

The Christian Messenger.

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ALMANAC FOR JANUARY.

Full Moon, January 2nd, 2h. 49m. after noon. Last Quarter, " 10th, 3h. 41m. afternoon. New Moon, " 18th, 3h. 46m. morning. First Quarter, " 24th, 3h. 28m. afternoon.

Table with columns: Day, SUN, MOON, High Tu, Low Tu. Rows for days of the month.

THE TIDES.—The column of the Moon's Position gives the time of high water at Parrsboro', Cornwallis, Horton, Hantsport, Windsor, Newport, and Truro.

High water at Pictou and Cape Tormentine, 2 hours and 11 minutes later than at Halifax. At Annapolis, St. John, N. B., and Portland Maine, 3 hours and 25 minutes later, and at St. John's, Newfoundland 20 minutes earlier, than at Halifax.

FOR THE LENGTH OF THE DAY.—Add 12 hours to the time of the sun's setting, and from the sum subtract the time of rising.

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WINDSOR & ANNAPOLIS RAILWAY. CONDENSED TIME TABLE. COMMENCING OCTOBER, 1873.

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N. B.—The Express trains now run daily. Steamer "Scud" or "Empress" leaves St. John on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, at 8 a. m., for Annapolis, and returns same day on arrival of 8 a. m. Express Train from Halifax.

Agricultural.

CALLING THE COWS.

BY SHIRLEY CLAIR. Co Bos! Co! Co! Come Dapple come Daisy and Dell,— See, I am coming to open the gate, Supper is ready, I cannot wait!

Co Bos! Co! Co! Come Daisy and Depp'e, you know very well The sun's going down, time milking was over, And some one is coming down the path thro' the clover,—

Co Bos! Co! Co! Take care now, Crumple! Steady there, Dell! For some one is waiting, and often he vows, " 'Tis sweeter than music," my calling the cows,

THE CURRY-COMB AND BRUSH.—Many stables are innocent of these things, and the occupants of them never get a rub down except when there is something dirty to rub off.

CHEAP GAS. It would seem that Russian ingenuity is likely to solve the problem of economically employing electricity for illumination, in place of gas and oils, a newly invented method for this purpose having just been satisfactorily tested in St. Petersburg.

COST OF CROPS.—A Delaware County correspondent of the Rural New Yorker estimated the cost of growing the different crops on land worth \$60 per acre to be—Corn 80 bushels per acre, 20c. per bushel; 60 bushels per acre, 25c.; 46 bushels per acre, 31c. to 33c.; 30 bushels per acre, 37c. to 40c.; wheat average cost \$1 per bushel; oats, at least 30c. at 30 bushels per acre; potatoes at 100 bushels per acre, 20c. These estimates include manure, ploughing, harrowing, drilling or planting, thorough good cultivation, and the stalks and straw of corn and grains to pay for husking or threshing, and \$5 per acre for interest and taxes on land.

WINTER BRIDLE BIT.—Use a small stiff iron mouth piece covering it with leather, when this is done the covering should be channeled and stitched in the same manner as in making round reins; to prevent the leather slipping on the mouth-piece the ends should be passed through the rings around the eyes. India rubber is also used for coverings to iron mouth pieces; hollow tubes of soft rubber are slipped over the mouth piece before the rings are secured.

GRAIN FOR POULTRY.—There is no other grain that is relished so well by fowls as Indian corn. It must always continue to be, as now, the American poulterer's main reliance, for, although too fattening to use in certain cases, it possesses more nutriment for the price than any other grain, and is always to be obtained. Corn can be given ground and unground, raw and cooked. Oats we prefer ground fine, as otherwise the hulls are too harsh and bulky.

AGRICULTURAL.—The kangaroo vine of Australia has received by a traveler the significant name of the "devil's corkscrew." He described one as being nearly 700 feet in length and measuring at its base three feet nine inches in circumference.

APPLE SOUFFLE.—Always stew the apples nicely, then adding a little grated lemon peel and juice, and omitting butter line the sides and bottom of a baking-dish with them. Make a boiled custard with one pint of milk and two eggs, flavoring with lemon, and sweetening it to taste. Let it cool, and then pour into the centre of the dish. Beat the whites of two eggs to a stiff froth (they can be left out of the custard), spread them over the top; sprinkle white sugar over them, and brown in the oven. The stewed apples should be about half an inch thick on the bottom and sides of the pudding dish.

Scientific.

Washing for Roofs and Buildings.

Slake lime in a close box to prevent the escape of steam, and when slaked pass it through a sieve. In every six quarts of this lime, add one quart of rock salt and one gallon of water. After this boil and skim clean. To every five gallons of this, add, by slow degrees, three quarters of a pound of potash and four quarts of fine sand. Coloring matter may be added if desired. Apply with a paint or white-wash brush.

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