GEORGE ENGLE.



SEPTEMBER 14, 1888.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. HERMANN, from the Select Committee on Indian Depredation Claims, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 2817.]

The Select Committee on Indian Depredation Claims, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 2817) for the relief of George Engle, submit the following report:

This claim is for sheep numbering 689 head, all of which were driven off and destroyed by the Bannock and Pi-Ute Indians in the month of June, 1878, in Umatilla County, Oregon. It was during an uprising of the Indian tribes, during which many whites were massacred and much property lost through the same Indians. The claimant was in possession at the time of the sheep when they were taken from him. They are valued at \$2,067, and are described as an improved breed and valuable sheep. We find no part was ever recovered, and no compensation ever made to claimant.

The number and value of these sheep is also testified to by persons who were claimant's neighbors at the time, and they testify that the amount charged for said sheep was the cash value at the above time and place. The claimant is a credible and honorable citizen of Oregon, and we think should be paid every dollar lost as above stated.

We therefore recommend the payment of said sum of \$2,067.