

fund in the past and present, has been, and is, the obligation of the stronger to help the weaker so that every congregation may have the full benefit of a Pastor's labours. It deals with congregations not with ministers.

To this principle, prominence has been given in reports and public advocacy of the fund; and its power appears from the fact that the following Congregations, after enjoying the fostering help of their brethren for a time have passed from the list of aid receiving churches, and now rejoice in the privilege both of maintaining their own Pastors, and in turn of aiding those that now require a helping hand, Moncton, Prince St. Charlottetown, Sheet Harbor, Clyde River, Cornwallis, Bridgetown, Harvey, West Bay Boulevard, St. Anns, Grand River, Earltown, Little Harbor, Mahone Bay, Blackville, River Charles, West Point, Woodville, Baddeck, Prince William, twenty, one for each year, up to 1881; and the present year is no exception for the congregation of Coldstream, at the suggestion of its Pastor, has given notice of its intention to become self reliant and independent for the future. The Committee therefore feel warranted in saying that the Supplement fund in the Maritime Provinces, instead of being as some have represented it, a failure, has done excellent work, and proved a decided success.

The subjoined tabular statement will shew at a glance, in Presbyteries, the number of contributing Congregations, for the past years, the sums paid and the disbursements made.

Total	Name of Presbytery	Contributing	Paid in.	Received out.
171	Pictou	1880-1881-1882	1879-80: 1880-81: 1881-82:	1881-82:
127	Halifax	12 21 15	\$346.40 \$450.58 \$515.17	\$500.00
130	Truro	23 26 25	\$803.94 724.77 929.14	\$440.00
	St. John	15 15 14	\$321.27 485.57 578.56	\$338.75
	St. John	15 15 14	\$201.24 343.41 372.78	\$140.00
	St. John	11 12 13	\$207.73 212.60 214.00	\$126.50
	St. John	10 16 20	\$50.00 50.00 94.81	\$40.75
	St. John	7 7 7	\$350.38 287.30 395.36	\$294.75
	St. John	5 5 5	\$11.00 69.50 86.00	\$27.00
	St. John	10 10 10	\$41.00 52.31 54.75	\$5.00
	St. John	7 7 7	\$6.58 15.47 15.47	\$5.00
	St. John	1 1 1	\$24.00 100.00 125.00	\$25.00
	St. John		\$2815.03 \$2914.74 \$3497.69	\$3528.17

The Committee at its recent semi-annual meeting carefully examined the Reports of all the presbyteries but found that in several cases where no application was made or the information was so defective that the Committee had no sufficient data for coming to a conclusion. The list so far as reported is subjoined and for purposes of comparison is placed side by side with the last years list:

Presbytery of Miramichi.

	1881-2	1882-3
1 Tabusintac	100 00	100 00
with \$25 additional of the people will raise 100 more.		
2 Redbank	125 00	150 00
3 New Carlisle	150 00	150 00
in view of settlement to be reduced next year.		
4 Black River	100 00	100 00
5 Bathurst	50 00	
with probability of other \$25 for 1882-3.	\$525 00	500 00

St. John Presbytery.

1 Sussex	100 00	100 00
2 Springfield	135 00	100 00
with \$25 additional if the people raise \$100.		
2 Bonabec	90 00	105 00
with additional \$20 if the people fulfill their engagements.		
4 Carleton	200 00	100 00
5 Buctouche	100 00	
6 Chipman	125 00	100 00
7 St. Andrew's	150 00	200 00
8 Woodstock	200 00	160 00
being sum for the first year requested by Presbytery.		

9 Nashveak and Stanley, delayed for facts.	108	
10 Hammond River, &c.	150 00	15 00
11 St. James. Deferred for financial & stated facts	100 00	
12 Hopewell & Salisbury	100 00	100 00
with probability of other \$25 for Springfield, and \$20 for Bonabec.	\$1558 00	1100 00

Prince Edward Island Presbytery.

1 Cove Head	72 00	80 00
2 Tryon & Bonshaw	135 00	150 00
3 Tignish, &c.	150 00	150 00
4 Dundas	90 00	00 00
	\$447 00	380 00

Lunenburg and Yarmouth.

1 New Dublin	100 00	100 00
with notice of discontinuance unless the people will raise \$100.		
2 Carleton and Chebogue	135 00	150 00
	\$235 00	250 00

Sydney Presbytery.

1 Gabarus	144 00	
2 Cape North	50 00	
3 Leitch's Creek	125 00	
Delayed for information and application.	\$319 00	

Victoria and Richmond Presbytery.

1 Lake Ainslie	50 00	50 00
if the people make up \$400.		
2 N. E. Margaree, Chetcamp & Whale Cove	100 00	100 00
3 Mabou	50 00	100 00
4 Strath Lorne	75 00	75 00
	\$275 00	325 00