BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

Academy, Vermont. In 1858 Mr. Wadhams arrived at Victoria on the steamship Sierra Nevada. He mined with moderate success on the Fraser river in 1858-59 and on Keithley's Creek in 1860. From 1861 to 1868 Mr. Wadhams traded in the Cariboo district and at Victoria and Clinton from 1869 to 1872. He engaged in the salmon-canning business in 1873 and ten years later built the Wadhams cannery, near Ladner's Landing, and, with the exception of the first year, has done a most successful business from the outset. Mr. Wadhams employs in all about 116 fishermen, 160 men about the cannery and 20 overseers and others employed about the more important branches of the business. In 1864 Mr. Wadhams married Bertha Rosamund, daughter of John Wilson, Esq., of London, Eng., by whom he has five sons and two daughters. He is an Episcopalian.

Walkem, Hon. George Anthony, (Victoria), Justice of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, is the son of the late Charles Walkem, esq., chief draughtsman on the Royal Engineer staff in Canada, by Miss Boomer, sister of Rev. Dr. Boomer, dean of Hedon. His family has lived for generations on the border of Devon and Cornwall, England. Mr. Justice Walkem was born at Newry, Ireland, in November, 1834. He was educated at the High School and McGill University, Montreal. He subsequently studied law with the late Sir John Rose and was called to the bar of Lower Canada in 1858, and to that of Ontario in 1861. In 1862 he came to British Columbia and was called to the bar of the colony in 1864. In 1864 he was elected to the Legislative Council of British Columbia to represent the east district of Cariboo and continued to occupy a seat in the Council till 1870. He was one of the most active workers for confederation with the Dominion and when the union was consummated he entered the Provincial Legislature as member for Cariboo. He was appointed a member of the executive council on January 12th, 1872, as chief commissioner of lands and works. From December, 1872, to January, 1876 he was Attorney-General of British Columbia, and on the resignation of Hon. Amor De Cosmos in February of 1874, on him devolved the duty of forming a new administration of which he was premier till January, 1876. Between 1876 and 1878, Mr. Walkem was in opposition, his government having been defeated. In 1874 he was appointed a

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