

James Greenshields Brymner (1861-1930)

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James Greenshields Brymner, warden of the provincial gaol, was born in Melbourne, Quebec on the 19th of September, 1861, a son of **Douglas** and **Jean (Thomson) Brymner**, of whom more extended mention is made on another page of this work in connection with the sketch of **George D. Brymner**.



Spending his youthful days under the parental roof, **James Greenshields Brymner** pursued his education in Ottawa public schools and on the 7th of June, 1881, when in his twentieth year, he joined the Royal North West Mounted Police and served as a member of that famous body of men for twenty-one years, attaining his majority in the service. During his connection therewith he won promotion through various ranks from constable to staff sergeant. Leaving the service in 1902 he came West to visit his brother in New Westminster and was so well pleased with the country, its advantages and prospects, that he decided to remain. In 1903 he was appointed a guard of the gaol, in which capacity he served until 1907, when he was made

warden of the institution, in which important position he has since continued, capably and efficiently discharging his duties in that connection.

In 1904 **Mr. Brymner** was married to **Miss Rose Armstrong**, of New Westminster, a daughter of **Robert Armstrong** and a niece of **W.J. Armstrong**, the well known ex-sheriff and ex-member of the provincial parliament, living in New Westminster. **Mrs. Brymner** is a member of the Anglican church. His name is also on the membership roll of Union Lodge, No. 9, F. & A.M., and he belongs to the Westminster Club. He is likewise a member of the board of directors of the Royal Agricultural Society of New Westminster and is much interested not only in that association, but in other projects and plans for the welfare and improvement of the district.

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