

EVENTS OF THE YEAR.

1903 LEAVES DARK RECORD IN MANY RESPECTS.

Deeds of Rapine and Violence and Far-reaching Natural Disasters Overshadow Its Showing of the Fruits of Industry and Peace.

The year 1903 has been marked by massacre, murder, disaster and violence that are in sharp contrast with the underlying spirit of progress that is steadily making for friendliness and better mutual understanding between individuals and nations.

The events of the year 1903 are briefly summarized below.

January.

- 1. Opening of Pacific cable between San Francisco and Honolulu. Asiatic plague at Mazatlan, Mexico.
5. Death of ex-Premier Sagasta of Spain in Madrid.
6. Death of J. I. Case, of Racine, Wis.
11. Death of Gen. Samuel Thomas, prominent railroad man.
14. Congress votes tariff off coal.
17. German gunboat attacks Fort Carlos, and is repulsed by Venezuelans.
18. Death of ex-Mayor A. B. Hewitt of New York.
19. President Roosevelt and King Edward VII. exchange greetings by wireless telegraphy.
20. Forty-four Chicago coal men indicted by Grand Jury.
21. Death of Julian Ralph, war correspondent.
20. Germans recommence bombardment of San Carlos.
22. Canal treaty with Colombia signed.
24. Treaty for arbitration of Alaskan boundary dispute signed in Washington.
25. Senator Tamm rejected in Colorado after hard fight.
27. Fifty perils in burning of Colney Hatch insane asylum in England.
28. Train wreck at Vallo, Ariz., kills and burns 20 persons, injuring many others.
29. Army of Sultan of Morocco routs that of Pretender in battle near Fez.

February.

- 8. Earthquake shakes felt between St. Louis, Mo., and Louisville, Ky.
10. Lives destroyed by hurricane in South Sea Islands.
11. William Hooper Young pleads guilty to murder in New York and gets life sentence.
12. One million five hundred thousand dollar fire at Rock Island, Ill., arsenal.
13. Allied powers sign protocols for raising of Venezuelan blockade.
15. Venezuelan blockade raised.
16-18. Extreme cold and storm over United States.
17. Eighteen lives lost by sinking of silver steamer near Edenton, N. C.
19. Eight children killed by train in Newark, N. J.
20. Many injured in fire that destroys Clifton House at Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
21. Pope's silver jubilee.
22. Four miners killed and many injured in battle with United States officers at Staniford City, W. Va.
23. Fire Opera House in Cincinnati burns with half a square of other buildings; loss \$2,000,000.
24. Albert Knapp, of Hamilton, O., confesses five murders.
25. Death of R. J. Gatling in New York.

March.

- 2. President Roosevelt issues message calling Senate in special session March 5.
3. Two Senators elected in Delaware, after long fight.
4. Pope Leo celebrates 25th anniversary of his pontificate.
5. Special session of Senate meets.
7. Nineteenth lives lost by capsizing of ferry boat at Spier Falls on Hudson River.
8. Six burn to death in hotel at Letten, W. Va.
9. Death of Hawaiian Commissioner Blount at Macon, Ga.
10. Twenty-two lives lost by oil fire and explosions at Olean, N. Y.
11. Cuban reciprocity convention ratified by Senate in Havana.
12. Cesar proclaims religious freedom through empire.
13. Tax riots at Coimbra, Portugal.
17. Strike Arbitration Committee files report.
18. Senate ratifies Panama canal treaty.
19-20. Floods along Ohio and Mississippi rivers.
21. Senate ratifies Cuban reciprocity treaty and extra session is adjourned sine die.
22. Finding of Coal Arbitration Committee made public.
23. Death of Very Rev. F. W. Farrar in London.
24. Six miners killed by explosion at Athens, Ill.
25. Irish land bill introduced in Parliament.
27. Death of N. K. Fairbank.
28. Reciprocity treaty with United States ratified by Cuban Senate.
29. Death of Gustavus F. Swift, Chicago packer.
31. "Young Corbett" defeats Terry McGovern at San Francisco.

April.

- 1. President starts on long Western trip.
6. Republicans gain in elections in Ohio cities.
11. General strike in Holland declared off.
20. Erie train wrecked at Red House, N. Y., and six persons burnt to death.
21. Eight hundred thousand dollar fire in La Crosse, Wis.
23. Riot in Illinois House of Representatives.
26. Negro lynched for assault near Santa Fe, Ill.
27. Killed in railway wreck near Buffalo, Kansas.
28. Forest fires in northern Wisconsin and Michigan.
29. Dedication of St. Louis Exposition.
30. Death of Stuart Robson.
31. Lives lost in earthquake at Melasgherd, Asiatic Turkey.

May.

- 1. Death of Luigi Adrilli.
3. Eight persons killed and 40 hurt by Grand Trunk train at Detroit.
4. Steamer Saginaw sunk off Virginia coast; over 20 lives lost.
5. Persons drowned in wreck of Gloucester fishing boat Gloriana on Nova Scotia coast.
8. A. W. Machen, superintendent free delivery, ousted by Postmaster General Payne.
9. Discovery of plot to blow up steamer Umbria in New York harbor.
10. Great fire in Ottawa, Ont.
12. Death of Poet R. H. Stoddard.
13. Great massacre of Jews in Kishinev, Russia.
23. Falling elevator in Pittsburg kills five persons and injures 12.
25. Death of Max O'Rell (M. Paul Blouet).
26. Eight persons killed and six injured in Fair-Middie automobile race.
27. Severe storms in Kansas, Iowa and Oklahoma.
28. Nineteen persons killed and as many more injured by tornadoes near Hastings, Neb.
29. New York City celebrates 250th anniversary of incorporation.
31. British steamer Huddersfield sunk in collision and 22 lives lost.

- 27. Eight trainmen killed in wreck near Bryan, Ala.
28. Feudists attack jail at Jackson, Ky., and are repulsed.
31. Great floods devastate Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa.
31. Big fire in Racine, Wis.

June.

- 1. Cyclone near Gainesville, Ga., kills 85 persons.
4. Santa Fe train wrecked near Stillwell, Kansas; nine persons killed and 28 injured.
5. Heavy flood losses near Spartansburg, S. C.
6. Negro hanged by mob at Belleville, Ill.
7. One hundred lives lost in collision of vessels off Marseilles, France.
8. Flood at its height at St. Louis.
9. Marriage of Gov. W. J. Bailey of Kansas and Mrs. Ida B. Weede in Kansas City.
11. King Alexander, Queen Draga, two brothers of the queen, Premier and two Cabinet members assassinated at Belgrade, Serbia.
12. Death of Gen. Alex McCook.
13. Prince Peter Karageorgevitch chosen king of Serbia.
14. Waterpout destroys Heppner, Oregon.
15. American Derby at Chicago won by The Picket.
21. End of Lowell (Mass.) textile strike.
22. Death of Major James B. Pond.
23. Negro burned at stake near Wilmington, Del.
25. Peter Karageorgevitch takes oath as king of Serbia.
27. Million-dollar fire in Milwaukee.
30. Two hundred and thirty-four men lose lives by explosion in mine at Hanna, Wyo.

July.

- 1. New Department of Commerce started in Washington.
4. American Pacific cable from San Francisco to Philippines completed.
5. Fifty to 100 persons lose lives by breaking of dam near Jenette, Pa.
6. Race riots at Evansville, Ind.
7. Race riots at St. Joseph, Mo., burns, causing loss of \$1,500,000.
8. Seven killed in race riot at Evansville, Ind.
9. Twenty-four killed in railway collision near Charlottesville, Va.
10. Death of Mrs. James G. Blaine.
11. Son born to Grover Cleveland and wife.
12. Death of Pope Leo XIII.
13. Great financial storm in Wall street.
14. Death of Gen. Cassius M. Clay.
15. Entombment of Pope Leo.
16. Negro lynched and burned and public buildings defaced by mob at Danville, Ill.
17. Twenty-five persons killed and 30 injured by powder explosions at Lowell, Mass.

August.

- 4. Cardinal Sarco chosen Pope.
7. Circus trains wrecked at Durand, Mich.; 21 persons killed.
8. Fall of balcony at Philadelphia baseball park causes nine deaths.
9. Crowning of Pope Pius X.
10. Fire and panic on Paris underground railroad causes 100 deaths.
11. Jeffries whips Corbett in San Francisco.
15. Russia sends fleet into Turkish waters.
20. Turkey accedes to demands of Russia.
22. Death of Lord Salisbury, former premier of England.
23. Death of Chas. O. Bonney of Chicago, originator of World's Fair Congress.
24. Lou Dillon trots mile in 2 minutes at Beaville, Mass.
25. 50 persons burned to death at Budapest.
26-27. War game off Maine coast and Portland harbor.
28. United States Vice Consul Magelssen assassinated at Beirut, Syria.
27. Heavy rain storm sweeps Western States.

September.

- 8. Reliance wins international cup race from Shamrock III.
9. Town of San Miguel, Yucatan, destroyed by hurricane.
14. Rain, snow and frost injures crops in Northwestern States.
15. Severe storm on Atlantic coast.
17. Joseph Chamberlain and two others resign from British Cabinet.
19. Four more members of British Cabinet resign.
22. Curtis Jett convicted of Cockrell murder at Cynthiana, Kentucky.
23. Death of ex-Senator Chas. B. Farwell of Chicago.
24. Big riot in Sault Ste. Marie, Canada.
25. Death of Sir Michael Herbert, British Ambassador to Washington.

October.

- 2. Tornado sweeps Northwestern States.
3. Village of St. Charles, Minn., raised. Twelve lives lost by sinking of steamer in Green Bay.
6. Peter Elliott, armed anarchist, tries to force his way into President's room in White House.
7. Death of former Postmaster General Wilson S. Bissell.
9. Heavy rainstorm causes losses of lives and property in New York City, New Jersey and vicinity.
11. Marriage of United States Senator Thos. C. Platt of New York.
18. Death of Archbishop Keen of St. Louis.
19. Million-dollar fire in Aberdeen, Wash.
17. Decision of Alaskan tribunal announced.
26. United States Senator Wm. M. Stewart of Nevada marries at Atlanta, Ga.
28. Mrs. Emma Booth-Tucker killed in train wreck at Dean Lake, Mo.
31. Members of Purdue College football team killed in train wreck at Indianapolis.
25 persons burn to death in New York tenement fire.

November.

- 1. Death of Prof. Theodor Mommsen.
2. Fire in Vatican in Rome destroys priceless literary treasures.
3. New Irish land law goes into effect.
4. Elections in several States.
5. Revolution in Panama; new Republic proclaimed.
6. Colombian troops evacuate Colon.
7. United States extends recognition to new Republic of Panama.
9. Fifty-eighth Congress meets in extra session.
12. Big strike on lines of Chicago City Railway Co. begins and rioting occurs.
18. Treaty with Panama signed.
19. Cuban reciprocity treaty passed by House of Representatives.
21. Men killed in wreck on Big Four near Tremont, Ill.
22. Death of Novelist Henry Seton Merriman.
21. Thirty men cremated in fire at Lilly, Pa.
22. Mine explosion at Connellsville, Pa., destroys 12 lives.
24. Gustave Marx, in Chicago, confesses car-barn robbery and several murders by "Automatic Trio."
25. End of Chicago street-car strike.
27. Bandits Niedemeyer, Van Dine and Roski captured after fierce battles in Lake County, Indiana.
28. Grover Cleveland announces he is not a candidate for Democratic nomination for Presidency.

December.

- 1. Receiver appointed for John Alexander Dowle's Zion City and industries.
2. Canal treaty signed at Panama.
7. Congress meets in regular session.
8. American Consul assaulted at Alexandretta, Turkey.
8. Death of Herbert Spencer.
13. Frigid wave covers Middle West; thermometer registers 13 below zero in Chicago.
16. Senate passes Cuban reciprocity bill.
Fried potatoes and freshly-baked bread are digestive abominations.

MAY HASTEN WAR

RUSSIA HAS SENT TUNIS SQUADRON TO CHINESE WATERS.

With This Addition the Naval Forces Would Be Equal and Japan Would Lose Advantage—Mikado Likely to Profit by Experience of Boer Conflict—Preparations Continue.

Paris, Jan. 6.—The movements of the Russian naval division at Bizerta, Tunis, are being closely followed by the powers interested in the Japanese-Russian situation. One of the leading diplomats said the departure of the division for China "might prove decisive in causing Japan to take speedy action."

It is pointed out that if this additional division succeeds in passing Suez, Russia's naval strength in Chinese waters will thereafter exceed Japan's, their present strength being about equal.

Japan Still Preparing.

Tokio, Jan. 6.—War preparations continue, but the government seems determined to avoid the initiation of any conflict, and for this purpose the note sent to the powers was intended to show that the responsibility rested upon Russia, should the negotiations now proceeding fail. The government is proceeding very cautiously, and unless Russia gives undue provocation it is possible that peace may continue for some time.

DANCERS IN A PANIC.

Hotel and Hall Badly Wrecked by Explosion of Dynamite. Woodbridge, N. J., Jan. 6.—An explosion wrecked the hotel and hall of Joseph Galaida and more or less seriously injured 30 persons at Keasby, four miles from here, today, while the St. John's Benevolent society was celebrating its anniversary by a dance.

IDAHO WANTS BUILDINGS.

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Press Censorship Is Established.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 6.—Under the proclamation issued by Governor Peabody, declaring San Miguel county to be in a state of insurrection, and giving the military full power to use such measures as they deem proper to restore peace, Major Seph T. Hill, commander of the military at Telluride, has established a press censorship. He has notified the newspaper correspondents in Telluride that all articles must be submitted to him before they are sent out, and has taken control of both telegraph and telephone lines.

Exile Plans a Revolution.

Manila, Jan. 6.—Ricarte, the recently returned exile from Guam, now in hiding from the authorities in this city, has written a letter outlining a new revolution. The matter is not considered serious by the government.

CITY IS STUNNED.

Chicago Is Completely Overcome by Grief for the Stricken.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—For the first time since Chicago has possessed bells to peal, whistles to shriek and horns to blow, the old year was allowed silently to take its place in history, and the new year permitted to come in with no evidence of joy at its birth. All Chicago mourned for the 600 persons who died in the fire, panic and suffocation at the Iroquois theater.

In an official proclamation issued yesterday afternoon Mayor Carter H. Harrison suggested that the usual New Year's eve celebration be omitted. The idea found a ready response in the hearts of the people and the mayor's words seemed only to give utterance to the universal desire.

The list of the dead continues as it was given last night, in the neighborhood of 600. A widely accepted estimate is that 564 is the number of the dead. This number will likely be increased, as there are persons in the hospitals who will probably die. It is believed, however, that the total will not exceed 600. Including the dead, missing and injured the total number of casualties is approximately 1,000. There were about 2,500 spectators and actors in the theater at the time of the fire.

In the excitement following the calamity, many persons were reported missing who have since returned home. No report of these returns has been made to the police, and their names still swell the list of the missing. When the names of the dead who are still to be identified have been subtracted from the list of the missing, it is probable that the extent of the catastrophe will be fully revealed.

RUSSIA WILL SAVE HEBREWS.

Government Fully Realizes the Probability of Massacre at Kishinev.

Washington, Jan. 2.—Simon Wolfe, of this city, who has been active in his endeavors to induce the United States government to make representations to Russia looking to the protection of the Jews of Kishinev, had an interview with President Roosevelt today. At its conclusion Mr. Wolfe said that at the request of the president himself, he could not discuss the interview for publication.

It is known, however, that Mr. Wolfe was informed that, prior to his presentation of the matter to the state department, the president had directed the United States consuls in Russia to inform this government if there was any likelihood of a repetition of the Kishinev massacre of last spring. The replies to that inquiry thus far received have been reassuring. Moreover, they indicate that the Russian government is fully alive to the reports of possible trouble at Kishinev on January 7. In view of that fact, it is assumed that the Russian authorities will take, if indeed they have not already taken, steps to prevent a recurrence of the massacres.

"THERE MAY BE WAR."

Russian Journals Assume a Decidedly Pessimistic Attitude.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 2.—The foreign dispatches received here yesterday afternoon are reflected today in more pessimistic editorials. The Novoe Vremya begins its leader with: "There is no war today; tomorrow there may be war."

The paper rather fatalistically directs attention to the fact that wars marked the opening of the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries. The Novoe Vremya nevertheless still professes faith in a peaceful settlement, saying: "We believe Japan will not place Russia in a position where to yield would appear to be a renunciation of the defense of her vital interests in the far east. Russia does not desire war, but nobody believes Russia will permit the Japanese or other nations to execute a diplomatic dance upon Russia's peaceful disposition. In firm consciousness of her power Russia will await events."

China Acting Hostile.

Paris, Jan. 2.—The Chee Foo correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald says that Colonel Artimeff, who is in close touch with Admiral Alexieff, Russian viceroy in the Far East, declares the situation is most critical. The Japanese, he says, apparently want war, and the Chinese, especially Yuan Shi Kai, commander in chief of the Chinese army and navy, are assuming a hostile attitude. Disturbances in Manchuria are due, he says, to the support the Chinese government is giving the bandits.

December Shows a Surplus.

Washington, Jan. 2.—The forthcoming monthly statement of the government receipts and expenditures will show the total receipts for December, 1903, to be about \$42,747,532, and the expenditures \$32,248,000, leaving a surplus for the month of \$10,499,532. The surplus for the six months of the present fiscal year will be about \$8,433,667.



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