# The Messenger Almanac.

Full Moon, June 4th, 9h. 22m. M. Last Quarter, "11th, 0h. 42m. A. New Moon, "19th, 4h. 5m. A. First Quarter, "27th, 1h. 42m. M.    Day   SUN.   MOON.   High Tide	JUNE.		
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THE TIDES.—The column of the Moon's Southing gives the time of high water at Parrsboro, Cornwallis, Horton, Hantsport, Windsor, Newport, and Truro. High water at Pictou and Cape Tormen-

tine, 2 hours and 11 minutes LATER than at Halifax. At Annapolis, St. John, N.B., and Portland Maine, 3 hours and 25 minutes LATER, and at St. John's, Newfoundland, 20 minutes EARLIER, than at Halifax. At Charlottetown, 2 hours 56 minutes LATER. A Westport, 2 hours 54 minutes LATER. A Yarmouth, 2 hours 20 minutes | ly delay.

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### AGRICULTURE.

Shower and Flower.

Down the little drops patter. Making a musical clatter, Out of the clouds they throng: Freshness of heaven they scatter Little dark rootlets among.

"Coming to visit you, Posies! Open your hearts to us, Roses!" That is the Raindrops' song.

Up the little seed rises: Buds of all colors and sizes Clamber up out of the ground. Gently the blue sky surprises The earth with that soft-rushing

sound.

"Welcome!"-the brown bees are hum-"Come! for we wait for your coming!" Whisper the wild flowers around.

"Shower, it is pleasant to hear you!"-"Flower, it is sweet to be near you !"-

This is the song everywhere. Listen! the music will cheer you! Raindrops and blossom so fair Gladly are meeting together Out in the beautiful weather:-Oh, the sweet song in the air! St. Nicholas for April.

The farmer should sow his Ps, keep his Us warm, hive his Bs, kill off the Js, remember what he Cs, take care of the Vs, pay all he Os, teach his boys not to Ts, and take his Es.

It don't pay to leave the work of mending your tools and selecting and securing your seed until the day you want to use them, thereby causing cost-

"But you know pa," said the farmer's daughter, when he spoke to her about the addresses of his neighbor's son-"you know, pa, that ma wants me to marry a man of culture." "So do I, my dear, so do I; and there is no better culture in the country than agricul-

A sprinkling of lime, plaster, or sulphur over the leaves of the strawberry at the first appearance of the blight, is suggested as a remedy for this disease, which has made such sad work with the foliage of this delicious berry.

It don'tpay to be stingy in sowing grass seed, or to try to live without a garden.

It don't pay to work with poor tools of any kind.

It don't pay to plant more ground than you can manure and take good

LIGHT.—Keep the plants close to the window, and turn them as often as the leaves get drawn in one direction. Shade the flower pot from the hot sun, but not the plant, unless the heat is very great. After dark, keep the plants, if possible, in a dark cool room.

The average temperature in England for the last months of November, December, January was lower than for twenty-one previous years. There have been but four such cold periods there for ninety-one years.

Roses .- The Rose requires high culture; it should be planted in good, well-drained soil; the ground can scarcely be made too rich. The pruning required will vary with the sorts planted, the rank-growing requiring less pruning than the weak one. The points particularly to be observed are to prune before the buds start in spring, to cut out all unripe or old and feeble shoots, and to cut back the last season's growth to from one-half to two-thirds its length, according to the vigor of the sorts indicated. Winter protection of tender sorts is accomplished by covering after a few severe frosts, with leaves, straw, evergreen boughs or earth, or by removing the plants to a cool cellar. With a little care of this kind, the choicest tender Roses may be safely wintered, and as they are the only really perpetual Roses they are abundantly worth the extra care. The insectts most commonly injurious to the Rose, as the Aphis. which appear in great numbers upon the young, growing shoots, and the Thrips, which prey upon the underside of the leaf, giving it a sickly, yellowish look, may easily be destroyed by syringing or dipping plants in tobacco water.

An out-of-town man, traveling in a Boston horse car, pulled the bell-strap vigorously, and made the bell ring at both ends. "What are you ringing at both ends for?" said the conductor. "Because I wish it to stop at both ends."

the face? Because it's the center.

## THE HOUSEHOLD.

RECEIPE FOR MENDING AND OIL-ING .- D. C. M. asks for a receipe for mending rubber boots; also for waterproof oil or mixture for leather boots.

A preparation for mending rubber is sold by agents, and sometimes by druggists. It consists of rubber dissolved in bi-sulphide of carbon (sulpher oil.) It is not reliable. We know of nothing that is. Water-proof oil may be made by taking resin and beeswax, one ounce each, and neats foot oil, or castor oil, half a pint. Heat the ingredients together, stirring them constantly till they are well mixed. Warm the leather and saturate it with this mixture till it will be waterproof ever afterwards. - Indiana Farmer.

AMERICAN AND FRENCH BREAK-FASTS.—American housewives have not studied the art of cooking the various kinds of meat in the most ecomical and palatable modes. French cooks far excel us in this particular. They not only gather up the fragments, as the Scriptures enjoin, so that nothing may be lost, but they make it a study to cook every part of the animal in the most attractive and nutritious mode. A hock bone, with their skilful manipulation, will make a delicious dinner for a large family, and they will save stock enough, with the addition of a variety of cheap vegetables, to make a nutritious soup for the next day's dinner. Americans want beefsteak for breakfast: a Frenchman is content with a boiled egg, a hot roll and a cup of coffee. The Frenchman's breakfast costs five or ten cents, the American's twenty-five to flfty cents, and the former is just as nutrious as the latter, and more easily disease of America, is seldom known in have just finished some very fine trichord France. - Massahusetts Ploughman.

families were the dairy is small, a good plan to have the butter firm and cool without ice is by the process of evaporation, as practiced in India and other surpassed by any in the market, and which they are willing to dispose of warm countries. A cheap plan is to get a very large-sized, porous, earthen flower pot with an extra large saucer. Half fill the saucer with water, set in it a trivet or light stand-such as used for holding hot irons will do-upon this set your butter; over the whole invert the flower pot, letting the top rim rest in and be covered by the water; then close the whole in the bottom of the flower pot with a cork; then dash Aylesford Upper—Rev. J. L. Read. Acadia Mines—I. D. Cook. water over the flower pot, and repeat Barrington-Rev. W. H. Richan. the process several times a day, or whenever it looks dry. If set in a cool place, or where the wind can blow on it, Bridgetown-Nathan R. Morse. it will rapidly evaporate the water from the pot, and the butter will be as firm and as cool as if from an ice house.-

A DISH FOR BREAKFAST .- Take six good cooking apples, cut them in slices one-fourth of an inch thick, have a pan of fresh, hot lard ready, drop the slices in and fry till brown; sprinkle a little Digby Neck—Rev. J. C. Morse. sugar over them and serve hot.

BAKED SCOTCH HERRING .- Cut off the heads of six herrings and split the fish taking out the backbone; chop a spoonful of parsley and mince up an onion fine, add a little thyme and marjoram; take a piece of stale bread, if not dry enough, put it in the oven; when crisp grate or pound it up; take a spoonful of salt and a quarter as much ground pepper and sprinkle it over the fish; make a layer of fish at the bottom of a tin pan, sprinkle over them the broad crumbs the persley and opions.

Mill Village—W. A. Reed.

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Margaree, C. B.—Lachlen McDonald. bread crumbs, the parsley, and onions add to each layer a small piece of butter, a tablespoonful altogether will suffice; cover over the bakingpan with a dish, and bake by a slow fire about a half hour. Costs 15 cents, and is sufficient for five people.

BAKED LIVER .- Calves' or beef liver, laid in cold water for half an hour, dried on a towel, skinned, and before baking, also if baked over a slow fire; if no butter can be had, small cut the slices of the liver will supply the necessary fat, and, roasted to a light brown, be an agreeable addition to the Do., liver; those who like onion can lay some sliced onion between and roast slightly; never put a cover ever liver, as it will become hard; it ought to be Why is the nose put in the middle of dished on a heated plate, and eaten immediately after baking.

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