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INDIAN APPROPRIATION BILL.

JANUARY 8, 1881.—Recommended to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

Mr. WELLS, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 6730.]

In presenting the bill making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1882, the Committee on Appropriations herewith make the following report in explanation thereof:

The estimates upon which the bill is based are to be found on pages 99 to 115 of the Book of Estimates, and amount to \$4,853,866.80, of which amount the committee recommend in this bill \$4,531,866.80, which is \$125,395.92 less than the amount appropriated for the current fiscal year and \$327,000 less than the estimates.

The amount recommended is made up of the following items:

For fulfilling treaty stipulations, including pay of agents, inspectors, and interpreters, and contingencies	\$2, 658, 648 80
For transportation	250, 000 00
Removal, settlement, and subsistence of various tribes	1, 160, 000 00
General incidental expenses	179, 000 00
Miscellaneous	185, 000 00
Interest on trust-fund stocks	99, 218 00
	4, 531, 866 80

The bill contains no new legislation, except a clause repealing the law authorizing the commission of ten citizens provided for in the act of April 10, 1869; also, under section 6, provision governing the opening of bids and granting contracts for supplies.