

Agriculture, &c.

HINTS FOR FARMERS.

Every farmer ought to know that cut nails heated red hot and dropped in cold water will clinch as well as wrought nails.

Currants to do their best must be freely pruned and heavily mulched.

Beans are a most nutritious food for man or beast. For men and hogs they should be cooked, for sheep fed raw.

Many women are becoming bee keepers and making money at it. They are not the kind, however, that squeal at the sight of spiders.

Sheep kept with cows are not so apt to be killed by dogs as when alone. The cows fight them.

It is said that the last cup of milk drawn from the cow—"the strippings"—contains sixteen times as much cream as the first cup. We will not vouch for the exact figures, but the true ones are large.

It is just as easy to raise a bushel of good apples as a bushel of poor ones. What is a dollar or two of extra preliminary expenses in getting good trees.

Clean out the cellars and give them a thorough airing. It is about as safe to live over a gunpowder magazine as the filth and poisonous odors of some cellars. But such stuff doesn't poison your land—use it there.

The apple tree makes a good hedge, but the wilder and poorer the variety the thornier and better for that purpose.

The best butter factories prefer the dasher churn in its old-fashioned style to others.

For greasing wood axles tallow is the best, for iron axles castor oil.

London dairymen have decided that the most profitable cows are graded short horns. Not that they give more milk, but they make the most beef when past milking.

Multitudes of farm accidents happen because nuts on running gear are not looked after and kept tight. Five minutes attention each day, wrench in hand, is the remedy.

The soil around blacksmiths' shops, or any that is much impregnated with iron, is fat food for pear trees.

In setting out orchards a register in which every tree is marked and the name put down is regarded as indispensable. Memory can't be trusted to keep names and varieties until bearing time.

It is a fact susceptible of proof that crops would be greatly increased if the soil could be worked twice as deeply as now. There is no mistake about the great value of deep plowing.

Gardens need rotation—entire change of locality as well as crops. Larger crops with less work and expense is the consequence.

THE YOUNG ROBINS.

"One day, the sun was warm and bright, And shining in the sky; A robin said, 'My little dears, 'Tis time you learnt to fly; And all the little young ones said, 'I'll try, I'll try, I'll try.'"

"I know a child, and who she is I'll tell you by and by, When mamma says, 'Do this, or 'that,' She says, 'What for?' and 'Why?' She'd be a better child by far If she would say, 'I'll try.'"

A correspondent of the Boston Cultivator says that warts on cows' teats may be readily removed by washing frequently in alum water made by dissolving two ounces of alum in a pint of soft water.

THE VITALITY OF SEEDS.

It is of importance to know how long seeds retain their germinating powers, to prevent the sowing of those of impaired vitality, as well as to avoid throwing away those which, though several years old, are still good. The test with water is not reliable, as good seeds will frequently float, and that which is bad will often sink. The only sure test is to plant a counted number of seeds in a pot or box of earth and keep it in a warm room. If three fourths germinate, the seed may be considered of average good quality.

Good for one year—Leeks, Onions, Parsnips.

Good for two years—Beans, Carrot, Egg-Plant, Okra, Peas, Peppers, Rhubarb, Sage, Salsify, Thyme.

Good for three years—Asparagus, Endive, Lettuce, Parsley, Radish, Spinach.

Good for four years—Broccoli, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Celery, Turnip.

Good for five to ten years—Beet, Cucumber, Melon, Pumpkin, Squash, Tomato.

Veterinary Surgeons all over the country are recommending Sheridan's Cavalry Condition Powders for the following trouble in horses:—Loss of appetite, roughness of the hair, stoppage of bowels or water, thick water, coughs and colds, swelling of the glands, worms, horse ail, thick wind, and heaves.

A friend of ours who is chief clerk in the Governmental Dispensary, says that no medicine chest is now complete without Johnson's Anodyne Liniment. We always supposed it was prescribed by law; if it is not, it ought to be, for certainly there is nothing in the whole materia medica of so much importance to the soldier and the sailor as "Johnson's Anodyne Liniment."

MESSENGER ALMANACK.

From April 18th, to May 1st, 1869. Last Quarter.... April 3rd. 4 34 Afternoon. New Moon..... " 11th. 9 35 Afternoon. First Quarter.... " 19th. 10 51 Morning. Full Moon..... " 26th. 2 7 Morning.

Table with columns for Day, SUN, MOON, HIGH WATER AT HALIFAX, WINDSOR. Rows for days of the week from 18th to 24th and 25th to 30th.

For the time of HIGH WATER at Pictou Fugwash, Walla and Yarmouth add 2 hours to the time at Halifax. For the time of HIGH WATER at Annapolis, Digby, &c., and at St. John, N.B., add 3 hours to the time at Halifax. The time of HIGH WATER at Windsor is also the time at Arbroath, Horton, Cornwallis, Truro, &c. For the LENGTH OF DAY double the time of the sun's setting.

CHIPMAN & RUMSEY, Produce and General Commission Merchants. No 5 DUKE STREET, Near Fishwick's Express Office, HALIFAX. PARTICULAR interest taken in the sale of all kinds of COUNTRY PRODUCE, and consignments respectfully solicited. Place of business central, and ample facility for the storage of goods. City References: E. W. CHIPMAN & Co. AVARD LONGLEY, Esq. Sept. 23.

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THE Subscriber will offer from this date the balance on hand of the above mentioned Goods at

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ON and after MONDAY, 4th January, 1869, Trains will be run as follows:— MAIN LINE.

Table with columns for Carrying Passengers, Mails and through Freight, Ditto Local Freight, Ditto Local do., Ditto (Through). Rows for Halifax, Pictou, Truro, Windsor, and Halifax.

Table for WINDSOR BRANCH. Columns for Carrying Passengers, Mails and through Freight, Ditto Local Freight, Ditto Do. Do., Ditto (Through). Rows for Halifax, Windsor, and Halifax.

TOLET,

FOR a period of one or more years, from the first day of May next, that pleasantly situated Dwelling house and premises, at Bridgetown, in the County of Annapolis, formerly owned and occupied by the late Thomas Spurr, and now belonging to the Estate of the late T. Lovett Bishop. This property consists of the large and convenient dwelling house—a horse stable and coach house, and all necessary outbuildings—about twelve acres of land attached, including the large front lawn, judiciously planted with ornamental and fruit trees, and the Garden, enclosed by a Hawthorn hedge and stocked with an extensive variety of fruit bearing shrubbery; and pear, plum, and cherry trees, and the whole of the land in the highest state of cultivation.

Besides the above there is a field containing ten acres, separated from it only by an intervening field of equal size, owned by another proprietor.

The property described, being situated within a walk of five or ten minutes only, from the Railway Station, will form a most desirable residence for a gentleman and family who may be desirous to remove from the city to a healthful rural residence, and where all the accessories of comfort and happiness are available at a cheap annual rental, and a moderate annual expenditure.

For terms, and other particulars, parties are requested to apply to Hon. S. L. SHANNON, Halifax, or to either of the Subscribers—

CHARLOTTE BISHOP SMITH, EXECUTOR. T. W. CHESLEY, EXECUTOR. Bridgetown, Annapolis Co., Jan. 30th, 1869. Feb. 24. wes. t.f.

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To Parents and Sabbath School Teachers.

JUST PUBLISHED. A SCRIPTURE CATECHISM, for the Family, the Bible Class, and the Sabbath School, BY S. SELDEN. At the end of the Catechism are the following HYMNS:—"Around the Throne," "My Heavenly Home," "The Sabbath School," "In the Christian's Home in glory," "Happy Day," "Shall we gather at the river," "There is a happy land." Price 8 cents or \$6 00 per 100. Feb. 17.

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N. B. The Society have recently purchased the Stock and effects of the Religious Book and Tract Society on Barrington St. Both Depositories (now united) are removed to

66 Granville Street, Opposite the Province Building.

S. School Papers, Religious Magazines, &c., furnished by the Society, as formerly by the Depository on Barrington Street. Orders addressed to REV. A. McBEAN, Secretary of the Society, Halifax, will be promptly attended to. Dec. 2.

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HAVING been appointed by the manufacturer of the above celebrated Blinds, sole Agents for Nova Scotia, the public are respectfully invited to call at their Ware Rooms 70 & 72 Barrington Street, Halifax, and examine Samples of different Styles and prices. They are the best and most durable, article in use for Bay Windows, Drawing Rooms, Dining Rooms, Halls, Conservatories, Public Buildings, &c. These Blinds are of different widths of slat, and trimmed with Worsted or Silk, with plain or carved cornice, to suit the taste of purchasers. Oct. 30.

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Physicians' Prescriptions carefully compounded, and orders answered with care and despatch. Farmers and Physicians from the country will find my stock of Medicines complete, warranted genuine, and of the best quality. Jan. 13. 6 mths.

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A NEW COLLECTION OF 202 Hymns and 82 Tunes, suitable for Sabbath Schools, Prayer Meetings and the Social Circle. Price 20 cents each, or \$2.00 per dozen, "CHRISTIAN MESSENGER" OFFICE, 59 GRANVILLE STREET, HALIFAX. Aug. 19

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Applications, ACCOMPANIED by testimonials of ability to properly teach and govern the respective Departments, will be received until April 10th.

Address, C. H. HARRINGTON, Secretary to Trustees.

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NOTICE.

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All persons indebted to the late firm are requested to make immediate payment, and parties having claims against the firm are requested to render the same for adjustment.

The Subscribers beg to return their thanks to the general public for past favors, and respectfully solicit for the new firm a continuance of the same

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Halifax, 1st January, 1869. Jan 6.

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