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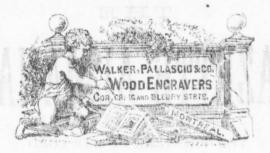
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The year 1878 is the latter part of the 5638th and the beginning of the 5689th year since the creation of the world, according to the Jews. The year 5639 of the Jewish Era commences on September 28, 1878.

The year 1878 answer to the 6591st of the Julian Period; to the 2629th from the foundation of Rome; to the 264th of the Olmypiads; and to the year 7086-7 of the Byzantine Era.

The year 1295 of the Mohammedan Era commences on January 5, 1878, and 1296 on December 26, 1878; and Ramadan (month of abstinence observed by the Turks) commences on August 29, 1878.

The Chinese civil year is lunar, and consists of twelve months, of twenty-nine and thirty days alternately. The Japanese divide the year into twelve months, corresponding to the twelve signs of the zodiac. The months, however, vary in length, and are regulated by the religious Emperor. The Mohammedans reckon from July 15 or 16, the date of Mohammed's flight. Their months are lunar, and consist of thirty and twenty-nine days alternately, with a day added eleven times in a cycle of thirty years.

FESTIVALS.

MOVABLE FESTIVALS.

Those marked * are Fetes d'Obligation in the Province of Quebec, and those marked † are Bank Holidays in the Province of Ontario.

*† Circumcision Jan, 1 * Epiphany 6	* Ascension DayMay 30 WhitsundayJune 9
Septuagesima SuFeb. 17	Trinity Sunday " 16
St. David March 1	* Corpus Christi " 20
Shrove Tuesday " 5	Accession Q. Victoria " 20
† Ash Wednesday " 6	St. John the Baptist. " 24
St. Patrick " 17	* St. Peter & St. Paul. " 29
* Annunciation " 25	Michaelmas Day Sept. 29
Palm Sunday April 14	* All Saints Day Nov. 1
*† Good Friday " 19	Prince of W. B'thd'y, " 9
† Easter Monday " 22	St. Andrew
St. George 4 23	Advent Sunday Dec. 1
Low Sunday " 28	Conception of V. Mary " 8
*† Queen's Birthday May 24	St. Thomas 21
Rogation Sunday " 26	*† Christmas Day " 25

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HERSCHEL'S WEATHER TABLE.

The following Table is constructed upon a philosophical consideration of the attraction of the Sun and Moon, in their several positions respecting the earth, and, confirmed by the experince of many years' actual observation, will, without trouble, suggest to the observer what kind of weather will most probably follow the Moon's entrance to any of her Quarters, and that so near the truth, that in very few instances will it be found to fail.

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N. B.—Although this Table is ascribed to the celebrated Herschel, that has been positively disavowed and denied by Sir John Herschel, and there is no authority for it whatever, except the popular desire to foster it upon some great name.

ECLIPSES.

ECLIPSES IN 1878.

In the year 1878 there will be four Eclipses—two of the Sun and two of the Moon.

- I. An Annular Eclipse of the Sun, Feb. 1. Invisible in Canada.
- II. A Partial Eclipse of the Moon, Feb. 16, 17. Visible.
- III. A Total Eclipse of the Sun, July 29. Visible.
- IV. A Partial Eclipse of the Moon, Aug. 12. Visible.

SEASONS.

Spring begins....Sun's entrance in. φ. March 20. 7h. 4m. p.m. Summer begins..Sun's entrance in. φ. June 21... 3h. 10m. p.m. Autumn begins..Sun's entrance in. φ. Sept. 22... 5h. 48m. a.m. Winter begins...Sun's entrance in. φ. Dec. 21. 11h. 42m. a.m.

APPEARANCES OF THE PLANETS.

- VENUS an Evening Star till February 20; a Morning Star till December 5; afterwards an Evening Star.
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WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

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several degrees above that of the preceding January. The cold term may be expected from the 11th to the 17th. Aurora Borealis

occasionally. No heavy snow storms.

FEBRUARY.—The prevailing wind will be W. The snow-fall intermittent; very little rain—the middle portion of the month very cold. Thermometer rarely above 82 (freezing point of water.) Unsettled weather in the early part of the month; high

winds about the 10th.

March.—The prevailing wind will be W. by N. Very little snow after the 12th. Rain from 16th to 20th. A few zero nights at beginning of the month. Thermometer rapidly rising towards the end. Monthly mean temperature above the average. Range

of temperature about 60 degrees.

APRIL .-- The prevailing wind will be W.N.W. Early part of the month fine clear weather and comparatively mild-no heavy rainfall, most rain between the 18th and 23rd, probably accompanied with snew. Prospects of an early Spring and the ice shoving in the River St. Lawrence on or before St. George's Day, when the bull frogs will begin their singing and the swallows their flight northwards.

MAY .- The prevailing wind will be N. E. by E. The month generally wet, more particularly from the 18th to the 25th, temperature during the month above the average. No frosts after the 10th; high winds about the 13th to 16th. Shad will make their

appearance at end of month.

JUNE.—The prevailing wind will be N.E. by E. Low Barometer. Heavy fall of rain during month, probable rise in the tributary streams of the St. Lawrence. Thunder storms about the 8th to 12th. The beginning of the month hot and clear-wet weather 8th to 15th and 20th to 23rd. Latter part of month fine, clear, and

JULY .- The prevailing wind will be S. E., the month generally rainy-thunderstorms about the 3rd to 6th; temperature above

the average, reaching beyond 90°. Fine clear weather from about the 18th to 23rd and from 28th to 30th.

August.—The prevailing wind will be S. E. by E. The early and latter portions of the month rainy, the former accompanied by thunder-rain heavier about the 20th or 24th. Low range of barometer t not very high winds.

SEPTEMBER. The prevailing wind will be S. W. Rain will prevail; the latter and middle portions of the month clear, tolerably

high range of temperature.

OCTOBER. The prevailing wind will be W. S. W. Rain about the 8th to 11th, followed by bright clear weather till the 20th, afterwards occasional rain and fog, clearing towards the latter portion of the month. Barometer generally low accompanied by strong breezes

NOVEMBER. - The prevailing wind will be W. Rain in the beginning of month. Clear weather from the 7th to the 18th. Snow

about the 26th to 30th-temperature cold.

DECEMBER.-Prevailing wind will be N. E.-slight rain. Snow about middle and end of month, temperature towards the end of menth rea hing to zero. Cold Christmas.

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This war arose out of an insurrection which took place in the summer of 1875, in Herzegovina, a province in the eyalet of Bosnia. At its beginning, and for a long time after, the outbreak was looked upon as an ordinary evidence of ill will against the Turkish Government, but as it progressed, it became plain, that the insurgents were largely helped and urged on by outside influence. pre-eminently that of Russia. The Turkish Government, feeling that the insurrection arose largely from these external causes, requested England, and other powers, to send a Commission into Herzegovina to enquire into the reasons of revolt, but this Commission proved a failure, because the representatives of Europe, could give the inhabitants no assurance that their complaints would be remedied. After this, Austria interfered with a like want of success, and then came a proposition, styled the "Berlin Memorandum," the result of a meeting held in Berlin on the 14th of May, 1876, by the representatives of Germany, Russia, and Austria. This Memorandum practically made Turkey a ward of European Chancery, and England refused to sign it on the grounds that if it were enforced by the united Powers of Europe, it would plunge Turkey at once into war. While these outside arrangements were progressing, the Porte or Government of Turkey was endeavouring to crush the insurrection, and in so doing terrible atrocities were committed by the Bashi-bazouks, the Asiatic troopers of the Sultan, and public feeling turned strongly against the Turkish Government. In July, 1876, the Prince of

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Servia, and the Hospodar of Montenegro, declared war against Turkey, and in so doing aided materially the Herzegovinian revolt: and Mr. Gladstone, late Premier of England, availing himself of the increased trouble, laid himself out to assail the British Government for its policy of non-interference with the affairs of Turkey, and published a pamphlet on the "Bulgarian Horrors," in which he urgod, that the British Government should at once throw in its influence with other nations, and exclude the Turks, from all administrative power in Bosnia, Herzegovina, and Bulgaria. How far Mr. Gladstone's efforts influenced the government, it would be hard to say, but in the month of Noyember, 1876, England proposed an armistice of six weeks between Turkey and Servia, in order that a conference of powers might be held to settle some terms of peace.

The Conterence was opened at Constantinople, on the 11th Dec., Great Britain, Russia, Austria, France, Germany and Italy, being represented at it, through their leading politicians; the Marquis of Salisbury being the representative of Great Britain.

England went into this Conference, not as a preliminary step to force, but as a means of peaceful persuasion, in order that it might restore peace between Turkey and Servia, obtain a better form of government for the Turkish Provinces, and avert war between Russia and Turkey, as the Czar had stated on the 10th of Nov'r, that unless he could obtain a real improvement of the position of the Christians in the East, by peaceful means, he would act independently, and that he was sure the whole of Russia, would respond to his summons, and aid him in his policy.

Having thus sketched in rough outline the leading events which occurred up to January, 1877, we will continue our record under the head of each month, by no means guaranteeing faithful dates, as our information has, often times, been derived from the dubious source of conflicting telegrams.

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JANUARY-31 Days.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

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11 First Quarter	7.20 a.m.	9.09 p.m. 1.52 a.m. 7.16 a.m. 10.55 p.m.	8 46 p.m. 1.29 a.m. 6.53 a.m. 10.32 p.m.

DAY W.	1	EVENTS, &c.	MEAN OM WEEK.		
Tu W Th F	12345	Festival of the Circumcision. General Wolfe born	S.Rise	S. Set.	
Su Ma Tu Th	6 7 8 9 10 11	EPPPHANY (old Christmas Day). Allan Ramsay, the Scottish poet, died1737 John Baskerville, famous printer, died1775	7.39	4.36	
Su M Tu W Th	14 15 16 17	First Sunday after Epiphany. Madame de Sevigne died	7.36	4.37	
SMTWTES	21 22 23 24 25	Second Sunday after Epiphony. St. Agnes.—Death of Louis XVI. Francis Bacon, Lord Verulam, born	7.81	4.58	
Su M Tu W Th	28 29	Third Sunday after Epiphany. W. H. Prescott, historian, died			

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JANUARY.

The Peace Council met in Constantinople, and after several meetings and interviews with the representative of the Turkish Government, the Marquis of Salisbury, on the 15th of January, laid the final peace proposals before the Porte. In this document, the Powers of Europe proposed, that for five years following the date of the Council, the appointment of the Governors of the Provinces should be subject to the approval of the Powers, and that an International Commission of Supervision, composed of Europeans and Turks, should be established. On the 18th of Junuary, the proposals of the Council were laid before the Turkish Parliament, and were unanimously rejected by the Christian and Turkish representatives, on the grounds, that Turkey, as a nation, would allow no foreign occupation, and that she would be guided by her own discretion, and regard, for the public opinion of modern civilization, in any reformation she might institute. The Conference broke up on the 20th, and the Marquis of Sallsbury left Constantinople on the 21st. On the 27th, Turkey took affairs into her own hands, and made proposals to Servia, and Montenegro, to secure peace by direct negociations. These negociations were at once entered into and the mont's closed with every prospect of peace being attained.

FEBRUARY-28 Days.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

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FEB'RY.	1 9 16 23	New Moon First Quarter Full Moon Last Quarter	3.32 p.m. 8.31 p.m. 6.31 p.m. 10.27 a.m.	3.23 p.m. 8.22 p.m. 6.22 p.m. 10.18 a.m.	3.00 p.m. 7.59 p.m. 5.59 p.m. 9.55 a.m.			
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SU M Tu Th F	3 4 5 6 8	Fourth Sunday of Robert Blair, po The Battle of Ph Charles II. King Charles Dickens Samuel Butler (A Daniel Bernouil	fter Epiphan et, died assey, India. of England, a, novelist, bo Hudibras) bo	y		5.09		
Su M Tu W Th F	11 12 13 14 15	Fifth Sunday of William Shenst Lady Jane Grey Marquis de Tall Salleo, astrono Dr. Kane, Arcti	one, poet, die, behended eyrand, born Day. mer, born	ed	4	5.17		
Su M Tu W Th F	21	Charles Lamb, e Sir Roderick M Joseph Hume,	essayist, born urchison, geo a true reform	er, died180	1	5.20		
Su M Tu W Th	26	Sir Christopher John Philip Ke Henry W. Long	Wren died		23	5.40		

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FEBRUARY.

The negociations between Servia and Turkey, were carried on during greater part of this month, and after various difficulties were disposed of, peace was established, on the understanding, that Servia should not allow the existence of secret societies, or any violation of Turkish territory, and that the Turkish flag, should be hais ed jointly, with the Servian, on all fortresses. The negociations with Montenegro were not so successful, the latter asking for, and obtaining, a prolonged armistice, to take the peace proposals into consideration. On the 6th February, Midhat Pasha, the Grand Vizier, was dismissed and banished, either through intrigue, or suspicion of plotting against the Sultan, in order to procure his own nomination. Edham Pasha was appointed in his stead, and the whole Turkish ministry re-organized. Notwithstanding the prospects of a permanent peace being brought about with Servia and Montenegro, through the efforts of the Turkish Government, the Czar of Russia proceeded to place his army on a war footing, and on the 11th of February, sixty theusand men were placed under orders, to be in readiness at any moment to proceed to Kischeneff, a military position outhe boundary between Russia and Turkey.

MARCH-31 Days.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

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		-	Quebec.	Montreal.	Toro	nto.
MARCH.	3 11 16 24	First Quarter Full Moon	10.32 a.m. 10.57 a.m. 4.03 a.m. Midnight.	10.23 a.m. 11.06 a.m. 4.12 a.m. 11.55 p.m.	10.00 s 10.43 a 3.49 a 11.32 j	.m.
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MARCH.

The events of this month did much to hasten on the war. On the 11th, Count Shouvaloff brought a note to Lord Derby, proposing that the European Powers and the Porte, should sign a protocol pledging reforms within the Turkish Empire; on the 15th, the English Cabinet met to discuss the protocol, and returned it to Russia with certain modifications, and on the 31st it was signed by the Powers, and forwarded to the Porte. This protocol, invited Turkey to place her army on a peace footing, and stated, that the Powers would watch carefully, whether the necessary reforms were carried out, and that if they were disappointed, in the conduct of Turkey, they would adopt such means as seemed best, to secure the well-being of the Christian subjects of the Sultan. Russia, in signing the protocol, declared, that if peace with Moutenegro were concluded, and that the Porte placed its army on a peace footing, the Emperor would be willing to treat with a special envoy from Turkey, on the subject of the reduction of the Bussian Army. England in signing declared, that her signature would go for nothing unless there were reciprocal disarmament on the part of Russia and Turkey. The protocol, signed by the Powers, was forwarded to the Porte on the 31st. During the month, the negociations with Montenegro, were carried on by Turkey, but no permanent terms could be arrived at-Montenegro demanding the surrender of Niesie, and other towns, which Turkey refused.

APRIL-30 Days.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

			Quebec.	Montreal.	Toro	nto.
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MEMORANDA.

APRIL.

On the reception of the Protocol by Turkey, the Porte at once published a clear and decisive statement of its views. It stated, that it was endeavouring to bring about peace with Montenegro; that it was prepared to carry out all needful reforms,but that it would not reduce its army to a peace footing until Russia was prepared to carry out a like policy. It rejected as uncalled for and undignified, the idea of sending a special envoy to Russia to sue for disarmament, and it repudiated the further idea, that foreign agents, or representatives, had any authority to interfere in the affairs of Turkey. It reminded the Powers, that the Treaty of Paris promised Turkey a policy of non-intervention, and it called on them to preserve the Spirit of that Treaty. The result of this document was instant preparation for war on the part of Russia. On the 23rd, the Czar arrived at Kisheneff, a frontier town, where the troops were concentrated; on the 24th, the Russian Embassy left Constantinople, and on the 25th, the Porte received the Russian Ultimatum, stating, that Russia found it necessary to proceed single-handed to war, in order to meet the wishes of Europe. The events in connection with the war followed very rapidly from this date.

- 27th.—The Czar published a Manifesto ordering his troops to cross the frontier, and on the same day, 50,000 Russians crossed the Pruth.
 - "Russian army in Asia, crossed frontier of Asiatic-Turkey at Alexandrople.
- 29th .- Bloody engagement at Batoum (Asia): Russians defeated.
- 30th.-Russian-European Army advanced to Galatz. 390,000 on march to the Danube, and 125,000 men moving against Kars in Asia.

MAY-31 Days.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

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MEMORANDA

MAY.

- 1st.—Proclamation by Queen of England, stating that she was determined to observe a strict neutrality.
- " 15,000 Russians advanced to Ibrail (Europe).
- " Battle before Kars. Turks under Mukhtar Pazha beaten by Russians under Melikoff.
- 11th.—Russians attempt to cross the River Danube (Europe) at Reni: repulsed with great Russian loss.
- 13th.—Battle at Batoum (Asia), resulting in complete rout of the Russians. Bashi-bazouks fought splendidly.
- " Russians concentrating near Guirgevo (Europe).
- 15th.—Turks, under Hassan Pasha, drove the Russians out of Sukum Kaleh (Asia).
- 17th.—Turks fortifying the passes of the Balkan Mountains (Europe).
- 19th. Ardahan (Asia) captured by Russians.
 - Another Battle at Sukum Kaleh (Asia); Turks defeated.
- 21st.—Outer lines of Kars (Asia) attacked by Russians, but bravely defended, and Russians finally repulsed.
- 25th.—Russians bombarded forts before Kars. The Turks replied vigorously.
- 28th.-Turks beaten at Muchaster, near Batoum (Asia).
- 29th.—Russians attacked Turkish position at Batoum (Asia), but repulsed with great slaughter.

JUNE-30 Days.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

	Quebec.	Montreal,	Toronto.
7 First Quarter.	2.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	10.37 a.m.
14 Full Moon		6.57 a.m.	4.34 a.m.
22 Last Quarter		2.21 a.m.	1.58 a.m.
29 New Moon.		7.36 p.m.	7.13 p.m.

DAYS.		LVENIS, NC.		N OF EEK.
s	1	Sir David Wilkie, died	S. Rise	S Set.
Su M Tu W Th F S	6	Robert Bruce, King of Scots, died 1329	4.13	7.43
F	10 11 12 13 14	Whit Sanday. Prince James, the Pretender, born. 1688 St. Barnabas' Day. Dr. Arnold, of Rugby, died. 1842 St. Anthony of Padua. 1231 Battle of Marengo. 1800 Wat Tyler, insurgent, slain. 1381	4.11	7.47
W Th	18 19 20	Trinity Sunday. Battle of Bunker Hill	4.11	7.51
Tu	27 28	First Sanday after Trinity. St. John the Baptist.—Midsummer Day. Foundation of the Order of the Garter 1348 Gilbert White, Selborne, died 1793 Louis XII. of France, the Just, born 1462 Charles Mathews. comedian, died 1835 St. Peter the Apostle.	4.12	7 52
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MEMORANDA.

JUNE.

- 6th.—Turks defeated on Southern frontier of Montenegro by the Montenegrins, who fought with great bravery.
- 8th,—Continuation of fighting between Turks and Montenegrins; the latter still successful.
- 12th.—After fifty-four hours fighting, the Montenegrins suffered a crushing defeat.
- 13th,-Montenegrins in full retreat.
- 17th.—Russian attack on Kars (Asia); lasted for three days. The Turks fought bravely and repulsed the Russians.
 - " Turks reported to have been beaten by the Montenegrins at Spuz.
- 22nd.—Russians preparing to cross the Danube (Europe) and invade Turkish territory.
- 23rd.—Eleven thousand Russians crossed the Danube (Europe) at Galatz and Ibrail, uninjured.
- 25th.-Russians crossing Danube at several points.
- 26th.—Crossing still continued at Sistova. The Russians occupied Hirsova, evacuated by the Turks.
- 29th.—Bombardment of Rutschuk (Europe). Heavy fighting at Tchamdjari (Asia). The Turks routed the Russians with a loss of 2,000 killed and 4,000 wounded.
- 30th.—Nikopolis (Europe) bombarded; Turks hold it under a tremendous fire. Terrible fighting at Sistova (Europe); Turks resisting bravely.

JULY-31 Days.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

Quebec.

Montreal.

Toronto.

JULY.	13	First Quarter	3.35 p.m. 6.09 p.m. 7.30 p.m. 4.55 a.m.	3.26 p.m. 6.00 p.m. 7.21 p.m. 4.46 a.m.	3.03 p.m. 5.37 p.m. 6.58 p.m. 4.23 a.m.		
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Su M Tu W Th F	15 16 17 18 19	Fourth Sunday of St. Swithin's D Beranger, lyrica Charles VII. of F Petrarch, died Battle of Halide John Sterling, p	AY. I poet, died. 'rance crown'd on Hill, near I	374 Berwick	4.28	7.44	
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JULY.

1st.—The Russians, defying the rights of humanity, and without any military necessity, completely destroyed the town of Rutschuk (Europe), sparing neither mosques, churches, hospitals, or public buildings. The Turks hold out in the wrecked town.

Turks holding their ground at Sistova (Europe) and inflicting

great loss on Russians.

2nd .- Russians occupied Tirnova after a nine hours' battle.

3rd.-The British fleet entered Besika Bay. 150 guns: 8,000 men.

5th.—On 1st July, the Garrison of Kars (Asia) made a sortie, routed the Russians, and re-opened communication with Mukhtar Pasha.

Battle at Beila (Europe); Russians defeated.

" Sulieman Pasha marching towards the Danube from Salonica.

7th.—Russian cavalry reached Plevna and Loftcha (Europe), the heads of two important Balkan passes.

Mukhtar Pasha advanced his army close to Kars (Asia).

8th.—Communication completed between Mukhtar Pasha and Kars (Asia.) The Russians have fallen back.

10th.-Garrison of Kars reinforced. Russians retreating on Kerukdara.

11th .- The siege of Kars (Asia) practically raised.

13th.—Mukhtar Pasha entered Kars (Asia). Russian headquarters 8 miles to North-East.

" Siege of Nicsics by Montenegrins-rumoured.

14th. - Nikopolis (Europe) taken by Russians.

16th.—Russians withdrawn from siege of Kars (Asia). Mukhtar Pasha entrenched 8 miles south of city; supplies flowing in.

"Russian column under General Gourko advancing to Shipka Pass in Balkan Mountains (Europe). Raouf Pasha at Gateway of the hills, on other side of the lesser Balkans. Terrible atrocities committed by Russians on Turkish fugitives.

17th.—The Tribes in Caucasus rise against the Russians (Asia).
Battle at Febditch (Europe). Turks drove Russians back into Balkans, with heavy loss. The fighting was hand to hand, and the flight of the Russians precipitate.

18th.—Raouf Pasha encamped at Selno, on the defensive, waiting the arrival of Sulieman Pasha.

19th.—Osman Pasha appointed Generalissimo of Turkish Army.

20th.—Battle at Plevna (Europe) between Osman Pasha and the Russians; the latter defeated.

24th.-Bombardment of Rutchuk re-commenced.

Russians at every point.

25th.—The outlying forts of Nicsies taken by Montenegrins (Europe) 30th.—Great battle at Plevna, lasting the whole day. The Turks under Osman Pasha were at first driven from their position, but before night they had regained and repulsed the

AUGUST-31 Days.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

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MEMORANDA.

AUGUST.

- 1st.—Total rout of the Russians before victorious army of Osman Pasha, with loss of 5,000 men.
- 6th.—Sulieman Pasha reached Kasanlik, South of the Shipka Pass.
- 7th.—Sulieman Pasha captured Kansanlik and drove General Gourko back into the Balkan Pass.
- "Russians concentrating in great force on Lom River, to West of Plevna.
- 8th.—Russians attacked Lavatz—garrison reinforced from Plevna, and Russians defeated.
- 9th.-Sulieman Pasha took possession of the Feriditch Pass.
- 18th.—The Russians attacked Mukhtar Pasha's army (Asia) along the whole line. The battle lasted from 7 a.m. to 5 p. m. The Russians retreated pursued by the Turks.
- 19th.—Montenegrins carried last outwork of Nicsies. Turks hastering to relieve the besieged.
- 21st.—Forty battalions, under Sulieman Pasha, attacked the Shipka Pass and were repulsed.
- 23rd.—The Turks assaulted Shipka Pass. Every onslaught repulsed, but the Turks determined to press on.
- 25th.-Russians defeated at Kizilhepe (Asia) by Mukhtar Pasha.
- 26th—Sulieman Pasha captured the two principal Russian works in the Shipka Pass.
- 27th.—Russian reinforcements sent to Shipka. Turkish attack still proceeding.
- 28th.—Sulieman Pasha captured nearly all the Russian positions after a battle lasting from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- 30th.—Battle along the line of the River Lom. Mehemet Ali Pasha commanded the Turks in person, attacking the Russians at three points. The fighting lasting nine hours. The Russians retreated in disorder, pursued by the Turks.
- 31st.-Osman Pasha strongly reinforced at Plevna.

During this month the Sultan made repeated complaints, of the terrible barbarities, perpetrated by the Russians, on Turkish fugitives.

SEPTEMBER-30 Days.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

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Su M Tu W Th FS	8 9 10 11 12 13 14	Twelfth Sunday after Trinity. Battle of Flodden	5.36	6.16
Su M Tu W Th F	17	Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity. St Cyprian. 258 Cardinal Bellarmin, died . 1621 Landing of George I. in England . 1714 The battle of Poitiers 1356 Owen Glendower, "Welch patriot," died,1415 St. Matthew's Day.	5.43	6.00
Su M Tu W Th F	22 23 24 25 26 27 28	Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity. Bishop Jewel, died 1571 Lord Hardinge, Governor of India, died. 1856 Richard Porson, Greek scholar, died 1808 Marquis Wellesley, died 1842 St. Vincent de Paul, died 1660 Masillon, French preacher, died 1742	5.52	5.49
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MEMORANDA.

SEPTEMBER.

- 2nd.—Osman Pasha defeated the Russians at Plichad, near Plevna.

 Carrying three redoubts by assault.
- 3rd.—Turks repulsed at Plevna along the whole line with great loss.
- 5th.—Tarks attacked by the Russians at Lovetz. The Turks retreated in great disorder and after great loss of men.
- 7th.-Defeat of the Russians on the Lom. The battle lasted nine hours.
- 8th.-Niesics surrendered to Montenegrins.
- 9th.—Russian force before Plevna, 80,000 infantry, 10,000 cavalry, 250 ganse. General attack on Plevna expected.
- 10th.—Plevna bombarded by Russians. Heavy cannonading all night and morning. The Turks poured out an awful fire from the redoubt of Grivica. Russians, under Scobeloff, attacked one of the redoubts but beaten back.
- 11th.-Central redoubt taken by the Russians, and the Grivica.
- 14th.—The Turks attacked Skoboloff six times, and recaptured the central redoubt taken on the 11th.
- 15th.—Osman Pasha attacked the Russians below Pleyna, and routed them.
- 16th.—Turks endeavored to recapture the Grivica redoubt, but were repulsed.
- 17th.—Capture of Fort Nicholas, the key of the Russian position in the Shipka Pass, by Sulieman Pasha. After holding it six hours obliged to retire.
- 20th.-Blockade and bombardment of Plevna continues.
- 21st. No fighting in Shipka Pass. All quiet.
- 22nd Mehemet Ali attacked the Russian position beyond the Banica Lom. The Russians maintained their position.

 Turks renewed bombardment of Shipka Pass.
- 23rd.—Plevna reinforced by 20 battalions of infantry, 2 batteries of artillery, 2,000 cavalry, food and ammunition.
- 27th.-Montenegrins successful at Gorouska.
- 28th.—Snow began to fall in the Shipka Pass and foot of the Balkans.
- 20th. -Salieman Pasha fortifying his camp in the Shipka Pass intending to winter in it. Heavy rains and cold weather.

OCTOBER-31 Days.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

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MEMORANDA.

OCTOBER.

- 2nd.—Mukhtar Pasha (Asia) attacked by eight Russian battalions at Nechgoran, near Kars. Russians repulsed after five hours' fighting.
- 2rd.—Reouf Pasha appointed commander of the army of the Balkans at Shipka; and Sulieman Pasha commander of the army of the Danube, vice Mehemet Ali, recalled.
- "General attack on Mukhtar Pasha's whole line (Asia), Russians repulsed with heavy loss.
- 4th.—Sulieman Pasha, and Reouf Pasha, assumed their new comcommands.
- 7th.—Russian forces abandoned their positions parallel with the Turkish lines. Mukhtar Pasha claims a fresh victory.
- " Sulieman Pasha took command of the army of the Lom.
- 10th.—Mukhtar Pasha evacuated Kiziltepe, chiefly on account of his loss of men on the 2nd and 3rd.
- 11th.—Battle at Aladja Dagh (Asia), lasting from mid-day until six. Losses heavy on both sides.
 - "Terrible mortality in Russo-Roumanian army from cold, &c.; 14,000 in twenty days.
- 18th.—Military operations at Shipka suspended on account of the weather.
- 15th.—Russians gained a great victory over Mukhtar Pasha in his position at Aladja Dagh. After two hours' terrible fighting the Turks fled in the direction of Kars.
- 17th.-The defeat of the Turks confirmed. The army of Mukhtar seriously disorganized.
 - " Bombardment of Plevna re-commenced.
- .oth.—The Russian force at Ardahan, kept in check by Mukhtar's cosition, free to act against Kars.
- 19th.-Russians moved on Kars.
 - " Large reinforcements left Erzeroum last night for Mukhtar Pasha,

NOVEMBER-30 Days.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

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MEMORANDA.

TURKEY IN EUROPE.

MOLDAVIA AND WALLACHIA

Form a kinguous practically independent of Turkey, and ruled over by a native Hospodar. In the sixteenth century, both these principalities placed themselves under the protection of Turkey, but in 1802 they gained their independence through the interference of Russia. Russian influence is very strong in these principalities, the army being chiefly officered by Russians, and the state religion, being in connection with the Greek Church. The Sultan retains the privilege of appointing the Hospodar but the appointment is a mere form, as it is glways made, through Russian influence. In fact, these Danubian principalities, should not form part of the map of Turkey at all. They should be colored as independent states; or if the map maker wished to link their fortunes to a greater power, he should write across them in large letters."

SEPVIA.

Much the same might be said of Servia, nominally a rrownee of Turkey, but really an independent state. In 1459 the Serve were thoroughly subjugated by the Turks, but in 1801 and 1815 they revolted, and finally, by the aid of Russia, they became independent, under the rule of a hereditary prince. The Sultan receives an annual tribute from the Servians, and his troops hold fortified positions within Servian territory, but in all other matters Servia is free from Turkish control. It is governed by a national partial ent modelled after that of Austria, and the Greek Church is the established religion. Servia, then, should be marked on the may as independent; and if the map maker wished to print across it the name of its patron, he might write in broad characters once again. "Russia."

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MEMORANDA.

BOSNIA

Since 1522, has been under Turkish rule, but Austrian and Russian intrigue, coupled with a deadly hatred of the Turk, has made the Bosnians the most unruly of subjects. Again and again they have risen in rebellion, and up to the last outbreak, they have been kept in control, solely by threats, or force of arms. Bosnia, therefore, cannot be called a stronghold of Turkish power, neither can it be called independent; but the map maker might color it as "dangerous," and write across it as characteristic of outside influence, "Austria and Russia."

HERZEGOVINA

Has been annexed to Turkey since 1697, but no government could possess deadher enemies as resident under its flag. The Herzegovinians are brave and warlike, and from creed, race and history, are the natural opponents of Turkish rule.

MONTENEGRO.

Though recognizing the sovereignty of Turkey, is really a free state, ruled by its own Hospodar. Attracted by ties of race and religion to Russia, the principality is more Russian than some parts of the Czar's dominions. The habits and customs of the people are Russian, the houses are built after the common Russian model, and the Czar is reverenced with a feeling that almost amounts to religious worship.

BULGARIA.

The same may be said of Bulgaria. In the large fortified towns where Turkish soldiers and officials are plenty. Turkish rule appears, and really is powerful; but in the wide-spreading country regions inhabited by the native Bulgarian, hatred of Turkey and love of Russia are the two great national characteristics.

ALBANIA AND ROUMELIA

Are the two richest principalities of Turkey, and in both of them the Sultan rules over a loyal people. The Albanians are mainly Mohammedans in creed, and like most converts are devoted to their religion, and consequently form the best soldiers of the Turkish army.

THE TURK.

From the fall of the Dyzantine Empire, in 1453, to the death of Solyman the Great, in 1566, Constantinople was the capital of a resistless Asiatic nation. During these years the foreign Turk had conquered his brother tribes in the east, had laid siege to Vienna, the capital of Austria, had swept through Germany, had captured the richest portions of Europe, whilst his triumphant fleets on the Mediterranean, ravaged and desolated the coasts of Italy, Spain and Africa.

All the great nations of the world, east, west and south of Constantinople, trembled at the very name of the Turk, who seemed blessed with imperishable gifts of military success, and whose fame in war could only be exceeded by widespread tales of his terrible ferocity. From the year 1566, the power of Turkey began to decline in Europe, the great Christian nations of the earth having banded together, first to keep it in check, and then to weaken it. Defeat followed defeat, and repeated defeats brought loss of territory and power, until at the close of the Crimean war, in 1856, Turkey in Europe consisted of the practically independent principalities of Moldavia and Wallachia, Servia and Montenegro, the undoubtedly disloyal Bosnia and Bulgaria, and the rich principalities of Albania and Rumelia. Comparing it, in 1853, with its tremendous power in 1556, the Emperor Nicholas of Russia. went not far astray, when he styled Turkey "the sick man of Europe."

Now, who was this Turk that so changed the map of Christian Europe, and the fate of Christian nations?

Mr. McGahan in his charming work "Campaigning on the Oxus," gives his readers a portrait of a Khirgis, or Turk Cossack of the

Steppes, and a single glance at that portrait, gives us all the information we require, as to the origin of the Turk. This Khirgis, is a somewhat brawny Chinaman, dressed up in furs. The same sleepy eyes, the same long lank hair, the same high cheek bones, the same standing out cars. The Turk belongs to that great Mongolian family which comprises the Chinese, Tartars of all kinds, Siamese, Japanese, Esquimaux, Lapps and Finns, that great wandering family of the human race, which founded the Median Empire two thousand four hundred years before Christ, and the Chinese Empire possibly three thousand five hundred.

Turkish tradition begins in a business-like way, with an old patriarch called Turk, who is said to have pitched the first tent on the grassy slopes of the Altai mountains, north of China, and who was the father of the race, just as Abraham was the father of the Faithful. From the loins of old Turk, went forth a family: which branched out into various tribes, the most prominent, being the Oghuze's, ruling over the country lying between the river Oxus and the western bounds of China. In due time the Oghuzes were conquered by another branch of the family called the Seljuks, the founders of a second Tartar Turkish Empire, extending from China into Asia Minor. Towards the end of the thirteenth century, however, the power of the Seljuks began to decline, and in 1307, the Seljukian dominions were conquered by Ghensis Khan, the chief of another Mongol horde, who established, perhaps, the largest empire of the world, stretching from the sea-board of China on the Pacific Ocean, to the frontiers of Germany. On the fall of the Seljukian monarchy the kingdom was divided into nine States. governed by princes of the Seljuks, as representatives of Ghensis Khan their conqueror.

On the partition of the Seljuk Empire, a tribe belonging to the old Oghuze branch of the family, numbering some 50,000 men, struck their tents, and after varied migrations entered Armenia,

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and placed themselves under the protection of the Seljuk Sultan of Koniah, the modern name of Iconium, the capital of Lycaonia. The Sultan of Koniah gave them a large tract of territory farther west, on the condition that they should aid in defending his borders against/the Byzantine Greeks, and before long, these eastern Turks conquered Galatia and Bythinia, and thus brought the Turkish borders close to the Dardannelles and Bospherus.

This Turkish tribe was called the Turk Osmanlis, and it was this tribe that in after years captured Constantinople, and crushed out the Byzantine Empire, it was this tribe that annihilated the armies of France and Hungary on the plains of Nikipoli, that swept over Germany and Italy, that flaunted the Crescent before the rates of Vienna, and that, to-day, rules in Europe over the Ottoman Empire. Oghuze and Seljuk have passed away and Osmanlis rule in their stead.

"Turkey is a sick man"-says a certain class of political philantropists in England, "he is down on his bed-choke him." But altho' Turkey is a sick man, it is by no means a foolish sick man. and this choking process is much more easily recommended than accomplished. Turkey knows that it is weak and requires strong medicine, and during the last twenty years, it has partaken largely of steel drops and iron tonics. Since the Crimean war it has stepped out of its conservative shell, trained its army and navy, according to western usages, and availed itself largely of European military science. It is admitted that in this war, the Turks are far better armed than the Russians, and a late writer states that the Tophana at Constantinople, filled with Krupp, Armstrong, and Fra zer caunon, with Martini-Henry rifles, and enormous stores of shot and shell, gives practical evidence, that for years back, Turkey has been carefully preparing for defence in all matters of armament and munitions. Added to these military precautions, Turkey has had the sense to see, that it was never defeated for lack of brave soldiers, but through the cowardice or ignorance of its generals, and with a wisdom worthy of admiration, it has placed its fleet under the command of Hobart Pasha, an able Englishman; and has given many posts of honor and importance to others of the same nation.

But the sick man, like other sick men who possess a life annuity, which aids in supporting others, knows well that there are a great many people, who do not want him to die, and who will do their very best to support and maintain his life. About the year 1702, when strategy, rather than warfare, became characteristic of European nations, and when diplomacy began to establish that European system which developed what is called "the balance of power." Turkey became an important element in preserving that balance, and has remained an important element ever since' Suppose the sick man dies, or is choked out of the world by the iron grip of the Czar, who will get his farm? Russia? No. Austria and England would never allow that. Well, perhaps Austria and England might get it. No. Russia and Germany will never allowed that. Well, why not do the next best thing to please Russia-divide it up amongst the boys, young Bosnia, and Servia, and Bulgaria, young Albania and Rumelia, and the baby Montenegro? Why not make them wards of European Chancery. and place a receiver over the property till they come of age? All right, in theory-but, who will be the receiver? Russia? No. England and others will never allow that. Well, England and Germany, or England and Austria? No, Russia and others will not allow that. Well, why would not these five great nations divide the farm, and each of them take a portion, and thus preserve the peace of Europe? Because at least two of the European nations, would want the South East corner of the lot, with the farm-house and barns on it, and two cannot have it. Russia has already stated officially, through the Emperor Nicholas, that if

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England thinks of establishing herself at Constantinople, Russia will not allow it, and England has proved charly, in the Crimean War, that she will spend her last pound, and fight her last man and let him die in the last ditch, before she will allow Russia to have it. Twenty-three years ago, Lord John Russell stated, "that the peace of Turkey meant the peace of Europe, and that the independance of Turkey, meant the independance of Germany, and of all European nations," and no one believes that political statement more thoroughly than the sick man himself. "I will face and fight Russia," argues the Turk "for my own interests," but, if Russia crosses the Balkans and camps outside of Constantinople, then, England "will face and fight, her for her own interests."

Russia in Constantinople argues the Turk, means Russia in Asia Minor, and Russia in Asia Minor, means Russia owner of the Euphratean Valley, and Russia in the Euphratean Valley, means Russia on the direct road to British India, and "England will never allow that" argues the Turk. How far he is right in this statement, time alone will prove; but it is probable, that he like others, can tell how the wind blows through watching straws, and that the presence in Besika Bay of an English fleet of twenty-four vessels, with one hundred and fifty guns, and manned by seven thousand British sailors, is undoubtedly one of those peculiar straws, that move for Turkey, from a propitious quarter.

DOCTOR JAMES.



THE "GAZETTE"

GALLERY OF GREATNESS

VICTORIA I., Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britian and Ireland, Empress of India.—Daughter of Edward, Duke of Kent, fourth son of George III., was born 24th May, 1819. Ascended the throne at death of her uncle, William IV., on 20th June, 1837. Was married to Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha on 10th February, 1840. Widowed on 14th December, 1861. Her Majesty's children are—

Princess Royal Victoria, Crown Princess of Prussia, born 21st November, 1840.

Albert-Edward, Prince of Wales, born 9th November, 1841.

Princess Alice, born 25th April, 1843.

Prince Alfred, born 6th August, 1844.

Princess Helena, born 25th May, 1846.

Princess Lousia, born 18 March, 1848.

Prince Arthur, Duke of Connaught, born 1st May, 1850.

Prince Leopold, born 7th April, 1853.

Princess Beatrice, born 14th April, 1857.

Queen Victoria has proved an able Queen, a spotless woman, a true wife and mother, and a noble example to every subject under her rule.

Benjamin Disraeli, Earl of Beaconsfield. - Born in London, 1805. The son of Isaac Disraeli, a well-known English author of Hebrew descent. Commenced life as apprentice to a solicitor, but changed the pen legal for the pen literary, and gained an early and widespread reputation as a novel writer. Made three unsuccessful attemps to enter Parliament, but was finally elected in 1837 as one of the Conservative members for Maidstone. In 1852 appointed Chancellor of the Exchequer under the Derby Ministry, and on its resignation appeared as leader of the Conservative Opposition. In 1858 he resumed the office of Chancellor under the second Derby Administration, and, on its defeat, worked as Conservative leader for seven years in Opposition. In July, 1860, he again took office under Lord Derby as Chancellor of the Exchequer, succeeded Lord Derby as Premier in 1868, but resigned in the December of that year. For the six following years he led the Opposition against the Gladstone Government, and returned to office as Prime Minister in 1874. During the summer of 1876 Her Majesty raised him to the Peerage, as the Earl of Beaconsfield, a title which he had refused in 1868. Mr. D'sraeli is an evidence of the fact, that without a university education, a man may rise from a lowly position to the highest office in the State. He is also an evidence of that versatility of genius, which during this century, has developed itself amongst Englishmen.

The Right Honorable William Ewart Gladstone.—Son of a successful West India merchant, was born December 29, 1809, educated at Eton, and Oxford University. Entered Parliament in 1832 as ultra-Conservative, and neld the offices of the Under Secretary of the State

for the Colonies, Vice-President and President of the Board of Trade, and Colonial Secretary under the Peel Government. In 1852 he became Chancellor of the Exchequer in the Coalition Government of Lord Aberdeen, and from that date to the present, both in Opposition and as leader of the House of Commons, has been the advocate of Liberal, if not Radical principles. Since the resignation of the Gladstone Ministry in 1874. Mr. Gladstone has retired from the routine of public life, but his pen and voice have been busy in the sensational departments of religion and politics. As a public speaker, Mr. Gladstone has few equals, and in his marvellous change of political sentiment he stands almost alone. He is the author of Homer and the Homeric Age, Juventus Mundi, and The State in its Relations with the Church. The latter work when read in the light of the act disestablishing the Irish Church, passed in the year 1869, gives a fair idea of the characteristic inconsistency of this remarkable politician.

EARL OF DERBY.—Born July 21, 1826. Educated at Rugby and Cambridge. Entered Parliament in December, 1848. Acted with Conservative ministries at different periods as Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Secretary of the Colonies, President of the India Board, and Secretary of the State for Foreign Affairs. Entered House of Lords on death of his father in April, 1869. Lord Derby is a sound, sensible speaker, and a careful, painstaking politician, and has no doubt a distinguished career before him.

John Bright.—Born at Greenbank, Lancashire, 16th November, 1811. Elected member for Durham, July 1843, for Manchester in 1847, and for Birmingham in 1857. Mr. Bright commenced life as a Radical of the extreme school, but time and experience have tended to mould him into a useful politician. He accepted office as President of the Board of Trade under the Gladstone Ministry in 1858, and proved himself one of the most conservative elements in that radical assembly of rulers. Mr. Bright is the best representative of plain Saxon eloquence, that has ever spoken in the House of Commons.

ABDUL Hamid II., Sultan of Turkey.—Nephew of the late Sultan Abdul Aziz, and brother of Murad V., who was deposed on plea of insanity after a short reign of three months. Abdul Hamid was born September 22, 1842, and until the year 1867 lived that life of isolation so common to the members of the Royal family of Turkey. In 1867, however, he visited England with his uncle, where he imbibed a taste for Western habits and customs, which he has since cultivated in his own country. He is a favorite with the ulemas, or Musselman clergy, and has the reputation of being a faithful husband, and father, after the manner and customs of English life.

WILLIAM I., Emperor of Germany.—Born 27th March, 1797, elected Regent of Prussia October, 1858, and ascended the throne 2nd January, 1861. The Royal career of William has been dedicated to the three following objects:—1st. The supremacy of the Crown. 2nd. The humiliation of Austria. 3rd. The confederation of Germany. When William came to the throne he proceeded at once, in face of every possible opposition, to raise the army of Prussia to an equality with the great powers of Europe, and to accomplish this, he dissolved chamber after chamber, and ruled the country with a rod of iron. The dispute, however, about Denmark, and the bloody

war between Prussia and Austria, so aroused German feeling in favor of the King's policy, that he became suddenly the most popular monarch that ever sat on the throne of Prussia; and after the brilliant victories of Gravelotte, and Sedan, he was proclaimed Emperor of Germany by the unanimous voice of the German nation. Thus, through the force of his unconquerable will, and within ten years, he asserted the absolute power of the throne, humiliated Austria, and welded in one great Protestant empire, the scattered states of Germany. In all these objects he was aided materially by Prince Von Bismark, the present Chancellor of the German Empire. The Emperor of Germany has a Soldierlike appearance, and is, physically and literally, "every inch a king."

PRINCE VON BISMARK SHOENHAUSEN. — Born 1813. Educated at Gottingen, Berlin and Greifswald. Studied for the legal profession. He entered the German Diet in 1847, a deadly foe of Austria and an extreme Royalist. His views naturally brought him under notice of the King, and before long he became the right hand and adviser of Royalty. His political career has been chiefly marked by a dogged determination to carry out the will of the King, by perfect contempt for public opinion, and by a far-sightedness, which only requires time to bring down on him showers of applause. He is a German in heart and soul, and appeared at just the right moment to gain popularity; but it is a great question, whether his chief traits of character, if put into action by other men, at other times, might not blast rather than build a reputation.

Pius IX., Pope of Rome.—Born 13th May, 1792. Elected to the Papal Chair, 1846. Pope Pius commenced his

career with a sincere desire to bring the people and the Papal Government into happy relations, but his unusually Liberal views, instead of being met in a conciliatory spirit by the extreme Liberals of italy, only made them demand concessions of the most radical nature. The refusal of Pope Pius to carry out the wishes of the people, led to an insurrection; a republic was proclaimed at Rome in 1848, and the pope fled to Gaeta, a sea-port city on the Roman frontier. In 1849 the French Government entered into the Reman complications on the part of the Pope, and after besieging Rome, dissolved the Republic, reestablished the Papal Government, and left a French army in occupation of the city. The withdrawal of the French troops and the war for the consolidation of Italy, however, reduced Pope Pius to the position of a ecclesiastical sovereign; and since Rome has been declared the capital of the Kingdom of Italy, he has remained within the bounds of the Vatican, a voluntary prisoner. During his pontificate he promulgated one important article of Roman faith—the doctrine of the immaculate conception of the Virgin Mary (1854); and he presided at the Council of Bishops in 1869, which proclaimed to the Roman Church, that the Pope is infallible, when, on a subject of faith or morals, he issues a decree ex-cathedra to the Faithful.

Victor-Emmanuel II., King of Italy.—Son of the renowned Charles-Albert; born 14th March, 1820. When Victor came to the throne of Sardinia, by abdication of his father, he determined to assert his independence of the Papacy and (through the unification of Italy) to restrain the power of Austria. Wisely aided by Count Cavour, and lifted high in public estimation by his chivalrous

Crimean campaign, he entered into alliance with France against Austria, and, after a series of brilliant victories, asserted the independance of the Sardinian kingdom. At the close of this war, Tuscany, Modena, Parma and the Romagna, voluntarily annexed themselves to Sardinia; and after accepting the sovereignty of the Two Sicilies, Victor was proclaimed King of Italy in 1861. In 1866 he entered into alliance with Prussia and invaded Venetia, and in 1870, made Rome the capital of his kingdom and the seat of his court. All through his struggles for Italian independance he has been nobly aided by Gen. Garabaldi, although it can hardly be said, that he treated that renowned patriot with the generous gratitude that he richly deserved.

Huxley commenced life as a medical man, but giving play to his tastes for natural history, he worked on as a naturalist until he obtained some of the highest honors that science and education could bestow man him. He is a voluminous writer, and has done much to popularize those branches of science which he has made a life-long study. Mr. Huxley is a Radical in religion, and has used his scientific reputation, to injure the cause of Conservative Christianity. He belongs to that school of thought, which dares to deny everything, and provides nothing—the Locust school, which eats up all, and leaves a barren waste behind.

Darwin, Charles.—A well-known naturalist; born in England in 1809. Mr. Darwin, after publishing many works of undoubted power, startled the reading world in 1809, by the publication of his work, *The Origin of Species*

by means of Natural Selection. In this, Mr. Darwin contends that every existing species of life grew out of some less perfect species existing before it; and in after works he claims that this natural law of development, working in the Simiador, or Ape family, resulted in the creation of Man. So bold a theory gave rise to a great deal of scientific and religious controversy, and not a few leading scientific minds embraced the theory. Mr. Darwin is an exquisite writer, and when his views come in opposition with long-revered opinions, he ever writes in a reverential form. His theory, however, when brought to the test of geology, appears so unfounded, that it seems strange that so great a mind, should ever have broached it.

DROLL EPITAPHS.

SOME OF THE QUAINT CHURCHYARD LITERATURE OF OUR FOREFATHERS.

Our worthy forefathers were possessed of a peculiar kind of grim humor blended with simplicity, if we may judge from the sepulchral eddities which are to be found scattered over England in old churchyards. Many of the epitaphs in the country churchyards of England have reference to the professions of the departed, and they are often expressed in exceedingly droll terms. For example: the following commemorates the sturdy fellow who kept the turnpike at Worcester, and demanded toll of George III. when His Majesty was going on a visit to Bishop Hurd:

On Wednesday last old Robert Sleath, Passed through the turnpike gate of Death. To him would Death no toll abate, Who stopped the King at Wor'ster gate.

This is on an innkeeper at Barnwell, near Cambridge:

Man's life is like a winter's day:
Some only breakfast and away;
Others to dinner stay and are full fed;
The oldest man but sups and goes to bed.
Long is his life who fingers out the day;
Who goes the soonest has the least to pay,
Death is a waiter; some few run on tick.
And some, alas! must pay the bill to Nick!
Though I owed much, I hope long trust is given,
And truly mean to pay all debts in heaven.

This is on an undertaker:

Here lieth Robin Masters—faith, 'twas hard To take away our honest Robin's breath; Yet surely Robin was full well prepared— Robin was always looking out for death.

In Walton churchyard, near Liverpool, is the following, on George Miles, blacksmith, who died in 1719:

> My sledge and hammer lye reclined, My bellows also lost their wind, My fire 's extinct, my forge decayed, My vice i' the dust my friends have laid, My coals are spent, my iron 's gone, My nails are drove, my work is done.

And this is on a collier:

Here lies the collier, John of Nashes,
By whom death nothing gained, he swore:
For, living, he was dust and ashes,
And being dead, he is no more.

In Stepney churchyard, London, is the following quaint epitaph on Captain John Dunch, who died in 1697;

Though Boreas' blasts and Neptune's waves
Have tossed me to and fro,
In spite of both, by God's decree,
I anchor here below,
Where I do now at anchor ride
With many of our fleet;
Yet once again I must set sail,
Our Admiral, Christ, to meet.

This is on a noted juggler:

Death came to see thy tricks, and cut in twain Thy thread—why did'st not make it whole again?.

This on Little Stephen, a famous Suffolk fiddler:

Stephen and Time are now both even; Stephen beat time; now Time's beat Stephen.

On a notorious miser:

Here lyeth Father Sparges, Who died to save charges.

On a lawyer named Strange:

Here lies an honest lawyer-that's Strange.

And this is on an old woman who kept a pottery shop at Chester:

Peneath this stone lies old Katherine Gray, Changed from a busy life to lifeless clay; By earth and clay she got her pelf, But now is turned to earth herself. Ye weeping friends, let me advise, Abate your grief and dry your eyes; For what avails a flood of tears?

Who knows but in a run of years, In some tall pitcher of broad pan, She in her shop may be again?

In the village churchyard in Norfolk is this laconic record:

Here lies James Bunn, Shot by a gun.

Perhaps the most curious laconic epitaph is that in the New Church, Amsterdam;

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Flemish words, meaning exactly. These words are inscribed on an ancient monument of whitish marble, on which there is also sculptured a pair of slippers. The story runs that a gentleman who was tolerably wealthy. and loved above all things good living, conceived the notion that he would only live a certain number of years. and desirous to leave none of his wealth unenjoyed, he made a nice calculation of his fortune, which he so apportioned every year he was to live (according to his own notion) as to last exactly the same time with his life. Curiously enough, it so happened that his calculations did not deceive him, for he died exactly at the time he had previously reckoned, and had then so far exhausted his estate that, after paying his debts, there was nothing left but a pair of slippers. His relatives buried him, and caused the slippers to be carved on his tomb, with the laconic epitaph, exactly.

Here lies the man Richard,
And Mary his wife;
Their'surnames was Pritchard,
They lived without strife;
And the reason was plain—
They abounded in riches,
They no care had nor pain,
And the wife wore the breeches,

This is on a Mr. Bywater:

Here lie the remains of his relative's pride, Bywater he lived, and by water he died; Though by water he fell, yet by water he'll rise, By water baptismal attaining the skies.

On a marine officer:

Here lies, retired from busy scenes, A first lieutenant of marines, Who lately lived in peace and plenty On bord the ship the Atalanta; Now stripped of all his warlike show, And laid in box of elm below, Confined to earth in narrow borders, He rises not till further orders.

In the churchyard of Linton is the following inscription, designed, no doubt, "to teach the rustic moralist to die":

Remember, man, that passeth by, As thou is now, so once was I; And as I is so must thou be; Prepare thyself to follow me.

Underneath some irreverent wag wrote:

To follow you is not my intent, Unless I know which way you went.

THE RAIN-FALL.

There is much misapprehension among many as to the determination of the rain-fall; in order for the better understanding of the subject the following may be useful:—

By an inch of rain is meant such a fall of water as would cover the ground to that depth, supposing that it all remained on the surface, none percolating, running off or evaporating. The rain falling in the rain gauge, say either 5 or 9 inches in diameter, is obviously equal to that falling on any equal area of the surrounding ground. Now, suppose that one inch of rain were to fall on a field whose area was equal to ten acres, and it all remained on the surface, none percolating, running off or evaporating, it would if drained off or collected, amount to 1,010 tons, or 226,230 gallons. Again, taking the mean annual rain-fall on the Island of Montreal to be equal to the mean annual rain fall at Toronto, viz., 31.5 inches, we should get during the year on a field of ten acres, 31.815 tons or 7.126,245 gallons; now, how such a quantity of water flows off the ground ought to be of the utmost importance to engineers, more particularly those interested in the water supply of a city like Montreal.

The facts developed by the rain gauge have the most multiplied and remarkable practical as well as theoretical relations. They concern physical geology, agriculture, climate and public health, and are the most indispensable data to the hydraulic engineer engaged in the water supply of cities, or in great works of drainage or of irrigation. It is a branch of observation that ought to be pursued at very many points; and it is only by the collection of immense masses of such observations, that the average or general rain fall for any large district can be obtained, or the limits known, above or below which the oscillation of this average may reach in a series of years. What is wanted is a staff of observers connected with our different Railways, Boards of public works, water works, harbour commissioners, Boards of health, agricultural associations, et oetera.

One fact is established, that a tenth of an inch of rain yields 10 tons, or 2,262 gallons of water per acre, and there is another fact which ought to be recorded, that there are probably not ten rain

gauges in practical use in the Province of Quebec, from Gaspe to Ottawa, although there is published testimony in abundance as to the great utility of rain-fall investigations.

Every intelligent person must be aware that the rainfall is an essential particular in the climate of a continent, of a kingdom, of a province, or of a district of a country; and until its seasonal and mean amount is known for any region, the meteorology or the science of the weather is necessarily defective and incomplete. Ignorance of what affects so powerfully the health and comfort of populations, the fertility of the soil, the purity and temperature of the atmosphere, the prosecution of the many acts of life, the operations of engineering, more particularly the construction of new railways, can be remedied and removed only by eareful and prolonged observations made simultaneously at many points. Results thus separately obtained must be combined and elaborated into system before they can yield that harvest of benefit to mankind which a sound weather wisdom is so well calculated to afford. We commend these few remarks to the Minister of Agriculture. the Minister of Education, and the Minister of Public Works of the Province of Quebec.

The rain fall of the Province of Quebec has not engaged the attention of the Local Government, it has not thought anything about the importance of the subject. The expense of acquiring the necessary knowledge need not be very great. If every Curé or Minister of a Parish, or even one in every county, were supplied with rain gauges, and would undertake the rain-registration, it would be a public boon. The flooding of large tracts of land by excessive rains might in many instances be arrested if the rain fall of the district were studied, and the outlets for the superabundant water made adequate for its removal. We all know how malarious diseases follow in the wake of rain floods, and how frequently they leave an indelible stamp upon the physique of their victims.

The Church has considered the subject of rain, and has recommended a prayer to be offered up in time of drought for "moderate rain and showers," seemingly afraid lest her prayers be answered by a "plague of rain and water."

RAILWAY ENTERPRISE.

The Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway.

Among the many improvements which our Public Works have added to the trade facilities of this Province. of late years, few have a more important bearing upon the Province of Quebec than the Montreal, Ottawa & Occidental Railway. The road commences at Hochelaga Station, and, passing westward, a station at Mile-End affords facilities to Montreal passengers. Going on, it passes St. Laurent, and crosses the river over a magnificent iron bridge of the Clark Reeves patent-one of which also spans the river, further on, at Ste. Rose. The next station reached is Ste. Therese, a thriving town, through which the road runs for a mile or two-a branch here intersecting it, the Laurentian Railway, which connects St. Jérome with the main line. Having passed on, touching at St. Augustin, Ste. Scholastique, and St. Hermas, we arrive at Lachute, a very prettily situated town, with a perfect garden surrounding it. Thence the road passes on to Rivière Rouge, where a substantial bridge spans a pretty stream, whose waters dash on, and having cut through high, wooded banks, form a kenyon, almost hiding the river from view by the heavy woods and shrubbery on its high banks. Leaving the delights of this place, Pointe du Chêne, Papineauville, North Nation Mills, Thurso, and Buckingham are approached,—and after touching East Templeton, Gatineau Point, and other stations, Hull is reached, whence Ottawa passengers The road continues to Belmont, and its disembark terminus is at Aylmer.

Few roads on this continent are better constructed than is this road, which, contracted for and built by Mr. D. MacDonald, the well-known contractor, and under the inspection of Mr. Peterson, Government Engineer, has been furnished in a manner creditable to the Province.

One has in a trip over this road all the elements the traveller loves. In the vicinity of Ste. Rose, the scenery is of that quiet, subdued type which the water stretches and meadow land combine, with light shrubbery, in weaving into a landscape that defies description. And turther on, the road, at Lachute and westward, passes through a more grand type of Nature's handiwork. Altogether, the road is certain to prove a great accommodation to the travelling public, while no one will question the fact that the trade of the country must be greatly accelerated by the opening up of the territory through which the road runs.

The road has been running for some time under the management of Mr. Duncan MacDonald, and much satisfaction is expressed by those who have had occasion to travel over it, the short distance which it places between Montreal and the Capital, being subject for general congratulation.

For the information of those whose pleasure or business renders a journey over this road desirous, we submit the following table, showing the time fixed for the departure of the regular trains from Hochelaga:

	Mixed.	Express.
For Hull and intermediate points	7.00 a.m.	4.00 p.m.
For St. Jerome	4.30 p.m.	
Returning-		
Leave Hull	6. 45 a.m.	3.30 p.m.
Leave St. Jerome	8.00 a.m.	

With thoughtfulness characteristic of the management arrangements have been made at Ottawa to convey passengers to and from Hull Depot for 25c., and business centres of Ottawa are thus within ten or fifteen minutes' drive.



Province of Quebec.

DEPARTMENT OF CROWN LANDS.

New Organization of the Agencies.

LIST OF CROWN LANDS AND TIMBER AGENCIES, WITH THEIR DESIGNATIONS, THE NAMES AND RESI-DENCES OF THE AGENTS, AND THE QUANTITY OF LAND DISPOSABLE IN EACH AGENCY ON THE 1ST OF JANUARY.

No. I.—THE COULONGE AGENCY comprises all the townships and unsurveyed lands in the county of Pontiac. E. Heath, Esq., Clarendon, Agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 498,565.

No. 2.—THE GATINEAU AGENCY comprises all that part of the county of Ottawa situated to the west of the Rivière du Lièvre, except the part of the township of Buckingham on the same side of said river. Robert Farley, Esq., Hull, agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 505,994.

No. 2.—THE PETITE NATION AGENCY comprises the township of Buckingham, all the townships and unsurveyed lands in that part of the county of Ottawa situated to the east of the Rivière du Lièvre and the county of Argenteuil. J. A. Cameron, Esq., Jr., Thurso, agent for part. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 288,872.—C. E. Belle, Esq., Montreal, agent for part. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 47,500.—A. D. Filion, Esq., Grenville, agent for part. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 167,149.

No. 4.—THE MAGOG AGENCY comprises all the townships of the counties of Huntington, Missisquoi, Brome, Stanstead and Shefford: the townships of Brompton and Melbourne, in the county of Richmond; Durham, Wickham, Upton and Grantham, in the county of Drummond; Acton and the augmentation of Unton, in the county of Bagot; and Oxford, in the county of Sherbrooke. O. B. Kemp, Esq., Waterloo, agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 10,005.

No. 5.—THE ST. FRANCIS AGENCY comprises all the townships in the county of Compton: the township of Ascot, in the county of Sherbrooke: the townships of Stokes, Windsor, Shipton and Cleveland, in the county of Richmond: Dudswell and Weedon, in the county of Wolfe: and Spalding, Ditchfield and Woburn, in the county of Dorchester. Chas. Patton, Esq., Robinson, acting agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 302,599.

No. 6.—THE ARTHABASKA AGENCY comprises all the townships in the county of Arthabaska: the townships of Wolfestown, North Ham, South Ham, Wotton, St. Camille, Garthby and Stratford, in the county of Wolfe: Halifax, Somerset, Leeds, Inverness, Ireland and Nelson, in the county of Megantic: Kingsey, Simpson and Wendover, in the county of Drummond: and Aston and the parts of Wendover, Maddington, and Blandford, in the county of Nicotet. A. Gasnon, Esq., Arthabaska, agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 212,009.

No 7.—THE CHAUDIERE AGENCY comprises all the townships in the counties of Beauce and Dorchester, except Spalding, Ditchfield and Woburn; the townships of Coleraine, Thelford and Broughton, in the county of Megantic, and that part of the township of Buckland in the county of Bellechasse. P. A. Proulx, Esq., P.L.S., St. Francoix, Beauce, a gent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 514,218. A reserve of 320,000 acres in the Chaudière. Rimouski and Benaventure Agencies has been made in favour of the Société Générale Forestière de France.

No. 8.—THE MONTMAGNY AGENCY comprises all the townships and unsurveyed lands in the counties of Montmagny, L'Islet and Bellechasse, except that part of the township of Buckland in the county of Bellechasse. Eng. Renaud, Esq., Montmagny, agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 590,731.

No. 9.—THE GRANDVILLE AGENCY comprises all the townships and unsurveyed lands in the counties of Kamouraska and Temiscouata. C. T. Dubé, Esq., Rivière du Loup (en bas) agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 638,582.

No. 10.—THE RIMOUSKI AGENCY comprises all the townships and unsurveyed lands in the county of Rimouski. J. B. Lepage, Esq., Rimouski, agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 564,815. A reserve of 320,000 acres in the Chaudière, Rimouski and Bonaventure agencies has been made in favor of the Société Générale Forestière de France. No. 11.—THE GASPE AGENCY comprises all the townships and unsurveyed lands in the county of Gaspé. H. W. Abnett, Jaspé Basin, agent for part. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 16,808.—Louis Roy, Esq., Cap Chat, agent for part. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 87,570.

No. 12.—THE BONAVENTURE AGENCY comprises all the tempships and unsurveyed lands in the county of Eonaventure.

1. J. Rionel, Esq., New Carlisle, agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 454,393.

No. 13.—THE SAGUENAY AGENCY comprises all the townships and unsurveyed lands in the counties of Saguenay and Charlevoix. George Duberger, Esq., Marray Bay, agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 122,633.

No. 14.—THE LAKE ST. JOHN AGENCY comprises all the townships and unsurveyed lands in the country of Chicoutimi. J. O. Tremblay, Esq., Chicoutimi, agent, and Israel Dumais, Esq., Roberville, agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 516,296.

No. 15.—THE ST. CHARLES AGENCY comprises all the townships and unsurveyed lands in the counties of Montmorency. Quebec and Portneuf, as far as the rear line of the timber limits south of the River Batiscan. L. Z. Rousseau, Esq., Quebec, agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 169,591.

No. 16.—THE ST. MAURICE AGENCY comprises all the townships and unsurveyed lands in the counties of Champlain. St. Maurice and Maskinongé, except that part of the township of Peterborough in the said county of Maskinongé; also the unsurveyed lands in the counties of Portneuf and Quebec north of the rear line of the timber limits south of the River Batiscan. Alphonse Dubord, Esq., Three Rivers, agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 149,463.

No. 17.—THE ASSOMPTION AGENCY comprises all the townships and unsurveyed lands in the counties of Terreboune, Montcalm, Joliette and Berthier, with part of the township of Peterborough, in the county of Maskinongé. J. B. Delfausse, Esq., Joliette, agent for part. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 245,825.—C. E. Belle, Esq., Montreal, agent. Number of acres disposable in 1877, 153,167.

THE SPECIAL CROWN TIMBER AGENCY under the direction of A. J. Russell, Esq., residing at Ottawa, comprises the county of Pontiac and part of the county of Ottawa.

THE SPECIAL CROWN TIMBER AGENCY under the direction of C. E. Belle, Esq., of Montreal, comprises the counties of Berthier, Joliette, Montcalm, Terrebonne, Two Mountains, Argenteuil and part of Ottawa.



Province of Quebec.

PARLIAMENT HOUSE,

Quebec, 1st January, 1878.

All applications for Private Bills properly within the range of the powers of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, according to the Provisions of the Act of British North America, 1867, whether for the construction of a Bridge, a Railway, a Turnpike road or Telegraph line, Canal, Lock, Dam or Slide, or other like works; the granting of a right of ferry; the construction of works for supplying gas or water; the incorporation of any particular profession or trade, or of any Joint Stock Company, the incorporation of a city, town, village or other municipality; the leveying of any local assessment; the division of any County for purposes other than that of representation in Parliament, or of any township; the removal of the site of any County, town or of any local Offices; the regulation of any Common; the survey of any township. line or concession, or otherwise for granting to any individual or individuals, any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties, or relate to any particular class of the

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