

MIAMI INDIANS OF INDIANA.

DECEMBER 9, 1890.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed.

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

REPORT:

[To accompany S. 4205.]

The Committee on Indian Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4205) to reimburse the Miami Indians of Indiana for money improperly withheld from them, having had the same under consideration, hereby report:

The matters embraced by said bill cover the same matters covered by section 1 of House bill No. 253, upon the same subject, which bill was by this committee heretofore, in February, 1890, at the first session of this Congress, favorably reported with certain amendments, as shown in the amended bill and the report thereon then filed by this committee and now on the House Calendar. In said amended bill the committee recommended the payment of the sum of \$48,072.69, being only the principal of the sum claimed by, and by us found due to, said Indians, without interest, while the bill under consideration (S. 4205) provides for the payment of both principal and interest.

Your committee, still feeling that said interest ought not to be paid and that the principal is a just debt, hereby report the bill (S. 4205) favorably, amended, however, by striking out of the bill (S. 4205) all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the said amended House bill (H. R. 253), in the following words, to wit:

AN ACT to reimburse the Miami Indians of Indiana for money improperly withheld from them.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to pay to the Miami Indians of the State of Indiana, being three hundred and two persons listed on the corrected list under the treaty of June fifth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, and the increase of their families, the sum of forty-eight thousand seventy-two and sixty-nine one-hundredth dollars, being the amount improperly paid out of moneys due to said Indians, over their protest, to Indians not entitled to participate therein, and in violation of the treaty of eighteen hundred and fifty-four: *Provided,* That the sum hereby appropriated shall be in full settlement of any and all claims, in favor of said Miami Indians, or any of them, arising out of any and all alleged violations of the terms of said treaty of June fifth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, on the part of the United States Government.

SEC. 2. That the amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this act is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.