

Salt Spring Island Parish and Home

OCTOBER, 1896.

Mr. Wakelim is ill and has followed his wife to the hospital.

Rev. E. F. Wilson invites tenders to make rails and fence in a ten acre field.

Forty-five children have joined the "Home Sunday School" scheme and have taken books.

At St. Mark's Church on Sunday, Sept. 20th, the special offertory towards setting on foot a Parochial Endowment Fund amounted to \$23.85.

A very successful entertainment was held at the new Ganges school on Friday evening, the 18th ult. The proceeds were about \$15, and will be used to purchase dressed lumber for lining the building.

The new public school at Burgoyne Bay appears likely to be the largest and finest looking school building on the Island. It has three doors in front, one each for the boys and girls and a large one in the centre. The contractor is Mr. F. W. Raines, of Fulford Harbour.

Mr. Collins has decided to erect his butter and cheese factory at the Vesuvius end of the Island, and will also have a separating room on Mr. Nightingale's place in the valley. Nearly all the necessary machinery has already arrived from England and the buildings will be put up at once. Should sufficient inducement offer, a fruit cannery will be added later on.

The Salt Spring Island Club met at the Church Hill Farm on Tuesday evening, the 1st ult. After being entertained at dinner by Mr. H. W. Bullock the meeting was called to order and proceeded to the election of officers. Rev. E. F. Wilson was chosen president and Mr. Ed. Walter secretary, and special committees were appointed to deal with various matters in which the club intends to interest itself. The next regular meeting will be held at Mr. W. E. Scott's residence the first Tuesday in December.

HOME SUNDAY SCHOOL, *October 18th*—Numbers (1) Find about a big bunch of grapes. (2) How were the people saved when bitten by serpents? (3) What happened to Aaron's rod? (4) Give a short account of Balaam. Text, Psalm xxxvii, 5. *October 25th*.—St. Luke, (1) Who said I will arise and go to my father? (2) What did the publican in the temple say? (3) What did the good Samaritan do? (4) Tell about the ten lepers. Text, Matt. xxviii, 19. *November 1st*—Leuteronomy. (1) Write in full the verse "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God." (2) Where are the Ten Commandments repeated? (3) Where did Moses die? (4) What were the Cities of Refuge? Text, Hebrews xiii, 2. *November 8th*—St. John, (1) Who was the beloved disciple? (2) What did Jesus do at

Canan of Galilee? (3) What did Nicodemus do? (4) Tell about Lazarus being raised to life. Text, 1 Timothy i, 15.

Would not the "Mountain School" be a prettier and more suitable name for the new school on the "Divide" than Ganges School?

The Bishop will administer the rite of confirmation at St. Mary's Church, Fulford Harbour, Sunday morning, Oct. 11th., service to commence at 10.30 a.m. In the afternoon at 4 p.m. His Lordship will preach at St. Mark's, Vesuvius.

Weather report for August—Kuper Island: Average temperature for the month, highest observed, 84.4 on the 22nd; lowest observed, 47.5 on the 12th; mean bright sunshine, .46; number of days completely clouded (by smoke) 4; rainfall, .20.

The long-talked-of public hall will now rear its head at the Vesuvius cross roads. The lumber for it arrived up on the 5th ult., and within a few days after willing hands were busy laying the foundation while others, with their teams, did a lot of free labour hauling the material to the spot. The building is 50 feet long by 26 feet wide and has a 14-foot ceiling, a large door at one end, a platform at the other, and three windows on each side. It is built on Government land and will be the property of the people. Broadwell's corner begins to look like the beginning of a village, the public hall, public school and the gaol all close together, and a little way back the post office and St. Mark's Church. A general store should be built on one of the other corners, and one of our blacksmiths might open a shop on another; then there would still be a corner left for the coming shoemaker. The old log school might perhaps be converted into a public laundry. Then the town would be complete.

The Fruit Growers' and Agricultural Association of Salt Spring Island will hold their first annual show at the new public hall, Vesuvius, on Wednesday, October 14th; admission 25 cents. Prizes will be offered for horses, cattle, sheep, pigs, poultry, dogs, dairy produce, grain and field produce, fruits, jams, etc., also for ladies' needlework, horsemanship, shooting, etc. Among the special prizes to be competed for are a Myers' bucket spray pump (by E. G. Prior), 1,000 feet lumber (J. A. Sayward), a bag of National rolled oats (Brackman & Ker), a ten pound box of tea (Wilson Bros.), a meerscham pipe and two other prizes (H. Short). Exhibitors, by paying a fee in advance of 50 cents, will be entitled to exhibit in as many classes as they please. A prize list pamphlet will be issued in good time before the show, and any other information will be readily given by the secretary, Mr. A. A. Berrow, or by any of the board of directors.