

ANCIENT, MEDIEVAL AND MODERN HISTORY.

- 1823 The Monroe doctrine, June 18.
First gas company in New York.
First teachers' seminary opened in Concord, Vt.
- 1824 The principles of Robert Owen preached.
Pins first made by machinery.
First reformatory school founded in New York.
Act passed to protect and encourage cotton manufacturers.
Convention with Great Britain to suppress slave trade, March 13.
Convention with Russia in relation to northwest boundary, April 5.
Arrival of Lafayette on a visit to the U. S.
Election of John Quincy Adams as President.
- 1825 The Capitol at Washington completed.
First edge tool manufactory established.
Smith, a trapper, performs the first overland journey to California, and found Folsom.
Departure of Lafayette for France, Sept. 7.
Deaths of Thomas Jefferson and John Adams.
Convention with Great Britain concerning indemnities.
Fiftieth anniversary of American Independence, July 4.
Great anti-masonic excitement.
Abduction of William Morgan.
Baron Von Humboldt visits the United States.
Opening of the Erie Canal, Oct. 26.
Duel between Henry Clay and John Randolph.
Delano's first fire-proof safe.
- 1827 Treaty with Creek Indians concluded.
Treaty with the Kansas Indians, and the great and Little Osages.
Treaty with the Republic of Colombia.
Continued intense excitement over the "Morgan affair."
First railroad built at Quincy, Massachusetts, and operated by horse power.
- 1828 Passage of the Protective Tariff Bill.
Sundpaper and emery first made.
First locomotive introduced from England by the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company.
Baltimore and Ohio railroad commenced.
Congress makes provision for officers of the revolutionary war.
Democrat and Republican first chosen by their respective political parties.
General Jackson elected President.
Treaty of Peace with Brazil and Buenos Ayres.
Planing mill first patented.
- 1829 Andrew Jackson, President, opposes the project to recharter the Bank of the United States.
Independence of Mexico recognized.
Webster's great speech in Congress, Jan. 26.
Virginia passes resolution against Tariff bill.
First Asylum for the Blind established.
First Horticultural Society formed.
Removal of 700 officeholders by Jackson.
Commercial treaty with Turkey.
- 1830 South Carolina asserts "States Rights."
The Mormon church founded by Joseph Smith, April 6.
Building of the South Carolina railroad.
American Institute of Learning founded.
Great debate between Webster and Hayne.
- 1831 Intense Tariff and Free Trade excitement.
Garrison starts the "Liberator" anti-slavery paper.
Death of James Monroe, July 4.
Manning mowing machines patented.
Guthrie discovers chloroform.
Howe invents first practical pin machine.
Buttons first made by machinery.
Western College of Teachers established.
President Jackson vetoes the Bank Bill.
New protective tariff measure passed.
South Carolina nullification movement.
U. S. frigate "Potomac," attacks Qualla Batoo, Feb. 6.
First case of Asiatic cholera in U. S. June 21.
Black Hawk war, and his capture, Aug. 27.
University of New York organized, Sept. 26.
Re-election of Andrew Jackson as President.
Death of Charles Carroll, last surviving signer of Declaration of Independence.
Morse invents electric magnet telegraph.
Cholera in New York, 2,400 deaths.
Fairbank's Scale first patented.
- 1832 The President removes the public deposits from the Bank of the United States.
President Jackson begins his second term, March 4.
The Southern States hold a states-right Convention.
Clay's Compromise Tariff law passed.
Gayler invents first practical safe.
Death of John Randolph, May 24.
Removal of several Indian tribes west of the Mississippi.
Hoe's double-cylinder printing-press constructed.
First successful reaper patented.
Ericsson invents the caloric engine.
Congress passes a vote of censure against the removing bank deposits; subsequently expunged.
Lucifer matches first made.
Walter Hunt invents first sewing machine, but fails to perfect and patent.
Dr. Howe invents raised alphabet for use of the blind.
- 1833 Great fire in New York.
Congress establishes branch mints in Georgia, North Carolina, and Louisiana.
Government purchase Cherokee bonds for \$5,200,000.
New York Herald established by Bennett.
Death of Chief Justice Marshall, July 6.
Roger Brooks Taney, appointed Chief Justice.
Seminole Indian war renewed.
Gas first introduced into Philadelphia.
Brown makes first gold pens with diamond points.
Guano becomes an article of commerce in the U. S.
Massacre of Maj. Dade and his command in Florida.
- 1836 The national debt virtually paid.
Arkansas admitted into the Union.
Battle of San Jacinto, Texas; Santa Anna defeated and a prisoner, April 21.
Bequest of James Smithson to the U. S. of \$515,169.
Smithsonian Institute at Washington founded.
Death of James Madison, June 28.
Governor Call, of Georgia, invades Seminole country.
Sam Houston elected President of Texas, Oct. 22.
Martin Van Buren elected President.
Burning of the Patent and General Post-office at Washington.
Texas declared independent.
Sam Colt invents the revolver.
First National Temperance Convention held at Saratoga.
Adams' great debate for the right of petition.
Death of Aaron Burr.
Sioux and Winnebago Indians removed beyond the Mississippi.
Scott subdues the Creek Indians.
- 1837 Great financial crash and panic throughout the country.
Harnden originates the express business.
Michigan admitted into the Union.
- 1838 First zinc produced in the country.
Wilkes' exploring expedition to the South Pole.
United States Bank suspends specie payment, Oct. 5.
Mormon war in Missouri.
Intense political excitement.
The Log Cabin campaign.
Election of William Henry Harrison as President.
Goodyear invents vulcanized rubber.
The first steam fire engine constructed by Ericsson.
Sub-Treasury bill becomes a law, June 20.
First Washingtonian Society founded.
Adams' Express Company organized.
Wilkes discovers Antarctic continent.
- 1841 William H. Harrison inaugurated, March 4, dies April 4; John Tyler, Vice-President, inaugurated President, April 6.
McCleod difficulty.
Webster's (Noah) Dictionary first published.
Sub-Treasury bill repealed, Aug. 9.
Bankruptcy Act becomes a law, Aug. 18.
Imprisonment for debts due the government abolished.
Greely establishes the New York Tribune.
Kingford produces the first sample of pure corn starch.
- 1842 Fremont's States brig of war "Somers," instigated by Midshipman Spencer.
The Fourier community excitement.
Fremont's expedition to the Rocky Mountains, July 4.
Ashburton or first Washington Treaty signed, with England, Aug. 9.
Bunker Hill monument completed.
Termination of war with Seminoles.
Lucifer matches first made by machinery.
President vetoes bill for National Bank.
Dorr rebellion in Rhode Island.
Bankrupt Act repealed, March 3.
Death of Dr. Channing, Oct. 2.
- 1843 William Miller and the "Millerites."
\$30,000 voted by Congress to aid Morse to establish telegraph lines.
Fremont explores Columbia River, Willamette Valley, and Klamath Lake.
Great comet visible during the day.
Death of Noah Webster.
- 1844 Explosion of the gun, the "peace-maker," killing the Secretaries of Navy and State.
Commercial treaty with China.
First telegraph line from Washington to Baltimore.
First anti-slavery candidate nominated for the presidency.
The "Midas," first American steamboat, rounds Cape of Good Hope.
James K. Polk elected President.
Mormon war in Illinois, murder of Joseph Smith; Brigham Young selected as his successor.
Copper discovered in Michigan.
Texas asks for annexation.
First telegraph line.
- 1845 Texas annexed by Act of Congress, Mexico takes offense.
Florida and Iowa admitted into the Union.
War declared by Mexico, June 4.
Naval school at Annapolis opened.
Elias Howe produces his first sewing machine.
Great fire in Pittsburgh.
Serious fire in New York, 300 buildings burned.
Death of Justice Joseph Story.
First manufacture of files.
Zachary Taylor, with 4,000 troops, advanced to Corpus Christi, Texas.
Negotiations toward purchase of San Domingo.
Death of Andrew Jackson, June 8.
Free Soil party originated.
Northwestern boundary fixed at 49th.
- 1846 Hostilities begin in Mexico.
Battles of Palo Alto, May 8, and Resaca de la Palma, May 9; victory of Gen. Taylor.
Matamoros taken, May 18.
New Tariff bill passed, July 28.
President vetoes River Harbor bill, Aug. 3.
"Wilson Proviso" against extension of slavery passes the House.
Gun-cotton invented.
Great fire in Louisville.
Ether first used as an anesthetic by Dr. Jackson.
- 1847 Gen. Kearney takes possession of New Mexico, Aug. 18.
Commodore Stockton blockades Mexican ports on Pacific coast.
Monterey taken by Gen. Taylor, Sept. 24.
Eight days' armistice granted.
California expedition, under Stephenson, sails from New York, Sept. 26.
Tobasco, Mexico, bombarded by Perry, Oct. 25.
Tampano taken by Gen. Connor, Nov. 14.
Kearney defeats Mexicans at San Pascual, Dec. 6.
Col. Doniphan defeats Mexicans at Bracito, Dec. 25.
Gen. Taylor relieved by Gen. Scott.
The Mormons driven from Nauvoo, Ill. Iowa admitted as a State.
Kearney victorious at San Gabriel and Mesa, Cal., Jan. 8.
- 1848 Mexican Congress resolves to raise loan of \$15,000,000 on property of the clergy, Jan. 9.
Revolt of Mexicans in New Mexico against United States, Jan. 14.
Defeat of insurgents at Canada, New Mexico, Jan. 24.
Battle of Buena Vista, Feb. 23; Taylor defeats Santa Anna.
Battle of Sacramento; defeat of Mexicans, Feb. 28.
Gen. Kearney declares California a part of the United States, March 1.
Vera Cruz taken by army and navy, March 28.
Alvarado capitulates, April 2.
Battle of Cerro Gordo, April 8; Scott defeats Mexicans; also at Contreras, Aug. 20.
Molino del Rey taken, Sept. 8.
Gen. Scott enters the city of Mexico, Sept. 15.
Death of John Quincy Adams, Feb. 21.
Gold discovered in California, March. Oneida Community, New York, established.
Wisconsin admitted into the Union, May 29.
Missouri Compromise repealed.
Election of Zachary Taylor as President.
Corner stone of Washington Monument laid.
Oregon Territorial bill passed, Aug. 13.
First receipt of California gold at United States mint, Dec. 8.
Treaty signed with Mexico, Feb. 2.
Upper California ceded to United States.
Mexicans unsuccessfully besiege Pueblo, held by Americans, Sept. 13 to Oct. 12.
Humanania taken by Americans, Oct. 9.
Guyannes captured, Oct. 20.
Great excitement at Rochester, N. Y., caused by "Spirit rappings".
Food sent to starving Ireland.
Los Angeles, Cal., taken by Kearney, and a system of government organized.
- 1848 Great fire in St. Louis.
Prof. Webster murders Dr. Parkman, Oct. 23.
United States gold dollar first coined.
California adopts a constitution prohibiting slavery.
Death of James K. Polk, June 15.
Filibustering expeditions against Cuba forbidden by the President.
Visit of Father Mathew, the temperance advocate.
Capt. Minie invents the Minie conical bullet.
Mason and Dixon's line surveyed.
Cholera visits the United States, severe at Cincinnati and St. Louis.
California Constitution formed at Monterey.
Great riot at Astor Place Opera House, New York.
- 1850 Treaty with England for a transit way across Panama.
French Ambassador dismissed from Washington.
Death of John C. Calhoun, March 31.
Congress passes the Oregon Donation Law.
Uncle Tom's Cabin first published.
Watches first made by machinery.
Fugitive Slave Law passed.
Death of Zachary Taylor, July 9.
Grinnell Arctic Expedition sails.
California admitted as a Free State, Sept. 9.
New Mexico and Utah organized as territories, Sept. 9.
Visit of Jenny Lind to America, Sept. 12.
Dahlgren invents the cast-iron gun.
Completion of Erie railroad.
Corner stone of Capitol extension laid, July 4.
- 1851 First Asylum for Idiots established in New York.
California Vigilance Committee formed.
American yacht victorious at regatta in London, Eng.
Frightful catastrophe at public school building, New York.
Congressional Library destroyed by fire, Dec. 24.
- 1852 Dispute with England about the fisheries.
Expedition to Japan, under Com. Perry.
First street-railway in New York.
Deaths of Janet Valley, June 26, and Daniel Webster, Oct. 24.
Treaty of Commerce with Chili.
Branch mint established in San Francisco.
Franklin Pierce elected President.
- 1853 Major Palmer, New York, opened.
Treaty with Mexico, for purchase of Arizona.
Treaty with Russia.
Explorations for a transcontinental railway.
Yellow fever in New York.
Children's Aid Society, New York, founded.
Walker's filibustering expedition to Sonora, Mexico.
- 1854 Commercial Treaty with Japan signed, March 31.
American, or Know-Nothing Society formed.
Loss of the steamship Arctic.
Cubans seize American mail-steamer Black Warrior, Feb. 28.
First railway from Lake Michigan to the Mississippi, the Rock Island.
American ship "Cyane" bombards Greytown, Central America, on refusal to pay for property destroyed, June 12.
Invention of the Iron Tower for iron-clad vessels, by Ericsson.
Reciprocity Treaty with England, settled.
Bill passed organizing Kansas and Nebraska as Territories, repealing the Compromise of 1820, which excluded slavery from the entire Louisiana purchase, May 24.
Massachusetts Aid Society send out settlers to Kansas.
A. H. Reader, of Pennsylvania, appointed Governor of Kansas.
- 1855 Territorial Legislature of Kansas meets at Shawnee, July; great emigration to Kansas.
Free State men meet in convention at Topeka and form a Free State constitution, Oct. 23.
Hostilities between the Free and Slave State settlers begin.
Sioux Indians defeated by Gen. Harney.
Paraguayans attack United States steamer, "Water-Witch."
Completion of Niagara Suspension Bridge.
Court claims established.
William Walker unsuccessfully invades Nicaragua.
Dispute with Great Britain concerning recruiting for the Crimea army.
British discovery ship "Resolute" abandoned in Arctic sea; brought to New London.
- 1856 Hoosac Tunnel begun.
Victory of John Brown at Ossawatimie, Kan.
Republican party formed.
Alden invents type-setting machine.
Rock Island bridge, across the Mississippi, opened, April 11.
Affray at Panama between passengers and natives, April 15.
Page makes first wood type by machinery.
President declares creation of free state government in Kansas an act of rebellion.
Brooks' assault upon Charles Sumner.
Dismissal of British envoy at Washington, May 28.
Introduction of sorghum, or Chinese sugarcane.
Dudley observatory, Albany, inaugurated, Aug. 28.
The government purchases the "Resolute," refitted and presented to British Government.
Loom for weaving Axminster carpets first patented.
- 1857 Election of James Buchanan as President.
Organization of the Fenian Brotherhood.
Settlement of the Central American question.
Death of Elisha Kent Kane, Arctic explorer, Feb. 10.
Robert J. Walker appointed Territorial Governor of Kansas.
Taney renders Dred Scott's decision, March 6.
First attempt to lay Atlantic cable.
Alden secures patent for condensed milk.
Great financial crash.
New York, Boston and Philadelphia banks suspended, Oct. 14, 15.
Banks resume specie payments, Dec. 12, 14.
Murder of Dr. Burdell; arrest and trial of Mrs. Cunningham, his mistress.
Foundering of the "Central America" off Cape Hatteras; over 400 lives and \$2,000,000 lost.
Great religious revival throughout the country.
Trouble with the Mormons in Utah; Col. Johnson, with a military force, sent out; Brigham Young forbids any armed force entering Salt Lake City; Mormon troops ordered to hold themselves in readiness; martial law declared, Sept. 15.
- 1858 Dispute with England respecting the right of search.
Completion of the first Atlantic telegraph, August.
Death of Thomas H. Benton, April 15.
Congress passes bill admitting Kansas under pro-slavery constitution, Aug. 30.
Exciting campaign of Lincoln and Douglas in Illinois.
Minnesota admitted as a state, May 18.
Seward announces his "irrepressible conflict" doctrine.
Kansas rejects the pro-slavery constitution by overwhelming majority, Aug. 3.
First message across the Atlantic cable, from Victoria to the President, Aug. 16.
Peruvians capture two American vessels.
Burning of steamship "Austria," Hamburg to New York; nearly 500 lives lost.
- 1859 The Island of San Juan, near Vancouver's Island, occupied by United States troops.
The Fenian organization perfected.
Treaty with Paraguay signed, Feb. 10.
Oregon admitted as a State, Feb. 14.
Drake bores first oil well at Titusville, Pa.
Great storm in the Northern and Southern States.
Daniel W. Sickles shoots Philip Barton Key, Feb. 27.
Kansas Free State party frames a State constitution at Wyandotte.
Vicksburg Convention declares in favor of reopening slave trade, May 11.
Publication of Worcester's Unabridged Dictionary.
San Juan Island occupied by General Harney, July 9.
Appearance of the potato bug.
Election of Republican officers in Kansas, Dec. 6.
Comstock Great Bonanza Mine purchased for an Indian party and a quantity of whiskey.
Treaty with Mexico signed.
Grand Embassy from Japan, with treaty of peace, etc.
Tour of the Prince of Wales.
Halla expedition to the Polar Sea.
Arrival at New York of the Great Eastern, June 28.
- 1860 Election of Mr. Pennington as Speaker of the House.
Abraham Lincoln elected President, Nov. 6.
South Carolina passes the "Ordinance of Secession," being the first State of the Union to secede, Dec. 20.
Meeting of Senatorial Committee of Thirteen, Dec. 21.
Major Anderson transfers his command from Fort Moultrie to Fort Sumter.
The Parrott gun invented by Robert R. Parrott.
Mississippi secedes, Jan. 9.
Florida secedes, Jan. 10.
Alabama secedes, Jan. 11.
South Carolina troops fire upon the "Star of the West."
Georgia secedes, Jan. 18.
Louisiana secedes, Jan. 26.
Texas secedes, Feb. 1.
Peace Convention assembled at Washington, Feb. 4.
Provisional Government of Confederate States meets at Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 4.
Jefferson Davis, of Mississippi, President, Feb. 8.
Lincoln inaugurated President of the United States, March 4.
Fort Sumter, Charleston Harbor, bombarded—being commencement of hostilities in the Civil War, April 12.
Lincoln calls for 75,000 volunteers, April 15.
Proclamation announcing blockade of Southern ports, April 17.
Federal troops attacked in Baltimore, April 19.
Destruction of stores at Norfolk Navy Yard by Union commander, April 20.
Maryland refuses to secede, April 27.
Ellsworth shot at Alexandria by Jackson, May 1.
Missouri turns over to Confederates entire control of financial and military resources of the State, May 2.
Government call for 42,000 three years' volunteers, May 3.
Arkansas secedes from the Union, May 6.
Capt. Lyon receives surrender of Fort Jackson, May 10.
Baltimore occupied by General Butler, May 13.
North Carolina secedes from the Union, May 20.
Butler in command at Fortress Monroe, May 22.
Advance of Union forces into Virginia, May 24.
Death of Stephen A. Douglas, June 3.
Tennessee secedes from the Union, June 8.
East Tennessee opposing it.
Battle of Big Bethel, Va., June 10.
Congress meets in extraordinary session, July 4.
Battle near Carthage, Mo., July 5.
Privateer "Sumter" escapes to sea, from New Orleans, July 7.
Battle of Carrick's Ford, W. Va.; Confederate General Garnett killed.
Battle of Romney, Va., June 11.
West Virginia admitted as a State, June 20.
Battle at Rich Mountain; Confederates, under Pegram, defeated by Rosecrans, July 11.
Battle near Centerville, Va., July 18.
Destruction of the Confederate "Petrel" by frigate "St. Lawrence."
Maryland invaded by Stonewall Jackson, July 4.
Battle of Bull Run; Union forces, under McDowell, defeated; Union killed and wounded, 1,490; Confederates, 1,593 killed and wounded, July 21.
Gen. McClellan assumes command of army in Virginia and on the Potomac.
Battle of Laurel Hill, July 22.
Battle of Drugg Spring, Mo., under General Lyon; Southern forces defeated.
Battle of Athens, Mo., under Gen. Lyon; Confederates defeated, Aug. 5.
Battle of Wilson's Creek, Mo.; 5,200 men, under Gens. Lyon and Sigel, attack 24,000, under Gens. McCulloch, Price, etc.; Lyon killed; defeat of Sigel, Aug. 10.
President Lincoln's non-intercourse proclamation, Aug. 16.
Gen. Butler and Commodore Stringham take Forts Hatteras and Clark on North Carolina coast, Aug. 28.
Fort Morgan abandoned by Confederates, Aug. 30.
Fremont issues proclamation freeing slaves in Missouri, Aug. 31.
Battle of Camille Ferry, Gens. Rosecrans and Floyd, Sept. 10.
Destruction of privateer "Judah," Sept. 13.
Repulse of Confederates at Cheat Mountain, W. Va., Sept. 20.
Battle of Lexington, Mo.; Col. Mulligan defends for four days against 26,000 Confederates, but is forced to surrender; loss, 2,500 prisoners, and a large amount of gold.
Battle at Greenbrier, Va.; success of Union forces, Oct. 3.
Confederate "Savannah" captured by U. S. brig "Perry," Oct. 9.
Zouaves repulsed at Santa Rosa Island, Oct. 9.
- 1861 Confederate privateer "Nashville" escapes from Charleston, S. C., Oct. 11.
Repulse of Confederate ram and five ships at South West Pass, Oct. 12.
Escape of Mason and Slidell from Charleston.
Battle of Fredericktown, Mo.; flight of Jeff. Thompson, Oct. 21.
Recapture of Lexington, Mo., by Union troops.
Gen. Sherman appointed to the command of Kentucky forces.
Battle of Ball's Bluff; Col. Baker killed, Oct. 21.
Zagonyi defeats Confederates at Springfield, Mo., Oct. 29.
Gen. Scott resigns command of the army.
Gen. McClellan succeeds him.
Soldiers' Aid Society formed at Detroit, Nov. 1.
Commodore Wilkes, of "San Jacinto," takes Southern Commissioners, Mason and Slidell, from British steamer "Trent," in West Indian waters.
Port Royal bombarded, Nov. 7.
Battle of Belmont; Grant's first fight.
Capture of Tybee Island, commanding Savannah, taken Dec. 20.
Charleston Harbor shut by sinking stone fleet, Dec. 21.
Gallatin gun invented by J. Gallatin.
Death of Sam Houston, Oct. 8.
Kentucky admitted into Confederate States, Dec. 9.
Battle of Martinsburg, Va.; Gen. Pope, Union, captures 1,300 prisoners, Dec. 18.
- 1862 Indian massacre in Minnesota.
Battle of Blue Gap, Va., Jan. 8.
Death of John Tyler, Jan. 8.
"Ericsson" Monitor launched at Greenpoint, Jan. 30.
Edwin M. Stanton, of Pennsylvania, becomes Secretary of War, Simon Cameron, of Pennsylvania, retiring, Jan. 13.
Battle of Mill Springs, Ky.; Zollicoffer defeated by Union troops, under Gen. George H. Thomas, Jan. 19.
Fort Henry, on Tennessee River, captured by naval forces, under Commodore A. H. Foote, Feb. 6.
Roanoke Island, N. C., captured by Gen. Burnside and Commodore Goldsborough, Feb. 8.
Fort Donelson, Tenn., surrendered to Gen. Grant, Feb. 16.
Confederate Congress meets at Richmond, Va., Feb. 18.
Jefferson Davis inaugurated President of Southern Confederacy, for six years, Feb. 22.
Battle of Pea Ridge, Ark.; Gen. McCulloch killed, March 8.
Confederate ram "Merrimac" sinks "Cumberland" and "Congress," U. S. naval vessels, in Hampton Roads, Va., March 8.
"Monitor," U. S. iron-clad, attacks and drives "Merrimac" back, March 9.
Manassas Junction evacuated and occupied by Union forces, March 10.
Battle of Winchester, Va.; Union loss, 115 killed, 450 wounded; Confederate loss, 869 killed, wounded and missing, March 12.
Battle of Newbern, N. C., March 14.
Battle of Pittsburg Landing; Grant, Union commander; Gen. A. Sidney Johnston killed; Union loss, April 6 and 7, 13,573; Confederate loss, 10,699.
Capture of Island No. 10, by Union forces, April 8.
Raid of Gen. Mitchell; capture of Huntsville, Ala., and Russellville, Tenn.
Fort Pulaski, Ga., surrendered after three days' bombardment, to Union forces, under Gen. Gilmore, April 11.
Slavery abolished in District of Columbia, April 16.
Bombardment of Fort Pillow, by Commodore Foote, April 17.
Union fleet, under Farragut, passes up the Mississippi river and takes New Orleans, passing Forts Jackson and Philip, April 24.
Gen. Butler in command at New Orleans, May 1.
Yorktown evacuated, May 4.
Surrender of New Orleans to Commodore Farragut.
Battle of Williamsburg, Va., May 5.
Battle of West Point, May 7.
Norfolk surrendered to Gen. Wool, May 10.
Destruction of the "Merrimac," by the Confederates, May 11.
Natchez, Miss., surrenders to Commodore Farragut, May 13.
Gen. Banks defeated at Winchester, May 25.
Battle of Seven Pines, Va., May 29.
Corinth evacuated, May 30.
Little Rock captured, May 31.
Battle of Fair Oaks; Union loss, heavy; renewal of battle of Fair Oaks; success of Unionists.
Unionists seize Braeshear City, June 12.
Slavery abolished by all the Territories, June 19.
Forts Pillow and Randolph evacuated, June 4.
Surrender of Memphis, June 6.
Repulse of Confederates, at Springfield, Mo., June 8.
Seven days' fight before Richmond, under McClellan, June 26; Mechanicsville, June 26; Gaines' Mills, June 27; Savage Station and Peach Orchard, June 28; White Oak Swamp, June 30; Malvern Hill, July 1; change of base to James river.
President Lincoln calls for 300,000 volunteers, July 1.
Murfreesborough captured by Forrest, July 5.
Raid of Morgan in Kentucky, July 7.
Surrender of Port Hudson, July 7.
Death of Martin Van Buren, July 8.
Battle of Cedar Mountain, Va., Aug. 9; Union forces under Banks, lose 1,500 killed, wounded, and missing; Confederates, under "Stonewall" Jackson.
Raid of Phillips into Mississippi, Aug. 16.
Battle of Sulphur Springs, Va., Aug. 24.
Fighting on Rappahannock under Pope; Confederates under Ewell and Jackson, Aug. 27.
Gen. Bragg invades Tennessee and Kentucky.
Battle of Kettle Run, Va., Aug. 27.
Battle of Groveton, Va., Aug. 29.
Defeat of Union forces at Richmond, Ky., Aug. 29.
Surrender of Memphis, Aug. 29.
Second battle of Bull Run; defeat of Federals, Aug. 30.
Battle of Chantilly, Va.; Union Generals Kearney and Stevens killed, Sept. 1.
Confederates cross Potomac into Maryland, at Poolesville, Md., Sept. 1.
Battle of South Mountain, Md.; Union victory; Gen. Jesse L. Reno killed.
Harper's Ferry surrendered, after three days' fighting, by General Miles, Sept. 15.
Battle of Antietam, between Gen. McClellan and Gen. Lee. Retreat of the Confederates, Sept. 17.
Battle of Iuka, Miss., between Gen. Rosecrans and Gen. Price, Sept. 19.
Reoccupation of Harper's Ferry by Federals, Sept. 22.
President Lincoln issues preliminary Proclamation of Emancipation, Sept. 22.
Battle of Corinth, Miss., between Gens. Rosecrans and Price; defeat of the latter, Oct. 3, 4.