G. W. Hemans, M. I. C. E., M. R. I. A Mr. Pemberton was assistant engineer on part of the Great Southern and Western Railway, was employed for some time by Sir John McNeill, L.S.D., F.R.S., M.I.C.E., M.R.I.A.; was also employed on the East Lancashire Railway, and Manchester, Bury and Rosendale Railway Company; was resident engineer on the Dublin and Drogheda Railway; and resident engineer on the Exeter and Crediton Railway. He was for several years professor of engineering at the Royal Agricultural College in Circnester and left that place in 1851, to come out to Victoria as Surveyor-General of British Columbia, under the Hudson's Bay Company. In 1850 he was awarded a medal by the late Prince Consort for his design for the Crystal Palace. He was elected to the first Legislative. Assembly of Vancouver Island, and from 1863 to 1866 sat in the Executive Council. In 1858 he laid out the townsite of Derby the proposed capital of the colony of British Columbia. On January 1st, 1860, he married Miss Theresa Jane Despard Grantoff. Mr. Pemberton is a strong Conservative and an adherent of the Church of England.

Phillips, Alexander Aaron, (Victoria) was born in London, England, April 19th, 1818, and received his early education there. When he was eleven years of age his father removed to Australia, taking him with him. The family settled in Sydney, New South Wales, and Mr. Phillips lived there till 1849, when, hearing of the discovery of gold in California, he left for the Pacific coast of North America in a fore and aft schooner in company with eleven other passengers. He spent some time mining in various parts of the state, and then returned to San Francisco, making the trip from Humboldt Bay to the Golden City, a distance of 375 miles, in an open whaling boat. He reached 'Frisco the day the first victim of the Vigilance Committee met his merited fate. In 'Frisco he embarked in the bakery business and manufacture of soda water. He subsequently sold out his bakery business and started a grocery In April, 1858, he came to British Columbia on the steamer Panama, settled in Victoria and started a business on Yates street. Towards the end of 1858 he established the sodar water manufactory he now conducts, in partnership with his son, Phillip Aaron Phillips. Mr. Phillips has been solicited, but has refused to stand for the office of alderman for Victoria. He is a