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GREAT EARTHQUAKES AND FIRES

A writer in the Denver News presents the following list of "The World's Greatest Earthquakes:"

- 63 A. D.—Herculaneum and Pompeii partially destroyed by violent shock.
- 105—Four Asiatic, two Grecian and two Galatian cities overturned.
- 358—Nicomedia destroyed, with all its inhabitants.
- 557—Thousands perished in Constantinople.
- 742—Over 500 towns destroyed in Syria, Palestine and Asia; awful loss of life.
- 1137—At Catania, Sicily, 15,000 buried in the ruins.
- 1158—In Syria, 20,000 perished.
- 1186—A Calabrian city and all its inhabitants overwhelmed in the Adriatic.
- 1268—In Cilicia, 60,000 perished.
- 1456—Naples, 40,000 killed.
- 1531—Lisbon, 30,000 buried in city's ruins.
- 1596—Thousands perished in Japan.
- 1626—Thirty towns near Naples destroyed; 70,000 killed.
- 1667—At Schmaki, 80,000 perished in shocks within three months.
- 1682—Port Royal, Jamaica, destroyed; 3,000 lost.
- 1693—Fifty-four cities and towns and 300 villages destroyed in Sicily; 100,000 lives lost.
- 1703—Jeddo, Japan, ruined; 200,000 dead.
- 1716—At Algiers, 20,000 dead.
- 1731—At Peking, 100,000 swallowed up.
- 1746—Lima and Callao demolished; 18,000 buried in the ruins.
- 1754—At Grand Cairo, 40,000 perished.
- 1755—Kaschan, North Persia, destroyed; 40,000 killed.
- 1755—Lisbon, practically wiped out within eight minutes. Upward of

50,000 perished in the ruins and by being engulfed by a tremendous seismic wave. The shock was felt as far as Scotland, and many cities suffered severely. In Morocco more than 12,000 persons lost their lives.

- 1759—Baalbec, in Syria, destroyed; 20,000 dead.
- 1797—All the country from Santa Fe to Panama shaken; 40,000 dead.
- 1812—At Caracas, 12,000 lives lost.
- 1822—Aleppo destroyed with 20,000 of its inhabitants.
- 1842—At Cape Haytien, Santo Domingo, two-thirds of the town destroyed; 5,000 dead.
- 1857—Over 10,000 killed in Calabria.
- 1868—Many towns in Peru and Ecuador wiped out; 25,000 persons perished.
- 1896—Northwest of Japan 1,000 perished by earthquake and over 20,000 by attendant seismic wave.
- 1905—Northern India, 400 perished.
- 1905—Several towns in Calabria District, 500 killed, thousands rendered homeless.
- 1906—Formosa, 2,000 killed, \$45,000,000 damages.

Following is a list of great fires in the United States:

- Richmond, Va.—Theater, governor and many leading citizens perish; December 26, 1811.
- New York City—600 warehouses destroyed, loss \$20,000,000; December 16, 1835.
- Washington, D. C.—General post-office and patent office burned; December 15, 1836.
- Charleston, S. Co.—1,158 buildings consumed; April 27, 1838.
- New York City—46 buildings burned, loss \$10,000,000; September 6, 1839.
- Pittsburg, Pa.—1,000 buildings, loss \$6,000,000; April 10, 1845.
- New York City—1,300 dwellings destroyed; June 28, 1845.
- New York City—302 stores, four lives, loss \$6,000,000; July 19, 1845.
- Albany, N. Y.—600 buildings, steamboats, piers, etc., loss \$3,000,000; September 9, 1848.
- St. Louis, Mo.—15 blocks of houses, 23 steamboats, loss \$3,000,000; May 17, 1849.
- San Francisco, Cal.—2,500 buildings destroyed, many lives lost, loss \$3,500,000; May 3-5, 1851.
- San Francisco, Cal.—500 buildings, loss \$3,000,000; June 22, 1851.
- Washington, D. C.—35,000 volumes Congressional Library burned; December 24, 1851.
- Syracuse, N. Y.—100 buildings, loss \$1,000,000; November 8, 1856.
- New York City—Crystal Palace and exhibits destroyed; October 5, 1858.
- Portland, Me.—Almost destroyed, 10,000 people made homeless, loss \$15,000,000; July 4, 1866.
- Chicago, Ill.—Great fire, 17,450 buildings and 200 lives lost, 98,750 people made homeless, loss over \$200,000,000; October 8-9, 1871.
- Michigan—Forest fires, 18,000 persons made homeless, villages destroyed, 4,000,000,000 feet of timber destroyed; October, 1871.
- Boston, Mass.—800 buildings destroyed, loss \$80,000,000; November 9, 1872.
- 295 lives lost; December 5, 1876.
- Hoboken, N. J.—Steamship piers, 250 perished; 1900.
- Paterson, N. J.—26 business blocks burned, loss \$10,000,000; February 9, 1902.
- Cincinnati, O.—Pike Opera house, loss \$1,500,000; February 26, 1903.
- Chicago—Iroquois theatre, 572 burned; December 30, 1903.
- Baltimore, Md.—20 lives lost, 550 buildings destroyed, loss \$45,000,000; February 7, 1904.
- New York—Steamer General Slocum, 1,020 perish; June 10, 1904.

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