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ANNO DOMINI '88. Chronological Record of an Eventful Twelvemonth.

DEATH, DISEASE, DISASTER.

These Direful Things, with Criminal Matters Added, Take Up Much of the Space Allotted to the Set Record of the Year's Events—Personal Matters and Politics Occupy Most of the Rest—It's a Good Old World to Live In Notwithstanding It's Somewhat Black Record.

Here is a record of the leading events of the year 1888.

It has been a right lively year—to some people. Two emperors have died in Germany, there has been a presidential election in the United States, cabinet crises in France and Spain, great floods in China, Mexico and a number of other countries, including nearly every one upon the American continent; great storms have swept the earth's surface; there have been earthquakes; disasters almost without number have to be recorded, crime has stalked abroad in all lands, there was a little flurry between Canada and the United States over the fisheries question, but no great harm was done; England has had some skirmishes in the east; Stanley, the African explorer, is—where? there is a little row in the West Indies; but why go on? If you examine the set record found hereto attached you will find the date of nearly every important event duly set down with care and, it is hoped, with a reasonable degree of accuracy, together with some not so important but curious, diverting or puzzling.

THE GENERAL RECORD.

- 1. The 8 1/2-inch lens of Lick telescope successfully mounted.
2. United States house of representatives passed bill empowering the president to appoint a commissioner of fish and fisheries.
3. United States house of representatives passed Dingley's resolution calling for inquiry into alleged discrimination in Welland canal tolls.

FEBRUARY.

- 4. The governor of San Domingo granted a concession to American railroad contractors.
5. United States senate postponed consideration of the British extradition treaty.
6. Commissioners of immigration abolished the bureau of labor at Castle Garden, New York.

MARCH.

- 1. Mills tariff bill presented to the United States house of representatives.
2. Inter-oceanic railway connecting the Mexican Central and Southern Pacific opened for business.
3. Rollin M. Squires and Morris B. Flynn acquitted in the court of oyer and terminer, New York.

APRIL.

- 1. Secretary Bayard wrote to Minister Pundleton expressing disapproval of the United States of Germany's action regarding Samoa.
2. Morocco declined to accede to the demands of the United States with reference to persons under consular protection imprisoned at Rabat.
3. Recorder Smyth refused to submit to the grand jury in New York a criminal charge of the Kansas Pacific bondholders against Jay Gould.

MAY.

- 1. The Methodist conference decided in favor of a revision of an order of discomfession for charitable work.
2. William Gove, of New Jersey, who was bitten by a rattlesnake, having been kept scot-free for two weeks, recovered.
3. Trial of Rev. George Woodrow for preaching evolution began in the Southern assembly of the Presbyterian church, Baltimore.

JUNE.

- 1. Steamship Etarica beat the record of transatlantic passage, by run of six days, one hour, fifty-five minutes, from Queenstown to Sandy Hook.
2. Governor Hill of New York State, signed bill substituting electricity for hanging as a means of executing criminals.
3. Engineers completed the surveys for Nicaragua canal route.

DEATH'S HEAVY HAND.

IT WAS LAID UPON SOME MIGHTY HEADS DURING 1888.

The Grizzly Enemy of Mankind Has Spared Neither Palace nor Hotel, and Here Are Set Down the Names of Some of His Brightest Marks.

JANUARY.

- 1. At Baltimore, Gen. Isaac R. Trimble, aged 83.
2. At Philadelphia, Joel Parker, ex-Governor of New Jersey, aged 81.
3. At North Stonington, Conn., Eunice Cottrell, a Pequot Indian, aged 105.
4. At San Francisco, Gen. Washington Seawell, aged 85.

FEBRUARY.

- 1. At Rome, Italy, Mrs. Mary Howitt, aged 84.
2. At Santa Fe, N. M., Archbishop Baptiste Lamy, aged 74.
3. At Toledo, O., D. E. Locke (Petroleum V. Nasby), aged 54.
4. At New York, A. R. Barnes, aged 71.

MARCH.

- 4. At Boston, Amos Bronson Alcott, aged 88.
5. Mrs. Proctor, widow of Barry Cornwall, aged 88.
6. At Boston, Louisa May Alcott, aged 55.
7. At Charleston, C. J. Memminger, secretary of the Confederate treasury, aged 58.
8. At Charleston, W. Va., Gen. D. H. Strother (Porte Crayon) aged 72.

APRIL.

- 4. At Philadelphia, Benjamin H. Brewster, ex-attorney general United States, aged 71.
5. At New York, Jacob Shurp, aged 71.
6. At Brooklyn, Gen. Quincy Adams Gilmore, aged 63.
7. At Valencia, Spain, Archbishop Joseph S. Alemany, aged 74.

MAY.

- 2. At Fond du Lac, Wis., Bishop John Henry Hohart Brown, aged 56.
3. At Rochester, Mass., Lawrence Persus Hickok, aged 69.
4. At London, Professor Leone Levi, aged 66.
5. At St. Paul, Minn., Commodore Kittson, aged 67.
6. At Toronto, John Joseph Lynch, archbishop of Toronto, aged 72.

JUNE.

- 6. At New York, Thomas M. McElrath, first publisher of the New York Tribune, aged 81.
7. At Paris, Marshal Edmond de Baulot, aged 79.
8. At Jamaica Plain, Mass., Rev. Dr. James Freeman Clarke, aged 78.
9. At Fall River, Mass., Stephen Gleason, aged 103.
10. At London, Edward Robert King-Harman, under secretary for Ireland, aged 59 years.

JULY.

- 9. At Tullamore jail, Ireland, John Mandeville, M. P.
11. At Brooklyn, Gen. Jesse C. Smith, aged 80.
12. At Contentment Island, Darien, Conn., Vincent Colyer, artist, aged 69.
13. At Rochester, N. Y., Hiram Sibley, aged 81.
14. In Africa, Sir Johannes Heinrich Brand, president of the Orange Free State, aged 64.

AUGUST.

- 5. At Nonquitt, Mass., Philip Henry Sheridan, general of the army of the United States, aged 57.
11. At Amesbury, Mass., Richard S. Spofford, aged 73.
12. At Sharon, Conn., Lawrence R. Jerome, aged 63.
13. At Monterey, Cal., Charles Crocker, aged 66.
14. At Rochester, N. Y., Seth Green, aged 71.
15. At Oatthness, Scotland, Sir John Rose, Canadian statesman, aged 68.

THE OLD WORLD.

1. M. Floquet elected president of French chamber of representatives.

JANUARY.

- 2. Louise Michel shot by a crank at Havre, France.
3. Austro-German treaty of 1879 published, causing much excitement.
4. Lord Lansdowne appointed governor general of India. Lord Stanley, the present governor, appointed to Canada.

FEBRUARY.

- 1. Operation of tracheotomy performed upon the crown prince of Denmark.
2. The English reported to have seized a rich part of Venezuela.
3. Memorial window in St. Margaret's church, London, to John Milton, gift of George W. Childs, unveiled.

MARCH.

- 1. Daniel Wilson, son-in-law of President Grevy, of France, convicted of swindling in connection with the sale of decorations.
2. Gen. Boulanger relieved of his command by the French government because of visits made to Paris without leave.
3. Prince Oscar of Sweden and Miss Monck married at Lournemouth.

APRIL.

- 2. New French cabinet officially announced. M. Floquet, prime minister, in Europe failed.
3. Much comment in England and Ireland over the pope's decree against the plan of campaign.
4. William O'Brien sentenced in London to three months for violating the crimes act.

MAY.

- 3. The jury in the O'Donnell-Times libel suit returned a verdict in favor of The Times.
4. The electors chosen June 23 formally elected Gen. Porfirio Diaz president of Mexico.
5. In the French chamber of deputies, Gen. Boulanger told the premier that he had, and left before he could be censured.
6. Doulangier and Floquet fought a duel. Boulanger wounded in the neck.

JUNE.

- 3. Count von Moltke retired as chief of the staff of Germany, and was succeeded by the Count von Waldersee.
4. Revolution reported in Hayti. President Salomon left the island.

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