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INDIAN TRIBES.

MARCH 23, 1886.—Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

Mr. SPRINGER submitted the following

RESOLUTION:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Interior be requested to furnish the House of Representatives with the following information:

(1) The number of the Indian tribes within the jurisdiction of the United States and the number of Indians belonging to each tribe.

(2) The number of acres of land owned or set apart as reservations, for the use of each tribe, respectively.

(3) The amount of annuities paid each tribe and the acts of Congress authorizing the same.

(4) The amount appropriated to each tribe, respectively, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1886, for the following purposes; that is to say, for schools, school-houses, and other educational purposes; for subsistence and clothing; for police, labor, and mechanical and agricultural implements and instruction, and for physicians and medical supplies; for transportation and expenses of Indian agents, inspectors, and all other employes in the Indian service.

(5) A statement of the value of real estate and personal property owned by each tribe, respectively, including school-houses, mills, shops, and storehouses located on Indian reservations.

Resolved, further, That the Secretary of the Interior be requested to furnish the information above indicated in detail as to each tribe, showing the property owned by these wards of the nation and the amount expended by the Government out of the public Treasury for their support and care, so that the House may be able to judge upon the facts whether the property of these wards is or is not abundantly sufficient, if properly managed by the Government, acting as their guardian, for their support, education, and care, and whether, if so, these Indian wards could not hereafter be maintained and educated at their own cost and expense.