The Cause of Earthquakes.

"Earthquakes are phenomena that scientists do not yet clearly understand," said Prof. Henry A. Rowland, of the Johns Hopkins University. It is difficult to determine what causes them.

"Some assert that they are caused by waters of the sea pouring into crevices in the earth's crest and thus coming in contact with the fiery elements in the earth's centre. The result of this would be similar to a gigantic boiler explosion.

"Other theorist's hold that earthquakes are caused by a contraction of the earth's crust. The earth is constantly cooling, and it is held that the outer crust necessarily contracts. This is sometimes done by fits and starts, and immense shelves of rocks, portions of the earth's outer skin, or strata, after being subjected to immense pressure, suddenly yield to the strain and overlap each other. Done under great pressure and over a large territory, this causes a disturbance of the earth's surface which is plainly felt and which we call an earthquake. Scientists of today seem generally inclined to this theory.

"No one can predict the coming of an earthquake nor why it is felt in certain localities more than in others except on the theory that disturbances in the crust of the earth are generally regional and the waves sent out die away after a time. These waves move more rapidly than sound and also have about the same horizontal velocity from a heavy as from a light earthquake. This velocity is somewhere in the neighborhood of a mile a second. There is really very slight backward and forward movement of the earth's surface. Such a movement of an inch would throw down nearly every building under which it passed.

"Earthquakes are more frequent in volcanic countries," continued Professor Rowland, "because the earth's crust is thinner there, and not because of the presence of volcanoes. The fact of volcanoes existing is a proof of the thinness of the earth's crust. In Japan, where earthquakes are of frequent occurence, scientists have set themselves to study the phenomena. The seismograph, an instrument especially designed for the purpose, is much used there. It is little used in this country because a railroad train passing within a mile and a half of it disturbs it.

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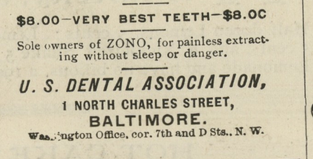
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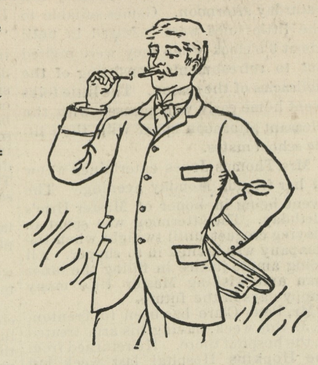
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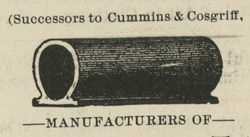
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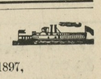
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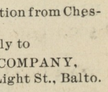
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