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1661. Ordination of four bishops for Scotland at Westminster.
1775. Lord Cochrane, Earl Dundonald, born.
1863. Fight with natives, New Zealand.
1899. Battle of Colenso. Sir Redvers Buller defeated.

"Fight as they fought, nor fear to die!
'Tis glorious loss,
If to the winds floats still on high
Great Britain's Cross."

—M. H. B.

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1653. Commonwealth proclaimed in England.

"These were not stirred by anger,
Nor yet by lust made bold;
Renown they thought beneath them,
Nor did they look for gold.
To them their leader's signal
Was as the voice of God;
Unmoved, and uncomplaining,
The path it showed they trod."

—Doyle.

1714. George Whitefield born.
1775. Jane Austin born.

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1559. Consecration of Archbishop Parker.

"Strong as time, and as faith sublime—
Clothed round with shadows of hopes and
fears,
Nights and morrows, and joys and sorrows,
Alive with passion of prayers and tears,
Stands the shrine that has seen decline
Eight hundred waxing and waning years."

—Swinburne.

1778. Sir Humphry Davy born.
1891. Zululand annexed.
1907. Lord Kelvin died.