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DULUTH AND WINNIPEG RAILROAD.

MARCH 31, 1890.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

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

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 7898.]

The Committee on Indian Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 7898) granting right of way to the Duluth and Winnipeg Railroad through Indian reservations, submit the following report, with an amendment:

The Duluth and Winnipeg Railroad Company has constructed and operates a line of railroad extending from a point near Lake Superior to the Mississippi River, and proposes to extend its line to Winnipeg, in the province of Manitoba. To do this by a feasible and fairly direct route it is necessary to pass through Winibigoshish, Cass Lake, White Oak Point, and Red Lake Indian Reservations in Minnesota. The bill provides for 100 feet right of way, except at stations fixed at 6 miles, where it provides for a strip 3,000 feet long and 300 feet wide. It provides that compensation shall be fixed for such right of way for the Indians by the Secretary of the Interior. That accurate plats shall be filed, and no right accrue to said company until the compensation is fixed and paid. The road to be operated through the reservations under such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior shall prescribe. All rights forfeited if the road is not constructed within five years.

