

ANCIENT HISTORY

PART FIRST

THE ANCIENT EMPIRES

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THE EGYPTIANS.

OUTLINE : *Subject matter of Ancient History—Egypt. Its Situation — The Old Empire — The Middle Empire — Decline of the Empire.*

SUMMARY OF EVENTS.

- I. — Ancient History comprises historical facts from the most remote ages until the fall of the Western Empire in the fifth century of the Christian era. This history may be divided into three parts : The First Empires, Greece and Rome.
- II. — Egypt is the first country mentioned in history. It occupied the lower valley of the Nile.
- III. — The Old Empire was founded by Menes and lasted about fifteen centuries. The kings of this Empire settled at Memphis and built the Pyramids.
- IV. — The Middle Empire existed over a thousand years. During this period, the city of Thebes was built,