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THE YEAR IN REVIEW.

entone Events That Have Signal-ed the Past Twelve Months.

all absorbing topic of January the Venezuelan imbroglio. e events of that affair becourse, to 1902 though as late the German ships bom the fort of San Carlos, but on President Castro rested Venaide of the case entirely in of Minister Bowen, who set natter was thrashed out in and the interest in the salned keen to the very close, thought they say in the the allies, especially a determination to attack so much as Uncle Sam's doctrine. The attempt, really so intended, completefor though pitted against the most astute diplomats of Minister Bowen persistently the real rights of the weaker favorable to Venesuela withing the time-honored dectrine

tion or dispute. The Breut Coal Strike.

anthracite coal, strike belongs Panama had been agitated, and recentore to the history of 1902 than ly with increased interest. Thousands seeing affair and the deof dollars had been spent surveying the arbitration commisthe possible routes, and it at last even less general inir importance justified. States, in conjunction with Britain, would undertake the Nicaentered into the matoughly and systematical witness was not called and the arguments of the sep's Panama scheme a new French President George nted the operators as

done some work on the Panama canal but until it became evident that this trow the miners. country was in earnest about Nicaragun the French company refused to sell out at a ressonable price. Then, when competition seemed likely, they surprised American lawmakers by offering their holdings at less than half | the pontiff was regarded as in a crititheir former figures. They offered to | cal condition, and in a few days his

ant I not interesting e not yielded so legislation was effected, but the "omdenoted bill was lost. Littleto regulate corporations of to a vote in the senate, no concessions were granted to imto the Philippines.

> An act that met with universal approval was the creation of a new de partment and the addition of a new member to the president's cabinetthe Department of Labor and Commerce. As soon as created, in February, the president's private secretary, George B. Cortelyou, was appointed its secretary. At the same time, and as a part of the new department, a bureau of corporation was established, and James R. Garfield, son of the late president, became its chief.

> When congress adjourned, or rather expired, March 3, two questions were, unsettled-Cuban reciprocity and the Panama canal, but as the treaties concerning them required only the action of the senate, President Roosevelt summoned the new senate into existence immediately to consider the two measures. The reciprocity treaty was ratified, but the nature of its provisions required action by the house.

staff in command of the | French company had received. It was | of Pius X, and was crowned Aug. 4. the ratification of this treaty that brought the question to the issue in the senate, and when congress adjourned without action an extra session was called. This session ratified the treaty March 17.

Some Passing Sensations.

Besides the affairs of general importance already noted, several events of opening months of the year should be mentioned. On Jan. 15 J. T. Tillman shot and killed Editor N. G. Gonzalez. Gonzalez had attacked Tillman rabidly in his paper and had defeated his nomination for governor. The affair was widely and vehemently discussed, but in October Tillman was acquitted, partly because the fatal attack was not entirely unjustified, and partly because there was evidence to show that Tillman thought Gonzalez

Disastrous Floods. Little can be said here of the disastrous floods of the year. In March the lower Mississippi rose higher than ever before, and on the 20th of that month passed all records. Cities along the river, especially Memphis, suffered heavily, levees gave way and miles of told damage and great suffering, es-

31-Young Corbett whipped McGovern.

APRIL

7-Rear Ad. Belknap died, Key West.

9-Northern Securities merger annulled,

10-Chap. W. H. Milburn died, California,

1-Roosevelt on western tour.

11-Reitance launched. Bristol.

20-Kishineff massacre of Jews.

28--Irving M. Scott died, 'Frisco.

30-Paul du Chaillu died, Russia.

29-King Edward visited the Pope.

1-Elihu B. Hayes died, Lynn,

17.--Shamrock III dismasted abroad.

28-China refused Russian demands.

29-Russia for open door in far east.

MAY

1-King Edward welcomed in Paris.

4-Blubop Hurst dled, Washington,

8-Russia reoccupied Niu Chwang.

12-R. H. Stoddard died, New York.

14-Corruption inquiry. Beacon Hill.

26-4500,000 fire in Laconia, N. H.

28-Shamrock III sailed for New York.

JUNE

27-Machen arrested, Washington,

1-Bishop Foster died, Newton.

5-Str. Saginaw sunk; 20 lost.

16-Sybil Sanderson died, Paris.

3-Kaiser visited the Pope.

9-Russia left Niu Chwang.

24-"Max O'Rell" dled, Parts.

25-Emerson's 100th birthday.

1-Lowell mills reopened.

17-Reliance lost topmast.

23-U. S. squadron at Kiel.

1-Last play at Boston Museum,

2-Forest fires in New England.

5-Roosevelt's western trip ended.

7-Levee broke at East St. Louis.

10-King and queen killed. Servia.

12-Gen. Alex. McCook died, Ohio.

18-Karagebruevitch king of Servia.

18-Geo. Wheaton died, Washington.

18-Africander won the Suburban,

25-Hooker statue unveiled, Boston.

26-Cardinal Vaughan died, London,

21-Maj. J. B. Pond died, New York.

25-Yale won boat races, New London.

JULY

South. The following month and in

June the Missouri and its tributaries

were flooded, and Topeka, Kansas City,

St. Louis and East St. Louis suffered

from the rush of waters. The cotton

mills in the Carolinas and Georgia

were also victims of the raging waters

and many other cities, notably Pater-

son, N. J., were inundated. Heppner,

Ore., was practically devastated by a

Passing of Pope Leo.

ment of the serious filness of Pope

Leo XIII. That aged pontiff was 93

years of age on March 2, and on

March 3 celebrated the twenty-fifth an-

niversary of his coronation as pope

thus putting an end to the long-hon-

ored tradition that no pontiff would

"see the days of Peter"-25 years.

Pope Leo's predecessor had reigned 22

years, the longest in history, and the

old tradition cannot survive this sec-

and breaking of the record. On July 5

life was despaired of, but though ap-

of simple habits had given him a splen

for more than two weeks he battled

with the ravages of pleasal one

Late in June came the announce

26-Cornell won boat races, Hudson.

s-Rain in N. E.; been dry 50 days.

14-Shamrock III arrived at New York

29-Stuart Robson died, New York.

25-W. K. Vanderbilt married, London,

30-Lowell mills idle.

was armed and about to attack him.

Eventful August.

August was an eventful month. On the 8th Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles, long the commanding general of the army, was retired from active service. For seven days Major General S. B. M. Young commanded in his stead, but Aug. 15 the army staff law went into effect and General Young became chief of staff.

The event of Aug. 12 was more significant, for on that day misguided Colombians brewed trouble for themselves. On that day the Colombian senate rejected the Hay-Herran Panania canal treaty, and this unexpected action seemed for the time to put the canal farther away than ever.

Even the chagrin that accompanied the turn of affairs gave place to expectancy when Sir Thomas Lipton arrived with his third challenger for America's cup—Shamrock III.

The boat had been launched in March and even before the defender had taken definite shape news of its wonderful satting capacity was flashed across the Atlantic. Not a few anticipated that upon this expedition the gallant Irishman would be successful lowlands were inundated, causing un- in carrying back the trophy. He was, the breach are vague and indefinite.

10-Pope Leo's second operation.

14-Crimes act revoked, Ireland.

15-Mrs. J. G. Blaine died, Maine.

18-J. McN. Whistler died, London.

37-Reliance picked to defend cup.

31-Cardinals in conclave, Rome.

4-Sarto elected Pope; Plus X.

5-Stock market slump.

9-Lt. Gen. Miles retired.

9-Pope Pius X crowned.

14-Irish land bill passed.

19-Dan Patch, mile, 1:59.

22-Humberts guilty, Parls.

18-Trouble in Turkey.

4-Schwab, steel trust, resigned.

8-Lt. Gen. Young head of army.

8-Britishers lifted tennis bowl.

8-Rear Admiral Melville retired.

12-Colombia rejected canal treaty.

10-Rear Admiral Remey retired.

14-Jeffries knocked out Corbett.

26-Gen. Black head of G. A. R.

22-Lord Salisbury died, London.

24-Lou Dillon, mile, 2m. flat.

28-Joseph Haworth died. Ohio.

28-Vice consul at Beirut alive.

29-Hamburg Belle won Futurity.

21-Sam Parks guilty. New York.

23-Reliance beat Shamrock, 7m. 2s.

25-Reliance beat Shamrock, 1m. 19a.

27-Reported assassination, Beirut.

28-U. S. ships ordered to Turkey.

29-Caleb Powers guilty, Kentucky.

29-Magazines exploded, Tewksbury.

AUGUST

22-Cassius M. Clay died, Kentucky.

17-P. M. Arthur died, Winnipeg.

26-Pope Lee died, Rome.

36-Masses for Pope, Boston.

11-American riflemen won, England.

Bunau-Varilla was hurried to Washington as the minister of the new country, empowered to negotiate a new Panama canal pact. Soon after General Reyes of Celembia entered an earnest protest against the course of the administration, insisting that Uncle Sam keep his hands off the isthmus. This, after the practical breach of faith and the vaciliation of the Colombians in regard to the canal treaty, was too tardy, and Uncle Sam's navy is preparing to protect Panama from threatened invasion. Already an American fleet is upon the Panama coast, and Colombia has reached a point when she conferses a fear of taking any drastic action. A new canal treaty has been signed, and once again the canal seems assured. There may, however, be some blood shed on the

10th France followed our example.

Russia and Japan. For the last few months the everlasting refrain has been of "war clouds hovering over the far east." A dozen times it has been reported that Japan and Russia had reached a point where war was inevitable. The causes of however, doomed to a crushing defeat. Briefly, Russia is and always has been

16-Amherst beat Harvard, football,

13-Boston, world baseball champion.

15-Tillman acquitted, S. Carolfna.

16-Dowie invaded New York.

20-Alaskan boundary fixed.

22-Dan Patch, mile, 1:56%.

24-Lou Dillon, mile, 1:581/2.

1-Fire in Vatican, Rome.

19—Cresceus. mile, 1:59%.

15-Sherman statue unveiled. Wash.

20-Congress called to meet Nov. 9.

24-Durand, British ambassador to U.

29-Emma Booth-Tucker killed, Mo.

1-Prof. Mommsen died, Germany,

3-Tammany won, New York city.

3-Panama proglaimed independent.

4-U. S. warships ordered to Panama.

7-Wm. L. Eikins died, Philadelphia.

1-\$1,500,000 fire, Coney Island,

2-Irish land act in operation.

8-Kaiser underwent operation.

9-A. F. of L. convention, Boston,

9-Rioting, capital of Colombia.

10-President's message on Cuba. 1

10-Orrin Hickok died, Clevetand,

12-Street railway strike, Chicago.

14-Princeton heat Yale, football.

18-A. P. of L. against socialism.

25-Fitzeimmone whipped Gardiner.

27-Boy bandits captured. Chicago.

39-Brooklyn Acad, of Music burned.

18-Canal treaty with Panama.

19-House passed Cuban bill,

28-Jules Levy died, Chicago.

1-Receivers for Zion City.

7-Opening of 58th congress.

7-Canal treaty sent to senate.

8-Herbert Spencer died, England.

8-U. S. consul assaulted, Turkey.

8-Langley's airship failed to fly.

8-Zion City receivers removed.

12-J. R. Proctor died, Washington.

14-Fleets in war paint, far east.

14-Cuban reciprocity bill a law.

19-Peru recognized Panama.

14-Dr. Hale, chaplain U. S. senate.

14-More marines landed, Panama.

8-Langford whipped Gans, Boston,

10-Rear Admiral Gherardi died, Conn.

12-Walthour-Monroe won 6-day race.

19-La Centennial celebrated, N Orleans.

2-Panama ratified canal treaty.

19-Italian king in London.

13-A. H. Green murdered, New York,

25-Chicago atreet railway strike settled.

DECEMBER

-Prof. Bowne, B. U., hereny charges.

2-Dr. Cyrus Edson died, New York.

-President's message on Panama.

4-W. M. Springer died, Washington,

14-Dartmouth beat Harvard, football,

9-Congress in extra session.

10-May Goelet married.

NOVEMBER

13-Archbishop Kane died, Baltimore,

14-Francis A. Hobart died, Braintres.

isthmus before Colombia finally re-

linguishes her claim to Panama.

coming year some startling results may be shown.

The Honored Dead. No review of 1903, even done in

such sketchy outline as has been necessary, is complete without a mention of the famous men and women who have passed from the busy scenes of life. Space here allows for only a list of the most celebrated,

Jan. 5-Sagasta, ex-premier of Spain. Jan. 15-Cardinal Parrochi. Jan. 18-Abram S. Hewitt, New

Jan. 20-Julian Ralph, author. Feb. 26-R. J. Gatling, inventor of the famous gun. March 22-Dean Farrar, British di-

March 27-N. K. Fairbanks, capital-

March 29-G. F. Swift, capitalist. April 10-W. H. Milburn, the "Blind Chaplain" of the United States senate.

April 11-Brigham Young of the

April 29-Paul du Chaillu, explorer. April 29-Stuart Robson, actor. May 12-R. H. Stoddart, poet. May 16-Sibyl Sanderson, singer. May 24—Paul Blouet

Mormon church.

States.

O'Rell"), author. June 11-The Servian assassination, June 19-Cardinal Vaughn, the Roman Catholic primate of England.

July 15-Mrs. J. G. Blaine. July 16-P. M. Arthur, labor leader. July 17-Jas. H. McN. Whistler, artist.

July 20—Pope Leo XIII. July 22—General Cassius M. Clay. Aug. 22-Lord Salisbury, ex-premies

of England. Sept. 30-Sir Michael Henry Herbert. British ambassador to the United

Oct. 13—Archbishop J. J. Kain of St.

Oct. 28-Mrs. Emma Booth-Tucker, Salvation Army, killed in railway

Nov. 1—Theodor Mommsen, German historian. Nov. 7-Wm. L. Elkins, capitalist,

Nov. 13-Andrew H. Green, "Father of Greater New York," killed by an insane negro.

Dec. 8-Herbert Spencer, English 6-U. S. recognized Panama government. philosopher and author.

> Of Course He Might. Collector-Sir, may I present you this little bill?

Owen-May you-may you? Ah, my dear sir, never ask my permission again. It is entirely superfluous, I assure you. Why, my dear man, if you had ever seen any one else present a bill to me and seen how little it affected me, you would never have healtated for a moment. See? I file it away with some of the most valuable papers I possess. And-would you please do me this slight favor-would you please tell your boss that I received you with the utmost courtesy and that I beg him to send one of these every month? And-stay a m ment. Please tell him I said alway. to send you, and that no other collector will please me half so well. Your courtesy, my dear sir, has won my heart, and I assure you that of the nineteen collectors that have been here to-day, you are the only one that has gone away in a good humor. Why, those fellows are so aggravating that if they don't quit acting so rudely I shall positively pay them to get rid of them. Good day.-Baltl-

more American. Curse That Was Fulfilled.

A famous Gaelic curse put upon the

family of Dalrympie at the time of the massacre of Glencoe, in the 18th century, is recalled by the death of the Earl of Stair, head of the Dalrymple family. The first earl of the line took part in the massacre, and Jean MacDonald, the sole survivor of a large family that perished through the earl's cruelty, delivered a bitter curse upon him, wishing that no succeeding earl should have children. startling comment on this malediction is that the second, third, fourth, sixth, seventh and eighth earls of Stair all died without issue-a circumstance probably unique in the annals of the peerage. The family of the first earl became entirely extinct in 1840, and the succession passed to the descendants of his next brother, Sir James Dairymple, from whom came the peer just deceased. Evidently the gurse did not pass with the title, for the two earls of the present family had

Signaling Under Water. There has recently been put in or eration at Boston a system of signaling beneath the waves to vessels approaching dangerous shores during foggy weather. The apparatus consists of two receivers, located o either side of the ship below the water line, and connected by wires to the many other scientists, is quietly work- wheel house, where a telephone box is placed. The signals from shore are given by striking a submerged hall a regular intervals. When the ob wishes to ascertain his local takes the ear piece, and by the switch either to the right or soon ascertains upon which sound is the loudest, and side the bell will be found.

powerful lights, and

JANUARY

- 1-First cablegram, U. S. to Frawaii. 3-Napier Lothian died. Boston. 6-Sagasta died in Spain.
- 7-Moses Tenney Med, Georgetown. 9-Ex-Gov. Hastings, Penn, died, 14-Duty taken off coal.
- 15-Tillman shot editor, S. Carolina, 15-Cardinal Parochi died, Rome.
- 15-Coal investigation, Mass. 18-M. de Bigwftz dled, Paris. 18-Abram S. Hewitt died, New York.
- 18-Marcoeffgram, Cape Cod to England. 18-Germany sent Sternberg to U. S.
- 30-Julian Ratph died, New York. 11-Germans shelled Venezuelan fort.
- 22-Canal treaty with Colombia.
- 23-Col. Lynch guilty. London. 24-Alaskan boundary treaty.
- 27-Col. Lynch's sentence commuted. 28-Patrick Divver dled, New York,
- 29-Cyrun Cobb died, Allston, 30-John D. Long seriously ill. 31-Hobson resigned from navy.

FEBRUARY

31—Jusserand, new French ambassador.

- 1-Elisha Morgan died, Springfield. 3- Daniel B. Lord died, Balem. 3-3150.000 fire, Middlebury, Vt.
- 2-Local option won, Vermont. 5-Henry L. Dawes died, Pittsfield. 5-End coal strike hearings, Penn.
- 6-Rear Admiral Wilder died at sea. 10-Str. Madiana wrecked, Bermuda. 14-Veneguela blockade raised.
- 16-Cortelyou, Secretary of Commerce. 16-Rear Admiral Robinson, died. Phil. 16-Chas. Theo. Russell died, Camb.
- 19-Beef-trust injunction. 18-E. J. Flynn died, New York. 20-Pope Leo s 25th anniversary.
- 24-Cuban coal station agreement. 26-Dr. R. J. Gatling died, New York,
- 27-Burdick murdered in Buffalo.

MARCH

- 1-Gen. W. F. Smith died, Phila. -Wm. Scottans died, Brighton, Extra session, U. S. senate, called. 4-End of 57th congress.
- 5-U. S. senate in extra session. 16-Arthur Pennell killed, Buffalo. 16.-Woman suffrage defeated, N. H. 12-Can decreed religious freedom.
- 12-Maine stuck to prohibition. 17-Shamrock III launched, Scotland, 17-Canal treaty ratified by senate.
- 19—\$300,000 fire at Pepperell. 19-Cuban reciprocity treaty ratified. 19 Senate adjourned sine die. 21-Coal commission report.
- 22-Very Rev. F. W. Parrar died. London. 26 License law in New Hampshire. 27-N. K. Fairbanks died, Chicago.

extra session in November.

ragua route.

28-Lowell mills ordered closed. 29-G. F. Swift died, Chicago,

The Passma Canal.

question, and at the beginning, as at

the close of this year, it seemed a

certainty. For years the agitation in

favor of a canal across the Isthmus of

seemed assured that the United

Since the collapse of the De Les-

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company had possession of and had

The Panama canal was the burning

so it remained inoperative until the pecially to the poor negroes of the

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sight for \$40,000,000, giving until parently frail in body, the long years

many favoring the Nicaragua | did power of resistance to disease, and

cloudburst.

Pope Lee seriousty III. 4. Teachers' convention, Boston. 7-Pope Leo operated on. 7-U. S. squadron, Portsmouth, Eng.

- 5-Balfour named new cabinet. 6-W. S. Bissell died, Buffalo. 7-Shipyard trust disclosures. 8-Russia stayed in Manchuria.
- 8—Chinese-American trade treaty.

SEPTEMBER

- 1-Revolution in Macedonia. 2-Reliance won 3d race; kept cup. 4-U. S. warships at Beirut. 7-Radium exhibited in United States.
- 7—Bishop Clark of Rhode Island died. 8-Turkish massacres, Macedonia. 11-Major Delmar, mile, 2:00%. 11-Eustia, Me., swept by fire, 13-J. S. Adams, Sr., died, Adams, 14-Rear Admiral Cook retired.
- 13-Sir Thomas Lipton III, Chicago. 17-Chamberlain resigned, London. 23-Prince Alert, mile 1:57. 28-Henry D. Lloyd died, Illinois.
- 29-President refused to remove Miller. 30-Sir Michael Herbert died abroad. 20 Czar visited Vienna.

OCTOBER

Sir Thomas, it is said, believes the

effort to be hopeless for many years to

On Nov. 3 elections were held in

thirteen states, seven of which chose

governors. The following governors

were re-elected: A. B. Cummings

(rep.) of lowa; J. C. W. Beckham

(dem.) of Kentucky; John L. Bates

(rep.) of Massachuetts, and L. F. C.

Garvin (dem.) of Rhode Island. Edwin

Warfield (dem.) was chosen governor

of Maryland; J. K. Vardman (rep.)

of Mississippi and Myron T. Herrick

(rep.) was elected governor of Ohio

by a plurality of over 100,000 over Tom

L. Johnson. The other elections of

national interest resulted in the return

of Tammany to power in Greater New

York, George B. McClellan (dem.)

received a plurality of 60,000 over for-

mer fusion Mayor Seth Low. The en-

tire Tammnay ticket was elected, and

that organization also secures a ma-

Republic of Panama.

As in several other instances in 1903

comentous events conspired to occur

endence of Colombia. The follow-

on the same day, so on Nov. 3 the province of Panama declared her in-

jority of the board of aldermen.

no doubt that a rupture between the two powers has been and is dangerously near, but it is also certain that overt hostilities, should they

It would be improper not to mention the gigantic postoffice frauds unearthed during the present year. It is not possible to so much as outline the many cases brought to light, and here the curious reader is referred to the complete report of Mr. Bristow, made public Nov. 30.

Wireless Telegraphy. Late last year the sensation of the hour was the Marconi wireless message across the Atlantic. This year nothing so spectacular has been done, but the young inventor, as well as ing upon the problems of wireless

In the realm of scientific discoveries the mysterious metal-radium-afforded a mild sensation, similar to that which greeted the discovery of liquid air and the X-rays in former years.

This mysterious substance, discov ered by M. and Mme. Currie of Paris emits rays of light that penetrate apparent when it is igne substances, and heat that that fogs frequently

19-John Kernell died, Detroit. 19-Attempted assassination Max Nordan. 10-Iroquois theater, Chicago, burned, 584

Even the first trial, which resulted in | averse to relinquishing her hold on Manchuria. Instead she desires to exno race, so clearly demonstrated the superiority of the Reliance that intertend it as far as the European allies will permit. Japan looks upon Korea est began to wane at once. The Rein the same light and the interests of liance won three straight races, but before the last race the public in genthe two countries conflict. There is eral lost all interest in the contest.

come, will belong to the history of

progress has been made.

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