

# FAMOUS DATES IN THE STAR'S HALF-CENTURY

## THE WORLD

Suez Canal, opened 1869.  
 Franco-German War 1870.  
 Kingdom of Italy established 1870.  
 German Empire created 1871.  
 Chicago Great Fire Oct. 8-11, 1871.  
 Death of Napoleon III 1873  
 Russo Turkish War 1877.  
 Congress of Berlin 1877.  
 President Garfield shot 1881.  
 Chino-Japanese war 1894.  
 Cuban revolution began Feb. 1895.  
 Kiel Canal opened 1895.  
 Turko-Greek war 1897  
 Spanish-American war 1898.  
 First Hague Conference 1899.  
 Boxer Rising in China 1900.  
 President McKinley assassinated 1901.  
 Marconi signals by wireless across Atlantic 1901  
 Mont Pelee disaster 1902.  
 Kishenev Massacres 1903.  
 Royal Family of Serbia assassinated 1903.  
 Russo-Japanese war began 1904.  
 Anglo-French agreement signed 1904.  
 Norway and Sweden dissolved union 1905.  
 Battle of Mukden 1905.  
 Anglo-Japanese treaty signed 1905.  
 Moscow revolution 1906.  
 San Francisco earthquake and fire 1906.  
 Earthquake in Sicily 156,500 lives lost 1908.  
 North Pole discovered 1908.  
 Republic of Portugal declared 1910.  
 South Pole discovered 1910.  
 China proclaimed a republic 1911.  
 First Balkan war 1912.  
 Peace of London signed 1913.  
 The Great War began 1914.  
 Sinking of Lusitania 1915.  
 Russian Revolution 1917.  
 United States entered war 1917.  
 German Revolution 1918.  
 Armistice signed 1918.

## THE EMPIRE

Hudson Bay Territory added to Canada 1869  
 Irish Church Disestablishment Act 1869  
 Alabama Settlement 1872  
 Prince of Wales visits India 1875  
 Transvaal annexed to Empire 1877  
 Graham Bell invents Telephone 1877  
 Roberts march to Kandahar 1879  
 War in Zululand 1879  
 Transvaal declared a Republic 1880  
 Majuba Hill 1881  
 Egyptian War 1882  
 Phoenix Park murders 1882  
 Khartum captured, Gordon killed 1885  
 Upper Burmah annexed 1886  
 Queen Victoria's Jubilee 1887  
 Parnell Commission opens 1888  
 Forth Bridge opened 1890  
 Matabele War 1893  
 King George married 1893.  
 Manchester Ship Canal opened 1894.  
 Ashanti Expedition 1895  
 Jameson Raid 1896  
 British occupy Comassie 1897  
 Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee 1897  
 Battle of Omdurman 1898  
 South African war began Oct 11, 1899  
 Australian Commonwealth proclaimed 1900  
 Ladysmith, Kimberley, Mafeking, relieved 1900  
 Death of Queen Victoria 1901  
 Boers surrender 1902  
 Indian Dubar 1903  
 Expedition to Somaliland 1903  
 Dogger Bank incident 1904  
 Union of South Africa 1910  
 King George succeeds King Edward 1910  
 Titanic disaster 1912  
 Britain declares war on Germany 1914  
 German fleet surrenders to Britain 1918

## CANADA

Red River Rebellion 1869.  
 Manitoba created province 1870.  
 British Columbia joins Confederation 1871.  
 Lord Dufferin appointed Governor-General.  
 Prince Edward Island joins Confederation 1873.  
 Hon. Alexander Mackenzie becomes Premier 1873  
 Intercolonial Railway opened 1876.  
 First exportation of wheat 1877.  
 Marquis of Lorne, Governor-General 1878.  
 Sir John Macdonald Premier again 1878.  
 First sod of C. P. R. turned 1881.  
 Pacific Railway Bill passed 1882.  
 Marquis of Lansdowne, Governor-General 1883.  
 North-West Rebellion suppressed 1885.  
 Lord Stanley appointed Governor-General 1888  
 Responsible Government in North-West 1890.  
 Death of Sir John A. Macdonald 1891.  
 Behring Sea Arbitration Treaty 1892.  
 Earl of Aberdeen, Governor-General 1893.  
 Sir Wilfred Laurier becomes Premier 1896.  
 Klondyke gold discovered 1897.  
 Earl of Minto appointed Governor-General 1898.  
 Canadian troops go to South Africa 1899.  
 British Preferential Tariff adopted 1900.  
 Royal tour (present King and Queen) 1901.  
 Transcontinental Railway scheme adopted 1903.  
 Earl Grey appointed Governor-General 1904.  
 Saskatchewan and Alberta made provinces 1905.  
 Quebec Tercentenary celebrations 1908.  
 Passing of Naval Service Bill 1910.  
 Duke of Connaught, Governor-General 1911  
 Reciprocity with United States rejected 1911.  
 R. L. Borden becomes Premier 1911.  
 Canada sends troops to war 1914.  
 Empress of Ireland disaster 1914.  
 Parliament Buildings burned 1916.  
 Duke of Devonshire, Governor-General 1916.  
 Quebec Bridge completed; Halifax Disaster 1917.  
 National Mercantile Marine started 1918.