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The Canadian Government's Beginnings



In the early days of what is now known as Canada, the _____ peoples had their own systems of governance. However, with the arrival of European _____, the political landscape began to change dramatically. These explorers, primarily from _____ and England, established the first colonial settlements in the 16th and 17th centuries. The _____ established their first permanent settlement in Quebec in 1608, introducing new governance _____ to the region. Meanwhile, the English claimed the territory that would become the _____ Bay area, setting up trading posts and forming alliances with Indigenous groups.

The Treaty of _____ in 1713 marked a turning point, transferring significant territories from France to England, including parts of what is now _____. This change significantly impacted the governance of the region, leading to the establishment of British _____ rule. The Royal Proclamation of 1763 further shaped Canada's government by setting out _____ for European settlement of Indigenous lands and establishing the Province of _____, which laid the foundations for the governance of Canada.

The _____ Revolution had a profound effect on Canada, leading to an influx of Loyalists fleeing the newly independent United _____. This migration prompted the British government to create the provinces of _____ and New Brunswick, altering the political map of Canada. In 1867, the British North America _____ united Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick into the _____ of Canada, marking the birth of the country as a self-governing entity within the British Empire. This Act also established the _____ of Canada, consisting of the House of Commons and the Senate, laying the groundwork for the democratic _____ that exists today. Over time, Canada gained more autonomy from Britain, culminating in the patriation of the _____ in 1982, which included the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, ensuring the protection of individual rights and _____ within the country.

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