

of agriculture with a handsome silver urn, as a prize for an essay on the agricultural condition of Charlotte county.

His interest in education is especially as great, and he was for twenty years a school trustee under the old system, and is now chairman of the board of trustees under the new law. He has often lectured on a variety of topics before mechanics' institutes and other societies, and always draws a full house. In the last thirty years he must have spoken at least eight or ten times before the St. John's mechanic institute alone; and seems to be most popular when oftenest heard. Some years ago he travelled in different parts of the province, and lectured to the farmers on agriculture, and thus awakened among them fresh interest on that subject.

Believing that manufactures tend to build up a town, and indirectly the country, Judge Stevens has never been slow in trying to encourage their establishment; nor was he seemingly ever more interested in such matters than at the present time. He was the prime mover in the last enterprise of this kind in St. Stephen—the building of a cotton factory, which is now in the process of erection, and which will cost about \$500,000.

Judge Stevens is president of the St. Stephen branch of the Bible society, auxiliary to the British and Foreign society, and is a very prominent layman in the Presbyterian church. In January, 1852, he was presented with a gold watch by the members of the church, as a mark of their respect and esteem, and that watch he still carries. He was a delegate to the great convention, held at Montreal, in June, 1875, and which resulted in the consummation of a final union. He was called out on that occasion, and made a platform speech, which the newspaper reporters called "lively, racy, soul-stirring," and said it "drew forth great and repeated bursts of applause."

Judge Stevens married, in December, 1845, Elizabeth Helen, daughter of John Marks, son of a Loyalist, and she is the mother of fifteen children, all yet living but two. James Gray, jr., the eldest son, is of the firm of Stevens and Mitchell, barristers, St. Stephen; Andrew is a grain merchant, Monticello, Illinois; Atheling Campbell is a clerk for E. C. Clark and Co., merchants, St. Louis, Mo.; John Marks is a law student, St. Stephen; Helen Marks is married to John G. Orchard, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Chicago; Elizabeth, to John J. Morrison, accountant Bank of British North America, St. John; Sarah Gilmore, to William B. Torrence, accountant Canadian Bank of Commerce, Brantford, Ontario; and Grace Buchanan, Fannie Alice, Ann Wardlaw, Kate Aubrey, Robert Walton, and Walter Scott, are at home, most of them pursuing their studies.

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CHARLES STEINKOPFF MEDLEY, rector of Sussex, was born in Truro, Cornwall, England, on the 16th of September, 1835; he is a son of the Right Rev. John Medley, D. D., Bishop of Fredericton and Christiana Bacon, a granddaughter of the great English sculptor of that name; he received his early education in the classics and mathematics, at Marlborough college, Wiltshire, a preparatory school for boys; came out to New Brunswick in 1855, his father having preceded him; took the arts course at King's college, Fredericton; studied theology with his father, and was ordained deacon by his father in June, 1859, and priest the next year; he was