

The Christian Messenger.

ALMANAC FOR NOVEMBER.

First Quarter, Nov. 6th, 5h. 38m. morning. Full Moon, " 13th, 5h. 15m. morning.

Table with columns: Day, SUN, MOON, High Tide. Rows list days of the month and corresponding astronomical data.

THE TIDES.—The column of the Moon's Positioning gives the time of high water at various locations.

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Science.

MOUND EXPLORATIONS.—Dr. W. W. Ranney, of Lansing, Iowa, communicates to the Journal, of that place, an interesting account of an examination, recently made by himself and other parties, of an ancient mound in Union City township, Iowa.

The mound is not in the form of the burial mounds or tumuli, but forms a circle, the circumference of which is 700 feet. The ridge or elevation averages about 25 feet in width, leaving a circular inclosure 210 feet in diameter.

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.

Besides the beforementioned articles, copper ornaments, one inch wide at the base and one and a half inches from base to apex, were found, the form being the same as a perforated flat iron, as if to attach some additional ornament or string to fasten in the ear.

The central inclosure was used for their games, dancing, and pleasure, and perhaps, in case of attack from wild beasts or their fellow men, as a place for the aged, the young, and the women to flee to while the warriors met their encroachments outside the circle of dwellings.

To CLEAN OIL-CLOTHS.—Dining-rooms and kitchens are often carpeted with oil-cloths, and require to be cleansed, but if they are washed with soap-suds it proves a very destructive process, and soon takes off the paint.

Agriculture.

ABOUT RYE.—It will grow and produce fine crops far north of the degree of latitude where wheat will fail. It is, indeed, one of the most hardy crops that is cultivated.

Rye will grow and produce very fair crops on soils so poor that little else will yield enough to pay for harvesting. It delights in dry, sandy soils, and will yield a good return for the labor and seed on land that will produce little but white beans.

As a crop to turn under for the purpose of green manuring rye ranks next to clover. It has the advantage over clover that it can be grown much sooner.

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EFFECT OF AMMONIA ON FLOWERS.—Professor Gabba has been examining the effects of ammonia on flowers. It is well known that the smoke of tobacco will, when applied in sufficient quantity, change the tint of flowers.

Under the roots of a large pine overturned by a recent storm in Calhoun county, Ark., was found a Spanish bridle bit and a large copper bridle buckle of singular workmanship.

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