

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 25, 1884.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. VOORHEES submitted the following

RESOLUTION:

Whereas, in compliance with Senate resolution of December 4, 1883, the honorable Secretary of the Interior has transmitted copies of documents and correspondence relating to leases of lands in the Indian Territory to citizens of the United States for cattle-grazing and other purposes; and

Whereas it appears from Executive Document No. 54, of the present session of Congress, containing said copies of correspondence, &c., that several millions of acres of land in the Indian Territory have been leased to citizens of the United States for cattle-grazing purposes: Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be, and they are hereby, instructed to investigate the matter of said leases, whether the same have been made in conformity to law; whether any money paid by any of the lessees under the terms of said leases have been covered into the Treasury; whether any of said lessees have attempted to survey any of the lands in said Indian Territory, belonging, secured, or granted by treaty with the United States to any Indian tribe, or has designated any of the boundaries of said lands by marking trees or otherwise; and that said committee be instructed to report by bill or otherwise at any time.