

MOON'S PHASES.

Third Quarter.....	6th	First Quarter.....	22nd
New Moon.....	14th	Full Moon.....	29th

WEATHER OF CORRESPONDING DATES FOR 1876.

- 1 M New Year's Day, remarkably balmy ; more like May than Jan'y.
- 2 T No snow ; streets very muddy ; showers of rain.
- 3 W Christmas and New Year of 1848 very similar.
- 4 T Cold, windy, but no snow ; clouds of dust.
- 5 F Cold, overcast day ; clouds of dust.
- 6 S Mild day, with sprinkles of snow and sleet. First sleighing.
- 7 S Mild, alternately bright and cloudy day, with snow and sleet.
- 8 M Snowy midday ; heavy, wet snow in the evening.
- 9 T Fair sleighing, but very mild.
- 10 W Wet right ; froze hard toward morning ; snow nearly all gone.
- 11 T Cold night ; day clear, cold, windy ; 5° below zero ; clear night.
- 12 F Fairly cold ; bright ; keen wind ; no snow.
- 13 S Clear, cold day ; moderating towards night.
- 14 S Little snow in the morning ; very mild evening.
- 15 M Bright, mild day, ending in wet snow.
- 16 T Bright, mild morning ; best sleighing yet.
- 17 W Snowing all day ; rain towards night.
- 18 T Rained all last night and all day ; reports of mild weather from all parts ; Vennor's predictions the topic of conversation.
- 19 F Froze hard last night, but mild to-day.
- 20 S Clear, cold day ; more like winter again.
- 21 M Cold day, ending in fall of snow.
- 22 T Snow, and dark, mild weather.
- 23 W Raw, cloudy weather.
- 24 T Snowing all afternoon and evening ; mild.
- 25 F Bright, clear, cold day—most brilliant day, so far, this winter.
- 26 S Heavy snow storm in morning ; complete thaw towards night.
- 27 S Complete thaw all day ; rain towards night ; sleighing good.
- 28 M Slushy streets, and fearful gale of wind ; snow towards evening.
- 29 T Clear, cold day ; 5° below zero.
- 30 T Mild, balmy and spring like ; very little snow, and sidewalks quite bare. A remarkable January, but precisely as predicted.
- 31 W

PROBABILITIES FOR 1877.—(SEE PAGE 28.)

The first of January this year bids fair to see us well "snowed in," and the contrast to the same season last year will be striking. Umbrellas may be laid aside for the month, as the rainy days will be exceedingly few. The second cold snap of the winter may be expected this month, the first having occurred early in December. This will be accompanied by the usual January thaw, which will be well marked, and a feature in the month. The remainder of the month will continue steady and winter-like. The general conditions of the weather this month will probably remind us of some of the by-gone "real old-fashioned winters," notwithstanding the now so oft-mooted theories respecting the changes taking place in our Canadian climate.