HAPPENINGS 80 YEARS AGO

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At one time, history, as it is now, was regarded as mere statistics and chronicles of events. But the progress of thought and changes in society have gradually shown that history, if properly studied, is one of the most effective forces in the education of the people. It is a powerful instrument in the hands of the statesman, the teacher, the orator, and the writer. It is a means of strengthening the bonds of union, and of promoting social progress.

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COMMERCIAL TRAVEL

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The history of commercial travel is one of the most interesting and important topics of study in the field of commerce. It has been a subject of much debate and discussion, and is the subject of many books and articles.

The first commercial travelers were undoubtedly the merchants of ancient times, who traveled to foreign countries to purchase goods and sell them in other parts of the world. The first recorded instance of commercial travel was in the time of the Pharaohs of Egypt, who sent expeditions to the Far East, in search of spices and other exotic products.

The first great commercial traveler was Marco Polo, who traveled to China in the 13th century, and described his experiences in his famous book, "The Travels of Marco Polo." Polo's account of his travels was the first European book on China, and it had a great influence on the European mind.

The first great commercial traveler of the modern age was the Dutch East India Company, which was founded in 1602. The company was the first European trading company to establish a direct trade with Asia, and it played a great role in the development of the world economy.

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