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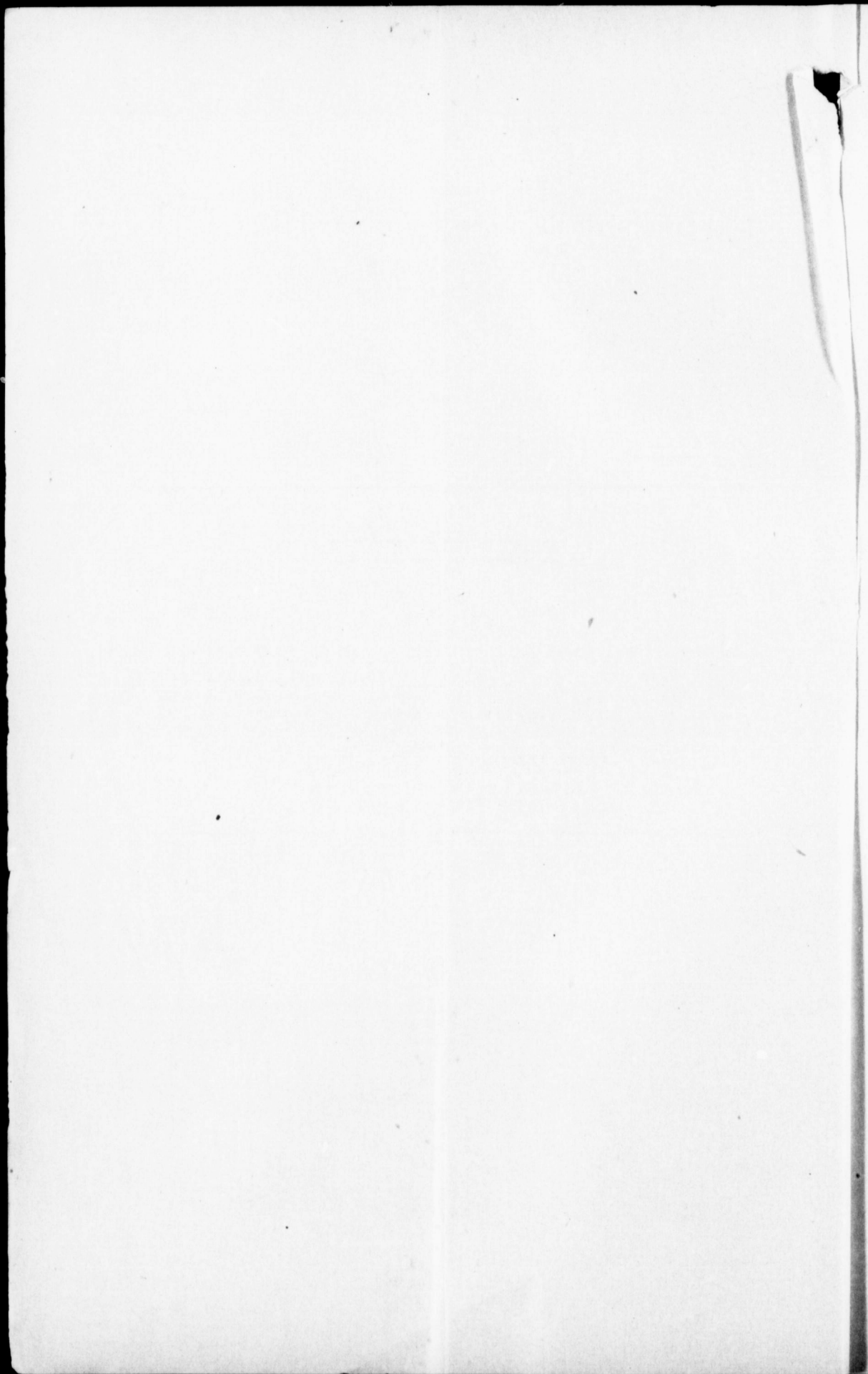
REPORT

OF

AUGMENTATION COMMITTEE,

(EASTERN SECTION.)

FOR 1889 - 90.



REPORT OF AUGMENTATION COMMITTEE.

(EASTERN SECTION.)

In pursuance of the liberty granted by last Assembly, the Committee at its semi-annual meeting in October, made grants as follows:—

Presbytery of Sydney:

Gabarus	\$100 00
Loch Lomond	85 00
Leitch's Creek	100 00

Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond:

Strathlorne	150 00
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Presbytery of Lunenburg and Shelburne:

Lockeport	300 00
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Presbytery of St. John:

Richmond	100 00
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Presbytery of Prince Edward Island:

Richmond Bay, West	208 00
Brookfield	250 00
West Cape and Campbellton	250 00

Presbytery of Miramichi:

Weldford and Mill Branch	200 00
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The Committee submitted to Synod as usual a statement of the affairs of the Fund. After full discussion it was agreed to allocate to Presbyteries to be raised for the Fund, \$8000, and to draw upon the balance in Fund to pay the grants in full amounting to \$9219.45, and also expenses of \$430.55,—making a total of \$9650.00, or \$1650.00 more than was asked from the people. The Synod made the allocation on the same principle as of previous years. The following tabular statement exhibits the result:—

SUMMARY OF THE RESULTS OF THE WORK ON BEHALF OF THE AUGMENTATION FUND (EASTERN SECTION).

PRESBYTERIES.	Amount allotted by Synod.	Amount realized by Presbyteries.	No. of Congregations realizing allotments in full.	No. of Congregations making partial payment.	No. of Congregations making no contribution.
Sydney	\$ 425 00	\$ 394 25	9	4	.....
Victoria and Richmond	250 00	192 00	7	2	1
Wallace	350 00	355 00	10	.....	.....
Pictou	1100 00	1227 21	18	3	.....
Turo	750 00	752 00	16	1	.....
Halifax	1750 00	1783 13	27	4	1
Lunenburg and Shelburne	325 00	339 50	8	2	.....
St. John	1200 00	1039 50	20	5	6
Miramichi	575 00	586 75	16	.....	.....
P. E. Island	975 00	1015 30	28	4	1
Newfoundland	300 00	180 00	2	.....	1
Totals	\$8000 00	*\$7864 64	161	25	10

* Interest, \$105.00; Bequests and Donations, \$112 50; Total, \$8082.14.

Seven Presbyteries and 161 Congegations raised all that was asked from them; Twenty-five other Congregations made collections, and several of these very nearly reached the allotment. Had the remaining ten done even fairly well more than the \$8000 would have been raised.* Enough, however, has been done to show that the scheme has a deep hold on the hearts of the people, and that there is promise in it of a successful future. In addition to the \$7864.64 contributed by congregations, as such, there were donations and small bequests amounting to \$112.50 and interest to \$105.00, making a total of receipts of \$8082.14. The account now stands as follows:—

Balance on hand, 1889.....	\$ 5223 01	
Receipts	8082 14	
		\$13305 15
Payments for Augmentation of Stipend	\$ 9219 45	
Expenses	430 55	
		9650 00
Balance on hand, 1890		\$3655 15

Thus the Fund has been drawn upon beyond what has been raised to the extent of \$1567.86, and the balance now in hand is \$344.85 less than the \$4000.00 of a working balance with which the scheme was started. In other words the Fund is really in debt \$344.85. This fact, taken along with that shown in the tabulated appendix that \$9500.00 will be needed to cover the expenditure of the present year, shews that a gross revenue of \$9800.00 will be called for this year to put everything on a satisfactory footing.

The Committee is not without anxiety on this subject; yet it believes that when the matter is fairly laid before the Synod some plan can be devised to meet the demands and still retain the working balance in the Fund. Its hope lies not so much in the line of increasing the contributions to the Fund as in that of lessening the demands upon it. This must be done by a general advance in self support on the part of the supplemented charges. In this way the salaries would not be lowered, whilst the grants could be reduced. Eighteen hundred dollars spread over 60 supplemented congregations only gives an average of \$30.00 apiece. Of course this average cannot be always obtained, or even the proportion of it which corresponds to the proportion of the present grant to the total outlay, but in many cases much more than that proportion can be secured by the visitation of a Presbyterial, delegate who will lay the matter fully before the people, and canvass them either personally or by members of their own Committee. In many cases much has already been accomplished. Since the scheme came into operation 6 supplemented congregations have been fostered into complete self-support, and there has been a total increase in local support of \$4686.00. The past year shows an increase to stipend of \$930 by the supplemented Congregations, and also two Congregations, viz., Parrsboro and Loch Lomond, which together received last year \$200, that have retired from the benefits of the Fund. This decided step in advance the Committee thinks can yet be followed by others equally great and gratifying; and the purpose of the Committee is to urge them forward, so that the Fund shall serve as a stimulus to Congregations willing to help themselves, and not as an endowment on which indolent and selfish ones feel that they have a right to lean, no matter how illiberally they themselves may be giving. It is pleasing to note that increase of liberality to the schemes is keeping pace with the growth of stipends. Last year the supplemented charges contributed to the Augmentation Fund \$1,185 as against \$1,090 the year previous and \$3,358 to the other Funds as against \$3,213.

The Committee respectfully asks leave of Assembly to deal with all the cases marked in the appendix as deferred, amounting in all to 15, should there be found necessity for so doing. It also asks the Assembly to sanction the grants already made to 46 Congregations, subject of course to the rules for payment prescribed by the Assembly. In a few instances grants have been made where the Congregations do not quite qualify, but these are either *special* cases, or have had the most careful investigation and consideration from the Committee, and are believed to be really, if not technically, entitled to share in the benefits of the Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

E. SMITH, *Convener.*

P. M. MORRISON, *Secretary.*

* Three of these sent in their allotments after the accounts were closed.

APPENDIX TO REPORT OF AUGMENTATION COMMITTEE, PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA, (EASTERN SECTION.)

SUPPLEMENTED CONGREGATIONS.

PRESBYTERY OF SYDNEY.

CONGREGATIONS.	MINISTERS.	No of Families.	No of Communi- cants.	Shipped promised by Congreg'n for 1st April, 1890	Is there a manse or rented house.	Rate per Commu- nicant	Amount of increase in Stipend over preceding year.	Arrears of Stipend, if any, for the year ended Dec. 31st, 1889	Am't received from the Augmenta- tion Fund for the year ended 31st March, 1890.	(Grant required from the Aug- mentation Fund for year begin- ning April 1st, 1890.	Did the congrega- tion take a col- lection within the year for each of the schemes of the Church?	Am't contributed to Augmentation Fund for the year ended Mar- ch 31st, 1890.	Am't contributed to all the other schemes, for the year ended Mar- ch 31st, 1890.	Has the congrega- tion been visited since last appli- cation was made
Gabus.	Donald Sutherland.	66	57	\$400	M	\$7 00	\$100	.....	\$100 00	\$200	Yes.	\$25 00	\$60 00	Yes
*Leitch's Creek	Hector McQuarrie.	74	13	450	.....	3 40	.....	\$178 00	125 00	*130	Yes.	25 00	18 00	Yes.
		140	187	\$850	I	\$4 92	\$100	\$178 00	\$225 00	\$350	.....	\$50 00	\$78 00	.....

* Does not qualify, but has received a grant and is improving. Grant also conditioned on payment of arrears.

PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA AND RICHMOND.

	Alex. Grant	90	70	\$412	Yes	\$4 57	.....	.....	\$100 00	\$100	Nearly : 6.	\$17 00	\$27 00	It has been.
*Middle River	Alex. MacRae	107	92	500	"	4 67	.....	.....	100 00	100	Yes, 9.	18 00	33 00	Yes.
Strath Lorne	Roderick McLeod.	116	149	600	"	4 02	.....	.....	150 00	138	For 6.	20 00	102 00	Yes.
Mabon, C. B.	Lennox R. Gloag	58	77	575	RH	5 63	.....	.....	175 00	175	"	25 00	194 00	Yes.
Port Hood	"	21	25	.....	"	.....	.....	.....	75 00	.....	For 8.	27 00	140 00	Yes.
*Port Hastings	Don. McDonald.	120	88	450	"	3 86	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
River Inhabitants	"	48	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		560	519	\$2737	6	\$5 85	.....	.....	\$600 00	\$513	.....	\$107 00	\$496 00	.....

* \$100.00 of arrears to be paid and the full amount of salary for year. + Deferred and delegation appointed to visit and report.

PRESBYTERY OF TRURO.

	W. T. Bruce, M.D	79	136	\$600	M	\$4 75	.....	.....	\$150 00	\$150	Yes.	\$15 00	\$64 00	Yes.
Coldstream	Gavin Hamilton	87	118	600	M.	5 51	.....	.....	130 00	150	.....	30 00	89 00	Y's.
Brookfield		166	254	\$1200	2	\$5 15	.....	.....	\$300 00	\$300	.....	\$45 00	\$153 00	.....

PRESBYTERY OF WALLACE.

CONGREGATIONS.	MINISTERS.	No. of Families.	No. of Communi- cants	Stipend promised by Congreg'n for year beginning 1st April, 1890.	Is there a manse or rented house.	Rate per Commu- nicant.	Amount of inter- est in Stipend over preceding year.	Arrears of Stipend, if any, for the year ended Dec. 31st, 1889.	Amount received from the Augmenta- tion Fund for the year ended 31st, March, 1890.	Grant required from the Aug- mentation Fund for year begin- ning April 1st, 1890.	Did the congrega- tion take a col- lection within the year for each of the schemes of the Church?	Amount contributed to Augmentation Fund for the year ended Mar- ch, 1890.	Amount contributed to all the other schemes, for the year ended Mar- ch, 1890.	Has the congrega- tion been visited since last appli- cation was made.
Knox Church, Wallace.	S. Boyd	96	129	\$600	No.	\$4 65	\$50	None.	\$150 00	\$100	Yes.	\$30 00	\$131 00	No.
St Matthew's "	H B McKay	100	122	600	M.	5 32	50	None.	150 00	100	Yes.	30 00	200 00	No.
N. Annan & Wentw'gh	R. C. Quinn	86	231	575	M.	2 70		None.	145 00	145	Yes.	29 00	75 00	No.
*Earlton and W. B.														
River John.	D. McLean	110	116	500	M.	4 74		\$53 00	200 00	159	No.	29 00	10 00	No.
Pugwash	J. A. McKenzie	76	134	600	M.	4 85						44 00	193 00	No.
*Oxford		58	100	60	No.	6 00								
		526	832	\$3475	4	\$4 46	\$ 00	\$53 00	\$645 00	\$495		\$162 00	\$609 00	
* Deferred.														

PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX.

Noel	Alex. Campbell	77	125	\$600	M.	\$5 20	\$ 00	None	\$160 00	\$150	Yes.	\$25 00	\$90 00	Yes.
Elmsdale	J. Layton	70	161	695	M.	4 62			55 00	55	Yes.	20 00	186 00	Yes.
Musquodoboit Harbor.	J. Anderson	68	129	450	M.	3 87			300 00	300	Yes.	21 00	63 00	
Wolfville	R. D. Ross	32	47	500	M.	10 64			300 00	300	Yes.	15 00	79 00	
Canard	Wm Dawson	47	85	650	M.	7 47	50		150 00	100	Yes.	25 00	51 00	
Annapolis & Bridget wn	W. M. Fraser	50	87	500		5 75			300 00	300		15 00		
*Waterville & Lakeville														
*Carleton and Chebogue														
*Kempt and Walton														
*Lawrencetown														
		344	634	\$3395	4	\$5 66	\$100		\$1265 00	\$1205		\$121 00	\$469 00	
* Deferred.														

PRESBYTERY OF LUNENBURG AND SHELburne

LaHave	Geo. A. Leck	101	135	\$700	M.	\$5 55		No.	\$ 50 00	\$ 50	Yes.	\$40 00	\$107 00	Yes.
Mahone Bay	J. W. Crawford	95	131	600	M.	4 96		No.	150 00	150	Yes.	40 00	60 00	Yes.
Lockport	D. McKinnon	42	49	450	No.	9 18		No.	300 00	300	Yes.	27 00	20 00	Yes.
Shelburne	D. McIntosh	68	113	500	M.	4 87		No.	225 00	225	Yes.	27 00	22 00	Yes.
Clyde and Barrington.	J. K. McClure	53	71	550	M.	8 45		No.	200 00	200	Yes.	27 00	26 00	Yes.
		359	499	\$2800	4	\$6 01			\$925 00	\$925		\$161 00	\$235 00	

PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

Sussex	Thos. Stewart	78	90	\$500	M.	\$6 11	\$200 00	\$200	Yes.	\$34 00	\$98 25
Chapman	Vacant	80	94	500	M.	6 00	200 00	200	Yes.	38 00	22 00
Nashua and Stanley	J. S. Mullen	86	70	561	M.	8 75	150 00	189	Not all.	27 00	12 00
*Bacabec, Waweig, &c	W. C. Calder	43	97	400	M.	5 00	200 00	250	For 6 of them	20 00	50 00
Shemogue	J. McG. McKay	30	45	500	M.	16 68	67 00	250	Not all	20 00	37 00
Shediac	W. R. M. Baird	50	70	550	M.	8 75	40	200	Yes	25 00	71 00
Glasville	J. K. Bealisto	30	31	550	M.	19 35	240 00	200	Yes	19 00	157 83
Woodstock	James Ross	33	60	600	M.	10 00	150 00	150	Yes	20 00	47 00
Hampton, &c.	Willard McDonald	43	51	500	RH	5 04	226 90	250	Yes	15 00	45 70
*St. George	John Hawley	56	109	500		4 59	3 00	300	Yes	25 00	38 00
Buckfield and E Sett	Geo. D. McFarlane	36	98	45					Yes		
Buctouche	Vacant								Yes		
*St. James	"										
*S. Richmond	"										
*Greenfield, &c.	"										
*Riverside	"										
Richmond	Joseph Barker	75	120	650	M.	5 83	150	100		30 09	
		640	935	\$6261	9	\$8 96	\$323 90	\$2279 00		\$263 00	\$578 78

* Arrears to be paid. + Deferred till Presbytery makes further inquiry. † Deferred.

PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI.

Blackville	T. G. Johnston, e.	65	63	\$650	M	\$11 70	\$100	.....	\$200 00	\$100	Yes.	\$25 00	\$105 00	Yes.
Black River	John Robertson	72	75	550	M	8 00		.....	200 00	150	Yes	25 00	33 00	Yes.
New Carlisle	F. W. George	80	96	500	M	5 72		.....	200 00	200	Yes	25 00	55 00	Yes.
Red Bank	James D. Murray	75	165	550	M	3 63	50	.....	200 00	150	Yes	23 00	105 00	Yes.
Burnt Church, &c.	Jas. Rosborough	75	118	570	M	5 25	50	.....	230 00	180	Yes.	23 00	54 00	Yes.
Weldford	Wm McLeod	125	197	550	R H	3 55		.....	200 00		Yes.	30 06	32 00	Yes.
		492	714	\$3370	6	\$5 14	\$200	\$1230 00	\$780	\$151 00	\$384 00

• Deferred and committee appointed to make enquiries.

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PRESBYTERY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Cove Head.	Jas. Allan	40	108	\$400	No.	\$3 71	\$150 00	Yes.	\$27 00	\$10 8 00	Yes.
Georgetown	Wm. A. Mason	55	79	575	M	7 91	200 00	Yes.	20 00	36 00	Yes.
Brookfield	J. M. Macleannan	70	55	500	M.	7 85	250 00	Yes.	15 00	50 00	Yes.
Tryon and Bonshaw	Allan Maclean	72	80	480	M.	6 62	280 00	Yes.	25 00	19 00	Yes.
Richmond Bay West.	Thos. Corbitt.	91	162	580	M.	3 89	250 00	Yes.	20 00	82 00	Yes.
West Cape.	Ewen Gillis	75	93	450	M.	5 37	250 00	No.	18 00		Yes.
*Montrose	Vacant				M.						
		403	577	\$2985	6	\$5 64	\$1330 00	\$1115	\$125 00	\$355 00	

• Deferred.

* Deferred.

SUMMARY OF CONGREGATIONS RECEIVING SUPPLEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st 1891.

Presbyteries.	No. of Congregations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Stipend promised by Congregation for year beginning 1st April, 1890.	Is there a Manse or rented house.	Rate per Communicant.	Amount of increase in Stipend over preceding year.	Arrears of Stipend, if any, for the year ended December 31, 1889.	Amount received from the Augmentation Fund for the year ended 31st March, 1890.	Grant required from the Augmentation Fund for the year beginning April 1st, 1890.	Amount contributed to Augmentation Fund for the year ended March 31st, 1890.	Amount contributed to all the other Schemes, for the year ended March 31st, 1890.
Sydney.....	2	140	187	\$ 850	1	\$4 92	\$100	\$178 00	\$ 225	\$ 350	\$ 50	\$ 78
Victoria and Richmond.....	6	560	519	2737	6	5 85	.....	.....	600	513	107	496
Wallace.....	6	526	832	3475	4	4 46	100	53 00	645	495	162	609
Truro.....	2	166	254	1200	2	5 15	.....	.....	300	300	45	153
Halifax.....	10	344	634	3395	4	5 66	100	.....	1265	1205	121	469
Lanerburg and Shelburne ...	5	359	499	2800	4	6 01	.....	.....	925	925	161	235
St. John.....	17	640	935	6261	9	6 96	303	323 90	2279	2289	263	579
Miramichi.....	6	492	714	3370	6	5 14	200	.....	1230	780	151	384
P. E. Island.....	7	403	577	2985	6	5 64	135	.....	1330	1115	125	355
Total	61	3630	5151	27073	42	\$5 66	+8938	\$554 90	\$8799	*\$7972	\$1185	\$3358

+ In addition to this Parrshoro and Loch Lomond, that have gone off the fund, increased \$150.00 and \$50.00 respectively.
 * This amount is for grants already made. When the deferred applications are dealt with \$1300 more will probably be needed, making a total of \$9272 for grants, besides expenses.