

The Messenger Almanac.

Table with columns for Day, SUN., MOON., High Tide, and Low Tide. Includes dates from August 1st to 31st.

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

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SCIENCE.

EASILY CLEANED FLOORS.—A lady writer, in one of her letters to the Christian Weekly, tells how, with the aid of the minister, she succeeded in obviating almost entirely the drudgery of scrubbing. She says: This is the way I did it, or courtesy should lead me to say, he did it, as we intended to do the work ourselves, and so save the expense of hiring a man to do it.

The floors were cleaned as thoroughly as possible, and all spots that will not wash off ought to be planed off. This was to have been part of the programme. But here truth compels me to make a confession. The minister, who was to have been chief operator, but who really found many urgent reasons for being absent a great deal about that time, insisted that all these spots and blemishes as seen on the bare original floor would be glorified into ornaments on the same floor when the beautifying process had passed over it.

We put on the first coat of the oil in the evening, and the next morning it was dry. The following evening we put on a coat of the shellac varnish which was dry by morning. Then, after two or three days, we put on the final coat of oil, but, as the wood will absorb very little oil this time, we put it on with a flannel and rubbed it in as thoroughly as possible.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat gives the following recipe for making attar of roses at little expense of time or money: Take a two-gallon glass jar, and fill full of clean, freshly-picked rose leaves. Then cork it tight, and take a two-ounce phial and fit the neck into the cork of the two gallon jar.

BOILED BULLOCK'S HEAD.—This is a good dish for a large family. Place the head in salt water for six hours to cleanse it; then wash and remove the palates, and place them again in salt and water; put the head in a sauce-pan, with sufficient water to cover, boil for five hours, adding two carrots, two turnips and two onions, cut small; when done remove the head from the soup, and remove the bone from the meat; serve soup and meat in tureen; the palates, when white, boiled until tender, then pressed until cold, make a delicious relish for lunch or supper.

AGRICULTURE.

MILK FEVER IN HOT WEATHER.—There is not a season but, as hot weather approaches, we hear complaints from dairymen of losing cows that have freshly come in milk. They die of "milk fever," and so sudden is the attack and so rapid the progress of the disease that often the animal is past all means of help before she is discovered to be ill.

The precautionary measures are, to put the cow on a rather spare diet, commencing two or three weeks before calving. She should be carefully guarded against exposure to the hot sun. Our practice has been to keep the animal in a clean well-ventilated stable, allowing her room to walk about but restricting her to a very sparing diet during the day—a little hay or straw to pick at.

THE NEW PROPERTY OF MILK.—A correspondent of an English daily paper, says: "There is one circumstance respecting the peculiar properties of milk which I have not seen alluded to in the newspaper articles on the subject, but which seems an additional proof of its power of attracting and absorbing impure matter. I allude to the practice of placing a saucer of new milk in a larder, in order to preserve meat or game from approaching taint.

STRAWBERRIES IN POTS.—Doctor Smith said that when dining with a friend in New Orleans, he was regaled with some splendid strawberries, and on inquiry found that he raised them in a very small back yard in pots placed on shelves. The pots were put in the cellar in winter, and thus the same plants were kept for several years.

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