IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

APRIL 29, 1886.—Ordered to be printed.

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

REPORT:

[To accompany bill S. 1376.]

The Committee on Indian Affairs, to which was referred the bill (S. 1376) for the relief of John F. Malo, respectfully submits the following report:

In response to a communication from the chairman, the Acting Secretary of the Interior writes as follows:

> DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, March 19, 1886.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note of 6th instant, referring, with request for examination and report, Senate bill No. 1376, "for the relief of John F. Malo," which contemplates the payment, out of the unexpended balance of appropriations for Indian schools for 1885, or prior years, to Rev. John F. Malo \$1,000, for services rendered and expenditures incurred by him in maintaining an Indian boys' and girls' school among the Turtle Mountain Chippewas of Dakota, from September 20, 1882, to December 1, 1883.

The subject having been referred to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, I transmit in reply a copy of his letter of 18th instant, with accompanying papers noted therein.

The late Commissioner of Indian Affairs urged an appropriation for the payment of this claim, in which Mr. Secretary Teller concurred.

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs expresses the opinion that the claim is a just one, and recommends the passage of the bill, in which recommendation this Department concurs.

Very respectfully,

H. L. MULDROW, Acting Secretary.

The CHAIRMAN Committee on Indian Affairs, United States Senate.

This communication was accompanied by the following:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, Washington, March 18, 1886.

SIR: By your reference of the 8th instant, I am in receipt of a letter from Hon. H. L. Dawes, chairman of the Committee on Indian Affairs, United States Senate, requesting a report on Senate bill (S. 1376) for relief of John F. Malo, for services rendered and expenditures incurred by him in maintaining an Indian boys' and girls'

School among the Turtle Mountain Chippewas of Dakota, from September 20, 1882, to December 1, 1883, amounting to \$1,000.

In reply I have the honor to state that the claim in favor of J. F. Malo was allowed by this office on December 27, 1883, under authority of the Department of December 22, 1883, and for your information and that of the Senate committee I inclose herewith copies of the voucher and authority upon which the settlement was made, and also Ex. Doc. No. 240, House of Representatives, Forty-eighth Congress, second session, containing letter from this office dated June 10, 1884, giving history of the claim and reasons why it was not allowed by the accounting officer. I think the claim a just one and recommend its passage.

Very respectfully,

J. D. C. ATKINS, Commissioner.

The SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

The United States, to Rev. John F. Malo, Dr.

For conducting a day school among the Turtle Mountain Chippewa Indians, in Dakota, from September 20, 1882, to December 1, 1883, say fourteen months, with an average attendance of thirty-five boys and thirty-five girls. \$1,000

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 21, 1883.

I, John F. Malo, of Turtle Mountain, Dakota, do swear that I have conducted the school referred to in the above account during the period therein mentioned; that the average attendance therein named is correct; that the charge for conducting the school is, I believe, reasonable and just, and that no part of said account has ever been paid by said Indians or by the United States.

JOHN F. MALO, M. P.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of December, A. D. 1883.

[SEAL.] CHARLES S. DRURY, SEAL. Notary Public for District of Columbia.

> THE BUREAU OF CATHOLIC INDIAN MISSIONS, Washington, D. C., December 21, 1883.

We certify that the records of this Bureau show that the school named in the above account was conducted by said Rev. J. F. Malo, at his own expense, during the time therein named, and that the average attendance named is correct; and that, in our opinion, the charge made is reasonable and just.

I. B. A. BROUILLET, Director.

CHAS. S. LUSK.

Secretary.

Official copy. Settled December 27, 1883.

Chief Finance Division.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, December 22, 1883.

SIR: In compliance with the recommendation contained in your communication of 21st instant, authority is hereby granted for the settlement of account in favor of Rev. John F. Malo, in the sum of \$1,000, for conducting a day school on the Turtle Mountain Chippewa Reservation in Dakota, from September 20, 1832, to December 1, 1883; payable from funds applicable thereto. The account is herewith returned.

Very respectfully,

H. M. TELLER, Secretary.

Official copy.

Chief of Finance Division.

The COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

The committee is fully satisfied that the claim set forth in the bill is just and reasonable, wherefore the committee recommends that said bill do pass.