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he accompanied an elder brother to Briti-h Columbia, landing in Victoria in July, 1862. Shortly afterwards he went to the Stickeen mines, returning to Victoria in October, and in the following March he went to New Westminster. There, after a few years, he entered the newspaper business, beginning at the foot of the ladder, and working "at the case" in New Westminster and Victoria until the end of 1871, when he established the Herald, now the British Columbian, which he conducted until 1880, when he sold out on being appointed postmaster, which position he still holds. In 1887 Mr. Brown married Miss Kate E., fourth daughter of Mr. Wm. Clarkson, of New Westminster. With the exception of some two years, spent in Victoria, Mr. Brown has resided continuously in New Westminster ever since his arrival in British Columbia. He was a member of the first volunteer rifle company of that place, and was connected, with the volunteer, and later with the militia, force for about eighteen years. Between 1871 and 1880 he occupied numerous public positions, as president or secretary of various local boards, but has never been a candidate for any political office. He is at present Mayor of New Westminster, President of the Mainland Association of that place, and also of the executive for the district, Honorary President of the New Westminster Lacrosse Club, President of the New Westminster Sabbath School Association, and Chairman of the Board of School Trustees. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and has been for a number of years an elder of St. Andrew's, New Westminster, and the superintendent of its Sabbath school.

Burgess, John Pope, (Victoria), was born in Somersetshire, England, on July 2nd, 1839. While a child his parents emigrated to Canada and settled at Kingston, Ontario, and there Mr. Burgess received his education at the common and grammar schools. At the age of 19 he apprenticed himself to the carpentering trade. In 1862 he left Ontario and came to British Columbia via Panama, reaching Victoria in May. He went direct to the mines on the Fraser River, and during the next few years he staked off a number of claims between Yale and Williams Lake. He did not expend much labor on them, however, his time being occupied chiefly in putting up buildings. In 1869 he went to the Omineca District where he opened a store and dealt in miners' supplies. In the