ACCOUNTANT'S BRANCH.

The amount at the credit of the Indian Fund, which consists of all moneys held in trust for the benefit of Indian tribes or bands, was, on the 30th June, 1881, \$3,089,798.78, being an increase of \$50,588.40 over the amount at the credit of the fund on the same date last year.

The expenditure from the same fund during the fiscal year amounted to \$249,363.82, being \$2,320.48 more than last year's expenditure.

The following statement shows the expenditure on account of the Parliamentary appropriations during the same period:—

Manitoba and North-West	\$726,737	70
New Brunswick	4,455	82
Nova Scotia	4,483	33
British Columbia		96
Prince Edward Island		36

Statement B, placed herewith, and the subsidiary statements Numbers 1 to 63, inclusive, which follow it, contain full details of revenue and expenditure on account of the respective tribal accounts and statements; and Statement C 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, with ten subsidiary statements from A to J following, supply similar information as regards the Parliamentary appropriations for Indian purposes.

LAND SALES BRANCH.

The lands sold during the year amounted to 33,293₇₀₀ acres, and the sales to \$52,787.01. These lands are for the most part situated in various parts of the Province of Ontario.

The collections on account of old and new sales and leases amounted to \$50,446.71.

The quantity of land still in the market is, in round numbers, 538,000 acres.

Return D, which forms one of the appendices to this Report, contains full particulars of the land sold during the year in each township, as well as of the quantity still disposable.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

The following statement will give an idea of the quantity of work done by the Department during the past year as compared with the previous year's transactions:

Letters written 8,007, being 1,260 more than the previous year, covering 10,450 folios, 1,850 folios more than last year.

Letters received 9,295, being 1,375 in excess of the number received last year.