## February has Twenty-eight days.

## Astronomical.

When the sun arrives at the same equinoctial or solstitial point, he finishes what is called the tropical year; which, according to some authorities, is found to contain 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, 48 seconds, and when he arrives at the same star again, as seen from the earth, he completes the sidereal year, which contains 365 days, 6 hours, 9 minues, 14½ seconds. The sidereal year is therefore 20 minutes, 17½ seconds longer than the solar or tropical year, and 9 minutes, 14½ seconds longer than the Julian or civil year, which is 365 days, 6 hours. So that the civil year is almost a mean between the sidereal and tropical.

Equation of time add to

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