

## The First Book of the Chronicles

### CHAPTER VIII.

The advent, Peiser reigneth, the confounding of the enemies.

**A**ND it came to pass in the year of our Lord 1908, that under the portals of the Tech entered many strange faces.

2. And not long had they been of the Tech, before many times came they together, even without the knowledge of the Fathers, and laid plans to wage a mighty war against the tribe known as the tribe of the Sophomores.

3. And on the night of September 14th the cohorts of the faithful smote the enemy hip and thigh, and all night the battle waged; even unto the morning.

4. But even from out of the night came the Assyrians, many were they in numbers, armed were

risen in the heavens for nine times, one of the masters called them into assemblage and they listened to words of wisdom. Then from out their number they chose one, Peiser by name, to reign over them from thenceforth.

10. And to aid him there were chosen others, Mesny, Roller, and White from out of the tribe and these were to conduct all the business.

11. And White having departed ere long, Babcock was chosen in his stead.

12. And things had proceeded thus for some time, and strength returned to their knees and courage to their stomach, and they sallied forth to vie in feats of skill and strength with the other tribes of the Tech.

13. And the strong men of the tribe having proved their prowess in deeds of valor were marked with the number '12, that they might be known from among their brethren.



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they with clubs and stars, and they came in chariots of vast size; of a size even to encompass many of the Faithful.

5. Their coming was heralded by the clanging of cymbals, and they led into bondage three score and seventeen.

6. On the break of the next day there came unto the house of bondage one Samaritan, Foreman by name, and with shekels of gold and silver, he offered up ransom.

7. Then from out of the house of bondage, came the number three score and seventeen and departed thence even unto the Tech, and there were received by the masters who spake unto them words of wrath and indignation.

8. And even on the same day went the same three score and seventeen unto the house of the Assyrians, and the king of the Assyrians demanded from each and all five shekels of silver, as offerings, to release them from all bondage.

9. And it came to pass that, when the sun had

14. And for four hours of every night they labored on themes, and clothed their thoughts in most difficult figures.

15. And to lift this heavy burden, and to go not forever on their weary way, they went forth adorned in finest raiment to the house of Lakeside.

16. Here they assembled in many numbers, even with the other tribes, to make merry amid the sounds of trumpets.

17. With the sons came many beautiful daughters and even unto the midnight they stayed and rejoiced.

18. And in the month of May it came to pass that the ordeal known to all the tribes as finals was put upon them.

19. And many were there who went without sleep that they might seek wisdom in the ways of Math and Chemistry.

20. And even as the ordeal came upon them so passed it away, and the faithful went apart to the homes of their fathers, where they were met, even as the prodigal son, with feasting and song.