HER SIXTEEN SONS

THAT NUMBER OUT OF 33 CHILDREN Fought in the War of the Rebellion.

MOTHER NOW 114 YEARS OF AGE

Pension of $100 a month is asked for Ohio Woman—Case is the Most Remarkable the Government Has Ever Known.

Washington, April 8—Representative W. B. Francis, of Martin's Ferry, has asked the committee on invalid pensions, of which General Sherwood is chairman, to give immediate consideration to the bill which he has introduced granting a pension of $100 a month to Mrs. Sarah Brandon, of Jacksonburg, Belmont county, Ohio.

Mrs. Brandon's case is one of the most remarkable, which has come to the attention of the pension committee. The first husband was Charles Brandon, a soldier of the Mexican War, by whom she had twenty-two children. Upon his death she married William Sweeney, who had eleven children, thus making their combined family consist of thirty-three children.

Sixteen of Mrs. Brandon's sons enlisted in various regiments, chiefly from Ohio, and one son, John Brandon, Company F, Fifteenth Ohio Volunteers, died in Andersonville prison. He was her chief support, and it is on account of his death that she now draws $12 a month pension.

Mrs. Brandon is now 114 years of age, according to the authenticated records, is in feeble health and poor circumstances. She is almost helpless and requires the assistance of an attendant.

Under ordinary circumstances the rule of the committee would not allow the amount asked for in the Francis bill, but, as the case is remarkable, approval has been made for a liberal allowance in this instance.

General Sherwood's committee has the matter under consideration, and while the amount of gratuity has not been fixed in the bill, it will soon be reported and passed.

A group picture of Mrs. Brandon's sixteen sons who entered the Union army now hangs in the state house at Columbus as an exhibit representing the greatest number of soldiers from one family to enlist from any state.

A FORMER SEDALIA GIRL

Is to Be Married in Kansas City, Mo., Tomorrow Night.

The marriage of Miss Sadie Hearn, a former resident of Sedalia, is written of as follows in the Kansas City Star:

"The marriage of Miss Sadie Hearn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Hearn, and Mr. Lewis Talbot Shelton will take place Tuesday evening, April 9, at their country home, 7100 Main street.

"Miss Hearn will be attended by Mrs. Pardon C. Hickey, Mrs. C. Lynn Newbold, Mrs. Aldridge Cooper, and Mrs. Alfred Vandover as matrons of honor. Miss Nina Waller will be maid of honor and Miss Maude Vernon, Miss Reba Starkey, Miss Mae Frances Check and Miss Jewel Banks will be bridesmaids. Mr. and Mrs. Hearn will have the assistance of the following friends:

"Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Durham, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Waller, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fourby, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Mahan, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clarkson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowman, Miss Viola Clare Milton, Miss June Milton.

"Miss Nina Waller, the maid of honor, is also a former Sedalia girl, as is also Mrs. Claud Mahan, who as Miss Madge Smith, was reared in this city."

A GREAT DAY AT "TRINITY"

Large Congregations Were Present on Easter Sunday.

The largest and happiest congregations were present from one family to enlist from any state.