

Salt Spring Island Parish and Home

MAY, 1901.

A cold, late spring.

Mr. J. C. Scovill has got a new field under cultivation this spring.

Cecil Baker has had a long, serious illness, but is now, we are glad to say, on the mend.

Messrs. W. Bryan and C. Abbot have leased Mr. W. Robertson's farm at North End, and are now living there.

Mr. Geo. Borrodaile has been actively engaged logging, stumping and ploughing for spring crops,—and his farm is beginning to look quite presentable.

A black board, either at the Post Office or on the wharf, on which persons having things to buy or sell could give notice thereof, would be a convenience. Sometimes we send to town when our next door neighbour, unknown to us, had got the thing we wanted.

At the Easter Vestry meeting, held in St. Mark's Church Sunday afternoon, April 14th, Messrs. A. Walter and H. Stevens were appointed churchwardens, and Messrs. Geo. Borrodaile, E. Crofton and A. Cartwright, church committee. At St. Mary's Church, the wardens for the ensuing year are Messrs. W. J. Hamilton and C. Abbott.

The meeting of the Farmer's Institute at the Public Hall, April 18th, was well attended and created considerable interest. Both Messrs. Drummond and Raynor gave very good addresses, one on the conservation of moisture in the soil, and the other on how to make farming profitable. Both seemed to know what they were talking about and said it they had to say in a clear, sensible manner.

Following are the subscriptions collected thus far by Mr. Cecil Abbot and paid to Rev. E. T. Wilson, as treasurer:

J. C. Scovell	\$5.00
J. P. Booth	5.00
J. T. Collins	2.00
Henry Stevens	2.00
Rev. E. F. Wilson	5.00
Mrs. Wilson	5.00
Pascal Walker .....	.75
J. Nightingale	1.00
E. J. Bitancourt	1.00
A. G. Crofton	1.00
J. A. Broadwell	1.00
A. Cartwright	1.00
G. Bitancourt .....	.50
Dr. Baker	1.00
W. Mouat .....	.25
J. Irwin	1.00
G. Silverson .....	.40
Eva Jenkins .....	.50
C. Pottinger .....	.50
D. Gray .....	.25
H. Page .....	.25
J. Malcolm .....	.25
P. Purvis .....	.25
F. Phillips	2.50
Walter Dakes .....	.50

Mr. Silverson has erected a large new barn.

Any Lenten envelopes that have not yet been given in should be handed to Mr. A. Walter, church warden.

Mr. R. Weight has bought a farm of Mr. Kelly, on the Divide, and has moved into the log house.

It will be a boon to agriculturalists if, as reported, the Government arranges to supply them blasting powder at cost price for blowing the stumps out.

The ladies of St. Mark's guild have presented St. Mark's Church with a handsome new altar cloth, also hangings for the pulpit and prayer desk.

St. Mark's Church was very prettily decorated for Easter Sunday with primroses, hyacinths, daffodils, wild lilies, etc., intertwined with ivy and moss. There was a crowded congregation, good singing, and a hearty service. After the Easter services were over the wreaths were taken to the cemetery and placed on the graves.

At a meeting of St. Mark's Church committee, held at Mr. A. Walter's house, April 25th, it was resolved to raise the sum of \$35 by subscription, for needed church repairs and improvements. It is thought necessary to strengthen the walls of the church by an iron rod across the centre, and the church requires to be painted, besides several other minor repairs.

A design for the memorial to Queen Victoria, which it is proposed to place in the West End of St. Mark's Church, has been received. It represents the Royal Arms with inscriptions beneath, and the cost is \$125.00. About half this amount has thus far been paid in or promised, and it is hoped that some contributors may renew their subscriptions next winter, which, with the donations and possibly the proceeds of a concert, will bring up the amount to the required sum, so that the window may be ready at least for Coronation Day.

HOME SUNDAY SCHOOL.—May.—*First Class*.—St. Luke, Chapters 22-23. (1) What did Judas Iscariot do? (2) What took place the evening before Jesus died? (3) What did Jesus say to Peter? (4) Where was Jesus when His soul was in agony? (5) Tell about Peter denying Jesus. (6) Tell how cruelly Jesus was treated. (7) Why was He taken before Pilate? (8) What is told of Barabbas? (9) What did Simon, the Cyrenian, do? (10) What did Jesus say to the women? *Second Class*.—St. Luke 23—(11) Where was Jesus crucified? (12) Was there more than one cross? (13) What prayer did Jesus offer? (14) What was the superscription? (15) What did one of the thieves say to Jesus (16) What were Jesus' last words? (17) What did the Centurion say? (18) What did Joseph of Arimathoea do? (19) Where was Jesus buried? (20) On what day did Jesus rise? *Third Class*.—The Crucifixion.