of the government - who your petitioner thinks it
being possible may never get back - wherefore he
prays that your Honor will grant him a
request to take the testimony in writing of him
the said Lang - & perhaps of other
persons upon the purpose of having the
testimony before the next congress if your
petitioner shall think it expedient to do so in
such a manner as may be most likely to
secure and establish his your petitioner's claim
against the government of France - that he may
be allowed such time as may appear that he
is entitled to from the testimony of the said Lang
and others - and further - that as he your pe-
titioner had a considerable amount of
goods there, at the time you said at Salina
and he being absent on the business of the gov-
ernment - in manner aforesaid - that then and
about that time, Capt. Hanson was there in Salina
with a company of men - and that the goods
of your petitioner were seized on by the said Capt.
Hanson and his men - and distributed among opposer
rebels to the use of the government - and that
Capt. Hanson then said and stated to those
who were in the charge of your petitioner
you are all traitors - that the government was
responsible for [illegible] to your petitioner for
them - and your petitioner therefore prays
that your Honor will order and direct the
[illegible] the said
Lang make his testimony in writing of and
concerning all and singular the matters stated