

SOME OF NEW BRUNSWICK'S FOOT PRINTS IN THE SANDS OF TIME

- 1848—The only bridge to New York was a wooden double-decker with railroad on top and vehicles on the bottom deck.
- 1851—First Public School building erected on present site of Bayard School.
- 1853—Illuminating gas service started.
Toll Bridge put in service at Albany Street crossing.
- 1856—Hertzog Hall erected at New Brunswick Theological Seminary.
- 1861—Second Reformed Church was built Albany and George Streets.
- 1864—Rutgers became a Land Grant College.
- 1866—Schanck Observatory at Rutgers opened for use.
- 1867—Water service through mains was inaugurated.
- 1869—First Intercollegiate Football Game, Rutgers vs Princeton.
- 1875—Toll Bridge purchased by County and made free.
- 1876—First High School built on Livingston Avenue between Welton and Redmond Streets.
- 1878—Wooden Railroad Bridge burned, replaced by steel bridge.
- 1880—New York and New Jersey Telephone Company installed switchboard and started telephone service.
State Agric. Exp. Station established.
- 1883—Oil train fire resulting in destruction of Janeway & Co. plant.
Post Office moved to Masonic Building, George and Albany Streets.
- 1886—Horse Car Service started.
- 1887—Numbering of houses was put in effect.
- 1888—March 11: Great blizzard.
- 1891—Free Public Library of New Brunswick was incorporated.
Raritan River Railroad opened service New Brunswick to New York.
- 1892—Present Stone Bridge at Albany Street started.
Post Office moved to George and Paterson Sts.
Public Library moved to George and Paterson Sts.
- 1895—Street Car System electrified.
- 1896—Masonic Hall destroyed by fire.
- 1901—Electric lighting service started by Edison Illuminating Co.
- 1902—Carnegie Library on Livingston Avenue started.
Voorhees Library at Rutgers occupied.
Steamer New Brunswick burned ending daily passenger service by boat to New York.
- 1903—Pennsylvania Railroad elevation put in service.
Post Office moved to Federal Post Office Building, George and Albany Streets.
- 1907—Janeway & Carpenter Wall Paper Factory, Paterson and Schuyler Streets, destroyed by fire.
- 1910—The National Bank of New Jersey occupy their new building, George and Church Streets.
First Airplane flight over New Brunswick by Charles K. Hamilton.
- 1914—Paid Fire Department inaugurated July 1st.
- 1915—Commission Government adopted in New Brunswick.
- 1916—Public Scales on Hiram Street removed.
150th Anniversary celebration of Rutgers College. Livingston High School, Livingston Avenue, Delevan to Comstock Streets, dedicated.
- 1917—Reed Building erected, 391-393 George Street.
- 1918—New Jersey College for Women started.
New YMCA building on Livingston Avenue opened.
- 1920—March 5-6 Freshet—Water 7 foot 9 inches in Burnet Street.
- 1925—Second Reformed Church at George and Albany Streets razed.
- 1926—Guest House moved to Library Grounds.
- 1927—New City Hall dedicated.
Voorhees Chapel at New Jersey College for Women completed.
- 1929—Route 25 and College Bridge opened for traffic.
- 1930—Ballentine Gymnasium burned.
Electrification of Pennsylvania Railroad began.
Anniversary Celebration of New Brunswick 1680-1930.
- 1932—New Gymnasium at Rutgers dedicated.
- 1936—New Post Office Building opened on Bayard St.
- 1938—Dedication of Rutgers University Stadium.
- 1942—Camp Kilmer located at Stelton.
- 1947—Presbyterian Church destroyed by fire.
State Constitutional Convention at Rutgers University.
New Brunswick Savings Institution moved to 70 Bayard Street.