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THE WASHINGTON IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT
COMPANY.

APRIL 20, 1898.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the
Union and ordered to be printed.

Mr. CURTIS, of Kansas, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, sub-
mitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany S. 4108.]

The Committee on Indian Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4108) granting to the Washington Improvement and Development Company a right of way through the Colville Indian Reservation in the State of Washington, having had the same under consideration, report it back with amendments and recommend that when so amended it do pass.

At the hearing it was shown to your committee that the proposed line was to be built into the south half of said reservation; that about 50 miles of railroad would have to be constructed before the reservation was reached, and that said railroad would not extend over 50 miles in the south half of said reservation. It also appeared to your committee that the company was acting in good faith and intend to build said railroad as soon as possible, all necessary arrangements having been made for the commencement of the construction immediately.

The committee recommend that the bill be amended as follows:

On page 2, in line 15, strike out the word "three" and insert in lieu thereof the word "two."

On page 3, in line 16, strike out the word "fifty" and insert in lieu thereof the word "twenty-five."

On page 3, line 17, strike out the word "three" and insert in lieu thereof the word "two."