To boarding 103 prisoners 4 days, at 75 cents per day.....	\$299 00
“ 26.	To boarding 113 prisoners 10 days, at 75 cents per day.....	846 50
Oct. 6.	To boarding 94 prisoners 15 days, at 75 cents per day.....	1,057 50
“ 21.	To boarding 91 prisoners 16 days, at 75 cents per day.....	1,092 00
Nov. 6.	To boarding 87 prisoners 11 days, at 75 cents per day.....	717 75
“ 17.	To boarding 84 prisoners 10 days, at 75 cents per day.....	630 00
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Credit by draft from J. B. Donaldson.....		632 00
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Balance due.....		4,010 75
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Territory of Kansas to J. N. O. P. Wood, Dr.

By Levi J. Hampton, master of convicts.

1856.

Nov. 11.	To 26 pounds flour, at 6 cents per pound.....	\$1 56
	26 pounds beef, at 8 cents per pound.....	2 08
	1 pound ground coffee, at 40 cents.....	40
	1 paper pepper, at 10 cents.....	10

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Nov. 11. To	$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon syrup, at \$1 50 per gallon.....	\$0 75
	$1\frac{1}{2}$ gallon Orleans, at 50 cents per gallon.....	75
	1 frying pan, at 75 cents.....	75
	2 buckets, at 40 cents each.....	80
	1 camp kettle, at \$1 50.....	1 50
	$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon cup, at 20 cents.....	20
	5 pounds salt, at 5 cents per pound.....	25
	$1\frac{1}{2}$ pound saleratus, at $16\frac{2}{3}$ cents per pound...	25
	$\frac{1}{2}$ pound star candles, at 40 cents per pound....	20
	1 broom, at 40 cents.....	40
	2 coffee boilers, at 80 cents each....	1 60
	1 frying pan, at 75 cents.....	75
	22 tin plates, at $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents each.....	2 75
	2 wash basins, at 35 cents each.....	70
	22 tin cups, at 10 cents each.....	2 20
	2 dish pans, at 75 cents each.....	1 50
	1 load of wood, at \$2.....	2 00
	28 pounds of beef, at 8 cents.....	2 24
	28 pounds of flour, at 6 cents.....	1 68
	1 pound ground coffee, at 40 cents.....	40
	$\frac{1}{2}$ bushel turnips, at 20 cents.....	20
	1 bar soap, at 15 cents.....	15
	$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon molasses, at 75 cents.....	75
	1 yeast powders, at 35 cents.....	35
	1 dozen knives and forks.....	2 50
Nov. 13. To	18 pounds bacon, at $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents per pound.....	2 25
	27 pounds flour, at 6 cents per pound.....	1 62
	$\frac{1}{2}$ pound tea, at 50 cents.....	50
	$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon syrup, at \$1 50 per gallon.....	75
	1 box yeast powder, at 35 cents.....	35
	1 large dish pan, at \$1.....	1 00
	1 bar soap, at 15 cents.....	15
	1 box pills, at 30 cents.....	30
	$\frac{1}{2}$ pound candles, at 30 cents.....	15
14. To	27 pounds flour, at 6 cents.....	1 62
	18 pounds bacon, at $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents.....	2 25
	1 box yeast powder, at 35 cents.....	35
	$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon syrup, at \$1 50 per gallon.....	75
	2 pepper boxes, at 10 cents.....	20
	$\frac{1}{2}$ pound tea, at \$1 per pound.....	50
	1 bar soap, at 15 cents.....	15
	1 load wood, at \$2 50.....	2 50
	$\frac{1}{2}$ pound candles, at 30 cents.....	15
15. To	17 pounds bacon, at $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents.....	2 13
	2 papers extra coffee, at 40 cents each.....	80
	$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon syrup, at \$1 50 cents per gallon.....	75
	27 pounds flour, at 6 cents.....	1 62
	1 box yeast powders, at 35 cents.....	35
	$\frac{1}{2}$ bushel potatoes, at \$1 50.....	75
	1 bar soap, at 15 cents.....	15
	$\frac{1}{2}$ pound candles, at 30.....	15

Nov. 15. To	1 load wood, at \$2 00.....	\$2 00
	28 pounds flour, at 1 cent.....	1 68
16. To	19 pounds bacon, at 12½ cents	2 38
	½ pound tea, at \$1.....	50
	½ gallon syrup, at \$1 50.....	75
	1 load wood, at \$2.....	2 00
	½ pound candles, at 30 cents.....	15
	½ pound saleratus, at 20 cents.....	10
17. To	25 pounds flour, at 6 cents.....	1 50
	½ pound tea, at \$1 50.....	75
	½ pound saleratus, at 20 cents.....	10
	½ bushel potatoes, at \$1 50	75
	4 joints stove pipe, at 75 cents per joint	3 00
	½ gallon syrup, at \$1 50.....	75
	½ pound candles, at 30 cents	15
	2 loads wood, at \$2 per load.....	4 00
18. To	25 pounds flour, at 6 cents.....	1 50
	½ bushel potatoes, at \$1 50.....	75
	½ pound tea, at \$1 50.....	75
	½ pound saleratus, at 20 cents.....	10
	½ gallon syrup at \$1 50.....	75
	½ pound candles, at 30 cents.....	15
	27 pounds beef, at 8 cents	2 96
	1 load wood, at \$2.....	2 00
19. To	27 pounds flour, at 6 cents.....	2 62
	20 pounds beef, at 8 cents.....	1 60
	½ pound tea, at \$1 50.....	75
	½ pound candles, at 30 cents.....	15
	½ gallon syrup, at \$1 50.....	75
	9 pounds beans, at 12 cents per pound.	1 13
20. To	1 camp kettle, at \$1 50.....	1 50
	1 camp cup, at 20 cents.....	20
	1 pepper box, at 10.....	10
	1 peck dried apples, at 75 cents.....	75
	½ bushel meal, at \$1 50.....	75
	½ pound tea, at \$1 50.....	75
	½ gallon syrup, at \$1 50.....	75
	½ pound candles, at 15 cents.....	15
	1 paper cinnamon, at 20 cents	20
	21 pounds beef, at 8 cents.....	1 68
21. To	1 box pills, at 50 cents.....	50
	27 pounds beef, at 8 cents.....	2 16
	27 pounds flour, at 6 cents.....	1 52
	½ gallon molasses, at \$1 50.....	75
	½ pound spice, at 15 cents.....	15
	½ pound candles, at 30 cents.....	15
	½ gallon vinegar, at 60 cents.	30
	½ pound tea, at \$1 50.....	75
	½ pound soda, at 10 cents.....	10
	1 load wood, at \$2.....	2 00
22. To	1 sack salt, at 50 cents.....	50

Nov. 22. To	1 box yeast powder, at 35 cents.....	\$0 35
	27 pounds flour, at 6 cents.....	1 62
	2 pounds coffee, at 20 cents per pound.....	40
	2½ pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	50
	4 pounds rice, at 12½ cents.....	50
	37 pounds beef, at 8 cents.....	2 96
	½ pound candles, at 30 cents.....	15
	1 load wood, at \$2.....	2 00
23. To	30 pounds beef, at 8 cents.....	2 40
	27 pounds flour, at 6 cents.....	1 60
	2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
	2 pounds coffee, at 20 cents.....	40
	½ pound candles, at 30 cents.....	15
	1 load wood, at \$2.....	2 00
24. To	4 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	80
	2 pounds coffee, at 20 cents.....	40
	1 box yeast powder, at 35 cents.....	35
	1 box mustard, at 20 cents.....	20
	½ gallon syrup, at \$1 50.....	75
	27 pounds flour, at 6 cents.....	1 62
	37 pounds beef, at 8 cents.....	2 96
25. To	1 bar soap, at 15 cents.....	15
	4 pounds rice, at 12½ cents.....	50
	20 pairs blankets, at \$9 each.....	180 00
	1½ pounds candles, at 30 cents.....	45
	20 pounds beef, at 9 cents.....	1 60
	22 pounds flour, at 6 cents.....	1 32
	½ gallon syrup, at \$1 50.....	75
	2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
	1½ pounds coffee, at 30 cents.....	30
	3 pounds rice, at 12½ cents.....	38
	1 broom, at 35 cents.....	35
	1 load wood, at \$2.....	2 00
	1 cooking stove, at \$30.....	30 00
	5 joints stove pipe, at 75 cents.....	2 50
	1 box yeast powder, at 35 cents.....	35
	1 plug tobacco, at 25 cents.....	25
	1 bar soap, at 15 cents.....	15
	½ pound candles, at 15 cents.....	15
	1 pound star candles, at 40 cents.....	40
26. To	3 cedar buckets, at \$1 25 each.....	2 75
	3 iron hooped buckets, at 50 cents.....	1 50
	3 pounds nails, at 10 cents per pound.....	30
	2 pairs suspenders, at 35 cents.....	35
28. To	2 pounds nails, at 10 cents.....	20
	2 sets knives and forks, at \$1 50.....	3 00
	1 dozen iron teaspoons, at 50 cents.....	50
	1 pair pants, at \$5.....	5 00
	Hauling 6 loads, at 50 cents each.....	3 00
	2 frying-pans, at 60 cents each.....	1 20
	1½ pounds coffee, at 20 cents per pound.....	30

Nov. 28.	To	2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents per pound.....	\$0 40
		$\frac{1}{2}$ pound star candles, at 40 cents	20
		1 bar soap, at 15 cents	15
		1 box yeast powder, at 35 cents.....	35
		1 load wood, at \$2	2 00
		Hauling 1 load, at 50 cents.....	50
Nov. 29.	To	25 pounds bacon, at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 13
		2 $\frac{1}{2}$ pounds coffee, at 20 cents.....	50
		4 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	80
		1 box yeast powder, at 35 cents.....	35
		1 $\frac{1}{2}$ pound candles, at 30 cents.....	45
		1 sack salt, at 50 cents.....	50
Dec. 1.	To	$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon syrup, at \$1 50.....	75
		1 pound candles, at 30 cents.....	30
		1 box yeast powder, at 35 cents	35
		2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
2.	To	2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
		1 pound candles at 30 cents.....	30
		$\frac{1}{4}$ pound pepper, at 10 cents.....	10
		1 box yeast powder, at 35 cents.....	35
		3 panes glass, at 10 cents.....	30
		$\frac{1}{2}$ pound nails, at 10 cents.....	5
3.	To	2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
		1 pound candles, at 30 cents.....	30
		1 quart molasses, at 40 cents.....	40
		1 paper tacks, at 15 cents.....	15
		1 can for Stewart, at 50 cents.....	50
		1 sack flour, at \$6.....	6 00
4.	To	1 bottle pepper sauce, at 40 cents.....	40
		2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
		1 pound candles, at 30 cents	30
		1 box yeast powder.....	35
5.	To	$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon syrup, at \$1 50.	75
		1 box yeast powder, at 35 cents	35
		2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
		1 pound candles, at 30 cents.....	30
6.	To	4 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	80
		2 pounds candles, at 30 cents.	60
		1 paper tobacco, at 10 cents.....	10
		1 box yeast powder, at 35 cents.....	35
		1 pair pants, at \$5.....	5 00
8.	To	2 loads wood, at \$2.....	4 00
		2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
		1 $\frac{1}{2}$ pound coffee, at 20 cents.....	30
		1 pound star candles, at 40 cents.....	40
		$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon syrup, at \$1 50.....	75
		2 pair boots, per order, at \$5 25.....	10 50
9.	To	1 load wood, at \$2.....	2 00
		2 pound sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
		1 $\frac{1}{2}$ pounds coffee, at 20 cents	30
		1 pound star candles, at 40 cents.....	40

Dec. 9.	To	1 bar soap, at 15 cents.....	\$0 15
		$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon syrup, at \$1 50.....	75
		2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
		$1\frac{1}{2}$ pound coffee, at 20 cents.....	30
		1 pair kipp boots, at \$4 50.....	4 50
		2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
		$1\frac{1}{2}$ pound coffee, at 20 cents.....	30
		1 pound star candles, at 40 cents.....	40
		1 pair boots, at \$5.....	5 00
		1 pair boots, at \$4 50.....	4 50
11.	To	5 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	1 00
		1 bottle pepper sauce, at 40 cents.....	40
		1 pound star candles, at 40 cents.....	40
		1 pound soda, at 15 cents.....	15
12.	To	1 load wood, at \$2.....	2 00
		1 quart of vinegar, at 15 cents.....	15
		1 pound star candles, at 40 cents.....	40
		3 chairs, at \$2.....	6 00
		1 hank of thread, at 25 cents.....	25
		1 pair shovel and tongs, at \$1 75.....	1 75
		1 load of wood, at \$2.....	2 00
13.	To	$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon syrup, at 75 cents.....	75
		1 broom, at 35 cents.....	35
		4 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	80
		3 pounds coffee, at 20 cents.....	60
		$\frac{1}{4}$ pound pepper, at 10 cents.....	10
		1 pound star candles, at 40 cents.....	40
		2 pair shoes, per order, at \$2 25.....	4 50
		1 under shirt, at \$1 50.....	1 50
		1 coat for E. Whipple, at \$8 75.....	8 75
		1 under shirt, at \$1 50.....	1 50
Dec. 15.	To	$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon syrup, at \$1 50.....	75
		2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
		$\frac{1}{2}$ pound tea, at \$1 50.....	75
16.	To	1 load of wood, at \$2.....	2 00
17.	To	1 pair shoes for Jackson, at \$2 25.....	2 25
		1 pair socks for Jackson, at 50 cents.....	50
18.	To	1 load of wood, at \$2.....	2 00
20.	To	54 pounds beef at 8 cents.....	4 32
23.	To	1 load of wood, at \$2.....	2 00
		1 velvet coat for A. Pain, at \$8 75.....	8 75
		1 pair of pants for Herd, at \$4 50.....	4 50
24.	To	2 padlocks, at 75 cents.....	1 50
		1 market basket, at 65 cents.....	65
29.	To	2 loads of wood, at \$2.....	4 00
30.	To	1 cassimere coat, at \$8 50.....	8 50
Jan. 1.	To	10 pounds of bacon, at 10 cents.....	1 00
		2 quart flasks, at 20 cents.....	40
		$\frac{1}{2}$ gallon molasses, at \$1 60.....	80
2.	To	6 yards flannel.....	2 85
		1 paper tobacco, at 15 cents.....	15

Jan. 1. To	2 tweed coats for Bradley, at \$4 and \$5 75.....	\$9 75
	1 pair blankets at \$9.....	9 00
	1 dozen tin plates and pans, at \$1 05.....	1 05
3. To	2 plugs tobacco, at 25 cents.....	50
	16½ pounds sugar, at 8½ cents	1 00
	1 pint brandy and flask, at \$1 20.....	1 20
	35 pounds bacon, at 10 cents	3 50
	1 paper pepper, at 10 cents.....	10
4. To	1 pair shoes, at \$1 75.....	1 75
	1 pound of soda, at 15 cents.....	15
	15 pounds of coffee.....	1 67
	100 pounds of bacon, at 8 cents.....	8 00
6. To	1 pound tobacco for Green, at 25 cents.....	25
	10 pound nails, at 10 cents.....	1 00
	1 drawing knife, at \$1 25	1 25
	12 pounds bacon, at 10 cents.....	1 20
	1 bottle of ink, and sundries.....	30
	2 pounds shot, 15 cents	30
13. To	9½ pounds bacon, at 12½ cents.....	1 19
	1 pint turpentine, at 10 cents.....	10
	1 pair of shoes for Dugan, at \$1 60.....	1 60
	½ quire paper, at 15 cents.....	15
	1 quart brandy for medicine, at \$2.....	2 00
	9 yards calico, at 15 cents.....	1 35
	1 spool thread, at 5 cents.....	5
	1 drawing knife, at \$1 25.....	1 25
15. To	1 sack flour, at \$4 50.....	4 50
	2 pounds sugar, at 20 cents.....	40
	1 pair boots, at \$4 50.....	4 50
	1 pair shoes, at \$1 65.....	1 65
	1 pair shoes, at \$1 80.....	1 80
	1 pair shoes, at \$1 30.....	1 30
	1 bottle of brandy for sick man.....	3 00
24. To	provisions, on account rendered	30 92
	Total account.....	687 94

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

This day comes Samuel Johnston before me, who, being of lawful age, on his oath says he was the only clerk of J. N. O. P. Wood, and that the above account is in his own handwriting, and that he believes it to be correct, and unpaid, as he verily believes.

SAMUEL JOHNSTON.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Shawnee County. }

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30th day of December, 1857.

M. C. BREWSTER, *J. P.*

Territory of Kansas to J. N. O. P. Wood, Dr.

To provisions furnished J. B. Donaldson and others while in command of the militia of Kansas Territory, from May 7 to September 20, inclusive, 1856, viz :

206 pounds ground coffee.....	\$45 15
1 gallon vinegar	50
21 pairs blankets	163 00
61 gallons molasses	78 75
5,839½ pounds flour.....	326 44
29½ pounds saleratus.....	4 43
6 bushels beans.....	18 00
9 pounds rice.....	1 13
2,288 pounds bacon	229 80
329½ pounds sugar	56 91
55 loads wood.....	107 00
37½ bushels potatoes.....	50 23
Bill of cinnamon and nutmegs.....	5 83
9½ bushels dried apples.....	13 50
Medical attendance.....	27 00
56 pounds candles.....	16 36
9½ pounds tea.....	9 70
17 sacks salt.....	9 47
46 boxes yeast powders.....	13 45
2 brooms.....	60
38 pounds soap.....	4 15
1 axe and handle	1 70
147 yards ticking and thread for tents.....	36 71
2,539½ pounds beef.....	262 64
6 boxes mustard.....	90
3 buckets and 1 broom.....	1 20
16 gallons vinegar..	7 05
3¾ pounds tea.....	5 00
7 barrels hard bread, at \$7 50.....	52 50
5 sacks flour, at \$5 50.....	27 50
A bill of butter and sundries.....	4 46
14¾ bushels corn meal, at \$2 per bushel.....	29 50
Total.....	1,620 10

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. }

Samuel Johnston, being of lawful age, being duly sworn, says: That the foregoing articles and things as therein stated were furnished and received by the officers in command, and other persons in the employ of the territorial militia and the marshal of said Territory, while he had troops under his command, and prisoners to provide for, and that said articles were furnished at the regular price, as sold at retail to any other persons; and I have carefully made out said account, and

footed up the same, and that the same is due and unpaid, as I verily believe I was the only clerk in the store at that time.

SAMUEL JOHNSTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas, Douglas County, to J. N. O. P. Wood, Dr.

1856.

January 21.	To 21 mattresses, at \$5 each.....	\$105 00
	21 comforts, at \$3 each.....	63 00
	1 stove, at \$11.....	11 00
	1 bed and bedstead, at \$7.....	14 00
	1 table for office, at \$3	3 00
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Personally came before me James M. Tuton, who, being duly sworn, states: That he was under the employ of Lewis J. Hampton, master of convicts, in Kansas Territory, during the years 1856 and 1857; that he has examined the items in the above account, and knows it is correct as to number, amount, and price, because he was the person that got the items in the above account from J. N. O. P. Wood, by the order of Lewis J. Hampton, and knows that said articles were got for and used by the convicts then under the charge of said Hampton, and the price as charged for said articles is reasonable, and the price at which said articles were sold at retail in Lecompton, Kansas Territory.

J. M. TUTON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this 16th day of January, 1858.

DAVID T. MITCHELL,

Notary Public, Douglas County, K. T.

Territory of Kansas to J. N. O. P. Wood, Dr.

1856.

December 18.	To 1 case of men's boots, at \$4 25 per pair....	\$51 00
	7 coats, at \$8 each.....	56 00
	13 pair pants, at \$5 each.....	65 00
	17 pair blankets, at \$9 each.....	153 00
	2 horses taken by an armed company by force, at \$125 each	250 00
May 20.	To 1 saddle and bridle, at \$22 50.....	22 50
	1 saddle and bridle, at \$12.....	12 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. }

Personally came before me J. N. O. P. Wood, who, being duly sworn, states that the above account is correct, and remains unpaid.
 J. N. O. P. WOOD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this 22d day of January, 1858.
 DAVID T. MITCHELL,
Notary Public, Douglas County, K. T.

I certify in the foregoing claim of J. N. O. P. Wood, of \$7,845 31, there is proven \$7,235 81 of the public class, and \$609 50 of the private class, and award to the said J. N. O. P. Wood the sum of \$7,845 31.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 322.

PAOLA, LYKINS Co., K. T.,
 December 29, 1857.

Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," enacted by the governor and legislative assembly of the Territory of Kansas, approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, A. H. McFadin, would respectfully represent, that he is a citizen of Kansas Territory settled in Lykins county, and that during the month of August, 1856, armed bodies of men, under the command of one John Brown, and others, after compelling your petitioner to quit his home, and subjecting him and family to great loss and suffering, despoiled him of the following property, viz: Thirty-three bushels of wheat, forty bushels sweet potatoes, ten bushels white beans, forty dozen oats, one set farming tools, one prairie plough, six hundred feet of lumber, two hundred bushels Irish potatoes, one hundred rails, one hundred and eighty-one fowls, seventy-five stock hogs, ten fat hogs, and one hundred and fifty dollars in money.

Your petitioner declares that the value of the foregoing property, for which he prays the contemplated relief under the afore recited act, is as follows, viz:

100 bushels Irish potatoes, at \$1 25	\$125 00
40 bushels sweet potatoes, at \$2.....	80 00
10 bushels white beans, at \$2.....	20 00
3 bushels white peas.....	6 00
40 dozen oats, at 50 cents per dozen.....	20 00
1 set farming tools.....	20 00
1 prairie plough.....	20 00
600 feet lumber, at \$3 per hundred.....	18 00

1,000 rails, at \$3 per hundred	\$30 00
181 fowls	50 00
75 stock hogs, at \$4 each.....	300 00
10 fat hogs, at \$8 each.....	80 00
Cash	150 00
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Total.....	913 00
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And your petitioner will ever pray, &c.

A. H. McFADIN.

A. H. McFadin, being duly sworn before me, a justice of the peace within and for Lykins county, Kansas Territory, makes oath and says he believes the foregoing petition and the matters therein as stated are true.

H. W. PECK, *J. P.*

We, the undersigned, neighbors of A. H. McFadin, and conversant with the matters stated in the foregoing, testify to their truth to the best of our knowledge.

WM. M. EDWARDS.
JOHN T. FROST.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29th day of December, 1857.

H. W. PECK, *J. P.*

I certify in the foregoing claim of A. H. McFadin of \$913 the whole amount is proven and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 323.

PAOLA, *Lykins county, K. T., December 29, 1857.*

Hon. H. J. Strickler, acting commissioner under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," enacted by the governor and legislative assembly of the Territory of Kansas, approved February 23, 1857:

Your petitioner, Joseph Combs, would respectfully represent that he is a citizen of Kansas Territory, settled in Lykins county in the spring of 1855; that during the fall of 1856 armed bodies of men, under the command of one John Brown and others, infested the neighborhood, and by force and threats drove your petitioner twice from his home, wherefore he was put to great expense and his family to great suffering. Your petitioner further states that at the time he was possessor of five hundred bushels of corn, that the same was worth one dollar per bushel, and that the same was taken or caused to be destroyed and entirely lost to your petitioner by the aforesaid armed

bodies of men under the said John Brown, &c., wherefore your petitioner asks the relief contemplated by the afore recited act, viz: pay for five hundred bushels of corn, worth one dollar per bushel—five hundred dollars; necessary expenses and losses of moving, &c., one hundred and fifty dollars, *id est*.

Corn	\$500 00
Other loss and expenses.....	150 00
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Total.....	650 00
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And your petitioner will ever pray, &c.

JOSEPH COMBS.

Joseph Combs, being duly sworn before me, a justice of the peace in and for Lykins county, Kansas Territory, makes oath and says he believes the foregoing petition and the matters therein as stated are true.

H. W. PECK, *J. P.*

We, the undersigned, neighbors of Joseph Combs, and conversant with the matters stated in the foregoing petition, from all the facts and circumstances in our knowledge, believe it to be true.

S. T. YOUNG.

G. W. WARREN.

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L. D. + JOHNES.
mark.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th December, 1857.

H. W. PECK, *J. P.*

I certify, in the foregoing claim of Joseph Combs of \$650, there is proven the whole amount, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

No. 324.

PAOLA, *Lykins county, K. T.*, December 29, A. D. 1857.

Hon. H. J. Strickler, acting commissioner under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," enacted by the governor and legislative assembly of the Territory of Kansas, approved February 23, 1857:

Your petitioner, William M. Edwards, would respectfully represent that he is a citizen of Kansas Territory, settled in Lykins county during the spring of 1856; that during the fall of 1856 armed bodies of men, under the command of one John Brown and others, infested the neighborhood, and besides driving your petitioner from home, despoiled him of the following property, viz: corn, 72 bushels;

wheat, 50 bushels; buckwheat, 80 bushels; Irish potatoes, 100 bushels; two log houses, 500 rails, (in fence,) one lot of carpenters' tools, one stack of hay, (four tons,) and one lot of hogs. Your petitioner further states that, over and above the above described property, his actual losses and expenses caused by the above named armed bodies of men amounted to the sum of five hundred dollars.

Your petitioner sets forth his losses and their respective value, for which he prays reimbursement under the above recited act, thus, viz:

72 bushels corn, at \$1 per bushel.....	\$72 00
50 bushels wheat, at \$1 50 per bushel.....	75 00
80 bushels buckwheat, at \$1 per bushel.....	80 00
100 bushels potatoes, at \$1 25 per bushel....	150 00
1 stack hay (4 tons).....	24 00
1 lot of hogs.....	25 00
1 lot carpenters' tools	20 00
500 rails, at \$3 per hundred.....	15 00
2 houses, at \$40 each.....	80 00
Money and incidental.....	500 00
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Total.....	1,031 00
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And your petitioner will ever pray, &c.

WM. M. EDWARDS.

Wm. M. Edwards, being duly sworn before me, a justice of the peace within and for Lykins county, Kansas Territory, says he believes the foregoing petition and the matters therein as stated are true.

H. W. PECK, *J. P.*

We, the undersigned, being cognizant of the matters stated in the foregoing petition of Wm. M. Edwards, testify that they are true.

A. H. McFADIN.

M. E. HILE.

M. EDWARDS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th December, 1857.

H. W. PECK, *J. P.*

Errata.

It is 72 barrels (360 bushels) instead of 72 bushels of corn as I, through mistake, put it in his petition. This will make the value of his corn \$360 instead of \$72.

G. W. MILLER.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of William M. Edwards of \$1,031, and the whole amount is proven and of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 325.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims in accordance with "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," and the act supplemental thereto, both passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, William Stone, of the county of Bourbon, Kansas Territory, represents that during the difficulties arising from the unsettled state of affairs in Kansas in the year 1856, he was put to fear of his life and of losing his property from the fact that certain lawless and desperate men in his neighborhood were committing various acts of depredation upon persons thereabouts, such as burning houses and carrying off property of his neighbors, proclaiming it their intention to kill all persons who did not leave; and further, that on the third of September of the above mentioned year, a large number of persons came to your petitioner's house, situated on the Osage river, about twelve miles northwest of Fort Scott, and in Kansas Territory, said persons representing to your petitioner that they had been driven from their homes, and that some of their company had been taken prisoners by the aforesaid marauding party of men, and representing them to be a lawless and desperate set of men. Your petitioner, therefore, through fear of bodily harm, and even for his life, on the succeeding day, viz., the 4th of September, A. D. 1856, left his house and home above described, and fled into Missouri just beyond the line thereof, and whilst encamped upon his journey he was set upon by three armed men whom your petitioner believes had knowledge that he had left certain property behind him and an agent in charge thereof, and by threats compelled your petitioner to sign an order on said agent to deliver up said property to them; and they further took from your petitioner on the spot a cow, valued at twenty five dollars. Your petitioner is informed that the aforesaid party then returned to his house aforesaid and sold and destroyed the following property of your petitioner: Thirty-six acres of corn, estimated at one thousand bushels, worth one dollar per bushel; nine killing hogs, worth eight dollars apiece; one large sow, valued at eight dollars; and fifteen shoats, worth two dollars apiece.

Your petitioner further represents, that he has not received any compensation for said property, nor has any of it been returned to him, except that at the time of the robbing your petitioner of the cow, as above detailed, the party mentioned compelled your petitioner to take a worthless and crippled mare that died before the ensuing Christmas.

Your petitioner, therefore, represents that he has been damaged and has lost property as above detailed to the amount of one thousand one hundred and thirty-five dollars, and therefore prays that his claims may be duly audited, and that he may be indemnified in accordance with the acts in such cases made and provided.

WILLIAM STONE.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Bourbon County. }

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of November, A. D. 1857.

C. B. WINGFIELD, *J. P.*

Thirty-six acres of corn, estimated at one thousand bushels, worth one dollar per bushel.....	\$1,000 00
One cow, valued at \$25.....	25 00
Nine killing hogs, at \$8 apiece.....	72 00
One large sow, worth.....	8 00
Fifteen shoats, at \$2 per head.....	30 00
Total.....	1,135 00

WILLIAM STONE.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Bourbon County, } *ss.*

Personally appeared before me, C. B. Wingfield, a justice of the peace in and for said county, William Stone, the person whose name is subscribed to the above account, personally known to me, and being duly sworn and examined, states the said account as to the items therein enumerated and the value thereof, and his statement as to the manner in which he lost the same, as will more fully appear by the petition hereto attached, are just and true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 28th day of November, A. D. 1857.

CHARLES B. WINGFIELD,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon, } *ss.*

Be it remembered, that on this 28th day of November, 1857, personally appeared before me, the undersigned, justice of the peace in and for Bourbon county aforesaid, Jesse H. Beeson, of lawful age, who being by me first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says, that he is well acquainted with William Stone, the petitioner in the attached and foregoing petition and account, that he (this affiant) has examined said account and petition, and knows of his own knowledge that the facts stated by said Stone in his petition are true, and that the items in said account were taken from said petitioner as said petitioner has stated in his said petition; and that the property mentioned in said account is of the value of eleven hundred and thirty-five dollars (\$1,135) and that his account is correctly stated. This affiant states that he is a citizen of Bourbon county and Territory of Kansas.

his
 JESSE X H. BEESON.
 mark,

Witness: T. M. WILLIAMS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me the day and date above written.
 CHARLES B. WINGFIELD,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon. } ss.

Be it remembered that this 28th day of November, 1857, personally appeared Allen Beeson, of lawful age, and first being duly sworn by me, the undersigned justice of the peace, deposes and says: That he is well acquainted with William Stone, the petitioner in the attached and foregoing account and petition; that he has examined said account and petition, and knows, of his own knowledge, that the facts stated in said petitioner's petition are true; and that the items in said petitioner's account were taken from said petitioner as said petitioner has stated; and that the property mentioned in said account is of the value of eleven hundred and thirty-five dollars, (\$1,135,) and that his account is correctly stated. This affiant states that he is a citizen of Bourbon county, and Territory of Kansas.

ALLEN BEESON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day and date above written.
 CHARLES B. WINGFIELD,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Bourbon county. } ss.

I, James J. Farley, clerk of the county court of said county, do hereby certify that Charles B. Wingfield, whose name appears subscribed to the foregoing petition, account, and affidavits, is, and was at the time of signing the same, an acting justice of the peace for Scott township, in said county and Territory, duly elected and commissioned, and that all of his official acts, as such, are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature is genuine.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at my office, in the town of Fort Scott, this 1st day of December, 1857.

JAMES J. FARLEY,
Clerk County Court.

I certify, in the foregoing claim of William Stone of \$1,135, the whole amount is proven of private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 326.

To Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims, in accordance with "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," and the act supplemental thereto, passed and approved February 23, A. D. 1857:

Your petitioner, Allen Beeson, of the county of Bourbon, Kansas Territory, represents: That during the difficulties arising from the unsettled state of affairs in Kansas during the year 1856 he was put in fear of his life, and driven from his home in Kansas Territory, by threats made by a company of lawless men in his neighborhood, who came there and were engaged in driving families and settlers from their homes, burning their houses, taking away and robbing them of their property. Your petitioner was directly threatened by these men that they intended to kill him on sight unless he left within one-half hour; and that he must leave the Territory, and not go back thereto. Your petitioner was at this time encamped on the edge of the State of Missouri, fleeing from the Territory, as hereinbefore mentioned, having been driven therefrom by the marauding party aforesaid; and petitioner was in company with other persons fleeing from the Territory, having been driven therefrom by the same party. Your petitioner accordingly left the Territory, and went to Iowa. Your petitioner left this Territory, for the causes above mentioned, on the 4th of September, A. D. 1856, and your petitioner, on returning to this Territory in the spring of 1857, as he ascertained he safely might do, found that the following property of his, which he was compelled in his hurry at the time of the flight aforesaid to leave on his claim and at his home, on the Little Osage river, in Kansas Territory, about twelve miles from Fort Scott, in said Territory, and northwest therefrom, was all sold and destroyed, viz: twenty acres of corn, estimated at thirty-three bushels to the acre, and worth one dollar per bushel; twenty-five head of hogs, worth eight dollars per head; five head of cattle, worth seventy-five dollars; one prairie plough, worth seven dollars; one two-horse plough and gearing, worth five dollars; none of which property has ever been returned to your petitioner, nor has he received any compensation therefor. All of the property above enumerated was left as above stated, with the exception of the five head of cattle, which were left by your petitioner during his flight aforesaid, they being totally exhausted and unable to travel from the hard driving your petitioner thought necessary in order to make his escape.

Your petitioner therefore represents that he has been damaged and has lost property, as above described, to the amount of nine hundred and fifty-three dollars, and prays that his claim may be duly audited, and that he may be indemnified in accordance with the acts in such case made and provided.

ALLEN BEESON.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon, } ss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, C. B. Wingfield, justice of the peace in and for the county and Territory aforesaid, on this twenty-eighth day of November, A. D. 1857.

CHAS. B. WINGFIELD, *J. P.*

20 acres of corn, estimated at 33 bushels to the acre, worth \$1 per bushel.....	\$666 00
25 head of hogs, worth \$8 per head.....	200 00
5 head of cattle, worth.....	75 00
1 prairie plough, worth.....	7 00
1 two-horse plough and gearing.....	5 00
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Total.....	953 00
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ALLEN BEESON.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Bourbon County, } ss.

Personally appeared before me, C. B. Wingfield, a justice of the peace in and for said county, Allen Beeson, the person whose name is subscribed to the above account, personally known to me, and, being duly sworn and examined, states the above account, as to the items therein and the value thereof, and his statement of his manner of loss thereof, as will more fully appear by the petition hereto attached, are just and true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of November, A. D. 1857.

CHARLES B. WINGFIELD, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon, } ss.

Be it remembered, that on this 28th day of November, 1857, personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a justice of the peace in and for Bourbon county aforesaid, William Stone, of lawful age, who, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says: That he is well acquainted with Allen Beeson, the petitioner in the attached and foregoing petition and account; that he (this affiant) has examined said account and petition, and knows, of his own knowledge, that the facts stated by said Beeson in his petition are true, and that the items in said account were taken from said petitioner, as said petitioner has stated in his said petition; and that the property mentioned in said account is of the value of \$953, and that his account is correctly stated. This affiant states that he is a citizen of Bourbon county, and Territory of Kansas.

WILLIAM STONE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the day and date above written.

CHARLES B. WINGFIELD, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon. }

Be it remembered, that on this 28th day of November, A. D. 1857, personally appeared before me S. W. Stone, of lawful age, and first being duly sworn by me, the undersigned, a justice of the peace in and for Bourbon county aforesaid, according to law, deposes and says: That he is well acquainted with Allen Beeson, the petitioner in the attached and foregoing petition and account; that he (this affiant) has examined said account and petition, and knows, of his own knowledge, that the facts stated by said Beeson in his petition are true, and that the items in said account were taken from said petitioner, as said petitioner has stated in his said petition, and that the property mentioned in said account is of the value of \$953, and that his account is correctly stated. This affiant states that he is a citizen of Bourbon county, and Territory of Kansas.

SOLOMON ^{his} + W. STONE.
 mark.

Witness: T. M. WILLIAMS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of November, A. D. 1857.

CHARLES B. WINGFIELD, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon, } *ss.*

I, James J. Farley, clerk of the county court of Bourbon county aforesaid, do hereby certify that Charles B. Wingfield, whose name appears subscribed to the foregoing petition, account, and affidavits, is, and was at the time of signing the same, an acting justice of the peace for Scott township, in said county and Territory, duly elected and commissioned, and that all of his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature is genuine.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at office, in the town of Fort Scott, this 1st day of December, 1857.

JAMES J. FARLEY,
Clerk County Court.

I certify, in the foregoing claim of Allen Beeson of \$953, that the whole amount is proven, of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 327.

To the commissioner appointed to audit and certify claims in consequence of or growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory, approved February, A. D. 1857:

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Morgan Jones, complainant, states that he is a citizen of Douglas county, and resides on his claim, on Coal creek, in said county, and

that he has resided there since April, A. D. 1856. Complainant says: That on or about the 22d day of July, A. D. 1856, he was the legal owner and in possession of the sum of one hundred and four dollars in gold coin, of the denomination of fives, two and a half, and dollar pieces, in his trunk, in the dwelling of complainant; also one imitation gold watch, of the value of twenty dollars, also in the same trunk; and that on the 22d day of July, A. D. 1856, two men came to the residence of complainant and broke open said trunk and stole, took, and carried away the said sum of money, to the amount of one hundred and four dollars in gold coin, also said imitation gold watch, of the value of twenty dollars, whereby complainant says that he is greatly injured, and hath sustained damage to the amount of one hundred and twenty-four dollars. He also says that he is a resident of Kansas Territory, and that said stealing and loss was sustained in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory in 1856.

He says that he has not received any compensation for the same from any person or persons; and states that the matters and things set forth in the above petition are true.

his
MORGAN + JONES.
mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23d day of November, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *Notary Public.*

Witness in support of the claim of Morgan Jones.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Jacob Jones, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith: That I am well acquainted with Morgan Jones, who has made and subscribed the above complaint, and I know the contents thereof, and I believe the matters and things therein set forth are true.

I live at the house of Morgan Jones, and know that he was the owner of one hundred and four dollars that was in gold in his trunk; also one imitation gold watch, worth about twenty dollars; and that on or about the 22d day of July, A. D. 1856, two men came to the house of said Morgan Jones and broke open the trunk and took the money and watch and ran away. I had just left the house, and went to put a cow out of the corn field, and as I returned I saw the men come out of the cabin and get on their horses and ride away. When I came to the house I saw the trunk broken open and the money and watch gone. I know that Morgan Jones is a resident of Kansas Territory. This was during the difficulties in Kansas Territory in the year A. D. 1856.

And further this deponent saith not.

JACOB JONES.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this first day of December, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD, *J. P.*

I certify, in the foregoing claim of Morgan Jones of \$125, that the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 328.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Johnson. }

Petition of Thomas Johnson, of Johnson county, Territory of Kansas, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Thomas Johnson, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner for auditing claims, that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing out of the difficulties of this Territory, by way of loss of property, since the organization of Kansas Territory, to wit: The loss of one horse, saddle, and bridle, worth the sum of one hundred dollars, and the loss of a match pair of large mules, worth seven hundred dollars. The horse, saddle, and bridle aforesaid were lost about the last of May, 1856, when the Territory was in a state of insurrection and rebellion; armed bodies of men confederated together to resist the laws of said Territory and plunder the peaceable citizens thereof. Your petitioner represents that he furnished said horse to a part of the militia of the said Territory who were acting in support of the laws of said Territory and the protection of peaceable yet exposed citizens; and said horse, whilst in said service, was killed, and your petitioner has never received compensation therefor. Your petitioner represents that at another time he was the legal owner of a pair of large mules, which were stolen by unknown persons, but supposed to be engaged in the resistance to the laws of said Territory. Your petitioner has never recovered the said mules, or any compensation therefor.

THOS. JOHNSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 9th day of January, A. D. 1858.

THOS. J. GOFORTH,
Justice of the Peace, Jackson county, Missouri.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Thomas Johnson, Dr.

To one horse, saddle, and bridle.....	\$100 00
To one pair of carriage mules.....	700 00
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	800 00
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Personally appeared before me Alexander S. Johnson, Alexander Street, and John B. Wornall, who, being duly sworn, depose and say: That the petition and statement of losses of Thomas Johnson, hereunto annexed, have been read to them, and that the facts set forth in said petition are true, and that the value set forth in the annexed statement of losses is correct, just, and true; and your affiants believe said loss accrued to the said Thomas Johnson in consequence of the difficulties in the Territory since its organization.

ALEXANDER S. JOHNSON.
ALEXANDER STREET.
JOHN B. WORNALL.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 8th day of January, 1858.
THOMAS J. GOFORTH,
Justice of the Peace, Jackson county, State of Missouri.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Thomas Johnson, of \$800, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.
H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 329.

STATE OF MISSOURI, *County of Jackson.*

Petition of Thomas H. Rosser, of the county and State aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims" passed by the territorial legislature of Kansas Territory, and approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

I, Thomas H. Rosser, formerly of Kansas Territory, and now a citizen of Westport, Missouri, represent to the honorable the commissioner for auditing claims, that your petitioner has sustained serious losses, to wit: money to the amount of fifteen hundred and thirty-three dollars and ninety cents, consisting principally of twenty dollar gold pieces; and also your petitioner would further represent that his loss was occasioned directly by the difficulties in Kansas Territory; and further, that this loss was sustained in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, on or about the _____ day of _____, in the attack, and resulting directly from the attack made upon Colonel H. T. Titus; also, said money was carefully put away in a carpet sack, with sundry other articles, which were taken at the same time and place; and further, your petitioner represents that said loss was not occasioned by negligence or want of attention on his part, but arose, as before stated, out of the difficulties in Kansas, resulting from the mal-administration of the government of said Territory by the federal officers of the general government in not suppressing rebellion and insurrection.

Thomas H. Rosser, petitioner, makes oath and says that the above petition and the matters therein as stated he believes to be true.

THOMAS H. ROSSER. [L. s]

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 7th day of January, A. D. 1858.

THOMAS J. GOFORTH,
Justice of the Peace, Jackson county, Mo.

STATE OF MISSOURI, *County of Jackson.*

This day personally appeared before me, Thomas J. Goforth, a justice of the peace within and for the county and State aforesaid, Henry N. Rosser, living in the town of Westport, same county and State aforesaid, who, being duly sworn according to law, says: That he was in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, at the time the attack spoken of in the foregoing petition of Thomas H. Rosser, and that he knows the money spoken of in the foregoing petition was taken in said attack, meaning the attack made on Colonel H. T. Titus, and at said Titus' house, and that the amount stated in the petition he believes to be true; also, that, being present, he knows that the loss of said money did not arise from negligence on the part of the petitioner, but was the immediate result of said attack; and further, that this happened on _____, _____, A. D. 1856.

HENRY N. ROSSER. [L. s.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 7th day of January, A. D. 1858.

THOMAS J. GOFORTH,
Justice of the Peace in and for Jackson county, State of Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of Jackson, } ss.

This day personally appeared before me, Thomas J. Goforth, a justice of the peace in and for the county and State aforesaid, Simon B. Myrick, of Jackson county, Kansas Territory, who, being duly sworn according to law, says: That he is well acquainted with Colonel Thomas H. Rosser; that he saw the money named in the above petition in his possession, and that he believes the matters and facts there set forth are true.

SIMON B. MYRICK. [L. s.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 2d day of January, A. D. 1858.

THOMAS J. GOFORTH,
Justice of the Peace in and for Jackson county, State of Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of Jackson, } ss.

I, John R. Swearingen, clerk of the county court within and for the county and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Thomas J. Goforth, whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing affidavits, now is, and was at the time of so doing, an acting justice of the peace within and for the county aforesaid, duly elected, commissioned, and quali-

fied, and that full faith and credit are due to all his official acts as such.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the [L. s.] seal of said court, at office, in the city of Independence, this 9th day of January, A. D. 1858.

JOHN R. SWEARINGEN, *Clerk.*
By B. F. WALLACE, *Deputy Clerk.*

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Thomas H. Rosser, of \$1,533 90, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 330.

To the Commissioner of Claims :

Petition of Harrison R. Rawson, under the act of the territorial assembly, and act supplemental thereto, passed and approved the 23d day of February, 1857, providing for the auditing and certifying all claims for damages in consequence of and arising out of the difficulties in Kansas Territory.

This petition respectfully showeth to this commissioner : That on the 25th day of August, A. D. 1856, and for some time prior thereto, he was a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and lived near the California, some six miles west of Lawrence, or thereabouts ; that this petitioner lived on a claim or farm at the place aforesaid, which he intends to pre-empt, and that this petitioner had at the time and place aforesaid an enclosed field of nine acres of corn and two acres of wheat, worth fifty dollars per acre ; that on or about the time aforesaid this petitioner was the owner of a three-year old heifer, of light red color, with a white star in her forehead, worth twenty dollars ; that on or about the time aforesaid this petitioner was the owner of one rifle, worth thirty dollars ; one rifle-pistol, worth nine dollars, and one revolver, worth eighteen dollars. Your petitioner being the lawful owner of the goods and chattels aforesaid, on or about the time aforesaid the territorial militia of Kansas Territory encamped at Coon Point, near the claim of this petitioner, said militia being under the command of General Richardson, took and carried away said corn and wheat and fed it to their horses, and turned their baggage oxen into said field to feed, so that the crop was entirely destroyed ; and said territorial militia at the same time slaughtered said heifer and eat her, and also took and carried away said rifle, pistol, and revolver, all of which was to the damage of your petitioner of six hundred and twenty-seven dollars ; that none of the above property has been paid for or returned. Therefore your petitioner prays that the sum of six hundred and twenty-seven dollars may be allowed him as his damage in the premises.

HARRISON R. RAWSON.

LAWRENCE, *December 1, 1857.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Harrison R. Rawson, the above petitioner, being duly sworn, says that the above statement of facts is true; and subscribed this 1st day of December, 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Henry Hurd, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is now, and has for the last two years and a half past been, a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory; that he has known the above petitioner, Harrison R. Rawson, ever since May, A. D. 1856; that the petitioner has resided on a farm or claim six miles west of Lawrence, Kansas Territory, ever since their acquaintance; that on or about the 25th of August, A. D. 1856, the above petitioner had one enclosed field of nine or ten acres of corn and two or three acres of wheat, worth forty or fifty dollars per acre; that the petitioner at the same time was the owner and had the possession of one three-year old heifer, worth twenty dollars or more; that the petitioner at the same time was the owner and had the possession of one rifle, worth thirty dollars, and one revolver, worth eighteen dollars; that the above petitioner, being the owner of said goods and chattels aforesaid, this deponent was informed and believes that the territorial militia, under General Richardson, took said rifle and revolver from the house of the petitioner, and that they killed the heifer aforesaid; and this deponent was informed and believes that the militia aforesaid, while encamped at Coon Point, turned their horses into said corn and wheat to feed, and that they cut up said corn and wheat and carried it to the camp to feed their cattle with. This deponent is further informed and believes that the above petitioner has never recovered or received any pay for said property taken away and destroyed as aforesaid.

HENRY HURD.

Sworn to before me, this 1st day of December, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Charles Rand, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is now, and has for the two years and a half last past been, a resident of Douglas county, Kansas Territory; that he has been acquainted with the above petitioner, Harrison R. Rawson, ever since March, 1856; that the above petitioner has resided on a farm or claim six miles west of Lawrence ever since his acquaintance with him; that on and prior to the 25th day of August, A. D. 1856, said petitioner had an enclosed field of eleven acres on his claim aforesaid, nine acres of which was corn and two acres was wheat; that

said wheat and corn was worth fifty dollars per acre at the time aforesaid. The above petitioner was also the owner of one three or four-year old heifer, worth twenty dollars; that at the time and place aforesaid the above petitioner was the owner and possessor of one rifle, worth thirty dollars; also, one revolver, worth eighteen or twenty dollars; also, one rifle-pistol, the value of which this deponent cannot tell; that on or about the time aforesaid the territorial militia, under General Richardson, were encamped at Coon Point, Douglas county, Kansas Territory, and this deponent saw numbers of said militia tear down the fence around said field and turn their horses into said field, and pull and cut up the corn and carry it away to the camp; and that said field of grain was destroyed by said militia, and that said heifer disappeared while said militia were encamped as aforesaid; and this deponent saw said militia take said rifle, revolver, and rifle-pistol, and carry them way from the house of said petitioner. And this deponent further says that none of said property has been recovered or paid for to said petitioner.

CHARLES RAND.

Sworn to before me, this 1st day of December, A. D. 1857.

E. D. LADD,
Justice of the Peace.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Harrison E. Rawson, of \$627, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 331.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of Joab M. Bernard, of the Territory of Kansas, county of Franklin, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Joab M. Bernard, of St. Bernard, Franklin county, Kansas Territory, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner, that he was plundered of a large amount of property during the difficulties in the Territory, and that your petitioner prepared and made out his claim against the government of the United States, for the purpose of applying to Congress for relief, but now offers the said statement of losses and testimony therewith to the consideration of the commissioner, praying that his account may be audited.

JOAB M. BERNARD.

JANUARY 18, 1858.

Statement of goods, wares, merchandise, horses, cattle, money, &c., forcibly robbed, stolen, taken and carried away from the store and

premises of Joab M. Bernard, at St. Bernard, in Franklin county, Kansas Territory; a part of which was taken on or about the 3d day of June, A. D. 1856, and the remainder on or about the 10th day of September of the same year; on the 3d day of June said property and goods were taken by a party of men known as and constituting a part of a company commanded by one John Brown, in opposition to the laws, peace and security of the property and persons of all law-abiding citizens of said Territory. Said detachment numbered about twenty persons, armed with Sharpe's rifles, Colt's revolvers, pistols, Bowie knives, &c., in a violent, threatening, and forcible manner, and within about five miles from said Brown's encampment at that time; and afterwards, on or about the 10th day of said month of September, the balance of the following statement of goods and property was taken by a body of armed men, number not precisely known; and a detachment of the insurgents, under the command of James H. Lane, and encamped at Lawrence at that time, who took the cattle, drove them to their encampment and appropriated them to the use of their army for beef and for other purposes.

Horses.

Three head of large American horses, \$150 each.....	\$450 00
One saddle, bridle and blanket for each horse.....	50 00
Nine yoke of oxen, \$100 per yoke	900 00
Five cows and four beef cattle.....	600 00
Cash taken from the store drawer.....	15 25
	2,015 25

Dry goods.

Blankets, beds, indigo blue, gentinello, green and white, Indian cloths, fancy and lave and gray list, scarlet cloths, cassimeres, satinetts, tweeds, jeans, linseys, woolen goods, flannels, shawls, scarfs, handkerchiefs, cotton and silk, prints, lawns, brown, bleached, and blue drillings, brown and bleached shirting, checks, cottonade and hickory goods, hosiery, gloves, cravats, silk ties, &c., woolen comforts, buttons, thread, portmonaies, fancy notions, &c., &c.....	2,502 43
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Hardware, cullery, &c.

Knives, axes, handles, butts, screws, locks, fastenings, powder-horns, flasks, knives and forks, spoons, gun-flints, powder, shot, lead, gun-caps, &c.....	507 50
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Groceries.

Sugar, coffee, teas, spices, soda, flour, bacon, lard, sale-ratus, crackers, candies, raisins, cut and dried and honey dew tobacco, wood buckets, &c., &c.....	1,050 00
Boots and shoes.....	182 00
	6,730 18

Indian trinkets.

Silver ear-bobs, hair pipe, wampum, brooches, Chinese vermilion, chrome, green and yellow, and other paints, taffata ribbon, Nos. 2, 4, 6, 9, and 12, farating, assorted, rings, and other jewelry, &c.....	\$975 50
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Drugs, medicines, &c.

Quinine, calomel, syrups, cordials, perfumery, cologne, hair oil, essences, tinctures, &c.....	34 00
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Books and stationery.

Pens, ink, foolscap and letter paper, poetical and historical works, letter envelopes, &c.....	42 50
Tin, crockery, stone, and glass ware.....	105 00
Hats and caps, assorted qualities.....	130 25

Total amount.....	8,017 43
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In addition to the above and foregoing account is a statement of the damages and injury to farm, and loss of crop, for the year A. D. 1856: fifty acres of corn, on fine cultivated land, at fifty-five bushels per acre, worth one dollar per bushel.....	2,750 00
By amount saved.....	200 00

Total amount of crop lost.....	2,550 00
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Whole amount.....	10,567 43
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Franklin, } ss.

Joab M. Bernard, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith: That the above and foregoing account is a correct and true statement of the goods, wares, merchandise, money, horses, and cattle, lost by the said Joab M. Bernard during the times that insurrection, murder, and robbery prevailed in the aforesaid Territory of Kansas; and the said Joab M. Bernard further says, that he is a native born citizen of the United States, and a citizen of said Territory; and that he has resided at St. Bernard, in Franklin county, of said Territory, for more than two years, and still resides there; and that he settled in good faith, and desirous of living in a country where law and good order were recognized, and where personal security and the right of property would be regarded by the inhabitants, and guaranteed by the federal arm in its protection to infant Territories. The said Joab M. Bernard further says, that he was engaged in the business of a merchant, and stock raiser, and trading, and had acquired a considerable run of trade, and had on hand a good stock of goods on or about the 3d day of June, A. D. 1856; and the said Joab M. Bernard further

says, that a short time before the said month of June disturbances broke out in the Territory, and a body of men collected together and organized themselves into a band, equipped with Sharpe's rifles, Colt's revolving pistols, Bowie knives, and other deadly weapons, under the command of one Captain John Brown, numbering from one hundred and fifty to two hundred, and were then encamped about five miles from the aforesaid St. Bernard. The said Joab M. Bernard further says, that on or about the 3d day of the said month of June a detachment of the band aforesaid left said encampment, numbering about twenty men, armed and equipped as aforesaid, and mounted on horses, and near nightfall of said day made an attack upon the store of the said Joab M. Bernard, and with threats and violence, and the weapons aforesaid in hand, they forcibly and violently entered the said store, plundering, robbing, and carrying away whatever they then desired, and returning with the same into camp that night; and afterwards, on the next morning, another detachment, armed, equipped, numbering and mounted as aforesaid, and accompanied with wagons, left said band at the place of said encampment, and again marched against said store, about 9 o'clock of said morning, with threats of violence, forcibly and violently entered said store again, and forcibly plundered, robbed, stole and carried away the balance of said goods, horses, and money, loading the same into wagons, and otherwise carrying the said goods, money, and horses, returned into the camp aforesaid, leaving only a few valueless remnants of said stock of goods in store; and the said Joab M. Bernard further says, that the ostensible purpose of the organization of the said band was in opposition to the legal authorities of said Territory, and that their object and aim seemed to be more especially directed against the property of individuals than against the legal authorities and those aiding and assisting in the maintenance of the law. And the said Joab M. Bernard further says, that a considerable number of said band were men from a distance and from parts unknown, the country in which they rendezvoused and ransacked being but sparsely settled with white settlers, the Indians occupying a considerable portion of the country aforesaid. And the said Joab M. Bernard further says, that a short time before the said robbery of him, as aforesaid, he feared the perpetration of the same or some other injury, and made every exertion to procure and obtain assistance, by applying to Colonel Sumner, the commandant of the United States troops at Fort Leavenworth, who refused to give the same, saying that he did not have a sufficient number of troops at his command to afford and give protection to the citizens of the Territory; and also, by applying to the territorial authorities for aid and protection, who likewise failed to render the same. And the said Joab M. Bernard further says, that afterwards, on or about the 10th day of September aforesaid, another large detachment, number not precisely known, left the encampment of James H. Lane, at Lawrence, in Douglas county, of said Territory, and marched in the vicinity of the said St. Bernard, armed, equipped, and mounted, as aforesaid, forcibly and violently robbed, stole, took and carried away from the possession of the said Joab M. Bernard his cattle, as stated in the foregoing account, and drove the same into the

aforesaid camp of James H. Lane, at Lawrence, as aforesaid, where the same were appropriated to the use of said army for beef and work cattle, and some were sold for other purposes. And the said Joab M. Bernard further says, that he has made use of every means in his power to recover the aforesaid goods and property mentioned in the foregoing account. And the said Joab M. Bernard further says, that the most and nearly all of the aforesaid persons in the detachments and armies aforesaid are unknown to him, the said Joab M. Bernard; and, as far as known, are entirely irresponsible and unable to pay for the said goods, so that the said Joab M. Bernard is wholly without remedy for the recovery of the same. And the said Joab M. Bernard further says, that he never associated or identified himself with any parties, organizations, or societies, calculated to disturb the peace and good order of society, but entirely devoted himself to his legitimate business as a peaceable citizen of said Territory. And the said Joab M. Bernard further says, that he was postmaster in the office established at St. Bernard, which was likewise pillaged at the same time. And the said Joab M. Bernard further says, that the losses on his farm, as stated in aforesaid account, are true; and that he, the said Joab M. Bernard, is justly entitled to recover the amount of the aforesaid account, as he verily believes.

JOAB M. BERNARD.

Sworn to and subscribed before the undersigned clerk, this 23d day of December, A. D. 1856. In testimony whereof, I, Charles P. Bullock, clerk of the second district court of the second judicial district in and for the Territory of Kansas, hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said court, this 23d day of December, A. D. 1856.

CHAS. P. BULLOCK, *Clerk.*

By L. McARTHUR, *Deputy.*

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas, } *ss.*

I, John F. Javin, of lawful age, being duly sworn, depose and say: That I am a citizen of Franklin county, Kansas Territory, and have been residing within half a mile of Joab M. Bernard, of St. Bernard, for the period of two years; that, on or about the 1st day of September, A. D. 1856, I met a party of men on the road leading from the aforesaid place to Lawrence, and travelling towards Lawrence, in Douglas county, with a lot of cattle in their possession, several of which I knew to be the property of Joab M. Bernard, and many others I have every reason to believe were his, from the description given of said cattle by the aforesaid Joab M. Bernard and other persons acquainted with the cattle of said Bernard. I further state, that I visited the store of the said Joab M. Bernard the same day after it was robbed by a body of armed men, and know, from my previous knowledge and acquaintance with the establishment, that many and a considerable quantity of valuable goods and merchandise were taken from said store. I further state, that on the day and within a short time of the robbery of said store I saw a body of armed men within half a mile and marching towards said store, and at the same time of

the robbery aforesaid the country was thronged with large bodies of armed men travelling in various directions.

JOHN F. JAVEN.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas and County of Franklin. }

James B. Davis, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is a native citizen of the United States and a resident of the Territory of Kansas, and has resided with Joab M. Bernard, of St. Bernard, for near the space of one year, in the capacity of clerk in his mercantile establishment at St. Bernard, and also his assistant in his business as a trader and otherwise; and also, that the above and foregoing account is a correct and true statement of the goods, property, money, and crop lost by the said Bernard during the months of June and September and the farming season of the A. D. 1856; and that he was in the store, with three others, on the evening of the 3d and on the morning of the 4th of said month of June, when the bodies of men armed with Sharpe's rifles, pistols, Bowie knives, and other deadly weapons, came upon the premises and attacked and rushed into the said store; and that he, with the others present, were deterred, threatened, and overpowered by the desperadoes aforesaid, with said formidable weapons in hand, who demanded a surrender of the goods and chattels of said Bernard to be made without delay, threatening immediate death and destruction should the slightest resistance be offered them; and with the overpowering force aforesaid they violently plundered and robbed the said store, and packing the said goods and money into wagons and other conveyances, and taking the horses, saddles, and bridles, carried the same away to the place of their encampment. And the said James B. Davis further says, that, at the time of the robbery aforesaid, the country for some distance round about St. Bernard was infested with armed bands of marauders, who plundered and robbed a great many persons, and sometimes killing and burning the houses of those who offered resistance to their robberies; and at the time of the robbery of the said Barnard a large number of the said marauders were encamped about five miles distant from the said St. Bernard, under the command of one Captain John Brown, nearly all of whom were strangers in this part of the Territory, and from places unknown to this affiant; and also, all of the men who robbed the store and took the property of the said Bernard, with one or two exceptions, were unknown to this affiant, and, as far as known, are entirely worthless, both in property and character, so that an action against them for the recovery of the property would be entirely unavailable. And the said James B. Davis further says, that on or about the 10th day of September aforesaid, and during the disturbances occasioned by James H. Lane and his followers, the cattle of the said Joab M. Bernard were taken from his possession and driven to Lawrence, where the same were exchanged and appropriated by the confederates of James H. Lane for various purposes, nearly all of whom are strangers to this affiant. And James B. Davis also states that the post office papers and drawers were rummaged and pillaged to a considerable extent.

JAMES B. DAVIS.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas, Franklin County. }

Arrena Davis, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That she was present and upon the premises of Joab M. Bernard, and witnessed the robbery of the store of the said Bernard, on the evening of the 3d and on the morning of the 4th of June, A. D. 1856, and saw a number of armed men surround and attack the store of said Bernard, and, with threats and violence, enter said store, and forcibly plunder, rob, and steal, and carry off the goods and merchandise therein contained; and also, from the premises of said Bernard, she likewise saw them take away the horses, saddles, and bridles of said Bernard; and that the miscreants who committed the outrages aforesaid were rude, uncivil, and insulting in their actions; that after they had stripped the store and farm-houses and stables of their valuable contents, they forcibly intruded themselves into her private apartment, and presented several guns at her, and demanded of her any and all valuable goods and articles in her possession. And the said Arrena Davis further says, that the robbers aforesaid were unknown to her, and were desperate and vicious-looking men, appearing more like barbarians than civilized beings. And the said Arrena Davis further says, that the said Joab M. Bernard had a considerable drove of cattle, which were likewise driven off by some marauding band about the 10th of September, A. D. 1856, and during the troubles which commenced about the 1st day of August, and quieted down about the middle of said month of September, A. D. 1856.

ARRENA DAVIS.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas, County of Franklin, } 86.

José Remadoes, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is a resident of the Territory of Kansas, and has resided with Joab M. Bernard for the period of one year, in the capacity of herder or keeper of stock, and that he was present on the 3d and 4th of June, A. D. 1856, and saw the body of armed men, numbering about twenty, armed with guns, pistols, and Bowie knives, and, with loud threats and violence, forcibly rush into the store of the said Joab M. Bernard, and, while himself and three others were kept under guard, with guns and pistols presented at them, the said marauders plundered, robbed, and stole the goods, wares, and merchandise from said store; and the said José Remadoes further says, that he also saw them take away the horses, saddles, and bridles of him, the said Bernard, and that they also made him, the said José Remadoes, with guns and pistols presented at him, threatening to shoot him instantly if he did not, get the bridles and saddles and saddle up the horses of the said Bernard for them, which he was obliged to do, and then they rode the same away. Said José Remadoes further says, that the armed men aforesaid were detachments from an encampment of about 200 men, under the command of one Captain John Brown; and the said José Remadoes further says, that on or about the 10th day of September, A. D. 1856, the said Bernard was in the possession of about thirty-five (35) head

of cattle, (ten yoke of work cattle, nine head of beef cattle, and the balance cows and calves,) and that the same were, on or about the 10th day of September aforesaid, driven off by some marauding party, and lost to the said Joab M. Bernard; and the said Jose Remadoes further says, that the cattle aforesaid were driven off by men unknown, and towards Lawrence, where James H. Lane was then encamped with a large body of outlaws.

JOSE ^{his} × REMADOES,
mark.

Attest—

WILLIAM E. CRUM.

All of the above and foregoing affidavits were sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of December, A. D. 1856.

In testimony whereof, I, Charles P. Bullock, clerk of the second district court of the second judicial district of the Territory of Kansas, hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said court, this 25th day of December, A. D. 1856.

CHA'S P. BULLOCK, *Clerk,*
By L. McARTHUR, *Deputy.*

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of Jackson, City of Westport. }

This day, the 29th of December, 1856, personally came before me, Thomas J. Goforth, a justice of the peace in and for the county and State aforesaid, George T. Kezer, of Kansas Territory, who being duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with Joab M. Bernard, of St. Bernard, Kansas Territory, and was, until a few days prior to the 1st day of June, 1856, associated with him in the mercantile business. I conducted a separate establishment at a place about five miles distant from St. Bernard, in Franklin county. At this store there were Indian cloths, blankets, scarfs, handkerchiefs, prints, wool goods, beads, wampum, hair pipe, ear-bobs, drilling, and domestic satinets, and a general assortment of dry goods, clothing, hardware, queensware, groceries, provisions, &c., all of which were removed from my separate store-house to the main establishment of J. M. Bernard, and received by him only a few days before the robbery of his store. Before the robbery I sold my entire interest in the establishment to said Bernard, and believe that there were six thousand dollars' worth of goods in his said store when it was pillaged, and there may have been more.

G. T. KEZER. [L. s.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a justice of the peace as aforesaid, the day and year above written.

THOMAS J. GOFORTH,
Justice of the Peace in and for Jackson county,
State of Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson. }

I, Samuel D. Lucas, clerk of the circuit court of Jackson county, certify that Thomas J. Goforth, whose genuine signature is attached to the above affidavit, is, and was at the time of signing the same, a justice of the peace, duly sworn and commissioned in and for Kaw township, Jackson county, Missouri.

In testimony of which I have hereunto attached the seal of this office, this the 31st day of December, 1856.

SAMUEL D. LUCAS, *Clerk.*

I certify in the foregoing claim of Joab M. Bernard, of \$10,567 43, that the whole amount is proven and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 332.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Jefferson. }

Petition of Alexander Bayne, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

Alexander Bayne, of the county of Jefferson, in the Territory of Kansas, would respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner that he sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties existing in Kansas Territory during the fall and winter of the year 1855.

He states that the militia of Kansas Territory, called out by a proclamation of Governor Shannon, and under the command of Colonel Payne, at said time they were stationed near the residence of your petitioner, in Jefferson county, Kansas, your petitioner furnished said militia with ninety-six bushels of corn, which was used by said militia, and was worth one dollar per bushel; and at the same time and place he furnished said militia with thirty-five stacks of fodder, which was used by said militia, and worth fifty cents per shock. All of which your petitioner would most respectfully submit, and pray that the same be paid.

ALEXANDER BAYNE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this 16th day of February, 1858.

DAVID J. MITCHELL,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Larrett Todd, who being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Alexander Bayne, knows him to have been a citizen of the Territory during the year 1855; that on or about the 10th of December, 1855, a company of militia, under command of Colonel Payne, a duly commissioned officer of the militia, and acting at that time under proclamation of Governor Shannon, to sustain the laws and maintain the peace of the Territory, came to the premises of Mr. Bayne and asked and was furnished about ninety-six bushels of corn and thirty-five stacks of fodder, all of which was for the support of said militia company. The corn was worth \$1 a bushel, and stack or shock was worth fifty cents each; this was the sum agreed to be paid. Your deponent was present, and quartermaster at the time to the company.

LARRETT TODD.

Sworn and subscribed to, before me, this 7th day of November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

Territory of Kansas to Alexander Bayne, Dr.

1855.

December 10. To 96 bushels corn furnished to Kansas militia, at \$1 per bushel	-	-	-	\$96 00
To 35 shocks of fodder furnished to Kansas militia, at 50 cents per shock	-	-	-	17 50
				<u>113 50</u>

I hereby certify that in the claim of Alexander Bayne there is proven, of public class, \$113 50, and I hereby award to the said Alexander Bayne that amount.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

No. 333.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims, under the provisions of "An act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplemental thereto," both passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, in accordance with the acts above mentioned, and your notice to claimants, issued from LeCompton August 28, 1857, represents: That on the 6th day of September, A. D. 1856, an armed force composed of eleven persons, unknown to your petitioner, and calling themselves "Lane's men," by force and arms, took from and robbed your petitioner, he being sick on his bed, and unable to protect his property at the time, of the following property, to wit: Two bay mares, each worth \$125; also one gray mare, worth \$150; one colt,

worth \$50 ; one mule, worth \$75 ; one stove, which was broken to pieces by the parties aforesaid, of the value of \$15 ; two scythes carried away, worth \$5 ; rigging for a two-horse wagon, comprising tongue, double-tree, and chains, also carried away, of the value of \$10. Your petitioner further states that at the time of the aforesaid robbery, he was living on the Neosho river, about three miles above the junction of the Cottonwood and Neosho rivers, in what was called Madison county, Kansas Territory, where he had been residing since the spring of 1855 ; he had built a house, and was cultivating 35 acres of corn, which your petitioner estimates at 400 bushels, and also one acre and a half of potatoes, estimated at 50 bushels, and worth at least one dollar per bushel ; all of which crops the aforesaid marauding party, by continual incursions upon your petitioner's property, from time to time, after the 6th day of September, 1856, aforesaid, carried off, sold, and destroyed, from your petitioner, damaging him to the sum total of the value of the same, or to the amount of \$1,035 ; your petitioner further states that none of the above property has ever been returned, nor has he received any compensation therefor. Your petitioner therefore prays that his claim, as aforesaid, may be duly audited, and that he may have such relief as is proper, in accordance with the acts aforesaid, in such case made and provided.

JAMES ^{his} × CONNELL.
mark.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas. }

This day, personally appeared before the undersigned clerk of the United States district court, in and for the third judicial district, Kansas Territory, James Connell, who is personally known to me, who, after being duly sworn, according to law, on his oath, states that the matters set forth in the foregoing petition are true and correct.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of the said court, at office, this the 18th day of November, A. D. 1857.

SAML. A. WILLIAMS,
Clerk Third Judicial District Court, K. T.

Two bay mares, worth, each, \$125.....	\$250 00
One gray mare, worth.....	150 00
One colt, (mare,) worth.....	50 00
One mule, (mare,) worth.....	75 00
One prairie plow, worth.....	25 00
One stove, worth.....	15 00
Five hoes, worth.....	5 00
Two scythes, worth.....	5 00
Tongue, doubletree, and chains to wagon.....	10 00
Thirty-five acres of corn, 400 bushels.....	400 00
One acre and a half of potatoes, 50 bushels.....	50 00
Total.....	1,035 00

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 18th day of November, 1857.

SAMUEL A. WILLIAMS,
Clerk 3d Judicial District Court, K. T.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas. }

Personally appeared before me, clerk of the United States district court, 3d judicial district, Kansas Territory, Porter Simmons, and having been duly sworn, deposes and says: That he was present at the time the party come upon the petitioner, James Connell, as set forth in the petition of said Connell, hereto attached, and that the facts set forth in the petition of said Connell, as to the property carried off and destroyed, and the items thereof, as set forth in the account accompanying the same and the value thereof, are just and true, according to the best of his knowledge and belief, said petition and account having been read in his presence and hearing.

PORTER SIMMONS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this the 18th day of November, 1857.

SAMUEL A. WILLIAMS,
Clerk 3d Judicial District Court, K. T.

SCOTT TOWNSHIP, }
Bourbon county, K. T., } ss.

Personally appeared before me, C. B. Wingfield, a justice of the peace in and for the county of Bourbon, Kansas Territory, Charles P. Bullock, personally known to me, who, being examined and sworn, deposes and says: That James Connell, with a number of other families, passed through Fort Scott about the middle of September, A. D. 1856, said Connell and others stating that they were fleeing from the Neosho river, in this Territory, having been driven from their homes by an armed body of men, calling themselves Lane's'' or "Brown's" men. This affiant further states that he was consulted by some of the fleeing party aforesaid with regard to the safety and the course to be adopted by them, and the propriety of a petition to the governor to quarter a portion of the United States troops in this portion of the Territory to protect them in their possessions; and this affiant believes the said Connell, the petitioner, to be the identical same person forming a part of the retreating party aforesaid; and further states that, from his knowledge of the character of petitioner, he believes his statements in his petition to be true.

CHARLES P. BULLOCK.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this the 18th day of November, A. D. 1857.

CHARLES B. WINGFIELD,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Bourbon County. }

I, James J. Farley, clerk of the county court of said county, do hereby certify that Charles B. Wingfield, whose name appears subscribed to the foregoing affidavit, is and was at the time of subscribing the same, an acting justice of the peace for Scott township, in said county and Territory, duly commissioned and qualified, and that all of his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit as such, and that his signature is genuine.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at office in the town of Fort Scott, this 18th [L. s.] day of November, A. D. 1857.

JAMES J. FARLEY,
Clerk County Court.

SCOTT TOWNSHIP, }
Bourbon County, K. T. }

Personally appeared before me, C. B. Wingfield, a justice of the peace in and for Scott township, Bourbon county, K. T., Thomas B. Arnett, personally known to me, who, being sworn and examined, deposes and says: That on or about the middle of September, A. D. 1856, a party composed of about twenty families passed through Fort Scott, K. T., fleeing from the Neosho river, in said Territory; that said party stated that the wife of one of the party (one Christopher Cowar) had been killed on the Neosho, (and that they buried her the day before they left,) by "Brown's company" or "Lane's men;" and affiant further states that the petitioner, James Connell, was one of the said party of fugitives, according to the best of his knowledge and belief, and that from his knowledge of the said Connell he believes the facts set forth in his petition to be true.

THOS. B. ARNETT.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this the 18th day of November, 1857.

CHAS. B. WINGFIELD,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Bourbon County, } *ss.*

I, James J. Farley, clerk of the county court of said county, do hereby certify that Charles B. Wingfield, whose name appears subscribed to the foregoing affidavit, is and was at the time of signing the same an acting justice of the peace for Scott township, in the county and Territory aforesaid, duly commissioned and qualified, and that all of his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit as such, and that his signature is genuine.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said court, at office in the town of Fort Scott, this [L. s.] the 18th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JAMES J. FARLEY,
Clerk County Court.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of James Connell there is proven, of private class, \$1,035, and I hereby award to the said James Connell the sum of \$1,035.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 334.

To the honorable commissioner, appointed under the provision of an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims."

The petitioner, John Kelly, a resident of the county of Leavenworth, and Territory of Kansas, makes the following statement: That he was the owner and possessor of an iron-gray horse in said county; and that, about September of the fall of 1856, during the difficulties in the Territory of Kansas, the said horse was taken from the possession of this petitioner, in said county, by armed men; and that the loss of said horse was consequent on the said difficulties in this Territory; and this petitioner states that he has never been able to obtain his property thereafter, and that the same is totally lost to him. And your petitioner states that the value of said horse was about the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars. And your petitioner further states, that, about the same time, two other horses were taken from this petitioner, in said county, by armed men, and were not found by your petitioner until about six weeks after, greatly damaged, to wit: The sum of fifty dollars, and the loss of said first horse and the damages to the other two, was consequent on the difficulties in this Territory in the fall of 1856.

JOHN KELLY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the county of Leavenworth, Kansas Territory.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my [SEAL.] notarial seal, at the city of Leavenworth, this 9th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOSEPH KELLOGG,
Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

This affiant, Samuel H. Cook, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith: That he was, in the fall of 1856, a resident of Leavenworth county, Kansas Territory; that he knows that John Kelly, the petitioner in the above petition, resided in said county in the fall of 1856, and that he lost the horse, as stated in his petition, by armed men taking the same by force from him. And this affiant knows that the two horses stated in the petition above were also taken from the petitioner as therein stated, and that they were not found for about six weeks. This affiant knows the condition of said horses

when they were taken and when they were found, and should judge the damage thereto to be as stated in the petition, about fifty dollars; and the value of the first horse, the iron-gray, was as stated in the petition, about one hundred and fifty dollars.

SAMUEL H. COOK.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, a notary public within and for the county of Leavenworth, Kansas Territory.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my [SEAL.] notarial seal, at the city of Leavenworth, this 9th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOSEPH KELLOGG.

Notary Public.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of John Kelly there is proven \$200; and I hereby award to him the same, (\$200) Private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

No. 335.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner for auditing claims, under an act to provide for the auditing of claims, and the act supplementary thereto, both passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, in accordance with the acts above mentioned, and your notice, August 28, 1857, represents that, on the 6th day of September, A. D. 1856, an armed force, composed of eleven men, unknown to your petitioner, and calling themselves "Lane's men," took from and robbed your petitioner, by force and threats, of the following property, to wit: Twelve acres of corn, one-half seed corn and one-half on second years' land, estimated at two hundred bushels, and worth, at the time, one dollar per bushel; also one acre of potatoes, estimated at fifty (50) bushels, and worth one dollar per bushel.

Your petitioner further states that, at the time he was driven from his home by the armed force aforesaid, he was renting the land above mentioned, and that the number of acres above mentioned was his share of the rented land, and that he was entitled to the crop thereon, but that he was driven from the neighborhood by said force, believing his life to be in danger; and that the said armed force, after his departure, took, carried off, sold, and destroyed the whole of said crop, as above stated, and that none of the said property has ever been returned, nor has he received any compensation therefor. Your petitioner further states, that said crop was on a claim of one Jefferson Pigman, and located on the Neosho river, in what was called Madison county, about two miles and a half above the junction of the Neosho and Cottonwood rivers, Kansas Territory.

Your petitioner, therefore, prays that his claim, as aforesaid, may be duly audited, and that he may have such relief as is proper in accordance with the acts aforesaid in such case made and provided.

PORTER SIMMONS.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas. }

This day personally appeared before the undersigned, clerk of the United States district court in and for the the third judicial district, Kansas Territory, Porter Simmons, who is personally known to me, who, after being duly sworn according to law, on his oath, states that the matters set forth in the foregoing petition are true and correct.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at office, this 28th day of November, A. D. 1857.

SAMUEL A. WILLIAMS,
Clerk Third Judicial District Court, K. T.

Twelve acres of corn, 200 bushels, at \$1 per bushel.....	\$200 00
One acre of potatoes, 50 bushels, at \$1 per bushel.....	50 00

Sum total.....	\$250 00

Subscribed and sworn to before me, November 18, A. D. 1857.

SAMUEL A. WILLIAMS,
Clerk Third Judicial District Court, K. T.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas. }

Personally appeared before me, clerk of the United States district court of the third judicial district, James Connell, who is personally known to me, who being sworn and examined deposes and says: That he was cognizant of the attack of the armed force, calling themselves "Lane's men," upon the petitioner, Porter Simmons, as set forth in the petition of said Simmons hereunto attached, and that the facts set forth in the petition of said Simmons as to the property carried off and destroyed by said armed force, and as to the account accompanying the said petition and the items therein contained, and the value thereof, are just and true to the best of his knowledge and belief, said account and petition being read in his presence and hearing.

JAMES ^{his} X CONNELL.
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Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 18th November, 1857.

SAMUEL A. WILLIAMS,
Clerk Third Judicial District Court, K. T.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
Territory of Kansas. }

Personally appeared before me, Samuel A. Williams, clerk of the United States district court for the third judicial district of Kansas Territory, Charles B. Wingfield, personally known to me, who being duly sworn and examined deposes and says: That on or about the middle of September, A. D. 1856, Porter Simmons, with a number of other families, passed through Fort Scott, Kansas Territory, as

this affiant believes; said Simmons and others stating that they were fleeing from the Neosho river, in this Territory, having been driven from their homes by an armed body of men calling themselves "Lane's" or "Brown's men;" and from affiant's knowledge of the circumstances and the character of said Simmons, affiant believes the facts set forth in said Simmons' petition to be true.

C. B. WINGFIELD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 18th day of November, A. D. 1857.

SAMUEL A. WILLIAMS,
Clerk Third Judicial District Court, K. T.

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Porter Simmons of \$250, there is proven, of a private class, that amount, and I hereby award the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars to the said Porter Simmons.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

No. 336.

To the Honorable H. J. Strickler.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leecompton, } ss.

Petition of Thomas Fahey, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature, entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Thomas Fahey, of the county and Territory aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner that I have sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, by way of loss of property since the organization of the Territory, as follows, to wit: The destruction, by fire, of my house, situated on Cherokee street, in the city of Leavenworth, county and Territory aforesaid, together with all my furniture, my bar and bar fixtures, an assortment of jewelry and cutlery, my stock of liquors, and the clothing of myself and family, amounting in value to sixteen hundred dollars; and I, the said Thomas Fahey, would further represent unto the honorable commissioner that the said fire was not the result of accident or carelessness, but that it was the work of an incendiary, instigated to the perpetration thereof by motives of political hostility; that the reasons for believing the destruction of my property to be an act of political incendiarism are the following: 1st. That I am and have been ever since my arrival in the Territory a member of the "law and order party." 2d. That sometime previous to the destruction of my property as aforesaid, an election was held in the city of Leavenworth, at which the ballot-box was taken by some members of the "law and order party" and conveyed by them, without my consent, into my house, which so exasperated the free State men of the

county and Territory aforesaid as to induce them to threaten then the destruction of my property. 3d. That on another occasion, and previous to the destruction of my property as aforesaid, a body of men in the service of the "law and order party" visited the city of Leavenworth, entered the office of the "Territorial Register," a public newspaper published in said city of Leavenworth as the organ of the free State party, and taking therefrom the press of said office threw it into the waters of the Missouri river; that after the destruction of the press aforesaid, said body of men went to the house of your petitioner, making it their rendezvous, and thereby procuring for it the odium of the free State party. 4th. That at the time of and long before the destruction of my property as aforesaid, I was the keeper of a house of public entertainment, and as such could not refuse entertainment to the body of men aforesaid—I was compelled by the law of the land to furnish them with whatever they might request, and to receive them within my house. 5th. That neither at the time of the destruction of my property as aforesaid, nor at any time since, have I in any manner, either by words or acts, given to any individuals, not members of that party, a provocation to injure me either in person or property, and that the destruction of my property as aforesaid was a wanton and reckless disregard of the rights of private property, and a palpable violation of the laws of the land. 6th. That a short time previous to the destruction of my property as aforesaid I was informed by a free State man that the members of his party intended to burn my house down, alleging as reason therefor the fact of the ballot-box, already alluded to, having been carried there, and by said free State man was advised to guard my property; which advice I followed, but without being able to prevent its destruction. And I, the said Thomas Fahey, do further represent unto the honorable commissioner, that none of the property described herein and in the accompanying statement of loss, has ever been restored to me, nor have I received any compensation for this loss.

THOMAS FAHEY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JOHN M. TAYLOR, J. P.

Statement of loss sustained by Thomas Fahey, in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in the Territory of Kansas, since the organization of said Territory.

One house.....	\$800
House furniture.....	150
Jewelry and cutlery.....	400
Ice cooler.....	50
Clothing and bedding.....	100
Bar and bar fixtures.....	100
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Thomas Fahey being by me duly sworn, makes oath and says, that the foregoing statement of loss is just, true, and correct, and that he has received no compensation therefor.

THOMAS FAHEY.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

J. M. TAYLOR, *J. P.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *ss.*

I, H. B. C. Harris, clerk of the board of county commissioners within and for the county aforesaid, do certify that Jno. M. Taylor, whose name appears signed to the foregoing certificate or proof of acknowledgment, is now, and was at the time of signing the same, a justice of the peace for said county, duly commissioned and qualified, and authorized to take such certificate or proof of acknowledgment. I am well acquainted with his handwriting, and believe the above to be genuine.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the [SEAL.] seal of said board of county commissioners, it being a court of record, at office in Kickapoo city, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1857.

HENRY B. C. HARRIS, *Clerk.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } *ss.*

This day personally appeared before me, John M. Taylor, a justice of the peace in and for Leavenworth township, county and Territory aforesaid, Jacob Kaiser and Alexander Traskonski, who having been duly sworn, upon their oaths depose and state: That the petition and statement of loss of Thomas Fahey, hereunto annexed, has been read by them, and the facts set forth in said petition and statement of loss are true, and that the values affixed to the several articles therein alleged to be lost are correct and just; also, that the several reasons assigned by said Thomas Fahey, in his petition aforesaid, for believing that the destruction of his property aforesaid was an act of political incendiarism, in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties in this Territory, are true and well founded, and that your affiants so affirm them to be to the best of their knowledge and belief. And your affiants further affirm, that the losses set forth in the petition of said Thomas Fahey, and in his statement of loss aforesaid, have been sustained since the organization of the Territory.

ALEX. TRASKONSKI.
JACOB KAISER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1857.

JOHN M. TAYLOR, *J. P.*

I hereby certify that in the foregoing claim of Thomas Fahey, of \$1,600, there is proven of a private class \$1,600, and I hereby award the sum of sixteen hundred dollars to the said Thomas Fahey.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 337.

To the Hon. H. J. Strickler, commissioner appointed under "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," and the act supplemental thereto, both passed and approved February 23, 1857.

Your petitioner, William Nichols, represents that during the difficulties arising from the unsettled state of affairs in Kansas Territory, during the fall of the year 1856, a party of men came to his house in Fort Scott, Kansas Territory, and demanded of him that he should deliver to them certain property, to wit: One mule, worth \$125; one wagon and harness, worth \$75; and a pony, saddle, and bridle, worth \$75; and took the same from your petitioner, giving him nothing in compensation therefor. Your petitioner further states that none of the above mentioned property has ever been returned to him, nor has he ever received any compensation therefore. He therefore asks that his claim may be duly audited. Your petitioner further states that this property was taken by the militia by order of captain M. M. Bogus.

WM. NICHOLS. [L. S.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 24th day of December, A. D. 1857.

CHARLES B. WINGFIELD.

Justice of the Peace.

1 mule, worth.....	\$125 00
1 wagon and harness, worth.....	75 00
1 pony, saddle, and bridle.....	75 00

Sum total.....	275 00
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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Bourbon, } ss.

Personally appeared before me, Charles B Wingfield, a justice of the peace in and for the county and Territory aforesaid, William Nichols, personally known to me, who being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says: That facts set forth in the foregoing petition, and account, and the items thereof, as well as the value thereof, are just and true.

WM. NICHOLS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of December, A. D. 1857.

CHARLES B. WINGFIELD.

Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Bourbon, } ss.

Personally appeared before me, Charles B. Wingfield, justice of the peace for and in the county and Territory aforesaid, Daniel F. Greenwood, personally known to me, who being of lawful age and sworn according to law, deposeth and says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner, William Nichols, the petitioner in the foregoing petition and account, and the facts set forth in said petition as to the manner in which said property was taken from said petitioner, and the items thereof, and the value of said property, as set forth therein are just and true.

DANIEL F. GREENWOOD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 24th day of December, A. D. 1857.

CHARLES B. WINGFIELD,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Bourbon, } ss.

Personally appeared before me, C. B. Wingfield, a justice of the peace in and for the county and Territory aforesaid, William W. Greenwood, personally known to me, who being of lawful age, and sworn according to law, deposes and says: That he is acquainted with William Nichols, the petitioner in the foregoing petition and account; that the facts set forth in said petition as to the manner in which the said petitioner lost his property, and the items thereof as set forth, and the value of said property as set forth therein, are all, and singular, just and true.

WILLIAM W. GREENWOOD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 24th day of December, A. D. 1857.

CHARLES B. WINGFIELD,
Justice of the Peace.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Bourbon, } ss.

I, James J. Farley, clerk of the county court of said county, do hereby certify that Charles B. Wingfield, whose name appears subscribed to the foregoing petition and affidavits, is an acting justice of the peace of said county, duly commissioned and qualified, and that all of his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit; and that his signature above subscribed is genuine.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at office, in the town of Fort Scott, this 25th [L. s.] day of December, A. D. 1857.

JAMES J. FARLEY,
Clerk C. C.

In the foregoing claim of \$275, there is proven of a public class two hundred and seventy-five dollars, and I hereby award the same to the said William Nichols.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

No. 338.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Under an act entitled an act to audit claims, passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857 :

I, David Bailey, of the firm of Bailey & Brother, of the town of Lecompton, county of Douglas, Territory of Kansas, represent unto the honorable commissioner for auditing claims, that your petitioner was merchandising in the town of Lecompton during the year of 1856, and that about the first of September of said year, when the Territory was in a state of great excitement and disturbance, the acting governor having called out the militia to preserve the peace, that about this time, (September 1, 1856,) a part of said militia was camped in Lecompton, and upon the order of Colonel Rogers (an officer of the militia) your petitioner furnished said militia with a bill of goods (more especially set forth in schedule) to the amount of \$36 32. These goods were sold to said Colonel Rogers at the regular retail price, and were purchased for the use and benefit of said militia ; for said goods your petitioner has never received pay.

DAVID BAILEY.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the 16th day of February, 1858
H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to Bailey & Brother, Dr.

1856.		
September 1.	For 44½ yards muslin, at 16 cents.....	\$7 12
	98 yards.....do....at 15 cents.....	14 70
	1 pair blankets.....	6 50
	Needles and thread.....	40
	2 pieces rope.....	60
3.	5 gallons molasses.....	5 00
	15 pounds candles.....	1 00
	2 sacks salt.....	1 00
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James G. Bailey, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he has heard the foregoing petition read, and knows the facts that are set forth to be true; your affiant states that he sold the goods to the said Colonel Rogers, mentioned in the petition, upon condition that the said Colonel Rogers should pay the same, which he never did.

JAMES G. BAILEY.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 16th day of February, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

In the foregoing claim of Bailey & Brother, of \$36 32, there is proven of public class thirty-six dollars and thirty-two cents, and I hereby award the same.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

No. 339.

To the honorable commissioner appointed under the provision of an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims"

The petitioner, Samuel H. Cook, a resident of the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, makes the following statement: That he was the owner and possessor of a sorrel horse, and that about September, of the fall of 1856, during the difficulties in the territory of Kansas, the said horse was taken from the possession, in said county, of this petitioner by armed men, and that the loss of said horse was consequent on the said difficulties in this Territory; and this petitioner states that he has never been able to obtain his property thereafter, and that the same is wholly lost to him. And your petitioner states that the value of said horse was about the sum of one hundred dollars. And your petitioner makes this statement to obtain the allowance under said law of 23d of February, A. D. 1856.

SAMUEL H. COOK.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for the county of Leavenworth, Kansas Territory.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed [L. s.] my notarial seal, at the city of Leavenworth, this 9th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOSEPH KELLOGG,

Notary Public.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Leavenworth, } ss.

This affiant, John Kelly, of lawful age, a resident of the county of Leavenworth and Territory of Kansas, being duly sworn, deposeseth: That he has been acquainted with the petitioner in the annexed petition for some time, and that he knows that the horse mentioned in his

petition was taken from him in the manner and form as therein stated, and that the loss of said property to said petitioner was consequent on the difficulties in said Territory, in the fall of A. D. 1856. And the affiant states that the said horse was of the value stated in said petition, of one hundred dollars.

JOHN KELLY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for said [L. S.] county. In testimony whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my seal, this 9th of December, A. D. 1857.

JOS. KELLOGG,
Notary Public.

In the foregoing claim of Samuel H. Cook, of \$100, there is proven, of a private class, \$100, and I hereby award the sum of one hundred dollars to the said Samuel H. Cook.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 340.

I, Paris Ellison, of the county of Douglas and Territory of Kansas, respectfully represent: That I was, during the year 1856, the legal owner of thirty-three head of hogs; they ran upon the common; were fat and fine hogs. During the disturbances of that year United States troops had encamped in the vicinity of my place. My hogs ran in and about the camp and the soldiers shot them, from time to time, until they all disappeared. The hogs were in good condition and the soldiers shot and butchered them. The soldiers under command of Colonel Cook killed a part, and the detachment of United States troops stationed at General Clark's, Indian agent, killed the others. I have never received compensation or indemnity in any manner.

PARIS ELLISON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27th November, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

Territory of Kansas to Paris Ellison, Dr.

To 33 hogs killed by United States troops, at \$3 a piece..... \$99

Witness for Mr. Ellison.

James D. Todhunter, who, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. Ellison; knows him to be a citizen of the Territory, and that he resided near Lecompton during the summer of 1856, and during that summer the United States forces were encamped in Lecompton; that it was a fact notorious that the soldiers of the United States army encamped at this place, shot and butchered hogs whenever

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opportunity afforded; know that Mr. Ellison's hogs ranged about the camp, and saw on one occasion a hog skin in the camp of the United States soldiers, with Mr. Ellison's ear-marks; know that they shot the neighbors' hogs; know that Mr. Ellison had a good many hogs.

JAMES D. TODHUNTER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30th day of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

In the foregoing claim of Paris Ellison, of \$99, there is proven, of a public class \$99, and I hereby award to the said Paris Ellison the sum of ninety-nine dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } ss.

Petition of Paris Ellison, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Paris Ellison, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner: That about the time that Colonel James H. Lane marched what was styled the "northern army" into Kansas Territory, and at which time the Territory was in a disturbed condition, one horse, the property of your petitioner, was stolen and taken away by unknown persons. Your petitioner believes the horse was stolen by persons engaged in the rebellion then going on in the Territory, as the horse was afterwards seen in the possession of persons engaged in the insurrectionary movements. Your petitioner further states, about the 1st of September that, having been driven away from home by threats of violence and other causes arising from the disturbed condition of the county, his corn, cabbage, and other vegetables were taken away or destroyed, and believes the same to have been destroyed by marauders who were in direct resistance to the government and constituted authorities. Your petitioner believes that the horse was worth, upon a reasonable and fair valuation, one hundred and fifty dollars and that the corn and vegetables taken away or destroyed to have been worth one hundred dollars, for which your petitioner has never, in any manner, received compensation or indemnity.

PARIS ELLISON.

Sworn to and subscribed the 18th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

Territory of Kansas to Paris Ellison, Dr.

1856. To one horse.....	\$150 00
To corn, cabbage, and other vegetables.....	100 00
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PARIS ELLISON.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this the 18th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for Auditing Claims.

A. J. Hoole, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. Paris Ellison; that he resided in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, during the year 1856; that he believes the facts set forth in the petition of Mr. Ellison to be true; believes that the estimates of the lost property made by Mr. Ellison to be correct.

A. J. HOOLE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 18th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

J. J. Cramner, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. Ellison; knows that he resided in Douglas county, Kansas Territory, during the year 1856; that he believes the facts set forth in the petition of Mr. Ellison to be true; believes the estimate of the lost property made by Ellison to be correct; saw, some time after the horse was stolen, the same horse in the possession of armed men who were in direct resistance to the laws of the Territory; the horse I believe was stolen the first part of August, and the latter part of August I saw the horse in the possession of the armed men.

J. J. CRAMNER.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this the 1st September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

In the foregoing claim of Paris Ellison there is proven, of a private class, \$250, and I hereby award to the said Paris Ellison the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 241.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, William H. Bush, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner for auditing claims, that he has met and sustained losses in consequence of and growing directly out of the difficulties of Kansas Territory; that on or about

the 1st of September, A. D. 1856, your petitioner was the legal owner of certain property, to wit, two horses; and on that day six men, armed, came to your petitioner's premises and forcibly took and carried away two horses, one horse only of which your petitioner recovered; the other horse was an entire loss, never having received compensation therefor; the horse was worth \$75. At another time the Territory was in a disturbed condition, about the 1st of November, 1856, your petitioner was the legal owner of one fine mare colt, two years old, and one fat cow. It was a notorious custom for marauding parties of armed men to traverse neighborhoods, and take and carry off the property of peaceable, unoffending citizens to supply the wants of these outlaws. Your petitioner believes that said cow was taken by armed men about Lawrence, and driven to that town and butchered; your petitioner also believes that the said armed men about Lawrence took and carried away the said colt. The cow was worth \$30, and the colt was worth \$100, for which loss your petitioner has never received compensation or indemnity. About the 4th July, 1856, some person unknown to your petitioner stole a horse, saddle, and bridle, and rode up to Topeka, "being the time for the free-State legislature to meet;" your petitioner recovered his horse, but never got the saddle and bridle; the saddle and bridle were worth \$10.

WM. H. BUSH.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, February 13, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

To one horse	\$75 00
Mare colt, two years old.....	100 00
One cow	30 00
One saddle and bridle.....	10 00
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Ambrose J. Bush, being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Bush; that he is a citizen of Douglas county, Kansas Territory. I am well acquainted with the property mentioned in the petition; know that the petitioner had such property, and that said property was missing about the time the petitioner alleges that it was stolen; think that the horse was worth \$75; think that the other property was well worth the petitioner's valuation.

AMBROSE J. BUSH.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th February, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner

In the foregoing claim of William H. Bush there is proven, of a private class, \$215, and I hereby award to the said William H. Bush the sum of two hundred and fifteen dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 342.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of William Justice, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under the act entitled "An act to audit claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, William Justice, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully represent: That on or about the 11th day of September, A. D. 1856, a body of armed men came to the premises of your petitioner and forcibly broke open the stable, took and carried away forcibly one mule, one mare, and one horse; also entered his house, and, with threats of violence, took two saddles, harness, two buffalo robes, one quilt, and two guns, the property of your petitioner. About the 12th of August, A. D. 1856, your petitioner had picketed out near his premises a bay mare, and whilst going to the house and back again the said mare was stolen, taken, and carried away by unknown person or persons, but afterwards seen in the possession of men engaged in the insurrectionary movements then going on in the country. The property thus lost was worth, upon a fair and reasonable valuation, the sum of five hundred and sixteen dollars, for which your petitioner has never, in any manner, received compensation or indemnity.

his
WILLIAM + JUSTICE.
mark.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this the 28th September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas to William Justice, Dr.

1856.		
September.	To 1 mule, robbed by armed men.....	\$100 00
	1 mare, robbed by armed men.....	125 00
	1 sorrel horse, robbed by armed men.....	75 00
	2 saddles, harness, 2 buffalo robes, 1 quilt,	
	1 pair pants.....	51 00
	2 guns.....	15 00
August 12.	1 bay mare stolen.....	150 00
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his
WILLIAM + JUSTICE.
mark.

Sworn and subscribed to this the 28th September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

William M. Haseltine, who being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. William Justice; knows him to be a citizen of the Territory. That on or about the 11th September, 1856, he was at the house of Mr. Justice; about 12 o'clock at night a body of armed men came to the house of Mr. Justice and took, by force of arms, and carried away the property mentioned in the petition of William Justice, (which I have carefully examined,) except the quilts and pants; did not see them take the pants or quilts; knows that Mr. Justice had a bay mare; knows that she was missing about the 12th of August, A. D. 1856; saw Mr. Justice about that time, and he told me that he was in pursuit of the mare; believes the mare was stolen; believes all the facts set forth in the petition of Mr. Justice to be true. I have examined the schedule annexed, and believe the property was worth what Mr. Justice has estimated it; believe that the damage and loss was in consequence of the difficulties and disturbed condition of the Territory; believe that Mr. Justice's loss of property would amount to five hundred and sixteen dollars.

WM. M. HASELTINE.

Subscribed and sworn to this the 28th of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

James Watkins, who being duly sworn, says: That he was intimately acquainted with Mr. Justice during the summer of 1856; knows that he had such property described in the petition, and knew that such property was missing the time set forth in the petition; believes that it was worth what Mr. Justice has estimated in the annexed schedule to the petition; believes that the facts set forth in the petition to be true; believes that the losses of the property were incurred in consequence of the political troubles.

JAMES WATKINS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 28th day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

In the foregoing claim of William Justice there is proved, of a private class, five hundred and sixteen dollars, and I hereby award the same.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 343.

This affiant, George W. Muir, makes oath, and says: That in the year 1855 he was a citizen of Kansas Territory, and that in the fall of said year he had ninety-four bushels of shelled corn in sacks, in the town of Franklin, in the care of James Curbee; and this time the Territory was declared in a state of insurrection, and the militia being called out, put it under the charge of Jones, the sheriff, who wanted the corn for the use of the said militia, and that he would see that this affiant should be paid for said corn.

Now this affiant says that he has never received any pay for said corn; he now asks the legislature pay for said corn hereinafter stated:

That is to say, ninety-four bushels, at one dollar per bushel.....	\$94 00
47 new sacks, at 40 cents per sack.....	18 80
	112 80
	112 80

And your petitioner will ever pray.

GEORGE W. MUIR.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th day of December, A. D. 1857.

WILLIAM L. BOWE,
Justice of the Peace of Jackson county, Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of Jackson, } ss.

I, John R. Swearington, clerk of the county court within and for the county aforesaid, do hereby certify that Wm. L. Bowe, esq., whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing affidavit, now is, and was at the time of so doing, an acting justice of the peace within and for the county aforesaid, duly elected, commissioned, and qualified; and that full faith and credit are due to all his official acts as such, as well in courts of justice as thereunto.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at office, in the city of Independence, this

[L. s.] 19th day of December, A. D. 1857.

JOHN R. SWEARINGTON, *Clerk.*

This is to certify that the facts set forth in an affidavit by George W. Muir, concerning a claim against Kansas Territory for ninety-four bushels of corn, in new sacks, taken from the said George W. Muir by Sheriff Jones, of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, about the first of November, 1855, for the benefit of the militia of said Territory at the time of an insurrection, in December of the aforesaid year, sets forth the fact and truth in said matter.

Given under my hand this 25th day of January, 1858.

DANIEL A. MUIR.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
 County of Jackson. }

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a justice of the peace in and for said county and State, Daniel A. Muir, and stated, on oath, that the facts set forth in the above are true.

Given under my hand this 25th January, 1858.

AARON M. NOLAND,
Justice of the Peace.

In the foregoing claim of George W. Muir, of \$112, there is proven, of a private class, one hundred and twelve dollars, and I hereby award the same.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 344.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Petition of F. J. Marshall, of Marshall county, Kansas Territory, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, F. J. Marshall, of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner: That your petitioner is a citizen of Kansas Territory, and, upon the requisition of the governor, the call upon the militia by Governor Woodson to sustain him in suppressing rebellion and enforce the laws of the Territory, your petitioner, a brigadier general of the said militia, furnished and equipped the brigade under your petitioner's command with provisions, &c., necessary for their immediate wants; also the means of transportation to the seat of war. For particulars see schedule appended to this petition, and made a part of this petition. For said loss your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity.

F. J. MARSHALL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the 12th day of December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER.

MARYSVILLE, K. T., March 13, 1857.

Company A, W. H. Jenkins, captain, to General F. J. Marshall, Dr.

1856.

August 2.	To 10 lbs. coffee, per order, at 25 cents.....	\$2 50
	15 lbs. sugar, per order, at 20 cents.....	3 00
	cash for scout.....	9 75
4.	To provisions for express to Atchison.....	2 50

In the foregoing claim of F. J. Marshall there is proven, of the public class, \$298 14, and I hereby award to the said F. J. Marshall the sum of two hundred and ninety-eight dollars and fourteen cents.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

No. 345.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee. }

Petition of William C. Murray, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act passed by the territorial legislature entitled "An act to audit claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, William C. Murray, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner: That in the summer of 1856, during the difficulties and in consequence of the disturbed condition of the Territory, your petitioner had two horses running around his premises, one a light sorrel mare and the other an iron gray mare. The property of your petitioner was taken away by unknown persons, supposed and believed to be marauders engaged in the rebellion then going on in the Territory. Your petitioner afterwards recovered the sorrel mare, but the gray, which was afterwards seen in the possession of persons engaged in the insurrectionary movements, was never recovered by your petitioner. The gray mare was worth one hundred dollars, for which loss your petitioner never has, in any manner, received compensation or indemnity.

WILLIAM C. MURRAY.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this the 29th day of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

O. H. Browne, who being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. Murray knows him to be a citizen of the Territory; that during the difficulties in the summer of 1856 said Murray was in possession of two horses or mares; that they disappeared suddenly; that one of said animals has not been seen in that neighborhood since by deponent; that they were both good young animals, and that deponent verily believes that they were stolen by persons engaged in marauding parties, under the auspices of James H. Lane; that, as horses sell, deponent believes that the animal finally lost was worth about one hundred dollars.

O. H. BROWNE.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 29th of September A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

William H. Wood, who being duly sworn, says: That on or about the 30th of May, 1856, your deponent saw Dr. Miller and another man, whom your deponent did not know, drive into your deponent's stock lot two mares, and Dr. Miller told the deponent that the horses belonged to Mr. Murray. One mare was a sorrel and the other a gray. I had seen Mr. Murray riding the gray mare before this time. Saw Mr. Murray a short time afterwards. He told your deponent that he had lost his horses. The description, color, &c., corresponded with the horses that Dr. Miller had in his possession. Believe they were the property of Mr. Murray. Dr. Miller was engaged in the difficulties. Saw Dr. Miller riding the gray mare.

WM. H. ^{his} + WOOD.
mark.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 20th September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

In the foregoing claim of William C. Murray there is proven, of a private class, \$100, and I hereby award to the said William C. Murray the sum of \$100.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 346.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of Detroit Burton, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under "Act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Detroit Burton, of the county and Territory aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner: That your petitioner, in consequence of threats against life and property, resulting from the disturbed condition of the country, your petitioner left his premises the 6th of June, 1856, and on the following day the house, and personal effects in said house, were destroyed by fire by unknown persons engaged in the rebellion going on in the Territory at the time. Also, your petitioner further states, that a fine corn crop of ten acres, and all the garden vegetables, were destroyed or carried away; the household furniture and six head of cattle were carried away or destroyed. All the property of your petitioner was worth, upon a fair and reasonable calculation, in the aggregate, the sum of eight hundred and ninety-two dollars, for which your petitioner has never received compensation or indemnity.

DETROIT BURTON.

Subscribed and sworn to this 23d day of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims

Territory of Kansas to Detroit Burton, Dr.

1856.		
June.—To	one house, burnt down.....	\$200
	Five ploughs, eight chairs, and carpet.....	90
	One bedstead.....	5
	Clothing.....	25
	Furniture.....	12
	Six head of sheep.....	10
	Ten acres of corn.....	500
	Garden vegetables.....	50
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DETROIT BURTON.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 23d September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

William W. Williams, who being duly sworn, says that he has carefully examined the testimony of Mr. Carey, and knows, of his personal knowledge, the facts set forth to be true.

WILLIAM W. WILLIAMS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 23d day of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

George W. Carey, who being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. Burton; that he lives in his neighborhood; knows that Mr. Burton left his premises about the 6th of June; believes that he left in consequence of threats of violence that had been made against him and all persons of his politics; knows that his house and the personal effects in said house were burned the day after Mr. Burton left; knows that Mr. Burton had such property mentioned in the schedule of the petitioner; believes the property to have been worth, upon a fair and reasonable calculation, what Mr. Burton has estimated it at; knows that he had a fine crop of corn; knows that it was destroyed; believes the facts set forth in the petition to be true; believes the lost property, &c., of Mr. Burton would amount to eight hundred and ninety-two dollars.

GEORGE W. CAREY.

Subscribed and sworn to this the 23d September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

In the foregoing claim of Detroit Burton there is proven, of the private class, \$892, and I hereby award to the said Detroit Burton the sum of eight hundred and ninety-two dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

No. 347.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
 County of Douglas. }

Petition of James B. Todhunter, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act entitled "An act to provide for auditing claims," passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, James D. Todhunter, of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner: That during the months of September and October, 1856, your petitioner had a great many hogs running upon the common; that the United States camp was near your petitioner's premises, and day after day some of the hogs were missing. Your petitioner believes the said hogs to have been killed by the United States troops encamped near Lecompton. On one occasion your petitioner saw some troopers (militia men, enlisted for three months) butcher one of your petitioner's hogs. It is a fact notorious that the troops killed the neighbors' hogs whenever opportunity offered. Your petitioner lost forty hogs in this manner. Your petitioner further states, that during the disturbed condition of the country, in August and September, 1856, the United States soldiers and the militia, encamped near Lecompton, went into the corn field of your petitioner, and took and carried away large quantities of corn, for their use and maintenance. Your petitioner believes that the corn so taken was worth and would amount to the sum of one hundred dollars; and the hogs killed, carried, or stolen by the troops, were worth three hundred and twenty dollars; for which your petitioner has never, in any manner, received compensation or indemnity.

JAMES D. TODHUNTER.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 1st of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

Territory of Kansas to James B. Todhunter, Dr.

1856. September. To corn destroyed.....	\$100 00
To 40 hogs, stolen, &c	320 00
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Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 1st of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,

Commissioner.

Even Todhunter, who being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. James D. Todhunter; knows him to be a citizen of this Territory; knows that he had a great many hogs during the summer of

1856; knows that they disappeared; knows that the militia and United States troops were camped near the premises of the petitioner, and that it was a common practice for them to shoot the neighbors' hogs; saw hog skins around the United States camp, with the petitioner's "ear-marks;" believes that the soldiers and militia killed the petitioner's hogs. Was familiar with the hogs of the petitioner; knows that there were forty hogs missing, and believes that they were worth eight dollars apiece; they were fine hogs. Knows that the petitioner had a field of corn; saw, frequently, militia men and United States soldiers go into the field and take and carry away in bags the corn of the property of the petitioner. Believes that the corn taken away was worth the sum of one hundred dollars. Believes all the facts of the petitioner to be true.

EVEN TODHUNTER.

Subscribed and sworn to the 1st of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

James L. Wallace, who being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner; knows that he is a citizen of the Territory; knows that all the facts set forth in the petition are true; saw, on several occasions, the United States troops and militia kill Mr. Todhunter's hogs; they were good hogs; saw the militia go to the field of the petitioner with wagons and take corn away to their camp; am certain the hogs of Mr. Todhunter were worth \$8 per head; believes the consumption and damage to the petitioner's corn field was worth the sum of one hundred dollars.

JAMES L. WALLACE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st of October, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

In the foregoing claim of \$420 there is proven, of a private class, and I award to the said James D. Todhunter, the sum of four hundred and twenty dollars.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of Thomas Skaggs, of the Territory and county aforesaid, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, 1857.

I, Thomas Skaggs, of the Territory and county aforesaid, represent unto the honorable commissioner: That on or about the 5th day of December, A. D. 1855, one militia company, commanded by Captain Dunn, and called out by Governor Shannon to suppress rebellion and insurrection, and maintain and enforce the laws of said Territory, came to the house of your said petitioner and represented that they were a part of the force called out to support law and order; and that

they demanded of your petitioner corn, fodder, and beef or cattle for the support of the said company, representing, at the same time, that they would take, if needs be, the corn, fodder, and cattle if your petitioner did not furnish the same. Your petitioner, then and there, did furnish the said corn, fodder, and cattle, taking the receipt of the commissary of said company, which is herewith submitted. The said corn, fodder, and cattle furnished, upon a fair and reasonable calculation, were worth one hundred and thirty-nine dollars, for which your petitioner has never, in any manner, received compensation or indemnity.

THOMAS SKAGGS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this the 18th of September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Territory of Kansas to Thomas Skaggs, Dr.

1855.

December 5. To 15 barrels of corn.....	\$60 00
hay.....	4 00
20 stacks of fodder.....	5 00
2 head of beef cattle.....	70 00
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THOMAS SKAGGS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the 18th September, A. D. 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

This is to certify that I have this 5th day of December, 1855, received of Thomas Skaggs—

15 barrels of corn, at \$4 per barrel.....	\$60 00
2 beeves, at \$30 each... ..	60 00
4 dollars for hay.....	4 00
20 shocks fodder, at 25 cents per shock.....	5 00
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All for the use of the Territory or troops called out for campaign by Governor Shannon, and commanded by Captain Dunn, or Captain Hollingsworth, acting commissary.

MILES SHANNON.

James Skaggs, who being duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with Mr. Thomas Skaggs; that he resided in Jefferson county, Kan-

sas Territory, about the 5th of December, A. D. 1855; that the facts set forth in his petition are correct; that he assisted in measuring the corn; that the corn and cattle were used for the support and sustenance of a company of militia commanded by Captain Dunn; that at this time Governor Shannon had called out the militia to support and enforce the laws of the Territory, and knows that this company of militia was supporting the governor and the constituted authorities in enforcing the laws of the Territory; believes that the provender and cattle furnished were, upon a fair, reasonable estimate, worth one hundred and thirty-nine dollars.

JAMES SKAGGS.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the 18th day of September, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

In the foregoing claim of Thomas Skaggs there is proven, of a private class, one hundred and thirty-nine dollars, and I hereby award the same—\$139.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Under an act to provide for auditing claims, passed by the territorial legislature, and approved February 23, 1857.

I, William M. Nace, of Douglas county, Territory of Kansas, represent unto the honorable commissioner for auditing claims: That during the difficulties in Kansas Territory, and in consequence and growing directly out of them, your petitioner sustained losses of property, more specifically set forth in the schedule appended and made a part of this petition. The manner of losing said property was as follows: That when Governor Woodson called out the militia, many of said militia came to Lecompton and camped upon my premises; the said militia went into my field and took corn and potatoes therefrom. Subsequent to this, United States troops were camped upon my premises, and they destroyed my corn, potatoes, and turnips, to the amount set forth in the schedule and the value therein stated. The militia consumed the hay, which was about three tons, and worth twenty dollars per ton. Your petitioner further represents, that for said loss he has never received compensation or indemnity.

W. M. NACE.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 16th February, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner

SCHEDULE.

Territory of Kansas to William M. Nace, Dr.

To three tons hay, at \$20 per ton.....	\$60 00
To 100 bushels corn, at \$1 per bushel.....	100 00
To 175 bushels potatos, at \$2 per bushel.....	350 00
To 100 bushels turnips, at \$1 per bushel.....	100 00
To one pair double trees.....	9 00
To one breast yoke.....	2 50
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John Falls, being of lawful age and duly sworn, says: I am acquainted with the petitioner; he is a citizen of Kansas Territory; that he has heard the petition of Mr. Nace read, and knows the facts set forth to be true; that your affiant saw the militia men in the field frequently, taking the corn therefrom, and frequently saw United States troops in said field taking corn, potatoes, and turnips; saw the militia using the hay; think they took away three tons, besides what they fed at the stack. I know that the hay was worth twenty dollars a ton, as the petitioner had been offered that price. I think that the petitioner lost at least one hundred bushels of corn, and it was worth one dollar. Potatoes were worth two dollars, and about two hundred bushels were destroyed. I was present when nine men came to Mr. Nace's premises and took away the double trees and breast yoke, the property of Mr. Nace. The said double tree and breast yoke were worth eleven dollars.

JOHN FALLS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the 16th February, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of W. M. Nace of \$621 the whole amount is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison. }

Your petitioner respectfully submits the accompanying affidavits of proof for loss of a horse during the Kansas difficulties, and asks for relief granted in such cases.

THOMAS S. HENSLEY.

Hon. H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas county. }

Thomas S. Hensley, being duly sworn according to law, declares: That on or about the fifteenth day of September, A. D. 1856, was forcibly taken from him by a force of men pretending to act under territorial authority, one bay mare, sixteen hands high, about seven years old, of the value to this deponent of one hundred and twenty-five dollars; which said property of deponent has never been returned to him; and deponent cannot state what disposition has been made of said mare, and that he has never received any equivalent therefor and was not instrumental in the taking of said property. He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining from said Territory the value of said property so taken as aforesaid.

THOMAS S. HENSLEY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 26th day of January, A. D. 1858.

GEORGE B. BROWN, *Notary Public.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Atchison County. }

Being duly sworn according to law, Dr. Panant declares that on or about the last of September or the first of October, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty-six, a man who belonged to Captain Fredericks' military company, who were acting under territorial authority, took, or pressed into service, a bay mare, about sixteen hands high, of Thomas S. Hensley's, worth one hundred dollars or thereabouts, without said Hensley receiving any compensation therefor; that said mare never was returned, and as deponent verily believes, said Hensley was not privy to such taking as aforesaid, and has not received any compensation therefor.

N. HUMBER.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Atchison. }

The foregoing depositions were sworn to and subscribed before me, a justice of the peace in and for said county, this fifth day of February, A. D. 1858.

HENRY CLINE, *Justice of the Peace.*

I certify in the foregoing claim of Thomas S. Hensley, of \$125, the whole amount is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of H. W. Buckley, of the county and Territory aforesaid; under an act entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims, passed by the territorial legislature and approved February 23, 1857.

I, H. W. Buckley, formerly of the county of Douglas, Territory of Kansas, and latterly of Missouri, respectfully represent unto the

honorable commissioner for auditing claims, that on or about the 26th of November, 1855, a body of lawless men confederated together for the resistance of the laws and the constituted authorities; these men engaged in sacking and burning the property of all men who respected the laws of the country or aided and sustained the officers thereof; this array of lawlessness became so apparent, having on one occasion resisted the sheriff of Douglas county; their motives of incendiarism and extirpation becoming so conclusive that Governor Shannon called out the militia to preserve the peace and enforce the laws of said Territory. Your petitioner represents, at this time a part of these outlaws notified his family and his neighbor's families to leave the Territory. Your petitioner being away from home at the time, his family remained, paying no attention to the threats of these outlaws. That on or about the 1st December, 1855, as your petitioner is informed and verily believes, a body of these outlaws came to the premises of your petitioner at night, with arms and implements of war, drove off his family, threatening violence to their persons if they did not leave the country; said outlaws set fire to your petitioner's house, burning and destroying all of his household and kitchen furniture, all his personal effects in said house; damage and loss to your petitioner to the amount of \$800; see schedule appended to this petition and made a part thereof. Your petitioner states that he has never received compensation and indemnity for said loss.

H. W. BUCKLEY.

Territory of Kansas to H. W. Buckley, Dr.

December 1, 1857.	To 5 beds and bedding	\$250 00
	To 1 bureau, &c.,	100 00
	To wearing apparel.....	100 00
	To kitchen furniture.....	100 00
	To chairs, tables, &c.....	30 00
	To provisions	20 00
	To houses.....	200 00
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H. W. BUCKLEY.

Josiah N. Hargis, being of lawful age and duly sworn, says: That he is acquainted with the petitioner, Mr. Buckley; that he was a citizen of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, during the year 1855; that he has carefully read his petition, and knows, of his own knowledge, all the facts set forth in the petition to be true; knows that these outlaws, mentioned in said petition, threatened the life of himself and family and also the neighbors, who were law and order men; these outlaws had taken your deponent prisoner, and threatened in his presence to destroy and drive off all the Missouri squatters in that neighborhood, and other pro-slavery men. His house was burnt at night; your deponent saw it as he believes burning; he also saw the petitioner's family the same night, who stated that they had been driven away by

these outlaws ; knows that Mr. Buckley had such property mentioned in schedule, and that it was destroyed in the manner described ; he was well and comfortably fixed for a squatter, and believe each article was well worth what it is estimated in schedule ; and that the aggregate loss of Mr. Buckley would amount to the sum of \$300.

JOSIAH N. HARGIS.

Joseph Bradberry, being duly sworn, says : That he has heard read the testimony of Mr. Hargis and endorse and adopt it in whole and part as my testimony, being true and correct.

his
JOSEPH X BRADBERRY
mark.

Sworn and subscribed before me, 10th December, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of H. W. Buckley of \$800 that the whole amount is proven and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas. }

Petition of T. M. Brooke, of the county and Territory aforesaid, under the provisions of an act entitled, "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," passed by the territorial legislature, approved February 23, 1857.

I, T. M. Brooke, of the Territory and county aforesaid, respectfully represent unto the honorable commissioner : That on or about the 21st day of May, A. D. 1856, your petitioner loaned a pony to his brother, James Brooke, to ride home ; that the said pony was taken from the premises of James Brooke the night of the 21st of May by unknown person or persons ; the Territory was in a disturbed condition, the United States marshal having called out a posse to sustain him in the execution of certain writs ; the pony was lost in consequence of the disturbed condition of the Territory. The said pony was the property of your petitioner, and was worth the sum of seventy-five dollars, for which loss your petitioner has never in any manner received compensation or indemnity.

T. M. BROOKE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 2d October, 1857.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

James Brooke, being duly sworn, says : That he is the brother of the petitioner ; knows him to be a citizen of the Territory ; that on the 21st of May, 1856, borrowed the petitioner's pony to ride home ; that the said pony was stolen and carried away by unknown persons the night of the 21st of May, 1856, believe by persons engaged in the

difficulties. The United States marshal had called out a posse at the time, and believe the pony was stolen in consequence of the difficulties of the Territory ; believe the pony was worth seventy-five dollars.

JAMES BROOKE.

Sworn to and subscribed this the 2d October, 1857,

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of T. M. Brooke of \$75 that the whole amount is proven and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

LECOMPTON, KANSAS TERRITORY,
December 5, 1855.

List of rations and camp equipage purchased from J. K. Shepherdson & Co., for the use of the troops under the command of Major General Wm. P. Richardson, Kansas militia.

1 bbl. best soda biscuit, 100 lbs., at 12 cents.....	\$12 00
20 lbs. coffee, at 20 cents.....	4 00
20 lbs. sugar, at 12½ cents.....	2 50
1 fry-pan	75
1 fry-pan	75
1 coffee-pot.....	90
2 sacks of salt, at \$1.....	2 00
Total	22 90

Delivered to Newsom for Tecumseh company.

I certify that the above account is correct.

B. O'DRISCOLL,
Quartermaster, Colonel Johnston's Regiment.

I hereby certify that B. O'Driscoll is quartermaster and commissary of Colonel Johnston's regiment, and that the above account is correct.

D. M. JOHNSTON,
Colonel Commanding 1st Regiment North Kansas Militia.

I certify that the above account is correct.

LUCIEN J. EASTIN,
Brig. Gen. 2d Brigade, Northern Division, Kansas Militia.

I certify, on honor, that the above account is just and true as stated above.

WM. P. RICHARDSON,
Major General Commanding.

LECOMPTON, KANSAS TERRITORY,
December 3, 1855.

List of rations and camp equipage purchased of J. K. Shepherdson & Co., for the use of the troops under the command of Major General Wm. P. Richardson, Kansas Militia.

1 pair shoes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$1 60
3 blankets, at \$10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30 00
1 shirt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
1 quire paper	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
6 bushels corn, per B. Davidson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
33 yards oznaburgs, at 20 cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6 60
1 tin pan, large	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80
1 ball twine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
1 bottle sweet oil	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
1 hatchet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 25
Nails	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
1 pair blankets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
1,500 lbs. hay, at \$9 per ton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6 75
2 lbs. rope	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
23 bushels corn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23 00
35½ yards domestic, at 12 cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 30
1 ball twine, 20 cents; saleratus, 40 cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60
3 water-buckets, at 35 cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 05
1 pair calf shoes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
1 bottle ink	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
1 bbl. sugar, 222 lbs., at 15 cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33 30
1 sack coffee, 170 lbs., at 20 cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34 00
8 lbs. candles, \$2; 1 wagon sheet, \$3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
43 bushels corn, at \$1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43 00
1 pair boots, per Lohler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 00
3 water-buckets, at 35 cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 05
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	218 05

Received the above for the use of Colonel Johnson's regiment.

B. O'DRISCOLL,
Quartermaster, Colonel Johnson's Regiment.

Amount brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$218 05
Sundry commissary stores	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10 60
Sundry commissary stores, delivered to colonel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	235 55

I certify that the above account is correct.

B. O'DRISCOLL,
Quartermaster, Colonel Johnson's Regiment.

DECEMBER 8, 1855.

I certify that B. O'Driscoll is quartermaster and commissary of Colonel Johnson's regiment, and that the above account is correct.

D. M. JOHNSON,

Colonel, Commanding 1st Regiment North Kansas Militia.

DECEMBER 8, 1855.

I certify that the above account is correct.

LUCIEN J. EASTIN,

Brig. Gen. 2d Regiment, Northern Division, Kansas Militia.

I certify, on honor, that the above account is just and true as stated above.

WM. P. RICHARDSON,

Major General Commanding.

LECOMPTON, KANSAS TERRITORY,

December 3, 1855.

A list of rations and camp equipage purchased of J. K. Shepherdson & Co., for the use of the troops under the command of Major General Wm. P. Richardson, Kansas Militia.

18 tin cups	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$0 90
2 tin buckets, at 65 and 75 cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 40
1 large coffee-boiler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75
1 dozen tin plates, at 10 cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 20
4 frying-pans, at 60 cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 40
4 sacks of flour, at \$6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24 00
10 sacks of meal, at \$2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20 00
25 lbs. sugar, at 12½ cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 12½
25 lbs. coffee, at 16½ cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 17
2 lbs. black pepper, at 25 cents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
5 barrels corn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25 00
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	83 45½

Received the above,

B. O'DRISCOLL,

Quartermaster.

The above account is correct.

J. H. THOMPSON,

Adjutant, Colonel D. M. Johnson's North Kansas Militia.

I certify that the above is correct.

S. J. JONES.

Sheriff, Douglas county.

DECEMBER 3, 1855.

I certify that the above account is correct.

WM. P. RICHARDSON,

Major General Commanding.

One gallon of brandy was issued for medical purposes, by order of the colonel.

J. H. THOMPSON,
Adjutant.

DECEMBER 4, 1855.

I certify that the foregoing officers who have signed the foregoing certificates were, at the time of their respective certificates, the officers they respectively represent themselves to be.

WILSON SHANNON,
Governor of Kansas.

LECOMPTON, K. T., *December 3, 1855.*

A list of rations and camp equipage purchased of J. K. Shepherdson & Co., for the use of the troops under the command of Major General William P. Richardson, Kansas militia:

1 barrel best soda crackers.....	\$12 00
20 pounds coffee.....	3 35
20 pounds sugar, at 12½ cents per pound.....	2 50
1 frying-pan.....	75
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By order of Colonel D. M. Johnston, commanding.

J. H. THOMPSON, *Adjutant.*

I certify that the above account is correct.

LUCIAN J. EASTIN,
Brig. Gen., 2d Brigade Northern Division, Kansas Militia.

I certify on honor that the above account is just and true, as stated above.

WM. P. RICHARDSON,
Major General Commanding.

LECOMPTON, K. T., *December 5, 1855.*

A list of rations and camp equipage purchased of J. K. Shepherdson & Co., for the use of the troops under the command of Major General William P. Richardson, Kansas militia:

1 sack super fineflour.....	\$6 50
25 pounds sugar, at 12½ cents per pound.....	3 13
20 pounds rice, at 15 cents per pound.....	3 00
3 water buckets.....	1 05
2 pair blankets, at \$10 each.....	20 00
1 barrel Boston crackers, 100 pounds, at 15 cents per pound...	15 00
1 sack corn meal, 2 bushels.....	2 50

3 bed cords, at 30 cents each.....	\$0 90
4 pounds candles, at 25 cents per pound.....	1 00
12 pounds coffee, at 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents per pound.....	2 00
1 axe and handle.....	1 75
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4 bars soap.....	60
1 paper matches.....	30
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I certify that the above account is correct.

JARRET TODD,
Quartermaster 4th Regiment.

I certify that Jarret Todd is quartermaster and commissary of 4th regiment, Kansas militia, northern division, and that the foregoing account is correct.

A. PAYNE,
Col. 4th Regiment, Kansas Militia, Northern Division.

I certify that the above account is correct

LUCIAN J. EASTIN,
Brig. Gen., 2d Brigade, Northern Division, K. T.

I certify on honor that the within account is just and true, as stated within.

WM. P. RICHARDSON,
Major General Commanding.

Second Regiment, Kansas Militia, to J. K. Shepherdson, Dr.

1856.

September 16. To 14 tin cups per Moody.....	\$2 80
2 buckets.....	2 00
2 camp kettles.....	4 00
29 pounds crackers.....	8 90
2 large tin cups.....	50
2 dozen plates.....	5 00
1 dozen plates.....	2 50
17. To 1 shovel.....	0 00
18. To 1 book for Nace.....	1 00
18 camp kettles.....	9 00
1 bottle ink.....	75
1 blank book.....	1 25
8 tin cups.....	1 00
6 camp kettles.....	9 00
2 pans, \$1 80; 27 plates, \$5 40.....	7 20
2 water buckets.....	1 00
6 coffee pots.....	4 80

September 25. To 1 blank book and pencil	\$0 50
1 bushel salt.....	2 50
1 spring balance.....	1 00
1 pair chains for C. House.....	1 50
52 pounds coffee.....	11 40
105 pounds sugar.....	17 60
1 pair hinges.....	1 25
50 pounds coffee	10 00
1 broom and knife.....	1 30
100 pounds sugar.....	16 66
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LECOMPTON, *January 26, 1857.*

I do certify to the best of my belief that the within account is just and correct, and should be paid.

JOHN DONALDSON,
Commanding Company A, 2d Regiment, Kansas Militia.

LECOMPTON, K. T., *December 6, 1855.*

A list of rations and camp equipage purchased of J. K. Shepherdson & Co., for the troops under the command of Major General William P. Richardson, Kansas militia :

80 pounds coiled rope, at 30 cents per pound.....	\$24 00
9 pieces domestic, 29, 37, 36, 31, 36, 36, 34 34, 37=316 yards.....	37 92
1 piece osnaburgs, 37½ yards, at 15 cents per yard.....	5 62
4 pair blankets, at \$9 each.....	36 00
3 pair fine white blankets, at \$12 each.....	36 00
1 box soap, 61 pounds, at 15 cents per pound.....	9 15
12 water buckets, at 35 cents	4 50
7 Collins axes, \$1 75.....	12 25
7 axe handles, 40 cents.....	2 80
7 handle dippers, 15 cents.....	1 05
8 covered tin buckets, 40 cents.....	3 20
12 tin plates, 20 cents.....	2 40
7 quart cups, 15 cents.....	1 05
3 frying pans, 75.....	2 25
2 coffee pots, 40 cents.....	80
1 wash pan.....	30
2 large covered buckets, \$1.....	2 00
1 lantern.....	1 00
6 bed cords, 30 cents.....	1 80
1 hatchet.....	1 50
6 steel shovels, \$1 50.....	9 00
5 steel spades.....	7 50
5 steel picks.....	7 50
6 mattocks, \$2.....	12 00

10 handles for picks and mattocks, 25 cents	\$2 50
8 sacks superfine flour.....	52 00
24 bushels corn meal, \$1 25.....	30 00
4 sacks salt, \$1.....	4 00
1 barrel biscuit, 75 pounds, 20 cents.....	15 00
40 pounds Imperial tea, best quality, \$1 25.....	50 00
251 pounds sugar, 12½ cents	31 38
165 pounds coffee, 20 cents, \$33; 2 drawing-knives, \$1 50, \$3.	36 00
1 hand axe, \$2 50; 2 pounds nails, 10 cents, 20	2 70
1 box, 25 cents; 2 tin pans, 40 cents, 80.....	1 05
2 tin pans, 20 cents, 40; 2 keelers, 50 cents, \$1.....	1 40
6 coffee mills, \$1.....	6 00
2 quires paper.....	50
10 pounds saleratus.....	1 50
3 extra large mill files, \$1 50.....	4 50
1 bottle ink.....	10
2 dozen large castor oil, \$2 50; 2 dozen small, \$2.....	9 00
2 augers, 5 quarters, 20.....	1 00
1 blank book.....	50
1 dozen steel pens.....	25
3 gallons Medoc brandy, \$10.....	30 00
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12 bed cords, 30 cents.....	3 60
20 pounds pepper.....	5 00
10 pounds saleratus, 15 cents.....	1 50
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I certify that the above account is correct.

JARRET TODD,
Regimental Quartermaster Fourth Regiment.

DECEMBER 8, 1855.

CAMP LECOMPTON, *December 8, 1855.*

I hereby certify that Jarret Todd is quartermaster of the 4th regiment, northern division, Kansas militia, and that the preceding account is correct.

A. PAYNE,
*Colonel Commanding 4th Regiment,
Northern Division, Kansas Militia.*

I certify that the above account is correct.

LUCIAN J. EASTIN,
Brig. Gen. 2d Brigade, Northern Division, Kansas Militia.

I certify, on honor, that the above account is just and true, as stated above.

WM. P. RICHARDSON,
Major General Commanding.

I certify, in the foregoing claim of J. K. Sheperdson of \$1,056 70, the whole amount is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner, &c.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County, } *ss.*

Petition of Samuel J. Jones, of the above county and Territory, under an act of the territorial legislature entitled "An act to provide for the auditing of claims," approved February 23, A. D. 1857.

I, Samuel J. Jones, of Lecompton, Douglas county, Kansas Territory, being a citizen of said county and Territory, represent unto the honorable commissioner appointed by said act of February 23, A. D. 1857, that during the months of November and December, A. D. 1855, and January, February, and throughout the year 1856, acting as sheriff of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, for the purpose of carrying into effect and maintaining the laws of the Territory, and for the purpose of suppressing a rebellion or insurrection, I expended and paid out, in conformity with the provisions of the said act, the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in the employment of guards, furnishing and supporting the posse comitatus, arrest and maintenance of prisoners, &c. That the above sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) is a very reasonable and just estimate of the expenses actually incurred for the purposes above stated; that your petitioner has never received any compensation or indemnity for said expenses.

SAMUEL J. JONES.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th February, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Douglas, } *ss.*

Personally appeared before me, H. J. Strickler, commissioner, A. P. Walker, of the county and Territory aforesaid, who, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is well acquainted with the petitioner, Samuel J. Jones, and knows that he acted as, and really was, the sheriff of said county, from the first day of May, A. D. 1856, when your deponent became a citizen of Lecompton; that, from that time and during the year 1856, he must have expended at least three thousand dollars in manner stated in the petition of your petitioner. Your deponent lived with the petitioner and knows of his having expended a large amount, as before stated. Deponent knows that petitioner at different and sundry times had prisoners whom he supported out of his private funds, and there being no jails he incurred the expense of guard, for which he also paid as above.

A. P. WALKER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th February, A. D. 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County, } ss.

Personally appeared before me, Hiram J. Strickler, commissioner, Robert B. Nelson, of the county and Territory aforesaid, who, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he has read the above petition of Samuel J. Jones, and understands the contents thereof, and believes from his own personal knowledge that the amount charged is reasonable and just; that he has been a resident of Lecompton, Kansas Territory, since December, A. D. 1855; has been personally well known to the said Samuel J. Jones; is cognizant of his actions and conduct as sheriff aforesaid; and states that the said Jones has paid him the sum of forty dollars for board of prisoners in his custody, and is well aware the said Jones has paid divers accounts to different persons for the purposes stated in said petition, to a very large amount; and states, further, that the said Jones has never received any compensation or indemnity for said money expended.

ROBERT R. NELSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th February, A. D. 1858.
 H. J. STRICKLER.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County, } ss.

Personally appeared before me, Hiram J. Strickler, commissioner, William P. Caldwell, who, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he has read the above petition of Samuel J. Jones, and understands the contents thereof, and is satisfied and believes the amount charged is reasonable and just; that he has resided in Lecompton, Kansas Territory, since April, A. D. 1856; is familiar with the acts and conduct of Jones as sheriff of Douglas county, Kansas Territory, since that time; knows the said Jones; has paid him the sum of fifty dollars; and that he has paid to different persons accounts to a considerable sum for the purposes indicated in said petition, and is satisfied that the said Jones has received no compensation or indemnity for said money expended; that he knows that the said Jones had large posses, to the number of from five hundred to a thousand men; and that he furnished provisions and supplies for said posse at his own expense.

W. P. CADWELL.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th February, A. D. 1858.
 H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County, } ss.

Personally appeared before me, H. J. Strickler, commissioner, Lyman Evans, who, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he has read the above petition of Samuel J. Jones, and understands the contents thereof, and is satisfied and believes that the amount charged is reasonable and just; that he has resided in Lecompton, Douglas county, since November, 1855, and is familiar with the acts of the

said Samuel J. Jones, as sheriff of Douglas county ; and knows that he furnished for posses, provisions, corn meal, and other articles, to the amount of five hundred dollars, (\$500.) said posse was at that time stationed at Lecompton, Kansas Territory ; and further knows of his having large numbers of prisoners in custody at various times, and employed guards and boarded the same ; and believes that he has never received any compensation for said money so expended.

LYMAN EVANS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th February, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
Douglas County. } *ss.*

Personally appeared before me, H. J. Strickler, commissioner, L. S. Balling, who, being duly sworn, deposes and says : That he has read the above petition of Samuel J. Jones, and from his knowledge of Mr. Jones' expenses to sustain the laws and order of this Territory since he became acquainted with said Jones' relations, in April, 1856, he believes the amount claimed a just and reasonable one ; and further, that as attorney he was spoken to by Riley & Curtis to collect an account amounting to six hundred dollars, and perhaps a little over, made by said Jones, acting as sheriff aforesaid, the same being for supplies for posses ; and that the said Jones has since paid the said account out of his own private fund.

L. S. BALLING.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th February, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner.

I hereby certify in the foregoing claim of Samuel J. Jones, of \$5,000, that the whole amount is proven, and is of the public class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner*.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, }
County of Shawnee. }

Petition of Charles L. Stevenson, under an act to provide for auditing of claims, passed by the territorial legislature and approved February 23, 1857.

I, Charles L. Stevenson, of Shawnee county, Kansas Territory, represent to the honorable commissioner for auditing claims, that he has sustained losses, growing directly out of the difficulties of Kansas Territory, during the year 1856. Your petitioner represents, that he was the legal owner of certain property, to wit: two mules, worth \$400 ; 1 saddle, worth \$30 ; 2 bridles, worth \$10 ; 2 pair of blaukets, worth \$10 ; in the aggregate, amounting to the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars. The afore mentioned property was in my possession about the 2d day of September, A. D. 1856, when an armed body of marauders, commanded by one Captain Jamison, came to the premises

of Mr. McCuthen, a neighbor of your petitioner, at which place your petitioner happened to be with the afore mentioned property, the said Captain Jamison and command, with force and arms, took and carried away the said property. The Territory at this time was in a state of disturbance; armed bodies of men traversing the Territory, committing depredations upon the property of peaceable, unoffending citizens of the Territory. Your petitioner, for said loss, never received any compensation or indemnity.

CHARLES L. STEVENSON.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27th February, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

Samuel D. McCuthen, being duly sworn, says: That he has heard read the petition of Charles L. Stevenson, and knows, of my own personal knowledge, that the facts set forth as to the time and manner of taking said property from Mr. Stevenson, by said armed men, to be correct, as your affiant was present and witnessed the robbery. I think the property mentioned was reasonable at Mr. Stevenson's estimate.

SAMUEL D. McCUTHEN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27th February, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

Nathaniel L. Williams, being duly sworn, says: That he has heard the petition of Charles L. Stevenson read, and knows all the facts set forth to be true; your affiant saw the armed men take and carry away the said property described in the petition of Mr. Stevenson; the said property was reasonably worth the prices charged in the petition.

NATHANIEL L. WILLIAMS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, 27th February, 1858.

H. J. STRICKLER,
Commissioner for auditing claims.

I certify that in the foregoing claim of Charles L. Stevenson, of \$450, the whole amount is proven, and is of the private class.

H. J. STRICKLER, *Commissioner.*

STATEMENT B.

The awards of the commissioner under the respective divisions, public and private.

No.	Names of claimants.	Amount claimed.	Amount proven	Public class.	Private class.
1	H. T. Wilson.....	\$306 49	\$497 00	\$197 00	.....
2	Daniel F. Greenwood.....	530 00	530 00	530 00	.....
3	Charles P. Bullock.....	460 00	460 00	460 00	.....
4	I. A. Ragon.....	56 00	56 00	.....	\$56 00
5	Robert Hargrove.....	60 00	60 00	.....	60 00
6	Thomas H. Brown.....	428 00	428 00	.....	428 00
7	I. H. Little & Co.....	397 38	217 00	247 00	.....
8	B. F. Hill.....	342 50	342 00	342 00	.....
9	B. Hill & Co.....	217 30	117 00	117 00	.....
10	Thomas B. Arnett.....	714 00	664 00	664 00	.....
11	B. F. Bautley.....	200 00	200 00	150 00	50 00
12	Thomas L. Day.....	260 00	260 00	.....	260 00
13	Samuel Nickel.....	927 00	927 00	.....	927 00
14	Oliver Westover.....	80 00	80 00	.....	80 00
15	Briscoe Davis.....	639 40	639 40	400 00	239 40
16	Jules Harshaw.....	250 00	250 00	.....	250 00
17	James Saunders.....	156 35	156 35	.....	156 35
18	A. F. C. Hall.....	290 00	290 00	.....	290 00
19	William Rogers.....	329 00	300 00	.....	300 00
20	Martin P. W. Daniel.....	225 00	225 00	.....	225 00
21	William P. Collins.....	125 00	125 00	125 00	.....
22	William C. Smith.....	105 00	105 00	105 00	.....
23	James E. Dunlap.....	135 00	135 00	.....	135 00
24	R. E. Elliott.....	515 00	505 00	75 00	430 00
25	Henry T. Ritter.....	200 00	200 00	200 00	.....
26	William P. Ritter.....	75 00	75 00	75 00	.....
27	Daniel W. Collins.....	905 00	905 00	.....	905 00
28	Samuel Greer.....	7,200 00	7,200 00	.....	7,200 00
29	Thomas Rice.....	375 00	375 00	.....	375 00
30	P. H. Thomas.....	489 10	489 10	.....	489 10
31	Joseph James.....	100 00	100 00	.....	100 00
32	A. B. Chambers.....	65 00	65 00	.....	65 00
33	James Fuller.....	125 00	125 00	.....	125 00
34	James F. Holbrook.....	891 00	891 00	.....	891 00
35	John Carr.....	76 50	76 50	.....	76 50
36	Morgan Cowhite.....	155 00	155 00	.....	155 00
37	Mary E. Partridge.....	46 00	46 00	.....	46 00
38	Hugh Kilborn.....	230 00	280 00	.....	230 00
39	John Felton.....	549 00	549 00	.....	549 00
40	John Blunt.....	160 00	160 00	.....	160 00
41	Calvin Bainard.....	30 00	30 00	.....	30 00
42	Able C. Sauburn.....	223 00	223 00	.....	223 00
43	Robert Reynolds.....	535 00	460 00	.....	460 00
44	Wakeman Partridge.....	325 00	325 00	.....	325 00
45	Samuel F. Wright.....	65 00	65 00	.....	65 00
46	R. D. Mc Wash.....	10,132 00	9,882 00	.....	9,882 00
47	Joseph Merritt.....	2,415 00	1,500 00	.....	1,500 00
48	James H. Carter.....	537 00	537 00	.....	537 00
49	Jared Chapman.....	1,402 00	1,368 00	.....	1,368 00
50	Carl August Krouse.....	76 75	76 75	.....	76 75
51	James T. Evans.....	2,305 00	2,305 00	.....	2,305 00
52	James Harris.....	375 00	375 00	.....	375 00
53	Martin White.....	993 00	993 00	28 00	965 00

STATEMENT B—Continued.

No.	Names of claimants.	Amount claimed.	Amount proven.	Public class.	Private class
54	James F. White	\$113 50	\$113 50	.....	\$113 50
55	Griffin White	208 00	208 00	.....	208 00
56	Allen White	352 75	352 75	.....	352 75
57	John W. White.....	721 75	721 75	.....	721 75
58	Lorenzo Hoyt.....	640 00	640 00	.....	640 00
59	Henry Tuley	250 00	250 00	.....	250 00
60	John A. Billie	6,222 40	1,222 40	.....	1,222 40
61	Charles Robinson	25,800 00	15,800 00	.....	15,800 00
62	Albert D. Searl.....	1,358 00	1,358 00	.....	1,358 00
63	George W. Hart.....	267 00	267 00	.....	267 00
64	Charles Campbell	36 00	36 00	.....	36 00
65	Henry M. Simpson	200 00	200 00	.....	200 00
66	John Hutchinson	300 00	300 00	.....	300 00
67	Geo. W. & W. Hutchinson & Co.	6,650 00	6,650 00	.....	6,650 00
68	William Carrey	627 00	627 00	.....	627 00
69	John M. Banks.....	950 00	950 00	.....	950 00
70	James Whitlock.....	797 00	797 00	.....	797 00
71	Henry O'Conner	1,610 00	1,610 00	.....	1,610 00
72	Thomas H. Thomas.....	479 00	479 00	.....	479 00
73	William H. Elliott.....	140 00	140 00	.....	140 00
74	William S. Wells	325 00	325 00	.....	325 00
75	Josiah N. Hargess	990 00	925 00	\$425 00	500 00
76	William McKinney	200 00	200 00	.....	200 00
77	Jehn Sharkey	4,000 00	4,000 00	4,000 00	.....
78	Christian Stucks	90 00	90 00	90 00	.....
79	H. S. Randall.....	1,302 00	1,302 00	.....	1,302 00
80	James Campbell.....	1,362 25	1,362 25	.....	1,362 25
81	Joseph Oakley	1,530 00	1,530 00	1,530 00	.....
82	Toussant La Hay.....	1,360 00	1,360 00	.....	1,360 00
83	James Sutton.....	200 00	200 00	.....	200 00
84	George C. Baker	85 00	85 00	.....	85 00
85	George H. Snyder.....	2,165 00	2,165 00	.....	2,165 00
86	George W. Ward.....	1,365 00	1,365 00	.....	1,365 00
87	Wm. J. Card	600 00	300 00	.....	300 00
88	David C. Buffum	139 00	139 00	.....	139 00
89	Aaron E. Platts	131 00	131 00	.....	131 00
90	Charles H. Thomas	150 00	150 00	.....	150 00
91	Wesley Garrett	737 37	737 37	12 37	725 00
92	John Stuart.....	450 00	450 00	.....	450 00
93	Joel Grover.....	230 00	230 00	.....	230 00
94	Samuel N. Simpson	573 00	573 00	.....	573 00
95	Levi Woodward	150 00	150 00	.....	150 00
96	John A. Wakefield.....	3,808 00	3,808 00	.....	3,808 00
97	James S. Emory.....	500 00	500 00	.....	500 00
98	Simon Ritter.....	640 00	640 00	.....	640 00
99	Samuel Fry	150 00	150 00	.....	150 00
100	Thomas R. Herd.....	130 00	130 00	.....	130 00
101	George Earle	242 00	172 00	.....	172 00
102	Abraham Wilder	2,140 00	2,140 00	.....	2,140 00
103	Samuel Crane, jr.....	726 00	726 00	.....	726 00
104	Thomas B. Pierson	95 00	95 00	.....	95 00
105	Charles W. Smith	205 00	205 00	.....	205 00
106	David Burton	1,025 00	1,025 00	.....	1,025 00
107	Wm. C. Bridges.....	360 00	360 00	.....	360 00
108	James McGee.....	403 00	403 00	.....	403 00
109	W. J. Buchanan.....	25 00	25 00	.....	25 00
110	Wm. Green Price.....	422 30	422 30	.....	422 30

STATEMENT B—Continued.

No.	Names of claimants.	Amount claimed.	Amount proven.	Public class.	Private class.
111	Andrew D. Carey.....	\$256 00	\$256 00	-----	\$256 00
112	William Henry.....	482 00	300 00	-----	300 00
113	Hampton Harlason.....	200 00	200 00	-----	200 00
114	Knowles Shaw.....	170 00	170 00	\$170 00	-----
115	Ellenor Wakefield.....	170 00	170 00	-----	170 00
116	Hugh Ward.....	430 00	430 00	-----	430 00
117	Archibald Payne.....	217 00	217 00	217 00	-----
118	Auley Macauley.....	135 00	135 00	135 00	-----
119	Milton E. Clark.....	3, 158 00	2, 000 00	-----	2, 000 00
120	Soloman Reynard.....	200 00	200 00	-----	200 00
121	Salem Gleason.....	350 00	-----	-----	-----
122	O C. Browne (Lykins county).....	5, 314 00	5, 314 00	-----	5, 314 00
123	Thomas Roberts (Lykins co.).....	265 00	265 00	265 00	-----
124	Iscas Sutton, for brother, (Lykins county).....	555 00	555 00	-----	555 00
125	Samuel L. Adair (Lykins co.).....	145 00	145 00	-----	145 00
126	John McDaniel (Lykins co.).....	135 00	135 00	-----	135 00
127	A. J. Bush (Lykins county).....	85 00	85 00	85 00	-----
128	Patrick Davelin (Lykins co.).....	40 00	40 00	-----	40 00
129	Wm. B. Heath (Lykins co.).....	437 00	437 00	-----	437 00
130	John Stotts (Lykins county).....	113 00	113 00	-----	113 00
131	John P. Glenn (Lykins co.).....	55 00	55 00	-----	55 00
132	Hugh J. Campbell (Leav. co.).....	140 00	140 00	100 00	40 00
133	Silas Sutton (Lykins county).....	455 00	455 00	-----	455 00
134	Thomas Kelly (Lykins county).....	418 00	418 00	300 00	118 00
135	Robert Pence (Calhoun co.).....	250 00	250 00	-----	250 00
136	John F. Townsend (Douglas co.).....	162 00	-----	-----	-----
137	Samuel Ralston (Lykins co.).....	1, 000 00	700 00	-----	700 00
138	Thomas Totten (Lykins co.).....	159 00	159 00	-----	159 00
139	S. R. Kuckle (Douglas co.).....	1, 000 00	1, 000 00	-----	1, 000 00
140	S. T. Sum (Douglas co.).....	400 00	400 00	400 00	-----
141	John Anderson (Douglas co.).....	450 00	450 00	-----	450 00
142	Benjamin Johnson (Douglas co.).....	1, 366 00	1, 000 00	-----	1, 000 00
143	James L. Smith (Douglas co.).....	102 00	102 00	-----	102 00
144	Levy A. Maggard (Douglas co.).....	305 10	305 10	-----	305 10
145	C. L. Edwards (Douglas co.).....	300 00	300 00	-----	300 00
146	James Denvers.....	550 00	550 00	-----	550 00
147	Aaron Neal.....	130 00	130 00	25 00	105 00
148	Mercer Sutton (Lykins co.).....	90 00	90 00	-----	90 00
149	James Stotts (Lykins co.).....	376 00	376 00	376 00	-----
150	Philip W. Hill (Douglas co.).....	175 00	130 00	-----	130 00
151	Jourdan Neal (Douglas co.).....	280 00	280 00	-----	280 00
152	Robt. McFarland (Douglas co.).....	969 00	969 00	-----	969 00
153	Henry Eggert (Douglas co.).....	210 00	210 00	-----	210 00
154	Paul Rote (Douglas co.).....	85 00	85 00	-----	85 00
155	B. C. Tulley (Douglas co.).....	425 00	425 00	-----	425 00
156	Martin S Gaylard (Douglas co.).....	600 00	600 00	-----	600 00
157	Cyrus Adams (Douglas co.).....	35 00	35 00	-----	35 00
158	John McClelland (Douglas co.).....	383 00	383 00	-----	383 00
159	Taylor Stephens (Douglas co.).....	1, 255 12½	1, 255 12½	-----	1, 255 12½
160	Clarkson M. Wallace (Douglas county).....	265 00	265 00	-----	265 00
161	E. B. Purdom (Douglas co.).....	2, 400 00	2, 400 00	-----	2, 400 00
162	Robert Allen (Douglas co.).....	132 00	132 00	-----	132 00
163	Milligan Wallace (Douglas co.).....	400 00	400 00	-----	400 00
164	G. S. Skilbeck (Douglas co.).....	25, 000 00	8, 000 00	-----	8, 000 00
165	Benjamin S. Hancock (Douglas county).....	4, 222 00	2, 120 00	-----	2, 120 00

STATEMENT B—Continued.

No.	Names of claimants.	Amount claimed.	Amount proven.	Public class.	Private class.
166	Charles H. Lovejoy (Douglas county)	\$65 00	\$65 00	.....	\$65 00
167	Charles H. Crane (Douglas co.)	346 59	346 59	.....	346 59
168	Allen P. Hayard (Douglas co.)	125 00	125 00	\$125 00	.....
169	Frederick Ellerman (Douglas county)	150 00	150 00	.....	150 00
170	Mason F. Summers (Douglas county)	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....	1,000 00
171	Armstead & Dawson (South county)	669 00	669 00	.....	669 00
172	Marshal F. Comstock (South county)	379 00	271 00	.....	271 00
173	John M. Gallagher (South co.)	269 00	269 00	.....	269 00
174	Harold Howard (South co.)	150 00	150 00	150 00	.....
175	John S. Danks (South co.)	300 00	300 00	300 00	.....
176	Robt. Williams (South co.)	300 00	300 00	.....	300 00
177	John Kendall (South co.)	28 00	28 00	28 00	.....
178	Harvey W. Joe (South co.)	28 00	28 00	28 00	.....
179	Daniel Noland (South co.)	500 00	500 00	.....	500 00
180	David H. Newland (South co.)	1,085 00	1,085 00	1,085 00	.....
181	Wm. Freeland (South co.)	210 50	210 50	210 50	.....
182	Wm. A. Shannon (South co.)	109 90	24 40	24 40	.....
183	Eli M. Mackemer (South co.)	170 00	170 00	170 00	.....
184	John Stigers (South co.)	175 00	175 00	175 00	.....
185	Wm. H. P. Brietou (South co.)	452 52	452 52	452 52	.....
186	Martin Hefferlin (South co.)	145 00	140 00	140 00	.....
187	Joseph Evans (South co.)	247 00	247 00	247 00	.....
188	Saml S. Ellis (South co.)	150 00	150 00	150 00	.....
189	M P. Rively (South co.)	401 15	401 15	26 15	375 00
190	Rees & Keith (South co.)	512 00	512 00	512 00	.....
191	L. F. Hollingsworth (South co.)	3,600 00	.....	.....	.....
192	Isabel Caleb (South co.)	100 00	70 00	70 00	.....
193	Jonas Wallman (South co.)	375 75	375 75	375 75	.....
194	Daniel O. Keefe (South co.)	263 00	153 00	153 00	.....
195	Philip Rothchild (South co.)	1,108 00	1,108 00	1,108 00	.....
196	Frederick Samuels (South co.)	205 00	205 00	.....	.....
197	Wm. & F. Egleman (South county)	4,031 30	2,750 00	.....	2,750 00
198	David McCollum (South co.)	497 00	497 00	.....	497 00
199	Albert Mason (South co.)	28 00	28 00	28 00	.....
200	Soloman Baxton (South co.)	155 00	155 00	155 00	.....
201	John J. More (South co.)	500 00	.....	.....	.....
202	Thomas Staines (South co.)	251 50	251 50	251 50	.....
203	Charles Staines (South co.)	125 00	.....	.....	.....
204	Merrill Smith (South co.)	2,670 00	280 00	280 00	.....
205	Isaac House (South co.)	60 00	60 00	60 00	.....
206	A. M. Price (South co.)	140 00	140 00	140 00	.....
207	Brown Ellit (Atchison co.)	75 00	75 00	75 00	.....
208	Harrison Wilder (Atchison co.)	50 00	50 00	50 00	.....
209	Hiram Quiet (Atchison co.)	275 00	275 00	275 00	.....
210	W. J. Eagles (Atchison co.)	572 00	572 00	572 00	.....
211	Isaac Blessing (Atchison co.)	64 00	64 00	.....	64 00
212	John Hart (Atchison co.)	130 00	130 00	.....	130 00
213	Michael Dean (Atchison co.)	321 50	321 50	.....	321 50
214	Thomas Poleet (Atchison co.)	200 00	175 00	.....	175 00
215	Stephen Johnston (Atchison co.)	270 78	270 78	270 78
216	David M. Rivens (Atchison co.)	3,970 67	2,970 76	2,970 76

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No.	Names of claimants.	Amount claimed.	Amount proven.	Public class.	Private class.
217	James Cravens (Atchison co.)..	\$125 00	\$125 00	\$125 00	-----
218	B. D. Castleman (Shawnee co.)	3,815 75	3,815 75	-----	\$3,815 75
219	Wm. Matney (Shawnee co.)...	420 00	420 00	-----	420 00
220	George Matney (Shawnee co.)..	375 00	375 00	-----	375 00
221	S. E. Thompson (Shawnee co.)	280 00	280 00	-----	280 00
222	W. G. Johnson (Shawnee co.)..	290 00	290 00	-----	290 00
223	R. A. Edwards (Shawnee co.)..	2,443 00	2,443 00	-----	2,443 00
224	Harvey Russe, administrator of Jas. Willoughby (Shawnee co)	912 00	692 00	-----	692 00
225	Wm. B. Edwards (Shawnee co.)	301 32	301 32	-----	301 32
226	J. R. Waysman (Shawnee co.)..	669 90	598 90	478 90	130 00
227	C. A. Withington (Shawnee co.)	1,664 00	1,664 00	-----	1,664 00
228	Jas. R. Warren (Shawnee co.)..	268 50	268 50	-----	268 50
229	Milton L. Everett (Shawnee co.)	375 00	275 00	-----	275 00
230	Jas. Kuykendall (Shawnee co.)	445 00	445 00	100 00	345 00
231	Raleigh Fulton (Shawnee co.)..	240 00	240 00	-----	240 00
232	Perry Fleshman (Shawnee co.)	375 00	375 00	-----	375 00
233	Hiram Penny (Shawnee co) ..	275 00	275 00	-----	275 00
234	R. W. Chim (Shawnee co.) ...	255 00	255 00	-----	255 00
235	Jas. M. Hands (Shawnee co.)..	588 00	588 00	-----	588 00
236	Isaac Renfro (Shawnee co.)...	195 00	195 00	-----	195 00
237	John T. Adams (Shawnee co.)..	110 00	110 00	-----	110 00
238	S. J. Livingston (Shawnee co.)..	580 00	580 00	125 00	455 00
239	Martin Young (Shawnee co.)...	348 00	348 00	-----	348 00
240	J. L. Hopper (Shawnee co.)...	716 00	716 00	-----	716 00
241	B. F. Hopper (Shawnee co.)...	845 00	845 00	-----	845 00
242	Ann Hopper (Shawnee co.)....	335 50	335 50	-----	335 50
243	Andrew Imes (Shawnee co.)...	200 00	200 00	-----	200 00
244	R. S. Shepherd (Shawnee co.)..	160 00	160 00	-----	160 00
245	T. L. McKinney (Shawnee co)	125 00	125 00	-----	125 00
246	Wm. H. Oliver (Shawnee co.)..	40 00	40 00	-----	40 00
247	Milican Miller (Linn co.).....	135 00	135 00	135 00	-----
248	Absalom White (Douglas co.)..	2,000 00	-----	-----	-----
249	John Stroup (Douglas co.)....	4,745 00	4,745 00	-----	4,745 00
250	E. B. Johnson (Douglas co.)...	600 00	150 00	-----	150 00
251	Michael Glenn (Douglas co.)..	175 00	175 00	-----	175 00
252	Wm. S. Hull (Douglas co.) ...	1,095 00	1,095 00	-----	1,095 00
253	Robert Smith (Linn co.).....	250 00	250 00	-----	250 00
254	Isaac Dement (Linn co.)	2,158 00	2,158 00	2,158 00	-----
255	Edward Fox (Douglas co.)....	175 00	175 00	-----	175 00
256	Enoch B. Reid (Douglas co.)..	230 50	230 00	-----	230 00
257	Lewis Jenks (Douglas co.)....	535 00	535 00	-----	535 00
258	Wm. M. Helm (Douglas co.)...	175 00	175 00	-----	175 00
259	And. J. Rodrigue (Douglas co.)	315 00	315 00	200 00	115 00
260	Caroline E. Steiner (Douglas county)	50 00	50 00	-----	50 00
261	Wm. C. Tillotson (Douglas co.)	400 00	400 00	-----	400 00
262	W. F. & G. M. Dyer (Douglas county)	6,000 00	6,000 00	-----	6,000 00
263	Peter Majors (Linn county) ...	150 00	150 00	150 00	-----
264	Tilghman Clarke (Linn co.)...	150 00	150 00	150 00	-----
265	Reuben E. Nole (Linn co.)....	205 00	205 00	-----	205 00
266	David Reese (Linn county)...	250 00	250 00	-----	250 00
267	Hiram B. Kelly (Leav. county)..	76 00	50 00	50 00	-----
268	Jesse Sutton (Lykins county)..	178 00	178 00	-----	178 00
269	Thomas Oliver (Douglas co.)...	500 00	500 00	-----	500 00
270	Wm. Young, jr., (Douglas co.)..	2,290 00	2,290 00	-----	2,290 00
271	O. B. Tebbs (Jefferson co.)...	1,178 00	1,178 00	-----	1,178 00

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No.	Names of claimants.	Amount claimed.	Amount proven.	Public class.	Private class.
272	Wm. Hutchin (Linn county) ..	\$1,340 00	\$1,340 00	.....	\$1,340 00
273	Nathaniel Miller (Calhoun co.) ..	417 45	417 45	.....	417 45
274	Levi Ward (Linn county).....	193 00	43 00	.....	43 00
275	Paulina Bradin (Calhoun co.) ..	246 00	246 00	.....	246 00
276	Ellwood Ballinger (Calhoun co.) ..	175 00	175 00	.....	175 00
277	Henry D. Oden (Calhoun co.) ..	309 00	309 00	.....	309 00
278	Nicolas Gouyn (Linn county) ..	225 00	225 00	.....	225 00
279	Calvin McDonald (Linn co.) ..	100 00	100 00	.....	100 00
280	John E. Williams (Linn co.) ..	421 00	421 00	.....	421 00
281	John A. Brown (Linn county) ..	112 50	112 50	.....	112 50
282	Mary Lovell (Linn county) ...	490 00	490 00	.....	490 00
283	Fergus H. Graham (Linn co.) ..	80 00	80 00	.....	80 00
284	Wm. Hobson (Linn county) ..	2,112 00	632 00	.....	632 00
285	Sam'l L. Bridgeman (Linn co.) ..	125 00	125 00	.....	125 00
286	Jos. F. Mason (Leavenworth county)	375 00	375 00	.....	375 00
287	Polly Skinner (Calhoun co.) ..	2,810 00	2,810 00	.....	2,810 00
288	John F. Day (Leavenworth co.) ..	20 55	20 55	\$30 55	.....
289	Ephriam Husted (Lykins co.) ..	350 00	300 00	.....	300 00
290	Daniel Martin (Lykins co.) ..	1,490 00	.....	.....	.....
291	Wm. Saling (Lykins co.)	102 00	102 00	.....	102 00
292	H. H. Updegraff (Lykins co.) ..	545 00	545 00	.....	545 00
293	Jos. Higgins (Lykins co.)	1,704 00	1,704 00	.....	1,704 00
294	John G. Crocker (Douglas co.) ..	150 00	150 00	.....	150 00
295	Geo. D. Brooke (Douglas co.) ..	200 00	200 00	.....	200 00
296	E. A. Coleman (Douglas co.) ..	200 00	200 00	.....	200 00
297	Leopold F. Renter (Douglas county)	265 00	265 00	.....	265 00
298	Milton Short (Coffee county) ..	159 00	159 00	.....	159 00
299	L. P. Feddens (Coffee county) ..	205 00	205 00	.....	205 00
300	Daniel Lauker (Douglas co.) ..	125 00	125 00	.....	125 00
301	Samuel Walker (Douglas co.) ..	725 00	725 00	.....	725 00
302	James Whaly (Douglas co.)	500 00	500 00	.....	500 00
303	Peter S. Jewett (Douglas co.) ..	949 00	900 00	.....	900 00
304	Edward Bayinger (Douglas co.) ..	1,060 00	800 00	.....	800 00
305	Ruben H. Burr (Douglas co.) ..	600 00	600 00	200 00	400 00
306	Maurice Hartman (Douglas co.) ..	485 00	485 00	.....	485 00
307	Robt. Williams (Leavenworth county)	175 00	175 00	175 00	.....
308	Merrill Smith (Leavenworth county)	180 00	180 00	180 00	.....
309	O. H. Browne (Douglas co.) ..	1,045 00	1,045 00	.....	1,045 00
310	Sylvester H. Davis (Douglas co.) ..	1,772 00	1,772 00	.....	1,772 00
311	James Skaggs (Jefferson co.) ..	300 00	300 00	.....	300 00
312	Augustus Wattles (Douglas co.) ..	540 00	540 00	.....	540 00
313	Alfred Johnson (Douglas co.) ..	106 50	100 00	.....	100 00
314	Henry Ogle (Jefferson co.)	106 00	106 00	.....	106 00
315	William Butler (Jefferson co.) ..	27 00	27 00	.....	27 00
316	John Fidler (Jefferson co.)	115 00	115 00	.....	115 00
317	William C. Stagg (Jefferson county)	225 00	225 00	.....	225 00
318	William Horford (Jefferson co.) ..	40 00	40 00	.....	40 00
319	Chas. F. Brown (Jefferson co.) ..	25 00	25 00	.....	25 00
320	D. L. Wolf (Doniphan co.)	125 00	125 00	125 00	.....
321	Jas. S. Brewer (Doniphan co.) ..	150 00	150 00	150 00	.....
322	Francis D. Plummer (Jefferson county)	247 50	247 50	125 00	122 50

STATEMENT B—Continued.

No.	Names of claimants.	Amount claimed.	Amount proven.	Public class.	Private class.
323	J. N. O. P. Wood (Douglas co)	\$7,845 31	\$7,845 31	\$7,235 81	\$609 50
324	A. H. McFadin (Lykins co.) . .	913 00	913 00	.....	913 00
325	Joseph Comb (Lykins co.) . . .	650 00	650 00	.....	650 00
326	William M. Edwards (Lykins county).....	1,021 00	1,021 00	.....	1,021 00
327	William Stone (Bourbon co.)..	1,135 00	1,135 00	.....	1,135 00
328	Allen Beeson (Bourbon co.) . .	953 00	953 00	.....	953 00
329	Morgan Jones (Douglas co.) . .	125 00	125 00	.....	125 00
330	Thos. Johnson (Johnson co.)..	800 00	800 00	.....	800 00
331	Thos. H. Rosser (Douglas co.) .	1,533 90	1,533 90	.....	1,533 90
332	Harrison E. Ransom (Douglas county).....	627 00	627 00	.....	627 00
333	Jos M. Bernard (Franklin co.)	10,567 43	10,567 43	.....	10,567 43
334	Alex. Bayne (Jefferson co.)... .	113 50	113 50	113 50	.....
335	James Connel (Bourbon co.)..	1,035 00	1,035 00	.....	1,035 00
336	John Kelly (Leavenworth co.) .	200 00	200 00	.....	200 00
337	Poter Simmons (Bourbon co.) . .	250 00	250 00	.....	250 00
338	Thos. Fahey (Leavenworth co.)	1,600 00	1,600 00	.....	1,600 00
339	William Nichols (Bourbon co.) .	275 00	275 00	275 00	.....
340	David Baily (Douglas county) . .	36 32	36 32	36 32	.....
341	Samuel H. Cook (Leavenworth county).....	100 00	100 00	.....	100 00
342	Paris Ellison (Douglas co.) . . .	349 00	349 00	99 00	250 00
343	Wm. H. Bush (Douglas co.) . . .	215 00	215 00	.....	215 00
344	Wm. Justice (Douglas co.) . . .	516 00	516 00	.....	516 00
345	Geo. W. Muir (Douglas co.) . . .	112 00	112 00	.....	112 00
346	Frank J. Marshall (Marshall county).....	298 14	298 14	298 14	.....
347	Wm. C. Murry (Shawnee co.) . .	100 00	100 00	.....	100 00
348	Detroit Burton (Douglas co.)..	892 00	892 00	.....	892 00
349	James B. Todhunter (Douglas county).....	420 00	420 00	.....	420 00
350	Thos. Skaggs (Jefferson co.) . .	139 00	139 00	139 00	.....
351	Wm. M. Nace (Douglas co.) . . .	621 00	621 00	621 00	.....
352	Thos. S. Hensley (Douglas co.)	125 00	125 00	125 00	.....
353	H. W. Buckley (Douglas co.) . .	800 00	800 00	.....	800 00
354	T. M. Brook (Douglas co.) . . .	75 00	75 00	.....	75 00
355	J. K. Shephardson (Douglas county).....	1,056 70	1,056 70	1,056 70	.....
356	Saml. J. Jones (Douglas co.) . .	5,000 00	5,000 00	5,000 00	.....
357	Chas. L. Stevenson (Douglas county).....	450 00	450 00	450 00
	Total.....	301,225 11	254,279 28	38,942 90	215,311 38

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