MISSISSIPPI, ALBUQUERQUE AND INTER-OCEAN RAILWAY COMPANY.

FEBRUARY 9, 1883.—Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

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

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 4235.]

The Committee on Indian Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 4235) authorizing the Mississippi, Albuquerque and Inter-Ocean Railway Company, organized under the laws of Arkansas and New Mexico, to construct a railway through the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, respectfully report:

The evidence presented fails to satisfy the committee that there is any properly organized company having the ownership and control of a single mile of constructed railroad, or that there has ever been a single dollar in money raised or pledged to build the proposed railroad. The proposed line would, if located, run for scores or hundreds of miles very near to and nearly over the line followed by the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad, which road a solid company is constructing with energy, and upon which more than \$20,000,000 have been already expended.

In view of these facts, your committee return the bill with an adverse

report, and recommend that it lie on the table.