

Mr. Moresby was married in 1875 to Miss Mary Anne Edwards, a native of Kent, England, who came to British Columbia in 1859. Unto Mr. and Mrs. Moresby were born four children, of whom three are living: William Charles, Noel M. and Violet Mary. Mr. Moresby was a member of the Masonic fraternity, joining Westminster Lodge of New Westminster on its organization and thereafter exemplifying in his life the beneficent spirit of the craft. He held membership in the Anglican church and his was an upright, honorable life, characterized by all that is manly and straightforward.

His eldest son, William Charles Moresby, was born June 1, 1876, in New Westminster, British Columbia, and is a member of the law firm of Moresby & O'Reilly, with offices in the Belmont block. He was educated in the schools of his native city, including Lorne College and the high school. He became a clerk in the employ of Armstrong, Eckstein & Gaynor and was articled for five years to the law firm of Corbould, McColl, Wilson & Campbell. He passed the required examination in December, 1897. He was one of the youngest members of the bar in his district, being in his twenty-first year. He assumed charge of the office of Drake, Jackson & Helmcken, so continuing until May 15, 1904, when he formed a partnership with Arthur J. O'Reilly. Their position is one of prominence at the Victoria bar, Mr. Moresby's growing ability gaining him distinction as an able and representative member of the profession. In early days Mr. Moresby was prominent in athletic circles and his military record consists in a former period of membership in Company 3 of the British Columbia Garrison Artillery of New Westminster. He is a conservative in politics and was formerly secretary of the Conservative Association. In 1911 he served as an alderman of Victoria. In 1913 he was elected one of the Benchers of the Law Society of British Columbia. He belongs to the Union Club and to the Pacific Club and is a past grand chief factor of the Native Sons of British Columbia. His record sustains the high reputation always borne by the family and adds new laurels to an untarnished family name.

JAMES REID.

James Reid, who makes his business ability, discernment and public spirit the basis of excellent work in the office of city liquor license inspector and secretary of the board of license commissioners, was born in Lesmahagow, Scotland, May 10, 1870, and is a son of Thomas and Annie Reid, the former of whom was for many years in the general merchandise business in that city. James Reid acquired his education in the public schools of Lesmahagow and upon laying aside his books served an apprenticeship to the carpenter's and joiner's trade. He remained in Scotland until 1903 and then crossed the Atlantic to Canada, settling first in Winnipeg, Manitoba, where for one year he followed his trade. At the end of that time he moved to Banff, British Columbia, and in the fall of 1904 came to Vancouver, where he has since remained, a highly respected resident. For three years after his arrival he was business agent for the Amalgamated Carpenters Union, and he subsequently engaged in the contracting business, becoming immediately successful and securing a large and representative patronage. In 1912 he was appointed city liquor license inspector and secretary of the board of license commissioners, and he has since held these positions, the duties of which he discharges capably and conscientiously and in a way which reflects credit upon his ability and his public spirit.

On the 13th of July, 1899, Mr. Reid was united in marriage, in Baillieston, Scotland, to Miss Janet Webb, a daughter of Isaac and Jane Webb and a representative of a well known Scotch family. Isaac Webb was in the butchering business at Baillieston for a number of years and was highly respected in business circles of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Reid became the parents of six children, three of whom, Jane, Thomas and Isa, are living.