

was Commander of the steamer "Georgina" here in 1881 and who afterwards went to the Pacific Coast and became, in 1895-7, a member of the seventh B.C. Legislature for Cowichan. His daughter became the wife of Thos. Patterson, light-keeper and operator at Cape Beale on the west coast of Vancouver Isl., B.C. Mrs. Patterson will be remembered as the heroine in connection with the wreck of the steamer "Colona" in 1906. She walked five miles in a hurricane over rock and through muskeg and notified the authorities, who were thereby enabled to go to the rescue of the wrecked crew in time. The crew had clung to the wreck for 20 hours. The owners of Seattle presented her with a cheque for \$150 which was increased by others interested to over \$200 and the Local Council of Women presented her with a valuable service of silver plate as a Christmas gift. Mrs. Patterson was twice a heroine, for she had previously been the means of saving many of the passengers and crew of the steamer "Valencia" wrecked on the same coast by remaining an entire day and night at her post as telegraph operator and giving aid to sufferers from the wreck in various ways. Mrs. Patterson, whose name is cherished on the Pacific Coast as a second Grace Darling, was born in Penetanguishene and was a granddaughter of the late Capt. Wm. Hoar.

Louis Corbiere was the pioneer tinsmith and came here in 1836. He built the large frame shop and dwelling which formerly stood on the corner now occupied by the Arcade Block and owned the entire square reaching to Water Street, planted with fruit trees, mainly apples, surrounded by a high fence of cedar pickets. He was the father of David Corbiere and grandfather of the present Corbiere families. A few residents still remember the old tinshop and dwelling and the high picket fence.

THE HALLEN FAMILY.

Rev. George Hallen, Chaplain to the forces here, and founder and first rector of St. James' Church, was born at Rushock, Worcestershire, Eng., in 1794. In due course he entered at Oxford and obtained his university degree returning to Rushock where he married and was in charge of a parish for several years till 1835. Lured by the prospect of acquiring land and opportunities for preferment, he emigrated in that year with his family to Canada, embarking on the ship "Albion" in the month of May and arriving at his destination, Fairvalley, in the wilderness of Medonte, in Novem-