

The Christian Messenger.

ALMANAC FOR AUGUST.

Table with columns for Day, SUN, MOON, High Tide, and Low Tide. Rows include New Moon, First Quarter, Full Moon, Last Quarter, and New Moon for August 1st through 31st.

THE TIDES.—The column of the Moon's Southing gives the time of high water at Pictou, Cornwallis, Horton, Hantsport, Windsor, Newburg, and Truro.

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.

FOR THE LENGTH OF THE NIGHT.—Subtract the time of the sun's setting from 24 hours, and to the remainder add the time of rising next morning.

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Science.

THE ICELANDIC ERUPTIONS.—Much as the Icelanders love their land, many will have to emigrate or perish because of the great eruption. Olafsson says several districts of the best part of Iceland are destroyed; ashes lying so thick that it is estimated that 15,360,000,000 bushels of ashes have fallen on an area of 21,000 square miles.

HOW TO HANDLE HARDHEAD STONE.—The cheapest way to break cobblestone is to burn them; and the best way to burn them is to lay down two parallel rows of stone, of about an even size, and so far apart that the larger cobblestone can be rolled on top and reach across from wall to wall.

YOUR OWN MASON.—Small holes in white walls can be easily repaired without sending for the mason. Equal parts of plaster of paris and white sand—such as is used in most families for scouring purposes—mixed with water to a paste, applied immediately and smoothed with a knife or a flat piece of wood, will make the broken place "as good as new."

TO EXTINGUISH KEROSENE FLAMES.—One of the most ready means is to throw a cloth of some kind over the flames, and thus stifle them; but as the cloth is not always convenient to the kitchen, where such accidents are most likely to occur, some one recommends flour as a substitute, and which it is said, promptly extinguishes the flames.

To brighten furniture and remove spots. Two table-spoonfuls of sweet oil, one teaspoonful of vinegar, half a teaspoonful turpentine use; with a bit of flannel.

Suspicious Tailor—"There, just stand in that position, please, and look right upon that notice while I take your measure." Customer reads the notice: "Terms cash."

To revive withering flowers, take them from the vase, throw out the cold water and replace it with hot water, in which you can barely hold your finger; put in the flowers immediately. The effect is wonderful.

To keep cut flowers fresh, to a vase of flowers put half a teaspoonful of soda in the water.

Slacked lime, placed loosely on a board inside a furnace during the summer, will take up the moisture and prevent rusting.

TO REMOVE OLD PAINT.—Cover with a wash of three parts quicklime, in slaked water, to which one part pearl-ash is added. Allow the coating to remain for sixteen hours, when the paint may be easily scraped off.

Agriculture.

GRASS PLANTED BY GRASSHOPPERS. A curious fact connected with the grasshopper raid in Western Missouri is that, wherever pastures have been destroyed by the insects, new varieties of grass, which never before have been seen in the localities, have sprung up.

AN ENORMOUS PEACH CROP.—The estimates of the coming peach crop all point to the same being of remarkable magnitude, the aggregate number of baskets being fixed at from eight to ten millions from the Maryland and Delaware peninsula alone.

It is said that water lilies may be raised about ones house by the following method: Sink in the ground the half of an old cask, and cover the bottom with peat and swamp mud, and then fill with water.

Vegetables should never be washed until immediately before prepared for the table. Lettuce is made almost worthless in flavor, by dipping it in water some hours before it is served.

CELERY.—This is a marine plant a knowledge of which fact is sufficient to cause gardeners to use salt upon it, whether they knew it was beneficial or not.

GREEN PEA SOUP WITHOUT MEAT.—Two lettuce, two cucumbers, three onions, and a pint of peas; put them, cut up, into a stew pan with one-fourth of a pound of fresh butter and a little pepper and salt; cover and let them stew till done.

A NICE COOL DRINK.—To two quarts of cold water put three table-spoons of vinegar, two and a half heaping table-spoons of sugar (brown), and one good teaspoon of ginger; stir the vinegar, sugar and ginger together first and then add the water, as that prevents the ginger from rising to the top.

A GOOD RECIPE FOR RASPBERRY VINEGAR.—Pour over 1 pound of bruised berries 1 quart of the best cider vinegar; next day, strain the liquor on 1 pound of fresh ripe raspberries, bruise them also, and on the following day do the same.

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