



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

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On This Date

1660 – Margaret Hughes became the first actress to appear on an English public stage. King Charles, who had recently regained the crown, overruled a ban of females on the stage. Hughes was the mistress of Prince Rupert, a senior member of the royal family at court.



1854 – Pope Pius IX proclaimed Immaculate Conception as church dogma, decreeing that the Virgin Mary was born free of original sin.

1980 – Former Beatle and international superstar John Lennon was shot and killed outside his residence at the Dakota apartment building in New York City. His death triggered a worldwide outpouring of grief.

Did You Know?

Only about 10% of the world's population resides within the southern hemisphere. This adds up to around 800 million people.

Quote of the Day

“In my end is my beginning.”

~ *Mary Stuart*

Happy Birthday!

Mary Stuart (1542–1587), also known as Queen of Scots, was the daughter of King James V of Scotland. Stuart was only six days old when she was crowned queen. Her grandmother was the sister of England's Henry VIII. Many Catholic Englishmen considered Mary to be the rightful sovereign of England rather than her cousin, Queen Elizabeth (whose parents' marriage was annulled). Mary was married three times, and her life was filled with intrigue. After many years imprisoned in various castles, Stuart was tried and executed for treason for her involvement in three plots to assassinate Queen Elizabeth. Her son by the English Lord Darnley inherited both kingdoms and became James I of England and VI of Scotland.

