

NOTES OF THE MONTH.

FEBRUARY was made the Second of the Months also by Numa Pompilius. Its name was derived either from Februa,—a title which the Romans gave to the Ferialia Sacrifices—or more probably from Februs, to purify, because this being originally held to be the last month of the year, the people offered an expiatory sacrifice for their twelve months sin.

“And now again, across the plain
Blank shadows chased by sunbeams fly.
And twixt the crowds of hurrying clouds
Are glimpses of the clear blue sky.”

- ☾ New Moon, 2nd day, 8h. 50m., Evening.
☾ First Quarter, 10th day, 3h. 26m., Evening.
☾ Full Moon, 17th day, 6h. 28m., Morning.
☾ Last Quarter, 24th day, 10h. 7m., Morning.

Days month.	Days Week.	HOLIDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, &C.	SUN.		Extra, of time add to app.
			Decl'n. South.	Rise Sets.	
1 Tu.		Sevastopol docks dest'd. 1856.	17° 37' 50"	7 11 4 49 13 51	
2 W.		☾ eclipsed invis. <i>Fine</i>	16 52 39	7 10 4 50 13 59	
3 Th.		Wilkes expelled h. of Com. 1769.	16 53 11	7 8 1 52 14 6	
4 F.		Rev. J. Pye Smith d. 1776.	16 17 25	7 7 4 53 14 11	
5 Sa.		☾ Stationary. <i>Weather.</i>	15 59 22	7 5 4 55 14 17	
6 SU.		5th Sunday after Epiphany.	15 41 3	7 4 4 56 14 21	
7 M.		☾ ☾ ☾	15 22 28	7 3 4 57 14 25	
8 Tu.		Mary Q. of Scots beheaded 1587.	15 3 38	7 1 4 59 14 28	
9 W.		Bishop Hooper burnt 1555. <i>Fine</i>	14 44 42	7 0 5 0 14 30	
10 Th.		Q. Victoria mar. 1840. <i>clear</i>	14 25 12	6 58 5 2 14 31	
11 F.		<i>Weather.</i>	14 5 38	6 57 5 3 14 51	
12 Sa.		☾ ☾ ☾	13 45 49	6 55 5 5 14 30	
13 SU.		6th Sunday after Epiphany.	13 25 47	6 54 5 6 14 28	
14 M.		Valentine's Day.	13 5 33	6 52 5 8 14 25*	
15 Tu.		☾ ☾ ☾ ☾ perigee 10h. ev.	12 45 5	6 51 5 9 14 22	
16 W.		Nat'l. debt com. 1500. <i>Look out</i>	12 24 26	6 50 5 10 14 17	
17 Th.		☾ eclipsed. <i>for</i>	12 3 34	6 48 5 12 14 13	
18 F.		17 Bat. Eupatoria 1855. <i>a</i>	11 42 31	6 47 5 13 14 7	
19 Sa.		K. of Hanover m. 1843. <i>storm.</i>	11 21 17	6 46 5 14 14 1	
20 SU.		Septuagesima.	10 59 52	6 44 5 16 13 54	
21 M.			10 38 17	6 42 5 18 13 47	
22 Tu.		Washington b. 1732. <i>Cold</i>	10 16 32	6 41 5 19 13 39	
23 W.		☾ greatest elong. W. <i>and</i>	9 54 38	6 40 5 20 13 31	
24 Th.		<i>high winds.</i>	9 32 24	6 38 5 22 13 32	
25 F.		Napoleon escaped from Elba 1815.	9 10 22	6 37 5 23 13 12	
26 Sa.		Conf. plenipotentiaries Paris 1856.	8 48 1	6 35 5 25 13 6	
27 SU.		Sexagesima.	8 25 32	6 34 5 26 13 3	
28 M.		☾ ☾ ☾ ☾ apogee 1h. morn.	8 2 56	6 32 5 28 12 50	