

| Alexander II   |                 |
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| Crimean War  | 1853-1856       |
| Compulsory Military service reduced from 25 to 16 years  | 1859            |
| Emancipation of the Serfs  | 1861            |
| Introduction of new, modern, western style judicial system   | 1864            |
| Army rank now based on merit and skill rather than wealth/social status  | 1864            |
| Local Zemstvo appeared in most parts of European Russia  | 1864            |
| Rigid censorship rules eased   | 1865            |
| Alexander II's eldest son dies & his wife withdraws from public appearances  | 1865            |
| Liberal ministers replaced with conservatives, including appointing <b>Dmitry Tolstoy</b> as minister of education | 1866            |
| Dmitry Karakazov attempts to shoot Alexander   | April 1866      |
| Antoni Berezowski attempts to shoot Alexander and sons in carriage   | 1867            |
| Only students from Gimnaziya schools could go to university  | 1871            |
| Trial of 193- 153/193 revolutionaries acquitted, rest had light punishment. Brought publicity                      | 1877-1878       |
| Russo-Turkish War  | 1877-1878       |
| Case of Vera Zasulich- found not guilty after shooting Dmitri Trepov, governor of St Petersburg                    | 1878            |
| Governor generals established, held emergency powers to prosecute in military court & exile political offenders    | 1879            |
| Aleksander Soloviev shoots at Alexander 5 times  | April 1879      |
| Bomb attempting to kill Alexander placed under wrong train   | December 1879   |
| Third Section disbanded  | 1880            |
| Mine under Winter Palace dining room kills 12 and wounds 50- Alexander late for dinner                             | February 1880   |
| Loris-Melikov constitution signed  | 13th March 1881 |

| Alexander II (cont)                        |                 |
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| Alexander II assassinated by people's will | 13th March 1881 |

  

| Alexander III   |               |
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| Okhrana allowed to imprison suspects without trial  | 1881          |
| Ignatiev fired as minister of Interior and replaced by reactionary Tolstoy after proposing an Assembly of the Land to represent the peasantry | 1881          |
| Ignatiev becomes minister of finance and passes a law making it easier for peasants to rent state land  | May 1881      |
| Vicious Pogroms against Jews, women raped & men killed  | December 1881 |
| Censorship Laws   | 1882          |
| Ivan Delyanov becomes Minister of Education   | 1882          |
| Censorship law gives government total control over newspapers   | 1882          |
| Bunge appointed Minister of Finance   | 1882          |
| Bunge instates Peasant's land bank to help peasant's buy their own farms  | 1882          |
| May laws added to Jewish discrimination. Included restrictions 'beyond the pale'  | May 1882      |
| 14 Major Newspapers closed  | 1882-1889     |
| Universities lost autonomy and couldn't control the syllabus  | 1884          |
| Russification drive   | 1885          |
| Bunge passes laws to improve working conditions for women and children  | 1885          |
| Bunge dismissed   | 1886          |
| Vyshnegradsky appointed Minister of Finance   | 1886          |
| Tuition Fees increased  | 1887          |
| Alexander III's train derailed by terrorist bomb; he suffers kidney injuries  | 1888          |
| Instated Land Captains  | 1889          |
| Zemstva vote restricted- Doctors, Teachers & Wealthy Middle Classes can't vote  | 1890 & 1892   |
| Famine  | 1891          |
| Zemsta famine relief  | 1891          |
| Sergei Witte becomes Minister of Finance  | 1892          |



### Alexander III (cont)

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| Peasants banned from Mir         | 1893 |
| Alexander dies of kidney failure | 1894 |



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