

Salt Spring Island Parish and Home

OCTOBER, 1900.

We enter on our sixth year of publication next month.

Threshing has been in full swing the last few weeks. Now for the road making!

Notice of the agricultural show, prizes gained, etc. next issue.

The Caterpillars did \$1,287 damage north of the Divide, \$357 south of the Divide.

Mr. Trage, of Beaver Point, expects to put up about 2,000 boxes of apples this season.

Mr. Speaker Booth and Mr. H. Stevens have been on the sick list the last week or two.

Joel Broadwell is giving 30 cents cash for fresh eggs. His store business is on the increase.

According to statistics recently gathered, there are at present about 130 horses, 550 cattle, 2,400 sheep, and 480 pigs on Salt Spring Island.

At the confirmation at St. Mark's Church, August 26th, Miss Jenkins, Miss Beddis, Miss McFadden, George Booth and Lionel Beddis were confirmed.

Of 45,440 acres, the entire area of the Island, only about 3,700 acres is as yet "slashed"; and of that, not more than 1,700 acres are actually under cultivation.

The present school teachers are Mr. Page at the Central, Miss Brethour at North End, Miss Shrapnell at the Divide, Miss Furness at Burgoyne, Mr. Morrison at Beaver Point.

Harvest Thanksgiving services have been deferred until October 11th and 12th, when the Ven. Archdeacon Scriven will be present to speak about the Diocesan debt and the means proposed for its removal.

Weather Report for August—Kuper Island: Mean temperature, 60.3; maximum, 80.0 (on 19th); minimum, 39.0 (on 26th); mean proportion of bright sunshine, .46; maximum, .89 (on 3rd); days completely clouded, 1; rainfall, 1.07 inches.

At the garden party and ladies' sale of work which took place at Mr. Wilson's house on Monday, August 27th, and to which the Bishop kindly remained after the confirmation, the sum of \$31.50 was realized. The Guild will resume its work Friday, October 5th.

Note—For intelligent answers, giving chapter and verse, 5 marks are given for each question in the first class, 4 in the second, 3 in the third. Also extra marks, each examination, for good spelling and tidiness. To a question last April, "Were the sons of Eli good or bad?" one child answered "Bad"; another, more intelligently,—"I. Samuel, 2. 12. Now the sons of Eli were sons of Belial; they knew not the Lord." That is the best way to answer.

HOME SUNDAY SCHOOL—*First Class*—Out of 880 marks, Arthur Walter, 831; Mary Walter, 814, May Richards, 724; Rose Whims, 601; Mary McFadden, 522; two others less. Catechism—May Richards, full marks. *Second Class*—Out of 370 marks, Martha Whims, 287; Chester Samson, 222; Edwin McFadden, 158, nine others less. Catechism—Elsie Norton, 39 out of 40. *Third Class*—Out of 207 marks, Carrie McFadden, 133; Charlie Samson, 129; Bella Nightingale, 103; T. Mansell, 69; twelve others less. Catechism—Bella Nightingale, 60 out of 75. First and second prizes will be given in each class, and an extra one for catechism.

HOME SUNDAY SCHOOL—The Bible questions for this year will be taken from the history of David, the history of Daniel and parts of St. Luke's gospel. Catechism to be learnt and repeated as last year. Oct. 14th to Nov. 11th, five weeks—1. Samuel, chapters 17 and 18. *First Class*—(1) Who were the Philistines? (2) What have you heard before of Gath? (3) Explain "six cubits and a span." (4) What did Goliath say to David? (5) Who was Jonathan? (6) What did the women sing? (7) How did Saul show his ill temper? (8) Why was he afraid of David? (9) Who was Michael? (10) Of Whom was David the ancestor? *Second Class*—(11) Why did David go to the battle? (12) Why was Eliab angry? (13) What did David say to Saul? (14) What did Saul want to lend him? (15) Tell about the lion and the bear. *Third Class*—(16) How high was Goliath? (17) Why was David not afraid? (18) How did David kill the giant? (19) What did he do with his head? (20) Who was David's father?