

# Salt Spring Island Church Monthly

DECEMBER, 1904.

Dr. Baker has taken up his residence at his old quarters by the canal.

Mr. A. W. Cundell is now manager of the Creamery, and Mr. Chaldecott secretary.

The new school at Isabella Point is now in operation, Miss Bailey being the teacher, with an attendance of fourteen pupils.

Mrs. Stevens was taken ill Nov. 5th and is now under Dr. Baker's care. It is feared she may have to undergo an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Woods, lately from Rhyl, North Wales, have rented Mr. A. R. Bittancourt's cottage up on the hill. Mr. Woods was formerly a tea-planter in Ceylon. They have two little girls, aged 3 and 2.

The firms of R. M. Johnston and of Jay & Co., seedsmen, both offer prizes for next year similar to those they offered at our Show last year. Those who wish to compete should purchase seeds from them.

Dr. Beech evidently has made up his mind to make Salt Spring Island his home. He has purchased a handsome residence and eight acres of land on Ganges Harbor, the property of Mr. A. R. Bittancourt.

Those who are in arrear for the CHURCH MONTHLY will receive a reminder this month, and are asked kindly to pay as soon as possible. Our year begins with November and ends October, so the new subscriptions are also due from now on.

"Suburb and Country" is the name of our British Columbia farm paper, published in Victoria. It is well got up and is full of useful information. Every farmer should have a copy. The price is \$1 per annum; but those subscribing at once will, we understand, get it for 60 cents.

The Financial Report of the Agricultural and Fruit-growers' Association appears on page 4. The fee for membership is now two dollars instead of one dollar. Members' fees should as far as possible be paid in before the new prize catalogue is got out. If this is done the prizes can probably be increased somewhat in value.

Mr. Monk, of Saanich, has bought Mr. Bellosis' farm at Beaver Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffries, late of Victoria, have leased the Ross Mahon estate for five years, and are now living there with their son Ralph.

Mrs. Conery lingers on between life and death; there are scarcely any hopes of her recovery.

Mr. Manley has been very ill for several weeks at Mr. W. E. Scott's residence. He will be taken South as soon as able to travel.

A Methodist church is shortly to be built close to the Central post office; Mrs. Mouat has raised about \$200 on the Island, \$50 in Victoria, and \$50 in Nanaimo. Altogether there will be about \$500 to build with.

Mr. A. R. Bittancourt intends at once to build a new residence, store and carpenter shop on land purchased from Mr. A. Ward, at Ganges Harbor, close to the sea shore. He will also have a lumber yard and act as agent for the Sayward Mills.

Mr. H. Burchell, of Thetis Island, offers a prize of \$10, at our next Agricultural Show, for the best piece of home-made furniture, made during the winter of 1904-5, materials, workmanship, and design to be taken into consideration in awarding the prize.

HOME SUNDAY SCHOOL,—*First Class.* (Joshua chapters 3, 4, 5.—(1) Who was Joshua? (2) What had become of Moses? (3) Where on the map is the river Jordan? (4) How did the Israelites cross it? (5) What went before the people? (6) What was done with twelve stones? (7) How soon did the waters of Jordan return to their place? (8) What was done at Gilgal? (9) What were the fathers to tell their children? (10) What was the Feast of the Passover? *Second Class*—(11) Where had the Israelites come from? (12) Where were they going to? (13) For how long had they been travelling? (14) What river had they to cross? (15) What did the priests carry? (16) What happened when the priests' feet touched the water? (17) For how long did the priests have to stand still? (18) Where did the people camp? (19) When did the manna cease? (20) Who appeared to Joshua?