

UNITED STATES DEBT AND EXPORTS  
AND IMPORTS.

Amount at end of fiscal year  
1877-8 ..... \$ 2,025,908,485  
Decrease within the year. ... 3,196,534

U. S. domestic exports in year  
ended Aug. 31, 1878..... 720,000,000  
Increase on previous year.... 117,000,000  
Ditto imports.... 430,000,060  
Decrease on previous year.... 35,000,000

## Memorable Events.

(For Year ending Sept. 30th, 1878.)

## OCTOBER—1877.

1. Complete Democratic ticket carried in Connecticut, U. S. Strike of railway employes on Kansas Central Railway Montreal City Council refuse to pay volunteers for services at funeral of Hackett.

2 Russian forces in Bulgaria preparing to go into winter quarters. Canonization of Columbus refused by Sacred Congregation of Vatican. Russians defeated before Kars Montenegrin campaign closed for the winter.

3. Heavy rain storms and floods do much damage in Eastern and Middle U. States.

6. Famine report in several of the Indian districts more favourable. Two feet of snow in Shipka Pass. Extradition Treaty between Great Britain and Belgium announced. Gambetta issues a manifesto for which the French Government order his arrest. First railway accident in Japan.

8. Severe shock of earthquake at Geneva, Switzerland. Conclusion of treaty with Blackfeet Indians by Lt. Gov. Laird.

9 Arrival at Winnipeg, Manitoba, of first locomotive for C P Railway.

10. New Nihilist plot discovered in Moscow and Kiev and 600 persons arrested. Indians under Chief Joseph surrender to Gen Miles, U S. A. Severe gale on Lakes Huron and Erie; much damage to shipping.

11. Colliery explosion at Wigan, Lancashire. MacMahon issues manifesto to the people of France Rains in Northern India remove danger of famine.

12. Gambetta sentenced to 3 months imprisonment and fine of \$800.

13. Russian troops before Plevna in a terrible state and much discouraged.

14. Cable communication interrupted by a storm.

15. Heavy gale on S. E. Coast of England. Cleopatra's needle abandoned in gale off the coast of Spain. Meeting of American Congress. Boat race at Toronto between Hanlan and Ross.

16. President's Message sent to Congress French elections result in Republican triumph. Defeat of Turks in Asia Min. r. Russians prepare for winter campaign.

17. 5,000 persons out of work in New York City from cigar makers strike. Extinction of the Upper Mersey town dues announced.

18 First exportation of wheat from Manitoba to Europe

20. Asiatic cholera in Japan. Terrible cattle disease in Southern Russia. Bombardment of Plevna resumed by Russians. Fire at Portland, N. B., burns 230 houses.

23. Terrible mining disaster at High Blantyre Colliery, England. Deficit in Austrian Budget Famine in Montenegro. Russia orders mobilization of all the Cossacks.

24 First snow of season at Montreal. Turks bombard Russians in Shipka Pass.

25. General fall of snow in Ottawa Valley. Bombardment of Rustchuk and Kars pressed by Russians. A prominent Jesuit expelled from the order for maintaining temporal power of church not necessary.

28. Kars completely invested. England takes the initiative in offering mediation.

## NOVEMBER.

1. Failure of Newfoundland codfishery. Resignation of French Ministry. Death of Senator Morton.

2. Furious storm along the Hudson and Delaware rivers. Two fires in Montreal with loss of life.

3. Investment of Plevna completed and Czar arrives in Russian camp.

4. Violent shock of earthquake through Ottawa Valley and N. Eastern States.

5. Turks sustain further reverses in Europe and Asia. Republicans in France gain largely in elections to Councils General.

6. State elections in U. S. Further Turkish reverses in Armenia.

7. General decline of American securities in London from passage of Blane's Silver Bill.

9. Increasing illness of the Pope. Diphtheria very prevalent and fatal in Nova Scotia. Russians repulsed before Erzeroum

11. Batoum again bombarded, Veratza taken by Russians. Grévy elected President of the Chamber of Deputies in France by a very large majority.

12 U. S. Army Bill passed without division. Hurricane in Great Britain. French Chamber of Deputies appoint commission to inquire into election abuses. Heavy fighting at Plevna. Stanley, the African explorer, and 112 followers arrive at Cape of Good Hope.

14. Violent debate in French Chambers. New York, Philadelphia and Boston Bankers urge on President disallowance of Silver Bill. Servia refuses to withdraw her troops from the frontier.

15. Earthquake in Iowa and Nebraska. French Ministry defeated by large majority.

18. Galeka Kaffres reduced to submission. Russians repulsed at Plevna. Peace feeling increased at Constantinople.

19. Kars captured by Russians. French Ministry again defeated in Senate.