

The Messenger Almanac.

OCTOBER.

Last Quarter, Oct. 8th, 9h. 20m. M.
New Moon, " 15th, 10h. 55m. M.
First Quarter, " 22nd, 2h. 4m. M.
Full Moon, " 29th, 9h. 55m. A.

Table with columns for Day, SUN, MOON, High Tide. Rows for days of the month from 1st to 31st.

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

High water at Pictou and Cape Tormentine, 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.

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.

FOR THE LENGTH OF THE NIGHT.—Subtract the time of the sun's setting, from 12 hours and to the remainder add the time of rising next morning.

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HEALTH HINTS.

CORNS.—Corns are nothing more than thickened, condensed scarf-skin, which, arising above the general surface, produce pain and pressure. They are always the result of an unequal pressure, made by an ill-fitting shoe or boot.

ANTIDOTE TO POISON.—If a person swallows any poison whatever, or has fallen into convulsions from having overloaded the stomach, an instantaneous remedy, most efficient and applicable in a large number of cases, is a heaping teaspoonful of common salt, and as much ground mustard, stirred rapidly in a teacupful of water warm or cold, and swallowed instantly.

T. Chervin has drawn attention to the frequency of stammering in the south of France, where from twelve to thirteen cases are noted for every 1,000 while in the eastern departments the proportion is only one for every 1,000.

SCIENCE.

SPARE THE TREES.—Two facts confront us, and deserve serious consideration. The forests of the world are going, just as the coal beneath our feet is going—man is a cooking animal, and must have fuel. In all the great outlets of water floods multiply, and become more and more destructive.

EXECUTIONS BY CARBONIC OXIDE.—As a substitute for the execution of a criminal by hanging, Dr. Packard, of Philadelphia, makes the following suggestion:— "There should be fitted up in the gaol a small room, which can be made

air-tight. By means of very simple arrangements, carbonic oxide can be sustained for the air of the room, and a person confined in it would then die the easiest and quietest death known to science. He would simply cease to exist. A jury should be appointed to identify the convicted person. In their presence he should be conducted to the room, and placed in it, entering by a sliding door, of plate glass it may be, protected by a netting of iron wire.

AMERICAN FORESTS.—Of a desolation recorded far back of even the days of Grecian glory: "A man was famous according as he had lifted up axes on thick trees." In the days when American forests were practically limitless, our fathers were far too famous for lifting up axes. Trusting to what seemed employment, skilled laborers have made their homes where the streams appeared permanent.

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AGRICULTURE.

CARE OF POULTRY.—Alderman Mechi, of London, a successful English farmer, claims that nothing pays better on a farm than a good stock of poultry well managed. He allows his fowls to roam his premises, and thinks they are a benefit to grain crops.

Old Phineas Rice was one of the quaint types of itinerant Methodist preachers. He had a hard patch to cultivate once, and when he made his report to the Conference following, he reported the church "looking up."



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WESTERN COUNTIES RAILWAY.

1879. Arrangement. 1879.

TRAINS LEAVE HALIFAX 7.55 a. m.—Express daily for St. John and intermediate points. 3.30 p. m.—Express daily for Windsor. Connection for Kentville and intermediate points on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

8.20 a. m.—Passengers and freight Monday, Wednesday and Friday, for Annapolis and intermediate points.

Arrive at Windsor—9.40 a. m., 5.40 p. m., 11.15 p. m.

LEAVE WINDSOR: 7.00 a. m.—Express, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

10.00 a. m.—Express, on arrival of train from Kentville, Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

2.00 p. m.—Passengers and Freight Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

6.50—Express daily. Arrive at Halifax 9.28 a. m.—noon, 4.50 p. m., and 8.30 p. m. July 1, 1879.

WINDSOR & ANNAPOLIS Railway.

Summer Arrangement, Commencing 1st July, 1879.

Table with columns: Miles, GOING WEST, Express Daily, Pass. & Frt. Mon. Wed. and Fri., Passengers & Freight Tues. Thurs. & Sat., Freight, Pass. & Frt. and Saturday.

Table with columns: Miles, GOING EAST, Pass. and Freight Mon. Wed. and Fri., Passengers & Frt. Tues. Thurs. & Sat., Express Daily.

Steamer "Empress" leaves St. John every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday and Annapolis, to return on Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

1879 SUMMER ARRANGEMENT 1879

TRAINS leave Halifax daily (Sunday excepted) as follows:— At 8.05 a. m. (Express) for St. John, Pictou and intermediate points.

At 12.15 p. m. (Accommodation) for Pictou and intermediate points.

At 5.00 p. m. (Accommodation) for Truro and intermediate points.

At 6.15 p. m. (Express) for St. John, Riviere du Loup, Quebec, Montreal, and the West.

WILL ARRIVE:— At 9.15 a. m. (Accommodation) from Truro.

At 10.35 p. m. (Express) from St. John, Riviere du Loup, Quebec, Montreal, and the West.

At 2.55 p. m. (Accommodation) from Truro and Pictou.

At 7.40 p. m. (Express) from St. John, Point du Chene, Pictou and intermediate points. July 23, 1879.

SPRING HILL AND PARRSBOROUGH RAILWAY.

Connects with Intercolonial. Leaves Parrsborough at 9.30 a. m. Arrives at Spring Hill at 12.20 p. m. Leaves Spring Hill at 3.20 p. m. Arrives at Parrsborough at 6.00 p. m. May 28, 1879.

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