- 1660 French founded Placentia
- 1696 French capture St. John's
- 1713 French agree to abandon all territorial claims in Newfoundland and St. Fierre and Micuelon by terms of the Treaty of Utrecht. Right to cure fish on the south shore was continued.
- 1765 By the Treaty of Paris St. Pierre and Miquelon were returned to France.
- 1813 First land grants made for farming purposes
- 1832 Representative Assembly established
- 1854 Responsible Government granted
- 1857 -- Abortive endeevour on the part of the United Kingdom government to grant certain new fishing rights to the French. Serious opposition offered by Newfoundland, and treaty was not concluded.
- 1881 First railway built

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- 1883 First Bait Act passed forbidding capture of bait fish by foreigners and forbidding its sale to foreigners.
- 1889 Manhood Sufferage Established
 1904 Establishment of Entente Cordiale results in withdrawal of French from south coast.
- 1905 Foreign Fishing Vessels Act passed
- 1910 Hague Tribunal Award upholds right of Newfoundland to control shore fisheries in face of United States protests.
- 1914 First contingent of Newfoundland soldiers (500) go overseas (Oct. 4, 1914)