

On many of the Indian reserves in Ontario the methods of cultivation of the lands, the supply and the quality of live stock are equal to the average of the surrounding white communities.

In the fishing and hunting regions of the Dominion the Indians do well, and in 1904 there was a net increase in the receipts from fishing of \$81,400, and from hunting of \$60,744.

The quantity of land sold for the benefit of the Indians during the year 1904 was 67,965 acres, which realized \$62,943. The quantity of surrendered lands now held by the Government for sale is about 291,548 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 June 30, 1904, \$4,799,135, the expenditure from which, charged principally to interest, amounted to \$322,228. The expenditure from parliamentary appropriations was \$1,079,781, making a total of \$1,402,009.

The following is a statement of the expenditure from the parliamentary grant by provinces, fiscal year ended June 30, 1904 :—

EXPENDITURE FROM PARLIAMENTARY GRANT IN 1904.

	Ontario and Quebec.	Nova Scotia.	New Brunsw- wick.	Prince Edward Island.	Manitoba and North- west Territories	British Columbia.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Salaries.....	150	1,200	1,237	300	.....	20,736
Relief and seed grain...	‡6,428	2,807	2,382	751	.....	‡7,599
Medical attendance.....	.....	3,694	3,787	746	.....	15,543
Implements, tools, &c..	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,511	.....
Live stock.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21,270	.....
Annuities and commu- tations.....	16,642	.....	.....	.....	146,780	.....
Schools.....	*47,481	.....	.....	.....	268,877	75,778
General expenses.....	1,198	.....	.....	.....	158,655	.....
Survey and reserve com- mission.....	727	.....	.....	.....	7,007	2,258
Triennial clothing.....	498	.....	.....	.....	4,023	.....
Supplies for destitute and working Indians.	.....	.....	.....	.....	186,343	.....
Land management fund.	14,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miscellaneous.....	14,980	2,274	602	31	7,633	15,682
Totals.....	102,104	9,975	8,008	1,828	804,099	137,596

* Including maritime provinces,

† Including implements.

‡ Includes medical attendance.

In addition to the above, the sum of \$8,692 was expended under the head of 'General,' \$11,000 for compensation for price of islands and improvements on islands in the St. Lawrence River, and \$7,480 for schools and destitute Indians in the Yukon district, making the expenditure \$1,090,781.