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THE MUSKOGEE, OKLAHOMA, AND WESTERN RAILROAD
COMPANY.

JANUARY 20, 1899.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state
of the Union and ordered to be printed.

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

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 9946.]

The Committee on Indian Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 9946) to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the Muskogee, Oklahoma, and Western Railroad Company to construct and operate a line of railway through Oklahoma and the Indian Territory, and for other purposes," submit the following report:

The amendment seeks to permit the company to build its road in sections and relieve it from the necessity of having the entire route surveyed and located before any portion of the same can be constructed. Permission to build in sections has been uniformly granted by Congress in recent acts of this kind, and your committee believe that the same right should be given to this company. Your committee find, however, that the branch of said road running southwesterly from the town of Muskogee is not sufficiently definitely located at its southwest terminus in said Territory, and for that reason recommend that the bill be amended as follows:

SEC. 2. That section one of the act of which this act is amendatory is hereby amended by striking out the following words "The eastern boundary of the Oklahoma Territory, south of the Canadian River," and insert in lieu thereof the words "On the Red River near the confluence of said Red River and the Wichita River."