

The Messenger Almanac.

Table with columns for Day, SUN, MOON, High Tide, and various astronomical data for January.

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

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AGRICULTURE.

HINTS ABOUT HORSE-BITS.—A writer in a German contemporary, strongly counsels horse owners who study the health of their cattle, to banish from their harness rooms all bits but straight ones of the simplest possible construction.

GERMINATION OF SEEDS.—Frequent complaints are made that seeds do not germinate, and dealers in them are found fault with when very generally the difficulty is with persons planting them improperly.

Table with columns: Lowest, Highest, Most Rap'd. Rows include Wheat, Barley, Peas, Corn, Beans, Squash.

Seeds will not germinate until they have sufficient air, heat and moisture. These three agents must come into operation in the right proportion and simultaneously in order to get strong plants.

BIG GRAPE VINES.—California has probably, 20 vines, each of which produce more than 500 lbs. of grapes as an average crop.

SCIENCE.

The Theatre Francaise is the fortunate possessor of a bell which is said to be the very one that sounded the signal for the massacre of St. Bartholomew.

The Oregon West Shore says that eatable birds-nests are found for the most part in the islands of Java, Borneo, Sumatra and the Celebes.

It is interesting to learn that a process of manufacturing artificial stone has been patented by a Dr. Ternibus, of Germany, which promises the most satisfactory results.

TOYS AND THEIR TEACHING.—Lady customer: "My little boy wishes for a Noah's Ark. Have you one?" Toyman: "No, m'm, no. We've given up keeping Noah's Harks since the School Boards come in."

A woman was offered a thousand pounds if she would remain silent for two hours. At the end of fifteen minutes she asked, "Isn't the time nearly up?"

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

Winter Arrangement, 1879. TRAINS leave Halifax: At 8.25 a.m. (Express) for St. John, &c.

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WINDSOR & ANNAPOLIS Railway.

Table with columns: MILES, GOING WEST, GOING EAST. Rows include Windsor, Wolfville, Kentville, Wilmot, Annapolis.

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