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[ *Full-text transcription of:* Petition of Thomas Bohannon of Ray County asking compensation for timber destroyed by the Missouri Volunteers. ]

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Petition of  
Thomas Bohannon of  
the County of Ray  
asking compensation  
for timber destroyed  
by the Missouri Volunteers

No 8 –  
Refd to Comtee on  
Claims –  
Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>.

To the honorable the Legislature for Missouri  
Your Petitioner Thomas Bohannon would respectfully represent to your honorable body—that during the late campaign against the Mormons your petitioner then residing in Ray County, suffered great damage and loss from a large number of troops being quartered on your petitioners premises That for several weeks during the winter season Many hundred troops were encamped on your petitioners land—and that they burnt and otherwise destroyed a large number of rails and a great quantity of timber belonging to your petitioner—that your petitioner was put to great trouble and expense on account of the troops above mentioned. And as there is no provision made for compensating your petitioner for these several losses, he [fervently] prays your honorable body to adopt some measure for his relief and as in duty bound he will [illegible] pray &c

&c an additional fact to the foregoing your petitioner would further present that he then lived near (within one mile) the town of Richmond in said County of Ray and that timber, rail, &c are on that account much more valuable than they would otherwise be.

Thos [J.] Bohannon

