

ciation. Before that body, he read papers on Hygiene, which were published in medical periodicals, and had a wide circulation. The doctor was also, for one or two terms, president of the St. John medical society, and is now president of the natural history society, in which he takes great interest, fostering it all he can.

Dr. Botsford is a vestryman of Trinity Episcopal church, and president of the New Brunswick bible society, auxiliary to the British and Foreign society: and of the St. John Young Men's Christian Association, which he represented at the international convention of Young Men's Christian Associations held at Washington, D.C., a few years ago. He takes much interest in all such enterprises.

Dr. Botsford married, in 1837, Margaret S. Maine, a native of Scotland, and we believe they have no children. The doctor has a fine literary taste, an active and inquiring mind, and devotes his leisure time largely to miscellaneous reading and to certain branches of scientific research.

ZECHARIAH CHIPMAN,

ST. STEPHEN, N.B.

AMONG the older and most successful class of business men in St. Stephen, is he whose name heads this sketch. For more than forty years he was an active trader and ship-owner in this place, and won an enviable name for uprightness of life and honesty of purpose in his business transactions, and for his efficiency in discharging public trusts.

Zechariah Chipman was born at Cornwallis, King's county, N. S., on the 18th of April, 1814, several of his relatives still residing in that county, one or two of them being mentioned in the Nova Scotia part of this work. His parents were Holmes and Elizabeth Chipman, who both died in Nova Scotia; he received a plain English education; is largely self-taught; was early employed in a general mercantile house, going into business for himself in 1837, at St. Stephen, being at first in partnership with Mr. F. M. Pingree, and dealing in merchandise exclusively. Subsequently Mr. Chipman added ship-building and shipping, and launched out extensively in the West India trade in 1854, associating with himself John Bolton, of St. Andrew's, N.B. Latterly he has been alone, and since the almost total failure of his eye-sight, three years ago, his only son, John S. DeWolf Chipman, has had the entire charge of his business.

Mr. Chipman has served as a magistrate for a long period; is a member of the board of school trustees; a director of the New Brunswick and Canada railroad, and St. Stephen's bank; was president for some years of the Frontier steamboat company; trustee of the Calais and Baring railroad for the last twenty years; was one of the promoters of the Saint Croix cotton mill, now being built on the St. Croix river at Milltown, N.B.; and indeed it would be difficult to name local enterprises with which he has not had an official connection, he taking pride in aiding to push forward any project calculated to advance the interests of his adopted home.

Mr. Chipman has long been one of the pillars of the Methodist church, and long served as an efficient Sunday-school superintendent, no man in St. Stephen, it is safe to say, having the spiritual welfare of the young more thoroughly at heart. He has held various offices connected with his church, and is also secretary of the St. Stephen branch of the British and Foreign Bible society. Probably no man in this town is more esteemed for his consistency of character.