

mines where he spent six months. After a short residence in Vancouver he finally located in the Kettle valley and there he now conducts a large chicken ranch which, under his able management, has become important and profitable.

Mr. Rowlands was united in marriage to Miss Mary Owens, a daughter of Owen Owens, a miner. Mr. and Mrs. Rowlands became the parents of two children, a son and a daughter, the latter of whom has passed away. Mrs. Rowlands is also deceased. Mr. Rowlands is connected with Lodge No. 490, K. P., of Pennsylvania, and is a devout member of the Baptist church. He is fond of hunting and is an excellent shot and takes a great delight in the open, spending many hours each day out of doors. Persistent labor has been the keynote of his success and he has at all times been found a representative and reliable business man, honored and respected by all who know him.

HARRY NELSON RICH.

Harry Nelson Rich, prominently connected with business interests of Ladner as local agent for the Brackman-Ker Milling Company, Limited, was born at Twickenham, England, January 11, 1857, a son of Henry Robins and Mary Elizabeth (Norris) Rich, the former a master mariner. He acquired his education in the Bloxham school at Oxon, England, and in 1880 came to British Columbia, locating in Ladner, where he has since resided. Immediately afterward he secured a position as accountant in a cannery and so continued until 1885, when he became manager for T. McNealy, serving in that capacity from 1885 to 1900. In the latter year he became connected with the Brackman-Ker Milling Company, Limited, as local agent and he still retains this position, in which he has since accomplished a great deal of far-sighted and capable work. He is in addition president of the Butler Freighting & Towing Company, Limited, and is well known as a notary public and auctioneer, being recognized in business circles as a man whose judgment is at all times sound and reliable and whose business integrity is unquestioned.

On the 10th of June, 1889, Mr. Rich was united in marriage, in All Saints church, to Mrs. Lydia Mary (Green) Heppel, a daughter of C. F. Green, of this city, and they have become the parents of five children, Edith Emily, Sidney Norris, Gertrude May, Mildred and Phyllis. Mr. Rich is a member of the Episcopal church and gives his political allegiance to the conservative party. He is a charter member of the Westminster Club and belongs to the Masonic lodge, serving in 1900 as grand master for British Columbia. He is an upright, honorable and progressive business man and in the course of thirty-three years' connection with business interests of Ladner has gained the esteem and high regard of his associates and friends.

HARRY CLARKSON MAJOR.

Harry Clarkson Major, a prosperous and progressive business man of New Westminster, is a native son of the city, his parents being Charles George and Mary Elizabeth (Clarkson) Major, of whom more extended mention will be found on another page in this work. Their son acquired his education in the public and high schools of this city and at Whethan College in Vancouver. After his graduation he entered the employ of the real-estate and financial brokerage concern of Major & Pearson, of which his father was senior partner, and he continued in this connection until 1901, when he entered the provincial government service as collector of revenue tax and assistant assessor. He did capable and far-sighted work in this capacity until 1908, when, on account of the illness of his father, he resigned to look after the latter's business affairs. One