

- 14th July.—Royal Assent given to the Town Council's Provisional Order (Shorelands Scheme) under the Artizans' Dwellings Improvement Act.
- 28th August.—New Colours presented to the 3rd Battalion Gordon Highlanders (Militia) by their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales.
- 9th September.—Meeting of the Trades' Union Congress in Aberdeen.
- 15th September.—The Town Council present an Address to the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone on his passing through the city.
- December.—The Art Gallery and Industrial Museum in Schoolhill, erected by public subscription, opened.

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- 5th January.—The Mechanics' Institution Buildings and Library handed over to the Town Council for behoof of the Public Library.
- 2nd February.—Intimation received by the Town Council of bequest by the late Mr. Alexander Macdonald of Kepplestone, for behoof of the community, of his collection of Oil Paintings, Drawings, and Etchings.
- 6th July.—The Town Council resolve to make a representation to the Secretary of State in regard to the defenceless state of the City and Harbour.
- 22nd July.—Royal Assent given to the Aberdeen Corporation Water Act, 1885.
- 3rd August.—The Council, by a majority, consider the holding of the Council and Committee Meetings in the evenings impracticable.
- 6th August.—Royal Assent given to the Aberdeen Reformatories Act.
- 7th September.—Motion that the local newspapers be furnished with a synopsis of the business done at the Council's Committee Meetings negatived.
- 8th September.—Congress of the Sanitary Association of Scotland held in Aberdeen.
- 9th to 17th September.—Meetings of the British Association for the advancement of Science held in Aberdeen.