

removed to Kamloops. He started a branch store in Vancouver but was burned out during the big fire of 1886. He rebuilt his store at Vancouver and after conducting it for one year, sold out and confined himself to his business at Kamloops. Since that time he has resided at the inland capital where his interests have largely increased. He is a director of the Royal Inland Hospital at Kamloops; chairman of the board of managers of the Presbyterian Church; director of the Inland Agricultural Association. He is a member of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, and of the St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society.

Vedder, Adam Swart, (Chilliwack), was born at Schenectady, in the state of New York, on 27th July, 1834. His parents, who were of English and Dutch origin, were descendants of the first settlers of that state. Mr. Vedder received his education at his native place, and previous to his arrival in British Columbia was engaged in a general transportation business. Mr. Vedder arrived in British Columbia on 2nd May, 1860, via Panama, and resided at Hope and Yankee Flat (North Bend) during the two following summers. Mr. Vedder spent several years as a trader and butcher, and had the misfortune to lose all he possessed in a snow storm on Bald Mountain in 1863. Since 1870 Mr. Vedder has been engaged in dairy-farming and stock-raising in Sumas and farming at Chilliwack, and was warden at the latter municipality. Mr. Vedder built the first house ever erected by a private individual and occupied the first pre-emption recorded, in either Sumas or Chilliwack. He is one of the best agriculturists in the Province and takes an active part in politics. In 1877 he married Miss Althea Sicker. He is a Presbyterian.

Vernon, Hon. Forbes George, M. P. P., (Vernon), third son of J. E. Vernon, esq., D. L., of Clontarf Castle, Dublin, Ireland, was born at Clontarf Castle in 1843. He is descended from one of the oldest and most illustrious families of England, which took its name from the town of Vernon in Normandy and was established in England by one of the companions in arms of William the Conqueror. In the fifteenth century a branch of the family was established at Clontarf and acquired the large estates there, which are at present in the possession of Mr. Vernon's father. The