

Ancient's Strange Ideas

Regarding Earthquakes

If we search history to find to what causes the ancient attributed earthquakes we find that the Babylonians believed that all occurrences of the kind were due to the influence of the stars, especially of the three to which they ascribed thunder—Jupiter, Saturn, Jupiter and Mars. The seers of the day believed that these disturbances were caused by the stars moving with the sun, or being in conjunction with it, more particularly when the stars were in the equatorial region.

Pliny chronicles the report concerning the earthquake which destroyed the city of Herculaneum, a Roman city, which was buried under a mountain of lava. And legend has it that the city was never afterwards destroyed. Cicero also refers to this earthquake.

Pliny, who wrote his natural history in A. D. 77, conceived that earthquakes were caused by the wind, or the earth trembled except when the sea was calm, and when the heavens were so tranquil that the birds could maintain their flight, all the air which should support them being withdrawn.

Pliny says: "When an earthquake occurs there is often sound without any motion. When there is motion it is tremulous and vibratory. The quakes of the earth sometimes remain, displaying what has been swallowed up, sometimes concealing it, the mouth being closed and the soil brought over the city being, as it were, engulfed, drowned. Maritime districts are more especially subject to shocks. Nor are mountainous districts exempt. I have found the Alps and the Apennines frequently shaken by them. The quakes happen more frequently in the autumn and the spring. They also happen more frequently in the night than in the day. The greatest shocks are in the morning and the evening, but they often take place at daybreak. They also take place during eclipses of the moon, because at that time, storms are rife. They are most frequent when great heat succeeds to showers or showers succeed to great heat."

Pliny further says: "There is no doubt that earthquakes are felt by persons on shipboard. There are many signs for the mariner beforehand, however. The timbers of the vessel creak; the birds that settle on the vessel are not without their alarms. There is also a sign in the heavens, for when a shock is near at hand, either in the daytime or a little after sunset, a cloud is stretched out in the clear sky like a long, thin line. The water in

well is more turbid than usual and it emits a disagreeable odor."

In describing the various kinds of shocks and expanding on his investigations on the subject Pliny remarks that "architects build the walls and the angles of walls and walls made of brick suffer least. The earth movement that resembles the rolling of waves (such as was described concerning the M-sina) is the most dangerous, or when the motion is impelled in one direction."

The tremors of the earth cease when the vapors have burst forth, but if they be no escape of vapor of any kind, the tremors may continue for 10 days. They have been known to continue for two years."

The historian records the greatest "prodigy of the earth" as having occurred in the district of Maffin, during the consulship of Lucius Marius and Sextus Julius, when "two mountains rushed together, falling upon each other with a very loud crash and then receding, while in the distance smoke and vapor issued from them." Pliny says the wonder was witnessed by "a great crowd of Roman knights and travelers along the Aemilian way."

The same writer says: "The greatest earthquake which occurred in our memory was in the reign of Theodosius, by which 12 cities of Asia were laid prostrate in one night. During the Punic war we had accounts of all earthquakes in one year. Nor is it an evil merely consisting in the danger which is produced by the motion; it is an equal or greater evil when it is considered as a prodigy. The city of Rome never experienced a shock that was not the forerunner of some calamity."

Pliny, of course, takes a good many of his accounts from Aristotle, but his references to events are confirmed by other writers. Herodotus describes a great disturbance in his day, when "the sea came beyond Memphis, as far as the mountains of Ethiopia, and also from the plains of Arabia. The sea also surrounded Ilion and the whole of Teuthrania and covered the plain through which the Meander flows." Pliny makes actual mention of one of the Aemilian islands having "emerged from the sea." According to recent cables, it has gone back to the sea, nearly 1,500 years later. It was a matter of common belief among the scientists of Pliny's day that Sicily was torn from Italy by such a disturbance.

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HUTS OF IRON.

Along the Bosnian and Herzegovinian frontier is a series of ironclad, bullet-proof huts, with loopholes set in shutters, and massive doors. These are the barracks of the Austrian frontier guards, and the invulnerable style of their architecture shows how highly peace hovers over these regions. In the midst of the summer time life in one of these barracks must be anything but a thing to be desired.

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able location are these huts rendered safe from attack. More or less attached to these barracks are a number of Hercegovinian and Bosnian villages and towns. It is the duty of these

men—who are in the pay of Austria—to report all movements of troops or bodies of men of any description, in Albania and Montenegro, each but is partitioned by eight or ten men.

and such posts are found not only along the frontier, but even in the interior districts of Bosnia and Herzegovina. These barracks are known as "Voelkner barracks," from the name

of their inventor, an officer—Ustend. Mercery's Livery Stables, Both phones 81

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\$1.50 GOWNS, \$1.10	\$4.50 GOWNS, \$2.50
\$1.75 GOWNS, \$1.30	\$5.00 GOWNS, \$2.50
\$2.00 GOWNS, \$1.50	\$5.50 GOWNS, \$2.50
\$2.25 GOWNS, \$1.75	\$6.00 GOWNS, \$2.50
\$2.50 GOWNS, \$1.90	\$6.50 GOWNS, \$2.50
\$2.75 GOWNS, \$2.10	\$7.00 GOWNS, \$2.50
\$3.00 GOWNS, \$2.25	\$7.50 GOWNS, \$2.50
\$3.25 GOWNS, \$2.40	AND UP TO \$12.00

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\$1.50 SKIRTS, \$1.10	\$5.50 SKIRTS, \$4.50	\$1.00 SKIRTS, 75c
\$1.75 SKIRTS, \$1.30	\$6.00 SKIRTS, \$4.50	\$1.25 SKIRTS, 90c
\$2.00 SKIRTS, \$1.50	\$6.50 SKIRTS, \$4.50	\$1.50 SKIRTS, \$1.10
\$2.25 SKIRTS, \$1.75	\$7.00 SKIRTS, \$4.50	\$1.75 SKIRTS, \$1.30
\$2.50 SKIRTS, \$1.90	\$7.50 SKIRTS, \$4.50	\$2.00 SKIRTS, \$1.50
\$2.75 SKIRTS, \$2.10	\$8.00 SKIRTS, \$4.50	\$2.25 SKIRTS, \$1.75
\$3.00 SKIRTS, \$2.25	\$8.50 SKIRTS, \$4.50	\$2.50 SKIRTS, \$1.90
\$3.25 SKIRTS, \$2.40	\$9.00 SKIRTS, \$4.50	\$2.75 SKIRTS, \$2.10
\$3.50 SKIRTS, \$2.55	\$9.50 SKIRTS, \$4.50	\$3.00 SKIRTS, \$2.25
\$3.75 SKIRTS, \$2.70	\$10.00 SKIRTS, \$4.50	\$3.25 SKIRTS, \$2.40
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40c DRAWERS, 35c	\$2.50 DRAWERS, \$1.50
45c DRAWERS, 40c	\$2.75 DRAWERS, \$1.50
\$1.00 DRAWERS, 75c	\$3.00 DRAWERS, \$1.50
\$1.25 DRAWERS, 90c	\$3.25 DRAWERS, \$1.50
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30c DRAWERS, 25c	30c DRAWERS, 20c
35c DRAWERS, 30c	35c DRAWERS, 25c
40c DRAWERS, 35c	40c DRAWERS, 30c
45c DRAWERS, 40c	45c DRAWERS, 35c
50c DRAWERS, 45c	50c DRAWERS, 40c
55c DRAWERS, 50c	55c DRAWERS, 45c
60c DRAWERS, 55c	60c DRAWERS, 50c
65c DRAWERS, 60c	65c DRAWERS, 55c
70c DRAWERS, 65c	70c DRAWERS, 60c
75c DRAWERS, 70c	75c DRAWERS, 65c
80c DRAWERS, 75c	80c DRAWERS, 70c
85c DRAWERS, 80c	85c DRAWERS, 75c
90c DRAWERS, 85c	90c DRAWERS, 80c
95c DRAWERS, 90c	95c DRAWERS, 85c
1.00c DRAWERS, 95c	1.00c DRAWERS, 90c

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25c Corset Covers, 20c	\$2.25 Corset Covers, \$1.75
30c Corset Covers, 25c	\$2.50 Corset Covers, \$1.75
35c Corset Covers, 30c	\$2.75 Corset Covers, \$1.75
40c Corset Covers, 35c	\$3.00 Corset Covers, \$1.75
45c Corset Covers, 40c	\$3.25 Corset Covers, \$1.75
50c Corset Covers, 45c	\$3.50 Corset Covers, \$1.75
55c Corset Covers, 50c	\$3.75 Corset Covers, \$1.75
60c Corset Covers, 55c	\$4.00 Corset Covers, \$1.75
65c Corset Covers, 60c	\$4.25 Corset Covers, \$1.75
70c Corset Covers, 65c	\$4.50 Corset Covers, \$1.75
75c Corset Covers, 70c	\$4.75 Corset Covers, \$1.75
80c Corset Covers, 75c	\$5.00 Corset Covers, \$1.75
85c Corset Covers, 80c	\$5.25 Corset Covers, \$1.75
90c Corset Covers, 85c	\$5.50 Corset Covers, \$1.75
95c Corset Covers, 90c	\$5.75 Corset Covers, \$1.75
1.00c Corset Covers, 95c	AND UP TO \$10.00

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60c CHEMISE, 50c	\$8.00 CHEMISE, \$6.00
70c CHEMISE, 60c	\$8.50 CHEMISE, \$6.00
80c CHEMISE, 70c	\$9.00 CHEMISE, \$6.00
90c CHEMISE, 80c	\$9.50 CHEMISE, \$6.00
1.00c CHEMISE, 90c	\$10.00 CHEMISE, \$6.00
1.10c CHEMISE, 1.00c	\$10.50 CHEMISE, \$6.00
1.20c CHEMISE, 1.10c	\$11.00 CHEMISE, \$6.00
1.30c CHEMISE, 1.20c	\$11.50 CHEMISE, \$6.00
1.40c CHEMISE, 1.30c	\$12.00 CHEMISE, \$6.00
1.50c CHEMISE, 1.40c	\$12.50 CHEMISE, \$6.00
1.60c CHEMISE, 1.50c	\$13.00 CHEMISE, \$6.00
1.70c CHEMISE, 1.60c	\$13.50 CHEMISE, \$6.00
1.80c CHEMISE, 1.70c	\$14.00 CHEMISE, \$6.00
1.90c CHEMISE, 1.80c	\$14.50 CHEMISE, \$6.00
2.00c CHEMISE, 1.90c	AND UP TO \$18.00

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