

IV. CONSTITUTIONAL HISTORY

- 1679.** *Feb. 28:* Duke of York banished to Brussels (-1680). Two general elections; party names of Whig and Tory come into use. *May 26:* Habeas Corpus Act. Halifax chief Minister. *June 22:* Battle of Bothwell Bridge; Monmouth subdues insurrection of Scottish Covenanters.
- 1680.** *May 21:* Exclusion Bill, against succession of Duke of York, passes Commons, rejected by Lords. Archbishopric of Magdeburg incorporated with Brandenburg.
- 1681.** *Mar. 19-28:* Parliament of Oxford. *Nov. 9:* Religious toleration granted to Hungarian Protestants.
- 1682.** Plot of radical Whigs under Shaftesbury. *Mar.:* French Assembly of Clergy defines liberties of Gallican Church. Pennsylvania assembly issues constitution (Great Charter).
- 1683.** *Jan. 21:* Shaftesbury *d.* *June:* Rye House Plot discovered; Monmouth exiled to Holland; Lord Wm. Russell (*July 21*) and Algon Sidney (*Dec. 7*) beheaded.
- 1684.** Charters of London and 65 Whig cities remodelled.
- 1685.** *May 20:* James II's Parliament meets. *June 11:* Rebellion of Duke of Monmouth; defeated at Sedgemoor (*July 6*) and beheaded (*July 15*). *Sept.:* Bloody Assizes; Jeffreys appointed Lord Chancellor.
- 1686.** *July:* Court of Ecclesiastical Commission created.

V. ECONOMIC HISTORY AND NATURAL SCIENCE

- 1679.** Sir Wm. Petty: *A Treatise on Taxes and Contributions*. Newton's calculations of the lunar orbit. Colbert's decree to examine every merchant in book-keeping, commercial law, and knowledge of mercantile wares.
- 1680.** Dockwra institutes penny post in London.
- 1681.** *May:* Canal du Midi, begun in 1664, opened.
- 1682.** Sir Wm. Petty: *Quantulumcumque, or, a Tract concerning Money*. Pierre Baille establishes weaving mill with 100 looms at Amsterdam.
- 1683.** *Sept. 6:* Colbert *d.*
- 1684.** Portugal prohibits importation of woollen goods. First attempt to light London streets. Hooke invents optical telegraph.
- 1685.** Entails introduced in Scotland. *Oct. 18:* Louis XIV revokes edict of Nantes; thousands of French refugees arrive in England, Netherlands, and Brandenburg, where they introduce many new industries.
- 1686.** Willoughby and Ray: *Historia Piscium*.

VI. CULTURAL LIFE

- 1679.** Gilbert Burnet: *History of the English Reformation*. Lee and Dryden: *Oedipus King of Thebes*. *Feb. 2:* Jan Steen *d.*
- 1680.** Bunyan: *Life and Death of Mr. Badman*. Otway: *The Orphan of China*. Fléchier: *Oraisons Funèbres*. Comédie Française established. Purcell: *Dido and Aeneas*. *Sept. 25:* Samuel Butler *d.* *Nov. 30:* Peter Lely *d.*
- 1681.** Dryden: *Absalom and Achitophel*; *Religio Laici* (2nd part 1684). Bossuet: *Treatise on Universal History*. Mabillon: *De Re Diplomatica*; standard work on diplomatics.
- 1682-1776.** *Acta Eruditorum*; first German learned periodical.
- 1682.** Otway: *Venice Preserved*. Dryden: *The Medal, a Satire against Sedition*. Complete edition of Pierre Corneille. *Mar. 13:* J. van Ruisdael *d.* *Apr. 3:* Murillo *d.* *Nov. 23:* Claude Lorrain *d.*
- 1683.** Wm. Penn: *General Description of Pennsylvania*.
- 1684.** Thos. Burnet: *Theory of Earth*. Ph. W. von Hörnigk: *Österreich über alles wenn es nur will*.
- 1685.** Dryden: *Albion and Albinus*. M. van Coehoorn: *Nieuwe Vestingsbouw*; theory of fortification.
- 1686.** Mme de Maintenon founds Maison de St. Cyr for poor noble girls. Pufendorf appointed court-historiographer of Brandenburg.