

The Christian Messenger.

Almanac for January. First Quarter, Jan. 4th, 11h. 9m. morning. Full Moon, " 11th, 2h. 9m. " Last Quarter, " 18th, 4h. 35m. " New Moon, " 26th, 9h. 27m. "

Table with columns: Day, SUN., MOON., High Tide, at Halifax. Rows for days of the week and moon phases.

THE TIDES. The column of the Moon's Shading gives the time of high water at Pictou, 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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DEAR SIR, Having used a half dozen bottles of your valued Pectoral Mixture I find myself greatly relieved from a chronic cough, and pulmonary weakness which had been preying upon my system for ever a year, and would recommend it to all who are suffering from like complaints.

ST. JOHN, N. B., April 16th, 1874. This is to certify that I was attacked with a very severe cold combined with the Asthma very bad, so that I could not lie down or hardly breathe.

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SCIENCE.

A MARTYR TO SCIENCE.—When, only a few weeks ago, the cholera was raging in the slums of Berlin, a young physician, scarcely past his 30th year, made himself remarked by the boldness and persistency with which he entered the infected quarter, and the apparent recklessness with which he exposed himself to the contagion.

Obtaining from one of his patients some of the deadly choleraic germs, he went deliberately to his room, placed a table with pencil and paper at his bedside, lay calmly down upon the bed, opened a vein in his arm, and inserted the deadly poison.

AGRICULTURE.

Farm Work for January.

The Canada Farmer has some useful remarks on needful work for this month. The principal work will be looking after the stock. The horses are more liable to disease in winter than at other seasons.

The SHEEP which have roots served to them daily will not want water, but it should be accessible to them. They must be fed regularly, as the irregularity will show itself in the wool.

SWINE want extra feeding in cold weather, and warm shelter—the warmer the shelter the less food will be consumed in keeping up the animal heat.

All kinds of stock suffer in winter from want of water. Clean troughs should be provided near at hand. A plug should be provided so that the water can be withdrawn at night to prevent freezing.

Wipe dry the teats of milk cows after milking, or chapped teats will be the result. Fresh lard is the best application if they get so.

If there should come an opportunity, store up some dry soil for use in the stables as an absorbent for the urine, the most valuable part of the manure.

Be careful not to let the stock into the orchard during the winter. Fruit trees will all be benefitted by a liberal mulching.

Scions, for grafting, may be cut at any time in the winter or early spring, when the wood is not frozen. Cut from vigorous trees of known variety.

Lay out plans so that healthy, vigorous trees of inferior varieties may be grafted in spring and converted into profitable sorts.

If you are not quite sure that your cellars are frostproof, a covering of newspapers over the potatoes will keep a severe frost from getting to them.

If you have kept accounts, you now should read and re-read them and extract from them many lessons they can teach you. If you have not kept them, do not let another year begin before you equip yourself with the means of knowing exactly how much money you are making or losing.

EDUCATING HORSES.—Horses can be educated to the extent of their understandings as well as children, and can be as easily damaged or ruined by bad management.

Horses with dull spirits are not by any means proof against bad management, for in them may often be found the most provoking obstinacy; vicious habits of different characters that render them almost entirely worthless.

If a colt is never allowed to get advantage, it will never know that it possesses a power that man cannot control; and if made familiar with strange objects, it will not be skittish and nervous.

We once saw an aged lady drive a high spirited horse attached to a carriage, down a steep hill, with no hold-back straps upon the harness, and she assured us that there was no danger, for her son accustomed his horses to all kinds of usages and sights that commonly drive the animal into a frenzy of fear and excitement.

A gun can be fired from the back of a horse, an umbrella held over his head, a buffalo robe thrown over his neck, a railroad engine pass close by, his heels bumped with sticks, and the animal take it all as a natural condition of things, if only taught by careful management that he will not be injured thereby.

A NEW USE FOR ONIONS.—We see it is stated by a New Hampshire paper that the speediest way to cure the epizootic and make a horse thoroughly happy, is to give him onions.

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ARTIFICIAL FERTILIZERS.—We must use more artificial fertilizers, or farming cannot pay as it ought to do. As farms become worth more, more working capital is required, and the chief need of this is to provide good fertilizers.

Scions, for grafting, may be cut at any time in the winter or early spring, when the wood is not frozen. Cut from vigorous trees of known variety. Pack them in moist sand, earth, or sawdust, in boxes, and put them in the cellar or some other frostproof but cool place.

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