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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 11, 1886.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. MAXEY, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, submitted the following

REPORT :

[To accompany bill S. 220.]

The Committee on Indian Affairs, to which was referred the bill (S. 220) "to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to settle the claims of S. W. Marston, late United States Indian agent at Union Agency, Indian Territory, for services and expenses," beg leave to report that the facts are substantially set forth in the House report, in a like bill, Forty-eighth Congress, second session, which is adopted, as follows :

The bill is to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to cause the account of S. W. Marston, late Indian agent, to be examined, and to pay to the said Marston for services rendered and expenses incurred by him in the months of July, August, September, and October, in the year 1878, not to exceed the sum of \$448.10, which amount the bill appropriates.

The claimant was Indian agent for the Union Agency, Indian Territory, during the fiscal years ending June 30, 1877 and 1878. On the 30th day of June, 1878, said Union Agency was abolished, thereby vacating the office of Indian agent at that agency. The Commissioner of Indian Affairs instructed the claimant to remain at said agency for the purpose of closing up the business of said agency. In obeying the instructions of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs he incurred expenses and spent nearly four months' time, and for which he asks to be paid, in all a sum not exceeding \$448.10, if that amount is found to be due him upon an examination and adjustment of his account by the Secretary of the Interior. This bill passed the Senate at the first session of the Forty-seventh Congress, and again at the first session of the Forty-eighth Congress.

The committee reports said Senate bill 220 without amendment and recommends its passage.

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