

WHAT 1897 HAS SEEN.

RECORD OF THE IMPORTANT EVENTS OF THE YEAR.

Graco-Turkish War and the Cuban Insurrection-The Great Strike in the Coal Fields-Political Changes of Twelve Months.

A Chronological Table. The year 1897 has been, it might be said, almost a commonplace one, since its commencement, that is, no events of overwhelming moment have taken place, but there has been no dearth of important occurrences.

JANUARY. Thirteen miners perish at Pachuca, Mexico. Extremely high temperature and heavy rains in Northwest. Plingree inaugurated Governor of Michigan.

FEBRUARY. Pennsylvania State capital burned; loss \$1,500,000. Venetian treaty signed. Admiral Buce's squadron in a storm off Hampton Roads; three seamen swept away, several injured.

MARCH. McKinley inaugurated. Six killed at Boston by gas explosion. Defensive floods in Mississippi Valley and in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.

APRIL. Carter H. Harrison elected Mayor of Chicago by 70,000 plurality. Alarming floods in Mississippi Valley.

MAY. Snow in Chicago. \$4,000,000 fire at Pittsburg, Pa. One hundred die by fire in Parisian bazaar.

JUNE. Spanish cabinet resigns. Two of a mob of lynchers killed at Urbana, Ohio, and nine wounded by militia under command of Sheriff McLean.

JULY. Continuation of fearful heat. Close of Victorian Jubilee. 16 prostrated by heat at Chicago, in a temperature of 95 degrees.

AUGUST. Elevator fire at Chicago kills four firemen, hurts 50 more, and does \$500,000 damage. Assassination of Premier Canovas of Spain.

Sept 13-Train robbery near Grants, N. M. Fourteen lives lost by the sinking of the steamer Idaho on Lake Erie.

Sept 15-Three Indians lynched by a mob at Williamsport, N. D. Three people injured in a railway wreck near Cleveland, Ohio.

Sept 16-Three men killed in a railway wreck at Coal Bluff, Ind. Great fire in London, England; loss \$25,000,000.

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The Government of the United States owns in the city of Washington 1,600,000 volumes of literature. Of these about one-half, or 787,715, are in the congressional library.

Large numbers of petitions, supported by many signatures and uniform in their phraseology, are being presented to the House of Representatives.

The ladies of the cabinet are decidedly put out by the edict that forbade their New Year's receptions and the dinners that were to precede and follow.

The opposition to the ratification of the Hawaiian treaty has simmered down almost entirely to the sugar trust, the Louisiana planters and the beet-root sugar manufacturers.

The agents of the Cuban junta in Washington justify the assassination of Col. Ruiz as necessary to intimidate the cowardly and corrupt men in their ranks who are likely to be allured into making terms with the Spanish authorities.

The distressing death of Miss Lella Herbert has caused a shock to her many friends and acquaintances in Washington.

The pension certificate of the Rev. L. J. Keith of Vincennes, Ind., will be canceled, because the holder has informed the bureau that he does not consider himself long entitled to a pension.

The copyright department is a most important branch of the Government, and indicates an enormous increase in literary and musical compositions and in designs which are susceptible to copyright.

The recent report of the Comptroller of the Currency shows that the savings banks of the United States are mostly confined to the northeastern section of the country.

NEVER TOO SURE.

Against the probability or possibility of mischance or accident we can never be too sure. But if we should stop to consider how great is the chance of sudden death, we would be made too timid and unhappy.

Value of the British Navy. It is interesting to note that the capital value of the British navy at the present time exceeds \$94,000,000.

California claims the largest boy in the world of his age. His name is John Bardin. He is 15 years old, six feet five inches tall, and weighs 220 pounds.

TREMENDOUS EXODUS TO THE KLONDIKE. Despite the warnings of those who have been on the spot, and predict suffering in the Klondike region, thousands of adventurous Americans are wending their way thitherward.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MOTHERS. We are asserting in the courts our right to the custody of our children, "CASTORIA" and "FITCHER'S CASTORIA" as our Trade Mark.

The largest parish in London in point of area is Lewisham, which has 5,773 acres; and the largest population is Islington, which has now 330,000 inhabitants.

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SAYS REBELLION IS GAINING. Report that Gomez Cannot Be Brought to an Engagement. The correspondent of the Madrid paper, El Imparcial, has cabled the statement telegraphed by Gen. Parrado to Gen. Blanco.

Told in a Few Lines. A Maryland man accused of kissing a pretty girl has proved an alibi. Give him the limit of the law.

What's this! A dispatch from Maine states that "this season's importation of French sardines will be light, owing to the small catches of young herring off the Maine coast." Can it be?

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