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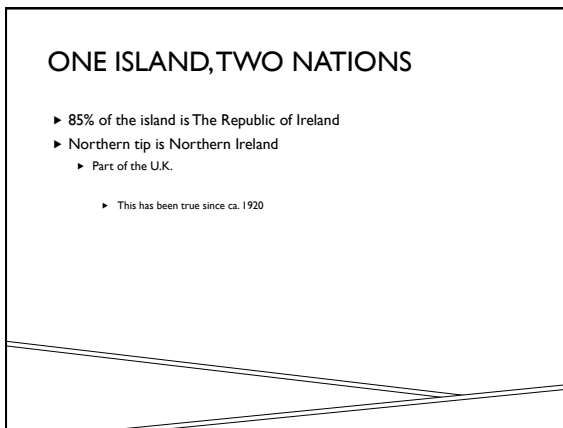
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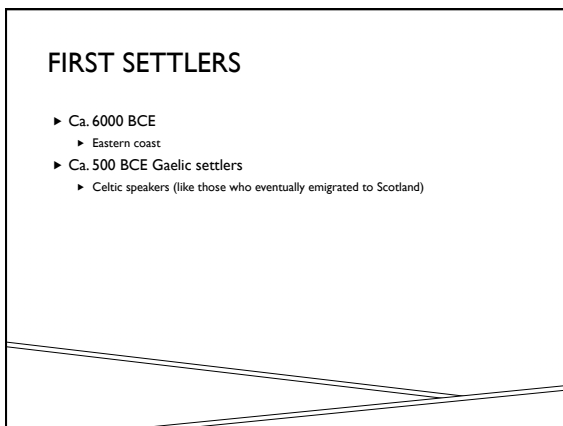
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## FIRST KINGDOMS

- ▶ Ca turn of the Common Era until 432 ca., different kingdoms ruled
- ▶ Often raiding Britain (owned by Rome)

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## THE KIDNAPPING

- ▶ During a raid captured a British boy, 16
- ▶ Sold into slavery – he turns to religion
- ▶ At 22, he escapes
- ▶ Studies in the Roman Church
- ▶ Returns to Ireland in 432 CE
- ▶ Who was he?

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## ST. PATRICK!

- ▶ Patron saint of Ireland
- ▶ Converted the Irish to Christianity

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## VIKING RAIDS

- ▶ 800s and 900s CE
- ▶ Monasteries hit especially hard

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## ENGLISH MOVE TO IRELAND

- ▶ 1100s to 1400s
- ▶ 1100s became property of England
- ▶ Conflict between English and Irish

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## RELIGIOUS PRESSURE

- ▶ English pressure under King James I in 1600s to close Catholic schools
- ▶ Pressure to convert to Protestant Christianity
- ▶ Conflict between the two religions

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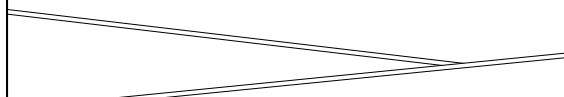
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## UK OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND

► Jan. 1, 1801




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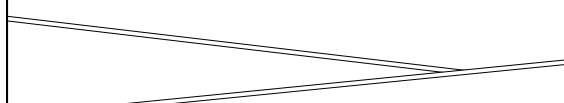
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## GREAT POTATO FAMINE

- 1845 – blight ruined potato crop
- Staple of the Irish diet (Especially Irish Catholics)
- “Famine Fever” – cholera, dysentery, lice, typhus
- 750,000 died in 10 years
- 2 million moved to Great Britain, Canada, U.S.




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## GREAT POTATO FAMINE

- More a social disaster than a food disaster
- Irish Catholics were prohibited from entering professions or purchasing lands
  - So poor farmers would grow potatoes – grow better than grain
- British Gov’t did little to help
  - Chgd trade laws
    - You can’t eat trade laws...




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## GREAT BRITAIN TRIES TO HELP

- ▶ 1847
  - ▶ Soup kitchens, but only a short while
  - ▶ Work houses
    - ▶ 2.6 million Irish entered work houses
    - ▶ 200,000 died there
  - ▶ Created resentment against Great Britain

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## IRELAND IS SPLIT

- ▶ 1922
  - ▶ U.K. gives up all of Ireland except the Northern tip

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