

The amount available for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1891, was :—

	Grant.	Expenditure.
	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Civil list appropriation	47,330 00	
Geological Survey and Museum appropriation	60,100 00	
Artesian boring appropriation	10,000 00	
Civil list salaries		41,792 50
Wages of temporary employes		19,001 16
Exploration and survey		27,473 81
Boring operations, Deloraine, Man		6,514 48
Printing and lithography		9,605 39
Stationery, mapping materials and Queen's Printer		1,823 55
Purchase of specimens		309 40
Purchase of books and instruments		545 30
Purchase of laboratory apparatus and chemicals		508 05
Incidental and other expenses		1,805 72
		109,379 36
LESS—Paid in 1890		6,534 66
		102,844 70
ADD—Advances to field explorers		5,159 75
Unexpended balance, civil list appropriation		5,537 50
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	117,430 00	117,430 00

The correspondence of the department shows a total of 10,852 letters sent, and 6,947 received.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

ALFRED R. C. SELWYN,

Deputy Head and Director.