

Today in History: April 2

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A self-portrait by Pushkin depicting him lounging with Onegin in St. Petersburg.

180 years ago today, on April 2, 1833, the completed version of Alexander Pushkin's "Eugene Onegin" was published. This piece is made up of 389 stanzas in an unusual rhyme scheme that has become known as the "Pushkin Sonnet." It is about Eugene Onegin, a pompous St. Petersburg socialite who misses his chance at real love because of his own ignorance.

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