

CALENDAR FOR SEPT. 1901

MOON'S CHANGES
Last Quarter 5th, 9h. 27m. m.
New Moon 15th, 1h. 18m. evg.
First Quarter, 20th, 9h. 33m. m.
Full Moon 28th, 1h. 36m. m.

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THE DOCTORS AND THE PRESIDENT.

THE GUARDIAN in its treatment of the President's case followed the established precedents of journalism. We first obtained for our readers the opinions of two of our foremost physicians and surgeons, and on the following day treated the subject editorially. Those who have read the foremost American newspapers are now aware that this course was pursued by them. The leading physicians of the United States were asked for their opinions and freely gave them. Among those whose interviews were printed in a single issue of the New York World were four of the doctors who had been in personal attendance upon the President, viz. Dr. Matthew D. Mann, who performed the operation; Dr. Roswell Park, Dr. Herman Mynter and Dr. Eugene Wasden. Other doctors also gave to the World and to other journals extended comments on the case, and among them were eight or ten leading surgeons of New York, St. Louis and other cities, one of whom has performed 3,500 autopsies.

Following or in connection with these medical and surgical opinions all, or nearly all of the leading journals gave editorial articles on the surgical aspects of the case and its treatment. We cite these facts here and now for the information of such readers as may not know, that in giving their views to THE GUARDIAN Doctors Taylor and Conroy were within the precedents established by doctors of the highest eminence in America, and that in commenting editorially upon the case and its treatment THE GUARDIAN, if it erred at all, was in the very best of company. It is true that some local doctors of lesser note have dissented from the course pursued, but that is a matter of very small concern to THE GUARDIAN and no doubt is equally so to the busy practitioners who kindly gave our readers the benefit of their opinions, based on knowledge, skill and long experience.

There are doctors and doctors, and it sometimes happens (in other cities) that a doctor with few patients must needs try the patience of the public. He has more than abundant leisure, and an incurable itch for writing. In fact he must write, if only because he is wrong-headed. He is clothed upon with infallibility, for in all the thousands of cases which he did not treat he never made a mistake. It is the surgeons who perform operations, and the physicians who treat the ill that flesh is heir to who make mistakes. It is the medical board of which he is not a member that invariably goes wrong. He can, of course teach the farmer how to guide the plough, give legal pointers to King's Counsel, guide the preacher in the cure of souls and instruct the editor in the conduct of a newspaper. We have such a doctor now before our mind's eye. He writes letters, not prescriptions. He leaves the lancet and scalpel to rust while he seizes the pen and stabs the ink bottle. He quotes from ancient lore, but his citations are not of the wisdom of Hippocrates or Galen. He coins phrases instead of rolling pills, gives up rhubarb for rhetoric, purgatives for paragraphs and calomel for calligraphy. His only use for "drainage tubes" is to supply necessary sewerage for his letters. Full of his own importance and ridiculous without knowing it, he moves many to laughter and some to pity. Of course there is no such doctor in Charlottetown, but if there were we might say of him in the words of Tom Moore:
Of all speculations the market affords
The best that I know for the lover of pelf
Is to buy Rory up at the price he is worth
And sell him at that which he sets on himself.

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KINGS AND PRESIDENTS.

Senator Chauncey M. Depew the other day in commenting upon the murder of the President made the following remarkable statement:
'It is singular that the United States, possessing the freest Government the world has ever known, its Presidents, with the exception of Washington, all having come from the humbler conditions and the tenure in the Chief Magistracy ending in four years, in thirty-six years three of them should have been assassinated. Autoeratic Russia is a hotbed of conspiracy against the Czars, yet only one ruler in Russia has been murdered in the period covering the life of the American Republic. The 600 years of the Hapsburg house and nearly as many of the Hohenzollern dynasty have been free from the edgy of assassination. Only one member of the house of Savoy, King Humbert, fell under the assassin's hand. The English throne has been free from these crimes for 1,000 years. In France in thirty years one of her Presidents has been assassinated; with the exception of Henry IV, none of her kings or emperors. The immunity of rulers of Continental Europe is ascribed to the care of guards. There are no special precautions surrounding the movements and residence of the English Sovereign.'

The facts of history with regard to the immunity of British sovereigns for hundreds of years past are indeed remarkable, but it is strange that so erudite a statesman as Mr. Depew should have made his statement somewhat more sweeping than history will warrant. The period of British history a thousand years in duration covers the successive reigns from Alfred to Edward VII. Senator Depew ought to have known that within the first six hundred years of that time several English Kings were murdered. Edward the Martyr was murdered by the order of his stepmother Elfrida in 978, Edward II after being deposed by Parliament was imprisoned and murdered in Berkeley Castle. Edward V, although but a boy, was King of England for a few months and was murdered in the Tower at the order of his uncle Richard Duke of Gloucester in 1483. There is a suspicion that Henry VI was also murdered in the Tower in 1461. It is quite true that these crimes of violence by which four or five English Sovereigns were removed were of a different nature from the murders of Lincoln, Garfield or McKinley. They were mainly instigated and committed within the circle of royalty itself, and were sometimes connected with an asserted right to the throne. And all of these regicides belong to the period when our kings were semi-despotic rulers, and liberty in its more modern sense was unknown.

But after making the largest possible deductions from Senators Depew's very broad statement there remains the fact that for more than four hundred years no British Sovereign has fallen by the hands of an assassin. In that period twenty-one Kings and Queens have worn the crown, and with the exception of Charles I who was publicly beheaded for his offences, all died from natural causes. Not all were exempt from attacks upon their lives, but these were made at wide intervals of time and were in all cases unsuccessful. Devout persons may see in this immunity from assassination the hand of a Divine Protector.

Some twenty-four persons in succession have held the position of President of the United States in the 125 years since the Republic was established, and three of them have fallen by murderous hands. But it is to be observed that they have moved about amongst the people without protection or precaution. A President is more easily accessible to assassins than a Sovereign is. Moreover both Garfield and McKinley were slain by assassins who were not American in the common acceptance of the term. No other country on earth has so large a percentage of its population essentially foreign. These facts all go to indicate that measures heretofore neglected ought hereafter to be taken for the protection of the Chief

Magistrate of the Republic. It is not likely that the Continental system of guards and secret police will be adopted, but the time has come when some greater precautions than have been hitherto observed.

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