

The quantity of land sold for the benefit of the Indians during the year 1897 was 14,451 acres, which realized \$12,521. The quantity of surrendered lands now held by the Government for sale is about 447,827 acres.

The amount at the credit of the Indian fund, which consists of moneys accrued from annuities, secured to the Indians under treaty, and from sales of land, timber, stones, &c., surrendered by them was, on 30th June, 1897, \$3,692,516, the expenditure from which, charged principally to interest, amounted to \$272,938. The expenditure from parliamentary appropriations was \$908,064, making a total of \$1,181,002.

The following is a statement of the expenditure from the parliamentary grant:—

EXPENDITURE FROM PARLIAMENTARY GRANT IN 1897.

	Ontario and Quebec.	Nova Scotia.	New Brunswick.	P. E. Island.	Manitoba and N. W. Ter- ritories.	British Columbia.
Surveys	547				4,073	5,703
Relief of distressed	3,495				173,103	3,081
Medical attendance	844	2,978	1,250	349		6,012
Seeds, implements and tools		1,862	1,918	859	6,291	1,169
Annuities	18,306				122,730	
Schools	33,567				229,600	48,226
Salaries	174	1,168	1,701	300		18,540
Miscellaneous	2,407	2,037	300	29	8,107	6,236
Triennial clothing					2,203	
Farm wages					24,490	
Farm maintenance					9,980	
Buildings					3,998	
General expenses					109,305	
Grist and saw mills					2,624	
Travelling expenses						3,343
Grants to assist Indian land management ac- count Prov. of Quebec and Indian school fund	14,000					
Settlement of a claim of Chippewas of the Thames against Mun- see Indians	17,640					
Totals	95,980	8,045	5,169	1,537	701,504	92,310