

1876. **JANUARY.** 31 days.

MOON'S PHASES.		SUN Rises & Sets.	MOON Sets P.M.
1 S	New Year's Day.	7 34r	9 31
2 S	2nd after Christmas.	4 35s	10 39
3 M		7 34r	11 49
4 Tu	West Indies discovered, 1492.	4 37s	Rises
5 W		7 34r	11 54
6 Th	EPIPHANY: Old Christmas Day.	4 39s	PM 20
7 F	Massacre at Cabul, 1841.	7 34r	54
8 S	<i>Blustering.</i>	4 41s	1 37
9 S	1st after Epiphany.	7 33r	2 34
10 M	Napoleon III. died at Chiselhurst, 1873, aged 65.	4 43s	3 47
11 Tu		7 32r	5 08
12 W	<i>Very Cold.</i>	4 45s	6 31
13 Th	Old New Year's Day.	7 32r	7 51
14 F	Queen Elizabeth crowned, 1559.	4 47s	9 06
15 S	British Museum opened, 1759.	7 31r	10 18
16 S	2nd after Epiphany.	4 50s	11 26
17 M	Benj. Franklin born, 1706.	7 30r	A.M.
18 Tu	<i>Snow Storm.</i>	4 52s	33
19 W	James Watt born, 1733.	7 28r	1 40
20 Th	First English Parliament, 1265.	4 55s	2 46
21 F	Louis XVI. beheaded, 1793.	7 27r	3 51
22 S	<i>Thawing.</i>	4 57s	4 54
23 S	3rd after Epiphany.	7 26r	5 50
24 M	Calcutta University founded, 1857.	5 00s	6 38
25 Tu	Robert Burns born, 1759.	7 24r	7 18
26 W	<i>Cold and</i>	5 03s	Sets
27 Th	Peter the Great died, 1725.	7 22r	6 14
28 F	<i>Snowy.</i>	5 05s	7 23
29 S	Fire at Chicago, 1863.	7 20r	8 32
30 S	4th after Epiphany.	5 08s	9 41
31 M	Ashantees defeated, 1874.	7 18r	10 52

In the seventeenth century a deadly poison was freely administered in Italy by a woman named Tofania. This poison was made and sold by her in small phials; it has been called, in detestation of her name, *aqua tofana*. The woman had carried on the fearful traffic with impunity for nearly fifty years, and had successfully baffled all attempts at detection; but at length being brought to justice, she confessed that she had been the means of poisoning at least *six hundred* people. Many persons were denounced by her, and publicly executed. As may be imagined, all Italy was thrown into a ferment as the news of this horrible crime spread abroad, and some persons were, on conviction, strangled in prison. This poison appears to have been chiefly used by married women who were tired of their husbands. Five or six drops were a fatal dose; but the effect was not sudden, and consequently no suspicions were aroused. It was as clear as water; and whilst a proclamation of the Pope described it as *aqua fortis* distilled into arsenic, chemical science could not decide what it was really composed of.

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1876. **FEBRUARY.** 29 days.

MOON'S PHASES.		SUN Rises & Sets.	MOON Sets A.M.
1 Tu	Nelson, N. Z., founded, 1842.	7 17r	
2 W	<i>Snow.</i>	5 12s	6
3 Th	Coomassie burnt, 1874.	7 15r	1 23
4 F	Rogers burnt, 1555.	5 15s	2 43
5 S	<i>Severe Frost.</i>	7 72r	4 00
6 S	5th after Epiphany.	5 18s	5 10
7 M	Chas. Dickens born, 1812.	7 10r	6 07
8 Tu	Lord Mayo assassinated, 1872.	5 20s	6 51
9 W	<i>Snowy</i>	7 07r	Rises
10 Th	Queen Victoria married, 1840.	5 23s	6 40
11 F	London University founded, 1826.	7 05r	7 56
12 S	<i>and Cold.</i>	5 26s	9 06
13 S	Septuagesima.	7 02r	1 16
14 M	Valentine's Day.	5 28s	11 24
15 Tu	Capt. Cook killed, 1779.	6 59r	A.M.
16 W	<i>Bright.</i>	5 31s	32
17 Th	Suez Canal open, 1867.	6 56r	1 39
18 F	Martin Luther died, 1546.	5 34s	2 43
19 S		6 53r	3 42
20 S	Sexagesima.	5 36s	4 34
21 M	<i>Cold extreme.</i>	6 50r	5 17
22 Tu	Washington born, 1731.	5 39s	5 52
23 W	Source of Nile discovered, 1863.	6 47r	6 20
24 Th	Rev. Thos. Guthrie died, 1872.	5 42s	6 44
25 F	<i>Very Cold.</i>	6 44r	Sets
26 S		5 44s	7 30
27 S	Quinquagesima.	6 41r	8 42
28 M	<i>High Winds.</i>	5 47s	9 55
29 Tu	SHROVE TUESDAY.	6 37r	11 12

When Sir Walter Scott was extending his garden at Abbotsford, an old servant was getting exasperated by digging some very stony ground. Sir Walter saw the old man's feelings were rather ruffled, and said to him, "That's grand soil you're working on." "Soil!" replied the gardener, sarcastically, "I think it's the riddlings o' creation."

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