

CHAPTER II.—HISTORY AND CHRONOLOGY.

PART I.—HISTORY.

In the 1922-23 edition of the Canada Year Book, pp. 60-80, will be found an outline of the history of Canada, not reprinted here due to pressure on available space.

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- 1497. June 24, Eastern coast of North America discovered by John Cabot.
- 1498. Cabot discovered Hudson strait.
- 1501. Gaspar Corte Real visited Newfoundland and Labrador.
- 1524. Verrazano explored the coast of Nova Scotia.
- 1534. June 21, Landing of Jacques Cartier at Esquimaux bay.
- 1535. Cartier's second voyage. He ascended the St. Lawrence to Stadacona (Quebec), (Sept. 14), and Hochelaga (Montreal), (Oct. 2).
- 1541. Cartier's third voyage. He planted wheat, cabbages, turnips and lettuces near Cap Rouge river.
- 1542-3. De Roberval and his party wintered at Cape Rouge, and were rescued by Cartier on his fourth voyage.
- 1557. Sept. 1, Death of Cartier at St. Malo, France.
- 1592. Straits of Juan de Fuca discovered by de Fuca.
- 1603. June 22, Champlain's first landing in Canada, at Quebec.
- 1604. De Monts settled colony on island in the St. Croix river.
- 1605. Founding of Port Royal (Annapolis, N.S.).
- 1608. Champlain's second visit. July 3, Founding of Quebec.
- 1609. July, Champlain discovered lake Champlain.
- 1610-11. Hudson explored Hudson bay and James bay.
- 1611. Brûlé ascended the Ottawa river.
- 1612. Oct. 15, Champlain made Lieutenant-General of New France.
- 1613. June, Champlain ascended the Ottawa river.
- 1615. Champlain explored lakes Nipissing, Huron and Ontario (discovered by Brûlé and Le Caron).
- 1616. First schools opened at Tadoussac and on the site of the city of Three Rivers.
- 1617. Arrival at Quebec of the first colonist, Louis Hébert and his family.
- 1620. Population of Quebec, 60 persons.
- 1621. Code of laws issued and register of births, deaths and marriages opened in Quebec. Nova Scotia granted to Sir William Alexander by King James I.
- 1622. Lake Superior discovered by Brûlé.
- 1623. First British settlement of Nova Scotia.
- 1627. New France and Acadia granted to the Company of 100 Associates.
- 1628. Port Royal taken by Sir David Kirke.
- 1629. April 24, Treaty of Susa between France and England. July 20, Quebec taken by Sir David Kirke.
- 1632. Mar. 29, Canada and Acadia restored to France by the Treaty of St. Germain-en-Laye.
- 1633. May 23, Champlain made first Governor of New France.
- 1634. July 4, Founding of Three Rivers.
- 1634-35. Exploration of the Great Lakes by Nicolet.
- 1635. Dec. 25, Death of Champlain at Quebec. Founding of the first college at Quebec.
- 1638. June 11, First recorded earthquake in Canada.
- 1640. Discovery of lake Erie by Chaumonot and Brébeuf.
- 1641. Resident population of New France, 240.
- 1642. May 17, Founding of Ville-Marie (Montreal) by Maisonneuve.
- 1646. Exploration of the Saguenay by Dablon.
- 1647. Lake St. John discovered by de Quen.
- 1648. Mar. 5, Council of New France created.
- 1649. Mar. 16-17, Murder of Fathers Brébeuf and Lalemant by Indians and massacre of the Hurons.
- 1654. August, Acadia taken by an expedition from New England.
- 1656. Acadia granted by Cromwell to La Tour, Temple and Crowne.