

THE °FIRST BOOK OF THE °CHRONICLES.

- 1** °ADAM, °Sheth, Enosh,
- 2** *Cainan*, Mahalaleel, Jered,
- 3** Henoah, Methuselah, Lamech,
- 4** Noah, °Shem, Ham, and Japheth.
- 5** The sons of °Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.
- 6** And the sons of Gomer; Ashchenaz, and *Riphath*, and Togarmah.
- 7** And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and *Rodanim*.
- 8** The sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, Put, and Canaan.
- 9** And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabta, and Raamah, and Sabtecha. And the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.
- 10** And Cush begat °Nimrod: he began to be mighty upon the earth.
- 11** And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Ananim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,
- 12** And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (of whom came the Philistines,) and Caphthorim.
- 13** And Canaan begat Zidon his firstborn, and Heth,
- 14** The Jebusite also, and the Amorite, and the Girgashite,
- 15** And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite,
- 16** And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite.
- 17** The sons of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram, and °Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and °Meshech.
- 18** And Arphaxad begat Shelah, and Shelah begat Eber.
- 19** And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of the one was °Peleg; because in his days the earth was divided: and his brother's name was Joktan.
- 20** And °Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,
- 21** Hadoram also, and Uzal, and Diklah,
- 22** And Ebal, and Abimael, and Sheba,
- 23** And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab. All these *were* the sons of Joktan.
- 24** °Shem, Arphaxad, Shelah,

TITLE, First. See note on p. 530.

Chronicles. Heb. name, *Dibreî hayyamim* = words of the days. Greek name, *Paraleipomena* = things omitted. Latin name, *Chronicon*, from whence comes English title. Chronicles. These books belong to quite another part of the O.T., and do not follow in sequence on the books of Kings. See Ap. 1. They are, according to the Heb. Canon, the conclusion of the O.T.; and the genealogies here lead up to that of Matt. 1. 1, and the commencement of the N.T. They end with the ending of the kingdom; and the question of Cyrus, "Who is there?" (2 Chron. 36. 23) is followed by the answer, "Where is He?" (Matt. 2. 2), and the proclamation of the kingdom by the rightful King and His forerunner. It begins with the first Adam and leads on to the "last Adam".

For the relation of Chronicles to Kings see notes on title "Kings" (p. 447); and for the parallel passages in Samuel and Kings see Ap. 56.

It deals with the kingdom of Judah, because Christ was proclaimed as the successor of David.

It refers to other books:—*Kings* (2 Chron. 16. 11; 27. 7; 33. 18); *Prophets* (1 Chron. 29. 20. 2 Chron. 9. 29; 12. 15; 13. 22; 20. 34; 26. 22; 32. 32). It gives the histories from the Divine standpoint, pointing the moral, and giving the *reason* of both the judgments and the mercies (cp. 1 Chron. 10. 11. 2 Chron. 12. 12; 25. 20; 27. 6, &c).

1: 1--9: 1. UP TO THE CAPTIVITY.

1: 1--8: 40. In Detail.
9: 1. In sum.

- 1 Adam**. Cp. Gen. 1. 26; 2. 7. **Sheth**. Cp. Gen. 4. 25; 5. 3.
2 Kenan -Cainan (Gen. 5. 9).

1: 5-23. COLLATERAL.

5-7. The sons of Japheth.
8-16. The sons of Ham.
17-23. The other sons of Shem.

4 Shem. Cp. Gen. 5. 32; 10. 21. In cases where there are several sons of one father, the collateral are dealt with first, and the main line taken up later. Hence Shem's main line is not dealt with till v. 24, after the sons of Japheth and Ham have been given.

5 Japheth. Cp. Gen. 10. 2, &c.

6 Riphath. Some codices; with four early printed editions, Syr. and Vulg., read "Riphath", others "Diphath", owing to Heb. ("D") and ("R").

7 Dodanim, or Rodanim. See above note.

8 Cush. Recent discoveries at Pterium, in Cappadocia, show that the Babylonians called Cappadocia *Kus*. The great king of the Hittites had his palace there, and was called "king of *Kus*". The river Gihon (classic, Pijramus) flows into the Mediterranean. Cp. Gen. 10. 6, 7. Isa. 11. 11.

10 Nimrod. Cp. Gen. 10. 8.

17 Uz . . . Mesheeh were sons of Aram (Shem's youngest son). No error, for grandsons are often reckoned, by descent, as sons. See Laban (Gen. 29. 5), Mephibosheth (2 Sam. 19. 24). Of the "sons of Judah" (4. 1-4) only the first-named was his son. It is assumed that we are acquainted with Genesis, and shall supply the links dealt with here with such brevity.

19 Peleg = disruption. See note on Gen. 10. 25.

20 Joktan. Cp. Gen. 10. 26.

24 Shem. Direct descent taken up here, from v. 4.

25 Eber, Peleg, Reu,
26 Serug, Nahor, Terah,
27 Abram; the same *is* Abraham.
28 The sons of Abraham; Isaac, and Ishmael.
29 These *are* their generations: The firstborn of Ishmael, Nebaioth; then Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,
30 Mishma and Dumah, Massa, Hadad, and Tema,
31 Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah. These are the sons of Ishmael.
32 Now the sons of Keturah, Abraham's concubine: she bare Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. And the sons of Jokshan; Sheba, and Dedan.
33 And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Henoah, and Abida, and Eldaah. All these *are* the sons of Keturah.
34 And Abraham begat Isaac. The sons of Isaac; Esau and Israel.
35 The sons of ^oEsau; Eliphaz, Reuel, and Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.
36 The sons of Eliphaz; Teman, and Omar, ^oZephi, and Gatam, Kenaz, and ^oTimna [son of Eliphaz], and Amalek.
37 The sons of Reuel; Nahath, Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah.
38 And the sons of Seir; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah, and Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan.
39 And the sons of Lothan; Hori, and Homam: and Timna was Lotan's sister.
40 The sons of Shobal; ^oAlian, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shephi, and Onam. And the sons of Zibeon; Aiah, and Anah.
41 The sons of Anah; Dishon. And the *son* of Dishon; Amram, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.
42 The sons of Ezer; Bilhan, and Zavan, *and* ^oJakan. The sons of Dishan; Uz, and Aran.
43 Now these *are* the kings that reigned in the land of Edom ^obefore *any* king reigned over the *sons* of Israel; Bela the son of Beor: and the name of his city was Dinhabah.
44 And when Bela was dead, Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.
45 And when Jobab was dead, Husham of the land of the Temanites reigned in his stead.
46 And when Husham was dead, Hadad the son of Bedad, which smote Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was *Ayuth*.
47 And when Hadad was dead, Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.
48 And when Samlah was dead, Shaul of Rehoboth by the river reigned in his stead.
49 And when Shaul was dead, Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.

1: 29-33. COLLATERAL.

29-31. The sons of Ishmael.
 32, 33. The sons of Keturah.

35-54. COLLATERAL.

35-42. The sons of Esau.
 43-51-. The kings of Edom.
 -51-54. The dukes of Edom.

35 Esau. Cp. Gen. 36. 9, 10.

36 Zephi. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "Zepho" (cp. Gen. 36. 11), owing to the slight difference between the Heb. ("O") and ("I"). **Timna,** There was a Tirana a daughter of Seir. The Timna here is a son of Eliphaz.

38 sons of Seir. Horites dwelling in Seir before the descendants of Esau (Gen. 36. 20).

40 Allan. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "Alvan" (Gen. 36. 20).

41 sons. A special various reading called *Sevir* reads "son". See Ap. 34. Gen. 36. 25 tells of a daughter. This shows that *banim* may include daughters. **Amram.** Some codices read "Hemdan" (cp. Gen. 36. 26). These names are more alike in Hebrew than in English.

42 Jakan. Some codices, with Sept., read "and Akan", with the "and" in the text.

43 before any king. See note on Gen. 36. 31, which must have been before the writer's eyes. **children = sons.**

46 Avith. Heb. text reads "Ayuth". But some codices, with two early printed editions, read "Avith", which A.V. follows.

50 Baal-hanan. Some codices, with one early printed edition, add "son of Achbor". Cp. Gen. 36. 39. **Hadad.** Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "Hadar". See note on Amram, v. 41.

Pai. Some codices read "Pau". See note on Zephi, v. 36.

51 dukes of Edom were. Read, "there arose chiefs to Edom", viz. These seem to have superseded the kings. **Aliah.** Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "Alvah". See note on Zephi, v. 36.

2: 1-12. DIRECT DESCENT.

1, 2. Israel (Jacob) to Judah.
 3-12. Judah to Jesse.

1 Israel. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28. **Reuben.** For the order of these names see Ap. 45

3 Judah. Put first because of his being chief. Cp. Gen. 38. 1-11.

50 And when ^oBaal-hanan [*son of Achbor*] was dead, ^oHadad reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was ^oPai; and his wife's name was Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

51 ⁵⁰Hadad died also. And *there arose chiefs to Edom*; duke Timnah, duke ^oAliah, duke Jetheth,

52 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,

53 Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,

54 Duke Magdiel, duke Iram. These *are* the dukes of Edom.

2 These *are* the sons of ^oIsrael; ^oReuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, Issachar, and Zebulun,

2 Dan, Joseph, and Benjamin, Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.

3 The sons of ^oJudah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah: *which* three were born unto him of the daughter of Shua the Canaanitess. And Er, the firstborn of Judah, was evil in the sight of the LORD; and **He** slew him.

4 And ^oTamar his daughter in law bare him Pharez and Zerah. All the sons of Judah were five.

5 The sons of ^oPharez; Hezron, and Hamul.

6 And the sons of Zerah; Zimri, and Ethan, and Heman, and Calcol, and Dara: five of them in all.

7 And the *son* of Carmi; **Achan**, the troubler of Israel, who ^otransgressed in the thing accursed.

8 And the *son* of ^oEthan; Azariah.

9 The sons also of Hezron, that were born unto him; Jerahmeel, and ^oRam, and **Caleb**.

10 And Ram begat Amminadab; and Amminadab begat ^oNahshon, prince of the *sons* of Judah;

11 And Nahshon begat **Salmon, who married Rahab**, and **Salmon** begat Boaz,

12 And Boaz begat Obed, and Obed begat Jesse,

13 And Jesse begat his firstborn Eliab, and Abinadab the second, and Shimma the third,

14 Nethaneel the fourth, Raddai the fifth,

15 Ozem the sixth, ^oDavid ^othe seventh:

16 Whose sisters *were* ^oZeruiah, and Abigail. And the sons of Zeruiah; Abishai, and Joab, and Asahel, three.

17 And Abigail bare Amasa: and the father of Amasa *was* ^oJether the Ishmeelite.

18 And ^oCaleb the son of Hezron begat *children* of Azubah *his* wife, and of Jerioth: her sons *are* these; Jesher, and Shobab, and Ardon.

19 And when Azubah was dead, Caleb took unto him ^oEphrath, which bare him Hur.

20 And Hur begat Uri, and Uri begat ^oBezaleel.

21 And afterward Hezron went in to the daughter of ^oMachir the father of Gilead, whom he married when he *was* threescore years old; and she bare him Segub.

22 And Segub begat Jair, who had ^othree and twenty cities in the land of Gilead.

23 And he took ^oGeshur, and Aram, with the towns of Jair, from *the Manassites*, with Kenath, and the towns thereof, even threescore cities. All these *took* the sons of Machir the father of Gilead.

24 And after that Hezron was ^odead in Caleb-ephraim, then Abiah Hezron's wife bare him Ashur the father of Tekoa.

25 And the sons of ^oJerahmeel the firstborn of Hezron were, Ram the firstborn, and Bunah, and Oren, and Ozem, *of* Ahijah.

26 Jerahmeel had also another wife, whose name *was* Atarah; she was the mother of Onam.

27 And the sons of Ram the firstborn of Jerahmeel were, Maaz, and Jamin, and Eker.

28 And the sons of Onam were, Shammai, and Jada. And the sons of Shammai; Nadab, and Abishur.

29 And the name of the wife of Abishur *was* Abihail, and

4 Tamar. Cp. Gen. 38. 18, 29, 30; and Matt. 1. 3.

5 Pharez. Ruth 4. 18.

7 sons. Put for "son" by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6.

Achar = Achan. Cp. Josh. 7. 25. **transgressed.** Heb. *ma'al.* Ap. 44. xi.

8 Ethan. Not the same person as "Ethan the Ezrahite" (1 Kings 4. 31), who was probably a Levite (see 1 Chron. 6. 27-29; 15. 17-19), and not of Judah, as the Heman and Ethan here.

9 Ram. Christ's genealogy traced through Jerahmeel. Called Aram in Matt. 1. 3, 4. **Chelubai** = Caleb. Cp. vv. 18, 42.

10 Nahshon. He led the van of Israel at the Exodus. Cp. Num. 2. 3, 9. **children** = sons.

11 Salma = Salmon, who married Rahab (Ruth 4. 21). He led on entry into Canaan. Cp. vv. 50, 51.

2: 13-55.**COLLATERAL.**

13-17.	Jesse's posterity.
18-20.	Caleb, the son of Hezron.
21-24.	Hezron by daughter of Machir.
25-33.	Jerahmeel's posterity.
34-41.	Sheshan's posterity.
42-49.	Caleb's posterity.
50-55.	Caleb, the son of Hur.

13 David. The different spelling of many of these names in the Heb. is due to certain vowels being written out in full ("*plene*"). Where not written they are called "defective". The fact of this difference in Chronicles shows an independent origin.

the seventh. Jesse begat eight sons (1 Sam. 16. 5-11 and 17.12-14). Here seven are numbered and named, and David is the seventh and the youngest; the eighth may have died young and left no issue. While it was proper to mention the eight in the *history*, it is unnecessary to do so in the *genealogy*.

16 Zeruiah. Sister of David. Nahash (2 Sam. 17. 25) may have been the father of Jesse's wife. Otherwise, she and Abigail were half-sisters.

17 Jether. Cp. 2 Sam. 17. 25 (marg). Another name was Ithra.

18 Caleb the son of Hezron. The ancestor of "Caleb the son of Jephunneh" (Num. 13. 6, 30; 14. 6, 24; 32. 12; 34. 19. Josh. 14. 6, 14), who is distinguished from this Caleb in 4. 15. This shows the present genealogy to be independent.

19 Ephrath. Called Ephratah, v. 50. Cp. 4. 4.

20 Bezaleel. Gifted for the construction of the Tabernacle (Ex. 31. 2; 35. 30; 36. 1, 2; 37. 1). This proves those to be wrong who assume that the Caleb of v. 18 is the same as Caleb the son of Jephunneh (Bezaleel's great-grandfather), thus creating their own difficulty.

21 Machir. Cp. Num. 32. 40. Deut. 3. 15.

22 three and twenty. Increased afterward to thirty (Judg. 10. 4).

23 Geshur. North-east of Bashan (Deut. 3. 14. Josh. 12. 5. 1 Sam. 15. 8). **them:** the Manassites. Cp. Num. 32. 41. Deut. 3. 14.

threescore cities. Cp. Num. 32. 33. Deut. 3. 4.

belonged to. Supply the Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) by inserting "took" instead of "belonged to".

24 dead in Caleb-ephraim. Some wrongly affirm that this grandson of Judah must have died in Egypt. True, Hezron *lived* in Egypt, but did no one ever leave Egypt? Had he not heard of Abraham's sepulchre and Jacob's funeral? Had he no faith and no thoughts of God's promises? The difficulty is created gratuitously. His death there gave the name to the place, afterward called Beth-lehem.

25 Jerahmeel. See 1 Sam. 27. 10; 30. 29. **and :** or, supply "of".

she bare him Ahban, and Molid.

30 And the sons of Nadab; Seled, and Appaim: but Seled died without *sons*.

31 And the *son* of Appaim; Ishi. And the *son* of Ishi; Sheshan. And the *sons* of Sheshan; Ahlai.

32 And the sons of Jada the brother of Shammai; Jether and Jonathan: and Jether died without *sons*.

33 And the sons of Jonathan; Peleth, and Zaza. These were the sons of Jerahmeel.

34 Now Sheshan had no sons, but daughters. And Sheshan had a servant, an Egyptian, whose name *was* Jarha.

35 And Sheshan gave his daughter to Jarha [so to make him heir] his servant to wife; and she bare him Attai.

36 And Attai begat Nathan, and Nathan begat Zabad,

37 And Zabad begat Ephlal, and Ephlal begat Obed,

38 And Obed begat Jehu, and Jehu begat Azariah,

39 And Azariah begat Helez, and Helez begat Eleasah,

40 And Eleasah begat Sisamai, and Sisamai begat Shallum,

41 And Shallum begat Jekamiah, and Jekamiah begat Elishama.

42 Now the sons of ^oCaleb the brother of Jerahmeel [*and son of Hezron*] were, Mesha his firstborn, which *was* the ruler of Ziph; and the sons of ^oMareshah the ruler of ^oHebron.

43 And the sons of Hebron; Korah, and ^oTappuah, and ^oRekem, and Shema.

44 And Shema begat Raham, the father of Jorkoam: and Rekem begat Shammai.

45 And the son of Shammai *was* ^oMaon: and Maon *was* the ruler of Beth-zur.

46 And Ephah, Caleb's concubine, bare Haran, and Moza, and Gazez: and Haran begat Gazez.

47 And the sons of Jahdai; Regem, and Jotham, and Geshan, and Pelet, and Ephah, and Shaaph.

48 Maachah, Caleb's concubine, bare Sheber, and Tirhanah.

49 She bare also Shaaph the father of Madmannah, Sheva the father of Machbenah, and the father of Gibeaz: and ^othe daughter of Caleb *was* Achsah.

50 These were the ⁷sons of ^oCaleb the son of Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah; Shobal the ruler of ^oKirjath-jearim,

51 *Salmon* the father of Bethlehem, Hareph the ruler of ^oBeth-gader.

52 And Shobal the ruler of ^oKirjath-jearim had sons; Haroeh, and ^ohalf of the Manahethites.

53 And the families of Kirjath-jearim; the Ithrites, and the Puhites, and the Shumathites, and the Mishraitites; of them came the ^oZareathites, and the ^oEshtaulites.

54 The sons of *Salmon*; Bethlehem, and the Netophathites, Ataroth, the house of Joab, and half of the Manahethites, the Zorites.

55 And the families of the scribes which dwelt at ^oJabez; the Tirathites, the Shimeathites, and Suchathites. These are the ^oKenites that came of Hemath, the father of the house of ^oRechab.

3 Now these were the sons of David, which were ^oborn unto him ^oin Hebron; the firstborn Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess; the second ^oDaniel, of Abigail the

35 to Jarha. So to make him his heir. The laws of Khammurabi included this, § 191. See [Ap. 15](#).

42 Caleb the brother of Jerahmeel and son of Hezron (v. 18). **father.** Here used in the sense of ruler. Cp. v. 54; 4. 4.

Mareshah. The name of a city, also in Judah (Josh. 15. 44).

Hebron. The name of a city, also in Judah. (Gen. 13. 18; 23. 2, 19), See note on Num. 13. 22. Given to Caleb by Joshua (14. 13).

43 Tappuah. Also the name of a city (Josh. 15. 34).

Rekem. Also a city, of Benjamin (Josh. 18. 27).

45 Maori. Also the name of a city (Josh. 15. 55). Mentioned in connection with David (1 Sam. 23. 24).

49 the daughter of Caleb was Achsa. "Caleb the son of Jephunneh" had a daughter named Achsah, who married Othniel (Josh. 15. 16, 17). Judg. 1. 12, 13). Hence the "discrepancy" assumed by some. See note on v. 18.

50 Caleb the son of Hur. The son of the Caleb in v. 19, Hur giving him the name of his own father. It is possible that this Caleb (v. 50) may have been the son of Jephunneh (Num. 13. 6), Jephunneh being the surname of the Hur of Ex. 17. 10; 24. 14; 31. 2; 35. 30.

Kirjath-jearim. An old Gibeonite city (Josh. 9. 17; 15. 60), where the Ark tarried long, and whence it was brought to Zion by David (1 Sam. 6. 21; 7. 2. 2 Sam. 6. 2. 1 Chron. 13. 5, 6).

51 Salma. A family name, repeated in Ruth 4. 20 and v. 11 above.

52 half. For the other half see v. 54.

53 Zareathites ... Eshtaulites = of Zerah ... of Esh-taol, two cities of Judah (Josh. 15. 33. Judg. 13. 25; 16. 31).

55 Jabez. Supposed to have been founded by Jabez. See below on 4. 9.

Kenites. These were the posterity of Jethro and Hobab. See Judg. 1. 16; and cp. 1 Sam. 15. 6; 27. 10. They became an ascetic people, and, by being mentioned here in connection with "scribes," may have been teachers. This perhaps accounts for Jehu's action in 2 Kings 10. 15, 16.

Rechab. Cp. Jer. 35.

3: 1-24. DIRECT DESCENT. DAVID TO ZEDEKIAH.

1-9. The sons of David.

10-16. David's line to Zedekiah.

17-24. The descendants of Jeconiah.

1 born ... in Hebron. Cp. 2 Sam. 3. 2-5,

Daniel. Another name of Chileab (2 Sam. 3. 3).

3 Eglah his wife. The only woman in this list called David's "wife". Perhaps his original wife.

5 born ... Jerusalem. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 13-16.

Nathan. The son through whom the genealogy of Joseph is traced in Luke 3; and in Matt. 1, after Solomon's line failed in Jeconiah. See note on v. 17.

Solomon. Through whom the line is traced in Matt. 1.

Bath-shua. Another name for Bath-sheba. Cp. 2 Sam. 11. 3.

Ammiel, or Eliam. Cp. 2 Sam. 11. 3.

Carmelitess:

2 The third, Absalom the son of Maachah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur: the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith:

3 The fifth, Shephatiah of Abital: the sixth, Ithream by ^oEglah his wife.

4 *These six* were ^oborn unto him in Hebron; and there he reigned seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years.

5 And these were ^oborn unto him in ^oJerusalem; Shimea, and Shobab, and ^oNathan, and ^oSolomon, four, of ^oBath-shua the daughter of ^oAmmiel:

6 Ibhar also, and Elishama, and Eliphelet,

7 And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

8 And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphelet, ^onine.
 9 *These were* all the sons of David, beside the sons of the concubines, and ^oTamar their sister.
 10 And Solomon's son *was* Rehoboam, Abia his son, Asa his son, Jehoshaphat his son,
 11 Joram his son, Ahaziah his son, Joash his son,
 12 Amaziah his son, Azariah his son, Jotham his son,
 13 Ahaz his son, Hezekiah his son, Manasseh his son,
 14 Amon his son, Josiah his son.
 15 And the sons of Josiah *were*, the firstborn ^oJohanan, the second ^oJehoiakim, the third ^oZedekiah, the fourth Shallum.
 16 And the sons of Jehoiakim: ^oJeconiah his son, Zedekiah his son.
 17 And the ^osons of Jeconiah; ^oAssir, Salathiel his son,
 18 Malchiram also, and Pedaiiah, and Shenazar, Jecamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah.
 19 And the sons of Pedaiiah *were*, ^oZerubbabel, and Shimei: and the sons of Zerubbabel; Meshullam, and Hananiah, and Shelomith their sister:
 20 And Hashubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, and Hasadiah, Jushab-hesed, five.
 21 And the sons of Hananiah; Pelatiah, and Jesaiiah: the sons of Rephaiah, the sons of Arnan, the sons of Obadiah, the sons of Shechaniah.
 22 And the sons of Shechaniah; Shemaiah; and the sons of Shemaiah; Hattush, and Igeal, and Bariah, and Neariah, and Shaphat, ^osix.
 23 And the sons of Neariah; Elioenai, and Hezekiah, and Azrikam, three.
 24 And the sons of Elioenai *were*, Hodaiah, and Eliashib, and Pelaiah, and Akkub, and Johanan, and Dalaiah, and Anani, seven.
 4 The *descendants* of Judah; Pharez, Hezron, and Carmi, and ^oHur, and Shobal.
 2 And Reaiah the son of Shobal begat Jahath; and Jahath begat Ahumai and Lahad. *These are* the families of the ^oZorathites.
 3 And *these were the sons of* the father of Etam; Jezreel, and Ishma, and Idbash: and the name of their sister *was* Hazeleponi:
 4 And Penuel the *prince* of Gedor and Ezer the father of Hushah. *These are* the sons of Hur, the firstborn of Ephrath, the father of Bethlehem.
 5 And ^oAshur [a son of Hezron] the father of Tekoa had two wives, Helah and Naarah.
 6 And Naarah bare him Ahuzam, and Hopher, and Temeni, and Haahashtari. *These were* the sons of Naarah.
 7 And the sons of Helah *were*, Zereth, and Jezoar, and ^oEthnan [and Coz, and Coz begat Anub].
 8 And Coz begat Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of

8 **nine**. Eleven are mentioned in 2 Sam. 5. 14-16; but probably two died young, and their names were not needed in the genealogy. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 15.
 9 **Tamar**. Cp. 2 Sam. 13.
 15 **Johanan**. Or Jehoahaz. 2 Kings 23. 30. **Jehoiakim**. Called Eliakim by his father, but Jehoiakim by Pharaoh-nechoh, king of Egypt (2 Kings 23. 34). **Zedekiah**. The same as Mattaniah. Cp. 2 Kings 24. 17, 18. He was the last king of Judah. **Shallum**. The same as Jehoahaz, the successor of Josiah (Jer. 22. 11. 2 Kings 23. 31, 34).
 16 **Jeconiah**. Called also Jehoiachin (2 Kings 24. 6), and Coniah (Jer. 22. 24, 28). Cp. 2 Chron. 36. 9. 2 Kings 24. 8.
 17 **sons**. Cp. Jer. 22. 28-30.
Assir = the captive, perhaps referring to Zedekiah, and not a proper name.
 19 **Zerubbabel** According to Matt. 1. 12 and Ezra 3. 2; 5. 2, the son of Shealtiel.
 22 **six**. Heb. *Shishshah*, which may be a proper name and not the numeral.

4: 1-8: 40.	COLLATERAL.
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4: 1-4.	Judah's posterity.
4: 5-8.	Ashur.
4: 9, 10.	Jabez.
4: 11-20.	Caleb the son of Hur.
4: 21-23.	The sons of Shelah.
4: 24-43.	The sons of Simeon.
5: 1-10.	The sons of Reuben (to the Captivity).
5: 11-17.	The sons of Gad.
5: 18-26.	Reuben, Gad, and half Manasseh.
6: 1-3.	The sons of Levi.
6: 4-15.	The Priests (to the Captivity).
6: 16-48.	Gershom, Kohath, and Merari.
6: 49-53.	The sons of Aaron.
6: 54-81.	The cities of Priests and Levites.
7: 1-5.	The sons of Issachar.
7: 6-12.	The sons of Benjamin.
7: 13.	The sons of Naphtali.
7: 14-19.	The sons of Manasseh.
7: 20-29.	The sons of Ephraim.
7: 30-40.	The sons of Asher.
8: 1-32.	The sons of Benjamin.
8: 33-40.	The stock of Saul and Jonathan.

1 **sons** = descendants. **Hur, and Shobal**. These were sons of Caleb, the son of Hezron (2. 18, 20, 50, 52). **2 Zorathites**. See 2. 53.
 3 **these were of**. Some codices, with Sept., read "these were the sons of".
 4 **father** : or lord, or prince. See note on 2. 42.
 5 **Ashur**. A son of Hezron. Cp. 2. 24.
 7 **Ethnan**. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* thus: "Eth-nan, and Coz, [and Coz] begat Annb". Cp. v. 13. **9 more honourable**. Perhaps his going up with Caleb and Othniel against the Canaanites is referred to. See Judg. 1. 2, 4, 9-15. Josh. 15. 13-19. **Jabez**. The transposition of letters in Heb. may intimate a change of experiences, and mean "may he have pain or grief reversed."
with sorrow. Cp. Gen. 3. 16 (same word).
 10 **the God of Israel** (Heb. Elohim, Ap. 4). A suitable title and prayer before going on the expedition.
Israel. The nation as descended from him for whom God orders all. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28. **coast** = border or boundary.
grieve = pain. Note Fig. *Aposiopesis*. Ap. 6. No conclusion to his prayer.

Aharhel the son of Harum.

9 And Jabez was ^omore honourable than his brethren: and his mother called his name ^oJabez, saying, Because I bare him ^owith sorrow.
 10 And Jabez called on the God of ^oIsrael, saying, Oh that Thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my **border**, and that Thine hand might be with me, and that Thou wouldest keep *me* from evil, that it may not ***pain** me! And God granted him that which he requested.

11 And Chelub the brother of Shuah begat Mehir, which *was* the father of Eshton.
12 And Eshton begat Beth-rapha, and Paseah, and Tehinnah the father of Ir-nahash. These *are* the men of Rechah.
13 And the sons of Kenaz; Othniel, and Seraiah: and the sons of Othniel; ^oHathath.
14 And Meonothai begat Ophrah: and Seraiah begat Joab, the *prince* of *Ge-harashim*; for they were craftsmen.
15 And the sons of ^oCaleb the son of Jephunneh; Iru, Elah, and Naam: and the sons of Elah, even Kenaz.
16 And the sons of Jehaleleel; Ziph, and Ziphah, Tiria, and Asareel.
17 And the sons of Ezra *were*, Jether, and Mered, and Ephraim, and Jalon: and she bare Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of Eshtemoa.
18 And his wife *the Jewess* bare Jered the father of Gedor, and Heber the father of Socho, and Jekuthiel the father of Zanoah. And these *are* the sons of ^oBithiah the daughter of Pharaoh, which Mered took.
19 And the sons of *his* wife ^oHodiah the sister of Naham, the father of Keilah the Garmite, and Eshtemoa the Maachathite.
20 And the sons of Shimon *were*, Amnon, and Rinnah, Ben-hanan, and Tilon. And the sons of Ishi *were*, Zoheth, and Ben-zoheth.
21 The sons of Shelah the son of Judah *were*, Er the father of Lecah, and Laadah the father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of them that wrought *fine white Egyptian linen*, of the house of Ashbea,
22 And Jokim, and the men of Chozeba, and Joash, and Saraph, who *became lords to Moab*, and Jashubi-lehem. And *these are* ancient *records*.
23 These *were* the potters, and *the inhabitants of Netaim and Gedera*: there they dwelt with the king for his work.
24 The sons of Simeon *were*, Nemuel, and Jamin, Jarib, Zerach, and Shaul:
25 Shallum his son, Mibsam his son, Mishma his son.
26 And the sons of Mishma; Hamuel his son, Zacchur his son, Shimei his son.
27 And Shimei had sixteen sons and six daughters; but his brethren had not many *sons*, neither did all their family multiply, like to the *sons* of Judah.
28 And they dwelt at ^oBeer-sheba, and Moladah, and Hazar-shual,
29 And at Bilhah, and at Ezem, and at Tolad,
30 And at Bethuel, and at Hormah, and at ^oZiklag,
31 And at Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susim, and at Beth-birei, and at Shaaraim. These *were* their cities *unto king David*.
32 And their villages *were*, Etam, and Ain, Rimmon, and Tochen, and Ashan, five cities:

13 Hathath. Supply Fig *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "Hathath and Meonothai [and Meonothai] begat Ophrah".
14 valley of Charashim = Ge-harashim, the name of the place.
15 Caleb the son of Jephunneh. Not the son of Hezron (2. 18).
16 Jehudijah = the Jewess. **Bithiah**, the daughter of Pharaoh. Is Bithiah the same as Jehudijah, and did she turn a Jewess? Mered was evidently a man of position.
19 Hodiah. The Jehudijah of v. 18.
21 fine linen: or *byssus*, a fine white Egyptian linen.
22 had the dominion: or became lords to Moab.
Jashubi-lehem. The Vulg. renders it "and returned to Beth-lehem", like Naomi and Ruth (1. 1-4, 19). **things:** or records.
23 those that dwelt, &c. The inhabitants of Netaim and Gedera.
27 children = sons. **28 Beer-sheba.** Cp. Josh. 19. 2-5.
30 Ziklag. Given later to David by the Philistines (1 Sam. 27. 6).
31 unto the reign of David. The Codex *Hilleli*, with one early printed edition, Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "unto king David".
33 Baal. Another name for Baalath-beer in Josh. 19. 8.
their genealogy: or, "and they had their own genealogical register."
41 written by name: i.e. in the foregoing list. **the habitations** = Maonites, or Mehumims (2 Chron. 26. 7). Cp. 20. 1 and Judg. 10. 12.
42 five hundred. If these could accomplish such things, what could not the whole of Israel have done? Cp. v. 10 and 5. 20.
43 the rest of the Amalekites. Not all destroyed in 1 Sam. 15. 8. A number survived. Cp. 1 Sam. 27. 8; 30. 1. 2 Sam. 8. 12. Est. 3. 1. See note on Ex. 17. 16. **unto this day.** Evidently not disturbed by the king of Babylon in the deportation of Israel.

33 And all their villages that *were* round about the same cities, unto ^oBaal. These *were* their habitations, *and they had their own genealogical register*.
34 And Meshobab, and Jamlech, and Joshah the son of Amaziah,
35 And Joel, and Jehu the son of Josibiah, the son of Seraiah, the son of Asiel,
36 And Elioenai, and Jaakobah, and Jeshohaiah, and Asaiah, and Adiel, and Jesimiel, and Benaiah,
37 And Ziza the son of Shiphi, the son of Allon, the son of Jedaiah, the son of Shimri, the son of Shemaiah;
38 These mentioned by *their* names *were* princes in their families: and the house of their fathers increased greatly.
39 And they went to the entrance of ^oGedor, *even* unto the east side of the valley, to seek pasture for their flocks.
40 And they found fat pasture and good, and the land *was* wide, and quiet, and peaceable; for *they* of Ham had dwelt there of old.
41 And these ^owritten by name [*in the foregoing list*] came in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and smote their tents, and ^othe habitations that were found there, and destroyed them utterly unto this day, and dwelt in their rooms: because *there was* pasture there for their flocks.
42 And *some* of them, *even* of the sons of Simeon, ^ofive hundred men, went to mount Seir, having for their captains Pelatiah, and Neariah, and Rephaiah, and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi.
43 And they smote ^othe rest of the Amalekites that were escaped, and dwelt there ^ounto this day.

5 Now the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel, (for he was the firstborn; but, ^oforasmuch as he defiled his father's bed, his birthright was given unto the sons of Joseph the son of Israel: and the genealogy is *not to be enrolled in the place of the firstborn*.)

2 For ^oJudah prevailed above his brethren, and of him *is* the ^ochief ruler; but the birthright was Joseph's:)

3 The sons, *I say*, of Reuben the firstborn of Israel were, Hanoah, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi.

4 The sons of Joel; Shemaiah his son, Gog his son, Shimei his son,

5 Micah his son, Reaia his son, Baal his son,

6 Beerah his son, whom Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria ^ocarried away *captive*: he was prince of the Reubenites.

7 And his brethren by their families, when the genealogy of their generations was reckoned, were the chief, Jeiel, and Zechariah,

8 And Bela the son of *Azan*, the son of Shema, the son of Joel, who dwelt in ^oAroer, even unto ^oNebo and ^oBaal-meon:

9 And eastward he inhabited unto the entering in of the wilderness from the river Euphrates: because their cattle were multiplied in the land of Gilead.

10 And in the days of Saul they made war with the ^oHagarites, who fell by their hand: and they dwelt in their tents throughout all the east *land* of Gilead.

11 And the *sons* of Gad dwelt over against them, in the land of Bashan unto Salchah:

12 Joel the chief, and Shapham the next, and Jaanai, and Shaphat in Bashan.

13 And their brethren of the house of their fathers were, Michael, and Meshullam, and Sheba, and Jorai, and Jachan, and Zia, and ^oHeber, seven.

14 These *are* the children of Abihail the son of Huri, the son of Jaroah, the son of Gilead, the son of Michael, the son of Jeshishai, the son of Jahdo, the son of Buz;

15 Ahi the son of Abdiel, the son of Guni, chief of the house of their fathers.

16 And they dwelt ^oin Gilead in Bashan, and in her towns, and in all the suburbs of Sharon, upon their borders.

17 All these were reckoned by genealogies in the days of ^oJotham king of Judah, and in the days of ^oJeroboam king of Israel.

18 The sons of Reuben, and the Gadites, and half the tribe of Manasseh, of *sons of valour*, men able to bear buckler and sword, and to shoot with bow, and skilful in war, were four and forty thousand seven hundred and threescore, that went out to the war.

19 And they made war with the Hagarites, with Jetur, and

5. 1 forasmuch. Cp. Gen. 35. 22; 49. 4.

not to be reckoned, &c. = not to be enrolled in the place of the firstborn. **birthright.** See note on Gen. 25. 31.

2 Judah prevailed. Cp. Gen. 49. 8, referring to intertribal precedence. **came.** Supply Fig *Ellipsis* with "is".

chief ruler. Referring to the regal line, and the coming of the Messiah.

6 carried away. This was the *first* carrying away, and took place in 654. Cp. v. 26. The *second* was by Tiglath-Pileser (= Pul) in the reign of Pekah (649-629). This was the Galilee-Naphtali carrying away (2 Kings 15. 29. Isa. 9. 1) referred to in Matt. 4. 15. The *third* was the Samaria deportation in the ninth year of Hoshea and sixth of Hezekiah (611 B. c), and ended the kingdom of Israel (2 Kings 17. 3-23; 18. 9-12). It was begun by Shalmaneser and ended by Sargon (613-611).

8 Azaz. Some codices, with four early printed editions, read "Azan", or "Azzan". **Aroer . . . Nebo . . . Baal-meon.** All east of Dead Sea. See Num. 32. 34, 38. Deut. 2. 36.

10 Hagarites. Tracing their descent from Hagar through Ishmael. Cp. v. 19 with 1. 31, and Ps. 83. 6. **11 children** = sons.

13 Heber. Some codices, with two early printed editions and Sept., read "Hehed", mistaking *Resh*, ("r") for *Daleth*, ("d").

16 in Gilead: i.e. in part of it, other parts having been allotted to the half-tribes of Reubenites and Manassites (Num. 32. 39-40. Deut. 3. 13. Josh. 13. 31). **17 Jotham . . . Jeroboam.** Jotham (647-631) and Jeroboam II (728-687). See Ap. 50. V. Consequently, the statement here refers to consensuses at different times.

18 valiant men = sons of valour. **men.** Heb. *'enosh*. Ap. 14. III. These two and a half tribes, east of Jordan, chose their own portions, but were nearest to the enemy, and were the first to be carried away. Cp. Lot, Gen. 13. 10, 11, with 14. 11, 12. Better to have our "lot" chosen for us by Jehovah (Gen. 13. 14, 15).

20 helped: i.e. by God (2 Chron. 26. 17. Ps. 28. 7). This victory should have shown them that there could have been no captivity had they obeyed God (see note on 4. 43). **trust.** Heb. *batah*. Ap. 69. i.

21 men. Heb. "souls (*nephesh*) of men (*adam*)". Ap. 13 and 14. I.

22 until the captivity. Cp. 2 Kings 15. 29; 17. 6; 18. 9-12: i.e. that of Tiglath-pileser. **23 half:** i.e. the half beyond Jordan.

24 even. Sept. and Vulg. omit this word "even". **mighty men.** Heb. *gibbor*. Ap. 14. IV.

25 transgressed = acted faithlessly. **people** = peoples.

Nephish, and Nodab.

20 And they were ^ohelped [*by God*] against them, and the Hagarites were delivered into their hand, and all that were with them: for they cried to God in the battle, and He was intreated of them; because they put their trust in Him.

21 And they took away their cattle; of their camels fifty thousand, and of sheep two hundred and fifty thousand, and of asses two thousand, and of ^omen an hundred thousand.

22 For there fell down many slain, because the war was of God. And they dwelt in their steads ^ountil the captivity.

23 And the *sons* of the ^ohalf tribe [*beyond Jordan*] of Manasseh dwelt in the land: they increased from Bashan unto Baal-hermon and Senir, and unto mount Hermon.

24 And these were the heads of the house of their fathers, . . . Ephraim, and Ishi, and Eliel, and Azriel, and Jeremiah, and Hodaviah, and Jahdiel, ^omighty men of valour, famous men, and heads of the house of their fathers.

25 And they acted *faithlessly* against the God of their fathers, and went a whoring after the gods of the people of the land, whom God destroyed before them.

26 And the ^oGod of Israel stirred up the ^ospirit of Pul king of Assyria, and the ^ospirit of Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria, and he carried them away, even the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, and brought them unto ^oHalah, ^oand Habor, and Hara, and to the river ^oGozan, ^ounto this day.

6 The sons of ^oLevi; ^oGershon, ^oKohath, and Merari.
2 And the sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.
3 And the *sons* of Amram; ^oAaron, and Moses, and Miriam. The sons also of Aaron; ^oNadab, and ^oAbihu, ^oEleazar, and Ithamar.
4 Eleazar begat Phinehas, ^oPhinehas begat Abishua,
5 And Abishua begat Bukki, and Bukki begat Uzzi,
6 And Uzzi begat Zerachiah, and Zerachiah begat Meraioth,
7 Meraioth begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub,
8 And Ahitub begat Zadok, and ^oZadok begat ^oAhimaaz,
9 And Ahimaaz begat Azariah, and Azariah begat Johanan,
10 And Johanan begat Azariah, (he *it is* that executed the priest's office in the *house* that Solomon built in Jerusalem:)
11 And Azariah begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub,
12 And Ahitub begat Zadok, and Zadok begat Shallum,
13 And ^oShallum begat ^oHilkiah, and Hilkiah begat Azariah,
14 And Azariah begat ^oSeraiah, and Seraiah begat Jehozadak,
15 And ^oJehozadak went *into captivity*, when the LORD carried away Judah and Jerusalem by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar.
16 The sons of Levi; Gershom, Kohath, and Merari.
17 And these *be* the names of the sons of Gershom; Libni, and Shimei.
18 And the sons of Kohath *were*, Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.
19 The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. And these *are* the families of the Levites according to their fathers.
20 Of Gershom; Libni his son, Jahath his son, Zimmah his son,
21 Joah his son, Iddo his son, Zerah his son, Jeaterai his son.
22 The sons of Kohath; ^oAmminadab his son, Korah his son, Assir his son,
23 ^oElkanah his son, and Ebiasaph his son, and ^oAssir his son,
24 Tahath his son, Uriel his son, Uziah his son, and Shaul his son.
25 And the sons of Elkanah; Amasai, and Ahimoth.
26 As for Elkanah: ^othe sons of Elkanah; Zophai his son, and Nahath his son,

26 God of Israel. Note Elohim: not Jehovah, as dealing with Gentiles; but Israel, as not forgetting His covenant-relation though stirring up enemies. **spirit.** Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9.

Pul ... and ... Tilgath-pilneser. Two names of one person: Pul, the original and official name in Babylon of this usurper; Tilgath, his official name in Assyria, which he assumed from an earlier king. Cp. 2 Kings 15. 19.

Halah . . . Gozan. Whither the Israelites west of Jordan were deported by Sargon (2 Kings 15. 29: 17. 6; 18. 11). **unto this day.** See note on 4. 43.

6. 1 Levi. This care to give these genealogies after the captivities was to show that God's promises to preserve the nation would be faithfully kept. Cp. Jer. 23. 5, 6. **Gershon.** Cp. Ex. 6. 16. The Western Massorite spelling; the eastern spelling being "Gershom".

Kohath. The second son placed first because Aaron descended from him.

3 children = sons. **Aaron, and Moses.** One of the six passages where Aaron precedes Moses (23. 13. Ex. 6. 20, 26. Num. 3. 1; 26. 59).

Nadab, and Abihu. Perished at Sinai for offering "strange fire". See note on Lev. 10. 1. Cp. Num. 3. 4. 1 Chron. 24. 2.

Eleazar. His line given without a break up to the Captivity. Cp. v. 15. In Ezra 7. 1-5 an abbreviated genealogy is given. Moses not enumerated here, though a priest (Ps. 99. 6), because separated for civil government before the appointment of the Levitic priesthood.

4 Phinehas. Cp. Ex. 6. 25. Ps. 106. 30. Num. 25. 11.

8 Zadok. Cp. 2 Sam. 8. 17; 15. 27. 1 Chron. 24. 3, 6, 31.

Ahimaaz. Cp. v. 53. 2 Sam. 15. 27, 36; 18. 19, 22, 27.

10 temple = house.

13 Shallum. In Neh. 11. 11 called Meshullam.

Hilkiah. The high priest in reign of Josiah (2 Kings 22. 4. 2 Chron. 34. 9).

14 Seraiah. Carried away by Nebuchadnezzar, and put to death at Riblah (2 Kings 25. 18, 21).

15 Jehozadak. The Jozadak was the father of Joshua the high priest, who returned from the Captivity (Ezra 3. 2; 5. 2. Neh. 12. 26. Hag. 1. 1, 12. Zech. 6. 11). **the LORD.** Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

16 sons of Levi. These were not high priests.

22 Amminadab. His other name was Izhar, vv. 2 and 38.

23 Elkanah. A common Levitical name. Cp. vv. 25, 27.

Assir. Cp. Ex. 6. 24.

26 the sons of Elkanah. Some codices, with Sept. and one early printed edition, omit this second "Elkanah"; the Heb. reads "his son".

28 the firstborn Vashni. Cp. 1 Sam. 8. 2, where the firstborn's name "came to be" Joel. From 1 Chron. 6. 28 it seems to have been originally Vashni. From v. 33 he seems to have had two names.

31 service = the hands: hands being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), for the work done by them.

ark had rest. See 16. 1, notes on 13. 3, and Ex. 25. 22.

32 dwelling place = tabernacle. Heb. *mishkan*. Ap. 40.

tabernacle = tent of meeting. Heb. *'ohel-moed*. Ap. 40.

27 Eliab his son, Jeroham his son, Elkanah his son.

28 And the sons of Samuel; ^othe firstborn Vashni, and Abiah.

29 The sons of Merari; Mahli, Libni his son, Shimei his son, Uzza his son,

30 Shimea his son, Haggiah his son, Asaiah his son.

31 And these *are they* whom David set over ^oservice of song in the house of the LORD, after that the ^oark had rest.

32 And they ministered before the *tabernacle* of the *tent of meeting* of the congregation with singing, until Solomon had built the house of the LORD in Jerusalem: and *then* they waited on their office according to their order.

33 And these *are* they that *stood* with their *sons*. Of the sons of the Kohathites: **Heman the singer, Samuel's grandson**, (the son of ^oJoel, the son of **Samuel**,
34 The son of Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Eliel, the son of Toah,
35 The son of Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the son of Mahath, the son of Amasai,
36 The son of Elkanah, the son of Joel, the son of Azariah, the son of Zephaniah,
37 The son of Tahath, the son of Assir, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah,
38 The son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, the son of ^oIsrael).
39 And ^ohis brother Asaph, who stood on his right hand, (*even* Asaph the son of Berachiah, the son of Shimea,
40 The son of Michael, the son of **Maaseiah**, the son of Malchiah,
41 The son of Ethni, the son of Zerah, the son of Adaiah,
42 The son of Ethan, the son of Zimmah, the son of Shimei,
43 The son of Jahath, the son of Gershom, the son of Levi.)
44 And ^otheir brethren the sons of ^oMerari *stood* on the left hand: Ethan (the son of Kishi, the son of Abdi, the son of Malluch,
45 The son of Hashabiah, the son of Amaziah, the son of Hilkiah,
46 The son of Amzi, the son of Bani, the son of Shamer,
47 The son of Mahli, the son of Mushi, the son of Merari, the son of Levi.)
48 Their brethren also the Levites *were* appointed unto ^oall manner of service of the *tent of meeting* of the house of God.
49 But ^oAaron and his sons *burnt incense* upon the ^oaltar of the burnt offering, and on the altar of incense, and *were appointed* for all the work of the *holy of holies*, and to make an atonement for Israel, according to all that ^oMoses the servant of ^oGod had commanded.
50 And ^othese *are* the sons of Aaron; Eleazar his son, Phinehas his son, Abishua his son,
51 Bukki his son, Uzzi his son, Zerahiah his son,
52 Meraioth his son, Amariah his son, Ahitub his son,
53 Zadok his son, Ahimaaz his son.
54 Now these *are* ^otheir dwelling places throughout their *districts* in their *borders*, of the sons of Aaron, of the families of the Kohathites: for theirs was the [*first*] lot.
55 And they gave them Hebron in the land of Judah, and the *pasture land* thereof round about it.
56 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, they gave to Caleb the son of Jephunneh.
57 And to the sons of Aaron they gave the cities of Judah, *namely*, Hebron, *the city* of refuge, and Libnah with her *pasture lands*, and Jattir, and Eshtemoa, with

33 waited-stood. **children** = sons. **Heman, &c.** = Heman the singer, Samuel's grandson. See 15. 17-19; 25. 1-6. Cp. 1 Kings 4. 31, and see his name in the Psalm titles (Ap. 63. viii). **Joel.** See note on v. 28. **Shemuel** = Samuel. Twenty-one generations given.
38 Israel. Traced back to fountain head.
39 his brother Asaph: i.e. his brother in service. Fifteen generations.
40 Baaseiah. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "Maaseiah".
42 Ethan. The same as Jeduthun (9. 16; 16. 41; 25. 1. 2 Chron. 35. 15). Fourteen generations.
44 their brethren. Heman, from Kohath (Levi's second son); Asaph, from Gershom (Levi's eldest son); Ethan, from Merari (Levi's youngest son).
Merari. The youngest son of Levi (Ex. 6. 16).
48 all manner of service. Cp. ch. 23 below.
God. Heb. *ha-'Elohim* (Ap. 4), the [Triune] God
49 Aaron and his sons. Cp. Num. 18. 1-7. Lev. 8. 2. This refutes the assertions of some that the kings of Judah were allowed to offer sacrifices or burn incense. Cp. 1 Kings 8. 64.
offered = burnt incense. Heb. *katar*. Ap. 43. I. vii. Cp. Lev. 1. 9.
altar of incense. Cp. Ex. 30. 7. **most holy** = holy of holies. See note on Ex. 3. 5. **Moses the servant of God.** This expression occurs only four times: here, 2 Chron. 24. 9. Neh. 10. 29, and Dan. 9. 11. For other titles descriptive of Moses, as a servant, see notes on Ex. 14. 31. Num. 12. 7. Dent. 34. 5. 1 Kings 8. 63. **God.** Heb. *Elohim*. Ap. 4. I.
50 these. Restating by way of summary.
54 their dwelling places. Cp. Josh. 21. 4-42. This was the basis of their claim for reinstatement after their return from Babylon. Probably many of these places had changed their names in spelling or otherwise since those days. This accounts for all the variations.
castles = districts. **coasts** = borders.
was the lot. Supply Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6): "was the [first] lot".
55 suburbs = pasture land (as distinguished from "field" or arable land). So throughout the rest of this chapter. See v. 56.
58 Hilen = Holon of Josh. 21. 15. Some codices, with one early printed edition, read "Helez".

their *pasture lands*,

58 And **Holon** with her *pasture lands*, Debir with her *pasture lands*,

59 And Ashan with her *pasture lands*, and Beth-shemesh with her suburbs *pasture lands*:

60 And out of the tribe of Benjamin; Geba with her *pasture lands*, and Alemeth with her *pasture lands*, and Anathoth with her *pasture lands*. All their cities throughout their families *were* thirteen cities.

61 And unto the sons of Kohath, *which were* left of the family of that tribe, *were cities given* out of the half tribe, *namely*, *out of* the half *tribe* of Manasseh, by lot, ten cities.

62 And to the sons of Gershom throughout their families out of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities.

63 Unto the sons of Merari *were given* by lot, throughout their families, out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities.

64 And the *sons* of Israel gave to the Levites *these* cities with their *pasture lands*.

65 And they gave by lot out of the tribe of the *sons* of Judah, and out of the tribe of the *sons* of Simeon, and out of the tribe of the *sons* of Benjamin, these cities, *which are mentioned by name*.

66 And *as for some of the families* of the sons of Kohath had *the cities of their lot* out of the tribe of Ephraim.

67 And they gave unto them, *of the cities of refuge*, Shechem in *the hill country of Ephraim* with her *pasture lands*; they gave also °Gezer with her *pasture lands*,

68 And Jokmeam with her *pasture lands*, and Beth-horon with her *pasture lands*,

69 And Aijalon with her *pasture lands*, and Gath-rimmon with her *pasture lands*:

70 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh; Aner with her *pasture lands*, and Bileam with her *pasture lands*, for the family of the remnant of the sons of Kohath.

71 Unto the sons of Gershom *were given* out of the family of the half tribe of Manasseh, Golan in Bashan with her *pasture lands*, and Ashtaroth with her *pasture lands*:

72 And out of the tribe of Issachar; Kedesh with her *pasture*

lands, Daberath with her *pasture lands*,

73 And Ramoth with her *pasture lands*, and Anem with her *pasture lands*:

74 And out of the tribe of Asher; Mashal with her *pasture lands*, and Abdon with her *pasture lands*,

75 And Hukok with her *pasture lands*, and Rehob with her *pasture lands*:

76 And out of the tribe of Naphtali; Kedesh in Galilee with her *pasture lands*, and Hammon with her *pasture lands*, and Kirjathaim with her *pasture lands*.

77 Unto *those remaining from* the sons of Merari *were given* out of the tribe of Zebulun. Rimmon with her *pasture lands*, Tabor with her *pasture lands*:

78 And on the other side Jordan by Jericho, on the east side of Jordan, *were given them* out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer in the wilderness with her *pasture lands*, and Jahzah with her *pasture lands*,

79 Kedemoth also with her *pasture lands*, and Mephaath with her *pasture lands*:

80 And out of the tribe of Gad; Ramoth in Gilead with her *pasture lands*, and Mahanaim with her *pasture lands*,

81 And Heshbon with her *pasture lands*, and Jazer with her *pasture lands*.

7 *And to the sons of Issachar belonged*, Tola, and Puah, Jashub, and Shimron, four.

2 And °the sons of Tola; Uzzi, and Rephaiah, and Jeriel, and Jahmai, and Jibsam, and Shemuel, heads of their father's house, *to wit*, of Tola: *they were* °valiant men of might in their generations; whose number *was* in the days of David [*when he numbered the People*] two and twenty thousand and six hundred.

3 And the sons of Uzzi; Izrahiah: and the °sons of Izrahiah; Michael, and Obadiah, and Joel, Ishiah, five: all

66 And the residue. Supply Fig *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6) thus: "[as for some] of the families", &c. **cities of their coasts** = the cities of their lot. Cp. Josh. 21. 20. **67** mount = hill country of. **Qezer**. See note on 1 Kings 9. 15-17. **77** the rest of = those remaining from.

7. 1 Now the sons of Issachar were = And to the sons of Issachar belonged. Issachar born 1746 B.C. **2** the sons of Tola. Descendants of younger sons are contrasted with his firstborn Uzzi (vv. 3, 4). These names occur nowhere else, and prove Chronicles to be entirely independent.

in the days of David. When he numbered the people (2 Sam. 24). **3** sons. A special various reading called *Sevir* (Ap. 34) reads "son".

6 three. In Gen. 46. 21 there were ten. When Chronicles was written the others probably had become extinct. Even in Num. 26. 38 only five are mentioned. In 8. 1, 2 only five are given.

11 their fathers. Fig. *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "their fathers [houses]".

12 children = sons. **Hushim, the sons of Aher** = Hushim the son of another, that other being Dan (Gen. 46. 23). Not named here. For reason, see note below, and on Gen. 49. 17. **sons**. Put by Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), for "son".

Aher. Heb. *'aher* = another.

14 she = his wife. **Aramitess** = Aramaean, or woman of Syria.

of them chief men.

4 And with them, by their generations, after the house of their fathers, *were* bands of soldiers for war, six and thirty thousand *men*: for they had many wives and sons.

5 And their brethren among all the families of Issachar *were* valiant men of might, reckoned in all by their genealogies fourscore and seven thousand.

6 *The sons* of Benjamin; Bela, and Becher, and Jediael, °three.

7 And the sons of Bela; Ezbon, and Uzzi, and Uzziel, and Jerimoth, and Iri, five; heads of the house of *their* fathers, mighty men of valour; and were reckoned by their genealogies twenty and two thousand and thirty and four.

8 And the sons of Becher; Zemira, and Joash, and Eliezer, and Elioenai, and Omri, and Jerimoth, and Abiah, and Anathoth, and Alameth. All these *are* the sons of Becher.

9 And the number of them, after their genealogy by their generations, heads of the house of the fathers, mighty men of valour, *was* twenty thousand and two hundred.

10 The sons also of Jediael; Bilhan: and the sons of Bilhan; Jeush, and Benjamin, and Ehud, and Chenaanah, and Zethan, and Tharshish, and Ahishahar.

11 All these the sons of Jediael, by the heads of °their fathers [*houses*], mighty men of valour, *were* seventeen thousand and two hundred *soldiers*, fit to go out for war and battle.

12 Shuppim also, and Huppim, the *sons* of Ir, and *Hushim the son of Dan*.

13 The sons of Naphtali; Jahziel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shallum, the sons of Bilhah.

14 The sons of Manasseh; Ashriel, whom *his wife* bare: (*but* his concubine *a woman of Syria* bare Machir the father of Gilead:

15 And Machir took to wife *the sister* of Huppim and Shuppim, whose sister's name *was* Maachah;)

and the name of the *second son of Manasseh* was Zelophehad: and Zelophehad had °daughters.

16 And Maachah the wife of Machir bare a son, and she called his name Peresh; and the name of his brother was Sheresh; and his sons were Ulam and Rakem.

17 And the sons of Ulam; °Bedan. These were the sons of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh.

18 And *Gilead's sister* Hammoleketh bare Ishod, and Abiezer, and °Mahalah [*and Shemidah and the sons*].

19 And the sons of °Shemida were, Ahian, and Shechem, and Likhi, and Aniam.

20 And the sons of Ephraim; Shuthelah, and Bered his son, and Tahath his son, and Eladah his son, and Tahath his son,

21 And Zabad his son, and Shuthelah his son, and Ezer, and Elead, whom the men of Gath *that were born in that land* slew, because *the sons of Ephraim* came down to take away their cattle.

22 And Ephraim their father mourned many days, and his brethren came to comfort him.

23 And when *Ephraim* went in to his wife, she conceived, and bare a son, and he called his name °Beriah, because it went evil with his house.

24 (And his daughter was Sherah, who built Beth-horon the nether, and the upper, and Uzen-sherah.)

25 And Rephah was his son, also Resheph, and Telah his son, and Tahan his son,

26 Laadan his son, Ammihud his son, Elishama his son,

27 Nun his son, Jehoshua his son.

28 And their possessions and habitations were, Bethel and the towns thereof, and eastward Naaran, and westward °Gezer, with the *villages* thereof; Shechem also and the towns thereof, unto °Gaza and the *villages* thereof:

29 And by the borders of the *sons* of Manasseh, Bethshean and her towns, Taanach and her towns, Megiddo and her ²⁸towns, Dor and her ²⁸towns. In these dwelt the *sons* of Joseph the son of Israel.

30 The sons of Asher; Imnah, and Isuah, and Ishuai, and ²³Beriah, and Serah their sister.

31 And the sons of ²³Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel, who is the father of Birzavith.

32 And Heber begat Japhlet, and Shomer, and Hotham, and Shua their sister.

33 And the sons of Japhlet; Pasach, and Bimhal, and Ashvath. These are the *sons* of Japhlet.

34 And the sons of *Shomer*; Ahi, and Rohgah, Jehubbah, and Aram.

35 And the *son* of his brother Helem; Zophah, and Imna, and Shelesh, and Amal.

36 The sons of Zophah; Suah, and Harnepher, and Shual, and Beri, and Imrah,

15 **second:** i.e. second son of Manasseh. Machir being the first. **daughters.** Not sons (Num. 27. 1).

17 **Bedan.** The name of a judge (1 Sam. 12. 11).

18 **his sister:** i.e. Gilead's sister. **Mahalah.** Supply Fig. *Ellipsis*, "Mahalah [and Shemidah] and the sons". The name of one of the daughters of Zelophehad (Num. 26. 33).

21 **they:** i.e. the sons of Ephraim. A pre-Exodus raid, presuming perhaps on their descent from Joseph (Gen. 46. 20), the governor of Egypt. **23** **he** = Ephraim. Born 1712. Cp. Gen. 41. 50.

Beriah. An ancestor of Joshua. Not to be confounded with Beriah of Benjamin (8. 13), who made a reprisal on Gath; or with Beriah of Asher (v. 30).

27 **Non** = Nun, of Num. 13. 8.

28 **Gezer.** See note on 1 Kings 9. 15-17. **towns.** Heb. daughters. Put by Fig. *Catachresis* (Ap. 6) for villages. **Gaza.** Not the Gaza in Philistia assigned to Judah (Josh. 15. 47).

34 **Shamer:** or Shomer, v. 32.

8. 1 Benjamin. This tribe is now dealt with, and brought down to Saul and Jonathan. The date of writing is Post-Exilic. See v. 28; 9. 3, 27, and compare with Ezra 2 and Neh. 10, which show that Benjamin was brought back to the Land after being nearly extinguished in Judg. 20. Loyalty to Judah and the house of God had been rewarded. Note the passages which connect Benjamin with Judah and with the blessings of the return from Babylon: Ezra 1. 5; 2; 4. 1. Neh. 7; 11. 4, 7, 31; 12. 34. The genealogy of Saul leads up to the subject of the book.

begat. The former genealogy (7. 6-12) is not full, but specifies only the families to be dealt with later.

2 **Nohah . . . Rapha.** Nowhere else mentioned in O.T. Cp. Gen. 46. 21. Perhaps grandsons. But these names show independence of Chronicles.

3 **Addar.** Called Ard in Gen. 46. 21. Num. 26. 40.

Gera. Name derived from a son of Benjamin (Gen. 46. 21).

5 **Gera.** Another Gera. Cp. v. 7.

6 **these are the:** or, "and these are they—the". **Geba.** Near Gibeah of Saul (Josh. 18. 24. 1 Sam. 10. 26; 13. 3). Cp. Judg. 19. 12.

and. Read: "but they were carried away to Mana-hath".

they (the Gebaites) removed = were carried away, (same word as in 5. 26). The occasion is not known, but probably *after* they returned from captivity, as Geba is mentioned in Ezra 2. 26. Lod and Ono in v. 12 are named in Ezra 2. 33, and "the sons of Gibeon" in Neh. 7. 25. Cp. Ezra 2. 20.

37 Bezer, and Hod, and Shamma and Shilshah, and Ithran, and Beera.

38 And the sons of Jether; Jephunneh, and Pispah, and Ara.

39 And the sons of Ulla; Arah, and Haniel, and Rezia.

40 All these were the *sons* of Asher, heads of *their* father's house, choice *and* mighty men of valour, chief of the princes. And the number throughout the genealogy of them that were apt to the war and to battle was twenty and six thousand men.

8 Now °Benjamin °begat Bela his firstborn, Ashbel the second, and Aharah the third,

2 °Nohah the fourth, and °Rapha the fifth.

3 And the sons of Bela were, *Ard*, and °Gera, and Abihud,

4 And Abishua, and Naaman, and Ahoah,

5 And °Gera, and Shephuphan, and Huram.

6 And these are the sons of Ehud: *and these are they, the* heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of °Geba, *but the Gebaites were carried away to Manahath:*

7 And Naaman, and Ahiah, and ^oGera, he ⁶removed them, and begat Uzza, and ^oAhiahud [*and Shaharaim*].
 8 And Shaharaim begat *children* in the country ^oof Moab [*as Boaz did*], after he had sent *his wives* away; Hushim and Baara *were* his wives.
 9 And he begat of Hodesh his [*Moabitish*] wife, Jobab, and Zibia, and Mesha, and Malcham,
 10 And Jeuz, and Shachia, and Mirma. These *were* his sons, heads of the fathers.
 11 And of Hushim he begat Abitub, and Elpaal.
 12 The sons of Elpaal; Eber, and Misham, and *Shemer*, who built ^oOno, and Lod, with the towns thereof:
 13 ^oBeriah also, and Shema, who *were* heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of ^oAijalon, who ^odrove away the inhabitants of Gath:
 14 And Ahio, Shashak, and Jeremoth,
 15 And Zebadiah, and Arad, and Ader,
 16 And Michael, and Ispah, and Joha, the sons of Beriah;
 17 And Zebadiah, and ⁶Meshullam, and Hezeki, and Heber,
 18 *Ishmar-yah* also, and Jezliah, and Jobab, the sons of Elpaal;
 19 And Jakim, and Zichri, and Zabdi,
 20 And Elienai, and Zilthai, and Eliel,
 21 And Adaiah, and Beraiah, and Shimrath, the sons of Shimhi;
 22 And Ishpan, and ^oHeber, and Eliel,
 23 And Abdon, and Zichri, and Hanan,
 24 And ⁶Hananiah, and ⁶Elam, and Antothijah,
 25 And Iphedeiah, and Penuel, the sons of Shashak;
 26 And Shamsherai, and Shehariah, and Athaliah,
 27 And Jaresiah, and Elishah, and Zichri, the sons of Jeroham.
 28 These *were* heads of the fathers, by their generations, chief *men*. ^oThese dwelt in Jerusalem.
 29 And ^oat Gibeon dwelt the *ruler* of Gibeon; whose wife's name *was* Maachah:
 30 And his firstborn son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab,
 31 And Gedor, and Ahio, and ^oZacher [*and Mikloth*].
 32 And Mikloth begat Shimeah. And ^othese also dwelt with their brethren in Jerusalem, over against them.
 33 And ^oNer begat Kish, and Kish begat Saul, and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchi-shua, and Abinadab, and Esh-baal.
 34 And the son of Jonathan *was* ^oMerib-baal; and Merib-baal begat Micah.
 35 And the sons of Micah *were*, Pithon, and Melech, and Tarea, and Ahaz.
 36 And Ahaz begat Jehoadah; and Jehoadah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza,

Gera. A third Gera. Cp. vv. 3, 6. **Ahiahud.** Supply Fig *Ellipsis*: "and Ahiahud [and Shaharaim]. And Shaharaim begat", &c.
8 of Moab. As Boaz did. **them:** i.e. his wives.
9 Hodesh: i.e. his Moabitish wife.
12 Shamed. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "Shemer". Cp. 7. 34.
Ono . . . Lod. Mentioned only after the exile (Ezra 2. 33. Neh. 7. 37). See note on v. 6. **13 Beriah.** See notes on 7. 23, 30.
Aijalon. In Josh. 19. 42, it was in Dan. In Josh. 21. 24 it was a Levitical city. In 2 Chron. 28. 18 it was occupied by Philistines, under Ahaz. But here occupied by Benjamites, because (1) of Dan's idolatry (see note on Gen. 49. 17), and (2) of different distribution after the exile.
drove away. A reprisal later than 7. 21. See notes on 7. 23, 30.
18 Ishmerai = Ishmar-yah. The *Yod = y*, being the abbreviation for *Yah = Jehovah*.
22 Heber. Most codices, and nine early printed editions, read "Heber". Some MSS. read "Hebed".
28 These dwelt. Cp. v. 32; 9. 34. Neh. 11. 1-4. Another token of God's faithfulness to Benjamin (cp. Deut. 33. 12), for adhering to Judah and the worship of the true God.
29 at Gibson. Repeated in 9. 35-44.
father = lord, chief, or ruler. Cp. 9. 35. Called Jehiel there.
31 Zacher. Supply *Ellipsis* thus: "and Zacher [and Mikloth]. And Mikloth", &c.
33 Ner begat Kish. There are three genealogies of the house of Saul. We place the *facts*, (1) that persons often had two names (v. 34. Judg. 6. 32, &c), and (2) that the same name recurs in the same family, against the *assumption* that the opposite is the case. It is this assumption which creates the difficulties in "reconciling" 1 Sam. 9. 1; 14. 51; and 1 Chron. 9. 38.
Esh-baal. Another name for Ish-bosheth (2 Sam. 2. 8).
34 Merib-baal. Another name by which Mephi-bosheth was known. Cp. 2 Sam. 2. 8; 4. 4. See note on v. 33 above.
 The addition "bosheth" (= shame) came to be substituted for "Baal" as the latter word became associated with idolatry. Cp. Judg. 6. 32 with 2 Sam. 11. 21.
38 Bocheru. Some codices, with Sept. and Syr., read "his firstborn" (*b^ekhoro*).
40 were = became. **mighty men.** Heb. *gibbor*. Ap. 14. IV.
archers. Cp. 2 Chron. 14. 8.
9. 1 in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah.
 Not the existing books of Samuel and Kings, but another book, being a collection of matters from them. Referred to in 2 Chron. 16. 11; 25. 26; 27. 7; 28. 26; 32. 32; 35. 27; 36. 8.
Israel. Punctuate and read "Israel: and Judah was carried away", &c.
transgression = defection. Heb. *ma'al*.

37 And Moza begat Binea: Rapha *was* his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son:
 38 And Azel had six sons, whose names *are* these, Azrikam, *his first born*, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and ⁶Hanan. All these *were* the sons of Azel.
 39 And the sons of Eshek his brother *were*, Ulam his firstborn, Jehush the second, and Eliphelet the third.
 40 And the sons of Ulam *became* ^omighty men of valour, ^oarchers, and had many sons, and sons' sons, an hundred and fifty. All these *are* of the sons of Benjamin.
 9 So all Israel were reckoned by genealogies; and, behold, they *were* written ^oin the book of the kings of Israel: *and Judah was carried away* to Babylon for their *defection*.

2 Now ^othe first inhabitants [*after the reoccupation on the return from Babylon*] that *dwelt* in their possessions in their cities *were*, **the Israel of God**, the priests, **the Levites**, and ^othe Nethinims.

3 And in ^oJerusalem dwelt of the **sons** of Judah, and of the **sons** of Benjamin, and of the **sons** of ^oEphraim, and ^oManasseh;

4 Uthai the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the son of Imri, the son of Bani, of the **sons** of Pharez the son of Judah.

5 And of the **Shelonites**; Asaiah the firstborn, and his sons.

6 And of the sons of Zerah; Jeuel, and **Uthai and Asaiah's** brethren, ^osix hundred and ninety.

7 And of the sons of Benjamin; ^oSallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Hodaviah, the son of ^oHasenuah,

8 And Ibneiah the son of Jeroham, and Elah the son of Uzzi, the son of Michri, and Meshullam the son of Shephathiah, the son of Reuel, the son of Ibnijah;

9 And their brethren, according to their generations, ^onine hundred and fifty and six. All these ^omen *were* chief of the fathers in the house of their fathers.

10 And of the priests; ^oJedaiah, and Jehoiarib, and Jachin,

11 And Azariah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, ^othe ruler of the house of **the true God**;

12 And ^oAdaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pashur, the son of Malchijah, and ^oMaasiai the son of Adiel, the son of Jahzerah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Meshillemith, the son of Immer;

13 And their brethren, heads of the house of their fathers, ^oa thousand and seven hundred and threescore; **mighty men of valour** for the work of the service of the house of **the true God**.

14 And of the Levites; ^oShemaiah the son of Hasshub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, of the sons of Merari;

15 And Bakbakkar, Heresh, and Galal, and Mattaniah the son of Micah, the son of Zichri, the son of Asaph;

16 And Obadiah the son of Shemaiah, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun, and Berechiah the son of ^oAsa, the son of Elkanah, that ^odwelt in the villages of the ^oNetophathites [*till the priestly cities were rebuilt*].

17 And the **gatekeepers** *were*, Shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon, and Ahiman, and their brethren: Shallum *was* the chief;

18 Who ^ohitherto *waited* in the king's gate [*leading from the royal palace to the Temple*] eastward: they were **gatekeepers** in the companies of the **sons** of Levi.

19 And Shallum the son of Kore, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah, and his brethren, of the house of his father, the ^oKorahites, *were* over the work of the service, keepers of the **thresholds** of the **tent**: and their fathers, *being* over the host of the LORD, *were* keepers of the entry.

20 And ^oPhinehas the son of Eleazar was the ruler over them ^oin time past, *and* the Lord *was* with him.

9: 2-44. AFTER THE RETURN (GENEALOGY).

2. In the cities.
3-34. In Jerusalem.
35-44. In Gibeon.

2 the first inhabitants: i.e. after the reoccupation on the return from Babylon, under Zerubbabe], Joshua, Nehemiah, and Ezra, 454-400 B. C. See Ap. 50. V, VI, p. 60 and VII (5), p. 67.

the Israelites. Heb. "Israel": i.e. the "Israel of God". Cp. Neh. 11. 3. See note on "Israel" (Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28). Called "Israel", although only the return of Judah and Benjamin. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

Levites = the Levites.

the Nethinims. Taken from the people in proportion of one in fifty to assist the Levites (Num. 31. 47. Ezra 8. 20).

9: 3-34. IN JERUSALEM.

3-9. Judah.
10-13. The Priests.
14-34. The Levites.

3 Jerusalem. As distinct from the Land (v. 2). Cp. Neh. 11. 1. **children** = sons.

Ephraim, and Manasseh. So that others beside Judah and Benjamin were included in the People now known as "Jews". Cp. Ezra 6. 21. Neh. 10. 28, 29. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

5 Shelonites = Shelonites. Not from the place Shiloh, but from Shelah the son of Judah. Cp. 2. 3. Num. 26. 28. Neh. 9. 5. So that some from each of the three lines of Judah were included, viz. Pharez, Shelah, Judah.

6 their: i.e. Uthai (v. 4) and Asaiah (v. 5). (Jewish.) six hundred and ninety. These were the sons of Zerah. The 468 in Neh. 11. 6 were sons of Perez (i.e. Pharez).

7 Sallu. At the head of the Benjamites (Neh. 11. 7).

Hasenuah. In Neh. 11. 9 called Senuah.

9 nine hundred and fifty and six. In Neh. 11. 8 we have 928. The dates of the enumeration are independent and not identical.

10 Jedaiah, &c. Cp. Neh. 11. 10 and 12. 6.

11 Azariah. In Neh. 11. 11 the same enumeration, but Seraiah. This is explained in 6. 12-14 above.

the ruler of the house of God. Applied to the high priest: at this time Ahitub (6. 11). Later it was Joshua the high priest (Ezra 3. 2. Zech. 3. 1-8; 6. 1113). Cp. 2 Chron. 31. 13; 35. 8.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the (true) God. Ap. 4. I.

12 Adaiah. Cp. Neh. 11. 12.

Maasiai. Cp. 24. 14 and Neh. 11. 13.

13 a thousand and seven hundred and threescore. In Neh. 11. 12-14. 1,192, which must have been before the priests had settled in the priestly cities.

very able men = mighty men of valour. Heb. *gibbor*. Ap. 14. IV.

14 Shemaiah. Cp. Neh. 11. 15.

16 Asa. Some codices, with two early printed editions (one marg.), and Syr., read "Asaph".

dwelt in the villages. Till the priestly cities were rebuilt.

Netophathites. Cp. Neh. 12. 28.

17 porters = gatekeepers. Cp. Neh. 12. 25.

18 hitherto. Referring to the ancient practice.

the king's gate. Leading from the royal palace to the Temple.

19 Korahites. The descendants of Korah. Cp. Num. 16; 26. 9-11; and see Pss. 42; 44—49; 84; 85; 87; 88.

gates = thresholds.

tabernacle = tent. Heb. *'ohel*. See Ap. 40. III.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

20 Phinehas. Cp. Ex. 6. 23.

in time past: i.e. previous to the writing of this history. 1434-1383?

21 And Zechariah the son of Meshelemiah was porter of the *entrance* of the ¹⁹*tent* of the congregation.

22 All these *which were* chosen to be ²²*gatekeepers* in the ¹⁹*thresholds* were ^otwo hundred and twelve. These were reckoned by ^otheir genealogy in their *priestly cities*, whom David and ^oSamuel the seer *founded* in their set office.

23 So they and their *sons had* the oversight of the gates of the house of the Lord, *namely*, the house of the *tent*, by *watches, twenty-four quarters*.

24 In four ^oquarters were the *gatekeepers*, toward the east, west, north, and south.

25 And their brethren, *which were* in their *priestly cities*, were to come after seven days from time to time with them.

26 For these Levites, the four *mighty men of the gates*, were in *their trust*, and were over the *storehouses* and treasuries of the house of ¹¹God.

27 And they lodged round about the house of God, because the charge *was* upon them, and the ^oopening thereof every morning *pertained* to them.

28 And *certain* of them had the charge of the *vessels of service*, that they should bring them in and out *by number*.

29 *Some* of them also *were* appointed to oversee the vessels, and all the instruments of the sanctuary, *and over the fine flour*, and the wine, and the oil, and the frankincense, and the ^ospices.

30 And *some* of the sons of the priests *compounded* the ointment of the spices.

31 And Mattithiah, *one* of the Levites, who *was* the firstborn of Shallum the Korahite, had the *trust* over the things that were made *on the plat plates*.

32 And *other* of their brethren, of the sons of the Kohathites, *were* over the shewbread, to prepare *it* every sabbath.

33 And ^othese *are* the singers, chief of the fathers of the Levites, *who remaining* in the chambers were *exempt from duty*: for they were employed in *that* work day and night.

34 These chief fathers of the Levites *were* chief throughout their generations; these dwelt at Jerusalem.

35 And ^oin Gibeon dwelt the *parent-family of Gibeon*, ^oJehiel, whose wife's name *was* Maachah:

36 And his firstborn son Abdon, then Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Ner, and Nadab,

37 And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zechariah, and Mikloth.

38 And Mikloth begat Shimeam. And they also dwelt with their brethren at Jerusalem, over against their brethren.

39 And ^oNer begat Kish; and Kish begat Saul; and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchi-shua, and Abinadab, and Esh-baal.

40 And the son of Jonathan *was* Merib-baal: and Merib-

21 door = entrance. **22 two hundred and twelve.** These were for the Tabernacle (v. 21). In Neh. 11. 19, 172, excluding those in the villages. Not the 4,000 of 23. 5, or their ninety-three heads (ch. 26), which were for the future Temple.

their genealogy = [Was registered] in their villages. There is no record of this. But Samuel stood at the head.

did ordain = founded Cp. 23.1-6. Cp. Acts 3. 24.

23 wards = watches, twenty-four quarters. Heb. *ruach* = winds.

26 chief. Heb. *gibbor*. Ap. 14. IV. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept. and Syr., read "mighty men of the gates".

set office = trust.

chambers = storehouses.

27 opening thereof, &c. = were over the key. Cp. Judg. 3. 25. Isa. 22. 22.

28 ministering vessels = vessels of service. **by tale** = by number.

29 and the fine flour = and over the fine flour. **spices.** Cp. Ex. 30. 22-38.

30 made = compounded.

31 in the pans = on the flat plates.

32 every sabbath. Cp. Ex. 25. 30. Lev. 24. 5-8.

33 these are the singers. Referring to vv. 14-16, and Neh. 11. 22.

free = exempt from duty.

35 in Gibeon dwelt. Verses 35-44 are an

abridgment of 8. 29-38. Could not suitably be introduced there. Reserved to be inserted here, to lead up to Saul's death in ch. 10.

the father of Gibeon = parent-family of Gibeon: Jehiel, &c.

Jehiel. Had another name, "Zoror", in 1 Sam. 9. 1. See note on 8. 33.

39 Ner begat Kish. See note on 8. 33.

44 Azrikam, Bocheru. Some codices, with one early printed edition, Sept. and Syr., read "Azrikam his firstborn".

10: 1-14. THE HOUSE OF SAUL OVERTHROWN.

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| 1. | Flight of Israel. |
| 2, 3. | Philistines' pursuit of Saul. |
| 4-6. | "So Saul died, and". (Event.) |
| 7. | Flight of Israel. |
| 8-12. | Philistines' indignities to Saul. |
| 13, 14. | "So Saul died, for". (Reason.) |

1 the Philistines fought. Cp. 1 Sam. 31. 1-6 and 2 Sam. 1. 9, 10.

2 Abinadab. Another name was Ishui (1 Sam. 14. 49).

baal begat Micah.

41 And the sons of Micah *were*, Pithon, and Melech, and Tahrea, *and Ahaz*.

42 And Ahaz begat Jarah; and Jarah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza;

43 And Moza begat Binea; and Rephaiah his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son.

44 And Azel had six sons, whose names *are* these, *Azrikam his firstborn*, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan: these *were* the sons of Azel.

10 Now ^othe Philistines fought against Israel; and the men of Israel fled from before the Philistines, and fell down slain in mount Gilboa.

2 And the Philistines followed hard after Saul, and after his sons; and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and ^oAbinadab, and Malchi-shua, the sons of Saul.

3 And the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers hit him, and he was wounded of the archers.

4 Then said Saul to his armourbearer, Draw thy sword, and thrust me through therewith; lest these uncircumcised come and *insult* me. But his armourbearer would not; for he was sore afraid. So Saul took a sword, and fell upon it.

5 And when his armourbearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell likewise on the sword, and died.

6 So Saul died, and *three of his sons*, and *the greater part of his family* died together.

7 And when all the men of Israel that *were* in the valley saw that they fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, then they forsook their cities, and fled: and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.

8 And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that they found Saul and his sons fallen in mount Gilboa.

9 And when they had stripped him, they took his head [*which they had cut off*], and his armour, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to carry tidings unto their idols, and to the people.

10 And they put his armour in the house of their gods, and fastened his head in the temple of Dagon.

11 And when all Jabesh-gilead heard all that the Philistines had done to Saul,

12 They arose, all the valiant men, and took away the body of Saul, and the bodies of his sons, and brought them to Jabesh, and buried their bones [*after they had burnt them*] under the oak in Jabesh, and fasted seven days.

13 So Saul died for his transgression which he committed against the LORD, even against the word of the LORD, which he kept not, and also for asking *counsel of one that had a familiar spirit, to seek and consult of it*;

14 And consulted not of the LORD: therefore He slew him, and turned the kingdom unto David the son of Jesse.

11 Then all Israel gathered themselves to David unto Hebron, saying, "Behold, we *are* thy bone and thy flesh.

2 And moreover in time past, even when Saul was king, thou *wast* he that ledest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD thy God said unto thee, "Thou shalt feed My People Israel, and thou shalt be ruler over My People Israel."

3 Therefore came all the elders of Israel to the king to Hebron; and David made a covenant with them in Hebron before the LORD; and they anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of the LORD *written by the hand of Samuel*.

4 And David and all Israel went to Jerusalem, which is Jebus; where the Jebusites were, the inhabitants of the land.

4 abuse = insult, or mock.

6 So Saul died. Here, the event. In v. 13, the reason. See the Structure above. his three sons = three of his sons. all. Fig. Synecdoche (of the Whole), Ap. 6, put for greater part. See 2 Sam. 2. 8; 21. 8.

house. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Subject), for family or household.

9 took his head. Fig. Ellipsis, "head [which they had cut off] and his, &c".

10 gods. Ashtaroth. Cp. 1 Sam. 31.10. his head. This is additional to 1 Sam. 31. 10. "His body", there, is additional to this passage. The two books thus independent and complementary.

12 buried their bones. After they had burnt them (1 Sam. 31. 12).

the oak. Cp. 1 Sam. 31. 13. **13** for. In this book the reason; in 1 Sam. only the event. See Ap. 56. transgression = disobedience, shown in his faithlessness or defection. Heb. *ma'al*. Ap. 44. xi. Cp. 1 Sam. 13. 13, 14; 15. 1-9; 28. 7.

the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II. Note it is not Elohim (God). familiar spirit. See note on Lev. 19. 31.

to enquire = to seek and consult. Heb. *darash*, to seek earnestly. Saul sought thus with the medium, but not with Jehovah.

14 He : i.e. Jehovah, 1 Chron. gives the esoteric cause. 1 Sam. gives the exoteric event, which men could see. See Ap. 56.

11: 1— 2 Chron. 36: 21. THE HOUSE OF DAVID ESTABLISHED.

1 Chron. 11: 1--29: 30.	David.	} 21 Kings of the House of David (3 x 7)
2 Chron. 1: 1--9: 31.	Solomon.	
2 Chron. 10: 1--12: 16.	Rehoboam.	
2 Chron. 13: 1--14: 1-	Abijah.	
2 Chron. 14: 1--16: 14.	Asa.	
2 Chron. 17: 1--21: 1-	Jehoshaphat.	
2 Chron. 21: 1-, -20.	Jehoram.	
2 Chron. 22: 1-9.	Ahaziah.	
(2 Chron. 22: 10--23: 21.	Athaliah.)	
2 Chron. 24: 1-27.	Joash.	
2 Chron. 25: 1-28.	Amaziah.	
2 Chron. 26: 1-23.	Uzziah.	
2 Chron. 27: 1-9.	Jotham.	
2 Chron. 28: 1-27.	Ahaz.	
2 Chron. 29: 1--32: 33.	Hezekiah.	
2 Chron. 33: 1-20.	Manasseh.	
2 Chron. 33: 21-25.	Amon.	
2 Chron. 34: 1--35: 27.	Josiah.	
2 Chron. 36: 1-4.	Jehoahaz.	
2 Chron. 36: 5-8.	Jehoiakim.	
2 Chron. 36: 9, 10.	Jehoiachin.	
2 Chron. 36: 11-21.	Zedekiah.	

11: 1--29: 30. DAVID.

11: 1-29: 25.	Events in detail.
29: 26-30.	Events in sum.

1 Then all Israel. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 2. Omitting all events in Hebron (2 Sam. 2. 1-4). See Ap. 56. In this chapter we have 1-3 David's Coronation; 4-9, David's Capital; 10-47, David's Captains.

3 by Samuel. Heb. by the hand of Samuel: "hand" being put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is done or written by it.

4 went to Jerusalem. This is the first event recorded in Chronicles. See note on 2 Sam. 5. 6-10.

inhabitants. The descendants of the *Nephilim*. Ap. 23 and 25.

5 And the inhabitants of Jebus ^osaid to David, "Thou shalt not come hither." Nevertheless David took the castle of ^oZion, which *is* the city of David.

6 And David said, "Whosoever smiteth the Jebusites first shall be chief and captain." So Joab the son of Zeruiah went first up, and was chief.

7 And David dwelt in the castle; therefore they called it the city of David.

8 And he built the city round about, even from *the filling up of the valley north of Jebus and south of Moriah* round about: and Joab *rebuilt* the rest of the city.

9 So David waxed greater and greater: for the LORD of hosts *was* with him.

10 These also *are* the chief of ^othe mighty men whom David had, who strengthened themselves with him in his kingdom, *and* with all Israel, to make him king, according to the word of the LORD concerning Israel.

11 And this *is* the number of ^othe mighty men whom David had; ^oJashobeam, and Hachmonite, the chief of the *thirty*: he lifted up his spear against three hundred slain by *him* at one time.

12 And after him *was* Eleazar the son of ^oDodo, the Ahohite, *who was* one of the ^othree mighties.

13 ^oHe was with David at ^oPas-dammim, and there the Philistines were gathered together to battle, where was a parcel of ground full of ^obarley [*and lentiles*]; and the People fled from before the Philistines.

14 And *David and Eleazar* set themselves in the midst of *that* parcel, and delivered it, and slew the Philistines; and the LORD *wrought a great victory*.

15 Now three of the ^othirty captains went down to the rock to David, into the cave of Adullam; and the host of the Philistines encamped in the valley of ^oRephaim.

16 And David *was* then in the hold, and the Philistines' garrison *was* then at Bethlehem.

17 And David longed, and said, "Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem, that *is* at the gate!"

18 And the three brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem, that *was* by the gate, and took *it*, and brought *it* to David: but David would not drink *of* it, but poured it out to the LORD,

19 And said, "My God forbid it me, that I should do this thing: shall I drink the blood of these men ^othat have put their ^olives in jeopardy? for with *the jeopardy of* their ^olives they brought it." Therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mightiest.

20 And Abishai the brother of Joab, he *came to be* chief of ^othe three: for lifting up his spear against three hundred, he

11: 1--12: 40.	DAVID. ACCESSION.
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11: 1-3.	Accession over Israel.
11: 4, 5.	The taking of Jebus.
11: 6.	Forces. (Chief, Joab.)
11: 7-9.	The taking of Jebus.
11: 10--12: 37.	Forces. Chiefs, mighty men.
12: 38-40.	Accession over all Israel.

inhabitants. The descendants of the *Nephilim*. Ap. 23 and 25.

5 said. 2 Sam. 5. 6-8 is supplementary to this.

Zion, which is the city of David. See notes on 2 Sam 5.

8 Millo = the filling up: i.e. of the valley north of Jebus and south of Moriah. Cp. 2 Sam. 5. 9. **repaired** = rebuilt.

10 the mighty men. Heb. *gibbor*. Ap. 14. IV. Introduced here, at *beginning* of reign, instead of *end* of it (2 Sam. 23. 8-39). Both positions full of instruction: Samuel, *chronological*; Chronicles, *moral* (according to the word of the LORD). See Ap. 56.

11 Jashobeam. See note on "Tachmonite" (2 Sam. 23. 8). **captains**, or thirty.

12 Dodo. Sept. reads "Dodai". Cp. 27. 4.

three. See note on 1 Chron. 27. 1.

13 He was with David. Eleazar. In 2 Sam. 23. 11, 12, Shammah also was *with him*. Note the *plural* verbs in next verse, "theyset. . . and [they] delivered it and [they] slew". This account is supplementary, not contradictory.

Pas-dammim. Probably Ephes-dammim, between Shocoh and Azekah (1 Sam. 17. 1).

barley. In 2 Sam. 23. 11, "lentiles". Therefore the field contained both: and the accounts are complementary, not contradictory.

14 they: i.e. David and Eleazar. See note on v. 13.

saved them by a great deliverance. Sept. and Syr. read "wrought a great victory". Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 10, 12.

15 thirty. See note on 27. 1.

Rephaim. Heb. *Rapha*. One of the great among the *Nephilim*, like Anak; giving his name to this valley. Cp. Josh. 15. 8. 2 Sam. 5. 18, 22; 23. 13. Isa. 17. 5. See note on Num. 13. 22, 28. Deut. 1. 28, and Ap. 23, 25.

17 Oh that one, &c. Fig. *Ecphonesis*. Ap. 6.

19 men. Heb. *'enosh*. Ap. 14. III.

that have put their lives in jeopardy? Heb. "with their lives". Cp. Judg. 12. 3. 1 Sam. 19. 5; 28. 21. Job 13. 14.

lives = souls. Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

20 was = came to be (as in Gen. 1. 2),

the three: i.e. who performed the foregoing act.

had. Some codices, with five early printed editions, Sept., Syr., and Vulg., read "he had".

22 a lion. See note on 1 Kings 13. 24.

slew *them*, and *he had* a name among the three.

21 Of the three, he was more honourable than the two; for he was their captain: howbeit he attained not to the *first* ^othree.

22 Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man of Kabzeel, who had done many acts; he slew two lionlike men of Moab: also he went down and slew ^oa lion in a pit in a snowy day.

23 And he slew an Egyptian, a man of *great* stature, five ^ocubits high; and in the Egyptian's hand *was* a spear like a weaver's beam; and he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear.

24 These *things* did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name among the ¹²three mighties.

25 Behold, he was honourable among the ¹⁵thirty, but attained not to the *first* ¹²three: and David set him over his *audience chamber*.

26 Also the ^ovaliant men of the armies *were*, Asahel the brother of Joab, Elhanan the son of Dodo of Bethlehem,

27 Shammoth the Hararite, Helez the ^oPelonite,

28 Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite, Abi-ezer the Antothite,

29 Sibbecai the Hushathite, Ilai the Ahohite,

30 Maharai the Netophathite, Heled the son of Baanah the Netophathite,

31 Ithai the son of Ribai of Gibeah, *that pertained to the sons* of Benjamin, Benaiah the Pirathonite,

32 Hurai of the brooks of Gaash, Abiel the Arbathite,

33 Azmaveth the Baharumite, Eliahba the Shaalbonite,

34 The sons of Hashem the Gizonite, Jonathan the son of Shage the Hararite,

35 Ahiam the son of Sacar the Hararite, Eliphai the son of Ur,

36 Hopher the Mecherathite, Ahijah the Pelonite,

37 Hezro the Carmelite, Naarai the son of Ezbai,

38 ^oJoel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar the son of Haggeri,

39 Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the armourbearer of Joab the son of Zeruah,

40 Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,

41 Uriah the Hittite, Zabad the son of Ahlai,

42 Adina the son of Shiza the Reubenite, a captain of the Reubenites, and thirty with him,

43 Hanan the son of Maachah, and Joshaphat the Mithnite,

44 Uzzia the Ashterathite, Shama and Jehiel the sons of Hothan the Aroerite,

45 Jediael the son of Shimri, and Joha his brother, the Tizite,

46 Eliel the Mahavite, and Jeribai, and Joshaviah, the sons of Elnaam, and Ithmah the Moabite,

47 Eliel, and Obed, and Jasiel ^othe Mesobaite.

12 Now ^othese *are* they that came to David to Ziklag, while he yet kept himself close because of ^oSaul the son of Kish: and they *were* among the ^omighty men, helpers of the war.

2 They *were* armed with bows, and ^ocould use both the

23 cubit = about 18 inches. See Ap. 51. III. 2.

25 guard = audience chamber.

26 valiant men. Heb. *gibbor*. Ap. 14. IV. The list contains several non-Israelites. Cp. Ps. 18. 43, 44.

27 Pelonite. Syr. reads "Paltite". Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 26.

31 children = sons.

38 Joel the brother of Nathan. Not to be confused with Igal the son of Nathan. The lists are supplementary and independent, Chronicles being of later date, and adding several names after Uriah (v. 41).

47 the Mesobaite. Sept. and Vulg. read "of (or from) Zobah".

12: 1-37. THEIR AUXILIARIES.

1 these are they. These not included elsewhere: showing the independence of Chronicles, Saul the son of Kish. See note on 8. 33.

mighty men. Heb. *gibbor*. Ap. 14. IV.

2 could use, &c. Cp. Judg. 3. 15; 20. 15, 16.

Saul's brethren: i.e. his fellow-tribesmen. Cp. v. 29.

4 among the thirty. Probably another "thirty" at a later period. Ismaiah not in the list. 2 Sam. 23. 24, &c. **8** separated themselves. Another example of how Judah came to be representative of the whole of Israel. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17.

men of might. Heb. *gibbor*. Ap. 14. IV.

buckler. Heb. = spear. But some codices, with one early printed edition and Syr., read "buckler". Cp. Jer. 46. 3.

right hand and the left in *hurling* stones and *shooting* arrows out of a bow, *even* of Saul's *fellow-tribesmen* of Benjamin.

3 The chief *was* Ahiezer, then Joash, the sons of Shemaah the Gibeathite; and Jeziel, and Pelet, the sons of Azmaveth; and Berachah, and Jehu the Antothite,

4 And Ismaiah the Gibeonite, a mighty man ^oamong the thirty, and over the thirty; and Jeremiah, and Jahaziel, and Johanan, and Josabad the Gederathite,

5 Eluzai, and Jerimoth, and Bealiah, and Shemariah, and Shephatiah the Haruphite,

6 Elkanah, and Jesiah, and Azareel, and Joezer, and Jashobeam, the Korhites,

7 And Joelah, and Zebadiah, the sons of Jeroham of Gedor.

8 And of the Gadites there ^oseparated themselves unto David into the hold to the wilderness ^omen of might, *and* men of war *fit* for the battle, that could handle shield and ^obuckler, whose faces *were like* the faces of lions, and *were* as swift as the roes upon the mountains;

9 Ezer the first, Obadiah the second, Eliab the third,

10 Mishmannah the fourth, Jeremiah the fifth,

11 Attai the sixth, Eliel the seventh,

12 Johanan the eighth, Elzabad the ninth,

13 Jeremiah the tenth, Machbanai the eleventh.

14 These *were* of the sons of Gad, captains of the host: one of the least *was* over an hundred, and the greatest over a thousand.

15 These *are* they that went over Jordan in ^othe first month, when it had ^ooverflowed all his banks; and they put to flight all *them* of the valleys, *both* toward the east, and toward the west.

16 And there came of the *sons* of Benjamin and Judah to the hold unto David.

17 And David went out to meet them, and answered and said unto them, ^o"If ye be come peaceably unto me to help me, mine heart shall be *one with* you: but ^oif *ye be come* to betray me to mine enemies, seeing *there is no act of violence* in mine hands, the God of our fathers look *thereon*, and rebuke *it*."

18 Then ^othe Spirit *employed Amasai as His mouthpiece*, who was chief of the captains, and he said, "Thine *are we*, David, and on thy side, thou son of Jesse: peace, peace *be* unto thee, and peace *be* to thine helpers; for thy God helpeth thee." Then David received them, and made them captains of the band.

19 And ^othere fell *some* of Manasseh to David, when he came with the Philistines against Saul to battle: but *David and his men* helped *the Philistines* not: for the *princes* of the Philistines *by counsel* sent him away, saying, He will fall to his master Saul *at the cost of our heads*.

20 As he went to Ziklag, there fell to him of Manasseh, Adnah, and Jozabad, and Jediahel, and Michael, and Jozabad, and Elihu, and Zilthai, captains of the thousands that *were* of Manasseh.

21 And they *helped with David* against ^othe band of the *rovers [the Amalekites]*: for they *were* all mighty men of valour, and were captains in the host.

22 For at *that time* day by day there came to David to help him, until *it was* ^oa great host [300,000 men], like the host of God.

23 And these *are* the numbers of the bands *that were* ready armed to the war, and came to David to Hebron, to turn the kingdom of Saul to him, according to the ^oword of the LORD.

24 The *sons* of Judah that bare shield and spear *were* six thousand and eight hundred, ready armed to the war.

25 Of the *sons* of Simeon, mighty men of valour for the war, seven thousand and one hundred.

26 Of the *sons* of Levi four thousand and six hundred.

27 And ^oJehoiada *was* the leader of the Aaronites, and with him *were* three thousand and seven hundred;

28 And ^oZadok, a young man mighty of valour, and of his father's house twenty and two captains.

29 And of the *sons* of Benjamin, the ^okindred of Saul, three thousand: for hitherto the greatest part of them had *kept what was commanded* of the house of Saul.

30 And of the *sons* of Ephraim twenty thousand and eight

15 the first month. Nisan, or Abib. overflown. Cp. Josh. 3. 15.

16 children = sons. **17** If ye be come, &c. A second band made David suspicious. **knit unto** = one with.

wrongs = act of violence. Heb. *hamas*, not same word as 16. 21.

18 the Spirit. Heb. *ruach*. Ap. 9. came upon = clothed: i.e. clothed him with wisdom and power: i.e., employed him as His mouthpiece.

Amasai. Probably the same as Amasa, David's nephew (2. 17).

19 there fell some of Manasseh, beside the Gadites. See note on 1 Kings 12. 17 for the strengthening of Judah and making it representative of the whole nation. **they**: David and his men. See 1 Sam. 28. 1, 2; 29.

them: the Philistines. **lords**, or princes. **upon advisement** = advisedly, or by counsel. Cp. 21. 12. **to the jeopardy of our heads**.

Heb. with our heads; or, at the cost of our heads.

21 helped David = helped with David.

the band: i.e. the Amalekites, who had burned Ziklag during his absence. See 1 Sam. 30. 1-20. It is assumed that we know of this.

22 a great host. About 300,000 men.

23 word = mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6. for what was spoken by it. **the LORD**. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

12: 24-37.**AUXILIARIES AT HEBRON (PARTICULAR).**

24.	Judah.
25.	Simeon.
26-28.	Levi.
29.	Benjamin.
30.	Ephraim.
31.	Half Manasseh.
32.	Issachar.
33.	Zebulun.
34.	Naphtali.
35.	Dan.
36.	Asher.
37.	Those beyond Jordan

27 Jehoiada. Not the high priest; for Abiathar held that office (1 Sam. 23. 9; 30. 7).

28 Zadok. Probably the same as Solomon's high priest (2 Sam. 8. 17; 15. 29, 35; 20. 25. 1 Kings 1. 8, 26; 2. 35).

29 kindred. Heb. brethren. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Species), "brethren" put for other relatives. **kept the ward** = kept the charge. Fig.

Metonymy (of Effect), Ap. 6. charge put for keeping what was commanded.

30 famous. Heb. men of names.

32 had understanding. Understood statesmanship.

the times. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), put for what is (or ought to be) done in them.

commandment. Heb. mouth. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6. for what is commanded by it.

hundred, mighty men of valour, *men of name* throughout the house of their fathers.

31 And of the half tribe of Manasseh eighteen thousand, which were expressed by name, to come and make David king.

32 And of the *sons* of Issachar, *which were men* that *understood statesmanship* of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them *were* two hundred; and all their brethren *were* at their commandment.

33 Of Zebulun, such as went forth to battle, expert in war, with all instruments of war, fifty thousand, which could keep rank: they were not of double heart.

34 And of Naphtali a thousand captains, and with them with shield and spear thirty and seven thousand.

35 And of the ^oDanites expert in war twenty and eight thousand and six hundred.

36 And of Asher, such as went forth to battle, expert in war, forty thousand.

37 And *from* the other side of Jordan, of the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and of the half tribe of Manasseh, with all manner of instruments of war for the battle, an hundred and twenty thousand.

38 All these men of war, that could keep rank, came with ^oa perfect heart to Hebron, to make David king over all Israel: and all the rest also of Israel *were* of ^oone heart to make David king.

39 And there they were with David three days, ^oeating and drinking: for their brethren had prepared for them.

40 Moreover they that were nigh them, *even* unto Issachar and Zebulun and Naphtali, brought bread on asses, ^oand on camels, and on mules, and on oxen, *and* meat, meal, cakes of figs, and bunches of raisins, and wine, and oil, and oxen, and sheep abundantly: for *there was* joy in Israel.

13 And David consulted with the captains of thousands and hundreds, *and* with every leader.

2 And David said unto all the *military assembly* of Israel, "If *it seem* good unto you, and *if it be* of the LORD our God, let us send abroad unto our ^obrethren every where, *that are* left in all the land of Israel, and with them *also* to the priests and Levites *which are* in their cities *and* suburbs, that they may gather themselves unto us:

3 And let us ^obring again ^othe ark of our God to us: for we ^oinquired not at it in the days of Saul."

4 And all the ²*military assembly* said that they would do so: for the thing was right in the eyes of all the People.

5 So David gathered all Israel together, from *the brook* of Egypt even unto *the pass of Hamath*, to bring ³the ark of God from Kirjath-jearim.

6 And David went up, and all Israel, to Baalah, *that is*, to ^oKirjath-jearim, which *belonged* to Judah, to bring up thence ³the ark of God the LORD, that dwelleth *between* the cherubims, *where His Name is invoked*.

7 And they carried ³the ark of God in ^oa new cart out of the house of Abinadab: and Uzza and Ahio *were escorting* the cart.

35 Danites. So far from none being in Palestine after 1285 B.C., the tribe could send more to help David than Ephraim or Manasseh, and more than Judah, Simeon, Levi, and Benjamin put together.

37 on = from.

38-40. ACCESSION OVER ALL ISRAEL.

38-	Assemblage. Men.
-38.	Unanimity. One heart.
39.	Festivity. Three days.
40.	Assemblage. Supplies.

38 a perfect heart. In contrast with a double heart. Cp. v. 33. Heart being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), for its desires.

one heart. See note on Ps. 133. 1, and its references to 2 Sam. 19. 9.

39 eating and drinking. A covenant generally followed by festivities (Gen. 31. 44, 46). Cp. 1 Kings 1. 9.

40 and on camels. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton*, emphasizing the fact that there were *no horses*.

13: 1--16: 43. THE TENT. DAVID'S BRINGING UP THE ARK FOR IT.

13: 1-14.	Removal of Ark from Kirjath-jearim.
14: 1.	House for David.
14: 2.	Kingdom. Its establishment.
14: 3-7.	David's family.
14: 8-17.	Kingdom. Its defense.
15: 1-.	House for David.
15: -1--16: 43.	Removal of Ark from house of Obed-edom.

15: 1--16: 43. REMOVAL FROM OBED-EDOM.

13: 1-6.	Preparation. Of People.	}	Removal from Kirjath-jearim.
13: 7.	Conveyance. New cart.		
13: 8.	Music.		
13: 9-11.	Offence of Uzzah.		
13: 12-14-.	Ark carried aside.	}	Removal from house of Obed-edom.
13: -14.	Blessing <i>from</i> Jehovah.		
15: 1.	Preparation. Of House.		
15: 2-15.	Conveyance. Levites.		
15: 16-28.	Music.	}	
15: 29.	Offence of Michal.		
16: 1.	Ark set in its place.		
16: 2-43.	Blessing <i>of</i> Jehovah.		

2 congregation = military assembly, or muster. **that be.** Supply the *Ellipsis* (Ap. 6), "If it be". **brethren.** So the true David calls them (Heb. 2: 11).

3 the ark of our God. Note its titles in these two books of Chronicles: the Ark, fifteen times; the Ark of God, twelve times; the Ark of the Lord, four times; the Ark of the Covenant of God, once; the Ark of Thy strength, once; the holy Ark, once; the Ark of our God, once. Forty-six in all. See note on Ex. 25: 22. **enquired not at it.** Heb. *darash*, to seek diligently. See note on 10. 13.

5 Shihor. Not the Nile, but the brook (or Wady) of Egypt (Num. 34. 5. Josh. 15. 4, 47) = El Arish.

entering of Hemath = the pass of Hemath, on the extreme north (Num. 34. 8).

6 Kirjath-jearim. Cp. 2 Sam. 6. 2, where it is Baale of Judah.

God. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

Whose name is called on it = where His Name is invoked.

7 a new cart. See note on 1 Sam. 6. 7. 2 Sam. 6.3.

drave = were leading beside: or, escorting.

8 And David and all Israel played before God ^owith all their might, and with singing, and with harps, and with psalteries, and with ^otimbrels, and with ^ocymbals, and with trumpets.

9 And when they came unto the threshingfloor of ^oChidon, Uzza put forth his hand to hold ³the ark; for the oxen stumbled.

10 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against ^oUzza, and He smote him, because he put his hand to ³the ark: and there he ^odied before God.

11 And David was *sad*, because the LORD had made a breach upon Uzza: wherefore that place is called Perez-uzza to this day.

12 And David was afraid of God that day, saying, "How shall I bring ³the ark of God *home* to me?"

13 So David ^obrought not the ark *home* to himself to the city of David, but carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.

14 And ³the ark of God remained with the family of Obed-edom in his house three months. And the LORD blessed the house of Obed-edom, and all that he had.

14 Now ^oHiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and timber of cedars, with masons and carpenters, to build him an house.

2 And David perceived that the LORD had confirmed him king over Israel, for his kingdom was lifted up on high, because of His People Israel.

3 And David took ^omore wives at Jerusalem: and David begat more sons and daughters.

4 Now these *are* the names of *his* ^ochildren which he had in Jerusalem; Shammua, and Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon,

5 And Ibhaz, and Elishua, and Elpalet,

6 And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

7 And Elishama, and ^oBeeliada, and Eliphalet.

8 And when the Philistines heard that David was anointed king over all Israel, all the Philistines went up to *search for* David. And David heard *of it*, and ^owent out against them.

9 And the Philistines came and spread themselves in the valley of *Rapha*.

10 And David inquired of God, saying, "Shall I go up against the Philistines? and wilt Thou deliver them into mine hand?" And the LORD said unto him, "Go up; for I will deliver them into thine hand."

11 So they came up to Baal-perazim; and David smote them there. Then David said, God hath broken in upon mine enemies by mine hand like the breaking forth of waters: therefore they called the name of that place Baal-perazim.

12 And when they had ^oleft their gods there, David gave a commandment, and ^othey were burned with fire.

8 with all their might. Cp. 2 Sam. 6. 5. No need to arbitrarily make this correspond. They are two independent books, complementary in their information. **and.** Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6) in this verse, emphasizing each item. **timbrels.** See note on Ex. 15. 20.

cymbals. Heb. *m^eziltayim*: two metal discs, making a clashing sound. Always so rendered. Not to be confounded (as in A.V. and R.V.) with *zilz^elim* = timbrels, which make a rustling sound, but rendered "cymbals" in 2 Sam. 6. 5. Ps. 150. 5.

9 Chidon. See 2 Sam. 6. 6; where he has another name, Nachon.

10 Uzza. See 2 Sam. 6. 6, 7.

died before God. Showing the sin of disobeying the Divine commands.

11 displeased = grieved, sad.

13 brought not the ark home. See 2 Sam. 6. 10, 11.

14. 1 Hiram. See note on 2 Sam. 5. 11.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

3 more wives. Cp. 3. 9. 2 Sam. 5. 13-16.

4 children: of both sexes.

7 Beeliada. In 2 Sam. 5. 16 called Eliada, which was a later name, perhaps changed from Beeliada because of the name "Baal", or lord, which, at first innocent, came to be associated with idolatry. See note on 8. 34.

14: 8-17. THE KINGDOM. ITS DEFENCE.

8. Fame heard by Philistines.

9. Philistines' array.

10. Inquiry, and promise.

11, 12. Defeat of Philistines.

13. Philistines' array.

14, 15. Inquiry and direction.

16. Defeat of Philistines.

17. Fame heard in all lands.

8 seek = search for. Heb. *bakkesh*, especially to seek for blood or life. Cp. 2 Sam. 4. 11, "require".

went out against them. 2 Sam. 5. 17 says "went down to the hold". But this was earlier; for the later command was "thou shalt bestir thyself", which corresponds with the command "Go up" (v. 10) here, as well as with "thou shalt bestir thyself" of 2 Sam. 5. 24.

9 Rephaim = Rapha. See note on 11. 15.

10 God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. In 2 Sam. 5. 19 it is Jehovah. Here, it is God's power as Creator. In 2 Sam. 5. 19 it is Jehovah's faithfulness to David. Both pleas were in David's mind, and the accounts are complementary. Cp. them in this narrative. Here, Elohim six times; Jehovah once. In 2 Sam., Jehovah six times; Elohim not once.

13 left their gods. Cp. 1 Sam. 4. 7.

they were burned with fire. This is supplementary information. In 2 Sam. 5. 21 David "took them away": i.e. to burn them, as recorded here.

16 Gibeon. In 2 Sam. 5. 25, Geba. But both places were close together, and the accounts are independent.

Gazer = Gezer. See note on 1 Kings 9. 15-17.

13 And the Philistines yet again spread themselves abroad in the valley.

14 Therefore David inquired again of God; and God said unto him, "Go not up after them; turn away from them, and come upon them over against the mulberry trees.

15 And it shall be, when thou shalt hear a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees, *that* then thou shalt go out to battle: for God is gone forth before thee to smite the host of the Philistines."

16 David therefore did as God commanded him: and they smote the host of the Philistines from ^oGibeon even to *Gezer*.

17 And the fame of David went out into all lands; and the LORD brought the fear of him upon *nations in all parts of the world*.

15 And *David* made him houses in the city of David, and prepared a place for ^othe ark of God, and ^opitched for it a tent.

2 Then David said, ^o"None ought to carry the ark of God but the Levites: for them hath the LORD chosen to carry the ark of God, and to minister unto **Him for a long time**."

3 And David gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the LORD unto his place, which he had prepared for it.

4 And David assembled the *sons* of Aaron, and the Levites:

5 Of the ^osons of Kohath; Uriel the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twenty:

6 Of the sons of Merari; Asaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred and twenty:

7 Of the sons of Gershom; Joel the chief, and his brethren an hundred and thirty:

8 Of the sons of Elizaphan; Shemaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred:

9 Of the sons of Hebron; Eliel the chief, and his brethren fourscore:

10 Of the sons of Uzziel; Amminadab the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twelve.

11 And David called for ^oZadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab,

12 And said unto them, "Ye *are* the chief of the fathers of the Levites: sanctify yourselves, *both* ye and your brethren, that ye may bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel unto *the place that* I have prepared for it.

13 For because ye *did it* not at the first, the LORD our God made a breach upon us, for that we sought **Him** not *according to the rule*."

14 So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel.

15 And the *sons* of the Levites bare the ark of God upon their shoulders with the staves thereon, *according as* Moses commanded according to the word of the LORD.

16 And David spake to the chief of the Levites to appoint their *fellow-tribesmen* to be the singers with instruments of musick, psalteries and harps and cymbals, sounding, by lifting up the voice with joy.

17 So the Levites appointed ^oHeman [**Samuel's grandson**] the son of Joel; and of his *fellow-tribesmen*, ^oAsaph the son of Berechiah; and of the sons of Merari their *fellow-tribesmen*, ^oEthan the son of Kushaiah;

18 And with them their *fellow-tribesmen* of the second degree, Zechariah, Ben, and Jaaziel, and Shemiramoth,

17 all nations. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6, put for nations in all parts of the world.

15: 1--16: 43. REMOVAL OF ARK FROM HOUSE OF OBED-EDOM

1 the ark. See notes on 13. 3 and Ex. 25. 22.

pitched for it a tent. Had the Tabernacle of Moses been brought to Jerusalem, difficulties would have arisen in building the Temple. David's Tabernacle was merely provisional. The provision will yet be repeated, before the erection of the future Temple. See Acts 15. 16.

2 None ought to carry. David's mistake in the matter of the "new cart" was not to be repeated. Cp. 13. 7.

God. In most codices = Jehovah. But Cod. Hillel, and one early printed edition, read "God". See note on v. 1. **the LORD.** Heb. Jehovah. **for ever.** Fig. *Synecdoche* (of the Whole), Ap. 6, put for a long time.

4 children = sons. **5 sons of Kohath.** Of the six Ark-carriers, four were chosen from Kohath, one from Merari, and one from Gershom.

11 Zadok is put first, of the line of Phinehas. Abiathar was afterward disloyal (cp. 1 Kings 2. 26, 35), See note on 2 Sam. 8. 17.

13 the due order = according to the rule. **15 as** = according as.

16 brethren : i.e. fellow-tribesmen. See note on the names in v. 17 below.

17 Heman. Samuel's grandson (a Kohathite). 1 Chron. 2. 6.

Asaph. A Gershonite. Cp. 6. 39, and 1 Kings 4. 31.

Ethan, or Jeduthun. a Merarite. See the three Psalms connected with him (Pss. 38, 61, 76). **20 Aziel.** Another name, Jaaziel, in v. 18.

on. Heb. 'al, relating to. **Alamoth.** The maidens' choir (see

Ap. 65. ii). One of three special choirs, the other two being *She-minith* (a men's choir, see Ap. 65. xix); and Jeduthun's choir. "Alamoth" found only once as the subscript of Ps. 45. See note there. This choir was processional, not ecclesiastical. Cp. Ps. 68. 11, 25, which refers to this event, not to the Exodus. **21 Sheminith** = the eighth. (See Ap. 65. xix.)

to excel = to lead. **22 chief** = prince. Not by birth, but by merit. Probably "the chief musician". **was for song,** or, was for service:

especially the service of carrying up the Ark.

about the song. Three Psalms appointed: 1 Chron. 16. 7-36. Pss. 5 and 11; which, being suitable for general use, were afterwards handed over to "the chief musician". See note on the subscript at end of Ps. 3.

25 the elders. As representing "all Israel" (2 Sam. 6. 15).

and Jehiel, and Unni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah, and Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, the porters.

19 So the singers, ¹⁷Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, *were appointed* to sound with cymbals of brass;

20 And Zechariah, and ^oAziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, and Eliab, and Maaseiah, and Benaiah, with psalteries *relating to* ^oAlamoth;

21 And Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, and Azaziah, with harps *relating to* the ^oSheminith *to lead*.

22 And Chenaniah, *prince* of the Levites, *was for service*: he instructed ^oabout the song, because he *was* skilful.

23 And Berechiah and Elkanah *were* doorkeepers for the ark.

24 And Shebaniah, and Jehoshaphat, and Nethaneel, and Amasai, and Zechariah, and Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, did blow with the trumpets before the ark of God: and Obed-edom and Jehiah *were* doorkeepers for the ark.

25 So David, and ^othe elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands, went to bring up ¹the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the house of Obed-edom with joy.

26 And it came to pass, when God ^ohelped [*with His favour*] the Levites that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, that *sacrificed* seven bullocks and seven rams.

27 And David *was* clothed with a robe of fine linen, and all the Levites that bare the ark, and the singers, and Chenaniah the master of the song with the singers: David also *had* upon him ^oan ephod of linen.

28 Thus all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD with shouting, and with sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries and harps.

29 And it came to pass, *as* the ark of the covenant of the LORD came to the city of David, that Michal the daughter of Saul looking out at a window saw king David dancing and playing: and she ^odespised him in her heart.

16 So they ^obrought ^othe ark of God, and set *it* in the midst of ^othe tent that David had pitched for it: and they *brought near* burnt sacrifices and peace offerings before God.

2 And when ^oDavid [*by the hand of the priests*] had made an end of *offering up* the burnt offerings ^oand the peace offerings, he blessed the People in the name of the LORD.

3 And he dealt to ^oevery one of Israel, both man and woman, to ^oevery one a loaf of bread, and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon *of wine*.

4 And he appointed *certain* of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD, and ^oto record, and to thank and praise the LORD God of Israel:

5 Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obed-edom: and Jeiel with psalteries and with harps; but Asaph made a sound with cymbals;

6 Benaiah also and Jahaziel the priests with trumpets continually [*morning and evening, as prescribed*] before the ark of the covenant of God.

7 Then on that day David delivered first *the following words* to thank the LORD into the hand of Asaph and his brethren.

8 Give thanks unto the LORD, Call upon **His** name, Make known **His** deeds among the *Peoples*.

9 Sing unto **Him**, sing psalms unto **Him**, *meditate* ye of all **His** wondrous works.

10 Glory ye in **His** holy name: Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

11 Seek the LORD and **His** strength, Seek **His** face continually.

12 Remember **His** marvellous works that **He** hath done, **His** wonders, and the *righteous rules* of **His** mouth;

13 O ye seed of ^oIsrael [*Abraham*] **His** servant, ye *sons* of Jacob, **His** chosen ones.

26 helped. With His favour; there being no miscarriage now, as there had been in ch. 13. **they offered** = sacrificed. Heb. *sabach*. Ap. 43. I. iv. 2 Sam. 6. 13 is complementary, not contradictory.

27 an ephod. Cp. 2 Sam. 6. 14.

29 despised him. Implying treatment with contempt.

16. 1 brought the ark. See note on 15. 3. This was in 951-950 B.C. A Sabbath year. **the ark.** See notes on 13. 3, and Ex. 25. 22.

God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. See note on 14. 10-16. **the tent.** See note on 15. 1. **offered** = brought near. Heb. *karab*. Ap. 43. I. i.

16: 2-43. THE BLESSING OF JEHOVAH.

2, 3.	The People blessed.
4-6.	Ministrations. Persons.
7.	Delivery of Psalm to leaders.
8-36-.	The Psalm of Praise.
-36.	Response by People.
37-42.	Ministrations. Persons.
43.	The People dismissed.

2 David. Not with his own hand, but by the priests'.

offering = offering up. Heb. '*alah*. Ap. 43. I. vi.

3 every one = every one, to a man. Heb. '*ish*. Ap. 14. II.

4 to record. Cp. titles of Pss. 38 and 70.

6 continually: i.e. morning and evening, as prescribed.

7 this psalm. Supply the Ellipsis thus: "Delivered first [the following words] to thank", &c. Other Psalms were probably 5, 11, and 68. Originally provided for this event, Ps. 68 was afterward divided up and incorporated in Pss. 105. 1-15; 96. 1-13; 106. 1, 47, 48. Exactly the same has been done since then by many human authors.

It is those who say they "treat the Bible like any other book" who deny to the Divine Author this right to do as He will with His own.

8-36-. THE PSALM OF PRAISE.

8-22.	The peoples. (Ps. 105. 1-18).
23-27.	The earth.
28, 29.	The peoples. } (Ps. 96. 1-13.)
30-33.	The earth.
34-36-.	The People. (Ps. 106. 47, 48.)

8 people = Peoples.

9 Talk ye = meditate.

11 His strength. Fig. *Metonymy* (of Subject), Ap. 6. "Strength" put for the Ark, which was the sign of the presence of Jehovah, and the symbol of His strength. Cp. Ps. 105. 4 and 132. 8, and see note on 13. 3 and Ex. 25. 22.

12 judgments = righteous rules.

13 Israel. When adapted for more general worship, in Ps. 105, this was changed to the more general term "Abraham" (v. 6).

children = sons.

Jacob. See notes on Gen. 32. 28; 43. 6; 45. 26, 28.

15 Be ye mindful. This was specially for this occasion. In Ps. 105. 8, where it is for more general use, David (in editing) changed it to "He hath remembered". See note on v. 7.

16 with Abraham . . . Isaac. See note on Gen. 50. 24, and cp. Gen. 17. 2; 26. 3; 28. 13. **17 Jacob.** See note on Gen. 50. 24 and v. 13 above.

14 He is the LORD our God;

His righteous rules are in all the earth.

15 ^oBe ye mindful always of **His** covenant; the word *which He* commanded to a thousand generations;

16 Even of the covenant which **He** made ^owith Abraham, and of **His** oath unto ^oIsaac;

17 And hath confirmed the same to ^oJacob for a law, *And to* ¹³Israel *for* an everlasting covenant,

- 18 Saying, "Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the **boundary** of your inheritance;"
- 19 When ^oye were but few, Even a few, and strangers in it.
- 20 And *when* they went from nation to nation, And from *one* kingdom to another people;
- 21 He suffered no man to **oppress them**: yea, He reprov'd kings for their sakes,
- 22 Saying, "Touch not Mine anointed, And do My prophets no harm."
- 23 Sing unto the LORD, all the earth; Shew forth from day to day His salvation.
- 24 Declare His glory among the **nations**; His marvellous works among all **peoples**.
- 25 For great *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised: He also *is* to be feared above all gods.
- 26 For all the gods of the **peoples are** ^oidols [**nothings**]: But the LORD made the heavens.
- 27 Glory and honour *are* in His presence; Strength and gladness *are in His dwelling place*.
- 28 **Ascribe** unto the LORD, ye **families** of the **peoples**, Give unto the LORD glory and strength.
- 29 ²⁸**Ascribe** unto the LORD the glory *due* unto Him: Bring **a gift offering**, and ^ocome before Him: Worship the LORD in **in His glorious Sanctuary**.
- 30 Fear before Him, all the earth: The world also shall be stable, That it ^obe not moved.
- 31 Let the heavens be glad, And let the earth rejoice: And let *men* say among the nations, "The LORD reigneth."
- 32 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof: Let the fields rejoice, and all that *is* therein.
- 33 Then shall the ^otrees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD, Because He cometh to judge the earth.
- 34 O give thanks unto the LORD; for **He is good**; For His mercy **is age-abiding**.
- 35 ^oAnd say ye, "Save us, O God of our salvation, And ^ogather us together, And ^odeliver us from the ²⁴**nations**, That we may give thanks to Thy ^oholy Name, And glory in Thy praise."
- 36 Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel for ever and ever. And all the People said, "Amen," and praised the LORD.
- 37 So he left there ^obefore ¹the ark of the covenant of the LORD ^oAsaph and his brethren, to minister before the ark continually, as every day's work required:
- 38 And Obed-edom with their brethren, threescore and eight; Obed-edom also the son of Jeduthun and Hosah *to be porters*:

- 18 **lot** = measuring line. Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for the boundaries marked out by it.
- 19 **ye**. In Ps. 105. 12 it is "they". See notes on vv. 13 and is above.
- 21 **do them wrong** = oppress them. Heb. '*ashak*.'
- 22 **Mine anointed**. Israel was regarded as a kingdom of anointed kings and priests (Ex. 19. 6). 24 **heathen** = nations. **nations** = peoples.
- 26 **people** = peoples. Not same word as 12. 17. **idols** = things of naught, or nothings.
- 27 **in His place** = in His dwelling-place: i.e. the place of the Ark of the Covenant. In Ps. 96. 6, which is more general, it is "in His sanctuary". Cp. vv. 7 and 15. 28 **Give** = ascribe, as in Ps. 96. 7, 8. **kindreds** = families.
- 29 **offering** = gift offering. See Ap. 43. II. iii. **come before Him**. In Ps. 96. 8, which is more general, it is "come into His courts". **the beauty of holiness**. Cp. 2 Chron. 20. 21 and Ps. 96. 9, from which the meaning seems to be "in His glorious sanctuary".
- 30 **be not moved**. The Creator knows how to speak of the work of His hands. 33 **trees of the wood**. Referring specially to the wood at Kirjath-jearim (the city of woods). Cp. Ps. 132. 6.
- 34 **endureth for ever** = is age-abiding. 35 **And say ye**. A liturgical direction suited to this *special* occasion. Not needed for subsequent *general* use in Ps. 106. 47. See notes. Cp. vv. 7 and 15.
- gather us . . . deliver us**. David knew from Deut. 4. 27; 28. 64; and 32, that the scattering of Israel had been foretold; and this prayer was based upon that revelation. So with Solomon. 1 Kings 8. 46-50.
- holy**. See note on Ex. 3. 5.
- 37 **before the ark**. This was now in Zion (2 Sam. 6. 12-17). But the altars and vessels were in the Tabernacle at Gibeon (2 Chron. 1. 3-6). **Asaph and his brethren**. These were left in Zion "before the Ark", while the priests ministered "before the Tabernacle" (see v. 39 below), until Divine worship should be reconstructed in the Temple.
- 39 **the tabernacle**. Heb. *mishkan* = dwelling-place. Ap. 40.
- 40 **offer** = offer up. Heb. '*alah*'. Ap. 43. I. vi.
- 41 **Jeduthun**. One of the three directors of the Temple-worship. Cp. 25. 1-6. 2 Chron. 5. 12. A descendant of Merari (cp. 16. 38 with 26. 10). Called also "Ethan" (15. 17, 19, and cp. 25. 1, 3, 6. 2 Chron. 35. 15).
- mercy** = lovingkindness, or, grace. 42 **were porters** = were for the gate.
- 43 **to bless his house**. This was when Michal met him (15. 29).

- 39 And Zadok the priest, and his brethren the priests, before the **dwelling place** of the LORD in the high place that *was* at Gibeon,
- 40 To **offer up** burnt offerings unto the LORD upon the altar of the burnt offering continually morning and evening, and *to do* according to all that is written in the law of the LORD, which He commanded Israel;
- 41 And with them Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest that were chosen, who were expressed by name, to give thanks to the LORD, because His **lovingkindness endureth** for ever;
- 42 And with them Heman and Jeduthun with trumpets and cymbals for those that should make a sound, and with musical instruments of God. And the sons of Jeduthun **were for the gate**.
- 43 And all the People departed every man to his house: and David returned ^oto bless his house.

17 Now it came to pass, *according as David* sat in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, "Lo, I dwell in an house of cedars, but ^othe ark of the covenant of the LORD *dwelleth* under curtains."

2 Then Nathan said unto David, "Do all that *is* in thine heart; for God *is* with thee."

3 And it came to pass the same night, that the word of God came to Nathan [*the prophet*], saying,

4 "Go and tell David My servant, 'Thus saith the LORD, *'Thou art not he who shall build Me* an house to dwell in:

5 For I have not dwelt in *the* house since the day that I brought up *the sons of Israel* unto this day; but have gone from tent to tent, and from *one* tabernacle *to another*.

6 Wheresoever I have *walked to and fro* with all Israel, spake I a word to any of the ^ojudges of Israel, whom I commanded to feed ^oMy People, saying, 'Why have ye not built Me an house of cedars?'

7 Now therefore thus shalt thou say unto My servant David, 'Thus saith the LORD of hosts, 'I took thee from the sheepcote, *even* from following the sheep, that thou shouldest be ruler over My People Israel:

8 And I have been with thee whithersoever thou hast walked, and have cut off all thine enemies from before thee, and have made thee *a great name* like the name of the great men that *are* in the earth.

9 Also I will ordain a place for ^oMy People Israel, and will plant them, and they shall dwell in their place, and shall be moved no more; neither shall the *sons* of ^owickedness *cause them to languish* any more, as at the beginning,

10 And since the time that I commanded judges *to be* over My People Israel. Moreover I will subdue all thine enemies. Furthermore I tell thee that the LORD will build thee an house.

11 And it shall come to pass, when thy days be expired that thou must *sleep* with thy fathers, that I will raise up thy seed after thee, which shall be of thy sons; and I will establish his kingdom.

12 He shall build Me an house, and I will stablish his throne for ever.

13 I will be his father, and he shall be My son: and I will not take My *grace* away from him, as I took *it* from *him* that was before thee:

14 But I will settle him in ^oMine house and in My kingdom for ever: and his throne shall be established for evermore." "

15 According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

16 And David the king came and sat before the LORD, and said, "Who *am* I, O LORD God, and what *is* mine house, that Thou hast brought me *to this point* ?

17 And yet this was a small thing in Thine eyes, O God; for

17: 1--22: 19. THE TEMPLE. DAVID'S PREPARATION FOR IT.

- 17: 1-27. Purpose declared.
- 18: 1-13. Conquests.
- 18: 14-17. Household.
- 19: 1--20: 8. Conquests.
- 21: 1--22: 19. Place predicted.

17: 1-27. PURPOSE DECLARED.

- 1. David sitting in his own house. (Who I am.)
- 2. Nathan's reply from himself.
- 3-15. Nathan's reply from Jehovah.
- 16-27. David sitting before Jehovah. (Who am I?)

17: 3-15. NATHAN'S REPLY FROM JEHOVAH.

- 3, 4-. Message sent.
- 4. Jehovah's House. "Thou shalt not build".
- 5, 6. Jehovah's condescension.
- 7. Jehovah's election.
- 8. Jehovah's protection.
- 9, 10. Jehovah's promise.
- 11-14. Jehovah's House. "He shall build".
- 15. Message delivered.

1 as David = according as David. Cp. 2 Sam. 7. 1-3 with the royal title "king". Here the personal name, "David". The two accounts are complementary.

the ark. See notes on 13. 3, and Ex. 25. 22.

remaineth. Better supply *.Ellipsis* with "dwelleth".

2 God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.). *Ap. 4. I.*

3 Nathan. Some codices, with Syr., add "the prophet".

4 Thou Shalt not build, or, "Thou art not he who shall build."

an = the.

5 Israel. Some codices, with six early printed editions, read "the sons of Israel".

6 walked = walked to and fro.

judges. 2 Sam. 7. 7 = "tribes". These could "feed" only by judges, so both agree.

My People. Western MSS. read 'Ammi = My People. The Eastern MSS.

read 'Ammo = His People.

8 a name. Some codices, with Syr., read "a great name", as in 2 Sam. 7. 9.

9 children = sons. **wickedness.** Heb. 'aval. *Ap. 44. vi.*

waste them = wear them out. Some codices, with three early printed editions, read "cause them to languish".

11 go to be. Sept. reads "sleep" (2 Sam. 7. 12).

13 mercy = lovingkindness, or, grace.

14 Mine . . . My. 2 Sam. 7. 16 = Thine . . . Thy. Both alike, for the kingdom was David's because it was God's gift to him.

17: 16-27. DAVID SITTING BEFORE JEHOVAH.

- 16. Self: abased.
 - 17. Revelation.
 - 18. Plea.
 - 19. Promise.
 - 20. God: exalted.
 - 21, 22. Israel pre-eminent.
 - 23, 24. Establishment.
 - 25-. Revelation.
 - 25. Plea.
 - 26. Promise.
 - 27. Continuance.
- } David's person.
- } David's House.

16 Who am I? Fig. *Erotosis.* *Ap. 6.* See notes on 2 Sam. 7. 18.

hitherto = to this point.

Thou hast *also* spoken of Thy servant's house for a great while to come, and hast ^oregarded me according to the *law* of ^oa man of high degree, O LORD God.

18 What can David *speak* more to Thee for the honour of Thy servant? for Thou knowest Thy servant.

19 O LORD, for Thy servant's sake, and according to Thine own heart, hast Thou done all this greatness, in making known all *these* great things.

20 O LORD, *there is* ^onone like Thee, neither *is there any* God beside Thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

21 And what one nation in the earth *is* like Thy People Israel, whom *the Great God* went to ^oredeem *to be* His own People, to make *for Thyself* a name of greatness and terribleness, by driving out nations from before Thy People, whom Thou hast ^oredeemed out of Egypt?

22 For Thy People Israel didst Thou make Thine own People for ever; and Thou, LORD, becamest their God.

23 Therefore now, LORD, let the thing that Thou hast spoken concerning Thy servant and concerning his house be established for ever, and do *according as* Thou hast said.

24 Let it even be established, that Thy name may be magnified for ever, saying, 'The LORD of hosts *is* the God of Israel, *even a* God to Israel:' and *let* the house of David Thy servant *be* established before Thee.

25 For Thou, O my God, *revealed to the ear of* Thy servant that Thou wilt build him an house: therefore Thy servant hath found *in his heart* to pray before Thee.

26 And now, LORD, Thou art God, and hast promised this goodness unto Thy servant:

27 Now therefore let it please Thee to ^obless the house of Thy servant, that it may be before Thee for ever: for Thou blessest, O LORD, and *it shall be* blessed for ever."

18 Now after this ^oit came to pass, that David smote the Philistines, and subdued them, and took ^oGath and ^oher towns out of the hand of the Philistines.

2 And he ^osmote Moab; and the Moabites became David's servants, *and* brought gifts.

3 And David smote ^oHadarezer king of ^oZobah unto Hamath, as he went ^oto stablish his dominion by the river Euphrates.

4 And David took from him a thousand chariots, and ^oseven thousand horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen: David also ^hamstrung all the chariot *horses* , but reserved of them *for an* hundred chariots.

5 And when the Syrians of Damascus came to help ³Hadarezer king of ³Zobah, David slew of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men.

6 Then David put *garrisons* in Syria-damascus; and the

17 regarded. Cp. "art mindful" of Ps. 8. 4. **estate.** Heb. *tor* , abbreviation of *torah* = law. See note on 2 Sam. 7. 19.
a man. Heb. *ha-adam* = the Man, of Ps. 8. 5, 6, Who is to have dominion over all the earth.

20 none like Thee. This is ever the worship rendered by all true worshippers. See note on 1 Sam. 2. 2.

21 God. Heb. *ha'Elohim* , the [great] God. A p. 4. I.

redeem . . . redeemed. See notes on Ex. 6. 6; 13. 13. **Thee** = for Thyself.

23 as = according as. **25** hast told = revealed to the ear.

27 bless . . . blessest . . . blessed. Fig. *Polypotton* Ap. 6.

18: 1-13. CONQUESTS.

1-5.	Conquests.
6-.	Garrisons in Syria.
-6-.	Subjection.
-6.	Preservation.
7-12.	Conquests.
13-.	Garrisons in Edom.
-13-.	Subjection.
-13.	Preservation.

1 it came to pass. Cp. the parallel (2 Sam. 8. 1-8); and note that the two accounts are supplementary and complementary, not contradictory.

Gath. See note on "Metheg-ammah" (2 Sam. 8. 1). In the time of Solomon (1 Kings 2. 39) Gath was tributary. **her towns.** Heb. *her daughters* .

Fig. *Prosopopoeia* . Ap. 6. **2** smote Moab. Tims fulfilling Num. 24. 17.

3 Hadarezer. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "Hadadezer" as in 2 Sam. 8. 5. **Zobah.** Cp. Ps. 60, title, and 1 Sam. 14.

47. It was in the neighbourhood of Damascus. In 19. 6 we have the provocation which led to this war. Cp. 2 Sam. 10. 16.

to stablish his dominion. It had been impaired, Cp. 2 Sam. 8. 3.

4 seven thousand. See note on 2 Sam. 8. 4 **an** = for an.

6 garrisons. Some codices, with Aram., Sept., and Syr., read this word in the text, as in 2 Sam. 8. 6. **the LORD.** Heb. *Jehovah* . Ap. 4.

8 Tibhath. Called also Beta and Berothai (2 Sam. 8. 8): unless the four names represent four cities.

the pillars: i.e. the two pillars afterward made by Solomon (1 Kings 7. 15, 21. 2 Chron. 3. 15-17). **9** Tou. Called also Toi (2 Sam. 8. 9).

10 Hadoram. Called also Joram in 2 Sam. 8. 10.

had war = was a man of war.

Syrians became David's servants, *and* brought gifts. Thus the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.

7 And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadarezer, and brought them to Jerusalem.

8 Likewise from ^oTibhath, and from Chun, cities of ³Hadarezer, brought David very much brass, wherewith Solomon made the brasen sea, and *the two pillars afterward made by Solomon* , and the vessels of brass.

9 Now when ^oTou king of Hamath heard how David had smitten all the host of Hadarezer king of Zobah;

10 He sent ^oHadoram his son to king David, to inquire of his welfare, and to congratulate him, because he had fought against ⁵Hadarezer, and smitten him; (for ³Hadarezer *was a man of war* with Tou;) and *with him* all manner of vessels of gold and silver and brass.

11 Them also king David dedicated unto the LORD, with the silver and the gold that he brought from all *these* nations; ^ofrom Edom, and from Moab, and from the *sons* of Ammon, and from the Philistines, and from Amalek.

12 Moreover Abishai the son of Zeruiah slew of the Edomites in the valley of salt ^oeighteen thousand.

13 And he put garrisons in Edom; and all the Edomites became David's servants. Thus the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.

14 So David reigned over all Israel, and executed judgment and justice among all his People.

15 And Joab the son of Zeruiah *was* over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, *remembrancer*.

16 And ^oZadok the son of Ahitub, and *Ahimelech* the son of Abiathar, *were* the priests; and ^oShavsha was scribe;

17 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was* over the Cherethites and *over the* Pelethites; and the sons of David *were heads at the hand of* the king.

19 Now ^oit came to pass after this, that Nahash the king of the *sons* of Ammon died, *and Hanun his son* reigned in his stead.

2 And David said, "I will shew kindness unto Hanun the son of Nahash, because his father shewed kindness to me." And David sent *consolers* to comfort him concerning his father. So the servants of David came into the land of the ¹*sons* of Ammon to Hanun, to comfort him.

3 But the princes of the ¹*sons* of Ammon said to Hanun, "Thinkest thou that David doth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters unto thee? are not his servants come unto thee for to search, and to overthrow, and to spy out the land?"

4 Wherefore Hanun took David's servants, and shaved them, and cut off their garments in the midst hard by their buttocks, and sent them away.

5 Then there went *certain*, and told David how the men were served. And he sent to meet them: for the men were greatly ashamed. And the king said, "Tarry at Jericho until your beards be grown, and *then* return."

6 And when the ¹*sons* of Ammon saw that they had made themselves ^s*to stink* to David, Hanun and the ¹*sons* of Ammon sent a thousand talents of silver to hire them chariots and horsemen out of ^oMesopotamia, and out of Syria-maachah, and out of Zobah.

7 So they hired thirty and two thousand *cavalry* [*men and horses*], and the king of Maachah and his people; who came and pitched before Medeba. And the ¹*sons* of Ammon gathered themselves together from their cities, and came to battle.

8 And when David heard *of it*, he sent Joab, and all the

11 from Edom. In 2 Sam. 8. 14 we have another exploit included in this summary. See note on v. 12. **children** = sons.

12 eighteen thousand. This was Abishai's command. In 2 Sam. 8. 13 we have David's command; while in Ps. 60 (title) we have Joab's share in the campaign (1 Kings 11. 16). There is no contradiction, but independent and separate exploits. Abishai's number was 18,000. We do not know how long Abishai's took him. Joab's (which took him six months longer) was 10,000.

18: 14-17. HOUSEHOLD.

14.	David himself.
15-.	Chief captain.
-15.	Recorder.
16-.	Priests.
-16.	Scribe.
17-.	Captain.
-17.	David's sons.

15 recorder: or remembrancer.

16 Zadok. Cp. 6. 8. 2 Sam. 8. 17; 15. 29. **Abimelech.** Some codices, with Aram., Sept., Syr., and Vulg. read "Ahimelech". Cp. 2 Sam. 8. 17. **Shavsha.** Called also Seraiah (2 Sam. 8. 17).

17 the. Some codices, with Sept., and two early printed editions, read "over the". **chief** = heads, because David's sons were not priests. **about** = at the hand of.

19: 1--20: 8. CONQUESTS.

19: 1-5.	The provocation.
19: 6--20: 8.	The wars.

19: 1-5. THE PROVOCATION.

1, 2-.	David hears of Hanun's bereavement.
-2.	Condolence sent to Hanun.
3.	Suspicion.
4.	Condolence requited with indignity.
5.	David hears of Hanun's action.

1 it came to pass. See 2 Sam. 10. 1-19. **children** = sons.

and his son. Sept. reads "and Hanun his son", as in 2 Sam. 10. 1.

2 messengers to comfort = consolers.

19: 6--20: 8. THE WARS.

19: 6-19.	Wars with Ammon and Syrians.
20: 1-3.	Siege of Rabbah.
20: 4-8.	Wars with Philistines.

6-19. WARS WITH AMMON AND SYRIANS.

6-13.	Assemblage of armies.
14-.	Engagement with Syrians.
-14.	Flight of Syrians.
15.	Flight of Ammonites.
16, 17-.	Assemblage.
-17.	Engagement with Syrians.
18.	Flight of Syrians.
19.	Submission of Syrians.

6 Mesopotamia. Heb. 'Aram-naharaim = Syria of the two rivers.

7 chariots = cavalry. Used of men as well as horses, see v. 18. Cp. 2 Sam. 10. 6. **9 gate** = entrance.

host of the mighty men.

9 And the ¹*sons* of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array before the *entrance* of the city: and the kings that were come *were* by themselves in the field.

10 Now when Joab saw that the battle *confronted him* before and behind, he chose out of all the choice of Israel, and put *them* in array against the Syrians.

11 And the rest of the People he delivered unto the hand of Abishai his brother, and they set *themselves* in array against the ¹*sons* of Ammon.

12 And he said, "If the Syrians be too strong for me, then thou shalt help me: but if the *sons* of Ammon be too strong for thee, then I will help thee.

13 Be of good courage, and let us behave ourselves valiantly for our People, and for the cities of our God: and let the LORD do *that which is good* in **His** sight."

14 So Joab and the People that *were* with him drew nigh before the Syrians unto the battle; and they fled before him.

15 And when the *sons* of Ammon saw that the Syrians were fled, they likewise fled before Abishai his brother, and entered into the city. Then Joab came to Jerusalem.

16 And when the Syrians saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they sent messengers, and drew forth the Syrians that *were* beyond the *Euphrates*: and Shophach the captain of the host of ^oHadarezer *went* before them.

17 And it was told David; and he gathered all Israel, and passed over Jordan, and came upon them, and set *the battle* in array against them. So when David had put the battle in array against the Syrians, they fought with him.

18 But the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew of the Syrians seven thousand men *which fought in the cavalry*, and forty thousand footmen, and killed Shophach the captain of the host.

19 And when the servants of ¹⁶Hadarezer saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they made peace with David, and became his servants: neither would the Syrians help the ¹²*sons* of Ammon any more.

20 And ^oit came to pass, that after the year was expired, at the time that kings go out *to battle*, Joab led forth the power of the army, and wasted the country of the *sons* of Ammon, and came and besieged Rabbah. But ^oDavid tarried at Jerusalem. And Joab smote Rabbah, and destroyed it.

2 And ^oDavid took the crown of their king from off his head, and found it to weigh a talent of gold, and *there were precious stones* in it; and it was set upon David's head: and he brought also exceeding much spoil out of the city.

3 And he brought out the people that *were* in it, and *appointed them to work with* saws, and with harrows of iron, and with axes. Even so dealt David with all the

10 was set against him = confronted him. **12** children = sons.
16 river = Euphrates. **Hadarezer**. Some codices, with two early printed editions, read "Hadadezer". Cp. 18. 3.
18 chariots. See note on v. 7, and cp. 2 Sam. 10. 18.
20. 1 it came to pass. Cp. 2 Sam. 11. 1; 12. 26-31. **children** = sons.
David tarried at Jerusalem. No reference is made here to the result of this tarrying, which is recorded in 2 Sam. 11. 1—12. 25.
2 David took. No discrepancy here, for Joab had summoned David for the purpose (2 Sam. 12. 27). **3** cut. Heb. *sur*. Occurs only here; the meaning "cut" is arbitrary. It must be explained by 2 Sam. 12. 31, where it is *sum*, and is rendered "put" = "appointed them [to work] with". See notes there. *Sur* is probably from *yashar* = to regulate, or rule.
4 children = those born. **the giant**. Heb. *raphah*, a descendant of one *Rapha*, who came of the *Nephilim*. See 2 Sam. 21. 18-22, and [Ap. 23, 25](#).

21: 1--22: 1. SITE OF TEMPLE PREDICATED.

21: 1. Incitement.
21: 2-8. The sin.
21: 9-15-. Punishment.
21: -15--22: 1. Expiation.

1 Satan. See note on 2 Sam. 24. 1. **trespass** = guilt. See Ex. 30. 11-16. The Tabernacle was erected with the *ransom* paid for 600,000. The site of the Temple obtained at the cost of 70,000 souls.

cities of the *sons* of Ammon. And David and all the People returned to Jerusalem.

4 (And it came to pass after this, that there arose war at Gezer with the Philistines; at which time Sibbechai the Hushathite slew Sippai, *that was of those born* of ^othe giant: and they were subdued.

5 And there was war again with the Philistines; and Elhanan the son of Jair slew Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, whose spear staff *was* like a weaver's beam.

6 And yet again there was war at Gath, where was a man of *great* stature, whose fingers and toes *were* four and twenty, six *on each hand*, and six *on each foot*: and he also was the son of ⁴the giant.

7 But when he defied Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimea David's brother slew him.

8 These were born unto ⁴the giant in Gath; and they fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.)

21 And ^oSatan stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number Israel.

2 And David said to Joab and to the rulers of the People, "Go, number Israel from Beer-sheba even to Dan; and bring the number of them to me, that I may know *it*."

3 And Joab answered, "The LORD make **His** People an hundred times so many more as they be: but, my lord the king, *are* they not all my lord's servants? why then doth my lord require this thing? why will he be a cause of *guilt* to Israel?"

4 Nevertheless the king's word prevailed against Joab. Wherefore Joab departed, and went throughout all Israel, and came to Jerusalem.

5 And Joab gave ^othe sum of the number of the People unto David. And all *they of* Israel were a thousand thousand and an hundred thousand men that drew sword: and Judah *was* four hundred threescore and ten thousand men that drew sword.

6 But Levi and Benjamin counted he not among them: for the king's word was abominable to Joab.

7 And ^oGod was displeased with this thing; therefore **He** smote Israel.

8 And David said unto ⁷God, "I have ^osinned greatly, because I have done this thing: but now, I beseech **Thee**, do away the *perverseness* of **Thy** servant; for I have done very foolishly."

9 And the LORD spake unto Gad, David's seer, saying,

10 "Go and tell David, saying, 'Thus saith the LORD, **I** offer thee three *things*: choose thee one of them, that I may do *it* unto thee.'"

11 So Gad came to David, and said unto him, "Thus saith the LORD, 'Choose thee

12 Either ^othree years' famine; or three months to *flee* before thy foes, while that the sword of thine enemies overtaketh *thee*; or else three days the sword of the LORD, even the pestilence, in the land, and the angel of the LORD destroying throughout all the *borders* of Israel.' Now therefore advise thyself what word I shall bring again to **Him That sent me**."

13 And David said unto Gad, "I am in a great strait: let me fall now into the hand of the LORD; for very *many are His* mercies: but let me not fall into the hand of man."

14 So the LORD sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men.

15 And God sent an angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was destroying, the LORD beheld, and **He** repented **Him** of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed, "It is enough, stay now thine hand." And the angel of the LORD stood by the threshingfloor of ^oOrnan the Jebusite.

16 And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the Angel of the LORD stand between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem. Then David and the elders *of Israel, who were* clothed in sackcloth, fell upon their faces.

17 And David said unto God, "Is it not I *that* commanded the People to be numbered? even I it is that have sinned and done ^oevil indeed; but *as for* these sheep, what have they done? let **Thine** hand, I pray **Thee**, O LORD my

5 the sum. See note on 2 Sam. 24. 9. **7 God.** Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I. **8 sinned.** Heb. *chata'*. Ap. 44. i. David's repentance and confession preceded Gad's visit to him. **iniquity** = perverseness.

21: 9-15. PUNISHMENT.

9-12.	Divine offers.
13.	Choice made.
14.	Choice carried out.
15-.	Divine forbearance.

12 three years. See note on 2 Sam. 24. 13.

be destroyed. Sept. and Vulg. read "flee", as in 2 Sam. 24. 13.

coasts = borders. **13 great** = many.

18 He repented. Fig. *Anthropopatheia*. Ap. 6.

Oman : or Araunah in 2 Sam. 24.

21: -15--22: 1. EXPITATION.

-15.	Angel. Station.
16-.	David. Seeing.
-16, 17.	David. Humiliation.
18--22: 1.	Angel. Message.

21: 18--22: 1. ANGEL. MESSAGE.

21: 18.	Angel's command to David.
21: 19-26.	David. Site of Altar.
21: 27.	Jehovah's command to Angel.
21: 28--22: 1.	David. Site of Temple.

21: 19-26. DAVID. SITE OF ALTAR.

19.	Obedience. Visit commenced.
20, 21.	Reception.
22-25.	Negotiation.
26.	Obedience. Object effected.

19 at = according to. **20 hid** = were hiding themselves. **was** = had been. **22 the place.** Heb. *makom*, as in Ruth 4. 10. Referring to the whole place, afterward the Temple area. Not Heb. *goren*, as in 2 Sam. 24. 24, which was merely the threshingfloor, as in Ruth 3. 2. Hence 600 shekels of gold for the former, but only 50 shekels of silver for the latter. Two distinct transactions.

God, be on me, and on my father's house; but not on **Thy** People, that they should be plagued."

18 Then the angel of the LORD commanded Gad to say to David, that David should go up, and set up an altar unto the LORD in the threshingfloor of ¹⁵Ornan the Jebusite.

19 And David went up *according to* the saying of Gad, which he spake in the name of the LORD.

20 And ¹⁵Ornan turned back, and saw the Angel; and his four sons with him *were hiding themselves*. Now ¹⁵Ornan *had been* threshing wheat.

21 And as David came to ¹⁵Ornan, Ornan looked and saw David, and went out of the threshingfloor, and bowed himself to David with *his* face to the ground.

22 Then David said to ¹⁵Ornan, "Grant me *the whole place* of *this* threshingfloor, that I may build an altar therein unto the LORD: thou shalt grant it me for the full price: that the plague may be stayed from the People.

23 And ¹⁵Ornan said unto David, "Take *it* to thee, and let my lord the king do *that which is* good in his eyes: lo, I give *thee* the oxen *also* for burnt offerings, and the **threshing sledges composed of balks of timber** for wood, and the wheat for the **meal offering**; I give it all."

24 And king David said to ¹⁵Ornan, "Nay; but I will verily buy it for the full price: for I will not take *that which is* thine for the LORD, nor **offer up** burnt offerings without cost."

25 So David gave to ¹⁵Ornan for ²²**the whole place** six hundred shekels of gold by weight.

26 And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and ²⁴**offered up** burnt offerings and peace offerings, and called upon the LORD; and **He** answered him ^ofrom heaven by fire upon the altar of burnt offering.

27 And the LORD commanded the Angel; and he put up his sword again into the ^osheath thereof.

28 At that time when David saw that the LORD had answered him in the threshingfloor of ¹⁵Ornan the Jebusite, then he sacrificed [**by the priest**] there.

29 (For the **dwelling-place** of the LORD, which Moses made in the wilderness, and the altar of the burnt offering, *were* at that season in the high place at ^oGibeon.

30 But David could not go before it to inquire of God: for he was afraid [**to delay**] because of the sword of the Angel of the LORD.)

22 Then David said, ^o"This *is* the house of the LORD God, and this *is* the altar of the burnt offering for Israel."

2 And David commanded to gather together the **foreigners** that *were* in the land of Israel; and he set ^omasons to hew wrought stones to build the house of God.

3 And David prepared ^oiron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for the joinings; and brass in abundance without weight;

4 Also cedar trees in abundance: for ^othe Zidonians and they of Tyre brought much cedar wood to David.

5 And David said, "Solomon my son *is* ^oyoung and tender, and the house *that is* to be builded for the LORD *must be* exceeding magnificent, **glorious fame for** all countries: I will *therefore* now make preparation for it." So David prepared abundantly before his death.

6 Then he called for Solomon his son, and charged him to build an house for the LORD God of Israel.

7 And David said to Solomon, "My son, as for me, it was in my mind to build an house unto the name of the LORD my God:

8 But the word of the LORD came to me, ^osaying, "Thou hast shed blood abundantly, and hast made great wars:

22 the place. Heb. *makom*, as in Ruth 4. 10. Referring to the whole place, afterward the Temple area. Not Heb. *goren*, as in 2 Sam. 24. 24, which was merely the threshingfloor, as in Ruth 3. 2. Hence 600 shekels of gold for the former, but only 50 shekels of silver for the latter. Two distinct transactions.

23 threshing instruments = threshing sledges composed of balks of timber, with sharp stones or iron spikes beneath. Cp. Isa. 41. 15. 2 Sam. 24. 22. Heb. *morag*. Called to-day in Palestine *moarej*.

meat offering = meal offering. Heb. *minchah*, gift offering. Ap. 43. II. iii.

24 offer = offer up. Heb. '*alah*. Ap. 43. vi.

26 from heaven by fire. All sacrifices accepted by God were consumed by fire from heaven, not kindled on earth. See note on Gen. 4. 4.

27 sheath. Occurs only here.

21: 28--22: 1. DAVID. SITE OF TEMPLE.

21: 28.	David's sacrifice.
21: 29.	Station of Tabernacle.
21: 30.	David's fear.
22: 1.	Site of Temple.

28 he sacrificed there; i.e. by the priests.

29 tabernacle = dwelling-place. Heb. *mishkan*.

Gibeon. Cp. 16. 39. 2 Chron. 1. 3. 1 Kings 3. 4.

30 afraid: i.e. afraid [to delay] because, &c. Otherwise Gibeon was only about eight miles away.

22. 1 This is the house of the LORD God. The place where grace had been manifested was the place where alone true worship could be offered. This it is that makes "the house of God".

22: 2--29: 25. THE RESIGNATION.

22: 2-19.	Intention to build the Temple.
23: 1.	Solomon. First in vestiture.
23: 2.	Princes, Priests, &c. Assemblage.
23: 3--27: 34.	Princes and Priests. Appointments.
28: 1--29: 22-.	Intention to build the Temple.
29: -22-25.	Solomon. Second investiture.

22: 2-19. INTENTION TO BUILD THE TEMPLE.

2-.	David's command about strangers.
-2.	Workmen.
3, 4.	Preparation.
5-.	Solomon. Youth.
-5.	The glory of the house.
6-13.	Solomon. Charge.
14.	Preparation.
15, 16.	Workmen.
17-19.	David's command to princes.

3 strangers = foreigners. Cp. 20. 3. 2 Chron. 2. 17. These were the forced labourers David had prepared in 2 Sam. 12. 31. Cp. 1 Sam. 8. 2. 1 Kings 5. 13; 9.15, 22; and see Deut. 29. 11. Josh. 9. 27. The word "tribute" (Judg. 1. 28) means forced labour. Cp. 2 Sam. 20. 24. 1 Kings 9. 21.

masons. See above note.

3 iron. None in Tabernacle.

4 the Zidonians, &c. See note on 2 Sam. 5. 11. Cp. 1 Kings 5. 1-15.

5 young and tender. Cp. 29. 1.

of fame and of glory. Fig *Hendiadys* (Ap. 6) = of glorious fame.

throughout: or for. Cp. Isa. 56. 7. 8

saying. See ch. 17; 28. 3. 2 Sam. 7. 13.

thou shalt not build an house unto **My** name, because thou hast shed much blood upon the earth in **My** sight.

9 Behold, a son shall be born to thee, who

shall be a man of rest; and **I** will give him rest from all his enemies round about: for his name shall be Solomon, and **I** will give peace and quietness unto Israel in his days.

10 He shall build an house for **My** name; and he shall be **My** son, and **I** will be his father; and **I** will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever.'

11 Now, my son, the LORD be with thee; and prosper thou, and build the house of the LORD thy God, *according as* **He** hath said of thee.

12 Only the LORD ^ogive thee wisdom and understanding, and give thee charge concerning Israel, that thou mayest keep ^othe law of the LORD thy God.

13 Then shalt thou prosper, if thou takest heed to fulfil ^othe statutes and judgments which the LORD charged Moses with concerning Israel: ^obe strong, and of good courage; dread not, nor be dismayed.

14 Now, behold, ^oin my trouble I have ^oprepared for the house of the LORD an hundred thousand talents of gold, and a thousand thousand talents of silver; and of brass and iron without weight; for it is in abundance: timber also and stone have I prepared; and thou mayest add thereto.

15 Moreover *there are* ^oworkmen with thee in abundance, hewers and workers of stone and timber, and all manner of *skilful* men for every manner of work.

16 Of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron, *there is* no number. Arise *therefore*, and be doing, and the LORD be with thee."

17 David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son, *saying*,

18 "Is not the LORD your God with you? and hath **He** not given you rest on every side? for **He** hath given the inhabitants of the land into mine hand; and the land is subdued before the LORD, and before **His** People.

19 Now set your heart and ^oyour soul to seek the LORD your God; arise therefore, and build ye the sanctuary of the LORD *the true God*, to bring ^othe ark of the covenant of the LORD, and the ^oholy vessels of *the true God*, into the house that ^ois to be built [and supersede the **Tabernacle**] to the name of the LORD."

23 So when David was ^oold [70] and *satisfied with* days, he ^omade Solomon his son king over Israel.

2 And he gathered together all the princes of Israel, with the priests and the Levites.

3 Now the Levites were numbered from the age of ^othirty years and upward: and their number by their polls, *strong man* by *strong man*, was thirty and eight thousand.

4 Of which, twenty and four thousand *were* to *oversee* the work of the house of the LORD; and six thousand *were* officers and judges:

11 as = according as.

12 give thee wisdom. This was Solomon's prayer in 1 Kings 3. 5-15. the law } The whole Levitical code.

13 the statutes and judgments. } Ex. 21. 1 Deut. 4. 1.

be strong, and of good courage. See note on Deut. 31. 7.

14 in my trouble: i.e. in the unsettled years of his warlike reign; and of the trouble brought on by his sin with Bath-sheba, and by Absalom's rebellion. The Sept. reads "according to my poverty".

prepared for the house. The Tabernacle was built with the spoils of Egypt: the Temple *from* spoils of David's wars (2 Sam. 8. 7-12. 1 Chron. 18. 7-11).

15 workmen. See note on "strangers", v 2 above. cunning = skilful. Cp. Ex. 26. 1. One of the words which have been degraded in meaning, through the fall of man. Cunning = knowing; but those who *know*, generally know too much.

19 your soul = you (emph.). Heb. *nephesh*. Ap. 13.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

the ark. See note on 13. 3. holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

is to be built. And thus supersede the Tabernacle.

23. 1 old and full of days. Cp. Abraham (Gen. 25. 8), and Isaac (Gen. 35. 29). David horn in 990. Now in his seventieth year.

full of = satisfied with. made Solomon his son king. During his lifetime. This was a common practice in those days; and these co-regnant kings explain many chronological problems.

23: 3--26: 28. SACRED APPOINTMENTS.

23: 3-5.	The dedicated tribe.
23: 6.	Division. Courses of the priests.
23: 7-11.	Gershonites.
23: 12-20.	Kohathites.
23: 21-23.	Merarites.
23: 24-32.	The service of the house.
24: 1-19.	Sons of Aaron.
24: 20-31.	Sons of Levi.
25: 1-31.	Sons of Asaph.
26: 1-25.	Division. Porters and treasurers.
26: 26-28.	The dedicated things.

3 thirty years. According to Num. 4. 3, 23, 35, 47, Changed to twenty-five years by Jehovah (Num. 8. 24); and, by David's "last words", to twenty years (v. 27). Cp. Ezra 3. 8. man = strong man. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV.

4 set forward = oversee. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

5 four thousand. ... porters. In ch. 26 we have the ninety-three chiefs. The 212 in 9. 22 pertained to the Tabernacle, not to the Temple (9. 21).

8 courses: or classes. See note on 24. 1, &c.

5 Moreover ^ofour thousand *were* porters; and four thousand praised the LORD with the instruments "which I made," *said David*, "to praise *therewith*."

6 And David divided them into *classes* among the sons of Levi, *namely*, Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

7 Of the Gershonites *were*, Laadan, and Shimei.

8 The sons of Laadan; the chief *was* Jehiel, and Zetham, and Joel, three.

9 The sons of Shimei; Shelomith, and Haziël, and Haran, three. These *were* the chief of the fathers of Laadan.

10 And the sons of Shimei *were*, Jahath, Zina, and Jeush, and Beriah. These four *were* the sons of Shimei.

11 And Jahath was the chief, and Zizah the second: but Jeush and Beriah had not many sons; therefore they were in one reckoning, according to *their* father's house.

12 The sons of Kohath; Amram, Ishar, Hebron, and Uzziel, four.

13 The sons of ^oAmram; ^oAaron and Moses: and Aaron was separated, that he should sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons for ever, to burn incense before the LORD, to minister unto **Him**, and to bless in **His** name for ever.

14 Now *concerning* Moses ^othe man of God, his sons were named of the tribe of Levi.

15 The sons of Moses *were*, Gershom, and Eliezer.

16 Of the sons of Gershom, ^ohebuel *was* the **head**.

17 And the sons of Eliezer *were*, Rehabiah the **head**. And Eliezer had none other sons; but the sons of Rehabiah were very many.

18 Of the sons of Izhar; Shelomith the ¹⁶**head**.

19 Of the sons of Hebron; Jeriah the ¹⁶**head**, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, and Jekameam the fourth.

20 Of the sons of Uzziel; Michah the **head**, and Jesiah the second.

21 The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. The sons of Mahli; Eleazar, and Kish.

22 And Eleazar died, and had no sons, but daughters: and their **kinsmen** the sons of Kish ^otook them [**by lot**].

23 The sons of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jeremoth, three.

24 These *were* the sons of Levi after the house of their fathers; *even* the ¹⁶**head** of the fathers, as they were counted by number of names by their polls, that did the work for the service of the house of the LORD, from the age of twenty years and upward.

25 For David said, "The LORD God of Israel hath given rest unto **His** People, that they may dwell in Jerusalem for ever:

26 And also unto the Levites; they shall no *more* carry the tabernacle, nor any vessels of it for the service thereof."

27 For by **these** last words of David the Levites *were* numbered from ²⁴twenty years old and above:

28 Because their **station** *was* to wait on the sons of Aaron for the service of the house of the LORD, in the courts, and **over** the chambers, and in the purifying of all holy things, and the work of the service of the house of God;

29 **And** for the shewbread, and for the fine flour for **meal offering**, and for the unleavened cakes, and for *that which is baked in* the pan, and for that which is fried, and for all manner of ^omeasure and size;

30 And to stand every morning to thank and praise the LORD, and likewise at even;

31 And to **offer up** all burnt sacrifices unto the LORD in the sabbaths, in the new moons, and on the ^oset feasts, by number, according to the order commanded unto them, continually before the LORD:

32 And that they should ^okeep the charge of the **tent** of

13 Amram. Cp. Ex. 6. 20. **Aaron and Moses.** See note on Ex. 6. 20.

14 the man of God. See Ps. 90, title. Ap. 49.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

16 Shebuel. See note on Judg. 18. 30. The Chald. paraphrase asserts that this name "Shebuel" (which means "he returned to *El*, the true God") was given to Jonathan after he had returned to the fear of the Lord.

chief = head. **19** first = head.

22 brethren: or kinsmen. **took:** i.e. by lot.

27 the = these. **28** office = station. **in** = over.

29 Both = And. See note above. **meat offering** = meal offering. Heb. *minha*. Ap. 43. II. iii. **measure and size.** The standards were committed to the Levites. Honesty in dealing is part of true religion. Cp.

Lev. 19. 36. Deut. 25. 15. Prov. 11. 1; 16. 11; 20. 23. Mic. 6. 11. If this be so in the secular sphere, how much more in sacred things.

31 offer = offer up. Heb. '*alah*. Ap. 43. I. vi.

set feasts. Cp. Num. 28 and 29. **32** keep the charge. This is the idiom of the Pentateuch. Cp. Gen. 26. 5. Num. 18. 3-5. **tabernacle** = tent.

24. 1 divisions . . . Aaron. Ch. 24 is concerning the courses of the priests, as ch. 23 is of the Levites. Cp. 23. 6. **2** children = sons.

3 distributed = divided into courses, as in 23. 6.

4 chief men = strong men. Heb. *geber*. Ap. 14. IV. Here denoting the heads of houses, or families.

5 divided by lot. See note on the Urim and Thummim (Ex. 28. 30).

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

and of. Some codices, with four early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Vulg., read "and from among".

6 the scribe = the secretary. Cp. 27. 32. See note on 2 Sam. 8. 17.

Ahimelech. So that Abiathar had a son named Ahimelech, who assisted him, as Hophni and Phinehas assisted Eli.

the congregation, and the charge of the holy *place*, and the charge of the sons of Aaron their brethren, in the service of the house of the LORD.

24 Now *these are* the ^odivisions of the sons of Aaron. The sons of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

2 But Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and had no **sons**: therefore Eleazar and Ithamar executed the priest's office.

3 And David **divided into courses** them, both Zadok of the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the sons of Ithamar, according to their offices in their service.

4 And there were more **strong men** found of the sons of Eleazar than of the sons of Ithamar; and *thus* were they divided. Among the sons of Eleazar *there were* sixteen chief **strong men** of the house of *their* fathers, and eight among the sons of Ithamar according to the house of their fathers.

5 Thus were they ^odivided by lot, one sort with another; for the governors of the sanctuary, and governors *of the house of the true God*, were of the sons of Eleazar, **and from among** the sons of Ithamar.

6 And Shemaiah the son of Nethaneel **the secretary**, one of the Levites, wrote them before the king, and the princes, and Zadok the priest, and ^oAhimelech the son of Abiathar, and *before* the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites: **an ancestral house** being taken for Eleazar, and *one* ^otaken [**by lot**] for Ithamar.

7 Now the first ^olot came forth to ^oJehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah,
 8 The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim,
 9 The fifth to Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin,
 10 The seventh to Hakkoz, the eighth to Abijah,
 11 The ninth to Jeshua, the tenth to Shecaniah,
 12 The eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim,
 13 The thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab,
 14 The fifteenth to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer,
 15 The seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Aphses,
 16 The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehezekel,
 17 The one and twentieth to Jachin, the two and twentieth to Gamul,
 18 The three and twentieth to Delaiah, the four and twentieth to Maaziah.
 19 These *were the appointments* of them in their service to come into the house of the LORD, according to their manner, under Aaron their father, *according as* the LORD God of Israel had commanded him.
 20 And ^othe rest of the sons of Levi *were these*: Of the sons of Amram; Shubael: of the sons of Shubael; Jehdeiah.
 21 Concerning Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, the first *was* Isshiah.
 22 Of the Izharites; Shelomoth: of the sons of Shelomoth; Jahath.
 23 And the sons of *Hebron*; *and the sons of Jeriah the first*, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, Jekameam the fourth.
 24 Of the sons of Uzziel; Michah: of the sons of Michah; Shamir.
 25 The brother of Michah *was* Isshiah: of the sons of Isshiah; Zechariah.
 26 The sons of Merari *were* Mahli and Mushi: the sons of Jaaziah; ^oBeno.
 27 The sons of Merari by Jaaziah; Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur, and Ibrì.
 28 Of Mahli *came* Eleazar, who had no sons.
 29 Concerning Kish: the son of Kish *was* Jerahmeel.
 30 The sons also of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jerimoth. These *were* the sons of the Levites after the house of their fathers.
 31 These likewise ^ocast lots *equally with* their brethren the sons of Aaron in the presence of David the king, and Zadok, and Ahimelech, and the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites, even the principal fathers over against their younger brethren.
 25 Moreover David and the *heads of the Temple service* separated to the service of the sons of Asaph, and of Heman, and of ^oJeduthun, who should ^oprophesy with

7 **lot came forth.** See notes on Ex. 28. 30. **Jehoiarib.** The twenty-four courses took, and kept, the names of these first heads (vv. 7-18). Each officiated a week (Sabbath to Sabbath), and Zacharias belonged to the eighth (Luke 1. 5). Cp. Neh. 12. Solomon appointed the same courses, which were continued by Hezekiah and Josiah. Only four returned from the Captivity (Ezra 2. 36-39. Neh. 7. 39-42; 12.1-21). Luke 1. 5 shows that they must have been made complete.

19 **the orderings** = the appointments: i.e. the order in which they fulfilled their service was all of Jehovah. **as** = according as.

20 **the rest of the sons of Levi.** Verses 20-30 give the names of the heads of the twenty-four courses of Levites enumerated in 23. 6-23.

23 **Jeriah.** Some codices, with eight early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "and the sons of Jeriah", but the Ellipses are rightly supplied from ch. 23. 19. **26 Beno** = his son; Jaaziah being a third son of Merari.

31 **cast lots.** See notes on the Urim and Thummim (Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55). **over against** = equally with.

25. 1 **captains of the host** = the heads of the Temple service. This word "host" applied to Levites in Num. 4. 3. Rendered "service" (marg. *warfare*) in Num. 4. 23, 30, 35, 39, 43; 8. 24.

Jeduthun. Probably another name for Ethan. See note on 16. 41.

prophesy with harps. Not "perform", or "render". The music therefore eminently spiritual. See note on v. 5.

3 **six.** Only five named. The sixth is Shimei (v. 17).

4 **Giddalti.** The fact that the meanings of these six names form a complete sentence in Hebrew is no more proof that this is a mistaken "obscure and ancient prayer", than that the chronicler has strung together a list of six names in order to form a sentence. What it shows is that Heman, in naming his sons, did so with this set purpose, as parents have often done since his day. The supposed prayer would read: "I have magnified, and I have raised up help; Sitting in trouble, I have spoken many oracles."

5 **the words of God.** Not the words of man. None but Divine words used in Divine worship.

God. Heb. Elohim (with Art.) = the [true] God. Ap. 4. I.

harps, with psalteries, and with cymbals: and the number of the workmen according to their service was:

2 Of the sons of Asaph; Zaccur, and Joseph, and Nethaniah, and Asarelah, the sons of Asaph under the hands of Asaph, which prophesied according to the order of the king.

3 Of ¹Jeduthun: the sons of ¹Jeduthun; Gedaliah, and Zeri, and Jeshaiah, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, ^osix, under the hands of their father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp, to give thanks and to praise the LORD.

4 Of Heman: the sons of Heman; Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Uzziel, Shebuel, and Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, ^oGiddalti, and Romamti-ezer, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, *and* Mahazioth:

5 All these *were* the sons of Heman the king's seer in the words of God, to lift up the horn. *And the true God* gave to Heman fourteen sons and three daughters.

6 All these *were* under the hands of their father for song *in* the house of the LORD, with cymbals, psalteries, and harps, for the service of the house of *the true God*, according to the king's order to Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman.

7 So the number of them, with their brethren that were instructed in the ^osongs of the LORD, *even* all that were *skilful*, was ^otwo hundred fourscore and eight.

8 And they ^ocast lots, *charge* against *ward*, as well the small as the great, the teacher as the scholar.

9 Now the first lot came forth [*out of the ephod*] for Asaph ^oto Joseph: the second to Gedaliah, who with his *relatives* and sons *were* twelve:

10 The third to Zaccur [*the son of Asaph*], *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

11 The fourth to *Zeri*, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

12 The fifth to Nethaniah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

13 The sixth to Bukkiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

14 The seventh to *Asarelah*, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

15 The eighth to Jeshaiiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

16 The ninth to Mattaniah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

17 The tenth to Shimei, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

18 The eleventh to *Uzziel*, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

19 The twelfth to Hashabiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

20 The thirteenth to Shubael, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

21 The fourteenth to Mattithiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

22 The fifteenth to Jeremoth, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

23 The sixteenth to Hananiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

24 The seventeenth to Joshbekashah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

25 The eighteenth to Hanani, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

26 The nineteenth to Mallothi, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

27 The twentieth to Eliathah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

28 The one and twentieth to Hothir, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

29 The two and twentieth to Giddalti, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

30 The three and twentieth to Mahazioth, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

31 The four and twentieth to Romamti-ezer, *he*, his sons,

7 songs of the LORD. Not of man. **cunning** = skilful. See note on 22. 15. **two hundred fourscore and eight.** (288 = 24 x 12.) Twelve (the number of Governmental perfection) is a factor in all that pertains to government. Cp. 27. 1. See Ap. 10. **8** cast lots. See notes on the Urim and Thummim (Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55). **ward** = charge. A word belonging to usage of Pentateuch. Cp. 23. 32.

9 came forth: i.e. out of the ephod, the bag behind the high priest's breastplate; the lap, or bag of Prov. 16. 33. Cp. Josh. 21. 4, and see note on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55. **to Joseph.** Not the eldest son.

his brethren. Fig. *Synecdoche* (of Genus), Ap. 6. for relatives.

10 Zaccur, the son of Asaph (v. 2). **14** Jesharelah = Asarelah of v. 2.

18 Azareel = Uzziel of v. 4.

26. 1 divisions = courses. The names of the chiefs are given, as of the courses of priests and Levites. **porters** = gatekeepers. See 9. 17, 18-26; 15. 18. **5** him: i.e. Obed-edom **10** children = sons. **chief** = head.

13 cast lots. See note on 25. 8, 9. **for every gate.** This ordering of David was according to the plan of the Temple, given by God "in writing" to David. See 28. 11-13, 19.

and his brethren, were twelve.

26 Concerning the *courses* of the *gatekeepers*: Of the Korhites was Meshelemiah the son of Kore, of the sons of *Ebiasaph*.

2 And the sons of Meshelemiah *were*, Zechariah the firstborn, Jediael the second, Zebadiah the third, Jathniel the fourth,

3 Elam the fifth, Jehohanan the sixth, Elioenai the seventh.

4 Moreover the sons of Obed-edom *were*, Shemaiah the firstborn, Jehozabad the second, Joah the third, and Sacar the fourth, and Nethaneel the fifth,

5 Ammiel the sixth, Issachar the seventh, Peulthai the eighth: for God blessed *Obed-edom*.

6 Also unto Shemaiah his son were sons born, that ruled throughout the house of their father: for they *were* mighty men of valour.

7 The sons of Shemaiah; Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad, whose brethren *were* strong men, Elihu, and Semachiah.

8 All these of the sons of Obed-edom: they and their sons and their brethren, able men for strength for the service, *were* threescore and two of Obed-edom.

9 And Meshelemiah had sons and brethren, strong men, eighteen.

10 Also Hosah, of the *sons* of Merari, had sons; Simri the *head*, (for *though* he was not the firstborn, yet his father made him the *head*);

11 Hilkiyah the second, Tebaliah the third, Zechariah the fourth: all the sons and brethren of Hosah *were* thirteen.

12 Among these *were* the *courses* of the *gatekeepers*, *even* among the *head* men, *having* wards one against another, to minister in the house of the LORD.

13 And they ^ocast lots, as well the small as the great, according to the house of their fathers, ^ofor every gate.

14 And the lot eastward fell to *Meshelemiah*. Then for Zechariah his son, a wise counsellor, they cast lots; and his lot came out northward.

15 To Obed-edom southward; and to his sons the *treasuries* of Asuppim.

16 To Shuppim and Hosah *the lot came forth* westward, with the gate °Shallecheth, by °the causeway of the going up, ward against ward.

17 Eastward *were* six Levites, northward four a day, southward four a day, and toward ¹⁵Asuppim two and two.

18 At °Parbar westward, four at the causeway, *and* two at Parbar.

19 These *are* the divisions of the porters among the sons of Kore, and among the sons of Merari.

20 And of *the Levites their brethren were*, *Ahikem* was over the *treasuries* of the house of God, and over the *treasuries* of the *holy* things.

21 *As concerning* the sons of Laadan; the sons of the Gershonite Laadan, *heads of the fathers*, even of Laadan the Gershonite, *were* Jehieli.

22 The sons of Jehieli; Zetham, and Joel his brother, *which were* over the *treasuries* of the house of the LORD.

23 Of the Amramites, *and* the Izharites, the Hebronites, *and* the Uzzielites:

24 And °Shebuel the son of Gershom, the son of Moses, *was* ruler of the *treasuries*.

25 And his brethren by Eliezer; Rehabiah his son, and Jeshaiiah his son, and Joram his son, and Zichri his son, and Shelomith his son.

26 Which Shelomith and his brethren *were* over all the *treasuries* of the *holy* things, which David the king, and the *heads of the fathers*, the captains over thousands and hundreds, and the captains of the host, had dedicated.

27 Out of the spoils won in battles did they *set apart* to maintain the house of the LORD.

28 And all that Samuel the seer, and Saul the son of Kish, and Abner the son of Ner, and Joab the son of Zeruiah, had dedicated; *and* whosoever °had dedicated *any thing*, *it was* under the hand of Shelomith, and of his brethren.

29 Of the Izharites, Chenaniah and his sons *were* for the *outside the Temple* business over Israel, for °officers and judges.

30 *And* of the Hebronites, Hashabiah and his brethren, *sons of valour*, a thousand and seven hundred, *were* officers among them of Israel on this side Jordan westward in all the business of the LORD, and in the service of the king.

31 Among the Hebronites *was* Jerijah the *head*, *even* among the Hebronites, according to the generations of his fathers. In the fortieth year of the reign of David they

14 Shelemiah. The Meshelemiah of v. 1. See note on 25. 11.

15 house of Asuppim = the treasuries (from Heb. 'asaph, to gather). Cp. 2 Chron. 25. 24, where Joash took what was in Obed-edom's charge. So named because of the two gates called Asuppim.

16 Shallecheth = a casting up. Occurs only here, and Isa. 6. 13. Another gate made by Solomon (1 Kings 10. 5. 2 Chron. 9. 4).

the causeway of the going up. Made by Solomon (1 Kings 10. 5. 2 Chron. 9. 4). Connected with "Millo", between Zion (Jebus) and Moriah.

18 Parbar. Another gate connected with this causeway. Cp. 2 Kings 23. 11, rendered "suburbs". Cp. 2 Kings 11. 16.

20 of the Levites, Ahijah was. The Sept. reads "the Levites their brethren were" (reading *Ahikem* instead of Ahijah).

treasures = treasuries. There were several in divers places, with various names. **dedicated** = holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

21 chief fathers = heads of the fathers. **24 Shebuel.** See note on 23. 16.

27 dedicate = set apart. **28 had dedicated.** A practice dating from the time of Moses (Num. 31. 28-47), and Joshua (6. 24).

26: 29--27: 34. APPOINTMENTS.

29 outward business: outside the Temple (Neh. 10. 32-33; 11. 16), as distinguished from the worship within (which was the "business of the house of God". Neh. 11. 22).

officers and judges. See Deut. 16. 18 (same Heb.), 6,000 appointed. Provision made for them in Ex. 18. 13-26.

30 men of valour = sons of valour. Cp. v. 7,

27. 1 children = sons.

chief fathers = heads of the fathers.

captains of thousands. The host comprised all males over twenty. From this were organized twelve divisions of 24,000 men, commanded by twelve of the thirty. David's 600 (1 Sam. 23. 13, &c.) divided into three of 200 each (consisting of ten subdivisions of twenty each, commanded by the "thirty"), commanded by the "three". The commander of the "thirty" was not one of the "three", but next below them. See notes on ch. 11 and 2 Sam. 23.

2 Jashobeam. Cp. 11. 11.

3 Perez = Pharez, son of Judah. See note on 25. 11.

chief = head.

were sought for, and there were found among them mighty men of valour at Jazer of Gilead.

32 And his brethren, men of valour, *were* two thousand and seven hundred *heads of the fathers*, whom king David made rulers over the Reubenites, the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, for every matter pertaining to God, and affairs of the king.

27 Now the *sons* of Israel after their number, *to wit*, the *heads of the fathers* and °captains of thousands and hundreds, and their officers that served the king in any matter of the courses, which came in and went out month by month throughout all the months of the year, of every course *were* twenty and four thousand.

2 Over the first course for the first month *was* °Jashobeam the son of Zabdiel: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

3 Of the *sons* of *Pharez, son of Judah* *was* the *head* of all the captains of the host for the first month.

4 And over the course of the second month

was **Dodo** an Ahohite, and of his course was Mikloth also the **divisional officer**: in his course likewise were twenty and four thousand.

5 The third captain of the host for the third month was ^oBenaiah the son of **Jehoiada the priest-- a head**: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

6 This is that Benaiah, who was mighty **a hero of thirty**, and above the thirty: and in his course was Ammizabad his son.

7 The fourth **captain** for the fourth month was Asahel the brother of Joab, and Zebadiah his son after him: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

8 The fifth captain for the fifth month was ^oShamhuth the ^oIzrahite: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

9 The sixth **captain** for the sixth month was ^oIra the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

10 The seventh **captain** for the seventh month was ^oHelez the Pelonite, of the **sons** of Ephraim: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

11 The eighth **captain** for the eighth month was ^oSibbecai the Hushathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

12 The ninth **captain** for the ninth month was Abiezer the Anetothite, of the Benjamites: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

13 The tenth **captain** for the tenth month was Maharai the Netophathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

14 The eleventh **captain** for the eleventh month was Benaiah the Pirathonite, of the **sons** of Ephraim: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

15 The twelfth **captain** for the twelfth month was ^oHeldai the Netophathite, of Othniel: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

16 Furthermore over ^othe tribes of Israel: the ruler of the Reubenites was Eliezer the son of Zichri: of the Simeonites, Shephatiah the son of Maachah:

17 Of the Levites, Hashabiah the son of Kemuel: of the Aaronites, Zadok:

18 Of Judah, ^oElihu, one of the brethren of David: of Issachar, Omri the son of Michael:

19 Of Zebulun, Ishmaiah the son of Obadiah: of Naphtali, Jerimoth the son of Azriel:

20 Of the **sons** of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Azaziah: of the half tribe of Manasseh, Joel the son of Pedaiah:

21 Of the half **tribe** of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the son of Zechariah: of Benjamin, Jaasiel the son of Abner:

22 Of Dan, Azareel the son of Jeroham. These were the princes of the tribes of Israel.

4 **Dodai** = Dodo (2 Sam. 23. 9). See note on 25. 11.

ruler = divisional officer. **5** **Benaiah**. Cp. 11. 22-25. 2 Sam. 23. 20-23. **chief priest**. Read "Jehoiada the priest"—a head (1 Kings 4. 4).

6 **among** = "a hero [of] thirty". **8** **Shamhuth** = Shammah (2 Sam. 23. 11), and Sham-moth (11. 27), and see note on 25. 11. **Izrahite**. Cp. 25. 11.

9 **Ira**. One of the thirty (see 11. 28 and 2 Sam. 23. 26).

10 **Helez**. Cp. 2 Sam. 23. 26. **11** **Sibbecai**. Cp. 11. 29 and 2 Sam. 21. 18. **15** **Heldai**. Cp. 11. 30. Heled, 2 Sam. 23. 29 (Hildai, see note on 25. 11).

16 **the tribes of Israel**. Each tribe had a ruler, called (v. 22) "the princes of the tribes":

1. The first four sons of Leah, in order of their birth.

2. Issachar and Zebulun, fifth and sixth (Gen. 30. 18, 20).

Thus the first six are Leah's sons. Her maid Zilpah's (Gad and Asher) not mentioned. Then Naphtali (Bilhah, Rachel's maid). Then Ephraim and Manasseh (Rachel's, through Joseph). Then Benjamin (Rachel's other son). Dan comes last! See note on Gen. 49. 17.

18 **Elihu**. Probably Eliab (2. 13), Jesse's eldest son (1 Sam. 16. 6).

23 **not the number**. Only the fighting men. See 21. 5 and 2 Sam. 24. 9.

the stars of the heavens. Fig *Paroemia*. Ap. 6. See note on Gen. 15. 5.

24 **there fell wrath**. Cp. 21. 6, 7.

25 **over the king's treasures**. There were twelve of these stewards.

treasures = treasuries.

castles = fortresses.

30 **Ishmaelite**. Camels appropriately committed to him.

23 But David took ^onot the number of them from twenty years old and under [**only the fighting men**]: because the LORD had said **He** would increase Israel like to the stars of the heavens.

24 Joab the son of Zeruah began to number, but he finished not, because ^othere fell wrath for it against Israel; neither was the number put in the account of the chronicles of king David.

25 And [**twelve stewards**] over the king's **treasuries** was Azmaveth the son of Adiel: and over the storehouses in the fields, in the cities, and in the villages, and in the castles, was Jehonathan the son of Uziah:

26 And over them that did the work of the field for tillage of the ground was Ezri the son of Chelub:

27 And over the vineyards was Shimei the Ramathite: over the increase of the vineyards for the wine cellars was Zabdi the Shiphmite:

28 And over the olive trees and the sycomore trees that were in the low plains was Baal-hanan the Gederite: and over the cellars of oil was Joash:

29 And over the herds that fed in Sharon was Shitrai the Sharonite: and over the herds that were in the valleys was Shaphat the son of Adlai:

30 Over the camels also was Obil the ^oIshmaelite: and over the asses was Jehdeiah the Meronothite:

31 And over the flocks was Jaziz the Hagerite. All these were the rulers of the substance which was king David's.

32 Also Jonathan ^oDavid's uncle was a counsellor, *a man of understanding*, and a scribe: and Jehiel the son of Hachmoni *was* with the king's sons:

33 And Ahithophel *was* the king's counsellor: and Hushai the Archite *was* the king's companion:

34 And after Ahithophel *was* Jehoiada the son of Benaiah, and Abiathar: and the *prince* of the king's *host* *was* Joab.

28 And David *mustered* all the ^oprinces of Israel, the princes of the tribes, and the *princes* of the companies that ministered to the king by course, and the *princes* over the thousands, and *princes* over the hundreds, and the ^ostewards over all the substance and possession of the king, and of his sons, with the officers, and with the mighty men, and with all the valiant men, unto Jerusalem.

2 Then David the king ^ostood up upon his feet, and said, "Hear me, my brethren, and my people: *As for me*, I had in mine heart to build an house of rest for ^othe ark of the covenant of the LORD, *even* for ^othe footstool of our God [the Ark], and had made ready for the building:

3 But God said unto me, 'Thou shalt not build an house for My name, because thou *hast been* a man of war, and hast shed blood.'

4 Howbeit the LORD God of Israel ^ochose me before all the house of my father to be king over Israel for ever: for He hath ^ochosen Judah *to be* the ruler; and of the house of Judah, the house of my father; and among the sons of my father He liked me to make *me* king over all Israel:

5 And of all my sons, (for the LORD hath given me many sons,) He hath ^ochosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel.

6 And ^oHe said unto me, 'Solomon thy son, he shall build My house and My courts: for I have chosen him *to be* My son, and I will be his father.

7 Moreover I will establish his kingdom for ever, if he be constant to do My commandments and My judgments, as at this day.'

8 Now therefore in the sight of all Israel the *assembly* of the LORD, and in the audience of our God, keep and ^oseek for all the commandments of the LORD your God: that ye may possess this good land, and leave *it* for an inheritance for your *sons* after you for ever.

9 And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve Him with a perfect heart and with a willing *soul*: for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek Him, He will be found of thee; but if thou forsake Him, He will cast thee off for ever.

10 ^oTake heed now; for the LORD hath ⁵chosen thee to build an house for the sanctuary: be strong, and do *it*."

32 David's uncle. In 20, 7 and 2 Sam. 21. 21 Jonathan is the son of Shimea, David's brother. The Heb. *dad* may thus be used of a brother's son as well as a father's brother's son. **a wise man** = a man of understanding.

34 general = prince. **army** = host.

28: 1--29: 22. INTENTION TO BUILD THE TEMPLE.

28: 1--29: 8. Preparation. Persons.
29: 9. Joy.
29: 10-20. Preparation. Devotions.
29: 21, 22-. Feasting.

28: 1--29: 8. PREPARATIONS.

28: 1. Princes. Gifts.
28: 2-8. People addressed.
29: 9, 10. Solomon charged.
28: 11-19. The pattern delivered.
28: 20, 21. Solomon charged.
29: 1-5. People addressed.
29: 6-8. Princes. Gifts.

1 assembled = convoked, or mustered. **princes of Israel.** Cp. 27. 16-22. **captains** = princes (throughout the chapter). See note on 27. 1.

stewards. Cp. 27. 25-31. Each body consisted of twelve persons. **Ap. 10.**

2 stood up upon his feet. Note David's three attitudes: lying on the earth as a *penitent* (2 Sam. 12. 16. Cp. Ps. 51); sitting before Jehovah as a *worshipper* (2 Sam. 7. 18. 1 Chron. 17. 16); and standing on his feet as a *servant* (28, 2). **the ark.** See note on 13. 3 and Ex. 25. 22.

and = even. **the footstool of our God** = the Ark. Fig *Anthropopathia.* **Ap. 6.** **God.** Heb. Elohim. **Ap. 4. I.**

4 chose me. Cp. 1 Sam. 16. 12. **chosen Judah.** Cp. Gen. 49. 10.

5 chosen Solomon. Cp. 22. 9. 2 Sam. 12. 25.

6 He said unto me. Cp. 22. 9. 2 Sam. 7. 13, 14.

8 congregation = assembly as in v. 1. **seek.** Heb. *darash.* See notes on 10. 13, 14. 1 Sam. 28. 6, 7. **children** = sons.

9 mind = soul. Heb. *nephesh.* **Ap. 13.**

10 Take heed, &c. The 11th *Seder* begins here, and ends with 2 Chron. 2. 2. See note on p. 366.

28: 11-19. THE PATTERN DELIVERED.

11-. The pattern given *by* David.
-11, 12. The house and its parts.
13. The service of the house.
14-18. The house and its furniture.
19. The pattern given *to* David.

11 the pattern. Same word as of Tabernacle to Moses (Ex. 25. 9, 40: See Heb. 9. 5). **thereof:** i.e. of the sanctuary.

mercy seat = the propitiatory. See note on Ex. 25. 17.

12 by the Spirit. Heb. "by the Spirit (*ruach.* **Ap. 9**) with (or in) me". The pattern without, and the worship within, all of God. Nothing can be offered in worship but what comes from God (John 4. 24). Therefore said to be built by David in *intention*, and by Solomon in *fact*.

chambers = attached chambers.

11 Then David gave to Solomon his son ^othe pattern of the porch, and of the houses *of the Sanctuary*, and of the treasures thereof, and of the upper chambers thereof, and of the inner parlours thereof, and of the place of the ^omercy seat [the propitiatory],

12 And ¹¹the pattern of all that he had *by the Spirit in me*, of the courts of the house of the LORD, and of all the *attached chambers* round about,

of the treasuries of the house of God, and of the treasuries of the *holy* things:

13 Also for the courses of the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of the house of the LORD, and for all the vessels of service in the house of the LORD.

14 *He gave* of gold by weight for *things* of gold, for all instruments of all manner of service; *silver also* for all instruments of silver by weight, for all instruments of every kind of service:

15 Even the weight for the *lampstands* of gold, and for their lamps of gold, by weight for every *lampstand*, and for the lamps thereof: and for the *lampstands* of silver by weight, *both* for the *lampstand*, and *also* for the lamps thereof, according to the use of every *lampstand*.

16 And by weight *he gave* gold for the tables of shewbread, for every table; and *likewise* silver for the tables of silver:

17 Also pure gold for the fleshhooks, and the bowls, and the cups: and for the golden *covered bowls* *he gave* gold by weight for every *covered bowl*; and *likewise* silver by weight for every *covered bowl* of silver:

18 And for the altar of incense refined gold by weight; and gold for the pattern of the chariot *even* the cherubims, that spread out *their wings*, and covered the ark of the covenant of the LORD.

19 "All *this*," *said David*, "the LORD made me understand in writing by *His* hand upon me, *even* all the works of this pattern."

20 And David said to Solomon his son, "Be strong and of good courage, and do *it*: fear not, nor be dismayed: for the LORD God, *even* my God, *will be* with thee; **He** will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.

21 And, behold, the courses of the priests and the Levites, *even they shall be with thee* for all the service of the house of God: and *there shall be* with thee for all manner of workmanship every willing skilful man, for any manner of service: also the princes and all the People *will be* wholly at thy commandment."

29 Furthermore David the king said unto all the *assembly*, "Solomon my son, *the one whom* alone God ^ohath chosen, *is yet* ^oyoung and tender, and the work *is* great: for ^othe palace *is* not for man, but for the LORD God.

2 Now I have prepared with all my might for the house of my God the ^ogold for *things to be made* of gold, ^oand the silver for *things* of silver, and the brass for *things* of brass, the iron for *things* of iron, and wood for *things* of wood; ^oonyx stones, and *stones* to be set, glistening stones, and of divers colours, and all manner of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance.

dedicated = holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5. **15 candlesticks** = lampstands. **17 basons** = covered bowls. **18 of** = even. Genitive of Apposition. See Ap. 17. **20 Be strong, and of a good courage.** See note on Deut. 31. 7. **He will not fail thee.** See notes on Deut. 4. 31; 31. 6. 31

29. 1 congregation. Same word as in 28. 8. **whom** = the one whom. **hath chosen.** Cp. 22. 9. 2 Sam. 12. 25. **young and tender.** Cp. 22. 5. **the palace.** Heb. *birah*. Used only here and v. 19. Est. 1. 2, 5; 2. 3, 5, 8, 15; 8. 14; 9. 6, 11, 12. Neh. 1. 1; 2. 8; 7. 2. Dan. 8. 2. The name for a Persian royal palace, which shows the date of these hooks. (See note on "drams", v. 7), and why it is found among the *K'thubim*, or later books (and not with the historical books); and why Daniel is there too (and not among the prophets). **2 gold . . . silver . . . brass . . . iron.** Put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Cause), Ap. 6, for what is made from them. The Fig. is completed by the words in italics.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* (Ap. 6), to emphasize the fifteen gifts of grace (3 x 5, see Ap. 10). **onyx.** Cp. Gen. 2. 12. Ex. 25. 7; 28. 9. **3 I have of mine own proper good** = Seeing I have a treasure of mine own. Omit the word "which". **mine own proper good.** Heb. only one word, *s^egullah* = personal treasure. Occurs only in Ex. 19. 5. Deut. 7. 6; 14. 2; 26. 18. 1 Chron. 29. 3. Ps. 135. 4. Ecc. 2. 8. Mal. 3. 17 (see margin). **over and above.** Cp. 22. 14. **holy.** See note on Ex. 3. 5.

4 houses. Cp. 28. 11.

5 to consecrate. See notes on Ex. 28. 41. Lev. 9. 17.

6 chief = prince. See note on 27. 16.

7 drams. Heb. *'adarkonim, darics*. Only here, and Ezra 27. A Persian coin probably so called from the appellative "Darius" = the king's coin (like English "sovereign"). Indicates date of book. See note on "the palace", v. 1, and consult Ap. 51. I. 1, p. 73.

8 by the hand = unto the hand: i.e. under the direction of. Lit. "[laying them] upon the hand".

3 Moreover, because I have set my affection to the house of my God, *Seeing I have a treasure of mine own*, of gold and silver, . . . I have given to the house of my God, ^oover and above all that I have prepared for the ^oholy house,

4 *Even* three thousand talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and seven thousand talents of refined silver, to overlay the walls of the ^ohouses *withal*:

5 The gold for *things* of ²gold, and the silver for *things* of silver, and for all manner of work *to be made* by the hands of artificers. And who *then* is willing ^oto consecrate his service this day unto the LORD?"

6 Then the ¹*heads* of the fathers and princes of the tribes of Israel, and the captains of thousands and of hundreds, with the rulers of the king's work, offered willingly,

7 And gave for the service of the house of God of gold five thousand talents and ten thousand ^odrams, and of silver ten thousand talents, and of brass eighteen thousand talents, and one hundred thousand talents of iron.

8 And they with whom *precious* stones were found gave *them* to the treasure of the house of the LORD, *under the direction* of Jehiel the Gershonite.

9 Then the People rejoiced, for that they offered willingly, because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the LORD: and David the king also *rejoiced exceedingly*.

10 Wherefore David blessed the LORD before all the *assembly*: and David said, "Blessed be Thou, LORD God of Israel our father, for ever and ever.

11 Thine, O LORD, *is* the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all *that is* in the heaven and in the earth *is Thine*; Thine *is* the kingdom, O LORD, and Thou art exalted as head above all.

12 Both riches and honour come of Thee, and Thou reignest over all; and in Thine hand *is* power and might; and in Thine hand *it is* to make great, and to give strength unto all.

13 Now therefore, our God, we thank Thee, and praise Thy glorious name.

14 But ^{*}who *am* I, and what *is* my People, that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? for all things *come* of Thee, and of Thine own have we given Thee.

15 For ^owe *are* strangers before Thee, and sojourners, as *were* all our fathers: our days on the earth *are* as a shadow, and *there is no hope of continuance*.

16 O LORD our God, all this store that we have prepared to build Thee an house for Thine ^holy name *cometh* of Thine hand, and *is* all Thine own.

17 I know also, my God, that Thou ^otriest the heart, and hast pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen with joy Thy People, which *are found* here, to offer willingly unto Thee.

18 O LORD God of ^oAbraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of Thy People, and prepare their heart unto Thee:

19 And give unto Solomon my son a perfect heart, to keep Thy commandments, Thy testimonies, and Thy statutes, and to do all *these things*, and to build the palace, *for* the which I have made provision."

20 And David said to all the *assembly*, "Now bless the LORD your God." And all the *assembly* blessed the LORD God of their fathers, and bowed down their heads, and *did homage to* the LORD, and the king.

21 And they ^osacrificed sacrifices unto the LORD, and *offered up* burnt offerings unto the LORD, on the morrow after that day, *even* a thousand bullocks, a thousand rams, and a thousand lambs, with their drink offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel:

22 And *they did eat* and drink before the LORD on that day with great gladness. And they made Solomon the son of David king ^othe second time, and anointed *him* unto the LORD *to be* the chief governor, and Zadok *to be* priest.

9 rejoiced with great joy = rejoiced exceedingly. Fig. *Polyptoton* (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

29: 10-20. PREPARATION. DEVOTIONS.

10 David said. A wonderful ascription of praise follows, tracing all good to Jehovah's sovereign grace.

11 greatness. Cp. Ps. 145. 3.

and. Note the Fig. *Polysyndeton* in vv. 11-13, fourteen "ands", (including "Both" (v. -2) and "Now" (v. 12) placing great emphasis on the fifteen separate clauses of praise and prayer.

power. Cp. v. 12 and Ps. 21. 13.

glory. Cp. v. 13. Ps. 96. 6 ("beauty"). **victory.** Cp. 1 Sam. 15. 29 ("Strength").

majesty. Cp. Ps. 21. 5 ("honour").

12 of Thee. Heb. from thy face. Fig. *Anthropopatieia*. Ap. 6.

14 who am I. . . ? See note on 2 Sam. 7. 18.

15 we are strangers. Cp. Pss. 39. 12; 119. 19.

none abiding = no hope of continuance.

17 triest the heart. Cp. 28. 9. 1 Sam. 16. 7. **present** = found.

18 Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel. See note on Ex. 32. 13.

20 congregation = assembly. **worshipped** = did homage to. Heb. *shahah*. First occurrence in Gen. 18. 2.

21 sacrificed sacrifices. Ap. 43. I. iv, and 43. II. xii.

offered = offered up. **22- did eat** = they did eat.

-22-25. SOLOMON. SECOND INVESTITURE.

-22 the second time. The first is recorded in 23. 1 and 1 Kings 1. 39.

Zadok. Solomon completed this act of David by removing Abiathar after David's death (1 Kings 2. 27)

24 submitted. Heb. gave the hand unto: "hand" being put by Fig. *Metonymy* (of Adjunct), Ap. 6, for the submission implied by it. Cp. 2 Chron. 30. 8.

25 bestowed. Cp. 1 Kings 3. 13. 2Chron. 1. 12. Ecc. 2. 9. **in** = over.

26-30. EVENTS. IN SUM (DAVID).

23 Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD as king instead of David his father, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him.

24 And all the princes, and the mighty men, and all the sons likewise of king David, ^osubmitted themselves unto Solomon the king.

25 And the LORD magnified Solomon exceedingly in the sight of all Israel, and ^obestowed upon him *such* royal majesty as had not been on any king before him in Israel.

26 Thus David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel.

27 And the time that he reigned over Israel *was* forty years; seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three *years* reigned he in Jerusalem.

28 And he died in a good old age, *satisfied with* days, riches, and honour: and Solomon his son reigned in his stead.

29 Now the acts of David the king, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the book of Samuel *a seer of visions*, and in the book of Nathan ^othe prophet, and in the book of Gad *a seer*,

30 With all his reign and his *royal estate*, and *the events that happened in the times* that went over him, and over Israel, and over all the kingdoms of the countries.