

often uses the "that", in other words, to look forward instead of backward. We, in English, perhaps would be more apt to use "this" in that sense but neither one of them is altogether in accord with our usual English idiom. However, it seems to me that this usage is probably what the Hebrew has in mind that the prophet is meaning "in the day of which I am about to speak" something will happen." In That day, the day to which I will now look, the day to which I will now call your attention, a certain day which will come in the future. In other words, we might simply paraphrase it as, There will be a day when such and such ^{a thing} will happen.

The third possible usage is to take it as a technical phrase. This is done by many. They say when we find a phrase "in that day" we mean in one particular day which is always referred to in the ~~original~~ Old Testament whenever this particular phrase is used. Now I do not mean to suggest that such a usage as technical phrases is altogether unnatural or impossible. In fact it is rather common in human speech to develop such technical phrases. This has been done with this very phrase "that day" or "the day." Between about 1900 and 1914 there were many in Germany, particularly in the German Navy, who felt that England was away ahead of Germany and that Germany should be brought up to an equality with England. They felt that England ruled the seas and held a great empire, while Germany, with its great multitudes of people were compressed into a small area of the land's surface. They felt that a day must come in which they would drag England from her high position and put Germany on an equality with her. Consequently, the phrase "the day" or in German, "der tag" came to be used among German Naval officers referring to the particular day when this would happen. We are told that they would have toasts to "der tag". This usage, as far as I know, has never recurred since the 1914-1918 war. At least, I have never heard any evidence of the phrase being used in that sense since. However, it seems to have been frequent among German naval officers before in that sense. This is the sense in which certain