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THE SEASONS—CHRONOLOGY—HOLIDAYS.

[1888.

- V. SUN. Unlike the two earlier Solar Eclipses, this one is visible in the icy Ocean of the North only, and the entire English world between the extremes of the Poles, South and North, must go to those frigid solitudes for their most favorable views of the Solar Phenomena of the Eclipses of the year 1888.

The Seasons of 1888.—Mean Time at St. John.

Winter Solstice, Sun enters ♄, Winter begins 1887, December 21, 11h. ev'g.
 Vernal Equinox, Sun enters ♈, Spring begins 1888, March 19, midnight.
 Summer Solstice, Sun enters ♊, Summer begins 1888, June 20, at 8h. ev'g.
 Autumnal Equinox, Sun enters ♎, Autumn begins 1888, Sept. 22, at 11h. m'g.
 Winter Solstice, Sun enters ♄, Winter begins 1888, December 21 at 5h. m'g.

Chronology.

Domical Letters.....	A.G.	Year of the World, Hebrew, 5648-5649	
Epact.	17	Year of the World, Byzant, 7396-7397	
Golden Number	8	Year of Olympiads.....	2864
Solar Cycle.....	21	Year of Rome (Varro).....	2641
Roman Indiction.....	1	Year of Creation, Usher.....	5892
Julian Period.....	6601	Year of Creation, Hales.....	7299
Æra of Nabonassar.....	2635	Year of the World, Alexandria.....	7390
Æra of the Seleucides.....	2199-2300	Year of the World, Antioch.....	7380
Æra of Diocletian.....	1603-1604	Cæsarian Year of Antioch.....	1936
Æra of Sp. in (of the Cæsars).....	1926	Year of Tyre.....	2013-2014
Æra of Persia (Yezdigird III).....	1258	Year of Actium.....	1918
Æra of Mohammed.....	1305-1306	Year of Armenia.....	1336-1337
Æra of Abraham.....	3903	Year of Troy (destroyed).....	3072-3073

1. The year 1888 corresponds to the Fourth Year of the 665th Olympiad.
2. The First day of January, 1888, is the 2,410,638th day of the Julian period.
3. The Hebrew Year 5648 ends on 6th September, and 5649 A. M. begins on 7th September, 1888.
4. The Mohammedan Year 1305 began on the first day of Moharram, corresponding to the 19th September, A. D. 1887. Ramazan—the Month of Abstinence, of 1305, begins on May 10th, 1888. The first day of Moh. r. am A. H. 1306 begins on 7th September, 1888.

396 Years since Columbus discovered America, October 11th, 1492.
 284 Years since DeMonts discovered river St John, N. B., June 24, 1604.
 136 Years since the New Style was adopted in England, September 14th, 1752.
 129 Years since the Capitulation of Quebec, September 18th, 1759.
 105 Years since the United Empire Loyalists landed in N. B., May 18th, 1783.
 104 Years since New Brunswick became a Province, August 16th, 1784.
 21 Years since the Constitution of the Dominion of Canada, July 1, 1867.

Public Holidays, Anniversaries, Etc., 1888.

New Year's Day.....	Janu'y 1	Queen's Accession.....	June 24
Ash Wednesday.....	Feb 15	St. John Baptist's Day.....	" 24
St. Patrick's Day.....	Mar. 17	Queen's Coronation.....	" 28
Good Friday.....	Mar. 30	Canadian Dominion Day.....	July 1
Easter Monday.....	April 2	Michaelmas Day.....	Sep. 29
Easter Tuesday.....	April 3	Prince of Wales Birthday.....	Nov. 9
St. George's Day.....	April 23	St. Andrew's Day.....	" 30
Loyalists' Day.....	May 18	CHRISTMAS DAY.....	Dec. 25
Whitsun Monday.....	May 21	Christmas Holidays.....	" 26-27
Queen's Birthday.....	May 24		