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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

JANUARY 30, 1854.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. ALLEN made the following

REPORT.

[To accompany Bill S. 153.]

The Committee on Private Land Claims, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 153, "A Bill to relinquish the reversionary interest of the United States to a certain reservation therein mentioned and to confirm the title of Chas. G. Gunter thereto," and the accompanying papers, have had the same under consideration, and submit the following report:

It appears from the papers accompanying said bill, that a small island in the Alabama river, and about 250 acres of land on the opposite bank of the river, were marked on a plat in the office of the land commissioner at Montgomery as "Manac's Reserve." Manac was an Indian, and the last heard of him was in the Florida war. By a letter from the Commissioner of the General Land Office it appears that the title to the land is in the United States. Manac sold his right (a life estate only) to Andrew Dexter—Dexter to Carpenter—and Carpenter to Gunter. Several bills have been reported from the Committee on Public Lands at different periods, providing for the relief of Chas. G. Gunter, and in February, 1852, a bill was reported by the Committee on Private Land Claims, of which the bill now referred is a copy. In view of the foregoing facts the committee have directed me to report back the bill and accompanying papers, and recommend the passage of the bill without amendment.