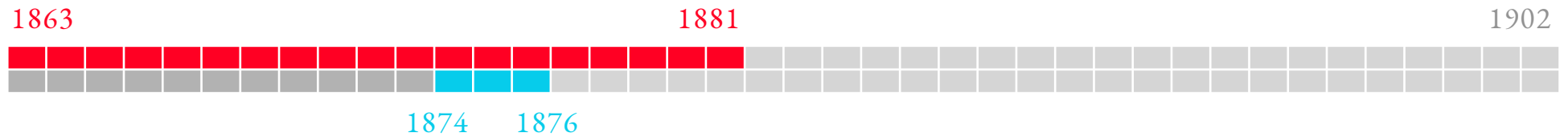


The ChronoMapia® of Swami Vivekananda

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Date	Location	Description	*Source
1874		He used to show ' Magic lantern ' pictures at home. He also used to do the hand-shadow show . With an earthen lamp burning in one side of the room, he used to tell stories using his hands, fingers making shadows on the other sidewall. A flying bat, a rider on a galloping horse, and figures of deities like Durga, Kartika, Saraswati, Lakshmi and Ganesh.	<i>Life 1: 35, 37</i>
~1874		Learnt to ride pony, which his father had bought for him. He was fond of animals. He used to care and play with white mice with tiny bells, a parrot and pigeons etc.	<i>Life 1: 36</i>
~1874		Used to make himself toy gas-works and aerated water , newly getting famous in Calcutta at that time. With old sink tubes and earthen cooking-pots and straws, he used to make his gas-work machine in his courtyard. the straws when lighted used to give smoke and that used to be his miniature factories producing gas. He used to call his friends to see the fire and smoke.	<i>Life 1: 36</i>
~1874		Naren used to visit with his friends' many various places of Calcutta. Gardens, Ochterlony Monument, Museum etc.	<i>Life 1: 37</i>
~1874	Nawab's Zoological Gardens at Metiabruz, Calcutta	One day he went to ' Nawab's Zoological Gardens ' at Metiabruz, Calcutta. While returning by a boat , one of his friends got sick and vomited in the boat. The boatman got angry and insisted that the boy should clean the boat. He started to abuse and shout at the boys. He even refused an offer of double pay by the boys. On reaching the ghat the man would not allow the boys to land before cleaning the bot. Naren suddenly jumped out and asked two British soldiers walking for help in broken English. Pulling them along with his small hands he brought them near the boat. Then the Soldiers understood the situation and ordered the boatsman to release the boys. The soldiers became very happy to see the act of Naren and invited him to go to the theatre. He refused and went home with his friends thanking the soldiers.	<i>Life 1: 37</i>
~Dec 1875 / Jan 1876	Port of Calcutta	The Prince of Wales (later King Edward VII) visited India on a grand tour from October 1875 to March 1876, arriving in Calcutta on 23 December 1875; his ship, HMS Serapis, lay at anchor on the Hooghly at Prinsep's Ghat. Naren's friend urged him to get a permit to see the ship. Naren went to give the application, as necessary, but was refused by the attendant thinking him to be too young. Naren stood aside thinking what to do; he noticed that the applicants were proceeding to a particular room. Understanding that the room must be where the permits were issued, he stealthily climbed the stairs and from behind the curtains got himself into the room. He took his place in the line and got the permit easily. While returning he passed the door-keeper who asked him, "How did you get in?". To this Naren replied, " Oh, I am a magician ".	<i>Life 1: 38</i>

Date	Location	Description	*Source
1874	Gym of Navagopal Mitra, Cornwallis street	Once at the Gym, Naren and other members of the gym were trying to set up a very heavy Trapeze . A crowd gathered to see the ongoing work. During the work, Naren called an English sailor in the crowd for help, who came immediately. During the work, somehow the Trapeze fell on the English Gentleman and he was knocked down unconscious. Thinking of him to be dead, nearly everybody, from the crowd and the Gym members ran away in fear. Only Naren and some of his friends remained there. Naren tore a piece of cloth from his Dhoti and bandaged the wound and also sprinkled some water on the sailor's face and fanned gently. Then they lifted him and took him to the nearby schoolhouse. A doctor was called and the owner of the gym, Navagopal was also informed. After a few week's nursing, the sailor recovered. Naren presented him with a modest purse collected from his friends.	<i>Life 1: VAB: 38 17</i>

*Source Abbreviations

We have used abbreviation for the name of the book, in the source column.

Following is a list of all the abbreviations used in the column along with the referred book name and additional details:

<i>CW</i>	Complete Works of Swami Vivekananda Mayavati Memorial Edition	Advaita Ashrama, Eighteenth Reprint, April 2001 CW1 indicates to Volume 1, CW2 indicates to Volume 2, and so on...
<i>Himalay</i>	स्वामी विवेकानंद का हिमालय- भ्रमण तथा कुछ अन्य यात्राएँ (हिन्दी) - स्वामी विदेहात्मानंद	(Swami Vivekananda ka Himalay bhramaN, tatha kuchh anya yatraen, Hindi) Advaita Ashram, Kolkata, First Edition, June 2016
<i>Life</i>	Life of Swami Vivekananda by His Eastern and Western Disciples	Advaita Ashram, Sixth Edition, Jan 1989 Life1 indicates to Volume 1, Life2 indicates to Volume 2.
<i>Maha97</i>	महाराष्ट्रात स्वामी विवेकानंद (मराठी) - स्वामी विदेहात्मानंद	(Maharashtrat Swami Vivekananda) Ramakrishna Math, Nagpur, Maharashtra, First Edition, 1997
<i>ND</i>	Swami Vivekananda In The West: New Discoveries - Marie Louise Burke	Advaita Ashrama, Forth Edition, April 2013 ND1 indicates to Volume 1, ND2 indicates to Volume 2; and so on..
<i>Rajas19</i>	स्वामी विवेकानंद और राजस्थान (हिन्दी) - स्वामी विदेहात्मानंद	(Swami Vivekananda aur Rajasthan, Hindi) Advaita Ashram, Kolkata, First Edition, April 2019
<i>Rajkot19</i>	Swami Vivekananda and Gujarat	Souvenir. 125 Anniversary of Swamiji's Visit to Gujarat. by Sw. Nikhileshwarananda Shri Ramakrishna Ashram,Rajkot, First Edition, June 2019
<i>RVinfo</i>	RamakrishnaVivekananda.info	http://www.ramakrishnavivekananda.info/ . It contains online versions of many literary works on the Holy Trio. Although, Chitramrit is not affiliated with this website, but the owners of the website have kindly allowed us to link to the pages from this website. (Specially for Swamiji's letters and lecture links from his 'Complete Works' series.). Special thanks to the developers of this site.
<i>VAB</i>	Vivekananda A Biography	by Swami Nikhilananda, Advaita Ashrama, First Indian Edition, Nov 1964
<i>wvca</i>	Vivekananda Vedanta Society of British Columbia (Canada)	https://vedantavancouver.ca/arrival-in-vancouver/

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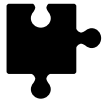
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