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be off to the diggings. Mr. Calbick was not yet tired of the search for the yellow metal and accordingly was among the first who took the road. The party he was with footed it to Savona's Ferry from which place they took a canoe to the head of Shuswap lake. They then footed it again from Seymour across the Gold range and down to the diggings. At French Creek they found the snow so deep on the ground that it was impossible to accomplish anything and after a two weeks stay they returned, going down the Columbia and passing over Death rapids the day before the catastrophe to the Victoria party in which so many were drowned. Mr. Calbick got back to New Westminster having lost all the money he took with him. He now sold what property he had in British Columbia and went to California, settling in Nevada city where he lived for four years. During this time he worked up a large business as contractor. His health, however, was extremely poor, and during 1869 he took a trip back to Canada to see if the voyage by sea would do him good. When he came back from his trip without having recovered his doctors advised him to return permanently to Ontario. He accordingly did so, settling at Goderich not far from his old home. He followed the building trade here for six years with decided success and also during that time got rid of his illness. In December, 1876, Mr. Calbick returned to San Francisco, where he intended settling, but finding business very dull came on to British Columbia and took up his residence again at New Westminster after an absence of eleven years. He established a contracting and building business which he has conducted continuously since. Mr. Calbick has been His first wife, nee Miss Lydia Church, died in 1868, twice married. In 1871 Mr Calbick married Miss Martha Ratcliffe, in California. of Goderich, Ontario. Mr. Calbick has always taken a keen interest in politics and is a strong supporter of Sir John A. Macdonald's Government. He served the city of New Westminster for six years at the Council Board and has for twelve years been a member of the School Board. He is especially interested in the question of education and desires to see the system in British Columbia made as perfect as possible. He is a member of the Order of Oddfellows and has passed through all the chairs. He is an adherent of the Methodist church.

Campbell, Francis, (Victoria), a pioneer of the Province and the Pacific coast, was born in Beragh, Tyrone, Ireland, February

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