

The Messenger Almanac.

Table with columns for Day, SUN, MOON, High Tide, and Low Tide. Includes dates from 1F to 30 Sa.

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

BETCHER'S PECTORAL MIXTURES

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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.

GRINDING TOOLS.—Edge tools are prepared by grinding very much as a plank would be reduced in thickness were a large plane employed in which were set a hundred or more very small gonges, each cutting a narrow groove.

In Paris a very simple and successful invention for doing away with the unpleasant effects of smoke is in use in the chimney stack a fine spray of water is introduced, which falls all through the column of smoke, and this not only washes it, but takes from it the carbon.

The dynamometer test, applied at Hull, showed that three horses pulling a double plow were rather less heavily weighted per horse than two horses drawing a single-furrow plough.

A lump of alum attached to a string and swung around a few minutes slowly, through a pitcher of water will cause the sediment to fall to the bottom in a few minutes.

A Severus vase given by Louis XVI. to Tippoo Sahib, was sold in London, recently, for over \$7,925. It was taken at the siege of Seringapatam by Ensign Gordon, afterward Adjutant-General of Bombay.

To revive the color of black cloth garments, use a mixture of 2 pints vinegar, 1 oz. iron filings, 1 oz. copperas, 1 oz. ground logwood, and 3 ozs. bruised galls.

A good cheap paint for rough wood-work is made of melted pitch 6 lbs., linseed oil 1 pint, brick dust 1 lb.

Crows.—A crow was killed recently in the orchard of Mr. Barbric of Plymouth, Me., and upon opening his crop more than twenty nests of caterpillar eggs were found, showing that this much-abused bird had dined on about 4,000 or 5,000 caterpillar eggs.

Every one is familiar with the blanching of grass under stones, or of celery, sea kale, and rhubarb when grown in the dark; but it is remarkable that as a rule this "etiolation," as it is termed, does not extend to the flowers.

AGRICULTURE.

AGRICULTURAL FAIRS AND HORSE-RACING as they appear to a stranger:—The following is put as about what the Shah of Persia might have written: Sept. 24, 25, 26, and 27.—Attended the Podunk County Agricultural Fair at Podunk.

Of the value of such speed, however, there can be no doubt, as thousands of their men, women, and children thronged about the race track and felt the liveliest interest in the benefit that was coming to their farms by this swift racing.

Dr. C. C. Hamilton writes the Journal of Agriculture:—The weather has been very dry and hot, the thermometer ranging 80° to 90° in the shade, and even much higher in some localities, which has had the effect of making the grass and the haying season earlier than usual.

The early planted potatoes have suffered from the dry weather and will necessarily be a small crop. Those planted later look well, and with seasonable rains will be a good crop.

The Apple crop will be small, although the prospect in June was everything that could be desired.

All stone and small fruits are scarce. There have been two or three good seasonable showers which have revived vegetation very much, but now the crops are suffering very much from want of rain.

A correspondent in King's County writes in a private letter:—There is a general outcry about fruit, but I think many people will be pleasantly disappointed in their crop.

The seed of sunflowers is the most healthy feed that can be given to horses in Winter and Spring.

OLD YEW TREES.—The yew trees of Britain are of wonderful longevity. One lived at Fountain's Abbey, Ripon, for 1,200 years; there are some yews at Crowhurst, in Surrey, 1,400; a yew at Fontigal, Perthshire, 2,500 or 2,600; a yew at Bradburn, Kent, 3,000, and a yew at Hedso, Bucks, twenty seven feet in diameter, 3,300 years.

Josh Billings says: "There is one thing about hens that looks like wisdom—they don't cackle much till they have laid their eggs. Some folks are always bragging and cackling about what they are going to do."

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