

Among other press references to this event is the following taken from a New Brunswick paper expressive of the high estimation in which he was held:

"The Gazette of February 5th announces the appointment, by Her Majesty, of the Honorable Alexander Stewart, of Nova Scotia, to be a Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath.

The Honorable Alexander Stewart, C. B., is well known in New Brunswick, as a distinguished Member of the Bar both in this Province and in Nova Scotia. He is a native of the latter Province, where for many years he took a leading part in politics, and having displayed great ability in his profession, he was advanced to the dignity of Master of the Rolls in Nova Scotia, and also appointed by the Crown, Judge of the Court of Vice Admiralty in that Province.

As Master of the Rolls, the judgments of the Honourable Mr. Stewart were always marked by great ability, and evinced a vast store of legal learning. It is creditable to the soundness of his opinions, that although appeals were several times taken, not one of his judgments was ever reversed or modified. When the Court of Chancery was abolished in Nova Scotia, he offered no opposition to the change, but retired on an allowance, retaining however his position as Judge of the Admiralty Court, which he still holds.

The appointment of the Honorable Mr. Stewart to the Order of the Bath, is a high mark of Her Majesty's approbation of his abilities and merits, and very likely may be only the forerunner of still higher promotion."

Stewart was naturally very proud of this honor coming as it did from the Imperial Government when such honors were much more rarely conferred on colonials than they are today. In a communication to the Governor, he says "And I shall be deeply grateful if my children, friends, and fellow subjects shall have