

Salt Spring Island Church Monthly

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We enter this month on our eleventh year of publication.

Mr. Walter Stevens arrived home from the Klondike October 4th.

Mr. Cecil Abbott left for the Old Country October 24th. He expects to be away about six months. While in England, he will endeavor to interest his friends in our project for a new church.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Tolson are expected back to the Island in April.

There is some talk of opening a private school on the Island.

Mr. George Halley, of this Island, was united in marriage to Miss Brown, in Victoria, October 14th.

The marriage is announced for December 6th of Miss K. C. King, of Victoria, to Mr. D. Keith Wilson, of this Island.

Mrs. Halley, senior, and two sons arrived from the Old Country last month, and intend settling on the land. For the present they have rented a cottage at Ganges Harbor.

Mr. Cooke has an attendance of 27 pupils at the Divide School.

The bar-room of S.S. Iroquois is closed now when visiting ports, as required by the law.

Harvest Thanksgiving services were held Sunday, October 15, morning at St. Mark's, afternoon at the Divide School (St. Paul's congregation), evening at St. Mary's. Each service was largely attended and the buildings were prettily decorated with produce of field and orchard.

The Cranberry Marsh people would like to build a hall. Suppose we help them.

Quite a number of our subscribers are in arrear for the year now ended. The little paper slips will remind them.

Mr. Layritz has asked us to state that he has an exceptionally fine stock of bulbs on hand for sale, embracing all the best varieties.

Among our new advertisements are those of the White House, the Dominion Hotel, A. R. Bittancourt, Fred. J. Bittancourt, and A. W. Bridgman.

St. Paul's Church Building Committee is making active preparations in view of the erection of the new church. The site has been changed for one about three-quarters of a mile further up the hill by the

almost unanimous wish of the church members, Mrs. Major Wilson having kindly donated an acre for the purpose. The land has just been slashed, and tenders are now invited for the logging up. Then will follow the *stumping and grading* and the erection of a driving shed. The ground will be got into thorough order before the building of the church is commenced. The idea at present is to form two terraces, connected by steps, the church to occupy the upper terrace and the cemetery the lower. About \$326 are the contributions thus far in cash, and about \$83 in labor.

HOME SUNDAY SCHOOL.—(1 Samuel, chapters 1 to 4).—(1) Who were Elkanah, Hannah, Eli? (2) Where did Hannah pray? (3) What did she vow? (4) Why did she name her son Samuel? (5) Tell about Samuel's childhood. (6) What good man had bad sons? (7) Tell how God called Samuel. (8) Did Samuel tell Eli about it? (9) What did Samuel become when he grew up? (10) What did the Philistines do? (11) What happened to the Ark? (12) How did Eli die? *First Class.*—Write answers to the above as fully as possible (three each Sunday). *Second Class.*—Study the questions so as to be able to answer them.

Rev. E. F. Wilson received sad tidings recently from his eldest son, who is principal of the Indian Institution at Elkhorn, Manitoba. While away on a long trip to the Northern Wilds in quest of pupils, his only little boy, three years of age, took sick and died. Every effort was made to communicate with the father during the three weeks that the child was suffering, but in vain, and the poor little fellow kept calling for his daddy, whose special pet he was. The child was dead before the father even heard of his illness, and then he was delayed in returning about ten days by storms. They kept the little one's body for fourteen days, then they were obliged to bury it. The father got back (with 24 new pupils) the day after the funeral, just too late to see his loved child again.

Mr. Wilson has some little water color sketches of the proposed new church on sale for the Building Fund, at 25 cents each. Those interested may like to send some to their friends.

Mrs. Pennington Legh and her daughter have returned to the Island and are living in a rented cottage on the Lakin farm.