

The Messenger Almanac.

Table with columns for Day, SUN, MOON, and High Tide. Rows list dates from 1st to 31st with corresponding times for sunrise, sunset, moonrise, moonset, and high tide.

THE TIDES.—The column of the Moon's Setting gives the time of high water at PARSBORO, CORNWALLIS, HORTON, HANTSPOUR, WINDSOR, NEWPORT, and TRURO.

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.

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SCIENCE.

A patent for compressing tea was lately brought into notice at the exhibition of sanitary appliances in Manchester, England. It compresses the loose leaves of tea into one-third their original bulk, and in breaking up the fibre of the leaves opens the small cells which have been closed by the process of drying, and which are not thoroughly opened when merely infused in boiling water.

THE LARGEST SHIP EVER MADE.—It is said that the steamship Great Eastern has been purchased by a company who intend to use her as a cattle boat to ply between Texas and London. She is now being fitted out at Milford Haven, and is to have new engines and boilers, manufactured by the Clyde Iron Works, at a cost of \$500,000.

In reply to the question: Can the sound from a number of voices or instruments of any kind be heard at a greater distance than the sound from one voice or instrument, and what is the ratio of distance as compared with the combined number of sounds? The Scientific American replies: A. Yes.

INTERESTING EXPERIMENTS WITH LYCOPODIUM SEED.—The seeds of the Lycopodium clavatum, or club moss, are so fine that they appear as a yellow powder, and repel water so powerfully that a person may thrust his hand below the surface of water that has been well sprinkled with it without wetting his hand.

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There seems to be good ground for supporting the recent terrible explosion and burning of the flour mills at Minneapolis, Minn., were due to the presence of mill dust.—Scientific American.

TO TAKE VARNISH OFF FURNITURE WITHOUT INJURING THE WOOD.—Rub the surface quickly over with strong solution of potassa in hot alcohol and immediately afterwards with dry sawdust; finish with pumice stone.

NEURALGIA.—INTERNAL REMEDY.—Sal ammonia, half drachm, dissolve in water one ounce. Dose, one table-spoonful every three minutes, at the end of which time, if not before, the pain will have disappeared.

A comparison has recently been made between two Atlantic steamers, one of the year 1840, the other of to-day. The modern steamship carries fifteen times as much freight as the old one did, at nearly twice the speed; the consumption of coal per ton of cargo transported was in 1840 nearly eleven times as great as at present.

THE HOUSEHOLD.

POTTED HAM.—In warm weather it is difficult to keep ham that has been cut. The following plan is safe and good. Cut all that will make good slices, and fry as for the table. Lay the pieces close and even in a stone jar, packing them snugly and pressing them down. Pour all the hot fat over them, to fill the spaces and exclude air.

RICE GRIDDLE-CAKES.—Boil half a cup of rice; when cold mix one quart sweet milk, the yolks of four eggs, and flour sufficient to make a stiff batter; beat the whites to a froth, stir in one tea-spoon soda, and two of cream-tar; add a little salt, and lastly the whites of eggs; bake on a griddle. A nice way to serve is to spread them while hot with butter, and almost any kind of preserves or jelly; roll them up neatly, cut off the ends, sprinkle them with sugar, and serve immediately.—Buckeye Cookery.

WASHING FLUID.—The very best known, as it saves time, labor, clothes, and soap. One pound sal soda, one half pound stone lime, five quarts soft water and a small lump of borax; boil a short time in copper or brass kettle, stirring occasionally, let settle and pour off the clear fluid into a stone jug, and cork for use; soak white clothes over night in simple water, wring out and soap wrisbands, collars and dirty stained places; have boiler half filled with water, and when at scalding heat put on one common tea-cup of fluid, stir up and put in clothes, and boil half an hour, rub lightly through one suds only, rinsing well in blueing water as usual, and all is complete.

LADY'S CAKE.—One-half cup butter, one and a half tea-spoon soda, one of cream tartar, whites of four eggs well beaten; flavor with peach or almond.—lb.

YELLOW LADY'S-CAKE.—One and a half cups flour, one of sugar, half cup butter, half cup sweet milk, half tea-spoon soda, two tea-spoons cream tartar, yolks of four eggs, tea-spoon vanilla.—lb.

QUARTER-HOUR PUDDING.—Split a few crackers; lay the surfaces over with raisins, place the halves together, tie closely in a cloth and boil fifteen minutes in milk and water. Serve with sauce.

CORN-PUDDING.—Three dozen ears of corn scraped from the cobs; one and one-half pint of milk; three eggs; two table-spoonfuls of sugar; one, tea-cupful of flour; two ounces of butter; a little salt; bake one hour and a half.

ECONOMICAL SOAP.—Twelve pounds white potash, twenty-four pounds grease. Dissolve the potash in one pailful of cold water; melt the grease and pour in. Let it stand one day; then add water—a pailful at a time—till it becomes of the proper consistency, say a pailful each morning, stirring well. Two or three pailful of lye in place of the water improve it, but are not necessary. This quantity will make nearly a barrel of good soap.

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