

2nd. Official Warning Circular, No. 63, dated December 1st, 1890.

3rd. Constitution and By-laws of the Association.

4th. Circular, dated 20th February, 1891.

All of which I respectfully ask your attention to, and would suggest that a special Committee be appointed to report thereon.

Brethren, you are aware that this Grand Lodge was organized on the 24th June, 1875, and that we have no account on the records of the first Lodge chartered in this Province. I think it advisable to do so on this occasion. On the 9th day of October, 1797, Saint John's Lodge, now No. 1 in this jurisdiction, received a charter or warrant from the English Provincial Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia under No. 26, subsequently from the Grand Lodge of England. The then Governor of this Island, General Edmund Fanning, being a charter member; at that time this Province was called Saint John's Island, and in consequence of many mistakes of letters and merchandise addressed to persons in the Island by being carried through mistake to Saint John's, Newfoundland, or Saint John, New Brunswick, or Saint John's on the Labrador Coast, or elsewhere. By Act of Parliament the name was changed to that of Prince Edward Island on the 20th day of November, 1798, and received the Royal allowance February 1st, 1799. In grateful remembrance of that peculiarly auspicious and happy period when this Island was under the command of Lieutenant General His Royal Highness, Prince Edward Duke of Kent, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in Nova Scotia, Island Saint John, Cape Breton and Newfoundland, and the father of Her most gracious Majesty the Queen.

We also feel pleased to note the fact that the Prince was a distinguished mason, and took a deep