

member of the Oddfellows' order and Masonic fraternity, and was instrumental in establishing the first Oddfellows' lodge in Victoria. He is a member of St. George's Society and the British Columbia Benevolent Association. He married Miss Rebecca Phillips when living in San Francisco.

**Pimbury, Edwin**, (Nanaimo), son of the late Samuel Cosburn Pimbury, was born at Hyde, near Minchinhampton, Gloucestershire, England, in 1834. Educated at Minchinhampton, and at the age of fifteen years left school and was apprenticed to the drug business serving his apprenticeship with John Walker, of Tilbury. After the required five years had been finished he entered into negotiations for the purchase of a business, but not coming to terms he determined to go abroad. He accordingly left England and in the autumn of 1855 he landed at Portland, Maine. From there he went to Wisconsin and for a time was in the drug business in Portage city. In 1856 the great financial crash came and business flattened out. Mr. Pimbury remained during that winter in Wisconsin and in the following spring he went to California with the intention of going into vine culture. He found on his arrival that the country which had been represented to him as a paradise, was an arid waste. He was not therefore encouraged to attempt this business. He was attracted by the gold mining in Arizona and with his brother, who is now farming in Cowichan district, he went to the Colorado river, where he remained for some time searching without much success for the precious metal. From there he went to the Pino Alta Mines, situated east of Tuscon, but he met with no better fortune there. He then heard of the immense riches of Cariboo and at once left, in company with his brother, for British Columbia. On arriving in this country, however, he found matters different from what he had been led to expect. He found that not only were the mines difficult of access but they were very expensive to work. He went up the country some distance but meeting a large number of disappointed men who were returning he went back to Victoria, where in 1863 he met two of his brothers. The four brothers went farming at Cedar Hill, near Victoria, where they remained for about twelve months. At the end of this time Mr. Pimbury took a position in Mr. Langley's drug business in Victoria, while his three brothers purchased a farm in Cowichan. Mr.