

Salt Spring Island Parish and Home

JUNE, 1899.

The Diocesan Synod meets in Victoria Wednesday, June 28th.

St. Mark's Ladies' Guild will meet at the post office Friday, June 2nd.

Miss Robertson, of Vancouver, has been spending a few weeks with Mrs. F. L. Scott.

A laundry, a shoemaker, and a butcher are three desiderata for the Island, not yet supplied.

Rev. C. E. Cooper and Mrs. Cooper, of Wellington, have gone to England for a six months' holiday.

Mrs. Haskins, of Fulford Harbor, is again ailing, and has been obliged to go down to the hospital.

During the Rev. R. J. Roberts' absence in Australia, our weather report has to be discontinued.

Mr. Edwin Abbott arrived on the Island May 9th, and is stopping with his brother at the Stevens' boarding house.

Mr. A. E. Wilson, principal of the Indian Industrial Home, Elkhorn, Manitoba, expects to re-visit the Island this summer.

Mr. Joseph Nightingale has been appointed "road-boss" for the north end of Salt Spring Island, and Mr. Sparrow for the south end.

Charles Henry Beale, aged 16, died of consumption March 28th, and was buried by Rev. E. F. Wilson, near to his home on Galiano Island.

It is reported that the steamboats calling at the Islands and elsewhere are not to be allowed to retail liquor, as has been the custom hitherto—the bar to be closed while the vessel is in port.

During the past five years the total contributions to Church work by the St. Mark's congregation have been as follows: Year ending Easter, 1895, \$304.60; 1896, \$284.55; 1897, \$350; 1898, \$282.40; \$1899, \$252.43. The contributions by St. Mary's congregation have been: 1895, \$38.75; 1896, \$34; 1897, \$38; 1898, \$32.45; 1899, \$42.65.

Preparations are already being made for the erection of a bell tower for St. Mary's church, Fulford Harbor; the lumber has been purchased and is ready on the ground, also squared posts for the corners.

St. Mary Magdalene is the name of the new Church at Plumper Pass. The fund raised for its erection amounted to \$1,120. Services are held by the Rev. Canon Paddon, of Victoria, and persons from Mayne, Galiano and Pender Islands form the congregation.

The season has been a late one, but crops are looking well all over the Island; the frequent rains during April and May were favorable to seeding; the hay crop seems likely to be a heavy one; fruit trees have blossomed well, and there seems to be every indication at present of a good yield. Strawberries and other small fruits look promising.

A great many persons have left or are leaving Salt Spring Island at the present time, the chief attraction being the mining district to the north. Among the absentees are Ed. Lee, W. Stevens, J. Horel, C. Chiddick, W. Norton, Joy Haskin, E. Haskin, A. L. Wilson, J. Mahaffy, W. McFadden, W. Cotsford, Phillips, P. Brown, C. W. Tolson, E. Erikson, D. K. Wilson, W. Robertson, J. Chalmers, C. Pottinger, W. Bremer, A. Crate, E. Lakin.

HOME SUNDAY SCHOOL.—June 18th to July 16th (five weeks)—St. Matthew, chapters 13 to 21. *First Class:* (1) To whom did Jesus say, "Be of good cheer," and why? (2) To whom did Jesus say, "Great is thy faith," and why? (3) How many times did Jesus feed the multitudes? (4) What were the chief points of difference on the two occasions? (5) To whom did Jesus say, "Get thee behind me, Satan," and why? (6) Describe briefly the transfiguration. (7) What was found in a fish's mouth? (8) Why did Jesus call a little child to him? (9) What did Jesus say to the rich young man? (10) Tell about Jesus riding into Jerusalem. Learn to end of catechism. *Second Class:* (1) What is a parable? (2) How many parables are there in Matthew, chapter 13? (3) What was meant by the seed sown on stony ground? (4) What was meant by the tares and the wheat? (5) Tell about the pearl of great price. Catechism, to end of Duty to Neighbor. *Third Class:* (St. Luke, chapter 2) (1) Name the Roman Emperor. (2) What did the angel say to the shepherds? (3) Why was Bethlehem called the City of David? (4) Why did the shepherds stay all night in the fields? (5) Who was Jesus' mother? Catechism, the first two questions.