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	Thindwe canal built	from Manipur to Viengchang. He abolishes ani-	The Manu Ring dhammathat	1810 Burmese mission to Buddhagaya			statement in his preface "that parts of the narrative are	existence was threatened again and again. East of Burma it was	kingdom heaped together on one man, the prince wh	living human beings long after Anawrahta's date. The illus-	the commanders who thus won fame was Mahābandūla," of		absorbing and destructive of every amenity. Elsewhere the	and I think that they are generally sound—his book will form
	1324 Ari in use as retainers	mal sacrifice at Pops Hill and human sacrifice in	1751 Talaings occupy Kyaulese	The Judsons arrive in Burma	PREFACE	British Indian Government variety out of what was virtually	flippant," and taken altogether it is a light book. It does not	not yet free from priestly corruptions. But the Kings of Burma	peacocked it in his palace, and they took such vestures, such	trations of my own collection of images and denumber of the			Committee Control and American by South and American	a starting-point for searchers of the coming generation. It has
500 circ. Earliest inscription in Burma	1356 circ. Mission from Martahan to Kandy Temple	1964 Second siege of Ayuthix; fall of the city. Tenasserim	1753 English East India Company occupy Negram 213	1814 Talaings rebel at Martaban and flee to Siam 272	TREFACE	mediæval Burmese capital was a work of absorbing interes	interfere with a work like that before me. There is plenty of	never wavered, and at Pagan the stricken faith found a city of	jewels, such pomp and circumstance, to be a type of the who	order of Burmese supernatural beings (see The Thirty-Seven	whom much was heard in the first British war with Burma in		goes on quietry in much the usual way, and when communic	
Ari Buddhism in Myingyan District	to 66 feet	becomes subject to Burma for a generation . 167	1753 Talaings evacuate Ava	1815 Death of Nga Chin Pyan	By Sir RICHARD CARNAC TEMPLE, Bt.	and an unforgettable experience.	room for both, and the student would do well to study Mr.	refuge. Vainglorious tyrants build themselves sepulchres, but	country."	Nats, 1906) will also show how the all-pervading faith in the	1824. Mr. Harvey's account of Mahabandüla is just and dis-	mighty peoples, to be recorded with the same attention to	the tions are long or difficult it is not affected at all. So the po	et blazed a way through the jungle so that others may build the
754 Nanchao becomes suzerain over Northern Burma	1364 Shans sack Purya and Sagaing 50 Burmese migrate to Toungoo 80, 124	1467 Famine in the Delta	Talaings execute captive Burmese king	1818 Burmese claim Bengal		I was necessarily in close touch with the greater person		none of these men has a tomb These men's magnificence	Mr. Harvey ends a well-told account of the death of Alaung		criminating, and the following remark shows that in historical	actual facts and the same perception of proportion that t	can write, the philosopher can think and study, the priest ca	n road. The great feature of the book is the flood of light it
Fighth Cent. Vikrama dynasty at Prome	1365 Foundation of Ava	1569 Third siege of Ayuthia; fall of the city	1755 Alsungpaya occupies Prome, Myanaung, and Rangoon . 223-	Burmese annex Manipur	I PROMISED Mr. Harvey to write the Preface to his book on the	alities of the King's régime and had to learn much of the recen	Harvey after running over Sir George Scott, if he would dive	went to glorify their religion, not to deck the tent wherein they	paya (Alompra), during his last expedition to Ayuthia in Sian	Buddhist religion in Burma has changed the old barbarous	judgment he rises above racial feeling: "He was an imperialist	subsequently bestowed on their fights of the same descript	ion preach, and the artist work, just as they have always don	
800-02 Pyu envoys at the Court of China	1368 Zidaw weir built	1574-6 Bayinnaung receives a princess and a Buddha tooth from	English ships are seized and fire at Rangoon	18/13 Capital moved to Ava	History of Burma, and now that I have his typescript before me	history of his rule and his people, which created in my mind a	seriously into Burmese history.	camped during this transitory life." It is a kindly and just	with the burning words: "So he was buried with the ritual	of representation of the Nats into something that is noble in ex-	of the most aggressive type, yet it is unjust to regard him as	with the great British Empire.	Thus it was possible for the great philosopher-historia	constitutes distinctly a step forward in our becombeles of the
MANUTYAL I And Prome	2369 Murtaban palace moved to Pegu	1580 circ. Dhammathathyaw and Kasawagehah 172	The "First Devastation" of Manipur	Burmese seize Shahpuri Island 301 184-6 First Anglo-Burmese War 304		strong desire to ascertain all that the scant leisure hours during	Mr. Harvey's book presents us with a mass of original	indoment.	the kings in the palace city [Shwebo] which once had been h	microsoften manifestation for the first or	responsible for the war of 1824. He did, indeed, force it on,			
Middle IXth Arab sea traders reach Lower Burma	1374 North Arakan asks for a Burmese regent	1587-93 Fourth siege of Ayuthia—a series of abortive sieges 181-2	Shan states pay homage	Annexation of Arakan and Tenasserim	I fulfil my promise. It is well over fifty years since I first	my many duties permitted of their origin and earlier story.	work and incorporates the results of research up to the date of	After quoting the early European visitors' accounts of Peru	lowly village, and the mourning of an entire people. The	The first successes of the village headman of Shwebo,		of tales. Their capacity for relating a story well is remarka-	Al-Birūni and the equally great poet-historian Firdusi to pro	V ( T
1057 Anawrahta conquers Thaton and introduces Hinayana	140430 Narameskhla an exile in Bengal. Thereafter the rajas of	1396 Famine in the Delta	Capture of French ships	1852 Second War. Annexation of Pegu , 315	landed in Burma, when Thayetmyo and Toungoo were on	have the few law tales on his time to the	going to press. But it is something more than a work of	in its days of power, which read so extravagantly to modern	would never see his like again, the village headman who ha	Alaungpaya, are told with a swing, a raciness and an insight	but in advocating it he was merely the mouthpiece of the	and makes their historical records enticing reading, apart fr	duce their world-renowned works at the court of such a ratio	
Buddhism to Upper Burma. Decline of the Ari . 27	Arakan bear Mahomedan titles in addition to their	1000 Arakanese and Siamese sack Pegu. Famine in the	1756 circ. Manu Kye dhummathat	1837 Foundation of Mandalay 321 1885 Third War. Annexation of Upper Burma 4	the British frontier, when it used to take three weeks by boat		scholarship; it is also a singularly sympathetic study of the	the tree of the tr	made himself lord of Burma and received the homage not on		entire people."		and restless warrior as Mahmud of Ghazni. It is in fact	a make a thank the pale to the property of the second section
1058 Earliest inscription in Burmese	teo6 Raradarit raids Ava	De Brito makes Syriam his stronghold 185	1736-7 Siege of Pegu. Overthrow of the Talaings		to reach the latter from Rangoon, what time the bore in	ristory and in an voice which purport to teach it.	peoples of Burma; it is a book written with the heart as well as	eyes, Mr. Harvey makes the following illuminating remarks:	made himself lord of Burma and received the homage not on	#The deficiency of the erect of Inde China in account	There is one criticism which it would not be difficult to	their high or low value as history. Many a page of	mistake to suppose that because a man has been a cruel invad	
Anawrahta begins the Shwezigon pagoda 33	1407 Taking expedition restores an Arakanese claimant in	1609 Tihuo makes Sandwip his stronghold . 142 1613 Annukpetlun restores the monarchy and captures Syriam 185	English agreement with Altungpaya 227		the Sittang served. It took one fourteen days to reach Tha-	are Brent their their section without the patients, and there are		"These men saw the East in all her glory, such as we no	of the tribes, but also of French and English captains kneeling	"The deficiency of the races of Indo-China in power of com-	level at this book in places. At times it reads almost like a	Hunanuan or Glass Palace Chronicle is a delight to peruse,	and conqueror, he was therefore a man of low intellectual attail	<ul> <li>A series of the s</li></ul>
Nawrahta reduces North Arakan	North Araxan  A generation of attacks from Upper Burma ends in the	Might enter a contract Cardinia	1758-9 Alaungpaya overruns Manipur			valuable monographs on her history and anthropology. But	with the head. I venture to stress this point, because I am old	longer see her. We have lost that vision and are the poorer.	to receive his orders in respectful silence He had reigne	ed bination on a large scale is natural to people whose inherited	jumble, in which the wood cannot be seen for the trees. That	the same may be said of almost any other Burmese Chron	ments and cared nothing for the arts and the higher living	
Builds Kyaukse canals	devastation of the Delta, especially on the Bassein	Heginaing of the Magh-Pottuguese raids on Bengal  1019 English East India Company's representatives visit Pegu 190	1700 Fifth siege of Ayuthia		yetmyo from Rangoon up the Irrawaddy in the rains of 1871.	of the two, it is history which has been the less studied til	enough to remember the seamy side of native rule. Things	Yet we have lost it because we have grown richer. Our	only eight years and was under forty-six when he died; be	ut instincts were formed in a country of great distances and bad	is not the fault of Mr. Harvey but of his subject, Except	one may consult—the narrative is so vividly and so huma	nly Timur Lang (Tameriane) was anything but an illiterate ma	
1071 Cingalese missions	1433 Foundation of Mechaning 139	1614 Magh-Portuguese sack Lincola	After this time Tenasterim remains in Burmene handa . 241. Captain Alves' mission		Circumstances have changed the amenities of travel almost	quite lately. The reason for this has been the difficulty of	which sound incredible to-day were commonplace under native	standards have altered. We no longer accept the pinchbeck	men are remembered by the years they use, not by the year	communications. But when roused to enthusiasm they have	when Burma has happened to come under the rule of one man	told. Mr. Harvey has been therefore wise in drawing larg	caring nothing for the beautiful things of life, for all his shock	
ro84 Talaings raid Pagan	1435 circ. Nicolo di Conti	they cire. Dutch and English East India Companies open branches	East India Company at Rangoon		inconceivably since then. At that time the corners in the	finding such material as exists—though there is a great deal o	rule two generations ago, yet anyone who records them now	and bone which even kings among our forbears were fain to	they last."	shown considerable capacity for combined action. Among the	or of one dynasty, or say under two or three definitely separ-	on the legends of Burmese history and so made his work m	ore	
1000 Kyanzitha builds the Ananda, the first of the greater	1437 circ. After this time Sandoway is usually subject to North Arakan	1615. The last year for which the Chinese claim that a tribute	1763 Letwethondara's Mesa laungelie		Irrawaddy stream were rounded by fastening hawsers on to	it-and rendering it intelligible. Of late years the Burms	is dismissed as a hostile critic—so short is human memory, so	wear as gold and ivory. Our Europe is no longer the little		he Burmese the years 1752-7 are a model instance. Alaungpaya	그는 사람들은 경우를 가장 하는 계속을 가고 있다. 그는 가는 내가 들어 보는 사람들이 되었다. 그는 사람들이 가지 않는데 모든 사람들이 모든 사람들이 되었다.	thoroughly of the soil than would otherwise have been possi	ble. ing sack of Delhi and many other similar deeds. So it was	
Burmese mission to Buddhagaya	z446 Thonganbwa surrendered to China	mission came from Burma	1765 Capital moved to Ava		trees on the bank and steaming round by degrees with their		rapid has been the growth of nationalist sentiment. Burmese,	Christendom of Gothic times, living on the scanty produce of	founder of the Pagan Dynasty, Mr. Harvey writes of the effect	HO:	able rulers whose careers can be clearly followed, its history is	The story, for instance, of the end of Narathihapate, the		re
1103-4 Burmese envoys visit Yunnan 43	1450 Binnyakyan increases the height of the Shwedagon paroda to son feet	thin circ. Manusarashwemin or Maharaja dhammathat 195	1767 Sixth seer of Ayuthia. End of the city. 249				like all oriental, and indeed most general, history, is a sombre	grey skies, trembling at every rumour of Saladin or the		on attempts to form centres of resistance [to the Talaing invaders]	a jumble very difficult to disentangle. It has in fact been the	king of the Pagan dynasty—the Tarökpye Min, the king t	mighty builders, and under them the arts and religion flourishe	d
1106 Burmese embassy at the Court of China 43	1453 Turks capture Constantinople	1635 Capital moved to Ava	1765-9 Chinese invasion		help, as the current was stronger at such spots than the horse-	the first-fruits, for it is written by an office-bearer at the		B. C.			prey for centuries at a time of small tribes, or even cliques,		Under such men there were constant periods of general peac	e. The state of th
The Myazedi inscription	Birth of Shin Uttamagyaw and Shin Thilawantha 104	1858-6a Chinese brigands ravage Upper Burma	r773 Talaing mutiocers flee to Siam 259 r774 Hsinbyushin raises the Shwedagon to its present height.		power of the river steamers.	instance of one of the Society's founders, Monsieur Charles		victorious Turk. She is sovran Europe who holds the East	2 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	is had been made at Mögaung in Myitkyinä district and Salin	ruling over small areas, always fighting and for ever getting	fled from the Chinese—as quoted from the Glass Palace Chi	When the country was divided up among petty local fighter	
1115 Circ. Death of Shin Arahan	1456, '74 Missions from Ava to Kandy Temple 100 of	1658 Talaings flee to Slam	317 feet		It is now also approaching forty years, after a long absence			in fee and the whole world beside. We have come to know		et in Minbū district. Some of the leaders were men of better	the better of each other alternately. It is a disheartening	ide in this book—is told with the fascinating skill and po-	however, complete the anarchy supervening in one locality, the	
1118 Letyaminnan, restored to the throne of North Arakan,	Lefer Shinsawbu embanks the platform of the Shwedagon pageds. 118	1061 Shah Shuja slain at Mrohaung	rz68-75 Paya Tak expels the Burmese from Siam		in India after the Thayetmyo days, since I first saw Mandalay	Duroiselle, who is himself responsible for much of the most		that all that glitters is not gold, but these first voyagers did	it attracts worshippers daily, while finer temples built by h	his birth [than Alaungpaya], who had not to go back nine genera-	matter for the historian to try and give a clear view of the	of the born story-teller.	was peace in another at the same time. Like all other countrie	
repairs Buddhagaya 46	1472 Dammazedi's mission to Hoddhagaya	1660 Surrender of Yung-li 2000 1660 Moghula capture Chittagong. End of the Portuguese	1775-82 Manipur campaigns		in the war of 1885 onwards. It had been well known to me		People who want tendencious writing will have to look	not know it. They came from evil-smelling walled towns,	successors are deserted. Its popularity is due to the excep	p- tions to claim royal blood. They were masterful men with	various lappenings under such circumstances. The hierarchy	The happenings in most history are so frequently horri	Burma has always been a good place for the top dog to dwe	
1144 Alaungsithu builds the Thatpyinnyu temple 47	1475 Dammaredi's mission to Ceylon	share in the Mach raids on Henral	1775-7 Cachar and Jaintia campaigns			one,	elsewhere, for this book glozes over little. But the	where folk dwelt in kennels and died like flies of epidemics	tional sanctity of the relics (Buddha's collarbone, his frontle	let considerable followings, who could have ruined the common	of the Thirty-Seven Nats is closely connected with personages	that one often wonders how life could have been toleral	HC.	
1180 Cingalese raiders sack Bassein	1406 Hieronimo de Santo Stephano	1677 Dutch and English East India companies close their	1780 circ. Birth of Mahahandula		by reading as a place of romance in the distance beyond the	Up to this year the only full length History of Burma,	beauty of the ancient world is described with equal vivid-	caused by their own insanitation. To men who lived in the	from Prome and his tooth from Ceylon), and to the shrines	of cause by insisting on their rights. Not one of them did so,		Much greater is the wonder as to how so much that is beaut	ful in, but even he has had his bad times as well: a condition th	to the state of th
influence on Burma	1498 Vasco da Gama finds the sea route to India 131 1503 Kyaukse ceded to Toungoo	Dutch send Arakanese monks to Ceylon. They close	1783 Capital moved to Amarapura		frontier, approachable only by the favoured few, and it was as to	based on original sources, has been Sir Arthur Phayre's, which	ness. Thus Mr. Harvey writes of the Pagan Dynasty:	cold and changed their clothes but once a year and went		it and the hereditary nobles ended by placing the territorial	of historical consequence, and I soon found, in trying to trace	in art, that is wonderful in philosophy and noble in religi	on is apparently inseparable from numan me.	
1200 circ. The Dhammavilasa dhammathat 59	1507 Ludovico di Varthena	their branch in Arakan	1284-5 Conquest of Arakan		a land of romance that I approached it in the greatly improved	was published in 1883, but excellent as that great work is,	"The leaven of their fleeting sway enriched posterity for	unwashed for months, the sunshine and the clean water, the	were, have come circling round in homage to these relics.		out the stories in historical sequence, how difficult it was to fix	could have come into existence. Burma is no excepti	Anyone who has worked, like mysell, in the same field, w	
1210 Kyaukse weir built	1503 Shwebo district ceded to Mohnyin	1658 Mergui temporarily garrisoned by the French royal	Collection of inscriptions at the Arakan Pagoda, Man-		means of travel reached by the middle eighties of the last	much that was not available to him has naturally come to light	ever. It was they who made that sun-scorched wilderness,	children splashing all day in the creeks, the girls at the well,	anyone doubts the debt Burma owes to Buddhism, or wishes		the place in history of the individuals concerned. Much of	Much that happened there has been terrible, and simple dev	quickly realise the labour which has gone to the making of the	se
1218 Nantaungmya builds the Hullominlo, the last of the	1527 Thohanbwa sambura of Ava 107	troops	1784 Bodawpaya's revenue inquest		century-finding my way through the miles of complicated			were one long delight. Ordure vanished quickly under the		point. Writing of the doings in 1823 during the days of	Burmese history is necessarily the relation of the small doings		few hundred pages. It has involved ransacking Chinese ar	nd
greater temples	1539 Tabinshwehti captures Pego	French East India Company's branch at Syssam 203 Mission of Fleetwood and Sealey to Ava 203	1784-6 Invasion of Starn			Chinese sources.	the solitary plain of alyngyan, to biossom forth into the	tropical sky, and instead of fetid narrow streets and over-	see what she would have been without it, for him wanter he	point. Writing of the doings in 1823 during the days of	of princelings and mere raiders, and yet if the story of the	tation went on for long periods together so constantly and	Portuguese records, Dutch and English State Papers, ar	
1277 Battle of Ngasaunggyan 65	1541 Tabinshwehti captures Martaban	1700 English East India Company reopens branch at Syriam . 200	1787 Sino-Burmese missions		streets from the river shore to the walled and moated city	In the length of time that circumstances of government	architectural magnificence of Pagan. If they produced no		and contemplate these barbarous images of the neather god	ls. Bagyidaw, "the Impossible" from the British point of view,	country is to be rightly presented it must be all told. But it	completely as to constitute a nightmare.	working through native Burmese material of which much	is
1280 Foundation of Toungoo	1544 Tabinshwebti annexes central Burma up to Myingyan . 158	1771 Foundation of the Catholic mission	1794 Arakanese revolt. Burmese cross the Chittagong frontier 251		and the stockaded palace in its midst. For three years,	service and health have made it necessary for Mr. Harvey to	nation-builder like Simon de Montfort, no lawgiver like	hanging houses, they saw the airy spaciousness of Pegu city	Asked why he allowed them, Anawrahta said: 'Men will no		cannot help being confused to the rapid reader, and anyone	Such periods are to be found in all Eastern history	unprinted and in defective languages. How valuable suc	
1281 Wareru becomes lord of Martaban 110	1547 Minhin repels the Burmest expedition against Mro-	1703 Burmese lose Chiengmai	1795, 1802 Captain Symen' missions		April, 1887, to December, 1889, I was the first Cantonment		Edward 1., they unified Burma for more than two centuries,	in its heyday, and wide ways sweeping out of sight towards	come for the sake of the new faith. Let them come for the	amid strange races and magnificent scenery, powerfully affected	wishing to understand history in such conditions must in fact	in Western history as well, and yet philosophy, religion is	and the same of th	
The Wareru dhammathat	haung	7740 Talaings expel Burmese from Pegu, Syriam, Martaban . 222	Migration of Arakanese to Chittagong		Magistrate and the first Vice-President of the new Munici-	consume in bringing out the result of his many labours, Sir	and that in itself was an achievement. But their rôle was	the four main gates. Men who had wrung a fourfold crop, at	old gods and gradually they will be won over." The local	al the imagination of the Burmese, as they swarmed through the	The state of the s	the arts of peace have flourished exceedingly. How was	research can be the transcript verbatim of the Chinese Gener	terperaring and the oxfeeting herapages. How this risk can be
Disruption of the Pagan kingdom 69	1550 Assamination of Tahirshwelti 161	1749-51 Talnings ravage Burma as far as Ava	285 Cingalese mocks seek ordination at Amarasura 277			George Scott has also produced a general History of Burma,	aesthetic and religious rather than political. To them the world	best, from the hard northern soil, saw a miracle in rice with its	oral tradition which Mr. Harvey here quotes shows that	a passes, or floated for hundreds of miles down the Brahmaputra	be patient and careful.	Anyone who has experience of street riots knows that	the Staff Report on the invasion of Burma in 1765-9, in the da	ys In an a second a six is solvered by the control of the land a second
1280-98 The chiefs of Hsenwi, Mohnyin, Myinsaing, Pagan,	Talainga drive Burmese out of Pegu	1943 Burmese take Syriam but are driven out. Talaings burn the English East India Company's buildings	1803 Siamese raid Kenghung and deport the people of Ken-		pality-and to me it fell to dismantle the great city and	franchist and Same and and area and Same and Same and Same	owes in great measure the preservation of Theravada Buddhism,	forty-fold out-turn, and in the mango a rare and refreshing	Buddhist leader was influenced by the same feelings as the	he river on rafts. They marched with the tread of conquerors,	But however insignificant these local ambitions, fights and	trouble is confined to the streets in which it occurs. Life	in when Hambytanin sat on the throne or readingly, is	" sarrall his remarks
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