## The Messenger Almanac.

September. Full Moon, Sep. 3rd, 4h. 59m. afternoon. Last Quarter, "11th, 0h. 9m. morning. New Moon, "17th, 5h. 40m. afternoon. First Quarter, " 25th, 7h. 49m. morning. MOON. High Tide KW. Rise. Sets. Rises. South. Sets. at Halifax 1|F. |5 26|6 34| 5 57|10 45| 2 28| 2 Sa. 5 27 6 32 6 18 11 29 3 33 3 SU. 5 28 6 30 6 37 M. 4 40 4 M. 5 30 6 28 6 55 0 12 5 47 5 Tu. 5 31 6 26 7 12 0 54 6 52

THE TIDES.—The column of the Moon's Southing gives the time of high water at | to injure it ! 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. At Charlottetown, 2 hours 56 minutes LATER. At Westport, 2 hours 54 minutes LATER. At Yarmouth, 2 hours 20 minutes | to a pound of meat is a mistaken notion.

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 12 hours and to the remainder add the time of rising next morning.

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#### SCIENCE.

A CHEAP CARPET .- Have you a spare bed chamber seldom used which you would like to carpet at a little expense? Go to the paper-hanger's store and select a paper looking as much like a carpet as you can find. Having taken it home, first paper the floor of your bed-room with brown paper or newspaper. Then over this put down your wall paper. A good way to do this will be to put a good coat of paste upon the floor the width of the roll of paper and the too cold at the time the seeds are plant length of the room, and then lay it down, unrolling and smoothing at the same time. When the floor is all covered, then size and varnish; only dark glue and common furniture varnish may be used and the floor will look all the bet-dry room, in dry sand or earth, and they ter for the darkening these will give it. When it is dry put down a few rugs by the bedside and before the toilet table and you will have as pretty a carpet as you could wish-a carpet, too, that will last for years if not subject to constant wear, and at a trifling expense. I, myself, used a room one entire summer prepared in this way-used it constant. ly; and when the house was sold in the Fall, the purchaser asked me to take up the oil cloth, as he wished to make some alterations which would be sure

FOOD FACTS .- It has been observed that a small quantity of beef tea, added to other articles of nutrition, augments their power out of all proportion to the additional amount of solid matter.

The saying that an egg is equivalent It is a question whether, weight for weight, eggs are equal to beefsteak. the clods, and will never grow; and With many persons, particulary of many that start, not finding a fit soil nervous or billious temperament, eggs for their roots, will perish. A few disagree. Almost any one can eat an omelet who would find a pound of meat superfluous, yet the former may contain several eggs.

the preparations from milk, is very much undervalued; since there is nearly as much nourishment in half a pint of milk as there is in a quarter of a pound of meat. Hence, milk might be newly-planted grains of corn; but this taken as a sort of representative diet, can be wholly obviated by taking half so many deaths by Consumption, when and as better adapted to sustain the body in health, or to strengthen it in sickness, than any other single article

the interesting processes shown in the Centennial is the making of india-rubber shoes. The operation consists in stretching flat patterns upon lasts until they take shape. Machinery for puri. fying the rubber, by passing it between toothed rollers under water, and for rollchough, and pulmonary weakness which ing in into sheets, is shown in opera

> To the list of substances capable of furnishing illuminating gas of good quality, cork is now to be added. Works for burning corks have already been established. The fragments, principally waste left after cutting bottle stoppers, flame obtained is stated to be whiter and more brilliant than that of coal gas, while the blue zone is much smaller, and the density considerably greater.

The French Minister of public instruction has authorized the director of the Paris Observatory to proceed with the construction of animmense telescope, the design of which has been approved. The instrument, which will be one of the most powerful of its kind ever made, is to be completed in two years. The tube will be no less than 56 feet 8 inches in length.

Lamps are liable to explode when trimming is neglected. The wick being charred low down in the tube, the flame obtains access to the oil below.

INSANITY AND THE MOON.—The deleterious influence of the moon upon the insane is(says the English Mechanic) merely a popular superstition, unsustained by any satisfactory evidence, Dr. Olbers affirmed that "in the course of a long medical practice he was never able to discover the slightest trace of any connection between the phenomena of disease and the phases of moon."

STORMS travel less rapidly over the ocean than over the continents. This is proved by the fact that the average velocity of storms over the United pings or catsup ; a little cold ham or the army of sufferers from throat and lung States, as deduced by Prof. Loomis tongue will improve them; make in flat from 485 cases, is 26 miles per hour, cakes, and spread a coat of mashed po- all such may be acquainted with this reliable and over the Atlantic, deduced from tatoes on the top and bottom of each. 134 cases, is 19.3 miles per hour, and Lay a piece of butter on every cake, the average velocity of European and set in a quick oven to brown. Other storms as deduced by Prof. Mohn is cold meats may be prepared in the same 26.7 miles per hour.

#### AGRICULTURE.

WHY SEEDS FAIL .- In the first place, we will examine the causes of failure. If small seeds are planted too deep, they either rot in the damp, cold earth, for the want of the warmth necessary to their germination, or after germination, perish before the shoots reach the sun and air; so that which was designed for their support and nourishment proves their grave.

If the soil is a stiff clay, it is often ed to effect their germination; but it must be understood that warmth and moisture are necessary to the germina-Organs and Pianos, tion of seeds. Neither of these will do alone. Seeds may be kept in a warm will not grow. They may be placed in damp earth, and kept in a low temperature, and they will most likely rot, though some seeds will remain dormant a long time under these circumstances. But place them in moist earth, in a warm room, and they will commence at once. Another difficulty with heavy soil is that it becomes hard on the surface, and this prevents the young plants from "coming up," or, if during showery weather, they happen to get above the surface, they become locked in and make but little advancement unless the cultivator is careful to keep the crust well broken; and in doing this the young plants are often destroyed. If stiff, the soil where small seeds are sown should be made mellow, particularly on the surface, by the addition of sand and light mould.

If seeds are sown in rough, lumpy PAIN IN THE CHEST, AND ALL DISEASES ground, a portion will be buried under of the Lungs, may escape these difficulties and flour-

How TO TREAT CROWS .- It is grati-The nutritive power of milk, and of tying to see that the poor crow which only a few years ago everybody's hand was against, turns out to be one of the most valuable birds for the farmer we have. Their only sin is in eating the a peck of corn for field, soaking it well and scattering it over an adjoining field. Crowsnever eat any hard grain, but will bury it until it becomes soft, as we have often seen them do. But they at RUBBER SHOE MAKING .- Among all times prefer worms, beetles, &c., when they can be obtained, and devour immense numbers of them.

> Corn-fed hens do not lay in the winter for the simple reason that there is no albumen material in the corn. When wheat is given to them there is fat enough in it to supply all that is needed for the yolk, and albumen enough to make the white, and lime enough to furnish the shell; it does not thus seem difficult to understand why corn fed hens should not lay, as they do not, and why wheatfed hens should lay, as they do.

A new industry, that of drying eggs, has been set on foot as Passau, on the Danube, and the Prussian military authorities are about to give the product a trial for soldiers' rations. The London News says several German chemists are very sanguine as to the success of the experiment, and they pronouce dried eggs to have lost none of their valuable properties by the gradual evaporation of the water contained by them in the original state.

The toad, almost universally despised and upbraided for his ugliness, is yet a useful, good-natured, quiet fellow, who recognizes his friends and those who are kind to him. Like the sparrow, the toad has been considered a nuisance, and in some sections has been exterminated; but the exterminators have been only too glad afterwards to get him back by the expenditure of large sums of money. So useful are toads in gardens that they are sold in France by the dozen, for the purpose of stocking gardens to free them from many injurious insects. The toad lives almost entirely on winged insects, and never does harm to plants.

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