ALFRED R. C. SELWYN, Esq., LL.D., F.R.S., F.G.S.,

Director of the Geological and Natural History Survey and Museum.

Sir,—I have the honor of herewith laying before you my Report upon the work carried out in the Laboratory of this Survey during the past year. It embodies only such analyses and examinations as were deemed likely to prove of general interest. Of these, such as were conducted by Assistant Chemist, Mr. Frank D. Adams, have, in all instances, been duly eredited to him.

The results of an examination of a series of coals, from the Northwest Territory, is in course of progress, and I trust to be in a position to hand you the results, in the form of a separate report, at an early date.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

G. CHRISTIAN HOFFMANN.

OTTAWA, December 30, 1882.