

him on the 23rd June, 1880. They had seven sons and five daughters, two of the latter being dead.

**Tolmie, James, M. P. P.,** (Cloverdale, Victoria), son of William Fraser Tolmie, C. F. Hudson's Bay Company, and Jane Work, was born at Fort Nisqually September 9th, 1855. He was educated at Victoria, and was subsequently engaged in business for five years. He then entered a law office with the intention of studying law, but abandoned this at the end of one year, and has since resided on the farm at Cloverdale, which he now manages. In 1888 he was elected to represent Victoria district in the Local Legislature. He is a conservative in politics and friendly to the present Government. He is second vice-president of the St. Andrew's and Caledonian society and is an adherent of the Episcopal Church.

**Townsend, William Borridaile,** (New Westminster), was born February 28th, 1839, at Battersea, near London, England. Educated at the grammar school in that place, known as the "Sir Walter St. John Bolinbroke School." Having an inclination for a seafaring life he left home at a very early age without the knowledge of his parents, and went to the Baltic with the squadron under Admiral Dundas in 1855, and was at the storming of Seaborg, for which he carries the silver medal, presented by the nation when the Russian war was over. He then visited Madeira, and Bermuda, and later on the Cape Verde Islands. He subsequently remained at home for a year but could not settle down. He accepted an engagement in the Hudson's Bay service and arrived at Fort Victoria in January, 1858, a few months before the gold excitement which broke out in that year and populated the Fraser river, but which Mr. Townsend did not hear of till he reached England again. In 1860 he again landed in Victoria and settled there for two years. He was then smitten with the gold fever and spent the summers of 1862 and 1863 in Cariboo with varied success. In 1864 he returned to England, and was married in September of that year to Eliza, eldest daughter of Mr. John Ridley, of his native village. After spending a few months at home Mr. Townsend and his wife started for the long voyage round the Horn, in a new ship called the *Minodoro*, but she was run down in the channel and the passengers were landed on the beach near Dover, with scarcely