

WESTERN YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS.

JUNE 15, 1886.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. LANHAM, from the Committee on Claims, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 3917.]

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 3917) to appropriate \$127.50 to reimburse the Indian committee of Western Yearly Meeting of Friends in Indiana, for money expended by them in the purchase of Government lands in North Carolina for an Indian training school, having had the same under consideration, report as follows :

It seems that in 1884 an appropriation was made to erect a training school building for the Eastern Cherokee Indians in North Carolina. When ready to erect the building it was found that by the terms of the appropriation it was required to construct the same on lands belonging to the Government. The Indian Department had no appropriation that could be used for the purpose of purchasing said land. With the consent and approval of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, the Society of Friends of Indiana furnished the sum of \$122.50 with which to purchase said land. A site was purchased therewith and conveyance made to the Government, and the building is now being used for school purposes.

The Society of Friends have not been reimbursed. The committee recommend that the bill be amended by striking out the word "seven" where it occurs in the title and body of the bill before the word "dollars," and inserting the word "two," so that it may read one hundred and twenty-two dollars and fifty cents, and when so amended that the bill do pass.