

## ABANDONED MILITARY RESERVATIONS IN WYOMING.

MARCH 28, 1890.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed.

Mr. CAREY, from the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following

### REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 8245.]

The Committee on Military Affairs, having had under consideration the bill (H. R. 8245) to provide for the disposal of the abandoned military reservations in Wyoming Territory, beg leave to report:

During the Indian troubles in Wyoming Territory very large military reservations were established. These reservations, being no longer required for military purposes, have been abandoned. Settlers have gone upon these reservations since their abandonment. The bill provides that the lands included in these reservations shall be disposed of under the homestead law only, except that actual occupants shall have the preference right to make one entry under either of the existing land laws to include their improvements. The bill has the proper saving clauses, and is approved by the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

The committee recommend that the bill do pass, with amendments noted on bill presented with this report.