

on behalf of the local government on several occasions, and has the fullest confidence of the highest officials in the province, as well as of his constituents.

Mr. Stevenson is high up in Masonry, being Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, and has held the office of deputy grand master and senior grand warden; he is well known to the order throughout the Maritime Provinces.

Our subject was married August 1, 1866, to Kate Bolton, sister of John Bolton, deceased, who represented Charlotte in the House of Commons from 1867 to 1872; and they have two children, a daughter and son. The family are members of All Saints' church, of which Mr. Stevenson is a warden.

GEORGE EDWARD FENETY,

FREDERICTON, N.B.

GEORGE E. FENETY, Queen's Printer of the Province of New Brunswick, was born in Halifax, N.S., in the year 1812; he is the fourth son of William Fenety of Halifax, an architect and draughtsman, who for some years was engaged in the King's works; he died in 1826; his mother, Mary Hall, went to Nova Scotia in 1783 with her father, Richard Hall, a staunch Loyalist, one of the sturdy band who settled in Shelburne, a town which, at one time, contained a population of 12,000, chiefly made up of Loyalists from the States of Massachusetts, New York, and New Jersey.

At the age of seventeen Fenety entered the office of the *Nova Scotian*, the champion paper of the Liberals, owned by the Hon. Joseph Howe; and during his connexion with that paper, which lasted for several years, he frequently travelled over the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island, collecting accounts; he continued to enjoy the esteem and confidence of Mr. Howe until his death, which occurred during his administration as lieutenant-governor of his native province, in 1875.

In November, 1835, the year of the great cholera plague, Mr. Fenety went to New York, where he resided for twelve months. At the end of that time he was attached to the *Planter's Advocate*, as assistant-editor, a periodical published at Donaldsville, a town situated about sixty-five miles above New Orleans, on the Mississippi; and in six months after became half proprietor. The climate, which annually fosters yellow fever, came nigh proving fatal to his northern constitution, too accustomed to frosts and snow, and compelled him, in 1839, to sell out, and once more turn his face homeward; he settled in St. John, full of enterprise, hope, industry, and a courage to face difficulties which no obstacle could daunt; he soon after started the first penny paper in the Maritime Provinces, called the *Morning News*. The idea of issuing a paper at so small a price was met at first with indifference, especially by the weekly journals, of which there were not less than five at that time; but, in spite of all the difficulties which met him on every side, his determination carried it through, and it was when he left it, the leading political daily of St. John, although its name has since been changed by the present proprietors to *Daily News*. It is now in its forty-second year, being the oldest paper in the province.

In 1856, Mr. Fenety was appointed a justice of the peace for the city and county of St. John, and in 1857, by the Government, a commissioner to investigate and report upon the management of the lunatic asylum, the provincial penitentiary, the marine hospital, and light