



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

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On This Date

1845 – The first volume of François-Xavier Garneau’s *Histoire du Canada* was published. The lauded historical work would be three volumes total upon completion.



1908 – A ball signifying New Year’s Day dropped during the last minute of 1907, and completed its descent just after midnight, marking the arrival of 1908. It was the first use of the ball in New York City’s Times Square.

1934 – Alcatraz became a federal prison. Today, the island in the San Francisco Bay is supervised by the National Park Service.

Daily Trivia

Following the war, Paul Revere expanded his business to include working with iron, bronze, and copper. He became the first American to successfully roll copper into sheets for use as sheathing on naval vessels.

Quote of the Day

“In what other climate does the Queen of Silence Show us more splendour? I love, oh Canada, night, the vast plain Shining with whiteness!”

~ *François-Xavier Garneau*

Happy Birthday!

Paul Revere (1735–1818) was a colonist and silversmith from Boston, Massachusetts, whose name is synonymous with the American Revolution. As pre-war tensions mounted, Revere spied on the British and participated in the Boston Tea Party.



But it was his midnight ride on April 18, 1775, that cemented Revere’s place in the history books, as he galloped to Lexington to warn of the pending British attack. Revere was twice married: once to Sarah Orne, and then after her unexpected death, again to Rachel Walker. He had eight children with both women, for a total of 16. He died of natural causes at age 83.