

Agriculture, &c.,

THE MONTHS.

"January brings the snow;
Makes our feet and fingers glow.
February brings more snow;
North winds toss it high and low.
March brings breezes loud and shrill.
Stirs the dancing daffodil.
April starts the primrose sweet,
Scatters violets at our feet.
May brings flocks of pretty lambs,
Skipping by their fleecy dams.
June brings tulips, lilies, roses,
Fills the children's hands with posies.
Hot July brings cooling showers,
Apricots and gillyflowers.
August brings the wheat and corn,
Then the harvest home is borne.
Warm September brings the fruit;
Sportsmen then begin to shoot.
Fresh October brings the plum;
Then to gather nuts is fun,
Dull November brings the blast,
Then the leaves are whirling fast.
Chill December brings the sleet,
Blazing fire and Christmas treat."

THE NEW FRENCH SOUP.

The efforts of chemists and men of science in Paris are devoted to the multiplication of the means of defence and the extraction of food from every matter containing the slightest elements of nourishment. The bones, horns, and hoofs of animals killed have been converted by them into a product called osseine, yielding a nutritive soup, and forming the basis of sweetmeats and confectionery. The bowels, liver, and blood of animals have likewise been scientifically treated and converted into articles of wholesome nourishment. Jellies have disappeared from the market, but lovers of such dainties have their tastes provided for in artificial jellies and marmalades, the basis of which is gelatine, flavoured. As a substitute for butter, grease and the fruit of the cocconut, so largely used in the neighborhood of Paris in ordinary times for soap making, have been purified, and converted into an article for the table. To make up for the absence of fresh meat, sauces of great richness and delicacy of flavour have been invented to sustain the drooping courage of epicureans who still desire to have their palate tickled and their appetite strengthened.

CLIPPING BY MACHINERY. — We have for some years been familiar with the modern practice of brushing the human head by machinery, and now we are introduced to a somewhat similar plan of clipping horses and sheep, invented by Mr. D. O. Macomber, an American, and manufactured by Messrs. Gwyne, of Essex street, Strand. A pair of cutters, revolving close to a circular comb, are made to travel with great rapidity by means of rods made to rotate by multiplying wheels attached to a standard fixed in the ground. This machine is easily worked, and as there are four pairs of bevel wheels, the cutter is completely under the control of the clipper, who can move it in any direction. The rapid revolutions of the blade (250 times a minute) cause the hair to roll off as fast as the human hand can guide the machine, and a full sized horse can be stripped in two and a half hours. As the comb is under three inches in diameter, it can easily be made to reach the bottom of all the hollow places in the body; and even the hollows above the eyes, and the insides of the ear can be cleared out. Nothing can possibly do its work better. — *The Field*.

THE CELESTIAL FLORA. — You can buy complete sets of all the flowers of the Alpine district at the hotel near the foot of the Rosenlau glacier, very neatly pressed and enclosed in cases. Some of the flowers are very common, but they must be included, or the fauna would not be completely represented. The botanist is as careful to see that the common ones are there, as he is to note that the rarer specimens are not excluded. Our blessed Lord will be sure to make a perfect collection of all the flowers of his field, and even the ordinary believer, the every-day worker, the common convert, will not be forgotten. To Jesus' eye, there is beauty in all his plants, and each one is needed to perfect the fauna of Paradise. May I be found among his flowers, if only as one out of myriad daisies, who with sweet simplicity shall look up and wonder at his love forever. — *From Rev. C. H. Spurgeon's Note Book*.

TO TRAIN A HORSE TO STAND. — Take your horse on the barn floor and and throw a strap over his back and fasten it to his right fore foot; lead him along and say "whoa," at the same time pull down the strap, which throws him on three feet, and makes him stop suddenly. This is the best way known to teach whoa, though you can put on the war bridle and say whoa, and give him a sharp jerk, that will stop him about as soon as the strap to his foot. Then put him in harness, with the foot strap, as directed under the head of "training to harness," and drive him up to the door. The moment he undertakes to move, take his foot and say whoa. Get in your carriage and get out again; rattle the thills, make all the noise getting in and out you can; give him to understand, by snatching his foot each time he moves, that he must stand until you tell him to go; and after a few times you can put the whole family in the carriage and he won't stir out of his tracks. — *Am. Stock Journal*.

GET LEATHER BITS. — One of the most cruel things done is putting hard, frozen iron bits in a horse's mouth. It is not only painful, but a dangerous act. Thus a horse's mouth becomes frozen by the cold iron several times a day put into it; each time causing these freezings to go deeper and deeper, to end at last in extensive ulceration. Thinking and humane people avoid this by first warming the bits; but this is much trouble, and sometimes impossible, as in night work, like staging and physician's work. Now all this is avoided by getting leather bits so made that no metal substance can touch the flesh. Don't fail to try it. Dipping the bits in cold water will take out the frost.

TO STOP BLEEDING. — It is said that bleeding from a wound may be stopped by a mixture of wheat flour and common salt, in equal parts, bound on with a cloth. If the bleeding be profuse, use a large quantity, say from one to three pints. It may be left on for hours, or even days, if necessary. The person who gave us this receipt says in this manner he saved the life of a horse which was bleeding from a wounded artery; the bleeding ceased in five minutes after the application.

THE CROW. — Aside from the special question of profit and loss, we have a warm side towards the crow, he is so much like one of ourselves. He is lazy, and that is human; he is cunning, and that is human. He takes advantage of those weaker than himself, and that is man-like. He is sly, and hides for to-morrow what he can't eat to-day, showing a real human providence. He learns tricks much faster than he does useful things, showing a true boy-nature. He thinks his own colour the best and loves to hear his own voice, which are eminent traits of humanity. He will never work when he can get another to work for him — a genuine human trait. He eats whatever he can lay his claws upon, and is less mischievous when he is full than when hungry, and that is like man. He is at war with all living things except his own kind, and with them when he has nothing else to do. No wonder men despise crows. They are too much like men. Take off their wings and put them in breeches, and crows would make fair average men. Give men wings and reduce their smartness a little, and many of them would be almost good enough to be crows. — *Beecher*.

The ship canal between Portage Lake and Lake Superior is completed and will be ready for business on the reopening of navigation in the spring. It will admit the largest steamers on the lakes.

The Pope complains that the Italians have deprived the Church of St. Peter's patrimony. Now St. Peter was a married man. Let his Holiness allow priests to wed. Let him restore the Church St. Peter's matrimony. — *Punch*.

The following lines are supposed to have been written by an editor who was insane, for certainly no sane man could dream anything so improbable: I had a dream the other night,
When everything was still;
I dreamed that each subscriber
Came up and paid his bill.

People seldom improve when they set up no other models than themselves to copy after. Copy from the best.

MESSENGER ALMANACK.

FEBRUARY, 1871.

Full Moon, February 5th, 9h 47m. morning.
Last Quarter, " 12th, 10h 46m. morning.
New Moon, " 19th, 9h 34m. morning.
First Quarter, " 27th, 6h 24m. morning.

Day	SUN.	MOON.	High Tide
Wk	Rise	Set	at Halifax.
1 W.	7 23 5	4 1 43	9 20 4
2 Th.	7 22 5	6 2 33	10 12 4
3 F.	7 21 5	8 3 29	11 4 5
4 Sa.	7 20 5	9 4 33	11 57 3
5 Su.	7 18 5	10 5 38	morn 7 21
6 M.	7 17 5	12 6 48	0 48 7
7 Tu.	7 16 5	13 7 59	1 39 8
8 W.	7 14 5	15 9 9	2 28 8
9 Th.	7 13 5	16 10 22	3 17 9
10 F.	7 12 5	17 11 32	4 7 9
11 Sa.	7 10 5	19 12 36	5 5 10
12 Su.	7 9 5	20 0 45	6 42 10
13 M.	7 7 5	22 1 58	7 42 11
14 Tu.	7 6 5	23 3 11	7 40 11
15 W.	7 4 5	24 4 19	8 39 11
16 Th.	7 3 5	26 5 19	9 39 11
17 F.	7 1 5	27 6 10	10 36 11
18 Sa.	7 0 5	29 6 51	11 33 11
19 Su.	6 58 5	30 7 27	12 21 11
20 M.	6 56 5	32 7 55	1 14 12
21 Tu.	6 55 5	33 8 19	1 59 12
22 W.	6 53 5	34 8 43	2 43 12
23 Th.	6 52 5	36 9 30	3 26 12
24 F.	6 50 5	37 9 30	4 10 12
25 Sa.	6 49 5	38 9 55	4 52 12
26 Su.	6 47 5	40 10 24	5 37 12
27 M.	6 45 5	41 10 59	6 23 12
28 Tu.	6 43 5	43 11 36	7 11 12

THE TIDES. — The column of the Moon's Southing gives the time of high water at Pictou, Cornwallis, 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. At Charlottetown, 2 hours 56 minutes later. At Westport, 2 hours 54 minutes later. At Yarmouth, 2 hours 20 minutes later.

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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