

THE MARCH OF YEARS.

AN ANNIVERSARY SERMON BY DR. TALMAGE.

The Chronology of the Bible... An Anniversary Sermon by Dr. Talmage.

Brooklyn Jan. 1.—Rev. Dr. Talmage this morning appropriately took for the subject of his New Year's day sermon "The Chronology of the Bible, or God Among the Centuries."

Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come.

The text chosen was Deuteronomy xxxii. 7, "Consider the years of many generations."

At 12 o'clock last night, while so many good people were watching, an old friend passed out of our homes and a stranger entered.

As an army is divided into brigades and regiments, and the years are the companies, forward into the eternity to come!

We make a distinction between time and eternity, but time is only a piece of eternity, and chronology has been a mere book of marking time.

Compare these modes of marking time. The ordinary increase of nations, when 12 o'clock is 12 o'clock, and 10 o'clock is 6 o'clock, and 10 o'clock is 10 o'clock, and independent of all weather, and then thank God that you live now.

But, notwithstanding all the imperfect modes of marking time, or chronology, never fails, and never trips up, never falters, and never contradicts itself.

If you can prove an alibi in the courts, and you can prove beyond doubt that you were in some particular place at the time you were charged with doing something, you gain the victory.

As God put all the events of time in the right place, let us be careful that we do not put them in the wrong place.

Chronology takes pen and pencil, and calling astronomy and history to help, let us fix one event from which to calculate everything.

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Monday, after the moon, which was also worshipped as a god. Tuesday after Tiuco, the god of war.

Wednesday, after Woden, the chief god of the Scandinavians. Thursday, after Thor, the god of thunder.

Friday, after Freya, the goddess of marriage, and Saturday, after Saturn.

The old Bible year began with the month of March. Not until 1752 did the first of the month of January get the honor of legal documents in England.

Improvements all along have been made in the almanac, and the clock, and the watch seem to have reached perfection.

Nothing impresses me so in this chronological review more than the fact that the regiments of years are better and better regiments as the troops move on.

A good deed of cleaning house will be necessary before this world becomes as clean and sweet as it ought to be.

The final century will arrive and pass on, and then will come the final decade, and then the final year, and then the final month, and the final day.

Chemistry teaches us that there is a very inflammable element in water. While oxygen makes up a part of the water, the other part is hydrogen.

When wrapped in fire the remains of ether glow. And heaven's last thunder shakes the earth below.

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That minister of the Gospel did not appreciate the value of time who during a season of illness, instead of employing his time in useful reading and writing, wrote a silly religious romance.

Chief Justice Maxwell caused a sensation at the opening of court this morning by asking how the offensive clause came into the printed decision.

The two Justices had some angry words about the matter. It will be investigated.

Last night County Clerk Van Camp of Knox County, was captured by a messenger from the State Supreme Court, and ordered to canvass the returns of Knox and Boyd Counties.

A messenger sent by the Republican managers hurried to Lincoln with the watch and came to a stand in the center of the street.

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A DESPERATE BATTLE

BETWEEN SEVERAL HUNDRED LYNGERS AND A SHERIFF'S POSSE

At Bakersville, N. C., in Which Thirty-Three Men are Killed—Calvin Snipes, Moonshiner and Murderer, the Cause of the Slaughter.

Johnson City, Tenn., Jan. 4.—Last night a masked mob of 700 men entered the jail at Bakersville, N. C., and took Calvin Snipes, who had murdered Isaac Osborne, a prominent citizen of Mitchell County, to a dense forest about half a mile away and lynched him.

On the night of August 27, 1892, Sheriff J. W. Lewis, armed with Winchester rifle, went to the house of Isaac Osborne and called him up. Osborne came to the door, and the culprits opened fire, almost riddling him with bullets.

Snipes was bound to the Superior Court on purely circumstantial evidence. He was placed in jail and after being confined about two weeks, confessed to the killing in the manner above related.

The story of the lynching and the fatal conflict with the sheriff's posse is confirmed. The names of those of the killed are as follows: J. N. Williams, D. T. Richie, R. N. Jones, P. B. Sams, E. E. Johnson, Aaron Reed, T. N. Seckels, J. W. Lewis, N. R. Fannick, G. H. Halliday, and Tom Hatfield.

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through the abdomen. Nothing definite is known of the wounded, as Bakersville is miles away from a telegraph office and all news brought to this point, or Johnson City in Tennessee, comes by carriers.

Since the first news was received four more of the sheriff's posse are reported dead, and five more of the mob. The mob, armed under arms, a handful of the sheriff's posse also remained in the city.

All through the morning the crowd continued to receive accessions to its ranks, and by noon the party numbered over 500 to 600 men.

Feeling run high and after a few speeches the posse resolved to "avenge Sheriff Moomaw's death."

Another battle took place shortly after noon, in which at least twenty-five more men were killed. What will be the result no one can tell, but troops are expected.

Montana for the Democrats. Helena, Mont., Jan. 4.—The Democrats have secured control of the organization of the House of Representatives, practically assuring the election of a Democratic United States Senator.

When twenty-five Republicans and two Populists took an adjournment yesterday over the Democrats had walked out of the House, it was to meet again at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

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