

The Christian Messenger.

ALMANAC FOR DECEMBER.

Table with 13 columns: Day, SUN., MOON., High Tide, Low Tide. Rows for each day of the month.

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

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Do bees injure fruit.—There has been a lively war of words in European papers of late as to whether or not bees injure fruit, especially peaches and grapes.

Science.

DETERIORATION OF COALS.—That coals lose considerably in value by exposure to the weather is well known, but few probably are aware of the extent of the damage thus produced.

TREATMENT OF SORE THROAT.—In cases of ordinary sore throat, the simplest and best treatment is the wet pack, using a linen cloth wrung from cold water.

THE ENGLISH 81-TON GUN ECLIPSED.—According to the Kölnische Zeitung, Krupp is making preparing of a 124-ton cannon.

In the Paris International Maritime Exhibition there is a small object deserving of notice. It is a platinum wire placed in a bottle and ignited by electricity from a bichromate battery.

A college for the study of science has just been formally opened in Leeds England, by the Duke of Devonshire, though it has really been at work for a year.

While tunneling into the side of Mount McLennan, Colorado, recently, the explorers came upon ground solidly frozen ninety feet from the surface.

A French machinist has discovered that by keeping his turning tools constantly wetted with petroleum, he was able to cut metals and alloys with them.

Agriculture.

THE PRODUCTIVE POWERS OF A GRAIN OF WHEAT.—A Nottinghamshire farmer, writing to a local paper, says:—"In September of last year, whilst sowing some seeds in my garden I accidentally dropped a grain of corn amongst them; at least so I surmise, for I soon observed a blade of wheat spring up, and as I noticed that it grew very rapidly, I had the curiosity to protect it, and gave it every chance of coming to perfection.

THE BREEDERS' LATIN.—One of the great breeders was recently visited by an old college friend, who frequently overtaxed his host's memory by using Latin quotations long forgotten by reason of disuse.

THE SOIL IS ONLY A MEDIUM in which plant food is prepared and given out on demand. The more thoroughly soil is pulverized, the stronger is the capillary attraction within its pores.

RASPBERRIES AND BLACKBERRIES FROM CUTTINGS.—Dig up the plants to be propagated, late in autumn, with all the roots that can be secured. Cut the roots into pieces about two inches long, and place them in alternating layers with sand or fine moss in a box.

MULCHING STRAWBERRIES.—A farmer, becoming tired of keeping his plantation clean, covered the whole surface with straw early in autumn, so as to hide all the plants. In spring, the plants grew up through the straw, sent up a dense profusion of fruit stems, which bore blossoms and fruit.

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