DECEMBER

1791. Fortress of Savondroog taken.

1805. Benjamin Disraeli born.

1817. Holkar, Chief of Scinde, finally subdued.

"Music born of change and conquest, Glory born of evil slain, When the deathless dawn of England Rose in sign that right should reign."

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-Swinburne.

1845. Sikhs defeated at Feroseshah.

1875. Malays 'defeated.

1888. River Gambia Settlement made Crown Colony.

"So we 'remote compatriots' reply, And feel the world-task only half begun;

We are the girders of the aging earth,

Whose veins are million, but whose heart is one !"

-Arthur Stringer, Canada.

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1482. Treaty of Arras.

1879. Prince of Wales (King Edward) landed at Calcutta.

"Mother, mother beloved, none other

Could claim in place of thee England's place;

Earth bears none that beholds the sun

So pure of record, so clothed with grace; England, maiden immortal, laden

With charge of life, and with hopes divine. Earth shall wither when eyes turned hither

Behold not light in thy darkness shine." —Swinburne.