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- 1809 The Danish adventurer, Jørgen Jørgensen, aided by some English merchants, makes himself "king" of Iceland. Rules for six weeks, and at the end of that time is dethroned by an English R. N. Captain and brought to England.
- 1811 Jón Sigurðsson, the great Statesman, scholar and patriot, b. (June 17.).
- 1843 Restoration of Althingi in Reykjavík.
- 1848 The first weekly paper issued (The Thjóðólfur).
- 1854 Free Trade adopted.
- 1874 Millennial anniversary of the first settlement of Iceland celebrated. King Christian IX visits Iceland. Iceland gets its first Constitution.
- 1879 Death of Jón Sigurðsson.
- 1885 The National Bank of Iceland established by law of Sept. 18th. Starts business July 1st, 1886.
- 1896 First daily paper issued (The Dagskrá).
- 1902 The Íslandsbanki established by law. Starts business 1904.
- 1904 Iceland gets Home Rule.
- 1906 Telegraphic cable laid between Iceland and Europe.
- 1911 University founded in Reykjavík (June 17.).
- 1914 Icelandic Steamship Company Ltd. established (Jan. 17.).
- 1915 Iceland gets a local flag.
- 1918 The Iceland Marine-Insurance Co., Ltd. established.
- 1918 Iceland becomes a sovereign kingdom in union with Denmark (Dec. 1.).
- 1929 The Rural Bank of Iceland established by law. Commences operations Jan. 1st, 1930.
- 1930 Útvegsbanki Íslands established. Takes over the assets and liabilities of Íslandsbanki.
- Millennial anniversary of the establishment of Althingi and the foundation of the Icelandic Commonwealth.