

Bicentenary On The Rock

Ascension Island Celebrates 200 years of British Rule

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After two hundred years of British rule, Ascension celebrated their bicentenary two weeks ago. On the day there were speeches by the administrator and marches by military bands. A banner celebrated “200 years of British Settlement.” The island was originally designated a stone frigate called HMS Ascension, but has since become so much more. The resident population of the island came out on the 200th anniversary to watch the events for the day alongside a large military contingent.

