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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MARCH 3, 1880.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. GARLAND, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill S. 967.]

The Judiciary Committee, having had under consideration the bill (S. 967) to extend the jurisdiction of the northern district of Texas, make the following report:

This bill seeks to establish a court at Denison, Tex., and to give such court jurisdiction over that part of the Indian Territory occupied by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, and to this extent to abolish the United States court at Fort Smith, Ark.

The committee do not think it wise to change the jurisdiction over the Indian country in this partial manner, but deem it better to deal with this matter as one question affecting all the five civilized tribes of Indians, and this subject is now before another committee of the Senate to be disposed of as the Senate may think best on any report from that committee; and this committee therefore ask to be discharged, and that the bill be indefinitely postponed.