

These continued to do well, and were hatched out with little loss. In due time they were distributed in the following rivers :

North-West River,.....	100,000
South-West “ .....	100,000
Little South-West River,.....	95,000
Sevogle “ .....	45,000
Bartibog “ .....	40,000
Burnt Church “ .....	40,000
Tabusintac “ .....	45,000
Napan “ .....	50,000
Black “ .....	50,000
Salmon “ .....	20,000
Canaan “ .....	20,000
Shediac “ .....	50,000
W. J. Davidson's Salmon River,.....	10,000

no losses occurring in the distribution.

During the summer season all necessary repairs were done about the hatching house, and in the fall of 1878 three hundred and eighty-eight (388) breeding salmon were procured, all of which were placed in the pond. Great difficulty was experienced in getting these fish into the reception-house; they would not go up the stream. Nets had to be used to take them from the pond, then they had to be carried into the reception-house, thus causing a great amount of labour. No loss, however, occurred. A few of the fish could not be got out of the pond, as the rough bottom prevented the use of sweeping nets.

One million (1,000,000) healthy ova were procured from these parent salmon and were successfully laid down in the breeding-troughs, and two hundred and fifty thousand (250,000) more were brought from Halifax, by Mr. A. B. Wilmot, making in all one million two hundred and fifty thousand (1,250,000.) These progressed favorably with little loss, and continue to do so up to the present date.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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*Miramichi Fish-Breeding Establishment.*