

The Messenger Almanac.

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

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

Barn-yards should never be made upon a steep slope. A slight slope to the south is desirable, but the site should be so nearly level that the rain which falls upon it may not flow off and carry the wash to lower ground where it will be wasted.

HOW FARMERS LOSE MONEY.—By not taking one or more papers. Keeping no account of farm operations, paying no attention to the maxim that "a stitch in time saves nine," in regard to sowing grain or planting seed at the proper time.

Permitting broken implements to be scattered over the farm until they are irreparable. By repairing broken implements at the proper times many dollars may be saved—a proof of the assertion that time is money.

Disbelieving the principle of rotation of crops, before making a single experiment. Allowing fences to remain unrepaired until strange cattle are found grazing in the meadows, grain fields, or browsing on the fruit trees.

FOREST CULTURE PAYS.—With cultivation, Mr. Richard S. Fay, in Essex county, Massachusetts, has demonstrated that a forest crop will begin to pay expenses in a very few years, and in the course of ten years will bring in a handsome profit on the whole capital expended.

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WEIGHT OF SPRING WHEAT TO THE BUSHEL.—No. 1 spring wheat must weigh 60 pounds to the bushel, and be plump and well cleaned. No. 2 must be reasonably clean, and weigh 58 pounds. No. 3 must be not good enough for No. 2, must be reasonably clean, and must weigh 55 1/2 pounds.

HEALTH HINTS.

FOR CHILBLAINS, CHAPPED HANDS AND LIPS.—Take a small quantity of sweet oil and the same of beeswax; put them together in the oven, and let the wax melt in the oil; stand to cool, and rub in well every night or whenever the feet or hands are painful.

VENTILATION.—It is now midwinter, really cold weather, but the best way to keep scarlet fever and diphtheria out of the house is to let the cold air in every day. Thoroughly air your rooms; there is no disinfectant equal to the sharp pure air.

FOR SLEEPLESSNESS.—A glass of milk taken on going to bed at night sometimes assists in overcoming sleeplessness. In the New York Inebriate Asylum a glass of milk is frequently administered at bed time to produce sleep, and the result is often satisfactory, without the use of medicine.

Coughing can be stopped by pressing on the nerves of the lip in the neighborhood of the nose. A pressure there may prevent a cough when it is beginning. Pressing, also, in the neighborhood of the ear may prevent coughing.

WINTER CLOTHING FOR CHILDREN.—Everyone must remark that a favorite article of winter clothing for children is a comforter swathed around the neck. This is a great error; the feet and wrists are the proper members to keep warm; the face and throat will harden into a healthy indifference to cold; but that muffler, exchanged for an extra pair of thick socks and knitted gloves, would preserve a boy or girl really warm and well.

THE TREATMENT OF SPRAINS.—Mr. Dacre Fox, an English surgeon to a large railway company who has had considerable experience of this form of injury, says that in the more severe cases he finds that after a few days of timentation the best treatment is regulated pressure by means of carefully adjusted pads and large plasters of a special shape, varying according to the particular joint involved.

Do all the good you can in the world and make as little noise about it as possible. Better run in old clothes than in debt.

One difference between sailors and soldiers is that sailors tar their ropes, while soldiers pitch their tents. William Penn used to spell the name of his State Pennsylvania. Now, y was the i knocked out?

"Who brayed there," asked a member of the Canadian House of Commons of the persons who were trying by interruption to silence him. "It was an echo," retorted a voice. Ohio politicians are for ever meeting and passing the famous declaration: Resolved, That the saints shall possess the earth. Resolved further, That we are the saints.—Chicago Times.

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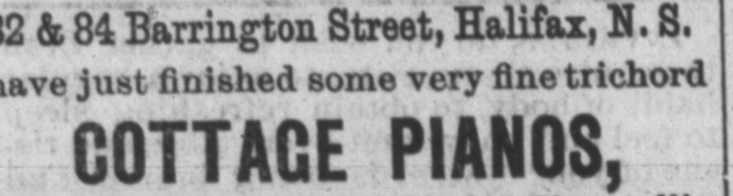
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