

- July 1.** Final transfer of the territories of the British East Africa Company to the British government; completed organization of the East Africa Protectorate.
8. Opening of the railway from Belize Bay to Pretoria in the Transvaal.
 13. Parliamentary elections begin in Great Britain, resulting in a large majority for the Conservatives and Liberal Unionists.
 15. Assassination of M. Stanislawski, late chief Minister in the Bulgarian government, who died of his wounds on the 19th.
 20. Pressing despatch of Mr. Dixey, United States Secretary of State, to the American Ambassadors to Great Britain on the question of the Venezuela boundary, asserting the Monroe Doctrine.
 21. Death of Prof. Rudolph von Gieseler, German physicist and historian.
 24. Defeat of Protectionist policy in the Parliamentary election, New South Wales.
 31. Death of Heinrich von Sybel, historian and Director of the Prussian State Archives. — Death of Richard M. Hunt, American architect.
- August 1.** Massacre of English and American missionaries at Hsia Sien in China.
2. Death of Joseph Thomson, African explorer.
 12. Opening of the first session of the new Parliament in Great Britain.
 13. Death of Christian Bernhard Fiedler, Leipzig publisher.
- September 1.** Government of a young native prince, under British tutelage and protection established at Chittagong.
- 16-18. Adoption of a constitution and organization of a republican government by the Cuban insurgents.
 18. Opening of the Cotton States and International Exposition at Atlanta.
 20. Executive order by President Cleveland for the improvement of the consular service of the United States.
 28. Death of Louis Pasteur, the father of bacteriology.
 30. Attack by Turkish police in Constantinople on Armenians who had gathered to present their grievances to the Sultan.
- October 3.** Death of Prof. Hjalmar Björk Boessen Nöhring, an American writer and poet.
7. Death of William Wetmore Story, American sculptor and author.
 - 8-9. Massacre of Armenians at Trebizond by a Turkish mob.
 17. Turkish imperial decree directing reforms in Armenia which were to carry into effect.
 21. Death of Henry Royce, English author and editor.
- November 4.** Revolutionary installation of Alfonso Arismendi as executive chief of the Republic of Venezuela. — Death of Eugene Field, American poet and journalist.
8. Discovery of the X rays by Professor Roentgen.
 9. Death of General Benjamin West, painter of the American rebellion, 1787.
 20. Death of Ghimelli de Marini, known as Rustem Pasha.
 25. More stringent anti-slavery law instituted in Egypt. — Death of Jules Barbey d'Aurevilly, French statesman and orientalist.
 26. Reply of Lord Salisbury to the despatch of Mr. Clegg on the Venezuela question. — Death of Henry Seeboldin, English mechanician.
 27. Death of Alexandre Dumas the younger.
 29. Death of Count Edward Taaffe, Austrian statesman.
- December 8.** Death of George Augustus Sala, English journalist.
12. Death of Allen G. Thurman, American political leader and statesman.
 17. Message of President Cleveland to the Congress of the United States concerning a proposed treaty between Great Britain and Venezuela. — Death of Antoni Gaudí, Spanish Maestro, Catalan revolutionist, journalist, and author.
 - 18-20. Passage by the two branches of the Congress of the United States of a bill authorizing the President to appoint a commission to ascertain the true frontier of Venezuela.
 20. Special Message of President Cleveland to the Congress of the United States on the financial situation of the country.
 23. Death of "Stepniak," Russian revolutionist and writer. — Death of John Russell Hind, English astronomer.
 - 27-28. Passage of temporary tonnage bill and bill to maintain the coast defence force by the United States House of Representatives.
 29. Raid by Dr. Jameson, Administrator of the British South Africa Company, into the Transvaal, with an armed force of 500 men.

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- January 1.** Appointment of an United States Commission to investigate the disputed boundary between Venezuela and British Guiana. — Surrender of Dr. Jameson and his forces to the South African authorities. — New constitution for South Africa in brief effect.
3. Congratulatory telegram from the German Emperor William II. to President Kruger of the South African Republic on the defeat of the Jameson Raid.
 8. Destructive earthquake shock in Paris. — Death of Paul Verlaine, French poet.
 10. Proclamation of President Kruger to the inhabitants of Johannesburg, promising them a nominal government.
 11. Death of Joaquim Díez, Portuguese poet.