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B. C.
324 Exile of Demosthenes.
323 Death of Alexander at Babylon.
Alexander succeeded by Perdiccas as Regent.
Antipater in Macedonia.
Lysimachus in Thrace.
Cassander in Greece.
Antigonus in Syria.
Eumenes in Cappadocia.
Seleucus at Babylon.
Second Samnite War, lasts twenty-one years.
Antipater, a Macedonian general, defeats Athens and allies.
322 Ptolemy I., surnamed Soter, receives the Egyptian Kingdom.
Phenicia annexed to Egypt by Ptolemy Soter I.
321 First war among the "successors of Alexander."
Battle of the Caudine Forks.
Romans terribly defeated by Pontius and pass under the Samnite yoke.
320 Ptolemy Soter takes Jerusalem.
Revolt of Phenicia.
Jewish settlements in Egypt and Cyrene.
317 Agathocles at Syracuse.
315 Thebes rebuilt by Cassander.
Conquest of Antigonus of Phrygia.
314 Palestine under Antigonus.
Roman victory at Cimina.
313 Samnite victory at Lantule.
312 Battle of Gaza.
Victory of Ptolemy and Seleucus over Demetrius Poliorcetes.
Pyrrhus king of Epirus.
Appius Claudius censor.
Appian Way and aqueduct.
The great Roman military road completed.
312—160 Sandracottus, Indian empire.
311—309 The Etruscan War.
310 L. Papirius Cursor, Roman Dictator.
Agathocles defeated at Himera.
308 Fabius crosses Samnian Hills; defeats the Tuscans at Vadimon.
307—305 Naval war at Cyprus and Rhodes.
304 Siege of Rhodes by Demetrius.
301 Battle of Ipsis between Ptolemy Soter and Antigonus.
Final division of Alexander's dominions.
300 Athenian democracy restored.
Chandragupta (Sandracottus) reigns in India; makes a treaty with Seleucus.
Foundation of Antioch by Seleucus.
Light-house on island of Pharos erected.
299 Athens besieged and taken by Demetrius.
298 Third Samnite War. (Samnites, Etruscans, Umbrians and Gauls.)
Gellius Egnatius, leader of the Samnites.
296 The Capitoline wolf.
295 Quintus Fabius defeats the Samnites, Etruscans and Gauls at Sentinum.
292 Execution of C. Pontius.
290 The Third Samnite War ends in subjugation to Rome.
287 Birth of Archimedes (died 212).
286 The Hortensian Law passed at Rome; plebiscita declared binding on all the people.
285 Ptolemy abdicates in favor of his son, Philadelphus, who becomes Ptolemy II.
Under his reign Egypt rose to a high rank among the nations in power and wealth.
284 Alexandrian Library founded by Ptolemy Soter.
284 The Etolian League formed.
283 Kingdom of Pergamus founded.
Renewed Gallic and Etruscan War.
Second battle of Lake Vadimon.
281 Rome wars with Pyrrhus, king of Epirus.
Rome at war with Tarentum.
Lysimachus defeated and slain by Seleucus at Corupedion.
280 Achean League between twelve cities of Achea established.
Battle of Pandosia.
Romans defeated by Pyrrhus.
Birth of Chryssippus (died 207).
279 Irruption of the Gauls into Greece.
First Plebeian censor at Rome.
Romans again defeated by Pyrrhus at Asculum.
Rome and Carthage allied.
277 League between Athens, Sparta and Egypt.
The Septuagint written.
The Gauls settle in Galatia.
276 Birth of Eratosthenes—died 196.
The great wall of China built (?)
274 Battle of Beneventum. Rome victorious and Pyrrhus leaves Italy.
273 Egyptian embassy to Rome.
272 Antigonus Gonatus recovers Macedon.
269 Silver money first coined at Rome.
Hiero II. of Syracuse.
268 Berosus flourished.
Antigonus of Macedon takes Athens.
266 Rome supreme over all Italy.
264 First Punic War begins.
Carthage disputes Rome's Empire.
Chronology of Arundelian (Parian) marble ends.
265 First Roman fleet launched.
Victory of Duilius off Myle.
Rise of Parthia.
260—230 Reign of Asoka in India.
256 Naval victory of Regulus over the Carthaginians at Ecnomos.
Invasion of Africa.
The Arsacide.
255 Defeat and capture of Regulus by the Carthaginians.
Evacuation of Africa.
254 The Kingdom of Bactia.
250 Parthia becomes an independent kingdom under Arsaces.
Dynasty of Tsin in China founded.
247 Ptolemy III. makes war on Syria.
Restores the Egyptian gods carried off by Cambyses 525 B. C.
Birth of Hannibal—died 183.
245 Aratus of Sicyon, general of the Achean Leagues.
241 Defeat of Carthaginians by Catulus at the Egates Insule.
End of the First Punic War.
Sicily made a Roman Province.
Atalus, King of Pergamus.
Agis IV. killed at Sparta.
240 The plays of Livius Andronicus exhibited (the first tragedies) at Rome.
238 Date of the decree of Canopus; tablet of San.
237 Conquest of Spain attempted by the Carthaginians.
Seizure of Sardinia and Corsica by the Romans.
235 The gates of the Temple of Janus at Rome shut for the first time since Numa. No war existing at the time.
234 Birth of M. Porcius Cato—died 149.
233 Antigonus Doson in Macedon.
229 Athens joins the Achean League.
227 Cleomenic War with Achean League begins.
226 Reforms of Cleomenes at Sparta.
225 Invasion of Cisalpine Gaul and battle of Clusium. Rome victorious.
222 Ptolemy IV. reigns in Egypt.
Defeats Antiochus III. of Syria at Raphia.
Gallia Cisalpina becomes a Roman Province.
221 Battle of Sellasia.
Aratus and Antigonus take Sparta.
Philip V. of Macedon.
Alliance between Philip and Acheans against Etolians.
220 Hasdrubal assassinated in Spain.
219 Antiochus overruns Palestine.
Siege of Saguntum by Hannibal.
Second Illyrian war.
218 Second Punic War begins.
Hannibal marches from Spain across the Pyrenees and the Alps into Italy.
Battles of the Ticinius and the Trebia, and defeat of Scipio.
217 Hannibal passes the Apennines.
Battle of Lake Trasimene. Flaminius defeated.

B. C.
217 The two Scipios sent to Spain.
216 Battle of Canne. Romans defeated with immense loss.
Revolt of Capua.
Alliance of Hannibal with Philip V. of Macedon.
214—212 Siege and capture of Syracuse by Marcellus.
214 First Commercial War.
Byzantium and Rhodes.
212 Battle of Anitorgis.
Greek works of art brought to Rome.
211 Greece concludes treaty with the Romans against Philip V. of Macedon.
Defeat and death of the two Scipios in Spain by Hasdrubal.
Capua recovered by Rome.
Conquest of Judea by Antiochus.
Hannibal before Rome.
208 Battle of Metaurus.
Battle of Elinga.
207 Battle of the Metaurus; Hasdruba defeated and slain by the Romans.
Gold money first coined in Rome.
205 Ptolemy V. The decline of Egypt.
204 P. Cornelius Scipio conducts the war in Africa.
Siege of Utica.
203 Hannibal leaves Italy.
Attalus and Rhodians war with Philip.
202 Defeat of Hannibal at Zama, in Africa, by Scipio Africanus.
201 Treaty of peace between Rome and Carthage; end of the Second Punic War.
200-197 First Macedonian War.
Allies attack Macedon and defeat Philip.
198 T. Quintus Flaminius proclaims liberty to the Greeks.
Syria becomes independent of Egypt.
197 Battle of Cynoscephalæ.
Philip defeated by Flaminius.
Palestine and Cele-Syria conquered by Antiochus the Great, and confirmed to him by the peace with Rome.
The Rosetta Stone written.
196 Dynasty of Han, China, founded.
Hannibal joins Antiochus.
195 Birth of Hipparchus, first systematic astronomer.
192-188 War between the Romans and Antiochus the Great.
Philopemen pretor of the Achean League.
Greece declared free from Macedon by Flaminius.
Philopemen defeats Nabis, of Sparta.
Sparta joins the Achean League.
190 Battle of Magnesia.
188 The laws and discipline of Lycurgus abrogated by Philopemen.
184 Death of Plautus.
183 Death of Hannibal and Scipio.
182 Lycortas, general of the Achean League.
182-174 Encroachments of Massinissa.
181 Ptolemy VI. reigns in Egypt.
The Villian Law, Rome.
179 Perseus King of Macedonia.
Embassy of Callicrates to Greece.
Pharnaces, of Pontus, cedes Paphlagonia to Rome.
176 Antiochus makes war on Egypt.
171-168 Second Macedonian War.
170 Antiochus takes Jerusalem.
40,000 Jews slain and Temple pillaged.
Birth of Attius, Roman dramatist (died 76).
168 Battle of Pydna; victory of Emilius Paulus over Perseus; Macedonia made a Roman province.
Eumenes II. visits Rome.
Antiochus Epiphanes takes Jerusalem.
Beginning of the Maccabean war of independence.
Athenians attack Oropus.
167 Judas Maccabeus defeats the Syrians and occupies Jerusalem, except the Citadel.
Romans ravage Epirus and Achea.
166 Rededication of the Temple.
One thousand Acheans imprisoned at Rome.
First comedy of Terence performed at Rome.
166-145 Hipparchus flourishes.
165 Rise of the Pharisees and Sadducees.
164 Death of Antiochus.
He is succeeded by Antiochus V. Eupator, who takes Bethsura, and besieges Jerusalem, but makes peace with the Jews.
Cyrene and Libya separate from Egypt.
163 Birth of M. Emilius Scaurus, Roman orator (died 90).
161 Victory of Judas Maccabeus at Adosa.
Embassy of Cameades, Diogenes and Critolans to Rome.
Death of Judas.
Alliance between Rome and Judea.
Jonathan Maccabeus succeeds Judas.
160 Bactrians in India.
159 Death of Terence.
155 Athenians fined by Rome.
153 War in Spain.
150-138 Lusitanian War.
Viriathus commands the Lusitanians.
149 Third Punic War begins.
Scipio invades Africa.
Andriscus in Macedonia.
148 Birth of Lucilius—died 103.
147 The Achean war with Rome begins.
146 Ptolemy VI. killed in battle.
Carthage taken by Scipio and destroyed by order of the Roman Senate.
Corinth taken and destroyed by Mummius.
Province of Africa constituted.
Greece becomes a Roman Province.
145 Ptolemy VII. reigns, marries Cleopatra, widow of Ptolemy VI.
Polybius legislates for the Achean cities.
Demetrius Nicator in Syria.
144 The Tower of Zion taken by the Jews.
Judea becomes independent.
Rise of the Asmonean dynasty.
143 Birth of Antonius, Roman orator (died 70).
142 Scipio Africanus (Minor) Roman Censor.
140 Birth of Crassus, Roman orator (died 91).
Simon made hereditary prince of the Jews.
Death of Viriathus—Rome.
Macedon formally absorbed by Rome.
138 Birth of L. Cornelius Sulla (died 78).
136 Hyrcanus Governor of Judea.
134-132 Servile War in Sicily.
Sicilian slaves rebel, are conquered and slain.
133 Laws of Tiberias Gracchus passed at Rome.
Gracchus murdered.
Kingdom of Pergamus bequeathed to Rome.
130 Demetrius Nicator, Syria, restored.
129 Hycranus subdues Idumea and Samaria and destroys Temple at Gerizim.
125 Rise of the Essenes.
Fluvius Flaccus and L. Drusus popular Roman leaders.
L. Cæelius Antipater, Roman jurist, flourished.
123 Scipio takes and destroys Numantia.
Roman Colony sent to Carthage.
121 Civil war in Rome arising from Agrarian troubles—Caius Gracchus is murdered.
Metullius leader of Roman Senate.
120 Parthians subdue Bactria.
117 Ptolemy VIII. reigns jointly with his mother, Cleopatra.
116 Birth of Varro (died 28).
113 The Teutones and Cimbra invade Gaul.
111-106 The Jugurthine War—peace concluded.
War renewed two years later.
Metellus and Marius defeat Jugurtha and subjects Numidia.
109-101 War of Rome with the Cimbri and Teutones.
109 Hyrcanus destroys the Samaritan temple on Mount Gerizim.
Atticus born (died B. C., 32).
106 Birth of Pompey and of Cicero.

B. C.
102 Victory of Marius over the Teutones at Aque Sexte (Aix).
Second Servile war breaks out in Sicily.
101 Victory of Marius over the Cimbri at Vercelle and end of the war.
Battle of Campus Raudius.
100 Birth of Julius Cesar.
C. Marius born 157 (died 86). Sixth Roman Consul.
L. App. Saturninus Tribune (Rome).
96 Ptolemy Apion leaves Cyrene.
95 Birth of Lucretius (died 55).
92 Sulla on the Euphrates.
90-88 The Social or Marsic War in Italy.
The Marsians, at first successful, are finally defeated.
88-84 First Mithridatic War.
Mithridates seizes Athens.
Civil War of Marius and Sulla and expulsion of Marius.
Sulla occupies Rome.
87 Marius retakes Rome.
Proscription.
86 Revolt and Siege of Egyptian Thebas.
Death of Marius and return of Sulla.
Athens stormed by Sulla.
Birth of Sallust (died 34).
85 Tigranes at war with Rome.
84 Sulla makes peace with Pontus, king of the Mithridates.
83 War with Marian party in Italy.
Tigranes I. of Armenia annexes Phrygia.
83 Birth of Marcus Antonius (died 30).
82 Thebes destroyed.
Second Civil War.
Victory at the Colline gate.
Occupation of Rome.
Sulla becomes Dictator.
79 Abdication of Sulla. Dies in 78.
Cornelian Laws of Rome.
79-72 Civil war of Sertorius in Spain; and of Lepidus and Catulus in Italy.
78 Alexandra Queen of Judea.
75 Nicomedes III. leaves Bithnia to Rome.
74-65 Third Mithridatic War.
74-66 Victories of Lucullus in Asia.
73-71 Servile war in Italy, led by Spartacus who is defeated and slain by Crassus.
70 Consulship of Pompey and Crassus.
Birth of Virgil (died 19).
Scythians expelled from India.
69 Victory of Lucullus over Tigranes.
67 Cesar begins to take part in public affairs.
Pompey subdues the pirates.
66 Lucullus recalled.
Pompey sent into Asia and war ended.
Birth of Strabo, geographer (died A. D. 22).
65 Birth of Horace (died B. C. 8).
Antiochus Asiaticus dethroned by Pompey.
64 Birth of Messalla (died 4).
Pompey reduces Syria to a Roman province.
63 Jerusalem taken by the Romans under Pompey.
Birth of Augustus.
Second conspiracy of Cataline suppressed by Cicero.
Orations of Cicero.
Lucullus founds Library at Rome.
Phenicia absorbed in the province of Syria.
60 Pompey, Cesar and Crassus form the first Roman Triumvirate.
Birth of Seneca (died 30).
59 Birth of Livy (died A. D. 17).
58 The Gallic War begins.
Cicero banished.
Cesar invades Gaul.
Helvetii and Ariovistus defeated.
57 Cyprus becomes a Roman province.
End of the Seleucide.
Cesar defeats the Belge and Nervii.
55-54 Cesar invades Britain.
Crassus plunders the Temple at Jerusalem; is defeated and killed by the Parthians at Carrhe, 53.
54 Cesar defeats Treviri and crosses the Rhine.
Birth of Tibullus (died 18).
52-51 Cesar conquers Vercingetorix and Alesia.
Murder of Claudius by Milo.
51 Subjugation of Gaul completed, and becomes a Roman province.
50 Quintus Sextius (Stoic) flourished.
49 Civil war between Cesar and Pompey.
Pompey driven from Italy.
The Pompeians defeated in Spain.
Cesar dictator.
48 Battle of Pharsalia.
Cesar defeats Pompey.
Murder of Pompey in Egypt.
Ptolemy Dionysus and Cleopatra inherit Egyptian throne.
47 Cesar again dictator.
War in Egypt.
Partial destruction of the library of Alexandria during the siege of Alexandria.
Cesar defeats Pharnaces at Zela.
46 The African War.
Battle of Thapsus.
Suicide of Cato.
Reformation of the calendar by Cesar.
His triumphs.
45 War in Spain.
Battle of Munda; defeat of the Pompeians.
Cesar Pater Patrie Imperator, for life, Dictator.
First year of Julian calendar.
44 Assassination of Cesar by Brutus, Cassius and others. Flight of the assassins.
Antony becomes master of Rome.
Corinth and Carthage rebuilt.
43 Cleopatra poisons her brother Ptolemy and reigns alone.
Battle of Mutina.
Second Triumvirate—C. Octavius, M. Antony, M. Lepidus.
Cicero put to death.
Birth of Ovid (died A. D. 18).
End of the Ragida.
42 Battle of Philippi.
42 Defeat and death of Brutus and Cassius.
The Triumviri masters of the Roman world.
41 Meeting of Antony and Cleopatra at Tarsus.
40 Herod the Great made king of the Jews.
Library of Pergamus to Alexandria.
37 Jerusalem taken by Herod and the Romans.
Agrippa crosses the Rhine.
36 Sextus Pompeius driven from Sicily (put to death 35).
Lepidus deprived of power.
Defeat of Antony in Parthia.
34 Antony invades Armenia.
32 War between Octavius and Antony.
31 Battle of Actium.
Establishment of the Roman Empire.
30 Battle of Actium. Octavius successful.
Suicide of Antony and Cleopatra.
Criticism of the best Attic Literature at Rome.
29 The Gates of Janus Shut.
27 Cesar Octavius is made Emperor under the title of Augustus Cesar.
Pantheon dedicated by Agrippa.
25 Tiridates seeks Roman court.
24 Defeat of Romans in Arabia.
23 Death of Marcellus.
21 Augustus Cesar founds Confederacy of Raconian cities.
20 Roman standards restored by Parthia.
India embassy to Rome.
18 Death of Dionysius of Halicarnassus.
17-7 Temple at Jerusalem rebuilt by Herod.
Agrippa invades Asia.
Cappadocia created a province of Rome.
16 German war; Roman defeat under Lollius.
15 Victories of Drusus over the Rheti.
12 Invasion of Germany by Drusus.
11-9 Campaigns of Tiberias in Pannonia and Dalmatia.
9 Death of Drusus

B. C.
8 Tiberius defeats the Germans.
Diodorus Siculus, historian, flourished.
4 Birth of Jesus Christ, according to Usher's system.
Death of Herod, king of Judea.

A. D.
1 Tiberius commands on the Rhine.
3 Birth of Seneca (died A. D. 65).
6 Judea a Roman province. Syria.
9 Destruction of the Romans under Varus and three legions by the Germans under Hermann.
Romans defeated by Čharusci under Arminius.
Banishment of Ovid.
14 Death of Augustus Cesar.
Accession of Tiberius Cesar.
Accession of Artatanus in Parthia.
14-16 Campaigns of Germanicus in Germany.
17 Germanicus in Parthia and the East.
19 Death of Germanicus.
War between Artabarus and Marbad.
20 Valerius Maximus.
M. Elino Sejanus dominant at Rome.
23 Pretorian camp at Rome.
25 Pontius Pilate Governor of Judea.
26-37 Tiberias retires to Capre.
30 The Crucifixion, according to Eusebius.
Lactantius, Augustine, Origen, and other authorities give A. D. 29 as the proper year.
Agrippina I. banished.
31 Marco, Perfect of Pretorians, upon fall of Sejanus.
37 Accession of Caligula, Rome.
Birth of Josephus (died 97).
40 Philo Senior ambassador to Rome.
Birth of Plutarch—died 120.
41 Claudius Emperor of Rome.
42 Claudius conquers Mauretania.
Birth of Quintilian—died 118.
43 Expedition of Claudius to Britain.
Successes of Aulus Plautius.
Birth of Martial—died 104.
Lycia becomes a Roman province.
44 Judea and Samaria directly Roman.
47 London founded by the Romans.
Birth of Juvenal—died 130 (?).
Thrace directly Roman.
The Frisians subdued by Rome.
50 Defeat and capture of Caractacus; taken prisoner to Rome.
Claudius marries Agrippiana II., and adopts Nero.
51 South Britain a Roman province.
54 Agrippiana poisons Claudius and Nero becomes emperor.
55 Birth of Tacitus (died 117 (?).
56 Corbulo in Parthia.
59 Britannicus poisoned by Agrippiana.
Agrippiana murdered by Nero.
Parthia and Armenia at war.
60 St. Paul at Malta.
61 Insurrection of the Britons under Boadicea.
Victory of Suetonius Paulinus.
Birth of Papinius Statius, poet; died 96.
Birth of Pliny the Minor; died 105.
64 Rome on fire six days.
Persecution of the Christians.
65 Deaths of St. Peter and St. Paul (?).
Deaths of Seneca and Luscan.
Conspiracy of Piso.
Revolt of the Jews.
Josephus governor of Gallilee.
67 Nero at the Olympic games.
68 Death of Nero.
Galba becomes emperor.
69 Civil war at Rome.
Otho kills himself.
Vitellius killed.
70 Jerusalem taken and destroyed by Titus.
Civilis leads a Batavian revolt.
Vespasian emperor at Rome.
70-80 Colosseum at Rome built.
71 The gates of Janus closed.
Triumph of Vespasian and Titus.
Philosophers expelled from Rome.
Reform of Treasury, Rome.
71-75 The Stoic philosophers expelled from Rome by Vespasian.
78 Agricola commands in Britain.
Titus becomes Roman emperor.
79 Herculaneum and Pompeii destroyed by an eruption of Vesuvius.
79 Death of Pliny the Elder.
The Laocoon group sculptured.
80 Advance of Agricola to the Tay.
Amphitheatre of Verona built.
81 Domitian emperor of Rome.
82 Rome wars with Chatti.
83 Paris (Pantomine) killed.
84 Agricola defeats the Caledonians, and sails around and subdues Britain.
85 Agricola recalled to Rome.
86 Rome wages an unsuccessful war against Gate or Dalia.
Quadi and Marcomanni.
91 Insurrection of Antonius suppressed.
95 Rome persecutes Jews and Christians.
St. John bahished to Patmos.
96 Domitian killed.
Nerva becomes emperor.
Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna, born (died 166).
96-98 Relief of taxes and distribution of lands.
98 Trajan emperor of Rome.
Plutarch flourishes.
103 Birth of Justin Martyr (died 166).
103-107 Subjugation of Dacia.
104 Birth of Herodes Atticus, antiquarian (died 180).
114-117 Trajan's expedition to the East.
117 Hadrian emperor.
He abandons the conquests of Trajan.
The Euphrates made the eastern boundary of the empire.
120 Hadrian visits Gaul and Britain.
Statues of Antonous (Hadrian's page).
Birth of Ireneus Bishop of Lyons, died 200.
Birth of Lucian, died 200.
121 Hadrian's walls built—Newcastle to Carlisle—Rhine to the Danube.
Birth of Marcus Aurelius, died 180.
125 First apology for the Christians presented at Athens by Quadratus and Aristides.
130 Birth of Appuleius.
Birth of Galen, died 200.
Hadrian rebuilds Jerusalem.
132 Second Jewish War.
Barchochebas, leader of the Jews.
Edictum perpetuum of Hadrian.
135 Dispersion of the Jews.
138 Antonius Pius, emperor.
The empire at peace.
Faustina I. flourishes.
Wall of Antoninus (Graham's Dyke) built.
139 Conquests of Lollius Urbicus in Britain.
140 Vallum Antonio in Britain.
145-175 Fustiana II. flourishes.
147 Development of Roman civil laws.
150 Establishment of schools in Roman provinces.
161 Marcus Aurelius and Lucius Verus joint emperors.
161-166 Pestilence and famine at Rome.
162 Rome wars with Parthia.
163 Persecution of Christians.
166 Polycarp suffers martyrdom.
167-180 War with the Marcomanni, Quadi, etc.
Greek philosophers patronized by Rome.
169 Death of L. Verus.
Marcus Aurelius sole emperor.
175 Rome quells rebellion in Syria.
177 Christians in Gaul persecuted.
Advance of the Goths.
178 Goths attack Dacia.
180 Commodus emperor of Rome.
Statue of Aurelius erected.
Perennis prefect of Pretorians.
183 Successes of Ulpius Marcellus in Britain.
184 Commodus takes the name of Britanicus.
185 Birth of Origen (died 253).
186 Cleander perfect of Pretorians.
190 Birth of Tertullian (died 240).
192 Britanicus as gladiator, killed.

A. D.
193 Pertinax, emperor of Rome, is murdered.
Didius Julianus buys the empire. Is opposed by Pescennius Niger and Septimius Severus and killed.
194 Septimius Severus sole emperor.
Defeat and death of Niger.
196 Severus captures Byzantium after a siege of three years.
197 Temple of the Sun at Baalbec.
Battle of Lyons.
Death of Albinus.
198 Caracalla named Augustus.
Defeat of Parthians by Romans.
202 Persecution of the Christians.
204 Birth of Plotinus, philosopher (died 274).
209 Invasion of Britain by Severus. His wall completed, 220.
211 Death of Severus at York.
Caracalla and Geta emperors.
Roman citizenship extended to the whole empire.
212 Geta murdered.
Caracalla, sole emperor.
213 Death of Clement of Alexandria.
214 First contact of the Romans with the Alamanni German tribes on the upper Rhine.
217 Macrinus emperor.
218 Heliogabalus emperor.
222 Alexander Severus emperor.
225 Sextus Empiricus, philosopher, flourishes.
226 Dissolution of the Parthian Empire and end of Arecide.
Foundation of the new Persian Kingdom of the Sassanide by Ardshir (Artaxerxes).
228 Ulpian (lawyer) died.
231 Persian War begins.
233 Triumph of Severus.
235 Maximin murders Severus and succeeds to the throne.
236 Persecution of the Christians.
238 The Gordiani, Pupienus and Balbinu (jointly) and Gordianus III., emperors.
242 Gordianus defeats Sapor, King of Persia.
244 Gordianus murdered and succeeded by Philip the Arabian.
249 Decius emperor of Rome.
250 Decius orders a persecution of the Christians.
First invasion of the empire by the Goths.
251 Death of Decius and his son.
Gallus emperor.
252 A pestilence breaks out in the empire and lasts fifteen years.
253 Irruption of the Goths and Burgundians into Mesia and Pannonia.
First appearance of the Franks in Gaul about this time.
254 Valerian emperor. His son Gallienus associated with him.
Persecution of the Christians.
258 Trapezus taken by the Goths.
259 Sapor ravages Syria.
Valerian taken prisoner.
260 Gallienus sole emperor.
The Thirty Tyrants between 260 and 268.
262 The Goths in Macedonia and Asia Minor.
They destroy the Temple of Ephesus.
Antioch taken by Sapor.
263 The Franks invade Gaul.
267 The Heruli invade Greece, and are repulsed by Dexippus.
268 Claudius emperor.
269 Claudius defeats the Goths in Mesia.
270 Aurelian emperor of Rome.
Victories over the Goths and the Alamanni.
Zenobia queen of Palmyra.
272 Expedition of Aurelian to Palmyra.
273 Capture of Palmyra and of Queen Zenobia.
274 Birth of Constantine (died 337).
275 Tacitus emperor.
276 Probus emperor.
277 Probus drives the Alamanni from Gaul.
282 Carus emperor.
Expedition to the East.
284 Diocletian emperor of Rome.
286 Maximian joint emperor with Diocletian.
Revolt of Carausius in Britain.
289 Victory of Carausius over Maximian.
292 Constantius and Galerius named Cesars.
Division of the empire.
296 Britain recovered by Constantius.
297 Siege of Alexandria by Diocletian.
Persian War.
298 Constantius defeats the Alamanni near Langres.
Defeat of Narses.
303 Persecution of the Christians by Diocletian.
305 Abdication of Diocletian and Maximian.
Constantius and Galerius emperors.
Beginning of monasticism in Egypt under St. Anthony.
306 Death of Constantius at York.
Constantine (the Great) proclaimed emperor by the troops.
307 Revolt of Maxentius.
Six emperors.
Elevation of Licinius.
311 Rome proclaims Christianity.
Edict of Nicomedia to stop the persecution of the Christians.
312 Defeat and death of Maxentius.
313 Defeat and death of Maximian.
Edict of Milan, by Constantine and Licinius, for general religious toleration.
Britain subdued.
314 War between the two emperors.
316 Birth of St. Martin, Bishop of Tours.
323 Constantine sole emperor.
324 Constantinople founded; dedicated as the capital of the empire, 330 (or 334).
325 First General Council of the Church meets at Nicea.
326 Athanasius Patriarch of Alexandria.
Controversy with Arius.
336 Death of Arius.
337 Constantine II., Constans and Constantius II. joint emperors.
Nephilas Meso—Gothic gospels.
338 Death of Eusebius.
340 Birth of St. Jerome—died 420.
347 Synod of Sardica.
348 Ulfilas Bishop of the Goths (died 388).
350-'52 Revolt of Magentius. Defeated by Constantius.
354 Birth of St. Augustine (died 430).
357 Victory of Julian over the Alamanni at Argentoratum (Strasburg).
361 Julian emperor.
362 Julian recalls the banished bishops, and proclaims general religious toleration.
363 Persian War.
Julian killed.
Jovian emperor.
364 Valentinian and Valens joint emperors.
Final division of the empire.
367-'69 Theodosius in Britain; aids Britons against Picts and Scots.
370 The Saxons land on the coasts of Gaul.
373 Death of Athanasius.
375 War with the Quadi.
Gratian emperor of the West with Valentinian II.
Invasion of the Huns.
376 Valens allows the Huns to settle in Thrace.
377 Birth of St. Patrick (died 493?).
378 Constantinople threatened by the Goths.
379 Theodosius the Great, Emperor of the East.
381 Second General Council held at Constantinople.
Pagan rites prohibited.
382 Alaric King of the Goths.
383 Revolt of Maximus in Britain.
390 Final suppression of Paganism.
Massacre at Thessalonica.
Death of Gregory at Nazianzus.
393 Honorius Emperor of the West.
394 Theodosius master of the whole Roman world.
395 Death of Theodosius.
Arcadius Emperor of the East.
The Huns invade the eastern provinces.

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