

28. Stormy session of the Austrian Reichsrath; twelve hours' speech of Dr. Lecher — Death of Hercules George Robinson, Baron Rosmead, British colonial administrator.

29. Death of Henry George, American economist.

November 2. Election of the first Mayor of "Greater New York." — Death of Sir Rutherford Alcock, British diplomatist.

4. Seizure by Germany of the port of Kiao-chau on the northeastern coast of China.

6. Signing of treaty between Russia, Japan and the United States, providing for a suspension of placage sealing.

10. Adoption of plans for a building for the New York Public Library.

14. Death of Thomas Williams Evans, American dentist in Paris, founder of the Red Cross Society in the Franco-Prussian war.

15. Commandant Esterhazy denounced to the French Minister of War, by M. Mathieu Dreyfus, as the author of the "bordereau" on which Captain Alfred Dreyfus was secretly convicted.

16. The Dreyfus case brought into the French Chamber of Deputies by a question to the Minister of War.

19. Great fire in London, beginning in Aldersgate and spreading over six acres, destroying property estimated at £2,000,000 in value. — Death of Henry Calderwood, Scottish philosopher.

21. Death of Sir Charles Edward Pollock, English jurist.

23. Death of A. Bardoux, French statesman.

25. Promulgation by royal decree at Madrid of a constitution establishing self-government in Cuba and Porto Rico.

29. Death of James Legge, Scotch oriental scholar.

December. Annexation of Zululand to Natal Colony.

5. Death of Mrs. Alice Wellington Rollins, American author.

14. Signing of the treaty of Biac-na-bato, between the Spaniards and the insurgent Filipinos.

29. Approval of Act of Congress forbidding the killing of seals by citizens of the United States in the Pacific Ocean north of 35° N. lat. — Death of William James Linton, American artist and author.

31. Imperial proclamation, closing the sittings of the Austrian Reichsrath, and continuing the Austro-Hungarian "Ausgleich" provisionally for six months.

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January 2. Death of Sir Edward Augustus Bond, formerly principal librarian of the British museum.

12. Acquittal of Commandant Esterhazy, after a farcical pretense of trial by a military tribunal, on the charge of being the author of the "bordereau" ascribed to Dreyfus.

13. Publication in Paris of a letter by M. da, denouncing the conduct of the courts martial in the cases of Dreyfus and Esterhazy. — Death of Mrs. Mary Victoria Cowden Clarke.

16. Death of Charles Pelham Villiers, English statesman.

18. Death of Henry George Liddell, English historian and classical scholar.

20. Second meeting of monetary convention at Indianapolis, to consider the report of its commission.

24. Declaration by Count von Bülow, in the German Reichstag, that no relations or connections of any kind had ever existed between Captain Dreyfus and any German agents.

25. Friendly visit of the United States battle ship "Maine" to Havana, Cuba.

28. End of a great strike and lockout in the British engineering trades, which began in the previous July.

31. Disastrous blizzard in New England.

February 4. Re-election (by voting which began January 3) of President Kruger for a fourth term of five years, in the South African Republic.

- 7-15. Prosecution of M. Zola for defamation of certain military officers; his scandalous trial and conviction.

14. Destruction of the United States battle ship "Maine," by an explosion, in the harbor of Havana, Cuba.

16. Removal of Chief-Judge Kotze, of the High Court of the South African Republic, by President Kruger.

18. Death of Frances Elizabeth Willard, American social reformer.

19. Death of Dr. Edward Constant Seguin, neurologist, New York.

26. Death of Frederick Tennyson, English poet — Death of Michael Gregorovich Cherniaeff, Russian soldier and popular hero of the Panslavists.

27. Death of Major-General William Booth Taliaferro, Confederate army.

March 1. Retirement of General Crespo from the Presidency of Venezuela; succession of General Andrade to the office.

6. Death of Felice Cavallotti, Italian statesman and dramatist.

11. Death of Major-General William Starke Rosecrans.

15. Death of Sir Henry Bessemer, English inventor.

16. Death of Aubrey Beardsley, English artist.

17. Speech of Senator Proctor, of Vermont, in the United States Senate, describing the condition of the reconcentrados in Cuba, as he saw them during a recent visit to the Island — Death of Blanche K. Bruce, register of the United States Treasury, born a slave.

21. Report of the United States naval court of inquiry on the destruction of the battle ship "Maine." — Death of Brigadier-General George Washington Rains, Confederate army.