

developing the farming industry of the Province, that he acquired this land. He is also a stock holder in the New Westminster Southern Railway Company, and is one of the provisional directors. He has stock in the Gas Company, and in a number of other enterprises in New Westminster City and District. He has served the city in the Municipal Council for several years, and is a member of the Board of Trade, and on the executive council of that institution. He has been a member of the Oddfellows' society since its inception in New Westminster and has passed through all the chairs in the lodge. In 1876 he married Miss Rogers, daughter of James Rogers, formerly of the township of Dorchester, county of Middlesex, Ontario. Mr. Ewen is an adherent of the Presbyterian Church.

**Fell, James,** (Victoria, born on October 13th, 1821, at Muncaster Head, county of Cumberland, England. Educated under the Rev. Joseph Taylor, at Raven Glass, and then apprenticed for five years to the grocery business. In 1841 went to London and obtained an appointment through General Minden, brother of the Earl of Egmont, in a large establishment in Piccadilly. Remained there twelve months and was then sent to Liverpool by a tea importing firm to conduct a branch house in that city. After being about one year at this business, Mr. Fell went into partnership with a gentleman named Gée, and opened a business at Liverpool, which they conducted for two years. Mr. Fell then established a wholesale tea business, which he continued to manage till 1858. Shortly after that date he came to British Columbia and settled in Victoria, where he first opened in partnership with John Finlayson, a spice and coffee business. They had no opposition, and their business was not only remunerative, but increased very rapidly in size. In two years they were compelled to lease larger premises, and at this time they branched out into a general grocery trade. After a brief period they had again to remove their business, and they then leased the site on which Mr. Fell's business is now carried on. The firm did business till near 1868, when in consequence of an employee whom they had entrusted with the management of a branch business on the Skeena river, they became pressed for money and a meeting of their creditors was called. Had Mr. Fell's advice been acted upon the business would have paid far more than the amount of indebtedness.