## JANUARY.

"If January calends be summerly gay,
"Twill be winterly weather till calends of May."

JANUARY, the first month in our present Calendar, was also the first month in the Roman calendar. It was not the first month of the year in Britain till 1752 when the Legislature, by an act passed in the preceding year, altered the mode of reckoning time from the Julian to the Gregorian style. At this time it was directed that the legal year which then commenced in some pasts of the country in March, and in others in January, should universally be deemed to begin on the first of January.—January derives its name from Janus. Macrobius expressly says it was dedicated to him because, from its situation, it might be considered to be retrospective of the past, and prospective to the opening year. It consists of thirty-one days, though originally only of thirty days. The Anglo-Saxons called January Wolf-monath.

## MOON'S PHASES.

Last Quarter New Moon	3 d.	5 h.	p.m.	Perigee	9 d	11 A	p.m.
F!rst Quarter	17	7	a.m.	Apogee	22	7	p.m.
Full Moon							

			Rises.	N. Sets.
1 2 3 4 5 6	M T W Th F S	Circumo:sion. New Year's Day.  Earthquake in Canada, 1663.  R. C. Church of St. James, Montrea!, burnt 1859.  Treaty between Britain and U. S., 1781.  Epiphany. Twefth Night.	h. m. 7 34 7 34 7 34 7 34 7 34 7 34 7 31	h. m. 4 34 4 35 4 36 4 37 4 38 4 38
7 8 9 10 11 12	STANTES	First Sunday after Epiphany. Extreme cold in 1856. The Canadas united, 1841. Colors presented to 100th Regiment by Prince of Wales. Sir C. Bagot, Gov. Genl., 1642.	7 83 7 83 7 83 7 83 7 82 7 82 7 82 7 82	4 40 4 41 4 42 4 43 4 44 4 45 4 46
14 15 16 17 18 19	SMTWTHES	Second Sunday after Boiphany Great fire at St. John, N. B., 1837. Earthquake at Niagan. Remarkable variation of temperature in 1810. First English Parliament, 1265. American Independence acknowledged.	7 31 7 30 7 30 7 30 7 29 7 28 7 28	4 47 4 48 4 50 4 51 4 53 4 53
1 2 3 1 5 1 5 1 7	SMTWT	Third Sunday ofter Epiphany.  Castle of St. Louis, Quebec, burnt 1834.  Conversion of St. Paul. Sir F. B. Head LieutGov., 1331. P. O. money order system introduced, 1855.  Selection of Ottawa as seat of Gov. ann., 1858.	7 27 7 26 7 26 7 25 7 24 7 23 7 22	4 56 4 57 4 58 5 00 5 01 5 03 5 04
9 0 1	SMTW	Septuages'ma Sunday. Battle of Frenchtown, 1813. Charles 1st beheaded. Earl of Elgin Gov. Gen., 1847.	7 21 7 20 7 19 7 18	5 00 5 00 5 00 5 00