

JOSEPH NEWELL.

JANUARY 29, 1852.

Laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. JENKINS, from the Committee on Private Land Claims, made the following

## REPORT:

*The Committee on Private Land Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Newell, report:*

That the petitioner sets forth, that, by the treaty of 1842, made between the United States and the Wyandot tribe of Indians, in the State of Ohio, there was conveyed to him one section of land, in the Indian country, to which said tribe of Indians removed. Although connected with said tribe of Indians by marriage, yet he is averse to removing among them, arising from his acquaintance with the white people and their language. That he is unable to dispose of said land, for the reason that it is situated in an Indian settlement, remote from the residence of white people. The petitioner therefore prays for the passage of an act authorizing him to exchange the said quarter section for other lands belonging to the United States, not in the Indian country.

The committee see no sufficient reason for granting the prayer of the petitioner. Doubtless many individuals own lands which they would be quite anxious to exchange for more eligible locations upon the public domain, if the law should authorize such exchange. But the owner of unsaleable property must submit to the slight inconvenience of disposing of it himself. The committee, therefore, adopt the following resolution:

*Resolved,* That the prayer of the petitioner be not granted.

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