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On This Date

1759 – At the Battle of Quebec on the Plains of Abraham, British General James Wolfe’s army defeated the French forces. “Measured by the numbers engaged, the Battle of Quebec was but a heavy skirmish,” wrote historian Francis Parkman. “Measured by results, it was one of the great battles of the world.”



1833 – The first imported shipment of ice arrived in Calcutta, India, from Boston, Massachusetts. The 180 tons of New England lake ice lasted for the four months of the trip due to the specially insulated hold of the clipper ship *Tuscany*.

Daily Trivia

Studies have shown that Friday the 13th is no more likely to have bad things happen than any other day. Psychologists say that the superstition continues due to our tendency to look for things that verify our beliefs and forget the things that contradict them.

Quote of the Day

“Those who don’t believe in magic will never find it.”

~ *Roald Dahl*

Happy Birthday!

Roald Dahl (1916–1990) was the prolific master storyteller responsible for such children’s classics as *James and the Giant Peach*, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, and *Fantastic Mr. Fox*. The British writer, who was a spy and an ace fighter pilot in World War II, also created fabulous stories for adults, including “The Wonderful Story of Henry Sugar” and “The Hitchhiker.” Dahl won the World Fantasy Award for Life Achievement in 1983. He also wrote screenplays, including two adaptations of Ian Fleming novels: *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang* and *You Only Live Twice*.

