

FARMERS' INSTITUTE MEETS

Interesting Discussion on the Cheapest Method of Stump Extraction—Stumping Powder Most Economical.

The Fruit Pest Problem Brought Before the Meeting in an Able Paper by the Fruit Inspector.

The third supplementary meeting of the above institute was held at South Gabriola school on the 5th inst. at 4 p.m. There were twenty-nine persons present.

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OLD TIMERS AT DINNER

Twenty-Eighth Annual Banquet of the British Columbia Pioneer Society Held Last Night at the Occidental.

A Merry Reunion of the Pathfinders to Swap Stories of the Early Days of the Province.

There was a merry gathering at the Occidental hotel last night over a hundred and twenty jovial old-timers gathered around the long tables, heavily laden, which ran the length of the dining-room.

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Put Out By a Little Thing.

What looks to be a speck on the ocean's horizon may prove to be the largest vessel afloat. So with the little disease which is so dangerous an aspect you laugh to scorn. Its present proportions are not very fearsome. Let it once get a foothold in your system and its size will increase like an oncoming train.

Abbe's Effervescent Salt.

A teaspoonful taken every morning before breakfast will keep you in excellent health and spirits and prevent all ailments.

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Farm for Sale—Cheap.

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\$1.50 AN HOUR. VOL. 17. LONDON SOCIETY.

Intense Interest Manifested Over the Approach of the Duke of Portland.

London, Dec. 13, previous to the arrival of the Duke of Portland, Mrs. Dr. Colfax's estate and the Duke of Portland from the chancelled London faculty...

ICE-BOUND.

The Safety of Man and some 2000 tons of coal are being held up by the ice in the St. Clair river...

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