

The Messenger Almanac.

March.
First Quarter, Mar. 3, 5h. 33m. morning.
Full Moon, " 10, 1h. 58m.
Last Quarter, " 17, 9h. 10m. afternoon.
New Moon, " 25, 3h. 57m.

Table with columns for Day, SUN. Rise, Sets, MOON. Rise, Sets, High Tide at Halifax. Rows for days of the month from 1st to 31st.

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

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.

HOW TO CLEAN PAINT.—If cleanliness is, as some folks say, one of the arts, all that helps it should be made known. Doors, walls or anything that is painted, may be cleaned with a piece of flannel dipped in warm water, then wrung, and sprinkled with finely powdered French chalk.

If you have a crack in the wall, get five cents' worth of dry plaster of Paris; wet with cold water; then take your finger and rub it into the crevice till it is smooth. Bad nail holes in the wall can be done the same way.

KEEP YOURSELVES WARM.—No one knows, unless he has tried it, what a capital railway rug a large newspaper or two will make; few people are aware what an excellent substitute for paucity of blankets can be contrived from a few of our daily penny papers.

A Kansas correspondent of an exchange, in writing about frosted feet says: Cornmeal and salt in equal parts made into a stiff dough, put on a cloth, and bound on the feet, drawing an old sock over all. Next morning the frost is out, the foot well. I have seen this simple remedy cure frosted feet which were black and bleeding, and that too, with never more than two applications.

CLEANING STOVES.—Stove luster mixed with turpentine, and applied in the usual manner, is blacker and more glossy and more durable than when mixed with any other liquid. The turpentine prevents rust, and when put on an old rusty stove, will make it look as well as new.

PRESERVING TIMBER WITH LIME.—M. Lostal, a French railway contractor noticing that the boards of mortar-beds became very hard and resist decay, has invented a process for preserving wood by impregnating it with lime. Lumber is piled in a vat, and covered with quick-lime, which is slaked by sprinkling. The vat is filled with water to the top of the wood, which remains some days undisturbed, and is believed to absorb the lime through its whole structure becoming hardened and secured against dry-rot.

RICE COFFEE.—This is good for children suffering with summer complaint, and is made by browning the grains of rice in the same way as coffee, and afterward boiling them. It is not unpalatable, is very nourishing, and can be made any strength required. With addition of sweet cream and loaf sugar, a child of two or three years will require no other food until the disease is removed.

This mode of cleaning fine glass gives it great brilliancy: Take finely powdered indigo, dip into it a moistened linen rag, smear over the glass with it, and then wipe it off with a perfectly dry cloth. As a substitute for this, fine sifted ashes, applied by a rag dipped in spirits, will do as well. Spanish white is apt to make the glass rough and injure it.

TO DESTROY COCKROACHES.—Place a bowl or basin containing a little molasses on the floor at night. A bit of wood, resting one end on the floor, and the other on the edge of the vessel, serves as a bridge to conduct the insects to the sweet deposit. Once in the trap its slippery sides prevent retreat, and thus cockroaches may be caught by the thousand.

FROZEN POTATOES, if not allowed to thaw before being cooked can be baked, and be as good as, if they had never been frozen, they must however not be washed the usual way because if put into water at all they become soft.

FOR FRECKLES.—Grate horseradish fine; let it stand a few hours in butter-milk, then strain, and use the wash night and morning. Or squeeze the juice of a lemon into half a goblet of water, and use the same way.

AGRICULTURE.

Dig for it at Home.

Would you have the shining metal? Do not o'er the wide world roam, Following a fleeting phantom— Stay and dig for it at home.

Do not heed the luring story Treasures distant hillsides hold; Ten adventurers, disappointed, Stand for every ounce of gold.

Wishing still for something better, Many fancies youth will rear; Mountains of the yellow mica In the distance gold appear.

And the longing is contagious, Drinking from a leaden cup, For the means of grander living, On highways to pick it up.

But Dame Fortune is too fickle. In her train afar to roam; Would you win her golden treasure, Stay and dig for it at home.

In the land that lies before you Find your wealth by honest toil; Never votary disappointed Rightly sought the generous soil.

Only faint, weak hearts repining Cast away the good at hand; Fortune's smile will rarely crown them, Sought for in a distant land.

But success rides on before you, Grapple it and you will win; Lo! e'en now the mists are lifting, And the tides are rushing in.

Let no foreign expedition Lure your restless steps to roam; Gold is nearer than the mountains— Stay and work for it at home.

FOWLS IN WINTER should have a warm house to roost in, partially under ground, facing the south, with slanting roof reaching within three feet of the ground on the north side, and the front or south side covered with windows, so that the fowls may enjoy the warm rays of the sun without being exposed to the piercing winds and freezing cold. For a summer house the building should be above ground, with ventilators, so that the fowls can be kept comfortable during the hot nights of summer. In the fall, as the weather becomes cool, shut up your summer roost, and your fowls will soon take to their winter quarters again. In winter give fowls a warm pudding for breakfast, then keep corn by them during the day.

APPLES MOST PROFITABLE.—The Country Gentleman says that after all the experiments which have been made within the past 30 years in marketing apples, pears, grapes, strawberries, etc., fruit growers seem likely to fall back on the apple as the most profitable fruit for extensive and general culture. In some particular localities pears have succeeded admirably; and in certain years the prices for the finest fruit have run high. But they require skill in management to attain the finest quality, and skill in assorting and packing to carry well to market. To secure the best markets requires inquiry and intelligence, and the right time in the season must be carefully watched.

COWS IN CALVING TIME.—The troubles which attend the calving time of cows are oftentimes and best met in advance by the ounce of prevention, which is better than the pound of cure or the many pounds of attempt to cure. Especially is this true in the case of heifers with their first calves, when it is all-important to establish a good and healthy habit of coming in right. Old or middle-aged cows, which are well established in good habits of this sort, may be left to go through by themselves, after having been carefully tended in the main operations of feeding and keeping from exposure to cold and wet. But the heifer is entering upon a new experience, which will subject her vital forces to the most extreme tension. A general carefulness in the treatment of all the breeding cows should be rightly enforced. They should be kept from all sorts of violence and from the fear of it; they should not be made to strain or jump in getting over bars, fences, or water-gullies; they should not be made to travel faster than a walk; they should not be roughly spoken to; they should not be crowded and jostled among other cattle, or subjected to the pushing or hooking of others; but in all ways they should be handled gently, and be made to feel that their master is their friend.

CABBAGE FOR STOCK.—The cabbage is a good crop to raise for cattle food in fall and early winter. It thrives on good corn land, well manured, and yields twenty tons per acre.

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1876-WINTER ARRANGEMENT-1876.

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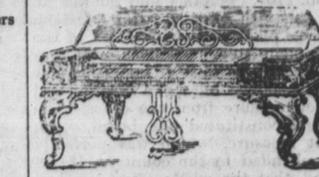
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