

CALENDAR, DEC. 1897

Full Moon, 8th, 12h. 41.9m., midnight.
Last Quarter, 16th, 12h. 8.5m., midnight.
New Moon, 23rd, 3h. 42.7m., p. m.
First Quarter, 30th, 3h. 14.2m., p. m.

Day of Week	Sun Rises	Sun Sets
1 Wednesday	4 10	4 10
2 Thursday	9	9
3 Friday	9	9
4 Saturday	9	9
5 Sunday	8	8
6 Monday	8	8
7 Tuesday	8	8
8 Wednesday	8	8
9 Thursday	8	8
10 Friday	8	8
11 Saturday	8	8
12 Sunday	8	8
13 Monday	8	8
14 Tuesday	8	8
15 Wednesday	43	9
16 Thursday	43	9
17 Friday	4	9
18 Saturday	45	9
19 Sunday	46	10
20 Monday	46	10
21 Tuesday	47	11
22 Wednesday	47	12
23 Thursday	47	13
24 Friday	48	14
25 Saturday	48	15
26 Sunday	48	15
27 Monday	49	16
28 Tuesday	49	16
29 Wednesday	49	16
30 Thursday	49	16
31 Friday	49	16

P. E. Island Railway

On and after MONDAY, 27th Dec., 1897, trains of this Railway will run daily, (Sun days excepted,) as under.

Trains Outward, Read down.	STATIONS.	Trains Inward, Read up.
P. M.	Charlottetown	P. M.
6 20	Royalton Junction	2 30
3 10	North Wiltshire	2 16
3 30	Hunter River	2 16
4 17	Bradallane	8 41
4 31	Emerald	8 07
5 05	Freetown	12 53
5 13	Kensington	12 42
5 27	Ar.	7 39
5 40	S' Side	12 23
6 20	Lv.	12 00
P. M.	Lv.	A. M.
12 50	Miscoache	10 30
11	Wellington	10 10
1 37	Port Hill	9 47
2 19	O'Leary	9 09
3 34	Bloomfield	8 00
3 58	Alberton	7 34
4 34	Georgetown	6 55
5 30	Tignish	6 00
A. M.		A. M.
P. M.	Charlottetown	A. M.
2 30	Royalton Junction	10 30
2 50	Bedford	10 10
3 23	Mt Stewart	9 37
55	Cardigan	9 05
10	Georgetown	8 50
22		7 35
45		7 10
P. M.		A. M.
P. M.	Mt. Stewart	8 55
4 05	Morell	8 17
4 43	St. Peters	7 48
5 12	Bear River	7 03
5 57	Souris	6 29
6 40		6 20
P. M.		A. M.
P. M.	Emerald	7 50
5 15	Cape Traverse	7 00
6 05		7 00
P. M.		A. M.

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How the British Authorities on the Frontier of India Prepared For a Tremendous Flood—A Wonderful Calculation Showing When a Dam Would Break.

On the northwestern frontier of India, in the flanks of the Himalayas, is a small stream, the Birahi Gunga, a tributary of the Ganges. High up on this stream is the little village of Gohna.

In September, 1893, an enormous bulk of rock and earth slid down the mountain side into the river, and in October of the same year was another great landslide. The mountain from which this material came down rises 4,000 feet above the bed of the stream. The dam which the material formed across the valley was about 900 feet high and 3,000 feet long as measured across the gorge. Of course the formation of this dam would convert the stream above it into a lake, and it was calculated that when the water should reach the level of the top of the dam it would cover an area of about 1 1/3 square miles and would contain about 16,650,000,000 cubic feet of water, about as much water as could be carried in 500,000 of the biggest freight trains.

All of this was apparent to every one, but back of all this the British officers, civil and military, who were in charge of the affairs of that region saw certain other truly awful facts. Some time the lake would fill and the water would begin to rise over the crest of the dam. But, there being no masonry protection, the water would begin at once to cut away the crest and the face of the dam, and, the breach started, it would increase by swift leaps, as greater and greater volumes of water were let loose, till the whole lake would be released, to sweep in one vast wave down the valley. This process of breaking down begun, the end would not be a matter of days, but of hours. Between the first trickling overflow and the escape of the mass of the water probably less than a day would elapse, possibly only a very few hours. In fact, 17 hours after the first overflow did take place the great flood was let loose.

That all this would happen was not speculation. It was human experience. It was exactly what happened at Johnstown, Pa., in 1889, when several towns were wrecked and 5,000 lives were lost, only the Gohna dam was 14 times as high and 3 1/2 times as long as the Johnstown dam, and the water held back was 26 times as much. From surveys they knew the area of the watershed from which the water would come to fill the lake, and from records they knew the ordinary rainfall, and so in the autumn of 1893 they calculated that the overflow would begin Aug. 15, 1894. It actually began Aug. 25. No doubt the officers intended to make the error on the safe side and hardly expected the overflow to take place as early as Aug. 15. Having satisfied themselves when the flood would take place, they began to prepare for it. They built a telegraph line from Gohna down the river 150 miles and established stations at all important points. They put up pillars of masonry on the slopes of the valley in the upper part 200 feet above ordinary flood level and farther down the valley 100 feet above floods. These pillars were established near all villages and camping grounds and at intervals of half a mile down the river. The people were directed to retire above the line of pillars when they should receive warning of the flood.

The valley is not thickly peopled, but it contains several villages and one town, which has a population of 2,000. It is, however, a famous resort for pilgrims, and is studded with shrines, and streams of devotees pass back and forth. When they had done all they could, the officers waited for the flood. At half past 6 on the morning of Aug. 25 a little stream began to trickle over the dam. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon a message was sent down the valley, saying that the flood would come during the night. A thick mist overhung the lake and the dam. At half past 11 at night a loud crash was heard, a cloud of dust rose through the mist and rain and the flood roared down the valley.

Just below the dam the wave rose 260 feet above the ordinary flood level. If this wave had swept down Broadway, it would have risen to the cornices of some of the recent 20 story buildings. Thirteen miles below the dam the wave was 100 feet high, and 73 miles below, at Srinagar, it was 42 feet above ordinary flood level, and at Hardwar, 150 miles down the stream, at the mouth of the valley, the wave was still 11 feet high. The average speed of the flood going down the valley in the first 70 miles of its course was estimated at about 18 miles an hour, but in the upper 12 miles it must have moved at a rate of over 27 miles an hour. In 4 1/2 hours 10,000,000,000 cubic feet of water, almost two-thirds of the whole contents of the lake, were discharged. This mass weighed more than 300,000,000,000 tons.

Nothing could withstand that weight moving at such a speed. Rocks were ground to dust. The town of Srinagar was entirely destroyed, with the rajah's palace and the public buildings, and a thick bed of stones, sand and mud was deposited where the town had stood. All the villages of the valley were swept away. But, wonderful to relate, there was absolutely no loss of life except the Gohna fakir and his family. This old fellow scorned the warning of the Christians, and he and his family were twice forcibly moved up the slope, but each time they returned, to be finally overwhelmed in the flood.

The whole cost of the protective work and the value of bridges and public property destroyed amounted to 2,500,000 rupees. The official value of the rupee in 1894 was 32 cents, and therefore this sum was equal to \$800,000. This does not include the destruction of private property, of which no estimate has been made.—H. G. Prout in McClure's.

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CWI-NAIN AND OTHERS.

The Philologist With an Attack of Malaria and the Intellectual Drug Clerk.

The philologist had an attack of malaria. He went to the intellectual drug clerk and remarked:

"Will you kindly put me up ten five grain pills of cwi-nain?"

The drug clerk, with the nonchalant confidence of his kind, answered:

"Ten five grain pills of ki-nin? Certainly."

"No; not ki-nin," said the philologist, "but cwi-nain."

"I thought you said cwi-nain."

"No. You misunderstood me. I said cwi-nin," answered the philologist.

"Ah! I stand corrected. We have been in the habit of calling it ki-nin among the profession."

"Have you? When I went to school, the proper pronunciation was cwi-nain, or it may have been cwi-nine."

The intellectual drug clerk looked puzzled. He apparently suspected that he was being guyed. He attempted to create a diversion by suggesting that the philologist might find the—ah—the—ki-nin—more effective in the form of capsules. The philologist said:

"I have been in the habit of taking my cwi-nain in the form of pills."

"You may have it any way you like, professor, and you may call it whatever you please," said the drug clerk as he bowed with an expression that indicated that he felt himself somewhat crushed.

"Well, I'll call it cwi-nain. But you can call it almost any old thing and you will be pretty sure to be right, according to somebody who has made a dictionary in the last 50 years. If it works in as many different ways as it is pronounced, I will either be killed or cured before morning."

Then the philologist laughed and said, "It's a great word," and the drug clerk murmured, "And a great medicine."

Later they were seen behind the prescription desk discussing something that usually is absorbed with quinine and is generally pronounced excellent.—New York Sun.

Michigan's "Jag Act."

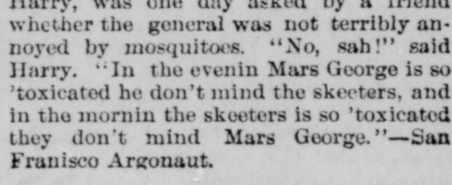
"The laws that are passed by some of our state legislatures are absurd and puerile in the extreme," said Mr. C. L. Milhous. "In Michigan there is a statute known in the cities as the 'jag act,' under the sweeping provisions of which an officious policeman can bring almost anybody before the local courts. It mixes up all sorts of offenses in a way that would be ludicrous if it were not harmful. A man, for instance, who threatens to leave his wife and children is, by the act, a disorderly person and subject to arrest; so also is an innocent exhibitor of a Punch and Judy show, or a rope or wire dance performer, or the giver of a drink to a friend who has already had perhaps a few smiles too many.

"The trouble with a law like this, which the supreme court of the state has declared constitutional, is that it may easily become an instrument of persecution. It may be employed as a dragnet to enmesh respectable citizens who thoughtlessly violate some of its provisions. Domestic infelicity might cause a man while in bad humor to threaten to abandon his home, though he really cherishes no such purpose. My theory is that legislation intended to regulate the morals of a people is out of place in the closing years of the nineteenth century."—Washington Post.

An Agreeable Arrangement.

When a certain general was camping on the lower Mississippi, his negro boy, Harry, was one day asked by a friend whether the general was not terribly annoyed by mosquitoes. "No, sah!" said Harry. "In the evening Mars George is so 'toxicated he don't mind the skeeters, and in the mornin the skeeters is so 'toxicated they don't mind Mars George."—San Francisco Argonaut.

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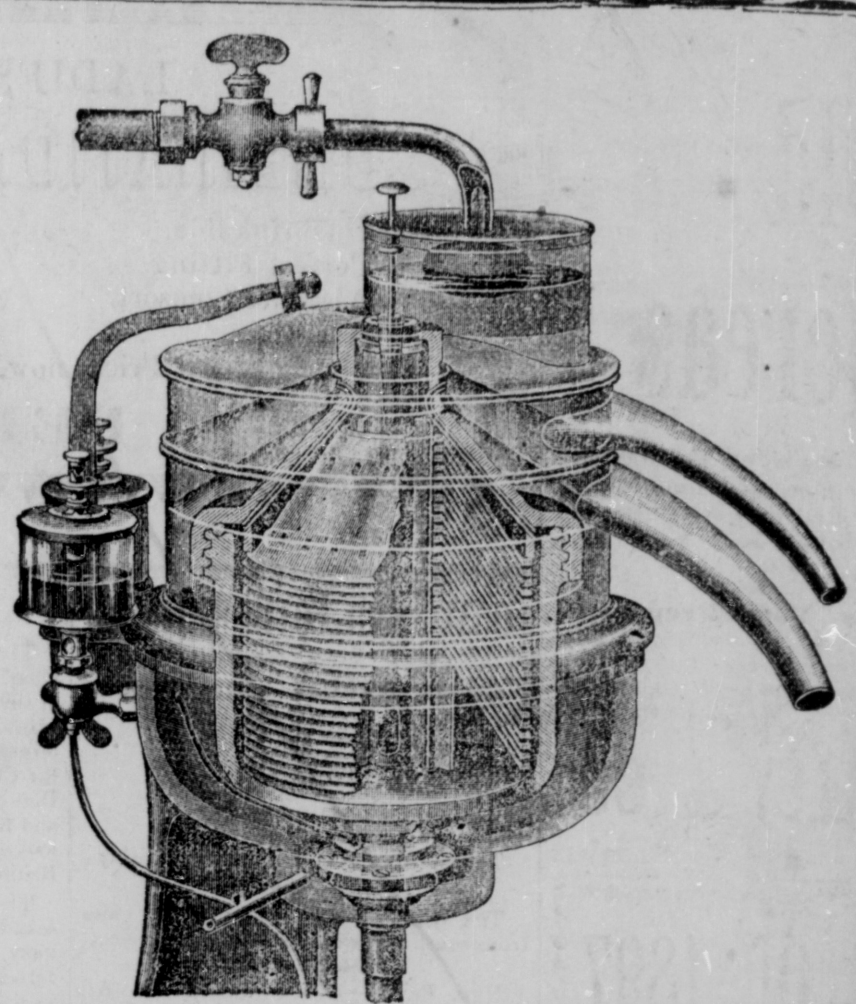
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