The Messenger Almanac.

APRIL.
New Moon, April 2nd, 5h. 0m. afternoon. First Quarter, "10th, 10h. 40m. morning. Full Moon, "17th, 1h. 43m. "Last Quarter, "24th, 4h. 19m. "SUN. MOON. High Tide
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AGRICULTURE.

April.

THE FARM.

The plans laid out during the months of Winter for Spring work must now be entered upon and applied. This is perhaps the most important month of the year to the thoughtful intelligent farmer. As soon as the frost is out of the ground work must begin. The manure heap having been pretty well got out in the fields before this, now comes the spreading and, first in the drier portions of the farm, the ploughing ready for the earlier crops. Peas, beans, oats, wheat, tares and the hardier cereals may be sown as soon as the ground is prepared. In dry places potatoes may be put in and at first well covered, and, when danger of frost is over, more lightly.

IN THE GARDEN the small fruits must now be be attended to. Remove all the old wood and dress the new so as to concentrate the power of the root upon the strongest and most healthy branches. Dig about the roots adding ashes to the manure applied. Strawberries may be left a little longer to put forth their new leaves before being disturbed or cleaned up. Flower seeds tomatoes, cucumbers and melons may be sown in | dent; repeat the process once or twice. boxes, placed in the window, when It will require but one or two applicayou have no hot bed, and kept moist and | tions to raise the dented spot level with covered up for a week or two. When the surface. Or, if the dent be very the weather becomes warm these boxes | small, merely soak it with warm water, may be taken out and for a few days and apply a red-hot poker very near stood on the ground; afterwards they the surface; keep it constantly wet, ing the earth around the roots.

ARAB MAXIMS FOR HORSE-KEEPING -(1) Let your colt be domestic ated and live with you from his tenderest age. When a horse he will be simple, docile, faithful and inured to hardship and fatigue.

(2) Do not beat your horse, or speak to him in a loud tone of voice; do not get angry with him, but kindly reprove his faults; he will do better thereafter, for he understands the language of man, and its meaning.

(3) If you have a long day's journey, spare your horse at the start; let him frequently walk to recover his wind. Continue this until he has sweated and dried three times, and you may ask of him whatever you please; he will not leave you in difficulty.

(4.) Observe your horse when he is at a brook. If in bringing down his head he remain square, without bending his limbs,he possesses sterling qualities, and all parts of his body are built symmetrically.

(5.) Four things he must have broad -front, chest, loins and limbs; four things long-neck, chest forearm and croup; four things short-pastern, back, ears and toil.

A crop of English hay, weighing two tons, removes from the soil about 62 pounds of nitrogen, 70 pounds of potash, and 18 pounds of phosphoric acid. From an acre, a crop of clover hay, weighing two and a half tons, abstracts about 175 pounds of nitrogen 110 pounds of potash, and 32 pounds of phosphoric acid. Two or three crops grown in succession, and without manure, would partially exhaust even the best of land.

SUGGESTIONS ABOUT PLANTS.—Set the cuttings of roses and azaleas, before they wilt, if you have to carry them any distance, sprinkle them with water as soon as taken from the bush, and wrap up tightly in paper, putting an extra dry piece of paper outside, tying it tightly. You can carry slips three days in this way, not opening the parcel until you are ready to set them out at once. Take an ordinary dish, either earthenware or tin, about an inch and a half deep, fill with silver sand, adding water sufficient to completely saturate the sand, but the water must not stand on the top of it. Be sure does not get dry. Place the slips in the sand almost up to the second eye -if the eye touches the side or the bottom of the dish they will root quicker; keep the dish in the sun, even if you have to move it from spot to spot. In from five to eight days the roots will have appeared or will be ready to do so, when you can pot the slips, using one-half good garden soil and one-half sand setting in a shady, cool place for three days and gradually bringing into warmth and light .- New York Times.

Money slips from the fingers like a watermelon seed, travels without legs, and flies without wings.

SCIENCE.

FISH HATCHING BY STEAM POWER. -At the meeting of the American Fish Culturists' Association, recently, Professor Milner gave an account of then process of hatching shad eggs by machinery, in operation at Havre de Grace, Md., were over eight million shad were hatched last year. The eggs to be hatched are placed in sheet iron cylinders, with wire netting bottoms, and half submerged in the river. The cylinders are suspended from the short arms of levers, and given a slow up and down movement by means of shafting carrying eccentrics acting on the long arms of the levers the whole set in motion by a ten horse power steam engine. The engine and other machinery are carried by a large scow, anchored in the stream. The fish so hatched proved hardy, bearing transportation well, even as far as California. - Scientific American.

TO TAKE DENTS OUT OF FURNITURE. -If the dent is not too deep, it may be removed in the following manner: Wet the part with warm water; then take five or six folds of brown paper, well soaked, and lay upon the dented place; and upon this hold a hot flatiron till all the moisture is evaporated. Should this not entirely remove the appear.

AUSTRALIAN EXPLORATION .- News has been received from Australia that a party has been despatched to explore the vast unknown districts in the northern territory, on the Katherine and Fitzmaurice. It was expected that their journey would last seven months, and that they would meet with land suitable for sheep. Another party has recently returned after discovering some magnificent country between the Victoria and the junction of the Katherine and the Daly.

Two French chemists, Messrs. Fremy and Feil, have succeeded in producing artificial rubies and saphires, which the watchmakers are said to pronounce better for their purposes than the natural stones. These gems are varieties of aluminum, and by combining this metal with other matter, and subjecting the compound to an intense heat for a considerable period, crystals are formed.

DON'T WHIP A FRIGHTENED HORSE. -Never whip your horse for becoming frightened at any object by the roadside, for if he sees a stump, a log, or a heap of tan-bark in the road, and while he is eyeing it carefully and about to pass it, you strike him with the whip, it is the log, or the stump, or the tan-bark that is hurting him in his way of reasoning, and the next time he will be more frightened. Give him time to examine and smell all of these objects, and use the bridle to assist you in bringing him carefully to those objects of fear.

To WASH CHAMOIS SKINS .- Wash in cold water with plenty of soap, and rinse well in clear, cold water; thus treated the skins will never be hard, but soft and pliable.

The Bethell system of preserving railway ties by creosoting, used in England is said to increase the life of the ties to 20 or 30 years.

THE HOUSEHOLD.

AN INCENDIARY.-I have a home case that is the key to a large class fires that are falsely charged to incendiaries. The combustible article is simply cold wood ashes. A neighbour of mine, a few years ago, packed a lot of eggs for family winter use, in a nail keg, covering the eggs in layers with cold ashes sprinkled in liberally. On bringing out the eggs for use they were found to be roasted, and the keg containing them was charred inside. The ash barrel is an incendiary that should never be harbored even in the woodhouse. Authentic accounts convince me that ashes will spontaneously ignite after they have been cold for years .- Germantown Telegraph.

Tommy came home from school, and handed to his father the teacher's report on his progress during the month. "This is very unsatisfactory, Tommy, you've a very small number of good marks. I'm not at all pleased with it." "I told the teacher you would'nt be, but he wouldn't alter it.

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