compelled to flee the Country and took the account and all the vouchers he had with him. Judge Marlett Gov. Morton had a fight in the Old Capitol about the time your petitioner presented his bill and about that time the Government served my sick depreciation condition and the Government officials so much at odds your petitioner for the time abandoned the hope of obtaining justice, and by industry & attention to business becoming more independent your petitioner was perfectly indifferent whether he obtained the amount from the Government or not. But for the last three years the hard times falling particularly heavy on your petitioner together with sickness of himself and family has induced him to appeal to your Honors for the small pittance after being out of it for nearly twenty years, and prays that the same may be allowed at once, without reference to the Legislature.

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