

The Messenger Almanac.

MARCH.
New Moon, March 3rd, 11h. 3m. afternoon.
First Quarter, " 11th, 11h. 46m. "

Table with columns: Day, SUN., MOON., High Tide, Low Tide. Rows for days of the month.

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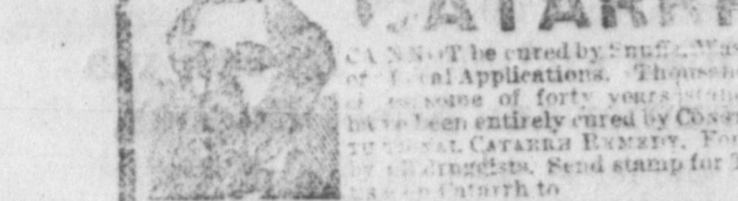
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THE HOUSEHOLD.

SORE THROAT.—Some of the remedies used, though they may afford relief at the time, are calculated to aggravate the inflammation. The free use of salt, vinegar, honey, and the like, may even produce this inflammation, and yet they are sometimes used for palliation. Indeed, the excessive use of salt has much to do with canker-irritation. The first and most important thing to be done is to learn the cause and avoid it in the future.

When the throat is dry, irritated and itches, never increase the irritation by the rasping habit of "hemming," coughing, etc., since all of this forced effort aggravates. Keep quiet and let the throat rest. To cure this kind of a cough, with a dry and inflamed throat, when nothing is raised, do not cough. Drink a little water, or gargle the throat and stop the itching or tickling, and there is no occasion for coughing.

BAKED CABBAGE.—Boil a nice white cabbage, for fifteen minutes in salted water, then change the water for more that is boiling, and boil until tender. Drain and set aside until cool and then chop fine. Butter a baking dish and lay in the chopped cabbage. Make a sauce in this way: Put a tablespoonful of butter in a pan; when it bubbles up well, stir in one tablespoonful of flour, and one half pint of stock and one half pint of water both boiling. Stir until smooth, season to taste with pepper and salt, and mix well with it four tablespoonfuls of grated cheese. Pour this over the cabbage, sprinkle rolled cracker over it dot it with lumps of butter and place in a quick oven for ten minutes.

TO BAKE EGGS.—Butter a clean, smooth saucepan, break as many eggs as will be needed into a saucer, one by one. If found good slip it into the dish. No broken yolk allowed, nor must they crowd so as to risk breaking the yolk after put in. Put a small piece of butter on each, and sprinkle with pepper and salt, set into a well heated oven, and bake till the whites are set. If the oven is rightly heated it will take but a few minutes, and is far more delicate than fried eggs.

EGG BASKETS.—Boil quite hard as many eggs as needed. Put into cold water till cold, then cut neatly into halves with a thin, sharp knife; remove the shells, then take the yolk and rub to a paste with some melted butter, adding pepper and salt. Take cold roast duck, chicken or turkey, which may be on hand, chop fine and pound smooth, and while pounding mix in the paste prepared from the yolks. As you pound moisten with melted butter and some of the gravy which may have been left from the fowls, set this paste when done over hot water till well heated. Cut off a small slice from the end of the empty halves of the whites, so they will stand firm, then fill them with this paste, place them close together on a flat round dish, and pour over the rest of the gravy, if any remains.

If the man who writes anonymous letters has never stolen a sheep it's probably because he never got a chance to do so. What is the essential difference between a ship and a hen? The hen lays one egg, and the ship lays two. On reading the epitaphs in a churchyard, a man said: "Here the dead and the living 'lie'." What is that which makes all women equally pretty? Putting out the candle. An envious paragrapher remarks: "It has been observed that the lady with a diamond ring will scratch her nose, in a given period, four times as often as any other woman."

What makes the Dead Sea dead? Because it is all the time receiving, never giving out anything. This is the case with too many men. A project is under way which, if successful, will make the Great Colorado desert, now one of the most barren spots in this country, a productive and valuable tract of land. A large quantity of the seed of the best varieties of dates grown in Egypt have been planted in that district, and the experiments are very hopeful for the result.

SCIENCE.

The British Museum has recently added the "Kin Ting Koo Kin Too Shoo Tsein Ching," or Chinese Encyclopedia, one of the rarest and most curious of works, to its collection. A STOVE-PIPE EXPANDER would be a great convenience to persons in town and country who have to manage their own stove-pipe. Get a piece of stout sheet iron made into a hollow cone of a diameter at one end say of 4 inches, and at the other say of 8 inches. If the edge of your stove-pipe requires enlarging force the small end of the expander into it; so as to enlarge it sufficiently, if your stove-pipe requires to be contracted then force the end of the stove-pipe into the large end of the expander until it is diminished sufficiently for the purpose.

BOAT PROPELLING.—It is strange there has not been more progress made in the mode of propelling small boats. The common oar is probably now used about as it was three or four thousand years ago. A new device for this purpose has just been patented in the United States. It is described as follows: It consists of a double crank shaft, supported in suitable bearing near the stern, and operating by a large bevel wheel, a bevel pinion at the ends of a jointed propeller shaft. Crank shafts at the ends of the double crank shafts are connected by lever rods, with pivoted hand levers, which are worked by the occupants of the boat, who sit facing the bow. Oars are of course dispensed with, and the simplicity of the device enables one person, if need be, both to propel and steer the boat.

An illustration is given in the latest number of the Scientific American (March 16th). It is just the screw propeller operated by a driving wheel worked by levers in the boat. The patentee is Mr. Thomas Fetherston of Orange N. J. RUBBER CEMENT TO FASTEN RUBBER TO LEATHER SOLES.—Digest for several days, with occasional stirring, 2 ozs. of gum caoutchouc in a pint of naphtha. The solution is more quickly accomplished if the naphtha is warmed.

THE RAIL PUZZLE The Scientific American, has a short article under the above heading, the substance of which is as follows: "A civil engineer working on a railroad in Illinois recently had occasion to weigh one of the iron rails. The rail was 30 feet long, and was supposed to weigh about 400 pounds. His only means of weighing was a pair of balance scales capable of weighing only 25 pounds. Query: How can he weigh the rail correctly with such scales?" The editor says he got so large a number of answers that he could not find space even for the initials of the respondents. And of these by far the greater number were wrong. Two correct answers are given. The following is the briefest: "F. G. W.'s answer: Place the rail at right angle and horizontally across a delicate support, say the sharp corner of another rail, so that the long end shall weigh twenty pounds, or some other definite weight within the range of the scales; then divide the whole length of the rail by the difference in the length of the two sections; then multiply the quotient by this weight; the product will be the weight of the rail."

If you are always finding fault with other people, you may be sure that there is good opportunity for some one to find fault with you. You can't attend to other folks' gardens without letting your own run to weeds. A gentleman coming into the room of the late Dr. Barton, told him that Mr. Vowel was dead. "What?" said he, "Vowel dead! let us be thankful that it was not a nor i." Egotism—Putting the private I too much before the public eye.

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