

378:9450

F. B. I.

D. Sc. , 1920

COT

378.9450

D.Sc., 1920

COT



Thesis submitted for the  
Degree of Doctor of Science at the  
University of Sydney.

by Leo A. Cotton M.A., B.Sc.

March 1920.



List of the Scientific Contributions by Lee A. Cotton which  
have not been previously presented as a thesis for any degree

- (1) Metasomatic Processes in a Cassiterite Vein from New England.  
Proc. Linn. Soc. N.S.Wales, Vol.XXXIV, 1909.
- (2) Note on the Guyra Lagoon, N.S.W.  
Proc. Linn. Soc. N.S.Wales, Vol.XXXIV, 1909.
- (3) The Tin-deposits of New England, N.S.W.  
Proc. Linn. Soc. N.S.Wales, Vol.XXXIV, 1909.
- (4) The Ore-deposits of Borah Creek, New England District, N.S.W.  
Proc. Linn. Soc. N.S.Wales, Vol. XXXV, 1910.
- (5) (With A.B.Walkom).  
Note on the Relation of the Devonian and Carboniferous Formations west of Tamworth.  
Proc. Linn. Soc. N.S.Wales, Vol.XXXVII, 1912.
- (6) The Diamond Deposits of Copeton, N.S.W.  
Proc. Linn. Soc. N.S.Wales, Vol.XXXIX, 1914.
- (7) Petrological description of some rocks from South Victoria Land.  
Brit. Antarctic Expedn. 1907-9  
Reports on Scientific investigations; Geology, 1916,  
ii part 13, appendix.

Earthquake Frequency with  
special reference to Tidal Stresses  
in the Lithosphere.

by Leo A. Cotton, M.A., B.Sc.



CONTENTS

PART I.

	Pages.
Introduction. . . . .	1 - 9
Earthquake Frequency and Periodicity . . . . .	10 - 171

PART II.

Tidal Stresses in the Lithosphere. . . . .	1 - 33.
List of Text Figures Illustrating Part II. . . . .	.35 - 36
Bibliography. . . . .	37 - 47

APPENDIX A.

Mathematical Analysis. . . . .	48 - 60
--------------------------------	---------

APPENDIX B.

Tables. . . . .	61 - 116
-----------------	----------

EARTHQUAKE FREQUENCY with special reference to the tidal stresses of the lithosphere.



PART I.

Introduction.

From the very earliest times the attention of man has been arrested by earthquake phenomena. This is particularly the case in those countries which have been tormented by disastrous shocks. The Chinese and Japanese records contain frequent references to the destructive effects of the larger shocks and these have provided material for the comprehensive catalogues published by Drake and Milne<sup>16</sup> for these countries.<sup>89</sup> The importance attributed to such events may be well illustrated by reference to the chronology of the Jews. The great earthquake which occurred in the reign of Uzziah<sup>95</sup> was used as a datum point to which subsequent events were long after referred.

Such events could not come and go without arousing curiosity and speculation as to their origin. In uncivilised or semi-barbarous communities these speculations either attributed the cause of earthquakes to the movements of some subterranean monster or to supernatural agencies. Amongst more enlightened peoples a more rational attitude of mind prevailed. For example Aristotle, Pliny and others held the view that the movements were due to imprisoned wind or vapours seeking to escape from beneath the earth<sup>22</sup> - a view, after all, not far removed from the more modern theory of a volcanic origin for earthquakes.

26769. D



As the horizon of man became wider through geographical discovery the intimate relation between the distribution of volcanoes and earthquakes became apparent, and it was natural that earthquake phenomena should be attributed to volcanic energy. This has been the dominant view of the last century and prevailed until its last decade. This may be seen from the view expressed by Milne,<sup>40</sup> the father of modern seismology, as late as 1886. He says, in summarising a discussion on the causes of earthquakes, "Although it would be an easy matter to discuss the relationships of earthquakes and other phenomena, we must conclude that the primary cause of earthquakes is endogenous to our earth, and that exogenous phenomena, like the attractions of the sun and moon and barometric fluctuations play but a small part in the actual production of these phenomena, their greatest effect being to cause a slight preponderance in the number of earthquakes at particular seasons. They may, therefore sometimes be regarded as final causes. The majority of earthquakes are due to explosive efforts at volcanic foci. The greater number of these explosions take place beneath the sea, and are probably due to the admission of water through fissures to the heated rocks beneath. A smaller number of earthquakes originate at actual volcanoes. Some earthquakes are produced by the sudden fracture of rocky strata or the production of faults. This may be attributable to stresses brought about by elevatory pressure. Lastly, we have earthquakes due to the collapse of underground excavations."

(N.B. The italics are not Milne's but mine L.A.C.)  
 Milne, of course, subsequently modified this view but it is here quoted as evidence of the opinion of the most eminent seismologist at that date.

The volcanic theory is now generally abandoned as the chief or even as a very important cause of earthquakes, though it is, of course, admitted in special cases. Some, however, still adhere to the volcanic theory and its chief advocate would now appear to be <sup>88a</sup> See who attributes volcanic and earthquake phenomena to the penetration of sea water to the heated rocks below, and the consequent development of vapour pressure.

Earthquakes are now, however, almost universally recognised as being of tectonic origin. This change in opinion has been brought about chiefly through the labours of E. de Montessus de Ballore <sup>53</sup> and the late Edward Suess. <sup>90a</sup> Both these authorities have demonstrated the intimate relations between lines of crustal weakness and the distribution of earthquake foci. E. de Montessus de Ballore has attacked the problem on a grand scale taking the world for his province. Suess has particularised and demonstrated the relation for such districts as the Murz Line, <sup>90b</sup> Calabria and other <sup>90c</sup> centres.

The most striking demonstrations of the truth of the tectonic theory were afforded by the surface displacements along fault lines during the Mino- <sup>32</sup> Owari, the Assam and the San Francisco <sup>33</sup> Earthquakes.



A great many other workers, amongst whom perhaps / Omori and Davison are pre-eminent, <sup>10, 10a, b, c, d</sup> have since investigated the relation of earthquake centres to fault planes and the tectonic origin of earthquakes may now be regarded as being firmly established.

Although the prime cause of earthquakes is now apparent much remains to be done. One of the chief incentives to the study of earthquakes is the possibility of predicting their occurrence.

The appalling loss of life caused by ~~destruction~~ destructive earthquakes claims the sympathy of all and makes an imperative demand on seismologists to discover ways and means of mitigating their disastrous effects.

<sup>12</sup> Davison has compiled statistics on the death rate of earthquakes and his paper records no less than 1,249,590 deaths due to destructive shocks. <sup>16</sup> Drake records a similar number, 1,430,000 from the records of China alone. Only one earthquake, the Peking earthquakes of 1731 A.D. which caused 100,000 deaths is common to both Davison's and Drake's lists, so that more than two and a half million people are known to have perished as the result of earthquakes. Most of the lives have been lost through the collapse of dwellings and the imprisonment and crushing of <sup>the</sup> unfortunate victims beneath the ruins. In many cases the mortality is very high, often exceeding 50 percent of the population. Nor are the more recent earthquakes the least disastrous. Two of the highest death rates are recorded for the Messina earthquakes of 1908 and the Avezzano earthquake of 1915 in which 65 and 96 per cent of the respective populations perished.

The national importance of research in connection with

seismology has been recognised by the Government of Japan which in 1892 established the Imperial Earthquake Investigation Committee of Japan. The work of this institution has done much to advance our knowledge of seismology. The objects which it seeks are set forth as follows:-

"In the first place to investigate whether there are any means of predicting earthquakes; and in the second place to investigate what can be done to reduce the disastrous effects of earthquake shocks to a minimum, by the choice of proper structures, materials, position, etc.."

A very large measure of success has crowned the second of these endeavours, and it is now possible to design buildings which are practically earthquake proof. Hand in hand with this work the mapping of seismic areas has gone on, and the admirable charts of M. de Montessus de Ballore, Davison and others <sup>10a</sup> <sup>now</sup> serve to indicate the more dangerous seismic regions. Nevertheless the enormous majority of dwellers in earthquake countries still live in houses which are potential tombs in the event of the occurrence of a destructive earthquake; and, since it is not possible for most people to pull down their homes and rebuild earthquake houses, this will undoubtedly remain the case for many years.

It is then on the first object ~~that~~ ~~such~~ of the Earthquake Investigation Committee that such people may depend their hopes. Nor is the future without such hope. For example Hayes and Lawson predicted with some success the Mexican Earthquake of 1907<sup>20</sup>; and Omori has shown by his prediction of the Valparaiso and Formosa earthquakes <sup>20</sup> <sup>74</sup> now, in a very general way, it may be possible within rather wide limits to



to approximate both the time and place of an earthquake. He has also pointed out that in a number of cases there is an increase in seismic activity preceding a disastrous shock so that the study of instrumental seismology may contribute its share to the solution of the problem of the prediction of earthquakes.

Gilbert has written on this subject but, although admitting the feasibility of earthquake prediction, he is disposed to doubt the value of such a prediction should it be found practicable. He assumes that ~~it would result~~ the prediction could never be precise and that it would result in keeping people <sup>in</sup> a state of uncertainty and high nervous tension for considerable periods of time. This, however, would scarcely be the case if the time of the event could be predicted with precision, and its occurrence with a high degree of probability.

88

Schuster too is inclined to doubt the value of earthquake prediction, but for other reasons. It is "the fear of creating panics by premature forecasts" that he conceives to be the difficulty. He says "even if our knowledge should allow us in the future to form predictions of equal certainty (to those of meteorological prediction L.A.C.) the dangers accompanying such predictions may overbalance its benefits". Such a view appears unduly pessimistic. It is based mainly on the possible dislocation of trade and of the manner in which financial interests might be affected. These considerations, however, are surely of minor importance when contrasted with loss of life and physical suffering. One is tempted to think, from the rather <sup>Jocular</sup> ~~humorous~~ <sup>S</sup> setting in which Schuster has placed these views that he did not intend them

to be taken too seriously.

Davison,<sup>14</sup> too, has discussed the subject of earthquake prediction. He considers that ~~she~~ to be effective both the time and the place of the earthquake must be predicted with accuracy. He recognises however that the problem is one of great importance and states "its solution would possess such untold value for the dwellers in seismic countries that it does seem worth while to examine the progress that has been made in the hope that further knowledge and greater experience may in time to come ~~be~~ lead us to the desired goal". From his consideration of the progress already made Davison concludes that the chief hope appears to lie in the mechanical registration of some phenomena which precede earthquake shocks. Such mechanical measurements may either be trigonometrical revealing earth movements leading to strain, or they may be made by seismographs recording actual movements in progress. It is conceivable that the former method might have yielded important information with regard to the San Francisco earthquake of 1906. The latter method, as subsequently investigated by Davison,<sup>13</sup> would clearly have indicated the probable position of the Mino-Owari earthquake of 1891 and would also have furnished some ~~approx~~ information as to the possible time of its occurrence.

Again,<sup>41</sup> Milne has recognised both the possibility and value of earthquake forecasts. He says "Ever since seismology has been studied one of the chief aims of its students has been to discover



which would enable them to foretell the coming of an earthquake, and the attempts which have been made by workers in this country to correlate these occurrences with other well marked natural phenomena, may, I think, be regarded as attempted in this direction.

Ability to herald the approach of these calamities would unquestionably be an inestimable boon to all who dwell in earthquake shaken countries, and the attempts which have been made both here and in other places are extremely laudable".

Words such as these from the Father of modern seismology are an inspiration to those who labour in this field of research.

The problem of earthquake prediction raises immediately that of earthquake frequency and periodicity. In the search for such phenomena one is naturally led to the consideration of the periodicity of other natural phenomena. Thus we have the rise and fall of the tides, the variations of temperature, <sup>a</sup> <sup>o</sup> barometric pressure, ~~and~~ <sup>wind</sup> velocity and direction <sup>and</sup> ~~of~~ rainfall. These can all of them be related to the movements of the earth with regard to the sun; or of the moon with regard to the earth. A great many distinguished scientific men have investigated these questions and are still engaged in so doing; and there is little doubt that each of the above mentioned phenomena has, in special cases at least, contributed an element affecting earthquake frequency.

Before presenting his own contribution to this interesting investigation the author proposes to give a critical review of what has so far been accomplished

9.

and so present the position as it stands to-day.



## EARTHQUAKE FREQUENCY and PERIODICITY.

Prior to the middle of the nineteenth century there were no very comprehensive earthquake catalogues available for study. The foundations for a statistical investigation of earthquakes frequency were laid by the labours of Perrey and Mallet<sup>36</sup> in the catalogues which they prepared during the period 1840-1860. This work has since been carried on by M. de Montessus de Ballere, Milne, Omori and many others.

Most of the records earlier than the last decade of the nineteenth century were not instrumentally recorded - a fact which emphasises the rapid growth of modern seismology.

Numerous attempts have been made to correlate the occurrence of earthquakes with other natural phenomena the chief efforts being included under one or more of the following:-

1. Auroral displays and ~~the~~ luminous phenomena
2. Magnetic and electrical disturbances
3. Planetary influences.
4. Sun Spots
5. Temperature
6. Barometric Pressure
7. Wind Velocity
8. Rainfall and Snowfall
9. Seasonal periodicity
10. Diurnal periodicity
11. Ocean Tides
12. Earth tides
13. Other Periodicities

Solar effects

Solar and lunar effects.

Earthquakes and the Aurora and luminous phenomena.

The possible relation of earthquakes with the aurora has been discussed by Milne,<sup>40</sup> who apparently does not attach much significance to the evidence so far available. Although a number of striking examples of the simultaneous occurrence of an aurora with an earthquake are recorded, a more extended statistical investigation than has hitherto been made seems desirable. The most comprehensive statistical investigation undertaken so far appears to be that of Boue<sup>3</sup> comprising data for the period 1834 to 1847. He records in this interval 457 earthquakes and 351 notices of aurora. On 48 occasions an earthquake and an aurora occurred on the same day; on 30 of these occasions approximately at the same time; and on 5 occasions at the same hour of the day. This degree of coincidence is perhaps, suggestive but does not point to a very intimate relation between the phenomena.

M. de Montessus de Ballore<sup>62</sup> has discussed the relation of earthquakes and luminous phenomena. He points out that such phenomena have been observed on the occasion of about 200 earthquakes, and that these have usually been destructive earthquakes. As 4136 destructive earthquakes have been recorded by Milne for the Christian Era, the degree of coincidence of these two sets of phenomena is not striking. Probably, in many cases, as in the Chilian earthquake of August 16th, 1906, a storm has coincided with the earthquakes and the luminous phenomena are due to that circumstance.

It is at least significant that in the extensive



and elaborate catalogues of the Chinese no such phenomena have been recorded.

Ballere concludes as follows:-

"At the present stage of our observations it is not scientific or rational either to affirm or deny the existence of luminous earthquake phenomena; but all the arguments and facts at our command bear us out in a negative conclusion".

#### Magnetic and electrical disturbances.

The synchronism of earthquakes with magnetic and electrical disturbances has frequently been noted and is probable that the phenomena are interrelated. It seems more feasible, however, that such disturbances are the result of electrical energy generated by the slipping of the rocks along a fault during an earthquake than that they have an influence in bringing about the earthquake. The question has been discussed by Milne who concludes that such disturbances are more likely to be the result than the causes of earthquakes. 40

#### Planetary influences.

Delaunay<sup>e 15</sup> on analysing Perrey's catalogue of earthquakes embracing the period 1750 to 1842 found two sets of maxima for earthquake frequency commencing in 1756 and 1759 respectively, ~~and~~ each having a period of about ~~12~~ 12 years. These groups he states coincide with the times when Jupiter is in  $265^{\circ}$  and  $135^{\circ}$  celestial longitude, and is passing through meteor streams in those longitudes. He also finds evidence of two other ~~two~~ groups of maxima commencing in 1756 and 1773 respectively, each having a period of 28 years. These maxima of earthquake frequency he states coincide with

the times when Saturn is passing through the meteor streams in longitudes  $265^{\circ}$  and  $135^{\circ}$  respectively.

He also attributes the maximum earthquake frequency recorded by Ferrey for November to the earth's passage through a meteor stream during that month.

It seems scarcely credible that the stresses set up by the gravitational attraction of planets and meteors should be of sufficient magnitude to affect earthquake frequency, since such an effect would be masked by the enormously greater attraction of the sun and moon; and also indeed by other influences.

#### Temperature.

<sup>27</sup> Kluge and others have indicated a relation between temperature and earthquake frequency. This conclusion appears to rest upon the evidence of a winter maximum for earthquake frequency and ~~that~~ the fact that a greater number of earthquakes have been recorded by night than by day. The validity of the winter and night maxima have however been seriously challenged by M. de Montessus de Ballore who attributes these maxima to physiological conditions. It is well known that many earthquakes felt by people at rest are not noticed by persons in motion; and the hours of rest are more frequent in winter and at night.

The solution of this problem must therefore rest upon the evidence of instrumental records, and no comprehensive investigation on this basis has yet been attempted.

It is, however, difficult to imagine that any diurnal variation in temperature can directly affect the



frequency of earthquakes by strain of the rocks under expansion and contraction; for the diurnal temperature wave affects only the mere surface of the ~~earth's~~ earth's crust.

#### Sun-Spots and Earthquake Frequency.

A number of seismologists and others have sought for a relation between periods of sunspot maxima and minima and those of earthquake frequency. Some of these attempts have been discussed by Milne who referred to the works of Haumann, Schmidt, Wolf, Kluge and Poey.

Haumann and Schmidt did not reach a result favouring a relation for these phenomena.

Wolf apparently considers that periods of earthquake maxima coincide with those of sunspots.

Kluge, on the other hand, came to the conclusion that the maxima of earthquake frequency coincide with the sun-spot minima.

Poey, again, from an examination of the earthquakes of Mexico and the Antilles stated that earthquake frequency was at a maximum for the period of both maximum and minimum sun-spot activity. He examined thirty-eight groups of records and found that seventeen occurred at the maximum and seventeen at the minimum of sun-spot frequency. The remaining four groups formed exceptions to the rule.

91  
 Bayles concluded that both volcanic and seismic activity reached a maximum at periods of sun-spot ~~maxima~~ minima, and a minimum at periods of sun-spot maxima. He later modified this view and concluded that the relation was true for volcanic rather than for seismic activity.

Jensen<sup>25</sup> from the examination of the question reached the conclusion that the maximum earthquake frequency is associated with the minimum sun-spot activity. He does not however attribute this to a temperature effect, pointing out that the annual variations of temperature due to solar energy are almost imperceptible at a depth of 30 feet from the earth's surface.

Huntington<sup>23</sup> too, has reviewed the question dealing chiefly with the work of Sayles and Jensen, and apparently accepting their conclusions.

The problem was again examined by Taber<sup>91</sup> for the earthquakes of the Charleston district. The period over which his investigations extended, 1882-1913, embraced three sun-spot maxima, but on only one of these occasions (the year 1893) was there a maximum of earthquake frequency.

Taber regards this as a coincidence and concludes that his results do not furnish any evidence of such a relation<sup>ion</sup> as that noted by other workers for different seismic regions.

There is however other evidence of a collateral nature which may possibly have some bearing on the subject. In an earlier part of this paper it was noted that Delauney indicated a maximum of seismic frequency coincident with the periodic revolution of Jupiter about the sun - and this period of about 11 years coincides with that of the sun-spot maxima.

Again, Milne has indicated a period of  $33\frac{1}{3}$  years for the earthquake frequency of Japan extending over the interval from 666 A.D. to 1800 A.D. Such a period would



coincide with three cycles of sun-spot activity.

As will be seen later there is some evidence of a relation between rainfall and earthquake frequency, and if this be the case the Bruckne<sup>r</sup>~~x~~ cycle of rainfall being closely equal to three cycles of sun-spot frequency may have some bearing on the subject.

At present the evidence is not conclusive but is certainly sufficiently suggestive to warrant further investigation.

Earthquakes and Barometric Pressure.

At the time when the conception of a fluid nucleus for the earth dominated geologic thought it was very natural that an enquiry into the effect of changes in barometric pressure in relation to earthquake frequency should have been made. Both Perrey and Mallet examined the evidence and the former connected maximum seismicity with minimum barometric pressure accompanied by a maximum range of barometric oscillation.

Merian<sup>40</sup> as early as 1834 pointed out that there was an annual period of earthquake frequency.

Mallet investigated the frequency of earthquakes in relation to the rise and fall of the barometer and concluded that the frequency was about the same in each case.

Similar investigations are discussed by Milne<sup>40</sup> but the data employed in most of these cases have been too meagre to furnish any reliable conclusion.

The problem has however been investigated since by some of the most eminent seismologists, and in spite of the relatively small forces involved in barometric fluctuations there does appear to be good reason for believing that in a number of cases such changes in pressure have contributed towards the precipitation of an earthquake.

A new method of studying earthquake frequency was indicated and employed by Knott<sup>28</sup> in 1886. He pointed out that a simple <sup>ar</sup>ithmetical process could be used to accentuate the frequency of any given period by a suitable choice of grouping and averaging the records.



He examined the records of many countries and gave both a tabular and graphical representation of his results. His analysis showed that for all the districts considered there was an annual maximum of earthquake frequency which occurred during the winter months for that district; and that except in the case of the East Indies there is also a well marked semi-annual maximum of earthquake frequency. After discussing the possible cause of such frequency Knott concluded that it was probably due to meteorological influences - particularly snowfall and barometric pressures.

Although the manner in which the annual periodicity might be due to such a variation from the high pressure of winter to the low pressure of summer is readily intelligible, Knott does not show how the barometric variations could be harmonised with the observed semi-annual period of earthquake frequency.

<sup>9</sup> Davison too has taken up the question of earthquake frequency and in 1893 contributed a most comprehensive and important memoir on the subject. His method of analysis resembles that of Knott with slight modifications. One innovation is the examination of seismic activity according to its intensity. He effected this by dividing the earthquakes into slight shocks and those sufficient to damage buildings. This part of the investigation is limited to earthquakes felt only in the northern hemisphere, the data being taken from Mallet's catalogue. The analysis indicated both an annual and a semi-annual period. The annual maximum for slight earthquakes fell in the last fortnight of June; and the

semi-annual maximum during the last fortnight of January and July. On the other hand in the case of the destructive earthquakes the annual maximum fell in the last fortnight of January and the semi-annual maximum occurred during the last fortnight of February and August. Hence it appears that the annual maxima for ~~slight~~ slight and strong shocks are opposite in phase; but this is not the case for slight shocks.

In the second part of his investigation no distinction is made between the slight and strong shocks, but the earthquakes are considered in groups according to their areal distribution. ~~and~~ Altogether 62 seismic records were considered, 45 from the northern and 14 from the southern hemisphere. The remaining 3 relate to equatorial countries. The analysis showed that only five of these sixty-two records failed to exhibit a well marked annual period, and in each of the anomalous cases the failure was considered to be probably due to incompleteness in the records. Davison remarks that these results "strongly support the view that the maximum of the annual period occurs during the local winter in each hemisphere".

Again "of the 62 records examined, only three fail to show a fairly well marked semi-annual period, namely, France (Fuchs), Spain and Portugal (Perrey) and Chili (Fuchs); these failures are probably due to incompleteness of the seismic records." After a comparison of the amplitudes of the annual and semi-annual periods and this district grouping Davison concludes "that the annual and semi-annual periods must have entirely



different origins".

In a discussion dealing with the origin of the Annual Seismic Period Davison recognises that probably the majority of earthquakes are occasioned by the growth of faults, and that ~~periodically~~ periodicity may be impressed on these by external causes. He suggests that the annual variation is of a seasonal character and that it is affected by the barometric pressure.

In the case of 31 of the districts dealt with in his paper a comparison between the epochs of the seismic and barometric maxima can be made. In 10 of these districts there is an approximate coincidence in the times of the maxima; in 9 cases the seismic maximum follows the barometric maximum after an interval of one month; and in 4 other cases after an interval of two months. In the remaining 8 districts there are special circumstances which may mask such a relation. Davison concludes that "as a general rule, the epoch of the seismic maximum either coincides with that of the barometric maximum, or follows it by <sup>y</sup> a month or two."

He points out that barometric pressure cannot affect the frequency of submarine earthquakes as the pressure on the sea flow<sup>or</sup> will be unaltered owing to a displacement of the sea waters under such pressure; and hence he explains the anomalies in the case of insular countries such as Japan and New Zealand.

The semi-annual period remains an unsolved problem for Davison concludes "With regard to the origin of the semi-annual period, I regret that I am unable to offer any definite suggestion".

The discussion on the semi-annual period will be considered later under the section dealing with tidal stresses.

Seidl<sup>89</sup> in 1895 attacked the problem from a different point of view. He prepared a table showing the monthly earthquake frequency of Europe for the period 306 A.D. to 1842 A.D. He also found the average monthly distribution of atmospheric pressure but instead of comparing this with the monthly earthquake frequency he adopted a different method. His plan was to calculate the average barometric gradient for each month and to compare this with the earthquake frequency. He expressed the barometric gradient in terms of millimetres per 2820 kilometres and ~~is~~ measured from the continent towards the Atlantic Ocean. The table given by him is quoted below.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June
Earthquakes	147.7	138.6	119.4	104.6	94.7	95.4
Gradient	12.6	8.0	4.2	1.6	-0.2	0.6

	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Earthquakes	104.4	101.8	110.2	110.9	123.7	136.4
Gradient	0.4	1.5	5.3	9.2	6.0	9.3

In view of the genesis of earthquakes by dislocations of the earth's crust, this method of analysis is more rational than that which considers only barometric maxima and minima; for the consideration of barometric gradient implies or may imply differential stresses on opposite sides of the fault plane which gives birth to the earthquake.

The problem has been further considered by Becke<sup>2</sup> in his examination of the earthquakes of Graslitz for the



period 24th October to 25th November 1897. He prepared a table and graphs to represent the average daily barometric pressure and also the daily earthquake frequency, and concluded that there was no obvious relation between these phenomena. The limited nature of the investigation, however, rather detracts from its value.

Omori, the foremost of the Japanese seismologists, has also directed his attention to this aspect of earthquake frequency.<sup>71</sup> He took as the basis of his discussion a catalogue of 18,279 earthquakes obtained from 26 stations, and the majority of the records had the merit of being instrumentally observed. Recognising that the time distribution might not be the same for the whole of Japan he subdivided the island into two more or less natural divisions. The first of these comprised that part which trends in a general north and south direction and the second that which trends about E 30°N and which comprises the southern portion of the Japanese Empire. He concluded that for the northern part of Japan "the annual variation of the seismic frequency follows that of barometric pressure"; and that for western Japan "the annual variation of the seismic frequency is the reverse of that of the barometric pressure on the land".

In the same investigation Omori examined the diurnal variations in seismic activity. He found these to vary very considerably with different stations and arranged the stations into groups characterised by 12, 8 and 6 hour periods of frequency respectively. He next discussed the diurnal variations of barometric pressure and attributed the variations in seismic

frequency to such barometric influences.

It should be pointed out that the diurnal wave of barometric pressure is very constant for the different stations considered and is quite normal in character, resembling that which characterises most meteorological stations. On the other hand the seismic frequency varies considerably in its epochs for different districts

It would appear therefore that Omori's conclusions with regard to the correspondence of the diurnal barometric and earthquake frequency are scarcely justified by the evidence.

Some six years later, in 1908, Omori<sup>76</sup> again took up the question of annual variation in seismic frequency, restricting his investigation to the earthquakes of Tokyo and Kyoto. He showed that the seismic maxima occurred at different epochs for large and small earthquakes and concluded as follows:-

"From the foregoing it is evident that we must treat small and large earthquakes separately, in the discussion of seismic frequency with respect to the atmospheric pressure, the position of the moon, <sup>c</sup> etc."

In another paper on the "Secondary Causes of Earthquakes"<sup>78</sup> Omori deals more fully with the subject. He gives a table showing the hourly distribution of 2,208 earthquakes instrumentally observed at Tokyo during the 24 years 1876-1899. A curve plotted to illustrate the diurnal earthquake frequency shows four maxima. The diurnal barometric curve was also plotted and shows a close correspondence in the times of its two maxima and two minima with the times of the four seismic maxima.



Another curve is drawn showing the earthquake frequency for 3 hourly periods and this follows closely the barometric curve. Hence Omori concludes that "the ordinary (non-destructive) earthquakes felt in Tokyo happen more frequently with the high barometer than with the low."

Another piece of evidence is furnished by an examination of the records of the general weather conditions associated with the 18 destructive earthquakes recorded in Japan from 1361 to 1891 A.D. The weather conditions for these are as follows:-

Fair or clear weather .....	12	earthquakes
Cloudy .....	2	earthquakes
Rainy or Snowy .....	3	"
Rainy and Windy .....	1	"
Wet and Sultry .....	0	"

Omori concludes from this investigation that the great majority of destructive earthquakes appear to have been associated with fine clear weather - anticyclonic conditions involving increased barometric pressure.

It might, perhaps, have been worth while to have compared these figures with the meteorological data giving the average number of fine, cloudy, rainy, etc. weather for Japan; but <sup>is</sup> the Omori does not appear to have considered.

<sup>2</sup> also made An examination of the stronger earthquakes from the Izu Island zone. Fourteen such earthquakes were considered and Omori ~~concluded~~ concludes that of these twelve are closely related in time to the two maxima

and two minima of the diurnal barometric wave.

The recent strong earthquakes of Tokyo were also examined. These are fourteen in number. Omori finds that eight of these earthquakes were accompanied by marked barometric depressions ranging only from 741.5 to ~~7~~ 754.7 mm., while a ninth was accompanied by a very high barometric pressure of 774 mm. He does not in this case discuss the relation of these earthquakes to the diurnal barometric wave. An examination of the data indicates that there is a correspondence with the diurnal barometric wave in only six of the fourteen earthquakes.

Again, in considering the sixteen earthquakes of coastal and submarine origin in the neighbourhood of Tokyo Omori points out that these occur exclusively between 6 and 12 p.m. He takes the average time of occurrence of the earthquakes for each of these groups and finds these times to correspond with those of the barometric maxima. As, however, a considerable range of time is involved in each case, it is <sup>very</sup> doubtful <sup>f</sup> if such a method is valid.

In his book "The Physics of Earthquake Phenomena" (1908) <sup>31</sup> Knott again returns to the problem of earthquake frequency and barometric pressure. He reviews his own earlier work and the later papers of Omori and Davison. He points out that both these seismologists correlate earthquake frequency with barometric maxima and minima.

His own view is that the barometric gradient is more likely to be the determining factor and he interprets the results of the investigations in that light. He



points out that the differences in barometric pressure in a ~~steep~~ steep barometric gradient may disturb the isostatic balance and so give rise to earthquakes along the margins of the continents. Undoubtedly this view is more in keeping with our knowledge of the physics of earthquake phenomena, as it may involve a stress co-operating with the prime forces giving rise to an earthquake. It is, on the other hand, difficult to see how the mere increase or decrease of pressure uniformly distributed across the earthquake area could produce such a result.

In his final summary, however, Knott appears to think that the evidence at present available indicate that earthquake frequency depends very slightly, if at all, upon such influences as barometric phenomena.

The search for such a relation has not, however, been abandoned, and two very important contributions on this subject have been made since Knott's book was published.

The first of these is a paper by Drake on the earthquakes of China. The author of this paper has prepared a catalogue of 528 destructive earthquakes extending over the last 4000 years. Of these 505 have occurred during the Christian Era. These are grouped in a dual fashion according to districts and according to their monthly frequency. A diagram is given showing the monthly frequency for districts <sup>to the</sup> north of the Yang-tse-Kiang, <sup>to the</sup> south of that river and for the ~~whole~~ whole of China. The three curves have essentially the same features in

common. The most prominent feature is the very large maximum for July and August. The maximum is far too large to be explained by a chance distribution of earthquake frequency. The study of the meteorological data discloses the fact that the dominant feature for South China is the annual recurrence of the Summer Monsoon. Speaking of these Drake says "The typhoons or summer monsoons come during summer and early fall; they strike the south and south-east coast of China, more towards the northwest and north, and gradually lose force as they pass over China; they are preceded by intense heat for several days and a falling barometer and are accompanied by heavy rains and a rising barometer <sup>barometric</sup> the ~~barometric~~ variation during the storm is often over two inches. Speaking of the typhoons of Southern China Williams says the barometer not infrequently falls below 28 inches. This great variation in the air pressure applies more especially to a hundred mile wide strip along the south coast of China. The typhoons are practically confined to July, August and September, and are somewhat more common and severe during August and September".

Northern China on the other hand is principally affected by the winter monsoon which occurs during winter and early spring.

It would therefore naturally be expected that the summer maximum of earthquake frequency would be more marked in the case of South China than North China. The contrary, however, is actually the case.



Drake records but does not appear to have considered this anomaly. He has however considered other aspects of the problem of earthquake frequency and these will be subsequently discussed. With regard to barometric changes however he concludes "the rapid and strong atmospheric variations, assisted to some extent by rain, are the forces most effective in the final stage of earthquake activity".

The second paper referred to above is that by Taber<sup>91</sup> dealing with the earthquakes of the Charleston district. This investigation is probably the most complete enquiry into earthquake frequency that has ever been made for a single district. Many aspects of the question in relation to other natural phenomena are examined and some of these will be considered in other sections of this paper. At this stage however only the question of barometric variations and earthquake frequency will be discussed.

Taber, partly from geological and partly from seismological evidence has indicated the position of a large fault trending in a general north-eastern direction and passing between the towns of Summerville and Charleston. He recognises that if barometric variations are at all <sup>e</sup>ffective in promoting earthquake frequency a relation must be sought with the barometric gradient rather than with the maximum and minimum barometric pressures. An examination was made of the state of the barometric gradient for 75 earthquakes recorded in the period 1898-1913. He found that 43 of

the earthquakes occurred on days when the barometric gradient decreased from north-west to south-east; fifteen shocks occurred when the gradient sloped in the opposite direction; and on the remaining seventeen occasions the barometric gradient was slight or indeterminate. The meteorological record for the years 1886-1897 was not fully available and could be ascertained for only twenty-eight earthquakes. For these the barometric gradient sloped from north-west to south-east on twenty seven occasions and was only in the opposite direction on one occasion.

Taber also found that for the period 1898-1913 "the atmospheric pressure on earthquake days was above normal for 58 per cent of the days and below normal for 41 per cent; and normal for one per cent. During the period 1886-1897 the percentages were above normal 61, below normal 37 and normal 2". This might at first seem to favour a relation between earthquake frequency and the times of maximum barometric pressure; but Taber found that by taking meteorological data extending over four years, the barometric pressure was above normal for 55 per cent and below normal for 43 per cent of the time. This then leaves but a very small excess of earthquake frequency at the times of barometric maxima.

It should be remarked that the direction of the downthrows of the assumed fault in relation to the barometric gradient agrees with that indicated by other collateral evidence.



The foregoing review has indicated the directions in which attempts have been made to correlate earthquake frequency with barometric pressure. The results are not, perhaps, conclusive; but they do appear to render it highly probable that the state of the barometric gradient exercises some influence on earthquake frequency or, at the very least, that both these sets of phenomena are influenced by some common cause. It seems very desirable that the investigation should be carried further - particularly for small districts in which the fault zone giving rise to the local earthquakes is definitely located by geological evidence.

#### Wind Pressure and Earthquake Frequency.

During storms accompanied by a high wind velocity the wind pressure is often considerable and it has been suggested that such an increase in pressure may be <sup>competent</sup> to ~~be~~ fire, as it were, the earthquake gun. <sup>41</sup> Milne has discussed the possible relation of earth tremors and wind velocity and there appears to be a body of evidence in support of such a relation. He says, "For example, in 1887 strong winds were blowing in Central Japan eighty-six times, and it was only in six of these cases that tremors were not observed. On the contrary, when it was calm in Central Japan, only extremely small tremors were noted, and even this was of rare occurrence. An analysis of the tromometric records from Rome showed that for sixty-three increases and decreases in microseismic intensity, there had been forty-six increases and decreases in the intensity of the wind; the

corresponding numbers for Rocco de Papa being sixty-four and forty-six".

If such a relation exists for earth tremors it may well be that wind velocity contributes a component to earthquake frequency. This question is however only one phase of the possible relation of earthquake frequency and barometric pressure; for steep barometric gradients are unstable and must inevitably give rise to strong winds. It may well be, of course, that the momentum of a large body of the atmosphere, ~~as~~ if suddenly arrested ~~ed~~ would contribute an additional factor to that of the static pressure due to a barometric gradient.



### Rainfall and earthquake frequency.

In countries where earthquakes are of frequent occurrence it is natural that many speculations as to the cause of earthquakes should arise. The coincidence of a storm, an oppressive day etc. with an earthquake is sufficient to establish in many untrained minds a causal relation between two such events. Consequently many persons have believed that earthquakes are associated with certain types of weather-earthquake weather - as it is described.

<sup>39</sup> Milne in 1881 states that a relation between the rainfall and earthquakes of Japan has been sought but with no satisfactory result. His own conception of such a relation was, at that time, strongly coloured by his belief in the volcanic origin of earthquakes. He says:-

"It does not seem to be altogether beyond the pale of possibility that the rain which falls upon a volcanic country may have an influence either in soaking downwards and becoming converted into steam, or in simply loosening the ground". He records that he has noted that "microphones buried in pits during a heavy shower of rain are sometimes very active". Although some coincidence between rainfall and earthquake frequency has been noted Milne thought that this being dependent on temperature, barometric pressure, etc. is a "congruent effect of more general causes".

<sup>28</sup> Knott after an investigation on annual periodicity suggested snowfall as a possible factor in determining earthquake frequency. After a lapse of twenty-two years in a comprehensive review of the subject of earthquake

periodicity Knott again suggests that rainfall and snowfall may play some part in affecting the <sup>f</sup> frequency of earthquakes. Shortly after this opinion had been expressed there appeared a very important memoir <sup>by</sup> of Omori on what he calls <sup>"</sup>secondary causes of earthquakes. This contains what was probably at that time the most systematic enquiry into rainfall and earthquake periodicity, and indeed into secondary causes in general. Omori examined the records of earthquakes which were instrumentally recorded at Tokyo for the period 1876-1907. He found that the earthquake frequency at Tokyo bore "no marked general relation to that of the amount of precipitation" <sup>"78</sup> at Tokyo itself. On the other hand when the rainfall curve for the mean of the yearly precipitation at Akita and Niigata was examined for the period 1882-1907 (no earlier records were available) there was found to be a striking degree of correspondence between the curves illustrating yearly earthquake frequency and precipitation. The city of Niigata is about 260 kilometres north west, and that of Akita is about 440 kilometres north of Tokyo. Omori concludes that "This coincidence is probably not accidental, and the variation of the yearly number of earthquakes felt in Tokyo may be taken as approximately proportional to the amount of precipitation along the north western side of the main island".

M. de Montessus de Ballore in 1912 made an enquiry into a possible relation between earthquake frequency and long period variations (<sup>u</sup> Brückner Cycles) of precipitation. This <sup>58</sup> will be considered later in more detail. He concluded that there was no evidence of any relation between earthquake



periodicity Knott again suggests that rainfall and snowfall may play some part in affecting the <sup>f</sup> frequency of earthquakes. Shortly after this opinion had been expressed there appeared a very important memoir <sup>by</sup> of Omori on what he calls <sup>"</sup>secondary causes of earthquakes. This contains what was probably at that time the most systematic enquiry into rainfall and earthquake periodicity, and indeed into secondary causes in general. Omori examined the records of earthquakes which were instrumentally recorded at Tokyo for the period 1876-1907. He found that the earthquake frequency at Tokyo bore "no marked general relation to that of the amount of precipitation" <sup>"78</sup> at Tokyo itself. On the other hand when the rainfall curve for the mean of the yearly precipitation at Akita and Niigata was examined for the period 1882-1907 (no earlier records were available) there was found to be a striking degree of correspondence between the curves illustrating yearly earthquake frequency and precipitation. The city of Niigata is about 260 kilometres north west, and that of Akita is about 440 kilometres north of Tokyo. Omori concludes that "This coincidence is probably not accidental, and the variation of the yearly number of earthquakes felt in Tokyo may be taken as approximately proportional to the amount of precipitation along the north western side of the main island".

M. de Montessus de Ballere in 1912 made an enquiry into a possible relation between earthquake frequency and long period variations (<sup>U</sup>Brückner Cycles) of precipitation. This <sup>58</sup> will be considered later in more detail. He <sup>concluded</sup> that there was no evidence of any relation between earthquake

frequency and these cyclic variations in rainfall.

In the following year he published another paper on the subject in which he examined the data with regard to seasonal changes in rainfall. He used as the basis for his investigation Milnes<sup>45</sup> then recently published catalogue of destructive earthquakes. Altogether 4136 earthquakes are recorded in this ~~valuable~~<sup>61</sup> catalogue, which covers the period from A.D. 79 to A.D. 1899. Montessus de Ballore first prepared tables in which each main district was considered separately and for which the monthly earthquake frequency and precipitation were compared. He does not furnish any details of his results but states that the tables so compiled were so irregular as to indicate no relation.

He next grouped the observations into three monthly periods and found the results to be as follows:-

- (1) The seismic maximum falls in the quarter (3 months) of maximum precipitation for Manchuria, Oceania, Peru and Soudan, the number of earthquakes recorded in these countries totalling 527 altogether.
- (2) The seismic minimum falls in the quarter of minimum precipitation for the Amazon Valley, Breton, Mexico and Ukraine. The total number of earthquakes being 836 for these districts.
- (3) The seismic maximum falls in the quarter of minimum precipitation for the Andes, Paris and the Punjab, with a total of 225 earthquakes.
- (4) The seismic minimum falls in the same quarter as the maximum precipitation for the Arctic region, the Danube, India, Norway, Portugal, Polynesia, Sahara,



Senegal, Siam and Syria, with a total of 1783 earthquakes.

- (5) Neither the maximum nor the minimum of seismic frequency falls in either the quarter of maximum<sup>m</sup> or minimum precipitation in the case of Arabia, Bengal, China, Greece and Siberia, with a total of 653 ~~earthquakes~~ earthquakes.

Montessus de Ballore points out that the climatic conditions of the countries above considered are distributed at random in the five groups<sup>g</sup> given. He points out moreover that if one takes the difference between the seismic maxima and minima and expresses this as a percentage of the total earthquakes the result is always small, and it is further diminished by taking into consideration more and more data. This, he considers, indicates the lack of any relation such as that sought after. His conclusion is as follows:-

"En résumé, il n'y a aucune relation de cause à effet entre les tremblements de terre destructeurs et les précipitations atmosphériques, et cela ne présente aucun intérêt de constater par exemple que tel grand événement sismique a suivi une période d'inondations, ainsi qu'on l'a souvent fait".

The rainfall data used by Montessus de Ballore for this investigation were taken from the rainfall maps in de Martonne's book on Géographie Physique.

The conclusion reached by Montessus is, the author believes, open to question, and will be discussed later on

At the time of the publication of ~~data~~ the above paper Montessus de Ballore has apparently not seen the work of Drake which was published a little earlier. This

~~These~~ important memoir contains a most extensive catalogue of the destructive earthquakes of China; and the author has discussed the data in a most illuminating fashion. Amongst other investigations he enquires into the question of rainfall. After grouping the earthquakes according to the months in which they occur he finds evidence of a very strong annual maximum of earthquake frequency for the months of July and August. This he regards as a seasonal periodicity associated with the summer monsoon which is of ~~of~~ course a period of heavy rainfall. While regarding the the changes in barometric pressure as the chief factors influencing the periodicity he considers that the rainfall contributes an important part of the changes in pressure involved. It is not so much the static pressure, he considers, as the rapid rate of loading and unloading which affects the earthquake ~~pressure~~ frequency.

85

In the following year Sayles attacked the problem using as the sources for his earthquake catalogue the account of destructive earthquakes given in the following publications and for the periods stated:-

- (1) Nature - from 1871 to 1910.
- (2) The London Times from 1871 to 1910.
- (3) Whitaker's Almanac from 1871 to 1909.

He has illustrated his paper by drawing a curve for the total earthquake frequency, and also an additional curve for earthquakes having an intensity greater than VII on the Rossi-Forel scale.

He has also drawn a curve illustrating the differences from the average for the rainfall of the United States for the corresponding period.



There appears to be a general similarity between these curves and Sayles' while being somewhat guarded in his conclusion, considers that the subject is certainly worthy of further investigation.

91

The question was again taken up by Taber in 1914. He focussed his attention upon a relatively small area and attacked the problem in a most systematic manner. There can be little doubt that his work marks the most distinct advance yet made in this direction. Previous investigations<sup>ns</sup> have sought to correlate the seismic maxima and maxima of precipitation. Taber rightly points out that ~~if~~ if an earthquake~~s~~ is caused by movement along a fault plane the most <sup>appropriate</sup> ~~approximate~~ stress to ~~give~~ give rise to movement will be a differential one operating in conjunction with the prime earthquake forces. It does not follow that the time of maximum precipitation will coincide with that when the differential stresses on opposite sides of the fault plane are a maximum; but it is with such a differenc<sup>nt-</sup>ial stress, if at all, that the earthquake frequency should be corrected. After submitting geological and seismographical evidence for a fault passing between Summerville and Charleston and trending in a north-east direction Taber commences to analyse the rainfall data. He found that there was a close correspondence with the three curves representing the rainfall at Summerville and at Charleston, and the earthquake frequency. The rainfall at Summerville was constantly in excess of that of Charleston and this excess increased with the total precipitation. It is to the excess of rainfall along the north western (Summerville) side of the fault that Taber

attributes the greater part of the corresponding excess in the earthquake frequency. This reasoning is certainly sound and furnishes strong evidence of a relation between earthquake frequency and rainfall. This conclusion is further supported by his examination of the conditions influencing the level of the water table and by collateral evidence with regard to the distribution of atmospheric pressure. The fact that the total rainfall curves also follow the curve for earthquake frequency is incidental, and is a natural enough relation ~~now~~ between the total rainfall and the excess of rainfall at the two centres. The causes which control a difference in precipitation at two adjacent centres must be chiefly topographical or related to their proximity to a coast line; as such geographical factors remain constant the difference in rainfall will naturally be closely proportional to the total rainfall. For this reason it may well be that the converse is true and that where earthquake frequency has been directly correlated with total precipitation the reason is that there exists a difference in rainfall over some ~~area~~ critical zone and that this has also been increased. It will be obvious enough that if the difference in rainfall across a fault zone operate in the opposite direction to the natural earthquake forces an increased precipitation will be unfavourable to the occurrence of earthquakes; and in this case the maximum rainfall may correspond to a minimum ~~rainfall~~ of earthquake frequency.

If one now returns to the evidence assembled<sup>d</sup> by Montessus de Ballere and examines it in the light of Taber's



work it appears that in 21 out of 26 districts which Montessus has considered, either the maximum or minimum earthquake frequency falls in one or other of the quarter year intervals corresponding to a maximum or minimum of total rainfall; and that to these 21 districts are to be referred 3371 <sup>or more than 80 per cent of the</sup> ~~out of the~~ 4024 earthquakes considered. Since it has been shown that according as the stress difference due to ~~an~~ an excess of rainfall on one side of the fault may assist or oppose the natural earthquake forces so the maximum earthquake frequency may coincide either with maximum or minimum difference in rainfall; and since the difference in rainfall is probably in most cases proportional to the amount of rainfall; it follows that the data used by Montessus to refute any relation between rainfall and earthquake frequency has actually, in the light of later research, furnished strong support in favour of the relation postulated. It is true that the differences between the maxima and minima of the earthquake frequencies examined by him are <sup>stated to be</sup> small, but, on the other hand, this is certainly to be anticipated, since the influence of excess pressure due to differential rainfall is itself small and is <sup>not</sup> ~~at~~ the prime cause of earthquakes; but at best only one of several secondary causes.

78 16

The investigations of Omori for Japan, of Drake for China and the more general work of Bayles <sup>85</sup> each take on an added significance in the light of Taber's work. <sup>91</sup>

There can now be little doubt that rainfall exercises an important influence on the earthquake frequency of certain districts

Seasonal Frequency of Earthquakes.

The search for a seasonal frequency for earthquakes is, of course the same as for an annual period. The earliest systematic work is that of Perrey who grouped <sup>36</sup> 2299 earthquakes according to their monthly frequency. These he considered for each district in which they were recorded and drew up tables to show the monthly frequency for the particular districts.

He next grouped the earthquakes according to the seasons taking January, February and March for the winter period, April, May and June for the Spring, July, August, September for Summer and October, November and December for ~~inter~~ <sup>Autumn</sup>. As the result of his labours do not appear to have been presented in an abbreviated form they are here condensed in the following Table:-



District	Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn
Scandinavia and Iceland	74	39	48	53
British Isles & Northern Isles	56	42	52	67
Spanish Peninsula	55	41	46	59
France, Belgium and Holland	200	133	137	186
Basin of the Rhone	62	32	37	53
Basin of the Rhine & Switzerland	160	103	101	165
Basin of the Danube	76	60	67	67
Italian Peninsula with Sicily, Sardinia and Malta	298	250	203	233
Algeria and Northern Africa	13	12	8	13
Turco-Hellenic Territory, Syria, the Aegæan Islands & Levant	106	102	115	100
United States and Canada	40	16	32	46
Mexico and Central America	16	16	10	10
The Antilles	54	49	65	53
Cuba	13	10	13	15
Chili and basin of La Plata	43	41	48	46
Resume of the Earthquakes of Europe and adjacent parts of Asia from A.D. 306 to 1843.	589	404	442	526
Northern Zone of Europe	54	30	25	39
Northern Zone of Asia	27	13	23	18

It will be noted that of the eighteen groupings considered fourteen exhibit a maximum for the autumn and winter i.e. for the months October to March. This work has been generally regarded as establishing a winter frequency for earthquakes.

Mallet examined an even larger number of earthquakes and found a distribution indicated in the following table:-

Month	Northern	Southern	Seasons North	Seasons South.
January	627	19		
February	539	14		
March	503	9	1669	42
April	489	17		
May	438	20		
June	428	19	1355	56
July	415	18		
August	488	12		
September	463	17	1366	47
October	516	25		
November	473	32		
December	500	21	1489	78
	5879	223	5879	223

Here again the law of a winter maximum frequency for earthquakes is predominant. This frequency Perrey regarded as being worthy of acceptance as an empiric law for Europe at least having some doubt if it can be extended to the Southern hemisphere.

<sup>27</sup> Kluge investigated the seasonal frequency for earthquakes of the northern hemisphere recorded during 1855 and 1856. He found the distribution as follows:-

Spring 51; Summer 57; Autumn 77; Winter 91.

As his seasonal groupings correspond with those of Perrey and Mallet this again confirms the law of a winter



maximum for earthquake frequency in the northern hemisphere.

The problem of seasonal periodicity was later investigated<sup>at-</sup> by Milne<sup>39</sup> for the chief earthquakes of Japan recorded during the period from 295 B.C. to 1872 A.D. Using the same seasonal grouping Milne's results are as follows:-

Winter 74; Spring 95; Summer 93; Autumn 90.

It is clear that the earthquakes of Japan do not conform to the supposed law.

Milne noted that the exceptions to the supposed law in Mallet's Table occur only in equatorial countries where the seasons are fairly uniform throughout the year. He attributes the winter maximum for countries in higher latitudes to the fact that people are more indoors in winter and are consequently more likely to notice earthquakes. Discussing the problem again in 1886<sup>40</sup> Milne briefly reviews the work of Perrey and Mallet accepting Mallet's evidence as the most complete statement at that date. He notes that the maximum frequency for the northern hemisphere occurs near the time of perihelion, and the minimum near aphelion. He also notes that Kluge's statistics and those of Merian for the earthquakes of Basle follow the same law of distribution.

<sup>26</sup> Knott, writing in the same year as Milne, noted the law of winter maximum promulgated by Perrey and Mallet. He pointed out, however, that the choice of the winter season might be improved by including the months December, January and February instead of January, February and March. He then subjected the data to harmonic analysis with a view of finding if real annual and semi-annual

periods do exist. For this purpose he made use of Milne's Catalogue of Japanese earthquakes for the period 1872 to 1880. Other catalogues were also employed later. He found that there existed an annual periodicity for the earthquake frequency, and considered that it might be due to some meteorological cause.

A few years later (1891) Montessus de Ballore undertook a critical examination of the whole subject of the seasonal frequency of earthquakes and published two important memoirs on the subject. He pointed out that ~~such~~ hitherto the investigation had rested upon scanty evidence which was insufficient either to establish or refute the law of a winter maximum. ~~As~~ <sup>49, 50</sup> however, he had at that time assembled records of 63,555 earthquakes from 309 districts he concluded the time was ripe for a more complete investigation of the subject. As seasonal periodicity was the matter in question it was necessary to reject all records which did not extend over a whole year. Again in many cases the same earthquake was recorded in the records of different districts. To meet this difficulty he decided to record only the days on which the earthquakes occurred, so that an earthquake recorded at several near stations on the same day would be recorded as one "earthquake day".

The limitations so imposed reduced the available records to 38,967 earthquake days from 165 districts.

He divided the year into summer and winter from the equinoxes. He found that a first glance at the statistics suggested that if there was any law it should be extended



by stating that it would appear that earthquakes occur more frequently in autumn and winter than in spring and summer. On examining the statistics he found that there were 85 series of records including 20,258 earthquake days which favoured the law and 80 series of records with 18,709 earthquake days which were opposed to it. The difference he pointed out is only  $\frac{1}{19}$  of the total.

He next examined each district separately and has given graphical representations of 39 districts. ~~These are reproduced in plate~~ . As the records are not all of equal reliability he has grouped them into seven categories according to their scientific value. These are as follows:-

- (1) Series of historical records - sporadic in character
- (2) Observations from meteorological records
- (3) Records of careful observers residing in earthquake centres.
- (4) Seismological records from countries where earthquakes are the object of special study by learned societies.
- (5) Series from geodynamical observatories
- (6) and (7) Series of ~~microseismic~~ Microseisms or shocks<sup>ks</sup> sensible only to instruments - corresponding to intensities I and II on the Rossi-Forrel scale

Montessus pointed out that if any seasonal law exists it should be strengthened by support from the records of higher rather than lower scientific value. He states that this was not found to be the case. His results may be tabulated ~~as~~ as follows:-

Series	Supporting Perrey's Law		Opposed to Perrey's Law	
	No. of Records	No. of Earthquake days	No. of Records	No. of Earthquake days.
<u>Series (1)</u> Historical records	59	12,012	52	9,328
<u>Series (2)</u> Meteorological records	—	—	8	4,353
<u>Series (3)</u> Competent observers in Earthquake districts	9	2,947	3	1,544
<u>Series (4)</u> Seismological records	7	2,315	10	1,660
<u>Series (5)</u> Geodynamical <del>records</del> observations	4	727	2	526
Series (6) Instrumental	—	—	3	691
Series (7)	6	2,263	2	601
<u>Totals</u>	85	20,264	80	18,703

Montessus states that there is some reason to discredit the evidence of the instrumental records but this statement appears open to question. The geographical representations which he has given, however, indicate that in many cases an annual periodicity is well marked. It does not, it is true, ~~wh~~ always ~~se~~ fall in the winter season so that in the statistical grouping of the records adopted by Montessus the annual periodicity as distinct from Perrey's law of winter frequency, is obscured; though it is well represented by his frequency diagrams. Altogether it appears to the author that the evidence presented by Montessus furnishes strong support to the hypothesis that there is in general an annual periodicity of earthquake frequency that each district has its own characteristic



epoch.

Montessus also noted that the difference between the seasonal maxima and minima of earthquake frequency diminished with the increase in the total number of records. This is certainly opposed to the application of Perrey's law of a winter maximum for the whole world but is still in harmony with an hypothesis of a seasonal frequency with a characteristic epoch for each earthquake district. In conclusion Montessus expresses his views as follows:-

"Toutes ces considérations concordantes entre elles montrent bien que la répartition saisonnière des séismes énoncée par Perrey et toutes celles du même genre, doivent être définitivement abandonnées et considérées comme de simples accidents de statistiques insuffisantes. Ce ne sont pas des lois naturelles".

It is difficult to see, on the evidence presented by these records, that Montessus is justified in making so strong a statement. It appears to the author that although the world wide application of Perrey's law of a winter maximum is challenged the occurrence of seasonal or annual periodicity is evident in most of the groups represented.

Davison in 1893 approached the subject from a mathematical point of view. ~~He~~ After reviewing Knott's investigation of 1886 he pointed out that although this had indicated both an annual and semi-annual period his data were lacking in completeness. The method of harmonic analysis employed by Davison is essentially the same in principle as that used by Knott but is somewhat simpler in form.

Davison ~~was~~ first examined the records with regard to their intensity using Mallet's world catalogue and that of Milne for the earthquakes of Japan during the period 1885-1889. For the

the purpose of this review his results may be summarised as follows:-

Sources of Earthquake Records.	Number of Earthquake	Annual Periods		Semi-Annual Periods	
		Amplitude of Maximum	Time of Year	Amplitude of Maximum	Time of Year.
<b>Mallet's Catalogue</b>					
(i) slight earthquakes	187	•16	June b	•27	January b July b <del>February b</del> March a September a
(ii) Destructive Earthquakes.	641	•13	January b	•08	February b August b
<b>Milne's Catalogue Japanese Earthquakes</b>					
(i) Slight earthquakes	2256	•14	September b October b	•12	March a September a
(ii) Earthquakes of medium intensity	565	•17	February b March b	•16	June a <del>September</del> December a
(iii) Strong Earthquakes	176	•17	March b	•12	March a September a

He next made a comprehensive survey of 62 seismic records 45 of which relate to the northern hemisphere, 14 to the southern and 3 to equatorial countries. The results of his work I have summarised in the following tables:-



## Seismic Periodicity in the Northern Hemisphere.

Earthquake Districts	Number of Earthquakes	Amplitude of Maximum	Annual Periods		Semi-Annual Periods.	
			Time of Year	Amplitude of Maximum	Time of Year	Amplitude of Maximum
Hemisphere (Mallet)	5879	•11	December b	•07	February a	August a
Hemisphere (Fuchs)	8133	•29	December b	•11	April <sup>bb</sup>	October b
Europe	5499	•35	December b	•11	April	October February a
Scandinavia & Iceland	214	•30	December b	•22	August a	
Great Britain (Perrey)	217	•32	October b	•08	April a	October a
Great Britain (David Milne)	205	•49	November b	•16	March a	September a
Great Britain (Reper)	297	•29	January b	•11	March a	September a
France (Fuchs)	193	•41	December b	none		
France (Perrey)	656	•33	January b	•10	January a	July a
Spain and Portugal	201	•21	December b	Probably none		
<del>Central</del> Austria	461	•37	January b	•22	May b	June a Nov. b Dec. a
Hungary, Croatia & Transylvania	384	•31	December b	•30	June a	December a June b
Switzerland & Tyrol	524	•56	January b	•37	December b	
Basin of Rhone	184	•46	November b	•13	Jan. a	Feb. a July a Aug. a June a
Basin of Rhine & Switzerland	529	•38	January b	•15	December a	January a
Basin of Danube	268	•14	November b	•30	July a	March a
Italy (Perrey)	984	•19	March b	•08	September a	
Italy (Fuchs)	2350	•14	December b	•14	April b	October b

## Seismic Periodicity of Northern Hemisphere (Continued).

Earthquake District	Number of Earthquakes	Annual Periods		Semi-Annual Periods	
		Amplitude of Maximum	Time of Year	Amplitude of Maximum	Time of Year.
Italy - Excluding Sicily & Vesuvius.	1513	*21	Sept. b Nov. b	*17	April October
Italy - Vesuvius district <del>Sicily.</del>	513	*25	Aug. b	*25	June a Dec. a Feb. b Aug. b
Sicily	324	*67	May b	*46	Aug. b
Sicily - omitting March 1883	242	*50	July b	*19	June b Dec. b
Florence - Tromometer observations (1872-1887)	61,732	*49	Dec. b	*08	May a June a Nov. a Dec. a
do. 1876-1887	38,546	*46	Dec. b	*04	May a Nov. a
do. 1876-1887	38,546	*49	Dec. b	*03	May a Nov. a Feb. a
South-east Europe (Perrey)	423		Irregular	*08	Aug. a March a
S. E. Europe (Schmidt)	3470	*21	Dec. b	*25	Sept. a
Balkan Peninsula & adjacent islands	624	*27	Dec. b	*37	Feb. b Aug. b
Zante (Barbiana)	1326	*10	Aug. b	*19	June a Dec. a
Zante (do)	1663	*29	Aug. b	*35	May a Nov. a
Zante (schmidt & Fuchs)	246	*29	<del>Aug. b</del> Dec. b.	*33	March a Sept. a June
Algeria	135	*67	Dec. b	*30	Dec. Feb. a
Asia	458	*33	Feb. b	*14	Aug. a Feb. a
Caucasia	152	*56	Jan. b	*38	Aug. a March a
Japan	2997	*08	Oct. b	*07	Sept. a May a
Tokio	1104	*19	Feb. b	*21	Nov. a
Tokio - omitting the record for 1885.	1039	*19	Feb. b	*22	May a Nov. a
Tokio	246	*46	Dec. b	*19	Jan. b July b
Yokohama	130	*41	Dec. b March b	*29	Jan. b July b
India	320	*25	Oct. b.	*38	Jan. a July a.



Seismic Periodicity in the Northern Hemisphere (Continued).

Earthquake Districts.	Number of Earthquakes	Annual Periods		Semi-Annual Periods	
		Amplitude of Maximum	Time of Year	Amplitude of Maximum	Time of Year.
North America	552	•35	Nov. b	•14	April a Oct. a
United States & Canada.	134	•46	Dec. B	•15	Jan. a July a. June b
New England	212	•51	Dec. b	•25	Dec. b
California	949	•30	Oct. b	•16	April a Oct. a
California	768	•19	Oct. b	•16	April a Oct. a
San Francisco	254	•41	Dec. b	•21	April a Oct. a
San Jose and Santa Clara	54	•56	Dec. b	•33	March a Sept. a
Mexico	86	•43	Dec. b	•79	April a Oct. a
Central America	190	•32	April b	•25	April a Oct. a June b
West Indies (Fuchs)	205	•59	Oct. b	•59	Dec. b
West Indies (Ferrey)	221	•11	Aug. b	•16 <del>•5</del>	Mar. a Sept. a
Sandwich Islands	245	•33	June b	•25	Feb. b Aug. b

Seismic Periodicity in Countries near the Equator.

Malay Archipelago (Fuchs)	598	•19	May b	•25	Jan. a July a
Malay Archipelago (Knott)	515		Irregular	•11	Mar. a Sept. a
New Granada and Venezuela	272	•64	Feb. b	•27	March Sept.

Seismic Periodicity in the Southern Hemisphere.

Earthquake Districts.	No. of Earthquakes	Annual Period		Semi-Annual Period.	
		Amplitude of $\mu$ Maximum	Time of Year	Amplitude of Maximum	Time of Year
Southern Hemisphere (Mallet)	223	.24	Nov. b	.33	May a Nov. a
S. Hemisphere (Fuchs)	751	.37	Aug. b	.06	Jan. a Mar. a July a Sept. a
New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia.	159	.48	May b Mar. b	.43	Feb. a Aug. a
New Zealand (Hector)	641	.05	May b	.13	Feb. a Aug. a
do. do. Central N. Island.	184	.22	<del>May</del> April b	.30	March a Sept. a
do. do. E. coast do. do.	188	.11	May a	.26	Feb. a Aug. a
do. do. W. coast S. Island	88	.32	July b	.20	Mar. a Sept. a
do. do. E. coast do. do.	98	Irregular		.28	Mar. a Sept. a
do. do. S. part do. do.	30	Irregular		.56	May a Nov. a
New Zealand (Hogben)	737	.06	between June b & Oct. b	.21	Feb. a Aug. a
do. do. do. do.	745	.14	July b	.23	Feb. a Aug. a
Chili (Fuchs)	178	.14	Aug. b	Irregular	June a
Chili (Knott)	212	.48	Aug. b	.17	Dec. a Jan. a
Peru, Bolivia & Quito	350	.48	July b	.24	July a

In the above tables the letters a and b placed after the months signify the first and last fortnights respectively.

The amplitude of the maximum is calculated from the monthly harmonic analysis. The average earthquake frequency is represented by unity so that an amplitude of .25 signifies a 25 per cent increase in frequency for the month of the maximum and a corresponding decrease of 25 per cent for the month of the minimum. The figures of course referring to the result of the harmonic analysis and not to the actual number



of earthquakes for the months concerned.

Davidson has summarised these results for the annual and semi-annual maxima in the following tables which are quoted from his memoir.

Annual Period.

Month	Northern Hemisphere	Equatorial Countries	Southern Hemisphere.
January	6	0	0
February	1	1	0
March	0	0	0
April	1	0	2
May	1	1	2
June	1	0	0
July	0	0	3
August	1	0	2
September	0	0	0
October	3	0	0
November	4	0	0
December	16	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>

The numbers indicate the number of times in which the annual maxima fall in the months indicated.

Semi-Annual Period.

Half-months	Northern Hemisphere	Equatorial Countries	Southern Hemisphere.
January a and July b	4	1	1
January b and July b	0	0	0
February a and August a	4	0	4
February b and August b	3	0	0
March a and September a	5	1	3
March b and September b	0	0	0
April a and October a	5	0	0
April b and October b	2	0	0
May a and November a	0	0	1
May b and November b	0	0	0
June a and December a	3	0	1
June b and December b	2	0	0
Totals	28	2	9

In the above tables for the annual and semi-annual periods the records for Italy, Zante and Japan the West Indies and the Southern Hemisphere (as a whole) are excluded by Davison as being anomalous. Speaking of the table for the Annual Period he says "These figures strongly support the view that the ~~main~~ maximum of the annual period occurs during the local winter in each ~~case~~ hemisphere.

The average amplitude obtained from 57 records is .33 and this indicates that the ratio of the maximum to minimum frequency is about 3 : 2. The average amplitude for the semi-annual period is .24. ))

Davison points out that the barometric pressure reaches its



maximum in most parts of the Northern Hemisphere during November or December and he attributes the annual seismic maxima to its influence. The explanation of the semi-annual period is less obvious. Davison says "With regard to the origin of the semi-annual period, I regret that I am unable to offer any definite suggestion."

87

Schuster in 1897 made a rigorous examination of earthquake periodicities with a view of testing whether the frequencies recorded were greater than could be anticipated for random events. He discussed, amongst other work, that of Davison and concluded that there is a well-marked annual period which cannot be explained by probability for random events. This investigation lends strong support to Davison's work.

69

The next important contributions to this subject were made by Omori. He noted first in his examination of the after shocks of the Kumamoto earthquake that these were characterised by an annual periodicity having three maxima in the months of March, May and October and three ~~minima~~ minima in April, September and December. The ordinary earthquakes recorded at Tokyo he found also to have annual maxima in March, May and December and minima in January, April and August-September.

He then examined the frequency of ordinary earthquakes for the whole of Japan for the interval 1885-1890 and found three annual maxima in February, May and November and three minima in April, August and December.

The results of this investigation so impressed Omori that he wrote as follows:-

"I believe that periodicity plays a very important part in the frequency of earthquakes, and its attentive study may be of

help in the prediction of changes in seismic activity and other events."

41

Milne some four years later reviewed this subject and after referring to the work of <sup>f</sup> Knott and Davison in particular says "From the little that has been said it appears, therefore, that the only pronounced periodicities which earthquakes present are the annual and semi-annual maxima periodicities." Milne in this paper makes a valuable observation which is ~~not~~ <sup>now</sup> being confirmed by later work. His words, which, ~~are~~ are worthy of quotation, are, "Considering the labour expended upon the analysis of earthquake catalogues, at first sight it appears strange that the definite results have been so few in number. To explain this, however, we have not far to seek. Although intervals of time approximately following some definite law may be occupied before and area under secular geologic influences may repeatedly reach a state of seismic sensibility, there does not appear to be any valid reason to suppose that in widely separated districts these times should be coincident or necessarily follow the same law, If we, therefore, hope to discover any law bearing upon the recurrence of earthquake susceptibility, it seems necessary that we should first obtain sets of records the entries in each of which refer to the same orogenic fold."

The truth of this statement was well illustrated by an investigation carried out by Omori <sup>70</sup> and published in the following year (1899). In this paper Omori tabulated the monthly frequency for 222 destructive earthquakes recorded in Japanese history. He also tabulated in the same way the



228 strong shocks felt at Kyoto. These results are given in the following table:-

Monthly Grouping			Seasonal Grouping		
Month	Japan	Kyoto	Season	Japan	Kyoto.
March	18	22			
April	12	14	Spring	48	54
May	18	18			
June	19	16			
July	23	20	Summer	74	65
August	32	29			
September	16	13			
October	19	17	Autumn <del>October</del>	49	52
November	14	22			
December	22	28			
January	10	16	Winter	45	57
February	13	13			

Omori pointed out for Japan as a whole the warmer months from April to September have 120 shocks as against 96 for colder months from October to March. On the other hand for Kyoto the number for the warmer months is only 110 and reaches 118 for the colder months.

Again in examining the frequency of the ordinary small earthquakes for both district groupings he ~~was~~ finds that ~~the~~ for the same district the frequency of the small shocks is the reverse of that of the strong or destructive shocks. This holds ~~the~~ both for Kyoto and for Japan as a whole.

About three years later (1902) Omori<sup>71</sup> followed up this line of research by a much more extensive investigation. For this purpose he employed the records of some 18,279 earthquakes the majority of which were instrumentally observed at 26 Japanese stations. Recognising that the time distribution might not be the same for different stations he examined each record ~~separately~~ separately. The whole work constitutes a very detailed and elaborate piece of research. ~~representing these two groups. The~~ Omori found it possible to arrange the 26 districts into two groups in each of which there was a certain degree of ~~interval~~ interval<sup>n</sup> harmony. The chief results with regard to seasonal and annual frequency he has tabulated in the following tables representing these two groups:-



Group A.

District	Month of the Maximum	Month of the Minimum	Season of the Maximum	Season of the Minimum.
Sapporo	October	January	Autumn	Summer
Hakodate	October	September	Autumn	Summer
Tokyo	May	September	Spring	Autumn
Niigaya	April	December	Spring	Winter
Nagano	May	August	Spring	Summer
Numazu	January	August	Spring	Summer
Hamanatsu	November	July	Winter	Summer
Nagoya	<del>November</del> January	November	Spring	Autumn
Gifu	April	August	Spring	Summer
Tsu	January	July February	Spring	Autumn
Wakayama	May	December	Spring	Winter
Hiroshima	January	June	Winter	Summer
Oita	November	May	Autumn Spring	Summer
Kumamoto	January	July	Spring Sep	Summer
Kggoshima	April	July	Spring	Summer

Seasonal Distribution of  
Maxima and Minima

Spring - 10	Summer - 10
Autumn - 3	Autumn - 3
Winter - 2	Winter - 2

Group B.

District	Month of the		Season of the	
	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum
Nemuro	May July	January February	Summer	Winter
Akita	October	September	"	"
Yamagata	August	November	"	Autumn
Miyako	July	February	"	Winter
Ishinomaki	August	January	"	"
Fukushima	April	December	"	"
Utsunomiya	August	September	"	Autumn
Maebashi	March	January	Autumn	Winter
Hikone	August	September (April to	Summer	Autumn
Hamada	October	July	Autumn	Spring
Kochi	February	May	Winter	Autumn
Seasonal distribution of Maxima and Minima			Summer - 8	Winter - 6
			Autumn - 2	Autumn - 4
			Winter - 1	Spring - 1

The results are obviously variable. Group A comprises districts forming the western and southern portion of Japan; and Group B the eastern and northern parts. It appears from the location of the epicentres that the earthquakes of Group A mostly have an inland origin; while those of Group B are chiefly of submarine origin. Ogori concludes that Group A have ~~the~~ their maximum seismic frequency in winter and Group B a maximum in summer.

It is interesting to carry the analysis a step further and tabulate the number of times in which the maxima fell into the different months for the 26 groups. This gives the following result:-



	Group A	Group B		Group A	Group B
January	5	0	July	0	2
February	0	1	August	0	4
March	0	1	September	0	0
April	3	1	October	2	2
May	3	1	November	2	0
June	0	1	December	0	0

This arrangement shows 9 summer and 6 winter maxima for Group A, and 6 summer and 9 winter maxima for Group B. Hence as Omori points out the periods of maxima and minima have opposite relation for the two groups.

After a study of the seasonal distribution of barometric pressure Omori concludes as follows:-

"(A) region: The earthquakes are mostly of inland origin and the annual variation of the seismic frequency follows that of barometric pressure.

(B) region: The earthquakes are mostly of suboceanic origin and the annual variation of the seismic frequency is the reverse of that of the barometric pressure on land".

<sup>43</sup> Milne subsequently reviewed this paper and endorsed the views put forward by Omori.

The question of annual periodicity was touched upon from a different point of view by Oldham in the following year. Oldham investigated the after-shocks of the great Assam Earthquakes for diurnal and lunar periodicity. This work will be discussed subsequently in an appropriate place. For the present it may be noted that Oldham found that "earthquakes were proportionately more frequent during the night in winter and during the day in summer, a results which agrees with what would be anticipated if the tide-producing forces, set up by the sun, had some effect in determining the time of origin of earthquakes".



62  
26.

In the following year (1904) Baron Kikuchi published a full and most useful summary of the seismological work which up to that date had been accomplished in Japan, and apparently accepts the reality of the annual seismic period.

In his Bakerian lecture to the Royal Society of London (1906) <sup>HH</sup> Milne again reverts to the subject of seasonal periodicity. He points out that for the six years ending in 1904 there were off the west coast of North America 51 earthquakes during the winter and 35 during the summer months. Again off the east coast of Asia the winter number was 49 and that of the summer 43. Hence for the North Pacific border we have in this period 100 earthquakes during the winter and 78 during the summer halves of the year.

In the Central Asian and Himalayan region there were 25 earthquakes in winter and 27 in summer. Reviewing these facts he says "Beneath the ocean, therefore some indication has been obtained of seasonal seismic frequency, while on a continental surface no such frequency has yet been indicated". Unless this conclusion is intended, as is probable, to refer only to the above investigation it is clearly strongly at variance with the results previously obtained by Davison, Knott and Osori.

It was now (1906) some fifteen years since Montessus de Ballore had attacked Perrey's law of a winter maximum of seismic activity and had expressed his opinion that there was no evidence of seasonal periodicity in general. In view of the amount of work which had been published ~~and~~ since his last memoir on this subject Montessus felt justified in again examining the question. He <sup>54</sup> says that the persistence with which these laws are still promulgated justifies another attempt to refute them. By this time his immense catalogue of earthquakes had grown to include 75,737 records of earthquakes representing about 60,000 different



shocks. He employed 81 catalogues which were sub-divided into two groups according as they related to countries lying to the north or south of latitude 45°. He found that there were apparent maxima of earthquake frequency distributed as follows:-

Latitude	Apparent Maxima falling in the period	
	October-March	April-September
greater than 45°	<del>October-March</del> 90 per 100	10 per 100
Less than 45°	47 " 100	49 " 100

This result he believes to have a ~~simple~~ simple interpretation. In northerly latitudes people are much more indoors and at rest during the winter than the summer months. This is not the case in temperate and tropical regions. Again slight shocks are much more frequent than heavy ones and hence would be recorded under the most favourable conditions during the winter period. The more or less equal distribution during summer and winter of earthquakes occurring in latitudes less than 45° lends strong support to this view; and indeed his earlier paper in 1891 showed that the general application of Perrey's winter law was rendered less probable as the statistics increased in number. But Milne and Omori have pointed out the importance of district groupings in considering any relation of natural phenomena with earthquake frequency and have shown that even prominent maxima may be neutralised when compared with statistics from a different area. Keeping this in view one must disagree with Montessus' conclusion that earthquakes exhibit no seasonal or annual periodicity but are equally liable to occur at any time of the year.

<sup>31</sup> Knott again returned to the subject in his book published some two years ago later on the Physics of Earthquake Phenomena. Here he reviewed his own earlier work and the later investigation of Davison. After correcting an accidental error in his earlier paper he accepts Davison's work as confirming his own views as to



Knott considers that this change in barometric pressure is sufficient to disturb the isostatic balance along the margins of the continents and this becomes effective in accentuating earthquake frequency. He suggests that the difference between the average summer and winter barometric gradients may account for the semi-annual earthquake periodicity indicated by the analysis. He next reviewed Omori's work on the seasonal periodicity of Japanese earthquakes. He states that there was a good deal of arbitrariness in the manner in which Omori selected his earthquake data - excluding as he did a certain number as representing the after shocks of large earthquakes. He therefore subjected Omori's data to reinvestigation but concluded that the general conclusion, after all, is trustworthy.

Omori published in the same year (1908) the results of a further study in seasonal periodicity, taking for his data the earthquakes of Tokyo and Kyoto. <sup>JHB.</sup> As his previous work had indicated that the ordinary and destructive earthquakes appear to have an inverse relation in frequency he separated the earthquakes for these districts on the basis indicated, and gave his results in the following tables:-



the reality of an annual and semi-annual periodicity for earthquakes. He then discussed the application of Fourier's series to such ~~pr~~ problems and stated that his opinion as to the value of such a process for this purpose has considerably changed; and concluded that "sufficient accuracy is attained by use of the purely arithmetical overlapping summations over suitable intervals". He then illustrated the application of this simple method the Milne's catalogue of Japanese earthquakes for the period 1872-1880. After applying the criteria suggested by Schuster <sup>87.</sup> for testing the relative values of the amplitude and "expectancy" to his earlier investigations for 1884, he concluded that for earthquake records there is evidence of a marked annual periodicity giving in each case a maximum earthquake frequency in the winter season. The only exception is the case of the East Indies, which has no real winter season.

The statistics employed by Davison <sup>a</sup> he considered to be in many cases too meagre? He says "of the 62 different sets of records made use of by Davison only 23 may ~~be~~ be regarded as satisfactory, and about 7 others barely admissable". After a review of these data he concluded that the annual winter maximum is well established but the semi-annual maximum is too weak to be accepted as characteristic.

Knott's views as to the cause of this winter frequency differ somewhat from those of Davison. The latter considers that the change of barometric pressure over the seismic area itself is the principal factor, while the former attributes the frequency ~~rather~~ rather to "the whole manner in which the pressure varies across the seismic region".

There can be little doubt that Knowl's <sup>bc</sup> view is the more ~~see~~ sound as it introduces differential pressure across the fault plane.



## Seasonal Seismic Frequency in Tokyo.

Season	Mean Seasonal number of ordinary earthquakes. Period 1876-1899.	Number of destructive and semi-destructive earthquakes. Period 1615-1894.
Spring (March-May)	25.5	3
Summer (June-August)	19.1	7
Autumn (September-November)	18.3	5
Winter (December-February)	23.9	3

## Monthly Seismic Frequency in Kyoto (797-1867).

Month	Ordinary Small Earthquakes 1088 shocks	Destructive and Semi-destructive earthquakes -32 shocks
January	79	3
February	82	0
March	110	0
April	102	0
May	95	3
June	91	4
July	87	5
August	95	7
September	74	3
October	87	2
November	95	1
December	91	4

The small earthquakes give a maximum in March and a minimum in September.

The larger give a minimum for the period February to April and a maximum in August.



67  
of 1918 paper

Shortly after the appearance <sup>of 1918 paper</sup> Omori published in the same journal, one of his most important contributions to seismology. This paper deals with what Omori calls "secondary ~~uses~~ <sup>first</sup> of earthquakes. <sup>of 18"</sup> In it he ~~just~~ called attention to remarkable examples in which strong or great earthquakes, in a given region have occurred approximately in the same part of the year and even on the same day in different years. This he regards as more than a coincidence and attributes it to seasonal influences depending on barometric pressure. The remainder of this important paper refers to other aspects of earthquake frequency and is discussed under other sections of this review.

Under the section dealing with rainfall and earthquake frequency reference was made to the work of Drake <sup>16</sup> in connection with the destructive earthquakes of China. Here again there is strong evidence of an annual periodicity which is associated with the time of the recurrence of the monsoon and which Drake has therefore regarded as being caused by the influence of barometric pressure and rainfall.

After an interval of seven years since his last communication Montessus de Ballore in ~~1913~~ <sup>60</sup> 1913 again discussed the question of seasonal periodicity. He claims to have demonstrated in his last memoir on the subject that the law of a winter seismic maximum is really due to a physiological cause <sup>72</sup> affecting the observations, and rendering the conditions more favourable for recording small earthquakes in high than in low latitudes. As such an influence cannot enter into the catalogue of megaseisms recently prepared by Milne he undertakes an investigation with the materials of this catalogue. He tabulated the monthly frequency for each district concerned but unfortunately did not appear to



consider it worth while to publish the numerical details of this work. He states, however, that as the result of such analysis he found the periods of maximum and minimum earthquake frequency distributed as represented in the following table:-

Table showing the number of times that the annual maxima and minima of earthquake frequency for different districts fell in each month of the year.

Month	No. of Maxima	No. of Minima.
January	8	2
February	2	3
April	1	3
May	1	2
June	2	8
July	0	7
August	1	0
October	6	0
November	0	3
December	2	1

It is rather curious that Montessus de Ballore has omitted the ~~number~~ months of March and September from his table without any comment. It would constitute a strong error if due to an accidental omission; and on the other hand it would be very remarkable if not a single maximum nor minimum was recorded for these two months. There is nothing in Montessus' paper to indicate the reason for the non-inclusion of these months ~~and~~ in his published table. His comment on

*the above table reads as follows:—*



"Les maxima prédominent nettement en janvier et en octobre et les minimums en juin et juillet. Mais le fait que des maximums et des minimums se rencontrent dans de nombreux autres mois et que certaines régions présentent plusieurs maximums et minimums, semble prouver qu'un maximum hivernal et un minimum estival ne correspondent pas à une ~~vaine~~ loi naturelle générale".

Montessus then carried his investigation further by tabulating the percentage ratio of the numerical difference between the averages for the annual maxima and minima to the average yearly number of earthquakes for each district. He then arranged the districts in order of the number of earthquakes recorded for each district, as represented in the following table:-

70

District	No. of Earthquakes	Ratio $\frac{M-n}{M+n} \times 100$
Moluques et Insulinde	144	9.70
Regions tropicales de l'hemisphere australe	180	3.89
Amerique temperee du Sud	203	5.42
Amerique temperee du Nord	204	9.80
Amerique tropicale du Nord	217	5.99
Bassin oriental de la Mediterranee	238	6.72
Amerique du Sud	239	3.77
Europe centrale et Septentrionale	249	6.23
Bassin occidental de la Mediterranee (1850-1899)	265	5.66
Asie anterieure	292	4.55
Hemisphere austral	383	2.87
Amerique du Nord	421	4.75
Bassin occidental de la Mediterranee jusqu'a 1849	545	4.76
Amerique	624	4.49
Bassin occidental de la Mediterranee	810	3.46
Bassin de la Mediterranee	1051	2.86
Extreme-Orient	1081	3.24
Europe	1300	3.46
Asie	1373	2.69
Le vieux monde	2673	1.95
Hemisphere boreal	3094	1.84
Le monde	3441	1.42



Montessus then directed attention to the percentage ratio pointing out that the value of the ratio decreased as the number of earthquakes increased and hence concluded his investigation by the following remarks:-

"Cet asymptotisme vers zéro, ajouté à l'argument plus haut invoqué, donne le droit de penser que, en vertu de la loi des grands nombres, les maxima hivernaux et les minima estivaux ne sont qu'une apparence fortuite due au simple hasard, autrement dit que les mégaseismes sont indépendants des mois ou des saisons."

This conclusion does not appear to be the only, or even the most probable interpretation of the facts presented in the foregoing tables. A closer examination of the second table, ~~4-classes~~ shows that, in all those cases where the percentage ratio is small the area in which the earthquakes are recorded is large, in most cases at least continental in extent, and hence embraces many diverse regions. Again both Milne and Omori have emphasised the necessity for considering the evidence for small areas separately in order to avoid obscuring the special characteristics of each area by merging its data into a large body of statistics. It may very well be, and the detailed examination of separate districts by Knott, Davison and Omori strongly *supports* ~~indicate~~ ~~suggest~~ the view, that a seasonal periodicity is to be found for the earthquakes of most districts. Nevertheless as the month of the seasonal maximum varies the amalgamation of all the records might and generally would reduce the maximum; and the more extensive the group the less apparent would become the maximum. This is probably the reason of the low value of the percentage ratio for records referring



to large areas; and if so the chief argument of Montessus against the existence of seasonal frequency of earthquakes fall to the ground. It is one thing to state that the Ferrey<sup>5</sup> law of a winter maximum does not hold for all districts, and quite another to deny seasonal periodicity of any kind whatever; and Montessus appears to have overshot the mark in the latter direction.

In one of the most recent books on seismology Walker also reviews the question of periodicity. He concludes that "the annual periodicity with a maximum in winter..... obtained by Davison from earthquake statistics may be regarded as fairly well established." Walker also offers a contribution to the subject from the result of his own observations at Eskdalemuir. He applied Schuster's criteria to 235 records of which 16 are megaseismic, and concluded that "the ~~semi~~-semi-annual term is worthless while the annual term with its maximum at the end of August is important.

The work of Taber on the earthquakes of the Charleston district has already been referred to in connection with rainfall and barometric pressure; but in addition he also analysed his data for annual and semi-annual periodicity. For this purpose he used the method adopted by Knott and now generally approved as being simple and effective. He used ~~4~~ two methods of grouping. In the first method he took the actual number of earthquakes, but counted as one any two shocks occurring within 15 minutes of each other. In the second method he took account only of the "earthquake days" thus counting as one all the earthquakes occurring on any one single day. Both methods indicated an annual periodicity with a maximum in September and a minimum in April, with a



well marked secondary maximum in March. There is also a semi-annual period with maxima in February and August, and in addition a quarter-yearly periodicity with maxima in the months of March, June, September and December.

Using the criterion suggested by Schuster that a periodicity may be regarded as real when it has an amplitude equal to four times the expectancy, he found that this is the case for both the annual and the quarterly periodicities; but the probability, though favouring, does not support the semi-annual periodicity to the same degree.

<sup>90</sup> Spalding re-examined Taber's statistics and regrouped into them with three monthly periods, one about each of the equinoxes and solstices. He found a very high maximum in the quarter of the autumnal equinox and three subsidiary maxima, one in each of his other subdivisions of the year. He then carried his investigation further by examining four other earthquake records which are listed as follows:-

- (1) German Empire - 882 earthquakes <sup>taken from Mallet's</sup> ~~quoted from Kikuchi's~~ ~~separate~~ catalogue.
- (2) Japanese Empire - 216 earthquakes quoted from Kikuchi's report.
- (3) Pacific Coast of U.S.A. - 768 earthquakes from Holden's catalogue.
- (4) Pacific Coast of U.S.A. - McAdies catalogue.

He found that in each of these groups there is a well marked annual period about the time of the autumnal equinox-ranging from August to October.

He next examined the data relating to 5155 earthquakes taken from Mallet's catalogue in the same manner. This group



shows two pronounced maxima, the principal one about the winter solstice and the other about the vernal equinox. There is also a small maximum about the autumnal equinox and a strong minimum about the summer equinox solstice.

Spalding concludes that there is strong evidence of seasonal periodicity but for the present is content to record the facts without assigning any definite physical cause other than suggesting some general astronomical relation with the earthquake frequency.

67, 68.

The most recent work on this subject is that of Oldham who after an interval of some fifteen years, has again taken up the subject of earthquake frequency. Oldham's work is, I believe, the most important contribution yet made to the subject of earthquake frequency in relation to the tidal stresses set up by the sun and moon. His paper will be discussed more fully under the section of this paper dealing with that subject. At this stage, however, it is important to note that Oldham's results indicate a marked seasonal periodicity in which the ratio of day and night shocks is the periodic element. This ratio he has shown to be a maximum in summer and a minimum in winter. He has recently published two papers dealing with this phase of the subject and is still engaged in a further study of the subject.

It will be seen from the foregoing discussion that the question of the seasonal periodicity of earthquakes has received a considerable amount of attention from the most eminent seismologists. While the conclusion of Montessus de Ballore that Perrey's law of winter frequency does not apply to all districts may be accepted, it is clear that he has been carried too far by denying the existence of seasonal periodicity. His refutation of seasonal periodicity rests



upon the assumption that the seasonal of the maximum earthquake frequency must be the same for all earthquakes districts, and depends for its conclusion on the massed ~~see~~ results of many districts. This method tends to obscure the laws which may separately characterise each district, ~~the~~ detailed work of many workers has now demonstrated beyond any reasonable doubt that seasonal periodicity exists but that the time of the seasonal maximum is a function of topographical elements and geographical position; and probably also of geological structure.

Diurnal Periodicity of Earthquakes.

A diurnal periodicity like an annual one implies some relation direct or otherwise with the sun. The following discussion will be limited to the actual record of such periodicity and the consideration of indirect solar influences such as temperature and barometric pressure . The possible effect of tidal stresses will be dealt with under a special section.

The first systematic search for a diurnal periodicity appears to have been undertaken by Kluge. He prepared a catalogue of 472 shocks and arranged them according to the hours of their occurrence. The table given by him is given below:-

Hours A.M.	No. of Earthquakes	Hours P.M.	No. of E'qks.	Hours P.M.	No. of E'qks.	Hours A.M.	No. of Earthquakes.
6-7	8	12-1	16	6-7	18	12-1	22
7-8	8	1-2	10	7-8	9	1-2	44
8-9	24	2-3	18	8-9	18	2-3	38
9-10	11	3-4	18	9-10	16	3-4	18
10-11	13	4-5	14	10-11	25	4-5	27
11-12	17	5-6	15	11-12	33	5-6	32

tals	81	91	119	181
------	----	----	-----	-----

Total from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. .... 188 + 119 = 300

" " 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. .... 81 ±

In addition to these he has record of 157 shocks which occurred during the night and 4 shocks during the day. The hours at which these occurred are not recorded so that they could not be placed in the table given below below.

This makes a total of 457 night shocks against 176 day shocks. Kluge appears to think that this night frequency is



is a function of the temperature but was apparently unable to indicate precisely how the supposed cause operated.

Milne<sup>40</sup> reviewed the question some thirty years later. He pointed out that Fuchs used~~d~~ Kluge's catalogues for the period 1850-1857, and found the distribution to be as follows:-

Northern hemisphere	.....	day	=	938;	night	1592
Southern	"	.....	"	292;	"	357
		Totals		1230;		1949

In the northern hemisphere a maximum frequency of 360 earthquakes was recorded between 10 and 12 p.m. and a minimum frequency of 139 between 12 to 2 p.m.

In the southern hemisphere the maximum occurred between midnight and 1a.m. and there were minima from 1 to 2 p.m. and 4 to 5 p.m. These distinctions were found to be less marked in equatorial regions.

Schmidt<sup>46</sup> found a maximum at 2:30 a.m. and a minimum at 4p.m. for the earthquakes of the Orient recorded for the period 1774 and 1873.

Milne comments on these night frequencies as follows:-  
"With regard to these conclusions, which have been reached with much labour, we might be inclined to think that they are partially to be explained on the supposition that more observations are made during the night than during the day. The personal experience of residents in an earthquake country being, that many earthquakes which occur during the day are passed by unnoticed, whilst those which occur during the night are recorded by thousands of observers. Such a view is certainly confirmed by the instrumental records obtained in Japan. From 1872 to 1880 inclusive there were 261 shocks recorded 132 of which occurred between the hours of 6 p.m.



The conclusion of Milne's is also supported by Montessus de Ballore who examined the question for over 45,000 earthquakes. <sup>47, 48.</sup> These records he divided into seven groups partly according to a district grouping and partly to the nature of the records. He then tabulated for each group the hourly frequency for the whole period of 24 hours. Except in the case of groups V and VII which he discussed separately the records have a similar diurnal periodicity. He therefore combined groups 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 into one statistical summary. The frequencies are illustrated graphically and indicate a maximum from 3 to 4 a.m. the frequency curve then descends rapidly to 7 or 8 a.m. and remains fairly constant till midday. A minimum occurs at about 1 p.m. and this is followed by a distinct maximum from 3 to 4 p.m. The principal minimum is recorded at about 6 p.m. and from this time onward there is a steady increase in the frequency up to the maximum at 3 to 4 p.m.

The interpretation of this curve of diurnal frequency Montessus considers is to be explained by human activities. The maximum at about 3 to 4 a.m. he explains in the following words:-

"Vers 3 heures du matin les sens sont déjà bien reposés et perçoivent rapidement les ondulations du sol d'autant mieux que la majeure partie des populations est still couchée".

There is probably a good deal of reason in this explanation but it does not appear to be wholly satisfactory. It is not very clear for example why persons should be more readily awakened or should more readily notice earthquakeshocks between 3 and 4 a.m. than between 4 and 5 a.m. or from 5 to 6 a.m.

With increasing activities Montessus points out that fewer shocks would be observed and thus explains the morning



minimum. He finds himself unable to explain the minimum which occurs from 1 to 2 p.m. as this is certainly not the period of maximum human activity. Of the maximum which occurs from 3 to 4 p.m. he writes "C'est l'heure d'un repos relatif dans le pays temperés, de la sieste dans les pays chauds". This physiological explanation is again unsatisfactory in that it fails to explain the principal minimum at 6 p.m. Montessus suggests rather vaguely that the relative minimum of the early part of the night may be attributed "aux heures du premier et plus profond sommeil les sens sont trop fatigues pour ne pas laisser perdre un grand nombre de petites secousse". But this explanation obviously cannot apply to the minimum at 6 p.m.

The fifth group drawn up by Montessus exhibits a maximum at about 3 a.m. This he attributes to faulty observation assuming that the night observations were not carried out so carefully as those during the day.

The seventh group comprises the instrumental records of the Italian geodynamical observatories extending over the 21 years from 1863 to 1885. These records indicate that the day frequency exceeds that of the night. A closer examination however shows that this relation only holds for the period 1875-1885. Montessus points out that it was about 1875 that the ~~first~~ first sensitive seismographs were established; and he attributes the day maximum to the influence of such human activities as vehicles, trains, mine explosions, etc. The frequency curve for this group he considers supports this view as it reaches a maximum about midday. It is clear that the conclusion reached by Montessus was not accepted by all seismologists for several important investigations into this question have since been made. The first of these appears

in connection with an examination made by Omori on the after-shocks of earthquakes. He pointed out that previous investigation into diurnal frequency rested upon non-instrumental records, and were therefore of doubtful value. The records used by Omori were recorded at meteorological stations provided with seismographs as he states "should have therefore far greater weight than those hitherto obtained". As the journal in which Omori has published these records is not commonly available I have summarised his results and have tabulated them as follows:-



Earthquake	Kumamoto	Mino-Owari	Kagoshima	
Seismological Station	Kumamoto	Gifu	Nagoya	Chiran
Period	July 31-August 31. 1889	October 28-Nov. 10 1891	September 8- 21st. 1893.	
Hours	Number of Earthquakes.			
0-1 a.m.	7	56	51	3
1-2 "	13	64	44	15
2-3 "	18	58	25	12
3-4 "	12	62	34	9
4-5 "	11	92	32	9
5-6 "	11	63	25	17
6-7 "	3	47	16	9
7-8 "	6	53	22	12
8-9 "	4	49	26	10
9-10 "	2	41	20	15
10-11 "	4	42	14	6
11-12 "	3	58	21	11
0-1 p.m.	11	54	18	4
1-2 "	5	48	17	12
2-3 "	2	38	15	13
3-4	1	36	23	8
4-5	4	36	16	10
5-6	3	47	18	4
6-7	8	51	15	10
7-8	4	77	24	11
8-9	5	58	22	3
9-10	2	51	23	8
10-11	4	42	27	12
11-12	5	35	24	10
Totals	148	1228	572	233



The day and night frequencies from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. respectively are as follows:-

District	Kumamoto	Gifu	Nagoya	Chiran
Day	48	549	226	114
Night	100	709	346	119
Totals	148	1258	572	233

It is interesting to note that in each of the four cases there is a distinct preponderance of night over day shocks. As these shocks were instrumentally recorded and as the excess occurred during the night in each case the criticisms of Montessus de Ballere do not apply to this series of records.

Osori has illustrated the diurnal frequencies by graphical methods using a smoothing process which actually amounts to a summation of overlapping means for two hourly periods. He found that for Gifu there were three diurnal maxima occurring between 4-5 a.m.; and three minima which occur respectively between 9 and 10 a.m., between 3 and 4 p.m. and at 11 p.m. The intervals between the maxima are 7, 8 and 9 hours, and between the minima 6, 8 and 10 hours.

At Nagoya he found that there were 6 more or less distinct oscillations having a mean period of 4 hours. He says "It is evident <sup>that</sup> ~~that~~ both the 4-hour and the 8 hour periods existed ~~together~~ together, but that the longer period predominated in the diurnal earthquake frequency for Gifu and the shorter one in that ~~of~~ for Nagoya".

At Kumamoto and Chiran the hourly distribution of shocks was he considers "very similar respectively to those of Gifu and Nagoya."



Omori next extended his observations and examined the diurnal frequency for Tokyo and then for all Japan. His results are summarised and tabulated below:-

District	Tokyo	Japan	Japan
Period	1876-1891	1885-1890	including the after shocks at Gifu and Chiran.
Hours	Number of Earthquakes.		
0-1 a.m.	47	133	1 92
1-2 "	28	153	232
2-3 "	49	211	281
3-4 "	33	176	247
4-5 "	42	139	240
5-6 "	46	153	246
	46	166	
6-7 "	52	153	209
7-8 "	52	162	227
8-9 "	44	151	210
9-10 "	64	157	213
10-11 "	45	139	187
11-12 "	38	155	224
0-1 p.m.	49	151	209
1-2 "	55	186	246
2-3 "	50	188	239
3-4 "	67	162	206
4-5 "	54	144	190
5-6 "	44	132	183
6-7 "	44	135	196
7-8 "	43	156	244
8-9 "	65	153	214
9-10 "	58	184	243
10-11 "	53	185	239
11-12 "	52	171	216
Totals	1168	3842	5333



The disposition of day and night shocks is as follows:-

District	Tokyo	Japan	Japan and Gifu and Chiran.
Day	608	1880	2543
Night	560	1962	2790
Totals	1168	3842	5333

Omori concluded that the earthquakes observed at Tokyo exhibit three diurnal maxima occurring respectively between 9 and 10 a.m.; between 3 and 4 p.m. and between 8 and 9 p.m.; and three minima occurring respectively between 2 and 3 a.m. between 11 a.m. and noon and between 6 and 7 p.m. the intervals between the successive maxima are 6,5, and 13 hours and between the minima 9,7 and 8 hours.

For the 3842 earthquakes of Japan as a whole he found again three diurnal maxima occurring between 2 and 3 a.m.; between 2 and 3 p.m. and between 10 and 11 p.m.; and three minima between midnight and 1 a.m., between 8 and 9 a.m. and between 5 and 6 p.m. The intervals between the maxima being 12,8 and 4 hours, and between the minima being 8,9 and 7 hours.

In conclusion Omori says "Three distinct maxima and minima occur in the diurnal fluctuation of the frequency of after-shocks as well as in that of ordinary earthquakes. The hours at which these occur seem to be different for different localities and therefore these may not each be shown, when we mix up earthquakes from records ~~for~~ distant places of the world together.

Whether there are more earthquakes during the night than during the day is not certain".

In discussing the possible cause of the periodicity Omori says "To investigate the relations, if any, between earthquakes and the phases of the moon, sun-spots, temperature of the



atmosphere, etc. seems not likely to lead to valuable results and would be, as Mallet remarked, a waste of scientific time and labour. With atmospheric pressure it may be different."

After briefly discussing the question he concludes as follows:-

"A single abrupt change in the atmospheric pressure is not likely to be accompanied by any fluctuations in the frequency of earthquakes. If however, barometric changes whether small or great, occur at regular intervals then the earth's crust may finally assume ~~with~~ certain corresponding oscillations. Thus the daily and annual fluctuations in the seismic frequency may partly be due to those in the atmospheric pressure. Especially are the curves of the annual barometric and seismic fluctuations very similar to each other".

From the above statement it is clear that Omori recognised that the diurnal barometric wave which has two maxima and minima is not capable of affording a full explanation of the seismic frequency in which there are three maxima and minima. It may well be as he says that barometric fluctuations may partly affect the frequency. He has not however indicated how such a relationship might be specifically correlated in the case of the diurnal wave. It is clear that other agents must be active - possibly some which he has rejected as unprofitable lines of investigation. Such apparently <sup>has</sup> been the view of Davison, Knott, Schuster and Oldham who shortly afterwards sought for solar <sup>and</sup> lunar periodicities in earthquake frequency. Davison <sup>10</sup> first led the way by an investigation with diurnal periodicity. He first reviewed the work of Montessus de Ballore and of Omori and then proceeded to attack the problem by means of harmonic analysis. In order that the earthquake frequency for different districts may be more easily compared he represented the average hourly number of earthquakes for any given district as unity and



calculated the frequency of the maxima and minima and the amplitude as decimals. The amplitude is one half of the difference between the maximum and minimum values of the frequency as determined by the harmonic analysis. He investigated in several cases the first 6 harmonic components of the frequency representing the hourly periods indicated in his tables. His examination comprises a study of several districts. He re-examined by the method of harmonic analysis the records which Omori had discussed in connection with the Kumamoto, Mino-Owari and Kagoshima earthquakes, and also those pertaining to Tokyo and Japan as a whole. In addition he analysed earthquake catalogues for the <sup>Phillipine</sup> ~~Philippine~~ Islands and Italy. The results of his analysis of Omori's data are very interesting and Davison's tables for these are here reproduced for comparison.

I. After-shocks of Japanese Earthquakes.

Earthquake	Kumamoto	Mino-Owari		Kagoshima				
District	Kumamoto	Gifu	Nagoya	Chiran				
Period	July 31st to Aug. 13, 1889	Oct. 29 - 1891	Nov. 10	Sept. 8-21 1893				
Harmonic	Ampl.	Epoch	Ampl.	Epoch	Ampl.	Epoch	Ampl.	Epoch
Component	h.m.		h.m.		h.m.		h.m.	
1st - 24 hours	•623	0-3	•163	2-19	•505	0-15	•096	4-35
2nd - 12 "	•456	2-35	•089	5-29	•171	1-25	•069	3-58
3rd - 8 "	•430	2-57	•229	3-58	•111	1-17	•075	6-52
4th - 6 "	•214	1-56	•069	1-12	•068	1-41	•086	2-18
5th - 4 <sup>h</sup> "	•239	1-12	•051	0-50	•072	1-33	•121	0-40
6th - 4 "	•088	0-52	•121	0-32	•210	0-37	•239	1-57



## II. Ordinary Earthquakes of Japan.

(a) 1204 Earthquakes recorded at Tokyo 1876-1881 and 1883-1892.

Harmonic Component	Whole Year		Winter		Summer	
	Ampl.	Epoch h.m.	Ampl.	Epoch h.m.	Ampl.	Epoch h.m.
1st - 24 hours	.130	10-14	.093	10-39	.176	9-58
2nd - 12 "	.082	10-22	.123	9-26	.085	0-12
3rd - 8 "	.098	6-28	.086	6-31	.111	6-25
4th - 6 "	.118	3-7	.143	2-56	.096	3-26
5th - 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	.030	1-8	.059	1-49	.060	4-2
6th - 4 "	.024	3-27	.097	3-11	.058	0-58

(b) 1175 earthquakes recorded for all Japan for the years  
1885-1890

Harmonic Component	Ampl.	Epoch		Ampl.	Epoch	Ampl.	Epoch
		h.m.	h.m.				
1st - 24 hours	.147	11-53	.239	11-50	.061	0-2	
2nd - 12 "	.004	9-8	.035	9-48	.028	3-58	
3rd - 8 "	.064	6-31	.045	6-12	.083	6-40	
4th - 6 "	.100	2-39	.067	2-8	.146	2-53	

In discussing the Italian records Davison admits the weight of the argument of Montessus concerning the mid-day maximum for the instrumental records at the geo-dynamical observatories. But he points out that there is however one station - Rocca di Papa which according to Cancani is wholly uninfluenced by vibrations due to human activities; and that the harmonic analysis of the records of this station too indicate a midday maximum. As it is found moreover that the records of ~~the~~ some of the stations questioned by Montessus agree closely with those of Rocca di Papa, the force of his argument with regard



to human activities is considerably weakened.

Davison provides a succinct summary of his results as follows:-

"The following conclusions may, I think, be drawn from the results of the above analysis:-

(1) The reality of the diurnal variation of ~~the~~ earthquake-frequency seems to be proved by the approximate agreement in epoch (mean local time) of the first four components for the whole year at Tokio and Manila, and for the winter and summer halves of the year at Tokio.

(2) In ordinary earthquakes there is in nearly every case a marked diurnal period, the maximum generally occurring between 10 a.m. and noon. The semi-diurnal period, though less prominent is also clearly marked, the maximum occurring, as a rule, between 9 a.m. and noon and between 9 p.m. and midnight. Other important - the first maximum of the eight-hour component probably occurring about 6:30 a.m. and that of the six-hour component about 3 or 4 a.m.; but in these two epochs the results are not always concordant.

(3) Though the materials are insufficient for any general ~~conclusion~~ conclusion, a comparison of the results for Tokio and Rocca di Papa seems to show that the slighter disturbances at the latter place are subject to a more marked diurnal periodicity.

(4) In the after-shocks of great earthquakes the diurnal periodicity, as a rule, is strongly pronounced. The maximum of the diurnal period occurs within a few hours after mid-night, but the epochs of the other components are subject to wide variance. A special feature of after-shocks is the prominence of eight-hour and four-hour components. After a year or two there is some return to ordinary conditions; but even when the average hourly-number number of shocks is reduced to one-



hundredth of that during the first few days, the characteristics of after-shocks are still perceptible".

Davison then undertook an harmonic analysis of barometric pressure records in order to ascertain whether any periodicity similar to that of earthquake periodicity might exist in such records his results show some similarity but many anomalies he concludes as follows:-

"It seems evident, therefore, that we cannot attribute the diurnal variation of seismic frequency exclusively to that of barometric pressure or of wind velocity but it is not improbable that it may result from a combination of both phenomena, that the diurnal periodicity of ordinary earthquakes may be due chiefly to that of wind velocity and the diurnal periodicity of after-shocks chiefly to that of barometric pressure."

The real conclusions from Davison's paper appears to be that diurnal periodicity really exists in earthquake frequency; that there is strong evidence that it is influenced by variations in barometric pressure at that probably other influences at present undetermined are also operative.

The conclusion of Davison that real diurnal periodicity exists is confirmed by Schuster<sup>87.</sup> in a critical examination in which he deals with the probability of such earthquake frequency resulting from the random occurrence of shocks. Schuster says " The reality of the daily period must be considered established unless the evaluation of the expectancy is faulty owing to the fact that the tremors occur in groups the good agreement between the phases of periodicity disposes of that doubt".

In the year following Schuster's criticism Becke<sup>2.</sup> published an account of the Graslitz earthquakes he tabulated some 200 shocks grouping them first into 2 yearly periods and next



in three-hourly intervals. The graphical representation of both methods are similar and indicate a maximum frequency in the early hours of both morning and evening he further analysed ~~his records of data~~ his ~~grouping~~ <sup>data data</sup> by several methods of ~~data~~ grouping according to the intensity of the shock and found that the distribution was much the same in each case. He also considered the suggestion that the ~~pure~~ <sup>fewer</sup> shocks at about mid-day might be due to weak shocks passing unobserved and the minimum about midnight might be due to the omission from the record of weaker shocks not sufficiently strong to awaken the sleepers. The strong shocks however also exhibit the same frequency as the weaker ones and hence the force of the physiological argument is weakened. Becke considered the possibility of the frequency being affected in the same way by the sun's position. He pointed out that if this was the case the same relations should be manifest for the moon. He therefore analysed the records according to the lunar day but did not consider the results confirmed as hypotheses. There are however some important aspects which he overlooks and these will be discussed later under the section dealing with lunar periodicities.

Becke also examined but on account of lack of data in a not very satisfactory way the possible relations of the earthquake frequency and barometric variation; and he concluded that there was no very obvious relation between these two sets of phenomena.

<sup>H)</sup> Milne in his book on seismology has also discussed the question of diurnal periodicity. He took up the disputed question of the preponderance of night shocks and reviewed the work of *Montessus de Ballere*. In order to escape the disturbing

records. He selected those used by Omori - the shocks recorded *reselected* at Tokyo from 1876-1891 and concluded that these indicate that earthquakes are as frequent during the night as during the day. He makes a very interesting observation which deserves further study, this reads as follows:-

" If however we tabulate the same earthquakes in vertical columns according to the hours of the day each column corresponding to a month of the year, an inspection of this table shows that especially for the winter months there appears for each 24 hours a maximum and minimum; and passing from month to month the time of the maximum, commences at midnight in January, grows later until July where it reaches midday, while from July to December the time of the maximum grows earlier".

After the review of the work of Omori and Davison already discussed in the paper he conceived:- "Since it is likely that along a fault, possibly a hundred miles in length, for many months after its formation there are points at which critical condition are rapidly being produced, it is not improbable that yielding or accelerated settling should be effected by diurnal barometrical changes.

It must, however, be noted that in Japan these changes, with a range of two millimetres have their maximum and minimum about 9 a.m. and between 2 and 4 p.m., which are hours far removed from those at which the maximum of the weaker and after-shocks chiefly take place."



In 1902 Omori took up the question for the earthquakes of Japan. In this investigation he made a very detailed examination of 18,279 earthquakes recorded at 26 different stations. Recognising that the same laws of frequency may not apply to all areas he has considered separately the records of each of the 26 recording stations. The majority of the earthquakes were observed instrumentally the seismographs used being of the Gray Milne type. The records are assembled in tabular form which shows clearly the frequency for each hour of the day and also for each month. In the case of each district Omori found a marked diurnal frequency which however is not the same for the different stations. He found that it was possible to arrange the stations into four groups characterised respectively by a twelve, an eight a six and a four hour periodicity. In the case of those stations at which the total number of shocks for each exceeded 400 he tabulated the hours of the absolute maximum and minimum as follows:-

Hours of occurrence of the absolute maximum and minimum in the diurnal seismic variation.

Stations	Hours of occurrence of	
	Maximum	Minimum.
Nemuro	11 a.m.- noon	2-3 p.m.
Miyako	5-6 p.m.	2-3 p.m.
Ishinomaki	2-3 p.m.	0-1 a.m.
Fukushima	9-10 p.m.	4-5 a.m.
Utsunomiya	6-7 a.m.	11 p.m.-midnight
Tokyo	9-10 a.m.	4-5 p.m.
Nagoya	1-2 a.m.	(0-1 p.m. 6-7 p.m.)
Gifu	10-11 p.m.	4-5 p.m.
Tsu	10-11 a.m. ( 7-8 p.m.)	0-1 p.m.
Wakayama	5-6 p.m.	2-3 p.m.
Kubamoto	9-10 a.m.	2-3 a.m.
Kagoshima	1-2 p.m.	4-5 a.m.

Commenting on the above table Omori remarks "From this table, it will be seen that the hours of occurrence of the absolute maxima and minima in the diurnal seismic variation are very different for the different places. This may partly be due to the fact that earthquakes observed at some of the stations are not sufficiently numerous. The probable cause is, however, the predominance of different periodicities at the different stations."

Even in those ~~same~~ cases where stations have the ~~same~~ same period the epoch is often quite different. This will be seen from the following tables which are also quoted from Omori's paper:-



Stations with 12 hours period.

Station	Fukushima	Utsunomiya	Wakayama	Kumamoto.
Max. or Min.				
1st Max.	9-10 a.m.	9-10 a.m.	4-5 a.m.	9-10 a.m.
2nd. "	8-9 p.m.	8-9 p.m.	5-6 p.m.	9-10 p.m.
1st Min.	2-3 a.m.	2-3 a.m.	0-1 a.m.	2-3 a.m.
2nd "	at 2 p.m.	3-4 p.m.	10-11 p.m.	6-7 p.m.

Stations with 8 hours period.

Station	Nemuro	Miyako	Gifu	Tsu
Max. or Min.				
1st Maximum	at 4 a.m.	1-2 a.m.	4-5 a.m.	2-3 a.m.
2nd "	11 a.m. - noon	9-10 a.m.	0-1 p.m.	10-11 a.m.
3rd "	5-7 p.m.	6-7 p.m.	at 9 p.m.	7-8 p.m.
1st Minimum	8-9 a.m.	at 5 a.m.	9-10 a.m.	at 7 a.m.
2nd "	2-3 p.m.	at 2 p.m.	3-4 p.m.	1-2 p.m.
3rd "	10-11 p.m.	at 11 p.m.	10-11 p.m.	0-1 a.m.

Stations with 6 hours period - Tokyo.

1st Maximum	2-3 a.m.	1st Minimum	1-2 a.m.
2nd "	9-10 a.m.	2nd "	4-5 a.m.
3rd "	3-4 p.m.	3rd "	0-1 p.m.
4th "	9-10 p.m.	4th "	5-6 p.m.

The above tables emphasise the individuality of the records for each station, and furnish a strong argument against their correlation with barometric pressure alone; which is the only correlation attempted by Omori.

The next to take up the problem of diurnal periodicity was Oldham. He pointed out that after a great earthquake there usually follows a long train of after shocks due to



minor readjustments, before equilibrium is reached; and he considered that such a series of shocks was well suited for an investigation into diurnal periodicity. He therefore inquired into the after-shocks of the Great Assam earthquake with this object in view. In order to eliminate errors due to physiological causes he examined the records furnished by the Shillong seismograph. He tabulated the earthquakes for each hour of the day and found two maxima, one between 8 and 11 p.m. and the other between 3 and 6 a.m. He acutely remarks that if this distribution be due to the sun's attractive force, a corresponding effect should also be noted for the moon. He therefore subdivided the lunar day into ~~with~~ 24 equal parts and graphically represented the earthquake frequency for each part for a period of 4½ years. He found however that the result exhibited little resemblance to the solar curve and hence made the following statement:-

"Hence we may conclude that the observed irregularity of distribution of earthquakes through the 24 hours of the day and night, is not directly due to the attraction of the sun. .... Through the observed irregularity in distribution of the after-shocks over the twenty-four hours of the day cannot be attributed to the direct attraction of the sun, it does not necessarily follow that this is without effect, and it will be of interest to see whether the attraction of the sun and moon have any effect in determining the time of occurrence of earthquakes".

A fuller discussion of this investigation will be given under the section dealing with earth tides.

Although the frequency during the lunar day does not correspond to that of the solar day Oldham thinks that the same fundamental relation may exist in both cases but that



the period of observations may not have been sufficiently long to eliminate the solar influence from the lunar observations.

Certainly, however, a diurnal periodicity seems to be present and Oldham is disposed to attribute it indirectly to the tidal forces.

<sup>31</sup> Knott has critically reviewed Omori's, Oldham's and Davison's work in this connection. He discussed the periodicities indicated for the Tokyo and Nagoya districts given by Omori and found no evidence of a daily maxima though he believes there is some ground for the half and quarter daily periods. He has also criticised the methods adopted by Omori, pointing out that he did not use the method of overlapping means which Knott considers essential to the investigation.

In reviewing Oldham's work Knott has calculated the amplitudes and expectancy for the earthquake frequency and concluded that the results were negative in character.

In reviewing Davison's work he considers that more definite results appear from the examination of the Italian records. In reference to these Knott writes "In the case of Italy with its 8177 shocks the daily, half-daily, and quarter daily amplitudes are all comparatively large, and to that extent support the hypothesis of a true solar daily period".

In general he says "where comparison is possible the results agree sufficiently well with the results given by Davison, at least as regards the phases of the assumed periodicities."

In the case of the earthquakes of Japan however Knott has examined a larger number (3842) of shocks than those available (1175) at the time of Davison's investigation.



Comparing the results for this group Knott writes "Davison finds for the times of maxima in the daily, half-daily, <sup>third</sup> daily and fourth-daily harmonic the following values:—noon, 9 a.m., 6.5 a.m. and 2.5 a.m.; while my values for the corresponding quantities as given by Omori's larger list are 2 a.m.; noon, 6 a.m. and 3.5 a.m. There is agreement in one case only and that is the eight-hours periodicity, for the existence of which there is absolutely no physical basis. The daily and half-daily periodicities are quite different."

It must be kept in mind however when one reads the above statement that Omori had already demonstrated ~~how~~ how important it is in investigating earthquake frequency to deal with each district separately; and it may well be that the larger number of earthquakes investigated by Knott involved a different district grouping from that of the list employed by Davison. Again after a perusal of part II of the paper dealing with "Tidal stresses in the lithosphere" most readers will probably be prepared to admit that there may be after all, a physical basis for an eight-hour periodicity in certain cases. Shortly after Knott's review appeared Omori published a further contribution to the subject in his paper dealing with the "Secondary causes of earthquakes" <sup>78</sup> He has given the hourly frequency for 2208 earthquakes instrumentally observed at Tokyo for the 24 years 1876-1899. ~~at Tokyo for the 24 years~~ The frequency curve has four maxima, the two principal ones occurring at 9-10 a.m. and 9-10 p.m. and the two minor ones at 2-3 a.m. and 3-4 p.m. When the earthquakes are grouped in 3 hourly periods the frequency curve has only two maxima and agrees well with the curve for the barometric pressure.



Another illustration of a remarkable diurnal distribution of the frequency is given by Onori in the following table:-

Hour	(a) Eqkes. of Groups I to IV (Inland Origin)	(b) Eqkes. of Groups V to X	(a) Eqkes. of Groups I to IV (Inland Origin)	(b) Eqkes. of Groups V to X.
0-1	0	6	0	5
1-2	1	4	1	5
2-3	4	4	3	6
3-4	3	4	2	2
4-5	4	4	1	1
5-6	2	6	3	5
6-7	0	5	0	7
7-8	1	5	0	6
8-9	0	10	1	2
9-10	0	6	0	11
10-11	0	5	0	1
11-12	0	4	0	5

The periodicity indicated in the above table is of course of a semi-diurnal character.

On the whole then it appears that diurnal periodicity has been noted for many earthquake districts, but that the epoch of the maximum is not the same for all districts but appears to be a characteristic of each particular locality. The attempts which have been made to correlate the periodicity with barometric changes while furnishing a partial explanation do not by any means wholly account for the observed periodicities.



Ocean Tides and Earthquake Frequency.

It might be thought at first sight that the investigation of tidal forces would be the same for both the water and land areas. This however is not the case for two reasons. In the first place there is involved in the motions of the water tides the bodily transference of large amounts of water from one area to an adjacent one; and in the second place the phases of the high and low tides vary very considerably for different districts as may be seen by tables giving the "establishment of the port". Moreover there are those who are willing to admit the influence of ocean tides as a factor in determining earthquakes frequency, and who do not attach a similar importance to the corporeal tides. For these reasons then, it was considered advisable to discuss the water tides and the earth tides separately.

Probably the earliest reference to a possible relation between tides and earthquake frequency is an extract from the diary of Richard Cocks under the date November 7th, 1618. The quotation is by Milne and refers to the popular belief that earthquakes are apt to occur at the times of high water.

The stresses set up by fluctuations of the water level are considerable and greatly exceed those due to variations in barometric pressure. Darwin has calculated that the tides having a range from high to low water of about 16 feet, actually operating on the coast of the Atlantic, are capable of causing a vertical displacement of the solid earth's crust amounting to 11.37 c.m. or nearly 5 inches. The careful enquiry into this problem however is of recent date. This may be gathered from the following statement made by Milne in 1886:-

"To determine how far tides may directly be connect



earthquakes, the necessary records have yet to be examined".

The absence of any reference to such an investigation in Kikuchi's comprehensive review<sup>R6</sup> of the Japanese work in Seismology indicates that even at this date (1904) nothing of importance had been done.

About the same time (1904) Omori, in an investigation into the subject of the lunar-daily distribution of earthquakes,<sup>70</sup> was led to the conclusion that "the effect due to the weight of the sea waters in the tidal motion" was an effective agent in influencing earthquake frequency.

Imamura, too in an investigation into Synodic monthly frequency<sup>RH</sup> reached the conclusion that the sea tides contributed a component, in conjunction with barometric pressure, which influenced the earthquake frequency.

The problem appears to have been first systematically examined by Omori, who has discussed it in his paper on the "secondary causes of earthquakes"<sup>78</sup>. He investigated four distinct series of records which are as follows:-

- (1) List of the recent stronger submarine earthquakes which originated along the Fuji volcanic chain.
- (2) List of strong earthquakes felt in Tokyo
- (3) Stronger earthquakes whose centres were not much distant from Tokyo. Inland origin.
- (4) Stronger earthquakes whose centres were not much distant from Tokyo - submarine origin.

The tables prepared by Omori give the date and time of each earthquake and the nearest time of high or low water. A column is also given expressing the difference between the times of each earthquake and the corresponding time of high or low water. From these statistics Omori records the number of earthquakes which occur near the times of high water, of



low water and between tides.

For the first series relating to the Fuji volcanic chain and containing 14 earthquakes, he draws the following conclusion. "The difference between the time of earthquake occurrence and the nearest moment of high or low water of the tide varied, except in the case of the 4th earthquake, between 0 h. 12 m. and 2 h. 15 m. giving the average value of 50 m."

The second series contains 14 strong shocks felt in Tokyo. Of these he writes, "The difference between the time of earthquake occurrence and that of the corresponding high and low water of the tide varied in 11 out of the 14 cases, between 0 h. 0 m. and 2 h. 21 m.; only in the 3 remaining cases, earthquakes happened midway between the high and low waters".

The third series he has subdivided into five groups. He considers together groups I to IV as referring to earthquakes of inland origin, and states the relation of the 26 earthquakes concerned to the phases of the tide as follows:-

- "(a) 11 occurred with the high tide
- (b) 12 occurred with the low tide
- (c) 3 occurred between the high and low tides.

The earthquakes of Group V refer to coastal or submarine regions. The total number of these earthquakes is 39 of which "21 occurred with the high water, 15 with the low water, and the remaining 2 between the high and low waters".

The earthquakes of the fourth series comprise groups VI to X and contain 80 earthquakes. Of these "33 each occurred with the high and low waters, while the remaining 14 occurred between these two phases of the tide".

He has also given the distribution throughout the day of



the earthquakes of the third and fourth series in a condensed table which is reproduced as follows:-

Diurnal variation of the seismic frequency in relation to the phases of the tide.

Hour	<u>Earthquakes occurring</u>		
	with high water	with low water	between high and low waters.
0-1 A.M.	4	2	0
1-2	3	1	1
2-3	3	5	0
3-4	3	4	0
4-5	3	4	0
5-6	4	4	0
6-7	3	1	1
7-8	3	3	1
8-9	5	3	2
9-10	4	0	2
10-11	1	2	2
11-12	2	2	0
0-1	1	4	0
1-2	2	4	0
2-3	3	6	1
3-4	2	1	0
4-5	0	2	0
5-6	3	4	1
6-7	2	2	3
7-8	4	1	1
8-9	3	0	0
9-10	4	5	3
10-11	0	1	0
11-12	2	1	1
SUM	64	62	19

From the above table there appears to be a great preponderance of earthquakes occurring with the maximum and minimum loading of the coastal area of Japan in the neighbourhood of Tokyo.

There is however a strange lack of precision in Omori's grouping of the records in relation to the times of high and low water. The lunar day consists of about 24 hours and 50.5 minutes so that the average time between high and low water is 6 hours 12.6 minutes. In order to group the earthquakes according to the times of high and low water and between high and low water this interval should be subdivided into four equal parts each 1 hour 33 minutes in length. Earthquakes occurring within this period of the times of high, low or middle water should be referred to those standards respectively. Omori, however, has included earthquakes occurring ~~as~~ far off ~~as~~ from the times of high and low water as referring to these periods.

Applying the new criteria to Omori's tables the following results have been derived:-

(1) The 14 earthquakes of the Fuji volcanic zone.

With high water 4 earthquakes

" low " 7 "

" middle tide 3 "

(2) The 14 strong shocks felt in Tokyo

with high water, 5 earthquakes

" low " 4 "

" middle tide, 5 "

(3) The 26 stronger earthquakes near Tokyo - Inland origin

(a) Groups I to IV of Omori's table.



with high water, 9 earthquakes

" low " 8 "

" middle tide 9 "

(b) The 39 earthquakes of Group V of Omori's table

with high water, 16 earthquakes

" low " 10 "

" middle tide 13 "

(4) The 80 earthquakes of submarine origin near Tokyo

with high water, 20 earthquakes

" low " 21 "

" middle tide 39 "

From the manner in which the time intervals are subdivided the number of earthquakes occurring at middle tide should be equal to the sum of those at high and low tide unless the frequency of the earthquakes is affected by the ebb and flow of the tides. It will be seen that the sum of the numbers for high and low tide exceeds that for middle tide by considerable amounts except in the case of the submarine earthquakes. These results may now be tabulated for comparison with Omori's as follows:-

Series	Sum for High and Low tide according to		No. for Middle tide according to	
	Omori	Cotton	Omori	Cotton
1	13	11	1	3
2	11	9	3	5
3a	23	17	3	9
b	36	26	2	13
4	66	41	14	39
	149	104	23	69

Thus according to Omori the ratio of the number of earthquakes occurring at high and low tide to the number occurring about middle tide is 149:23 and according to my



calculations 104:69. In spite of this serious discrepancy both sets of figures favour a relation between earthquake frequency and the times of high and low tide. If, moreover, we put on one side the earthquakes of submarine origin the corresponding ratios are-Omeri 83:9 and Cotton 63:30, both of which strongly support some such relation as that suggested by Omeri. More extended work is however required on this subject.

The only other systematic enquiry into the relation of ocean tides and earthquake frequency appears to be that made by Teber in connection with the earthquakes of the Charleston district. He plotted the earthquake frequency for hourly periods corresponding to the phases from high water to the next period of high water and concludes as follows:- "A careful examination of the curve shows that the times of earthquake shocks are distributed without reference to the hours of high and low water; and when it is tested mathematically for a harmonic periodicity, the maximum number of shocks is found to occur about seven hours and the minimum about one hour before high water, but the amplitude is less than twice the expectancy. This proves that the tides have had little if any influence in determining the time of earthquake shocks. It is interesting, however, to note that the slight maximum occurs near the time of low water, that is to say, when the effect of sea-level height is to reduce to a minimum the load on the south-east side of the assumed fault.

The distance of the fault from the sea coast is possibly the explanation of the fact that tides seem to have little or no influence in determining the time of the shock."



From the foregoing discussion it would appear that the question is still an open one and is worthy of further investigation. It may well be, and indeed is highly probable that any component of earthquake frequency connected with ocean tides is due to differential loading of adjacent areas rather than to the maximum and minimum pressures across the earthquake region.

Earthquake Frequency and Earth Tides.

The possible relation between earthquake frequency and tidal stresses in the lithosphere was first investigated by the famous Alexis Perrey of Dijon.<sup>79</sup> Indeed this question formed the principal subject of his researches and his methods of attacking the problem have influenced most subsequent workers. Perrey accepted the then current doctrine of a fluid nucleus for the earth. He argued that this fluid mass, like the ocean waters, must be subjected to tidal movements, and hence would disturb the solid crust of the earth which they supported. Although this view of the constitution of the earth's interior has now been demonstrated to be untrue, by virtue of the high rigidity of the earth as a whole, the work of Perrey cannot be set aside on this account; for his work is largely based on statistical methods. His conception of the earth's interior influenced the plan of his investigations and was used to interpret his results; but the results themselves are not in any way dependent upon the theory in which he believed. It is well to keep this in mind for it has been contended that, as Perrey's fundamental postulate with regard to the earth's interior has been shown to be false, ~~that~~ the laws which he promulgated with regard to earthquake frequency must be equally untrue.

Perrey's methods appear to have been followed by most subsequent investigators and it almost seems as if his genius has so dominated the trend of thought as to render difficult the development of a fresh point of view.

Perrey's work was communicated chiefly to the French Academy of Science and was discussed and approved by a special committee of that body. The full details of his earlier ~~work~~ <sup>work</sup> do not appear to have been published, but his conclusions



with regard to several aspects of the question have been published in several of his later memoirs. In 1853 Perrey presented to the Academy a memoir entitled "Sur les rapports qui peuvent exister entre la fréquence des tremblements de terre et l'âge de la lune"; and in the following year a second memoir entitled "Sur la fréquence des tremblements de terre relativement aux passages de la lune au méridien".

These reports were not printed but the substance of their contents was published in a report by a select committee appointed to review Perrey's work. This report accepts the view of a fluid nucleus for the earth and regards this hypothesis as competent to explain the results of Perrey's investigations.

Perrey found himself confronted with an initial difficulty in his statistical work. The records were not, of course, at that time instrumentally made, and the times of the earthquakes were not, in consequence, recorded with precision. It therefore happened, that on many occasions when earthquakes were recorded on the same day from different districts, there was a doubt as to whether one or more distinct earthquakes had actually taken place. To overcome this difficulty he undertook two methods of investigation.

In the first case he took as an "earthquake day" a day in which one or more earthquakes occurred regardless of other circumstances. This gave a list of 2735 earthquake days for the period 1801-1845 and a total of 5388 earthquake days for the period 1801-1850.

In the second case he reckoned as an "earthquake day" each shock which could be established as independent of others as for example, two shocks which though simultaneous in time were separated by regions unaffected by either shock. This



raised the numbers from 2735 to 3041 and from 5388 to 6596 for the periods abovementioned.

In both the first and second methods he referred each earthquake day to the corresponding lunar day and found a preponderance at the syzygies as compared with the quadratures. He found moreover that this law held for each of the quarter centuries comprising the interval from 1801 to 1850.

Perrey also employed a third method in which he regarded as separate each of the individual shocks comprised in a single earthquake. He had not the necessary data for this in general and confined his attention to a list of 913 shocks recorded by Castel<sup>n</sup> from South America. The results of this third method confirmed those previously obtained by his other methods. The investigation was carried further by examining separately some 422 earthquake days for the period 1841-1845. Even in this limited period the same conclusion is indicated.

Perrey next investigated the question of effect of the variable distance of the moon in describing its elliptical orbit. For this investigation he calculated, according to the different methods of tabulation employed for his former tables, the number of times an earthquake has occurred on the second day before, the day before, the day of, the day following and the second day following perigee and apogee. He found in each case that there was a preponderance of earthquakes at perigee. He next took the differences of the earthquake days between those of perigee and apogee and divided them by their corresponding sums thus obtaining the following quotients,  $\frac{1}{16.5}$  .  $\frac{1}{23.6}$ ,  $\frac{1}{23.5}$ ,  $\frac{21}{24.4}$ ,  $\frac{215}{29.2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{18.6}$ ,  $\frac{1}{21.2}$ ,

$\frac{1}{10.75}$



The investigation into the relation of earthquake frequency and the times of the moon's passage across the meridian was more restricted in character. For this purpose Perrey required the actual times of the earthquakes and the only list which he found possible to make use of was that of Castañon<sup>700</sup>. He examined 824 shocks recorded at Arequipa and found their distribution throughout the lunar day. He subdivided the lunar day into 16 equal parts which he arranged in pairs forming groups. The report of the commissioners with regard to this part of Perrey's work reads as follows:-

"Sous ces deux formes, et malgré d'assez fortes anomalies qui ne peuvent guère manquer de se présenter dans un nombre de faits aussi restreint encore que 824, les chiffres obtenus, dans l'un et l'autre mode de groupement, mettant en évidence l'existence dans la durée du jour lunaire, de deux époques de maximum pour la fréquence des nombres des secousses, et de deux époques de minimum. Les deux époques de maximum se rapprochent des passages de la lune aux méridiens supérieur et inférieur. Les époques de minimum tombent vers le milieu des intervalles".

The commission further reports as follows:-

"M. Alexis Perrey est ainsi parvenu, par la simple discussion des catalogues qu'il avait préalablement formés, à constater, sous trois formes diverses et indépendantes l'un de l'autre, l'influence de la marche de la lune sur la production des tremblements de terre, en faisant voir:

- "1°. Que la fréquence des tremblements de terre augmente vers les syzygies;
- "2°. Que leur fréquence augmente aussi dans la voisinage du périée de la lune, et diminue, au contraire, vers la l'apogée:



"3°. Que les secousses de tremblements de terre sont plus fréquentes lorsque la lune est dans le voisinage du méridien que lorsqu'elle en est éloignée de 90 degrés."

The importance of Perrey's work was recognised by his contemporaries and Mallet was so impressed with its value that he incorporated a translation of the report of the French Commission in <sup>the</sup> classical paper <sup>36</sup> which he presented to the British Association for the Advancement of Science in 1858.

The French Academy of Science granted Perrey financial assistance to continue his research and in 1861 he furnished a further report <sup>82</sup> on the subject. In this memoir he discarded the first method of investigation used in his earlier work and employed only the second <sup>d</sup> method i.e. reckoning each distinct ~~distinct~~ earthquake as an earthquake day. The investigation relates to the period ~~1851~~ 1751 to 1800. He found on this method of reckoning 3655 earthquake days.

He first grouped the earthquake <sup>s</sup> according to the moon's age, subdividing the lunar month of 29.53 solar days into 8 equal parts. These he grouped in pairs so that the first and eighth correspond to new moon, the second and third to the first quarter, the fourth and fifth to the full moon and the 6th and 7th to the last quarter. For the whole period from 1751 to 1800 he found the frequency to be as follows:-

At the Syzygies .....	1901.18	earthquake days
" " Quadratures .....	<u>1753.82</u>	" "
Difference	147.36	

For the period 1801 to 1845 his results were

At the Syzygies .....	1420.94	earthquake days
" " Quadratures ....	<u>1314.06</u>	" "
Difference	106.88	



For the period 1801-1850 he found that for 5388 earthquake days (using his first method) the distribution was

At the Syzygies .....	2761.48	earthquake days
" " Quadratures.....	<u>2626.52</u>	" "
Difference	134.96	

and for the same period (using the second method) he found ~~that~~ for 6596 earthquake days

At the Syzygies .....	3434.64
" " Quadratures .....	<u>3161.36</u>
Difference	273.28

He next subdivided the interval 1751-1800 into two periods of 25 years each and found in each case a preponderance at the syzygies. Carrying the subdivision into 5 periods of 10 ~~there was~~ years he still found that without exception the same preponderance for the syzygies. This encouraged him to try a still further subdivision into 5 yearly periods. At this stage he found the numbers small and irregular but nevertheless in 3 cases out of 10 there was a preponderance at the syzygies.

He next enquired into the earthquake frequency at perigee and apogee for ~~ex~~ the earthquakes of the whole period 1751-1800. He found, following his former method, ~~that~~ the following results:—

for the 5 days about perigee 526 earthquake days

.....apogee	<u>465½</u>	" "
Difference in favour of perigee	60½	

and the ratio  $\frac{60\frac{1}{2}}{991\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{16.3}$

For 3 days about perigee 313½ earthquake days

..... apogee	<u>278½</u>
--------------	-------------

*Difference in favour of perigee* — 35

and the ratio  $\frac{35}{592} = \frac{1}{16.9}$



These results agree well with those of his earlier memoir for which the corresponding ratios were - for the

5 days about perigee and apogee	$\frac{1}{21.2}$
3 .....	$\frac{1}{19.1}$

In addition the records of the earthquakes of Reggio entered in a journal kept by Arcolito give 473 shocks at the syzygies and 349 at the quadratures.

He next took up again the relation of earthquake frequency and the moon's meridian passage. For the records 1751-1800 there were but few in which the time of the shock was accurately recorded. The following five lists were the only ones available. It is important to note that in this paper Perrey modified his former method of investigation and merely enquired into the number of shocks when the moon's hour angle was greater and less than 45 degrees. His results I have tabulated as follows:-

District	Period	<u>Number of Earthquake Days</u>		Difference
		Moon less than 45° from meridian	Moon greater than 45° from meridian	
	Jan. Oct.			
Monteleone	1783 - 1786	475	<del>473</del> 453	22
	Feb. Jan.			
Messine	1783 - 1784	84	<del>82</del> 64 60	24
Celanzaro	Feb.-July 1783	102	<del>82</del> 81	21
Scilla	Oct. Nov.	140	<del>122</del> 120	20
Reggio	1783 - 1785	413	<del>348</del> 347	66
	Totals	1214	<del>892</del> 1061	153

83

In a later paper published in the American Journal of Science Perrey has reviewed his work, and this review supplemented by a foot note gives an excellent summary of his research



to that date. Perrey also mentions that he has subdivided the records from 1801 to 1850 into two equal parts and found the law with regard to the syzygies to hold for each. A further subdivision into 5 yearly periods shows that the law holds in 7 cases, fails in two, while in the remaining case 1810-1815 there is no sensible maximum or minimum. He pointed out however that in the two cases where the law failed there was a series of local shocks in a region where earthquakes are unfrequent; and in the interval 1810-1815 the great wars of Europe diverted the attention of the few journals from subterranean disturbances.

Unfortunately Perrey was never able to complete his investigations owing to the loss of his sight. His final memoir on the subject appeared in 1875 and, feeling that this was to be his finale effort, he gave, in addition to bringing his work up to date, a review of his earlier work. He treated the subject in three divisions corresponding to the three laws which he has enunciated.

In the first place he discussed the relation of frequency with regard to the syzygies and quadratures. After dividing the lunation into eight equal parts of 3.69 days each he found that the earthquake frequency corresponding to these intervals gave two maxima at the syzygies and two minima at the quadratures. He next grouped the eighth parts into four intervals, two of which correspond to the syzygies and two to the quadratures, and gave the following table:-

Period Studied	Total	<u>Number of Earthquakes.</u>		Difference in favour of Syzygies.
		At Syzygies new & full moon	At Quadratures first & last Quarters	
1843-1847	1604	850.48	753.52	96.96
1848-1852	2049	1053.53	995.47	58.06
1853-1857	3018	1534.13	1483.87	50.26
1858-1862	3140	1602.99	1537.01	65.98
1863-1867	2845	1463.42	1381.58	81.84
1868-1872	4593	2333.48	2259.52	73.96
1843-1872	17249	8838.03	8410.97	427.06
1801-1845	3041	1604.67	1436.33	168.54
1901-1850	6596	3434.64	3161.36	273.28
1751-1800	3655	1904.18	1753.82	147.36

In each case it is seen that there is a preponderance of earthquake days at the syzygies.

In the second ~~part~~ place Perrey discussed the earthquake frequency in relation to the times of perigee and apogee.

The results of this investigation he tabulated as follows:-



epochs	1843-1872	1801-1845	1801-1850	1751-1801
The five days about perigee	649	—	242	108
	645	81	244	113
	690	93	256	99
	644	88	234	102
	662	—	247	104
The five days about apogee	582	—	221	90
	594	83	229	100
	618	75	219	90
	627	74	213	88
	594	—	231	97
Total for perigee	3290	262	1223	526
" " apogee	3015	232	1113	465
Difference in favour of perigee	275	30	110	61

Expressing the differences in their ratio to the total number of earthquake days these give for the totals of the four columns  $\frac{1}{22.9}$ ,  $\frac{1}{16.5}$ ,  $\frac{81}{21.2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{16.2}$  for the four columns of the above tables respectively, reading from left to right.

By taking into account only the three days about perigee and apogee he obtained the following table:-

	1843-1872	1801-1850	1751-1800
Perigee	1979	734	314
Apogee	1839	661	278
Difference in favour of perigee	140	73	36

The corresponding ratios of the differences to the totals were  $\frac{1}{27.3}$ ,  $\frac{1}{19.1}$ ,  $\frac{1}{16.4}$  for the three columns respectively - again reading in order from left to right.

The further investigation of the third law relating to earthquake frequency and the meridian passage of the moon he was unable to undertake. Writing of this he says.

"J'aurais voulu m'occuper encore de la fréquence des tremblements de terre relativement au passage de la lune au méridien, comme je l'ai fait déjà dans ma note du 2 janvier 1854; mais l'état de ma vue ne permet pas aujourd'hui cette nouvelle discussion".

While it is sad to think of the old man being unable to complete the labours of so many years it is, on the other hand, some compensation that it is just this uncompleted aspect of his investigation which is least supported by later evidence; and that he has thus been spared much fruitless labour.

Perrey's closing words are worthy of mention as they clearly indicate both the importance he attached to his work and also its limitations. He says "On a dit que j'attribuais les tremblements de terre à l'action de la lune; on a exagéré ma pensée. Je n'ai pas fait une théorie séismique. Considérant le phénomène complexe, lié intimement à l'activité volcanique et du, dans son ensemble, à plusieurs causes, j'ai seulement



en pour but de mettre en évidence l'action prédominante, ou au moins différentielle, de l'une de ces causes. Une théorie rationnelle devra tenir compte des trois lois que j'ai établies relativement à l'influence lunaire sur le tremblement de terre."

The loss to seismology caused by the decline in Perrey's activities was compensated by the budding energies of the greatest English exponent of seismic science - John Milne. After many years of labour in Japan Milne published in 1886 the first edition of his book on earthquakes. In this work he has reviewed Perrey's memoirs, giving the salient results, and pointing out certain anomalies. He showed that Chaplin, at Tokyo had obtained results which did not support Perrey's laws. As, however, Chaplin's results were based on a small number of earthquakes, only 143 in all, this is not surprising. Perrey himself had pointed out that in his five yearly groupings, which on the average contained over 500 earthquakes, anomalies entered into the statistical grouping.

In the same year that Milne's book appeared Knott first took up the question of earthquake frequency. He was the first to note in this connection the bearing of the high rigidity of the earth on this problem, and showed that the hypothesis of a fluid earth core could no longer be used to explain earthquake and volcanic phenomena. He does not appear to attach great weight to Perrey's laws, partly because of the small numerical differences on which they are based, and partly because of anomalies such as indicated by Chaplin. Moreover with regard to the short tidal period he says "In all probability the semi-diurnal tidal stresses are too rigid to produce measurable deformation in the solid earth." It should be remarked, however, that this view which was later shared by G.H. Darwin has since been disproved by the experimental researches of Hecker at



Potsdam and Michelson at Chicago and also, in the Southern Hemisphere by Rev. F. Pigot S. J. <sup>at</sup> Cobar (New South Wales). †

About the same time that Miln and Knott became interested in earthquake frequency another great seismologist entered the lists tilting against Perrey's laws. This was Montessus de Ballore who has now for nearly thirty years published from time to time short memoirs on this subject. His first paper in 1887 outlines a general plan of correlation between any two kinds of facts and was illustrated by reference to earthquake frequency in relation to the position of the moon. He concluded that there was no evidence of any such relation from an examination of 36,000 earthquake shocks; but the paper is not convincing as no statistics are given. Some two years later Montessus published more elaborate investigations into the subject. He states that had it not been for semital reasons Perrey's laws would have been earlier refuted; and in this memoir attacks the third law relating to earthquake frequency and the culmination of the moon. It will be recalled that Perrey used two methods of investigation in establishing this law. In the first place he examined the frequency during the lunar day and found two maxima about the times of superior and inferior culmination, and two maxima at the middle times between these epochs. This investigation is based entirely on some 824 shocks at Arequipa. In the second method Perrey enquired into the numbers of earthquakes which occurred when the moon's distance was less and greater than  $45^{\circ}$  from the meridian. In this case he employed some 2275 earthquake shocks from Southern Italy.

Although Perrey regarded these second method as supporting his third law, this is not necessarily the case for the true maxima may have ~~occurred~~ <sup>occurred anywhere within</sup> a range of  $45^{\circ}$  and

† Personal Communication.



not necessarily at culmination.

Montessus in his criticism of this law employed in this paper Perrey's first method of investigation. He rightly assumes that if the law is at all general it should manifest itself in most districts. He employed a large catalogue of some 45,000 earthquakes from 102 different districts. He then divided the lunar day into eight equal parts the middle intervals of the first and fifth of which correspond to the times of superior and inferior culmination, and illustrated graphically his results. The distribution may be read from the graphs and has been quoted by Knecht in the following table:-

Eights	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII
Earthquakes	5579	5558	5611	5508	5302	5564	5571	5662

Moreover for 100 of the districts the distribution of the maxima with regard to the particular eights of the lunar day was recorded. It appears that the maximum earthquake frequency occurred

in the first eighth for 14 districts

.....second	.....	3	"
" third	"	14	"
" fourth	"	11	"
" fifth	"	14	"
" sixth	"	10	"
" seventh	"	14	"
" eighth	"	15	"

If Perrey's law were true there should have been a very great preponderance of the districts having their maxima in the *first* and fifth periods. Such overwhelming evidence is of course much stronger than that upon which Perrey's law was based and



quite refutes the relation claimed for earthquake frequency with the times of superior and inferior culmination.

In 1896 Knott commenced an examination of a possible lunar periodicity in earthquake frequency. He tabulated the earthquakes according to the number of days each had occurred after apogee and after ascending node i.e. according to the anomalistic and nodical lunar months. He then examined the two tables so obtained by the method of harmonic analysis and found that these gave "monthly, fortnightly and weekly periods but the fortnightly period is more marked in the nodical curve than in the anomalistic".

This investigation Knott followed up in greater detail in a paper published early in the following year. The conclusions of this paper very strongly support the two laws of Ferrey relating to Perigee and the Syzygies respectively. Knott used as a basis for his work the then recently published earthquake catalogue of Japanese earthquakes prepared by Milne. He examined the records both for lunar daily and monthly periodicity, employing in each case the method of harmonic analysis. In the examination for lunar daily periodicity the hourly frequency was tabulated commencing with the time of the Moon's meridian passage. The table of frequency so obtained was prepared for harmonic analysis by taking overlapping means of each successive 5 hours and dividing the sum by the mean of all. The earthquakes were recorded from 15 districts some of which Knott classed together giving 10 groupings in all. Altogether <sup>833'</sup>~~831~~ earthquakes were considered. The harmonic analysis indicated both lunar daily and Half lunar daily periods the latter being the more strongly marked. The phase of the periodicity in relation to the time of the moon's meridian passage was different in most groups thus furnishing



an argument against Perrey's third law. On the other hand the <sup>^</sup>secidiurnal maximum there is a certain amount of regularity in the phase as in four districts the maximum fell within two hours of the half time between the upper and lower meridian passage of the moon; and in the others within two hours of the times of upper and lower meridian passage. Two of the districts, viz. the S.E. corner of Japan and Nagoya are specially important, the former containing about one sixth and the latter nearly one half of the total number of earthquakes recorded. The periodicities in these seem to be more or less complementary and Knott writes, "The curious way in which the comparatively prominent 1st harmonics of these two districts tend to cancel one another, is a warning of the danger of lumping together statistics of different countries or different seismic areas in the search for possible periodicities."

In his investigation of the lunar monthly frequency he points out that there are 5 kinds of months.

1. The anomalistic month (27.545 days) marking the period from perigee to perigee.
2. The tropical month (27.322 days) marking the complete period in declination.
3. The synodic month (29.531 days) from one to the next moon.
4. The sidereal month (27.3228 days) marking a complete cycle with regard to the fixed stars.
5. The nodical month (27.212 days) marking the period from one to the next ascending node.

Since the difference between the tropical and sidereal months is too small to be notable in the period of 8 years over which the earthquake records extend the sidereal month was not considered. In order to prepare the records for harmonic



analysis the earthquakes were tabulated in four ways according to the types of months considered. The after shocks of the Mino-Owari earthquake and other obvious after-shocks were omitted so that the total number of earthquakes used for this part of the investigation numbered from 4725 to ~~4731~~ 4741 according to the monthly grouping used. The earthquakes were tabulated according to the number of days reckoned from apogee, from  $0^{\circ}$  declination, from ascending node and from full moon. The four tables so formed were each prepared by the same process of overlapping means used for the lunar daily frequency, and then subjected to harmonic analysis. The results favour a relation between earthquake frequency and tidal stress as the maximum of the monthly frequency for the anomalistic month is in the vicinity of perigee; and the maximum of the semi-monthly frequency for the synodic month lags one day behind full and new moon.

Knott's results are very important and were summarised by him as follows:-

-General conclusions - The conclusions are summarised under eight heads

- (a) There is evidence that the earthquake frequency in Japan is subject to a periodicity associated with the lunar day.
- (b) The lunar half-daily period is particularly in evidence both by reason of its relative prominence and the regularity with which, in each of the two groups of several seismic districts, its phase falls in relation to the time of meridian passage of the moon.
- (c) There is no certain evidence that the loading and unloading due to the flow and ebb of the ocean tides has any effect on seismic frequency.



- (d) Hence we must look to the direct tidal stress of the moon, in its daily change as the most probable cause of a range in frequency which does not exceed 6 per cent of the average frequency.
- (e) There is distinct evidence, both as regards amplitude and phase, of a fortnightly periodicity associated with the times of conjunction and opposition of the sun and moon.
- (f) No definite conclusion can be drawn from the apparent monthly and fortnightly periodicities which seem to be associated with the periodic changes in the moon's distance and declination, for the simple reason that fully as prominent harmonic components exist when the statistics are analysed according to the periodic change in the moon's position relative to the ecliptic, and with this particular period no tidal stresses can be directly associated.
- (g) Nevertheless, the value of the phase lends some support to the view that there is a real connection between the change in the moon's distance and earthquake frequency, since the maximum frequency falls near the time of perigee.
- (h) These conclusions have, in comparison with previous investigations, a peculiar value, inasmuch as they are based upon accurate statistics of fully 7000 earthquakes occurring within eight ~~years~~ years in a limited part of the earth's crust, throughout which the seismic conditions may be assumed to be fairly similar from point to point".

The<sup>87</sup> conclusions were challenged by Schuster in the following year. He pointed out that although Knott's investigation suggested the interpretations which he had put upon them the question is after all one of probability. Schuster



then calculated the probability of the lunar daily and half-daily periods from Knott's statistics and arrived at the conclusion that ~~as~~ <sup>if</sup> ~~of~~ the earthquakes had been purely random events there would have been about one chance in four that the lunar ~~day~~ daily period obtained would have occurred and about 2 chances in five for the half-lunar daily period. Hence Schuster concludes that "Until further evidence is brought forward, the lunar day cannot be considered to affect earthquakes".

Schuster also examined Knott's work with regard to the supposed monthly and half-monthly periodicities. He first criticised the results on the ground pointed out by Knott himself that the strongest half-monthly frequency is associate with the period of the nodical month and states that "As there is no conceivable reason why the nodical month should affect earthquakes, the conclusion will reasonably be drawn from this that any period chosen at random would give similar results".

This statement should however not be unreservedly accepted for at the nodes there is a special arrangement of the tidal forces due to the fact that both the tide producing bodies, the sun and moon, are then in the plane of the earth's motion about the sun, and it is not inconceivable that under such circumstances the strains set up may be periodic in character.

Moreover it should be noted that 13 nodical months are nearly the same length as 12 synodic months the former ~~month~~ containing 353.76 days and the latter 354.37 days. If, therefore, there is also an annual periodicity in earthquake frequency - and this seems accepted by Schuster - it may be that the apparent nodical periodicity of earthquake frequency is due to this relation.

Again as the nodical month nearly coincides with the



tropical month, differing only by 12 days in the eight years over which these earthquake records extend, it is not surprising that the periodicity for these two kinds of months should be much the same.

I have examined Knott's statistics with a view of testing the probability with regard to Perrey's laws relating to perigee and the syzygies. It appears that the chances against obtaining the amplitudes indicated for random events is about 19 to 1 in the case of perigee and about 400 to 1 in the case relating to the syzygies.

Schuster admits that the numerical values of the amplitudes appear to favour such relations but ~~he~~ suggests that the high values of the amplitudes may be explained by errors introduced into the calculation of the expectancies due to the tendency of earthquakes to occur in groups.

It is clearly the case that earthquakes do tend to occur in groups and if the groups were regular, containing the same number of earthquakes per group, this would support Schuster's contention; but the grouping is very irregular and as it cannot be shown that such irregularity would uniformly affect the amplitudes it seems better to accept the figures as they stand. Again the chances that both the laws relating to perigee and the syzygies should be indicated in a series of random earthquakes is very remote, especially when it is considered that the phase also enters into the question. The chances that for random frequencies the maximum of the anomalous monthly period should fall within 3 days of perigee are about 1 in 10 while the chances that the periodic seismic maxima should occur within  $1\frac{1}{2}$  days of full and new moon are also only about 1 in 10.

The probability of both the amplitudes and phases



favouring a relation with the moon's position is therefore

$$\frac{1}{19} \times \frac{1}{400} \times \frac{1}{10} \times \frac{1}{10} \text{ or only 1 in } 760,000.$$

This very high degree of probability very strongly supports the two laws of Perrey relating to perigee and syzygies.

As an example of a limited investigation that of Becke on the earthquakes of Graslitz<sup>R.</sup> for the month 24th October to 25th November 1897 deserves mention. Becke divided the month into four equal parts grouping them in pairs to cover the syzygies and quadratures. He investigated both the lunar daily and solar daily frequency, arguing that if the earthquakes were affected by tidal strains that similar results should be obtained from both methods of investigation. He plotted ~~four~~ four curves one pair for the solar and another for the lunar frequency at both the syzygies and quadratures ~~exhibit~~. The solar curves for the syzygies and quadratures exhibit some degree of correspondence but there is little in common between the two lunar curves; nor is there any close correspondence between the solar and lunar curves. Hence Becke concludes that no relation between earthquake frequency and tidal stresses is indicated by his work.

There are however certain features which he has not noted which suggest that, after all, some relation may exist.

It is somewhat remarkable that in the case of three of the four curves a large maximum occurs two hours before, and in the fourth four hours before the lower culminations <sup>of</sup> the sun and moon. Again, in each of the four cases there is a pronounced minimum at the times of the lower culminations and in three out of four cases another pronounced minimum at the times of the upper culminations of the sun and moon.

The coincidence of the minima with these meridian passage of the sun and moon is, of course, strongly opposed to Perrey's



law relating to the meridian passage of the moon; but it is not necessarily opposed to another conception of the effect of the tidal stresses. The degree of correspondence indicated above appears to me to suggest a rather strong probability of some relation between the earthquake frequency and tidal stresses.

<sup>64</sup> Oldham has criticised Becke's paper and is not prepared to admit his conclusions. He says "Apart from this, there seems to be a more serious flaw in the argument. Herr Becke appears to have expected that the curve of frequency by lunar time should show maxima about three hours on either side of the time of the lower ~~and~~ meridian passage of the moon. This again depends on the assumption, tacitly made by every calculator with whose work I am acquainted, that the frequency may be expected to be a function of the hour angle".

Oldham then took up the question of distribution of the tidal forces for a given position of the attracting body - sun or moon. He pointed out that the maximum upward force is exerted at opposite extremities of the earth's diameter with points towards the attracting body; that the maximum downward force occurs along a great circle perpendicular to this diameter; and that the maximum horizontal force occurs along two small circles whose planes are also perpendicular to the said earth diameter, and lie at  $45^\circ$  from the great circle of maximum downward force. He then applied these criteria to Becke's statistics and concluded that in general the observations do support a relation between the earthquake frequency and the tidal stresses.



In the following year Oldham undertook an investigation on the above lines for the Assam earthquakes. He prefaces his work by the following remark "Ever since earthquakes were first studied there have been repeated and persistent attempts to trace the action of the sun, the moon and the planets in producing them, or at least in influencing their relative frequency". He then briefly reviewed the work of Perrey, Mallet Casani, Montessus de Ballore and Davison, and pointed out that the question was still an open one. The after-shocks of the Assam earthquake he considered specially adapted for use in such an investigation, his views being that "if there was any external cause at work it should be especially easy to trace at a time when, and in a region where, the ~~earth's~~ earth's crust was evidently in an extremely unstable condition".

Another feature in favour of these records was that the shocks were instrumentally observed. His method of attacking the problem was to ascertain when the circles of maximum horizontal and vertical force passed through the earthquake area. In this paper he stated that "the horizontal force attains its maximum along two circles distant about  $54^{\circ}44'$  from the zenith and nadir respectively". This is, of course, incorrect the distances being  $45^{\circ}$  instead of  $54^{\circ}44'$ . The latter angle represents the distance of the small ~~angle~~ circle along which the forces are wholly ~~horizontal~~ horizontal.

He pointed out that in latitudes greater than  $26^{\circ}$  N and S neither the sun nor moon can ever be in the zenith and hence cannot exert their upward maximum force. The circles of maximum downward and maximum horizontal force however can operate in much higher latitudes and will intersect any given meridian at hours equally spaced from the time of the meridian passage of the attracting body. The actual hour, however, will



be a function of the body's declination. Hence in search for any such relation it is necessary to group the earth according to their place of origin, and to have regard to declination of the attracting body.

The Assam earthquakes all lie in about latitude  $26^{\circ}\text{N}$ . Oldham then calculated, for various declinations, the times of the passage of the circles of maximum downward and horizontal force across the meridian. He summarised his results in the following table:-

Table showing times of passage of circles of maximum horizontal and vertical tide producing force calculated for latitude  $26^{\circ}\text{N}$ .

Declination	Horizontal force	Vertical force	Horizontal force
	Direct	Downward.	Indirect.
	Time	Time	Time
	12 hours $\pm$	0 hours $\pm$	0 hours $\pm$
$26^{\circ}\text{N}$	4 hrs. 15 m.	4 h. 38 m.	—
$9^{\circ}\text{N}$	3 " 31 "	5 " 31 "	2 h. 14 m.
$0^{\circ}$	2 " 59 "	6 " 0 "	2 " 59 "
$9^{\circ}\text{S}$	2 " 14 "	6 " 26 "	3 " 31 "
$26^{\circ}\text{S}$	—	7 " 22 "	4 " 15 "

From the above table it would appear that "the effect of the horizontal force must be looked for between  $3\frac{1}{2}$  and 4 hours before and after midday, and within two hours on each side of midnight; in the second group the effect is to be looked for between  $\frac{3}{4}$  and  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hours on either side of midnight and midday; while in the third the condition will be the same as in the first, with the substitution of midnight and midday".

Oldham also recognised that the effect on the production



in the amount, than to the actual amount of the force exerted and he also suggested that some lag may occur thus delaying the time of earthquake occurrence.

also

Another table was prepared by Oldham showing the times when the effect of the maximum rate of change of the vertical force would be experienced for a place in latitude 26° N. As before he has considered several declinations for the attracting body. His table is as follows:-

"Times of passage of circles of maximum rate of change of the tide-producing forces calculated for Lat. 26° N.

Declination	Direct	Indirect.
	12 hours $\frac{1}{4}$	0 hours $\frac{1}{4}$
26° N	3 h. 22m.	—
9° N	2 " 56"	1 h. 56 m.
0°	2 " 33 "	2 " 33 "
9° S	1 " 56 "	2 " 56 "
26° S	—	3 " 22 "

In the above table the circles of maximum rate of change are taken at 45° from the attracting body.

After this theoretical discussion Oldham proceeded to an examination of the records. These he tabulated for each hour of the day. He found that the graphical representation of the hourly frequency indicated two maxima one from 10 to 11 p.m. and the other from 6 to 7 a.m. For these he has not been able to offer an explanation. But superimposed on this frequency there are other periodicities. When the frequencies were grouped according to the sun's declination there was found to be a fairly close correspondence in the time of the observed and calculated maxima; but as the amplitudes were small



it was found desirable to adopt some method of grouping to cut out diurnal variations which were not connected with tidal stresses. This was effected by grouping the earthquakes so that ~~of~~ ~~at~~ <sup>those of</sup> noon were taken with those of midnight and those ~~of~~ of each successive hour of the day with those of the corresponding hour of the night. This grouping showed "two very marked maxima, in the distribution of the shocks, one during the fifth hour after, the other during the second hour before, the meridian passage, and these maxima may be taken as being grouped around 4½ hours and 10½ hours of the morning and afternoon. That is to say they both follow by 1½ hours the epoch corresponding to three hours before and after the ~~meridian~~ meridian passage, a time which corresponds more closely to the passage of the maximum rate of change of tidal force, than to that of the circle of maximum horizontal stress".

<sup>if</sup> Oldham recognised that ~~of~~ the solar stress is really effective that a still more pronounced effect should be shown in connection with the lunar stress. He found, however, that the series of observations was not long enough to eliminate diurnal irregularities and had therefore to abandon this test.

Another important investigation which Oldham has recently taken up was foreshadowed in this paper and will be discussed later. This related to the relation to the seasonal variation in the ratio of the day and night shocks.

Oldham's conclusions may be quoted as follows:-

"It appears then that the tidal stresses have a distinct effect in determining the time of origin of earthquakes, though their influence is small in proportion to other causes, but at the same time it is necessary to enter a caution that, though the facts in this case seem to support the conclusion, they are far from proving it".....  
 ..... These conclusions must be taken as purely provisions



and require verification from a more extended series of observations".

This paper of Oldham's was by far the most important contribution to the subject of diurnal earthquake frequency in relation to tidal stresses which had appeared up to the date of its publication. It marks not only a distinct break from the line of investigation undertaken by Perrey but offers a rational basis for investigation on the later conception of a rigid earth.

The same subject was discussed in further detail by Oldham in the following year in a memoir of the Geological Survey of India.<sup>66</sup> In this paper he applied the same method of investigation but stressed more fully the significance of the ratio of the day to the night shocks for the sun's north and south declinations. He pointed out that for north latitudes, when the sun is in north declination, both the range in the amount, and the ~~range~~ rate of change in the tidal stress is greater during the day than during the night; and that the contrary relation obtains when the sun is in south declination. This distribution of the tidal forces would tend to increase the ratio of the day and night shocks in summer and to decrease them in winter. An examination of the records shows that this relation holds good. If this relation holds good for the sun it should of course be also manifested for the moon's motion in declination. Oldham consequently examined the records of the Shillong seismograph with this in view, and found that the results indicated the same relation but in a lesser degree. The difference in degree he considered to be due to the number of shocks being insufficient to eliminate the solar effect. His final conclusion reads as follows:-

"From the foregoing considerations it seems probable that the



tide-producing stresses are not without effect in determining the time of origin of earthquakes. So far as the Assam records go, it appears that the horizontal tide producing force is more effective than the vertical one, and that any effect produced is due more to a rapid rate of change in amount and direction of the forces than to their actual magnitude. The records obtained in one locality only, especially if limited to a few years in duration, are not, however, sufficient to establish this conclusion as proved - perhaps even insufficient to establish ~~it~~ it as probable."

In the above investigation Oldham assumes that the circles of maximum horizontal force are at  $54^{\circ}14'14''$  from the attracting body, whereas the true distance is, of course,  $45^{\circ}$ . This difference ~~is~~ in  $9^{\circ}$  does not, however, invalidate the argument presented in his memoir.

In view of the foregoing review it is rather surprising to find Dutton<sup>17</sup> in the following year (1904) making the following statement:-

"Since Perrey's announcements the subject has been followed up by several investigators with a rapidly increasing amount of data. The number of recorded earthquakes which have been catalogued is now in the neighbourhood of 140,000, and the records of the newly acquired ones have a much greater scientific value than the old ones of Perrey's time. The results has been that as the number and scientific accuracy of the data have increased, the preponderances which Perrey found at syzygies, at perigee and at lunar culmination have dwindled away to almost nothing, and in many localities have been quite reversed. Moreover, the theory of a molten interior of the earth has in England, America and Italy been definitely abandoned in favour of an earth possessing a high degree of effective rigidity, and the same change of opinion is rapidly effective rigidity and the same change of opinion is rapidly



gaining ground in Germany. In France the cultivators of earth physics seem to be shaken in their belief in a liquid interior though they are still very conservative in their views. With its fundamental postulate fast vanishing, with support derived from statistical comparisons dissolved away, little remains of the tidal theory of earthquake causation".

While it is true that the conception of a molten interior of the earth had been abandoned and that Perrey's law with regard to the meridian lunar passage had been refuted by further investigation, it was not correct that Perrey's laws relating to perigee and the syzygies had been disproved.

Dutton seems to have been overinfluenced in his statement by the fact that Perrey sought to interpret his laws on the postulate of a molten interior of the earth; and the phrase "earthquake causation" suggests that he has misunderstood Perrey's conception of the relation between tidal forces and earthquake frequency.

Two important papers dealing with the lunar periodicity of earthquakes appeared shortly after the publication of Dutton's book. The first of these was that of Omori who investigated the question for the lunar day; and the second by Imamura discussed earthquake frequency in relation to the synodic monthly period.

Omori first briefly reviewed the work of Montessus de Ballore and Knott and then proceeded to examine certain Japanese earthquake records. He pointed out that the after-shocks of great earthquakes representing rapid readjustment to equilibrium following the relief of great stresses are particularly suitable for such an investigation. The records examined comprise the after-shocks of the Mino-Owari earthquake recorded at Nagoya and of the Hokkaido earthquake felt at Nemuro.



For the sake of comparison he also examined the records of the ordinary shocks felt at Tokyo. At all three centres the shock were instrumentally observed. He divided the lunar day into 24 lunar hours commencing with the moon's upper culmination for Tokyo.

The examination of the earthquakes at Nagoya comprised 1270 shocks extending over eight years (1891-1899). The frequency was plotted as a curve in the usual way and exhibited a very irregular distribution of the frequency. When however 3 hourly means were taken the resulting curve became much more regular and showed two prominent maxima and minima. The maxima occurred about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  and 16 hours after culmination; and the minima about  $10\frac{1}{2}$  and  $21\frac{1}{2}$  hours after culmination.

The records of the earthquakes observed at Memuro comprised 799 shocks extending over five years (1894-1899). Here again the hourly distribution is very irregular but the 3 hourly means provide a smooth curve indicating two maxima and two minima. The maxima occur at about  $4\frac{1}{2}$  hours and 14 hours after culmination; and the minima at about 8 and  $21\frac{1}{2}$  hours after culmination.

The earthquakes of Tokyo comprise a series of 1462 shocks extending over eleven years (1888-1899). The three hourly distribution also indicates for these two maxima and minima. The maxima occur from the 0 to 3rd hours and from the 12th to 15th hours; and the minima from the 9th to 12th hours and from the 21st to 24th hours.

Omori concludes that "the occurrence of the two seismic maxima, at a mean interval of 12 hours, and approximately at, or a little after, the meridian passages of the moon, may probably be due to the stress in the earth's crust caused by the direct attraction of the moon."



Omori also considered the indirect affect of the lunar attraction in the loading and unloading of the coastal area by the ocean tides, and concluded that this probably had some effect in determining earthquake frequency? He also studied the barometric variations which also appear to have contributed a factor towards the frequency. 238

In conclusion Omori remarks "It ~~may~~ thus seems that a considerable proportion of earthquakes, from some 50 to 80%, are caused, or accelerated to occur, by the agencies of the atmospheric pressure and the moon's influence or tidal stress

It will be noticed that the times of occurrence of the maxima noted are not closely related to the lunar culmination and so furnish a still further statistical negation of Perrey's law relating to the meridian passage of the moon.

Omori's paper has been discussed by Knott who took exception to the method of 3 hourly grouping which he employed. Knott pointed out that the only satisfactory method, apart from an ~~harmonic~~ harmonic analysis by Fourier series, is to take "overlapping sums over suitable intervals". He reexamined Omori's data by this method and arrived at somewhat different results. There is, nevertheless, some measure of agreement in the times of the half lunar daily ~~maxima~~ maxima which according to Omori's results occur from 3 to 4 hours, from 2 to 5 hours, and from 0 to 3 hours after the culminations; and according to Knott at about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hours  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours and  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hours after culminations for Nagoya, Nemuro and Tokyo respectively. In the case of Nagoya and Nemuro the amplitude calculated by Knott considerably exceed the expectancy; but is less than the expectancy for those of Tokyo. 31

Altogether the evidence points towards a relation between the tidal forces and the earthquake frequency, but is not conclusive

Side by side with Omori's paper appeared the work of Imamura in the same journal. The latter undertook an investigation of P. 4



of Perrey's law relating to the syzygies and quadratures for the earthquakes of Japan. At the outset Imamura stressed the importance of the district grouping of earthquake phenomena. He then briefly discussed the recent work of Omori, Knott and Oldham and indicated the nature of his own conclusions. His method of analysis is based on the fact that a complete synodic month is equal to 29.53 solar days. He has therefore taken the numbers of earthquakes for the first 29 solar days of a month as representing those of lunar days and has increased the number occurring on the 30th solar day in the ratio of 100 to 53 in order to make the value for this day commensurate with that of the other days. This method of analysis is not, of course, strictly correct but is sufficiently accurate for the purpose of Imamura's investigation.

The first analysis gave the synodic-daily distribution of 1871 earthquakes recorded in Japan as a whole from 416 to 1860 A.D. The earthquakes were distinguished according to their intensity and in addition to the actual number of earthquakes a weighted sum was calculated in which the values one, two and three were assigned to the small, strong and destructive shocks respectively. The weighted sums for each synodic day were then plotted graphically according to a method previously employed by Omori which practically amounts to the use of overlapping means for any two consecutive days. As stated by Imamura "The curves indicate two distinct pairs of maxima on the 1st and 14th and the 7th and 24th.....As regards the causes of the two pairs of maxima, the first is probably due to the combined tidal effort of the sun and moon, and the second to the resultant of tidal and barometric pressures".

The second analysis gave the corresponding data for the



earthquakes recorded at Kyoto for the same interval of time. The results agreed closely with those arrived at for Japan as a whole.

Imamura next grouped the recent earthquakes of Japan from 1873 to 1902 according to the stations at which they were recorded. The great bulk of these observations were instrumentally recorded.

He employed altogether 22 distinct district groupings. In order to eliminate the influence of the enormous number of shocks which usually follow immediately after a great earthquake he has omitted from the records all earthquake shocks which occurred during the period of one month following such a large earthquake

This adjustment still leaves him with a total of 13,678 ~~shocks~~ shocks, the greatest number occurring in any one of the 22 districts being those of Tokyo which number 2464.

He next analysed the data for each district using the recorded numbers only and employing the weighted sums as in the first two investigations. Tables showing the synodic-daily distribution for each district are given and these are each illustrated graphically by Omori's method. The results of this investigation are discussed by Imamura as follows:-

"Drawing the frequency curves..... we notice firstly, that in most cases there occur two distinct pairs of maxima, one about the times of conjunction and opposition of the sun and moon, and the other at intermediate times; and secondly that the first pair of maxima is pronounced at certain stations, and the second pair at some other stations, while at the remaining stations the two pairs develop equally well. The relation expressed in the second statement may possibly be due to the fact that the observed earthquakes were mostly of inland origin, or of submarine, or of both origins. With this view, I have grouped the different stations into three sets



different stations into three sets (A), (B) and (C), according as their observations related mostly to inland earthquakes, both inland and submarine, and submarine respectively."

The table given by Imamura is quoted as follows:-

Group	Meteorological		Day of Maximum Seismic Number		
	Stations				
A	Nagoya	<u>2</u>	<u>18</u>	6	26
	Fukuoka	<u>30</u>	<u>18</u>	4	23
	Niigata	30	<u>18</u>	11	23
	Tokyo	<u>30</u>	<u>18</u>	7	23
	Kagoshima	29	<del>18</del> <u>14</u>	<u>4</u>	—
B	Gifu	29	<u>14</u>	—	25
	Osaka	<u>28</u>	<u>12</u>	—	—
	Nagoya	4	15	<u>11</u>	<u>21, 25</u>
	Wakayama	<u>28</u>	14	4	20
	Aomori	<u>30</u>	<u>15</u> <sup>th</sup>	7	20
C	Oita	<u>2</u>	18	9	24
	Hikone	29	14	8	—
	Maebashi	<u>30</u>	<u>15</u>	7	<del>25</del> <u>24</u>
	Mito	30	<u>14</u>	6	<u>26</u>
	Hakodate	<u>28</u>	—	6	21
	Nemuro	—	18	9	26
	Yamagata	1	15	7	23
	Fukushima	2	<u>13</u>	7	<u>24</u>
	Ishinomaki	1	<u>16</u>	10	<u>25</u>
	Utsunomiya	<u>29</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>24</u>
Akita	30	<u>17</u>	<u>6</u>	23	
Miyako	<u>30</u>	17	<u>8</u>	<u>24</u>	
Average		30	15	7	23



The numbers in the above table represent the days of the synodic month commencing with new moon. The numbers underlined represent the days on which the more pronounced of the four maxima occurred.

Imamura then discussed the tabulated results in detail. He pointed out that the two maxima at the times of conjunction and opposition might be attributed to the tidal stresses of the sun and moon. With regard to the other pair of maxima occurring at the 7th and 23rd days he offers an explanation in terms of barometric pressure and oceanic tidal load on the coastal areas. His argument is reproduced as follows:-

"According to Dr. Omori, the barometric pressure has marked influence upon the seismic frequency in Japan; the curves showing the time variations of the two quantities being similar to each other. Now the barometric pressure which reaches in its diurnal variation its maximum at 9 h. and 22 h., will interfere with the tidal force helping or cancelling the latter according as high water or low water occurs at these times. In Tokyo, the synodi<sup>c</sup> days corresponding to the former case are the 7th and 22nd, the days corresponding to the latter are the 12th and 27th. Allowing an hour or two for time difference of occurrence of maximum tidal and barometric pressures at other localities, the days 6th-9th and 21st-24th are ones in which the resultant of the two influences becomes most effective. Thus we may look for the maximum seismic numbers about the 7th and 22nd which correspond roughly to the actual maxima in question".

The results of Imamura's investigation are very ~~strongly~~ striking and appear to support the view that the corporeal tides, the oceanic tides and the barometric pressure all contribute factors influencing earthquake frequency; and



that of these the influence of the corporeal tides is the most prominent.

Imamura's conclusions have, however, been challenged by Knott who wrote as follows:-<sup>31</sup>

"The method of analysis employed by Imamura is identical with that used by Omori, and is purely ~~a~~ graphical .....  
 .....The varieties of graph are nearly as numerous as ~~at~~ the places for which they are drawn. In all cases there are from ten to fifteen crests and hollows of varying amplitudes but it cannot be said that there is a tendency for the crest of greatest amplitude to occur at the same time for even the majority of the stations.....  
 Imamura considers that he finds evidence of the existence of four principal maxima throughout the lunar month. Two of these he connects with the times of opposition and conjunction of the sun and moon; and the other two he connects in a very ingenious, but in my opinion, very artificial and forced manner with the concurrence of the times of daily barometric maximum and ordinary high tide. It is obvious that with crests occurring on the average every two or three days it is not difficult to find four such coming within a day or two of particular dates; and having regard to the meagreness of the statistics in most instances, and the doubtful accuracy of the method of smoothing, I question if any confidence can be placed on the results indicated".



Although there is a great deal of truth in Knott's criticism, Imamura's results should not be altogether set aside. It seems to be too much uniformity in his results to be accounted for by his somewhat doubtful methods alone; but the further examination of his data appears to be desirable. Knott has also reviewed Oldham's work on the Assam earthquake and has regrouped the data and calculated the amplitudes, phases and expectancies for the daily, half-daily and quarter daily lunar periodicities; and also the same elements for the solar periodicity. The results of these calculations Knott has tabulated somewhat as follows:-

Lunar Day Periodicities.

Declination	No. of Eqkes.	Day		Half-day		Quarter Day		Expectancy
		Phase	Ampl.	Phase	Ampl.	Phase	Ampl.	
9° N ±	510	18 h.	.099	4 h.	.099	3.5 h.	.099	.078
9°N to 9°S	333	18 h.	.147	8 h.	.308	5.5 h.	.099	.097
9°S ±	431	24 h.	.202	1 h.	.128	0.5 h.	.113	.085
All	1274	20 h.	.062	8 h.	.05	1.5 h.	.04	.05

Solar Day Periodicities

Declination	No. of Eqkes.	Day		Half-day		Quarter-day		Expectancy
		Phase	Ampl.	Phase	Ampl.	Phase	Ampl.	
9° N ±	436	17 h.	.137	9 h.	.152	4 h.	.137	.083
9°N to 9°S	358	18.5 h.	.132	6 h.	.132	4.5 h.	.255	.094
9° S ±	480	1 h.	.335	5 h.	.118	5.5 h.	.092	.087
All	1274	1 h.	.177	9 h.	.076	4.5 h.	.144	.05

From the above tables Knott drew the following conclusion:-

"Although it must be admitted that the results so far are



negative, nevertheless the point of view which led Oldham to discriminate between cases according to the declination is one deserving of more attention. It emphasises the possibility already referred to in other connections, that in the indiscriminate grouping according to probable periodicities there may be a balancing of effects, so that the periodic change looked for may escape notice"?

The investigation may however be carried a step further with very interesting results. It does not appear to have occurred to Knott to investigate the probability of obtaining such a series of results as a whole. The following discussion with regard to the solar and lunar daily periodicities will illustrate my meaning.

If earthquake frequency is affected by tidal stresses then for a given range of declination the phase of the maximum frequency should fall at the same period for both the solar and lunar days. An examination of the above tables shows that for the whole daily periodicities there is a striking agreement in this respect.

In the case of declinations greater than  $9^{\circ}N$  the phase for the lunar day is at the 18th hour and for the solar day at the 17th hour; for declinations between  $9^{\circ}N$  and  $9^{\circ}S$  it is at the 18th hour for the moon and at the  $18\frac{1}{2}$  hours for the sun;; and for declinations greater than  $9^{\circ}S$  at 24 hours for the moon and an hour later (1 hour) for the sun. In each case therefore the phase agrees to one hour for the sun and moon? Now the probability that the phase for the sun and moon should agree to within one hour in the 24 is  $\frac{1}{8}$ . This will be seen from the fact that <sup>if</sup> ~~of~~ the lunar phase is fixed the solar phase may fulfil the conditions by falling in the hour before the hour of ~~of~~ <sup>or</sup> the hour following the lunar phase; while the total range of hours is 24. *The total range of hours is 24.*



The probability that in the phases should agree to an in each of the three groups according to declination is -fore  $\frac{1}{8} \times \frac{1}{8} \times \frac{1}{8}$

Again in each of the six cases considered (three each for the sun and moon) the amplitude exceeds the expectancy. The probability of this is clearly  $(\frac{1}{2})^6$ . Hence the probability that for random events the phases and amplitudes should have occurred as found by Knott is not greater than  $\frac{1}{8} \times \frac{1}{2^6} = \frac{1}{32.768}$ .

But the probability is actually a far smaller quantity, for the probability of the amplitudes exceeding the expectancies by the given amounts is much greater than  $\frac{1}{2}$  for each case.

I have calculated the actual probabilities that the amplitudes should exceed the expectancies for the six cases considered and find them to be as follows:-

Probabilities for lunar and solar daily periodicities.

Declinations	No. of Eqkes.	Probabilities for	
		lunar day	solar day.
$9^\circ$ N $\frac{1}{2}$	510	.26	.10
$9^\circ$ N to $9^\circ$ S	333	$.48 \times 10^{-1}$	.19
$9^\circ$ S $\frac{1}{2}$	431	$.90 \times 10^{-2}$	$.17 \times 10^{-6}$

The total probabilities for the amplitudes only is therefore the product of each of the probabilities given in the above table and =  $.397 \times 10^{-12}$

When the probability for the coincidence of the phase is also taken into account the total probability becomes  $.776 \times 10^{-15}$  or one in  $129 \times 10^{13}$

Thus the probability that the earthquake frequency considered could exhibit the lunar and solar daily periodicities



indicated with an additional agreement in phase for the solar and lunar terms is incredibly small; and is sufficient to establish beyond doubt a strong relation between earthquake frequency and the tidal forces of the sun and moon.

if  
 Again ~~of~~ the half daily periodicities he examined in the same way it will be noticed that although the phases of the periods do not agree for the sun and moon the amplitudes in all cases exceed the expectancies, and the probability that this should be the case for the values given is only  $.277 \times 10^{-7}$  or one in  $44 \times 10^6$ . Hence the semi-daily period is also established beyond reasonable doubt.

In 1913 Montessus de Ballore again took up the question of the validity of Perrey's law with regard to the syzygies <sup>59</sup> / For this purpose he made use of megaseisms only taking the period from 1792 to 1899. This period he divided into two parts from 1792 to 1849 and from 1850 to 1899. He adopted a twofold method of investigation. In the first he subdivided the lunar month into 28 equal intervals, and in the second into 12 intervals. He tabulated the frequencies for each method but has not so far published these results, which, he states are being reserved for a special memoir. The number of shocks made use of is 2155, of which 1567 occur in the later period from 1850 to 1899. His plan of investigation was to determine in which of the intervals the absolute maximum and minimum of the earthquake frequency occurred and to compare this interval with the times of each lunar quarter. He states his results in the following table:-



## Number of Megaseisimes.

Period of Time	Total	Lunation divided into					
		28 intervals.			12 intervals		
		Max.	Min.	R.	Max.	Min.	R.
1792-1849	588	21st	20th	2.72	7th	12th	2.39
1850-1899	1567	16th	4th	2.74	7th	10th	3.38
1792-1899	2155	16th	4th	2.60	7th	2nd	2.85

The figures in the columns for the maximum and minimum are the intervals in which the maximum and minimum number of earthquakes were recorded. The times of new moon, first quarter, full moon and last quarter correspond to the 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th intervals of the first method and to the 2nd, 5th, 8th and 11th intervals in the second grouping. It will be seen that in the 28 interval grouping the intervals have little or no relation to the phases of the moon. In the case of the 12 interval grouping, however it will be seen that for each of the subdivisions the maximum occurs within one interval of full moon and the minimum within an interval of the last quarter. The quantity R represents the percentage difference between the maximum and minimum frequency. Montessus also assembled his data by giving the weighted values 1, 2 and 3 to the earthquakes according to their intensities. This does not appear to be a method adapted to the problem in hand, and in any case the results which he obtained are similar to those which appear in the table quoted above.

It is difficult to see how from this discussion Montessus arrived at the conclusion that "Il semble donc bien que les megaseisimes ne presentent aucune relation avec les phases de la lune."



The publication of the details promised by Montessus may perhaps make the results of this investigation more clear.

Taber in his investigation of the Charleston earthquakes<sup>91</sup> also enquired into the question of lunar periodicity. He plotted a curve of the earthquake frequency in relation to the times of perigee and apogee; and for the syzygies and quadratures. He also analysed the observations for monthly and semi-monthly periodicities by the methods employed by Knott. He found an excess about 2 to 3 days after perigee and a minimum at apogee but considered that the ratio of the amplitudes to the expectancies were too small to establish such a relation /

Quite recently Oldham has again taken up the study of earthquake frequency and has published two papers on the subject.<sup>67, 68</sup> In the first of these he has tabulated the ratio of the day shocks to night shocks for Italy, Japan and for the aftershocks of the Assam earthquakes. In all three cases this ratio increases in summer and diminishes in winter. This he explained in his earlier memoirs which have already been discussed in this paper. The investigation he has now however carried a step further by calculating the tidal stresses for each two-hourly period; and has found that there is a close relation with the variation in the vertical tidal stress in the case of the Italian records. The earthquake frequency increase with increase in the ~~tidal~~ total downward tidal stress. In the case of the after-shocks of the Mino-Owari earthquakes the opposite relation appears to hold, as the earthquake frequency increased with a decrease in the total downward tidal stress.

<sup>68.</sup> In his second paper Oldham has investigated the same question in more detail employing the records of 9066 earthquakes recorded in Italy during the period 1891-1910; and also



8318 earthquakes recorded in Japan between 1885 and 1892. These records showed the same seasonal relation for the ratio of the day to night shocks as those previously considered /

There can be little doubt that Oldham's results strongly support <sup>the relation</sup> between tidal stresses and earthquake frequency.

It is clear from this general review on earthquake frequency that some of the most eminent seismologists have little faith in any relation between earthquake frequency and ~~tidal~~ tidal stresses in the lithosphere. Some others are disposed to admit such a relation as probable but there are few who consider the effect to be an important one. Nevertheless the analysis of the various contributions to this subject, particularly of the work of Davison, Knott, Omori and Oldham is, so it seems to me, ~~not~~ sufficient to establish such a relation beyond all reasonable doubt; and at the same time to point to the relation being one of great importance.

The discussion which follows in part II of this paper demonstrates ~~that~~ the relation is not so simple as has commonly been supposed and that it may be strongly marked where least suspected from the older methods of investigating the problem.



Other Periodicities and Earthquake Frequency.

In addition to the periodicities already discussed in this paper there are others which have been suggested from time to time. It is proposed in this section to deal with these somewhat miscellaneous discussions on earthquake frequency.

Perhaps the most important of these periodicities is that which is associated with the 33 years interval; or with some multiple or sub-multiple of that time?

Milne in his "Notes on the Great Earthquakes of Japan"<sup>39.</sup> pointed out that the distribution of these shocks indicated the following periodicities:-

In the interval from 666 A.D. to 933 A.D. there appears to be a recurrence of maximum earthquake frequency at intervals of  $33\frac{1}{3}$  years.

In the period from 933-1460 A.D. the intervals were generally 66 years apart, only a few being of 33 years. From 1460-1800 A.D. the intervals were 133 years, 100 years, a few  $66\frac{2}{3}$  years, and the rest  $33\frac{1}{3}$  years apart.

Naumann has pointed out that the Japanese records indicate a marked cycle of 68 years, and again has noted that there is an approximate coincidence between many of the disturbances and the meteoric showers which occur at intervals of 33 years.

The correlation of earthquake frequency with Bruckner cycles amounts to much the same thing as the search for a 33 year periodicity so that whatever evidence supports ~~one~~ <sup>one</sup> of these periods is also favourable to the other ~~of~~ <sup>if</sup> the range be taken over a century or two.

Again it has been shown that there is some evidence suggesting a relation between sunspot activity and earthquake frequency



and this involves a periodicity of 11.1 years which is, of course, a sub-multiple of the  $33\frac{1}{3}$  year period.

Schuster has analysed the data relating to sunspot activity and has found evidence of other periods - particularly one of 4.8 years and another of 8.4 years! in addition he recognised one of 11.125 years. Chree states <sup>6a.</sup> that "There has been at least one 33 year period during which the mean value of the sun-spot frequency has been exceptionally low".

It has already been mentioned that Delauney believed that he had detected an 11 year period in earthquake frequency corresponding to the periodic time of Jupiter in its orbit. <sup>15</sup>

Montessus de Ballere has on the other hand investigated both sunspot activity and Bruckner cycles <sup>68</sup> in relation to earthquake frequency and has concluded that there is no evidence of any connection between these phenomena.

Nevertheless the evidence discussed above is not to be lightly set aside and a further investigation into the  $33\frac{1}{3}$  year period with its possible multiples and sub-multiples seems desirable.

Omori has investigated the earthquake frequency at Kyoto <sup>70</sup> and concluded that for the 9th century this exhibited "more or less definitely a period of  $6\frac{1}{2}$  years". The analysis of his results, however, shows that the phrase "more or less" covers a rather wide range in variation. The following times of the maxima and the intervals between them were read from Omori's frequency curve:-



Date of Maximum Earthquake	Frequency.	Period elapsed between consecutive maxima.
	805.3 A.D.	
	811.8	6.5
	818.3	6.5
	827.8	9.5
	832.0	4.2
	837.0	5.0
	842.0	5.0
	851.5	9.5
	855.8	4.3
	862.0	6.2
	867.3	5.3
	872.8	5.5
	881.0	8.2
	886.4	5.4

In order to ascertain the most probable value of the periodicity I have employed the method of least squares, and found for the trial periods of  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $4\frac{1}{2}$ , 5,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  and  $6\frac{1}{2}$  years the sums of the squares of the errors to be 18.6, 14.8, 11.0, 18.2 and 36.3 respectively. This method is of course not strictly applicable in this case where varying periods are used as it tends to exaggerate the significance of the smaller periods. The fact that the sums of the errors for the  $3\frac{1}{2}$  and  $4\frac{1}{2}$  year periods exceeds that for the 5 year period is therefore all the more important, and points to the most probable periodicity as being about, or a little greater than, 5 years. In this case the intervals of 8.2 and 9.5 years might be regarded as somewhat anomalous double periods.

Omori has also suggested a periodicity of  $13\frac{1}{2}$  years for the great earthquakes of Japan dating from 1325 A.D. to 1898 A. The successive intervals between the great earthquakes or groups of earthquakes for the period are, commencing at 1325 A.D., as follows:- 21, 11, 14, 13, 13, 7, 15, 19, 24, 10, 20, 16, 13, 7, 17, 14, 15, 8, 13, 15, 17, 16, 17, 12, 8, 18, 14, 12, 23, 15, 14, 12, 10, 11, 8, 11, 11, 14, 16 and 23 years /

Omori has taken the mean value of  $13\frac{1}{2}$  years as representing the most probable periodicity. I have applied the same test of the sum of the least squares and obtained for periods of 10, 11, 12 and  $13\frac{1}{2}$  years the sums of the squares of the error 381, 351, 381 and 467 respectively. This clearly indicates that the most probable periodicity is about or a little more than 11 years and not  $13\frac{1}{2}$  years as suggested by Omori.

Although perhaps no great weight can be attached to the 5 and 11 year periodicities indicated above it was thought advisable to state these results for what they may be worth - particularly as Omori's periods of  ~~$4\frac{1}{2}$~~   $6\frac{1}{2}$  and  $13\frac{1}{2}$  years have been quoted as being well founded.

Indeed it seems that the authors who have cited these periodicities have attached more weight to them than Omori himself appears to have done.

Omori has also found evidence of periodicities having periods of  $4\frac{1}{2}$ , 9, 12 and 33 days, and of 3 months. These were indicated by the after-shocks of the Kumamoto, Mino-Owari and Kagoshima earthquakes. <sup>69</sup>

The Kumamoto earthquake gave periodicities of 4.6, 12 and 33 days and of 3 months. The Mino-Owari earthquake records at Gifu indicated periods of  $4\frac{1}{2}$ , 12.3 and 33 days.



The Kagoshima after-shocks showed periods of 4.4, 12 and 33 days.

Some thirteen years later, <sup>77</sup> in 1908, Omori undertook a meteorological study on long period variations in the atmospheric pressure in Japan and found that there was evidence of periodicities having lengths of 4.6, 8.7 and 33 days and also 3 months.

At the same time he found that the after-shocks of the Taito earthquake (Formosa) gave a periodicity of 4.4 days.

Omori therefore concludes that these periodicities are real and are to be correlated with the corresponding variations in atmospheric pressure.

Another periodicity which claims attention is the 452 day cycle suggested by Turner <sup>93.</sup> from his examination of the megaseisms of the period 1350-1889. This period is particularly interesting because its length approximates to that of the Chandler period of precessional nutation, which has a length of 427 days.

Milne who had previously indicated a periodicity of <sup>45a</sup> 443 days for the intervals of rest between the maximum periods of earthquake activity subsequently pointed out <sup>45b</sup> that the records about November 20th, 1910 verified his expectation for that year.

A similar investigation from a different point of view appears to be the correlation of earthquake frequency with the changes in the movement of the earth's axis of rotation.

Any change in the position of the poles causes a corresponding variation in latitude, and it is from such latitude variations that the polar wandering is determined.

Milne in 1893 was the first to point out a relation



between the motion of the pole and earthquake frequency. <sup>HR.</sup>  
~~He subsequently examined the~~ He drew attention to the fact that the time of the maximum increase in latitude at Berlin corresponded with the maximum of earthquake frequency for Japan. He subsequently examined the movement of the pole for the years 1895 to 1898 inclusive and concluded that megaseismic activity reached its maximum with the maximum polar displacements.

Cacani followed up Milne's investigation for the period 1899 to 1902. <sup>5</sup> Milne's and Cacani's results have been tabulated by Omori <sup>42</sup> in the following table:-

Year	Total latitude variation	Number of large earthquakes.
1895	0.53"	9
1896	0.91"	18
1897	1.07"	44 or 47
1898	1.03"	30
1899	0.72"	27
1900	0.32"	17
1901	0.53"	22
1902	0.97"	29

In 1903 Milne investigated the question for the period 1892 to 1899. <sup>HRa.</sup> He divided each year into ten equal parts of 36.5 days and tabulated the number of world shaking earthquakes for each of these periods. He then compared the earthquake frequency for the intervals during which there was a marked deflection ~~displacement~~ in the polar ~~maximum~~ movement with that of the intervals immediately preceding and following the deflection periods. He found that the total numbers of earthquakes before, during and after the deflection periods were respectively 117,200 and 153.

Milne has interpreted these results as follows:- "One



inference from this investigation is not that the molar displacements accompanying large earthquakes result in polar displacements, but rather that changes in direction of these latter movements, particularly when the rate of change has been rapid, have had an influence upon earthquake frequency".

Milne brought this investigation up to date in 1906. <sup>H2b.</sup>

He showed that out of a total of 23 deflection periods there are 18 cases in which the maximum earthquake frequency coincides with a deflection period. The total number of earthquakes occurring before, during and after comparable deflection periods were found to be 167, 287 and 217 respectively.

He also indicated a new method of analysing the data by expressing the deflections between successive periods in angular measure. He found that <sup>if</sup> small deflections of from 0 to 10° were omitted that "the average number of earthquakes in any period is approximately directly proportional to angular deflections of the pole-path during that period".

In the following year Knott examined the data from a somewhat different point of view. <sup>30a.</sup> He considered that the earthquake frequency should not be compared with the actual deflections themselves but with the deviations of these deflections from their mean value. He accordingly analysed the records by this method and found that for small deviations <sup>30a.</sup> the ~~average~~ average number of earthquakes was 11.1, while for the large deviations the average was 18.1. He concluded that this result "lends a certain amount of support to Milne's view that there is some connection between the occurrence of large world-shaking earthquakes and the movements of the earth's pole". Knott however is disposed to interpret this



result in a somewhat different manner. He is inclined to attribute the relation to some local change in the earth's rigidity resulting from an earthquake rather than to the direct effect of ~~mass~~<sup>mass</sup> movements. Thus Milne appears to consider the polar movement to be the cause of the earthquake rhythm, while Knott looks upon the polar movement as possibly an indirect result of the earthquake.

Omori has also taken up this question for the earthquakes of Japan.<sup>72</sup> He examined the latitude variations at Tokyo for the period 1895 to 1903, compared it with the ~~same~~ frequency of the sensible earthquakes at Tokio, and concluded that it bore no relation to the variations in latitude. The case proved quite otherwise however ~~in~~ with regard to the large earthquakes of Japan. Omori found that "the great destructive earthquakes of Japan have a marked tendency to occur in the epochs of the maximum and <sup>7</sup> minimum latitude of Tokyo, a conclusion which is in harmony with the results already obtained by Prof. Milne."

In the same paper Omori points out that Kimura has shown that the latitude variation has exhibited a six years' period for the interval 1890 to 1902; and Omori is disposed to connect this variation with the  $6\frac{1}{2}$  years' periodicity which he has indicated for the earthquakes observed at Kyoto during the 9th century.



Conclusion

The search for earthquake frequency has had a fascination for many workers and its numerous aspects have been diligently examined by a number of distinguished seismologists and geologists. The results of these investigations are widely scattered in geological literature and in many cases are at variance one with another. It ~~is~~ has been the object of the author to assemble this literature as completely as possible, and it is hoped that the discussion of the various papers included in this memoir may serve to give a general view of the progress that has so far been made in this direction. Even now there are but few who accept as proved the relationship between earthquake frequency and other natural phenomena, while others, notably Montessus de Ballore, hold the decided view that earthquake frequency is entirely independent of any such relation. The most recently expressed views of some of the leaders in this field of research will serve to indicate the present trend of thought and criticism. The following brief summary of these is therefore appended as follows:-

Schuster was the first to examine the statistics relating to earthquake frequency from the point of view of probability for random events. After discussing the annual period which Davison had indicated he says "The probability of the accidental<sup>87</sup> nature of so large an amplitude is in the first case only 1 in 300,000 and in the second almost infinitesimally small. The reality of the period would be thereby established beyond reasonable doubt, unless the peculiarity of earthquakes occurring in groups, as discussed in the previous section, can be shown to raise the expectancy sufficiently. The fact, however, that in each hemisphere the phase of the periodicity found is nearly identical in a great number of cases disposes



of all doubt which might remain on this point."

Although the amplitudes calculated by Schuster also favour a lunar periodicity he is not disposed to accept this periodicity as real because of certain anomalies, and also on account of the occurrence of earthquakes in groups of two or more.

Omori in 1902 writing the conclusions of his investigations into the "Annual and Diurnal Variations of seismic frequency in Japan" <sup>471</sup> says "According to what has been said thus far the seismic frequency seems to have a close relation to the atmospheric pressure."

Oldham in 1903 prefaces his study of diurnal frequency in Assam by the following remarks: - <sup>66</sup>

"Earthquakes are, and are generally acknowledged to be, purely geological phenomena, yet there is a constant tendency, and have been repeated endeavours, to trace the influence either of the sun and the planets, or, in more recent years, of changes in barometric pressure or temperature on the time of occurrence of earthquakes.

Leaving out of account, as unaccountable the purely astronomical influence of the planets, it is not inconceivable that, though the cause of an earthquake is terrestrial, the exact time of its occurrence might be decided by some astronomical or meteorological influence. In other words the exact time when a slowly growing strain becomes too great for the resistance opposed to it by the solidity of the rock composing the earth's crust may be determined by the additional stress - small as it is - imposed by a change in the barometric pressure, or by the stresses set up by the attraction of the sun and the moon."

Again, Omori after investigating the lunar day frequency <sup>73</sup> says; "It thus seems that a considerable proportion of earth-



257  
quakes, from 50 to 80%, are caused, or accelerated to occur, by the agencies of the atmospheric pressure and the moon's influence on tidal stresses"

His views with regard to earthquake frequency and variation in latitude have been previously quoted. In another paper on the "Secondary Causes of Earthquakes"<sup>76</sup> he concludes as follows:-

"The results obtained.....which are only fragmentary notes on the secondary seismic causes, show nevertheless that these latter play a very important part in the distribution of earthquakes during the day, the year, the lunar day, etc. As these secondary causes probably determine the ultimate moment when a long-continued underground stress gives rise to a sudden disturbance their careful study will be, in conjunction with the observation of the fore-shocks.....and the investigation on earthquake-zones, of help in approximately predicting under favourable circumstances the earthquakes likely to happen in a given district."

Imamura after an enquiry into the "synodic-monthly variation of seismic frequency in Japan"<sup>24</sup> concluded that "earthquake occurrences in Japan, when they are distributed in synodic days reach the greatest number at two pairs of times, namely:-

Firstly, at the times of the conjunction and opposition of the sun and moon, the combined effort of the two heavenly bodies being the cause;

Secondly, at the times of quadrature, the combined effort of the moon and barometric pressure being the cause."

<sup>17</sup>Dutton in his book on earthquakes has expressed his opinion that "with its fundamental postulate fast vanishing, wi



support derived from statistical comparisons dissolved away, little remains of the tidal theory of earthquake causation".

Hobbs has discussed Milne's papers on the possible relation of earthquake frequency and the movement of the earth's pole and has written <sup>22.</sup> "In itself, Milne's theory is most plausible for the migrations of the pole correspond to changes in latitude, and these must involve migrations within the mobile portions of the earth's crust, consequent upon the distortions of the spheroid. When the direction of pole movement is reversed, sudden and temporary changes in the condition of compression within the zone of fracture (like the loosening of a vise) may precipitate an adjustment of blocks which was before impending".

Knott has written a great deal on earthquake frequency. He studied in particular the question of a lunar frequency for earthquakes and writes as follows:<sup>31</sup>

"As regards the synodic month, the greatness of the half-monthly amplitude as compared with the monthly amplitude, and the times of occurrence of the maxima and minima, lend some support to the view that we have an indication of tidal effect. The maxima occur at times of new moon and full moon, just about the times, when, in virtue of the combined action of the sun and moon, the ocean tides attain their maxima". He also remarks "The cause of earthquakes is probably to be referred to the earth's heterogeneity of structure or to the inequality of stress due to irregularities of its surface. Rupturing or yielding is not determined by the amount of stress only; it depends <sup>d.</sup> in great measure upon how the stress is applied. For rupture to take place the stress must be different in different directions; and the difference between the greatest and least stresses is an important datum in estimating the tendency to break. So far as can be judged, the only periodic stresses that exist of period long



enough to tell upon the earth's substance are the fortnightly, monthly, semi-annual and annual tides, the annual variation of snowfall, and the steady annual and perhaps semi-annual oscillations of barometric pressure over the earth's surface. Inasmuch as the earthquake frequency reaches its maximum in winter whenever there is a marked winter season, we must pass from the annual tidal stress due to the sun as of little account. We seem, however, to find in the accumulation of winter snow, and in the long period oscillations of the atmospheric pressure, two possible determining factors in earthquake frequency".

Gilbert in a paper dealing with the prediction of earthquakes writes "The principal known causes of periodic variation of stress are bodily tides of the earth; oceanic tides, which alternately load and unload the sea bed near the shore; the winter load of snow on parts of the land; annual and diurnal variations of barometric ~~pressure~~ gradient; and the wanderings of the earth's axis of rotation. The relative importance of the several influences can not yet be indicated, but it is known that their absolute importance is not the same in all places. Three belong to the coastal belts, two to the land; and two belong to land and sea, but vary with latitude. Their relative importance in any particular locality may depend also on the direction of the slowly growing tectonic stress of the crust; for /

in order to be effective the temporary or adventitious stresses must be of such character as to augment the tectonic stresses".

Milne has expressed his views in the recent (1913) edition of his book on Earthquakes. <sup>H1</sup> He says "speaking generally, as far as I know, neither tidal, barometric, thermometric, solar, lunar or other epigene influences beyond those mentioned, show a relationship to the periodicity or frequency of megaseismic activity.



Their frequency is apparently governed by activities of hypogene origin".

Walker too, appears to hold <sup>94</sup> this <sup>94</sup> view which he has quoted as the most authoritative statement on the subject. He does not however appear to think the search for periodicity a vain one for he writes ".....statistics about earthquakes are rapidly increasing in number and the search for periodicity will again be taken up. It is desirable that the search should proceed on the lines indicated by Schuster".

Drake believes that in the case of China rainfall has been a determining factor in earthquake frequency. He writes <sup>16.</sup> "Some of the most striking evidences of the foregoing data are the following probable rules; first the rapid and strong atmospheric variations, assisted to some extent by rain, are the forces most effective in the final stage of earthquake activity".

Gayles has also investigated this aspect of earthquake frequency and remarks <sup>85</sup> "As far as this work on the earthquakes of the world and rainfall of the United States has gone, I agree with Professor Drake very closely on his earthquake and rainfall discovery.....The recent work with seismographs has revealed facts which cannot be ignored; movements of the crust felt for some miles from the coast due to the incoming and outgoing of the tides; sinking and rising of the crust under high and low pressure barometric areas; the transmission of microseisms through the crust caused by the breaking of waves on the coast. The earth is not as rigid as has been thought, but apparently in extremely delicate equilibrium."

Taber in his work on the earthquakes of the Charleston district has discussed the question of tidal frequency. He writes as follows:- <sup>91</sup>



"Many attempts have been made to correlate lunar periodicities with the earthquake frequency of individual districts and of the earth as a whole; but, with the accumulation of accurate statistics, it has been shown that the attraction exerted by the sun and moon on the earth's surface has little if any influence in determining the time of earthquakes. Logically no other conclusion could be expected in the case of tectonic earthquakes, for the attraction of the sun and moon is uniformly distributed over large areas of the earth's surface, and therefore can directly cause very little difference in the stresses on opposite sides of faults. Since the oceanic tides are due to the attraction of the sun and moon, and tidal loading on the surface near the coast line does produce differential stresses, the position of the heavenly bodies relative to the earth may indirectly result in the development, in coastal regions, of stresses sufficient in magnitude to control the time of fault displacements". In his conclusions he also writes "The most important factors affecting the relative pressure on opposite sides of the fault and thus controlling the earthquake frequency are rainfall, height of the water-table and barometric pressure".

The view <sup>enunciated</sup> ~~enunciated~~ by Taber that any forces affecting earthquake frequency must be such that they operate differentially on opposite sides of the fault plane has also been promulgated independently by Knott. Gilbert too has recognised that the direction of the growing stress must be considered.

These aspects of the question together with certain geological considerations with regard to faults are discussed by the author in Part II of this paper dealing with the "Tidal Stresses in the Lithosphere."

Earthquake Frequency with special reference  
to Tidal Stresses in the Lithosphere.

Part II.

Tidal Stresses in the Lithosphere.



~~The Precipitation of Earthquakes by  
secondary causes.~~

2

.....  
Part II.

Tidal stresses in the Lithosphere.

In the preceding article (Part I) an enquiry was made into the subject of the secondary causes of earthquakes. Although the evidence is somewhat conflicting there is a strong probability that the small strains set up in the earth's crust as the result of barometric changes, ocean tides along certain coast lines, and tidal stresses in the earth's solid crust are effective in determining the actual time of occurrence of the earthquake shock. It is clear from the diverse opinions held by eminent seismologists that, as yet, the earth tides are not generally recognised as being competent to precipitate an earthquake. ~~Amongst these who have expressed some belief in a relation between earth tides and earthquakes are the following:-~~



2.

On the contrary certain eminent authorities remain unconvinced of any such relation, as may be seen from the following statements:-



Thus the relation of earthquakes and earth tides stands at present in the realm of controversy. Many of the opinions quoted however were expressed before the recent work of Oldham, Omori and Imamura and others was available for discussion and may not now represent the views of those quoted.

There appears to be, however, at present a disposition to attach rather more importance to barometric changes than to earth tides as possible secondary causes of earthquakes. ~~This is evident from the following statements:-~~



In view of the fact that barometric changes have been more generally accepted as possible secondary causes of earthquakes than earth tides it is interesting to compare the effects of the two sets of forces. This may best be done by comparing the maximum strains effected by each set of forces and G.H. Darwin <sup>67.</sup> has in different places calculated the strain due to the tidal forces ~~and here~~ <sup>has.</sup> expressed it as a fraction of the water tides. He concludes that the earth tides are sufficiently large to diminish the apparent height of the water tides to two thirds of their actual value. This is illustrated by fig. 1. From this diagram it is clear that the earth tide must have an amplitude one third of that of the water tide. The double amplitude of the maximum or spring tide <sup>for an</sup> ideal ocean is calculable from a formula given by Gray, <sup>21</sup> and amounts to 2.56 feet or <sup>about 75</sup> ~~25~~ cms. On the other hand G.H. Darwin <sup>6</sup> has estimated the effect of parallel barometric waves assumed to have a wave length of 3000 miles and a double amplitude amounting to 50 m.m. of mercury. He concludes that if the earth's crust be as rigid as the most rigid glass that a corresponding earth wave having a double amplitude of 9 cms. would be caused by such a barometric load.

*as the amplitude of the earth tide is about one third that of the ocean tide, it should have a double amplitude (from crest to trough) of about 25 c.m.s.*



Hence the effect due to the earth tides is seen to be nearly three times that due to maximum barometric changes.

The barometric changes however are not due to a system of parallel waves as calculated by Darwin but to subcircular domes of high pressure and basins of low pressure; ~~and the average distance from the centres of the anticlines is probably less than 5000 miles.~~ In addition it is probable that the rigidity of that part of the earth which is affected is considerably greater than the most rigid glass. These factors would all tend to diminish the value of 9 cms. quoted above. Hence it is probable that the double amplitude of the maximum earth tides is considerably more than three times that set up by the maximum barometric changes.



Note.

There is no omission here, but  
only an error in numbering  
the pages.

Thus it appears that the movement of the earth's crust is greater under tidal stresses than under the influence of barometric changes. If therefore barometric changes influence the time of occurrence of earthquakes one might expect to find a still more intimate relation for the earth tides.

<sup>85.</sup> Bayles and others have published data which strongly suggest a relation between rainfall and earthquake periodicity.

The barometric range of 50 m.m. <sup>of Mercury.</sup> chosen by Darwin is equivalent to a pressure of about 26 inches of water; <sup>the</sup> and only water pressure which is effective is that which soaks into the ground - usually taken as one third of the rainfall. Hence in order to have a strain set up equal to that due to the maximum barometric wave there would require to be 78 inches more water retained in one area than in adjacent one.

Such a condition could only be rarely if ever realised over large areas and hence such a relation as that suggested would be of much less importance than that due to the earth tides.

The search for earthquake periodicity has hitherto proceeded along mathematical and statistical lines without taking into account the geological aspects of the subject. The matter is approached in this paper chiefly from its geological aspect and from these a mathematical theory is developed.



Earthquakes and Faults.

Although Perrey<sup>36</sup> early ventured the hypothesis that earthquakes might be caused by the fracturing of the earth's crust this view was not accepted as the prime cause of earthquakes until a much later period. For example that eminent seismologist J. Milne<sup>40</sup> appears as late as 1886 to have held the view that earthquakes were primarily caused by volcanic activity. This may be seen from the following quotation from his book on earthquakes published in 1886:-

Milne - Earthquakes. pp.295,296.

"Conclusion.- Although it would be an easy matter 'to discuss the relationship of earthquakes and 'other phenomena, we must conclude that the 'primary cause of earthquakes is endogenous to 'our earth, and that exogenous phenomena, like 'the attraction of the sun and moon and barometric 'fluctuations, play but a small part in the 'actual production of these phenomena, their 'greatest effect being to cause a slight pre- 'ponderance in the number of earthquakes at 'particular seasons. They may, therefore, some- 'times be regarded as final causes. The majority 'of earthquakes are due to the explosive efforts 'at volcanic foci. The greatest number of these 'explosions take place beneath the sea, and are 'probably due to the admission of water through 'fissures to the heated rocks beneath. A smaller 'number of earthquakes originate at actual 'volcanoes.



'Some earthquakes are produced by the sudden fracture  
'of rocky strata or the production of faults. This  
'may be attributable to stresses brought about by  
'elevatory pressure. Lastly, we have earthquakes due  
'to the collapse of underground excavations'.

(The italics are mine L.F.C.)

The clear recognition of the fundamental relation  
of faults and earthquakes is due chiefly to the great  
labours of M. de Montessus de Ballore and the late  
E. Suess. <sup>90a</sup> M. de Montessus de Ballore has made <sup>53.</sup> most <sup>a</sup>  
elaborate and thorough study of the distribution of  
earthquakes and has shown in a most convincing manner  
their intimate relation to the two great zones of  
weakness in the earth's crust. This work has  
revolutionised seismological science and stands as  
a monument marking the common ground of seismology  
and geology. The relation of fault zones and earth-  
quakes was first noted by Suess as the result of his  
studies of the earthquakes of the Murz line. <sup>90b.</sup> Great  
progress has since been made, and as several of the  
more recent and severe earthquakes have actually  
given rise to surface displacements along fault lines  
these have been made the subject of special study.  
~~The principals of such earthquakes are as follows:-~~



This has been particularly the case for the Mino-Owari, the Assam and the San Francisco earthquakes.

The Mino-Owari Earthquake<sup>32.</sup> of Japan occurred on the 28th of October 1891. The shock was extremely heavy and shook an area of 243,000 square kilometres or more than 60% of the whole Japanese Empire. The most unique accompaniment of the earthquake was the appearance at the surface of the ground of a great fault trending in a general south east to north west direction and extending along a length of at least 40 miles. Physiographic evidence points to the fault being at least 112 kilometres in length. The surface displacements involved both vertical and horizontal motions. The eastern side of the fault was, in general the downthrow side and was also displaced horizontally, parallel to the fault plane, in a north westerly direction relatively to the other side of the fault. This horizontal movement was on the average from three to six feet. The vertical displacement ~~singularly enough the maximum vertical~~ varied from zero to about 18 feet but singularly enough the maximum vertical movement had the downthrow 6 metres on the western side of the fault; although here as elsewhere the horizontal movement was in the usual direction previously indicated. It is notable that even where no vertical displacement occurred the horizontal movement amounted to several metres.

<sup>63 a.</sup> The great Assam Earthquake occurred on the 12th of June 1897. This earthquake shook an area of 1,750,000 square miles and its destructive effects were felt over about one tenth of this area. The earthquake was attended by numerous surface displacements the most important of which is the Chedrang fault. This extended in a general north-north-west direction for a distance of about 12 miles. The chief features of interest with regard to this fault have been summarised by Oldham as follows:-



"Firstly, although the throw of the fault varies from over 35 feet to nothing, yet wherever there is any perceptible throw the upthrow is always on the east and the downthrow on the west. Secondly, I was unable to detect any pronounced horizontal movement of one side with reference to the other, in other words the displacement appears to have been simply up or down, so that the fault is a fault pure and simple, and not a heave. Thirdly, wherever the plane of the fault could be seen in rock it was practically vertical, with no pronounced hade in either direction. Fourthly, the displacement appears to have been principally, <sup>if</sup> not entirely, an elevation of the upthrow side and not a depression of the downthrow side of the fault".

The San Francisco earthquake took place on the 18th of April 1906. Surface displacements also accompanied this earthquake. The "Earthquake crack" as it was called closely followed a direction about north  $35^{\circ}$  west, and has been traced for a distance of 185 miles. The physiographic evidence shows that this "crack" occurs along a great rift which is known to extend for 400 miles. As in the Assam earthquake the movement occurred along vertical planes, but it also resembled the Mino-Owari fracture inasmuch as both vertical displacements and horizontal movements parallel to the fault were conspicuously developed. In this case the horizontal shift was in the direction opposite to that of the Mino-Owari fracture, so that the area on the west of the fault was moved towards the north-west relatively to that on the east side of the fault. This horizontal displacement varied from a few up to as much as twenty feet. The vertical throw did not exceed four feet and the uplifted area was generally on the western side of the fault. This was not, however, invariably the case as in a few instances the eastern side was uplifted to amounts of about two feet.



11a

In addition to the main fracture numerous minor fissures were formed which ran in many directions

It may be regarded as being now well established that the immediate cause of earthquakes is in most cases a movement along fault fractures. The study of faults enables them to be classified into two main groups - normal and reversed faults. In the case of normal faults the motion is caused by tensional forces while in reversed faults compressive stresses are operative. The different nature of these forces must be taken into account in any attempt to investigate the secondary causes of earthquakes.

Although the motion which gives rise to displacements along fault planes is often approximately in the direction of the dip of the fault, i.e. in the direction in which motion would occur under the action of gravity, this is by no means always the case. This is clearly indicated by the displacement noted in connection with the San Francisco and Mine-Owari earthquakes. <sup>83</sup> <sup>82</sup> Moreover the study of older faults often reveals the presence of slickensides which indicate the direction of the displacement and consequently that of the resultant forces.

The principal elements which are required for the determination of the direction of the stresses along a fault plane are then as follows:-



- (a) The direction of the trace of the fault on a horizontal surface, or, in other words, the strike of the fault.
- (b) The inclination of the fault plane measured from either the horizontal (the dip) or from the vertical (the hade).
- (c) The direction, in azimuth, of the motion as determined by the slickensides or any other method.

The discussion of the magnitude of the tidal stresses and of the positions of the tide producing bodies when they exert their maximum force in the direction of displacement for any given fault is dealt with in the appendix. The general course of the argument, however, may be gathered from the discussion which follows here. This arrangement was considered best as it makes the nature of the argument clearer for those who do not read mathematics.

In the first place we may reproduce the figure published by G.H. Darwin <sup>1</sup> representing the directions and relative magnitudes of the tide producing forces due to a single attracting body.

Fig. 2.

It will be seen from the diagram that for any given place the tide generating force will be a maximum when the attracting body is in the zenith and a minimum when it is on the horizon. Moreover, in each of these particular cases the forces are wholly vertical.

It will also be seen that the tide generating force is wholly horizontal when the attracting body is at a zenith distance of about  $55^{\circ}$  from a given place



The question now arises as to how these forces may operate to assist faulting. We may first consider the case of faults in which the displacement is in a plane perpendicular to the strike of the fault. This may occur in both normal and reversed faults but is, from the nature of the case, because of the force of gravity, more likely to occur in the former than in the latter type.

Normal Faults. Let the strike of the normal fault be represented by the line  $FF'$  in fig. 3. The direction of the movement is represented by the arrow which is directed towards the down thrown side of the fault. This is also the direction of the dip of the fault, which is as throughout, here assumed to be a plane surface. The forces operating to produce movement may be represented by two components, one normal to the fault plane and the other lying in the plane of the fault and also in the direction of dip. The first of these components tends to open the fracture, and hence, by lessening the ~~free~~ frictional resistance, assists movement under the action of gravity. The second component tends to cause movement in the actual direction of the displacement.



The following questions now arise:-

- (a) How may the tidal stresses co-operate with the earth's internal forces to assist in producing movement?
- (b) In what positions must the attracting body be to exert its maximum force in the direction of one or other of the components of the internal earth stresses, i.e. parallel and perpendicular to the fault plane?

Question (a).

The tidal force acting on a small part of the earth's crust tends to draw that part away from the earth mass as a whole. If the same force acts on an adjacent and similar part of the earth's crust both parts are drawn away from the main earth mass. but there is no appreciable tendency to separate them. Thus two small areas of rock at A and B fig. 3. are acted on by practically the same force and without any appreciable tendency to separation along the fault FF'. If, however, strips of some appreciable width such as PQFF' and P'Q'FF' be taken one on each side of the fault, the average forces over each such strip due to the tidal forces will not be the same and the difference between the tidal forces on the opposite zones will constitute a system of forces tending to cause movement along the fault plane. If these forces operate in conjunction with internal forces tending



to produce rupture they will cause the earthquake to occur earlier than if they did not exist. ~~While~~ Similarly if the tidal forces are opposed to the internal forces they will delay the time of occurrence of the earthquake.

Question (b).

We have seen from fig. 2. that the tidal forces reach a maximum for any given locality with certain positions of the attracting body. In previous investigations of this character it has been assumed that the times of occurrence of the maximum tidal forces are the most likely times for the occurrence of earthquakes. The investigations of Perrey<sup>84</sup> and others on the relation of earthquakes to the passage of the moon across the meridian are based on this hypothesis. Oldham<sup>66</sup> has modified Perrey's hypothesis by suggesting that the time of occurrence of earthquakes may coincide with that of the occurrence of the maximum horizontal component of the tide producing force at the earthquake centre, and he has further modified this theory by suggesting that the rate of change of the tidal forces may be more effective than the actual magnitude of the forces themselves - an hypothesis which deserves further investigation.

As was shown under question (a) the actual magnitude of the tidal force at any point is not the determining factor in setting up forces which may precipitate earthquakes. The essential factor is the difference in the forces acting on zones



of the earth's crust bordering the fault plane. These earthquake precipitating forces do not reach their maxima at the times of the maxima of the tide-producing forces. The analytical proof of this is given in the appendix, but it may be geometrically demonstrated by the following diagrams.

If figs. *4 and 5* are represented the vertical and horizontal components respectively of the tide-producing forces. From fig. *4* we see that when the tide-producing body is in the zenith of a point on an earthquake fracture or fault the vertical tide-producing forces  $V$  operating on the zone on each side of the fault are the same, so that although the tide-producing forces are at a maximum the differential stress  $\frac{dV}{k}$  between the two zones is zero, or a minimum.

Let us assume that the distance between the centres of the two zones is say an arc measuring  $10^\circ$  then we may see from fig. *4* that the greatest difference  $\frac{dV}{k}$  in the vertical stresses for the two zones would occur when the zenith distance of the tide-producing body was  $45^\circ$  from a point. Hence the maximum difference in the vertical components of the tide-producing forces is reached when the tide-producing body lies in a plane perpendicular to the fault plane and at a zenith distance of  $45^\circ$  from the earthquake centre.

Similarly if the curve representing the horizontal component of the tide-producing force



illustrated demonstrated in fig. 5 be examined it will be seen that the maximum horizontal force  $\frac{H}{\lambda}$  occurs when the tide-producing body has a zenith distance of  $45^\circ$ . But from fig. 5 it will be seen that the maximum difference in the <sup>also</sup>  $\frac{dH}{dx}$  forces acting on the zones in question will be reached when the horizontal tide-producing forces are actually zero, that is, when the tide-producing body is either on the horizon or on the zenith. In the former case the forces are tensional and so favour faulting and in the latter case they are compressive and by increasing frictional resistance tend to prevent motion..

Hence the maximum difference in the horizontal acting on opposite sides of a fault plane components of the tide-producing forces is reached when the tide-producing body lies in a plane perpendicular to the fault plane and is either in the zenith or on the horizon of the earthquake centre.

It is only when the tide-producing body is on the horizon, however, that the forces are tensional and favour faulting.

When the tide-producing body is in the zenith the forces are compressive and are most unfavourable to faulting.

In the preceding discussion no account has been taken of the amount or direction of dip of the fault plane. It is necessary to consider this factor in order to determine that position of the tide-producing body at which it exerts its



maximum force in the direction of assisting the earthquake forces proper. The necessary analytical treatment will be found in the appendix. The result of this investigation may be geometrically illustrated by means of the accompanying diagram. (fig. 10)

Let the circle  $\overset{EZF'}{P.M.N.}$  represent a section passing through the earth's centre and the earthquake centre  $E$ ; and let the section be taken perpendicular to the fault plane  $FF'$ !

Let the hade of the fault be  $\theta$  and let  $\phi$  be the zenith distance of the attracting body  $M$ .

Let the vertical and horizontal components of the tide-producing forces at  $F$  be represented by  $V$  and  $H$  respectively.

It is required to find the value of  $\phi$ .

- (a) for a maximum difference in the tidal forces on either side of the fault plane  $FF'$  in a direction parallel to  $FF'$
- (b) the maximum difference in the tidal forces perpendicular to  $FF'$  tending to open the fault fissure.

These conditions have already been shown to be those which are most favourable in assisting faulting.



The conclusions reached (vide appendix) are as follows:-

The forces acting parallel to the fault plane  
(a) are most favourable to normal faulting when  $\phi = 45^\circ + \frac{\theta}{2}$ .

~~$\phi = (45^\circ + \frac{\theta}{2})$~~   
 ~~$\phi = (45^\circ - \frac{\theta}{2})$~~  ) and the fault dips away from

the attracting body and are (b) most favourable to reversed faulting when

$\phi = (45^\circ - \frac{\theta}{2})$  and the fault dips towards the attracting body.

The results may be stated in words as follows:-

(1) The tide-producing forces acting parallel to the plane of the fault are most favourable to normal faulting when the attracting body lies at zenith distance from the fault plane of forty-five degrees plus one half the hade of the fault; and the body also lies in a direction opposite to that of the dip of the fault.

And (2) the tide-producing forces acting parallel to the plane of the fault are most favourable to reversed faulting when the attracting body lies at a zenith distance from the fault plane of forty-five degrees minus one half of the hade of the fault; and the body also lies in the direction of the dip of the fault.



Again it is shown (vide appendix ) that the tensional forces perpendicular to the plane of the fault reach a maximum when  $\phi = (90^\circ + \frac{\theta}{2})$  and that the compressive forces in the same direction reach a maximum when  $\phi = \pm \frac{\theta}{2}$ .

These conclusions may be expressed in words as follows:-

(3) The tide producing forces acting perpendicular to the fault plane are most favourable to faulting, both normal and reversed, when the zenith distance of the attracting body from the fault plane is equal to ninety degrees minus one half the angle of hade; and the body also lies in the direction of the dip of the fault plane.

(4) The tide-producing forces are most unfavourable to faulting when the attracting body lies at a zenith distance from the fault plane equal to one half the hade of the fault.

---

Foot Note.

If the case where  $\phi = 90^\circ + \frac{\theta}{2}$  is identical with that in which  $\phi = 90^\circ - \frac{\theta}{2}$  since the tidal forces are the same both in the direction of the attracting body and in the opposite direction.



Let us now consider the case of faults in which the displacement is not in the direction of the dip. Such a case may be represented by fig. 3

Here  $LM$  represents the direction of the displacement. As before the zones  $PQFF'$  and  $F'Q'FF'$  are those on which the tidal forces act.

The vertical and horizontal tide-producing forces may be resolved as before along the directions  $LA$  in the plane of the fault and along the normal to the fault plane.

The condition for the tensional and compressive forces perpendicular to the fault plane is obviously the same as in the preceding discussion so that laws (3) and (4) hold quite generally. The conditions for the maximum effect of the tide-producing forces, lying in the plane of the fault, are however modified but they may be stated by substituting the term "apparent hade" for hade in the preceding laws stated in (1) and (2).

The term "apparent hade" is to be defined as the hade which the fault plane would appear to have in a vertical section drawn in the direction of the displacement  $LM$  (fig. 3 )



Critical Positions of the Tide-producing Body.

From the preceding discussion it will be seen that there are certain critical positions in which the tide-producing body exercises its maximum influence in assisting the earth's internal forces which are primarily responsible for causing faulting. Such critical position may be determined when the full geological data regarding the fault plane are known. This may be geometrically shown as follows:-

Let  $EF'$  represent the trace of a fault plane making an angle  $\delta$  with the ~~meridian~~ <sup>direction of the displacement.</sup>

$NN'$  as illustrated in fig. 7.

Let  $E$  be the earthquake centre.

Let the fault dip in the direction indicated by the arrow and let the amount of dip be  $90^\circ - \theta$ .

The hade is therefore  $\theta$ .

Let the actual direction of movement be the

direction ~~ED~~.  $EN$

Let ~~EN~~ <sup>EP</sup> be the direction perpendicular to the fault. First consider the case in which the fault is normal. In this case the tensional forces perpendicular to the fault plane reach a maximum when the tide-producing body is in the direction  $ED$  and has a zenith distance of  $90^\circ - \theta$  from  $E$ . Let  $T$  represent this position.

But since the stress set up by the tide-producing body are approximately the same on opposite side of the earth i.e. at places where zeniths are  $180^\circ$  apart, there is another position  $T_2$  in the direction  $ED'$  and at a distance  $90^\circ + \theta$



Which produces the same tensional stresses perpendicular to the fault plane. Hence the positions of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are identical. The forces acting parallel to the plane of the fault in the direction ~~EN~~<sup>NEN'</sup> are most favourable to faulting when the tide producing body acts along the direction  $EN'$  and is at a zenith distance from  $E = 45^\circ + \frac{\theta}{2}$  where  $\theta'$  is the apparent hade in the direction  $EN$ . Let this position be represented by  $T_3$ .

#### Normal Faults.

When the direction of the displacement coincides with that of the dip the positions  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$  and  $T_3$  all lie in a direction perpendicular to the strike of the fault. Moreover since the distance of  $T_2$  from the earthquake centre is  $90^\circ + \frac{\theta}{2}$  and that of  $T_3$  is  $45^\circ + \frac{\theta}{2}$  the angular distance between  $T_1$  and  $T_3$  is  $(90^\circ + \frac{\theta}{2}) - (45^\circ + \frac{\theta}{2}) = 45^\circ$ .

Hence under the conditions, which are commonly approximately fulfilled in tensional or normal faults, the angle between the two critical positions is  $45^\circ$ . If, therefore, the sun and moon act jointly their effect is a maximum when they are in conjunction near either of the critical positions,  $T_1$  or  $T_3$ , or when they are separated by about  $45^\circ$  each being near one of the critical positions  $T_1$  or  $T_3$ .



Reversed Faults.

In the case of reversed faults the positions  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  for the tide-producing body again favour movement but the forces acting parallel to the plane of the fault are most favourable to movement when the tide-producing body acts along direction  $EM$  and is at a zenith distance from  $E$  equal to  $45^\circ - \theta$ , where  $\theta$  is again the apparent hade in the direction  $EM$ .

Let  $T_4$  represent this position.

It will thus be seen that for any given position  $E$  on a given fault plane  $EF'$  there are two critical positions in which the tide-producing body may exercise its maximum influence. These are ( $T_1$  or  $T_2$ ) and  $T_3$  for normal faults and ( $T_1$  or  $T_2$ ) and  $T_4$  for reversed faults.

A purely geological examination will, in many cases provide sufficient data to lead to the determination of these two critical positions for a given fault. It is clear that the sun's or moon's influence is not a maximum, except in very special cases, when the tide-producing body is on the meridian; and hence the law which Ferrey enunciated to this effect is here shown to have no physical basis. Moreover M. de Montessus de Ballore has shown by a very comprehensive statistical investigation that the law does not hold even empirically. It must be remembered, however, in justice to Ferrey that the law of maximum earthquake frequency at the times of the moon's meridian passage was enunciated at a time when the conception of a fluid nucleus for

83.

H7, 48.



the earth was an accepted postulate of geology; and that moreover the law rested upon the records of one district only - for which, indeed, it may well hold if one of the critical positions abovementioned lie on the meridian..

It might appear at first sight that since the relation of the tidal stresses to earthquake phenomena involve both the direction and amount of the dip of the fault plane and in addition the actual direction of the movement, that the only method of testing the effect of the tidal stresses in accentuating earthquake frequency would be to examine the data for each earthquake separately. This no doubt would prove the most complete and satisfactory line of investigation and may perhaps be possible in some measure in the future. Unfortunately, however, <sup>the data.</sup> does not at this juncture permit of such <sup>an</sup> investigation. In very few cases indeed has the actual fault causally connected with an earthquake been definitely geologically located. There are two difficulties which stand like lions in the path. The first <sup>is</sup> that most earthquakes are due to movements which do not actually reach the surface of the earth and the second is that the great majority of earthquakes are of submarine origin. Nevertheless the general problem is not altogether an insoluble one. The data available have been examined in a general way and furnish a rather startling conclusion.

In undertaking any statistical investigation great ~~care~~ care must of course be exercised in the choice of the data to be used. There must be no



possibility of a selection which embraces abnormal conditions. In the following discussion the choice was made of the world shaking earthquakes which were recorded for the <sup>five</sup> years 1899 to 1903 inclusive. These have been tabulated by the Seismological Committee of the British Association for the Advancement of Science and should be thoroughly representative of the phenomena with regard to their distribution both in time and space. They are, moreover, all instrumentally recorded. The published list gives the latitude and longitude for each earthquake and also its time of occurrence.

It was necessary for the purpose of the investigation to calculate the following elements for each earthquake at the time of the shock.

- (1) The latitude and longitude of the sun and moon.
- (2) The zenith distance of both sun and moon measured from the earthquake centre.
- (3) The Azimuthal angle of both sun and moon measured from the meridian.
- (4) The angular distance between the sun and moon subtended at the earth's centre.
- (5) The angle subtended at the earthquake centre by the azimuthal directions of the sun and moon.

As the list employed embraces 316 earthquakes the labour involved in the necessary calculations has been considerable, and should not have been accomplished but for the kind assistance of my senior



students working-in-pairs. The calculations were made and checked by thirty students working in pairs and it is believed that the results are reasonably free from errors. Many of the calculations have been again checked by the author and were found satisfactory. The results obtained were tabulated and the results are represented in Tables I and II. These have been further condensed by grouping the results of Tables III, IV, V, and VI. Since the tidal stresses due to an attracting body in a given position are the same (very closely) as those due to the same body when it lies in exactly the opposite or antipodal position with regard to the earth, it was only necessary to take a range from  $0^{\circ}$  to  $90^{\circ}$  for the angles obtained in Tables III, IV, V, VI. This range of  $90^{\circ}$  was subdivided into 9 intervals each having a range of  $10^{\circ}$  and the number of earthquakes which occurred corresponding to each such interval was then tabulated. These results are given in Tables mentioned.

Table III give the number of earthquakes occurring when the sun's zenith distances from the corresponding earthquakes range from  $0$  to  $10^{\circ}$ ,  $11$  to  $20^{\circ}$ , etc.

Table IV gives the corresponding number of earthquakes for the moon's zenith distances.

Table V give the number of earthquakes corresponding to angular distances between the sun and moon ranging from  $0$  to  $10^{\circ}$ ,  $11$  to  $20^{\circ}$  etc. and

Table VI gives the number of earthquakes corresponding to the angles subtended by the sun's and moon's



azimuthal directions for the same angular intervals of  $0^{\circ}$  to  $10^{\circ}$ ,  $11^{\circ}$  to  $20^{\circ}$ , etc.

A graphical representation of each of the above tables is also given. Fig. 8 corresponds to Table III; Fig. 9 to Table IV; Fig. 10 to Table V, and Fig. 11 to Table VI.

Discussion of the form of the curves.  
representing Tables III, IV, V and VI.

The curve shown in Fig. 8 is so arranged that the vertical distances or ordinates represent the number of earthquakes occurring for each of the intervals  $0$  to  $10^{\circ}$ ,  $11^{\circ}$  to  $20^{\circ}$  etc. which are plotted as abscissae and represent the zenith distances of the sun from the earthquake centre. The curve has several distinctive features.

First there are very few earthquakes occurring when the sun is close to the zenith of the earthquake centre. This is of course directly opposed to Ferray's view that earthquakes are most likely to occur when the attracting body is on the zenith. On the other hand it has been demonstrated in the preceding discussion (vide p. 21) that the maximum compression perpendicular to the fault plane occurs when the sun is near the zenith and the fault is steep. Such compression by increasing frictional resistance <sup>800</sup> opposes the earthquakes forces prepar and hence <sup>determines</sup> is the most unfavourable time for earthquakes. This agrees well with the form of the curve under discussion.

Second. <sup>A</sup> The large number of earthquakes occur when the sun's zenith distance is from  $81^{\circ}$ - $90^{\circ}$  i.e. when the sun is near the horizon.



This has been shown (vide p. 21.) to be the position in which the tensional forces are greatest for steep faults and hence when the tidal forces favour the occurrence of earthquakes.

Third. The curve has a maximum for values  $31^{\circ}$  to  $40^{\circ}$  and a minimum for values  $41^{\circ}$  to  $50^{\circ}$ . These may represent irregularities in the curve or may perhaps have some significance.

Fourth. The maximum number of earthquakes occur when the sun's zenith distance is from  $61^{\circ}$  to  $70^{\circ}$ . It can be shown that such a maximum is in accord with the dynamical theory outlined in this paper, provided that faults having a hade of about  $45^{\circ}$  are as common as those having other values for the hade. For if a normal fault have a hade of  $45^{\circ}$  the critical position of the attracting body for the forces parallel to the fault plane is at a zenith distance

$$\phi = 45^{\circ} + 45^{\circ} = 67\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}; \text{ and the critical}$$

position of the attracting body for forces perpendicular to the fault plane is  $\phi = 90^{\circ} - \frac{45^{\circ}}{2}$  which also =  $67\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . Hence the two critical positions have each a zenith distance of  $67\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  and even if faults having a hade of  $45^{\circ}$  are relatively less common than others one might still expect an exceptionally large number of earthquakes to occur when the attracting body is at a zenith distance of about  $67\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  or thereabouts.

If the curve of Fig. is now examined it will be seen to have the same general form as that of fig. 8. This would be anticipated since the moon



exercises the same kind of influence as the sun.

First. The minimum again occurs when the moon is near the zenith of the earthquake centre,

Second. A large number of earthquakes occur when the moon is near the horizon,

Third. There is a maximum in the interval  $41^{\circ}$  to  $50^{\circ}$  and a minimum in the interval  $51^{\circ}$  to  $60^{\circ}$  which may be accidental or may have some significance?

Fourth. There is again apparent a maximum for zenith distances of the attracting body ranging from  $61^{\circ}$  to  $70^{\circ}$ .

Next, if the curve for Table V, Fig. 10 be now examined it will be seen that the maximum earthquake frequency corresponds to an angular distance between the sun and moon of from  $41^{\circ}$  to  $50^{\circ}$ . It has been shown in the preceding discussion (vide p. 24) that such a maximum was to have been expected. Moreover the same argument implies that the earthquake frequency should be greater when the angular distance between the sun and moon is small say from  $0^{\circ}$  to  $30^{\circ}$  than when it is large say from  $60^{\circ}$  to  $90^{\circ}$ . An inspection of the curve shows that this also is the case.

Finally comes the consideration of Table VI and the corresponding curve shown in Fig. // . This curve shows a very high maximum for angular values from  $0^{\circ}$  to  $10^{\circ}$  with a rapid falling off in earthquake frequency as the angular values increase to  $90^{\circ}$ . The significance of this curve is very great. It indicates that when the sun and moon are so situated



that they exert their tidal stresses in the same direction there is a great maximum of earthquake frequency. This curve provides very strong proof indeed of a most intimate relation between earthquake frequency and the tidal stresses set up by the sun and moon. The fact that the sun and moon are jointly related by this curve with earthquake frequency renders it highly probable that the chief relation is directly due to tidal stresses and not to secondary causes such as temperature or barometric changes which are a function of the sun's and not of the moon's position. The conclusion indicated is of such importance that it is desirable to make an estimate of the probability of obtaining such a curve <sup>if</sup> of the earthquakes were purely random events unconnected with the positions of the sun and moon. It is shown in the appendix (Section II) that the probability of obtaining such a curve from random events is less than 1 in 276  $10^{19}$ . Indeed the probability that the earthquake frequency should be even at least as great as that indicated for that part of the curve ranging from 0 to  $30^\circ$  is only 1 in  $45 \times 10^{13}$ . In other words the odds against random events giving rise to such a relation are at least as great as 456,000,000,000,000 to 1. This enormously high ratio furnishes the clearest proof that earthquakes are very generally precipitated by the tidal stresses due to the attractions of the sun and moon.

The importance of such a conclusion is at once obvious. It provides for each particular earthquake



centre criteria for the prediction of the time of  
to within an hour, of the occurrence of an earth-  
quake if once the approximate period of the event  
earthquake can be determined say to within a month  
or even a few months. Thus we have, as it were,  
the fine adjustment to our earthquake prediction  
apparatus ready to hand; but so far we lack the  
coarse adjustment.

Considerable progress has however been made in  
the matter of the approximate prediction of earth-  
quakes and much may yet be learned from a study of  
the few shocks and after shocks of earthquakes which  
will assist in the solution of the problem.

If, in addition, meteorological influences be taken  
into consideration it may yet be possible to predict  
the occurrence of earthquakes with sufficient  
accuracy to provide timely warnings of disastrous  
shocks. The hope that this investigation might,  
perhaps, be of value in the future prediction of  
such earthquakes, has been a constant inspiration  
and incentive to the author in his attempt to  
"follow the gleam".



Acknowledgments.

34

The author wishes to express here his indebtedness and cordial thanks to those who helped him in this investigation. First and foremost to his eminent master and friend Professor David the inspiration of whose teaching first led him along the pleasant paths of geological science; to whose ready counsel and generous help he owes most that may be of value in this work.

To the Rev. Father Pigot S.J. he is indebted for his first active interest in seismology, and through it to the many problems arising from the study of earthquakes.

To his friend Mr. R. J. Lyons the author offers his thanks for his kind help in reading and offering suggestions in connection with the mathematical discussions in the appendix.

Very heartily too does he wish to thank his senior students of 1917 and 1918 for their cooperation in making the necessary calculations. The following are the names of those who have assisted in this part of the work:-

Miss Marie Bentivoglio, Miss Edith Blackwell, Miss Lilian Campbell, Miss Elsie Chalker, Miss Mary Cowie, Miss Alexina Drake, Miss Hilda Gow, Mr. E. J. Kenney, Mr. A. J. Matheson, Miss Beatrix McCoy, Miss Valerie McMullen, Miss Elma Middleton, Mr. J. B. Moss, Miss Hazel O'Connor, Miss Alma Puxley, Miss Leila Quigley, Miss Elsie Segart, <sup>Miss Helena Streeb.</sup> Miss Dorothy Toone, Mr. T. L. Willan, Mr. H. Yates and particularly to Miss Mary Peart and Miss Dorothy Powell. Without the assistance of the above-mentioned it would have been impossible to have now completed Part II of this paper.

My thanks are also due to Miss Doris Stilwell for her very kind and able assistance in assembling the literature on the subject.



List of Figures illustrating Part II.



- Fig. 1 Showing earth tides and ocean tides.
- Fig. 2 Showing tidal forces after Darwin
- Fig. 3 Showing direction of movement in Faulting.
- Fig. 4 Showing amounts (V) and difference (dV) of vertical tidal forces for given zenith distances of the attracting body, measured in degrees.
- Fig. 5 Showing amounts (H) and differences (dH) of the horizontal tidal force for any given zenith distance of the attracting body - measured in degrees.
- Fig. 6 Diagram to illustrate the calculation of the tidal stresses set up parallel and perpendicular to the fault plane.
- Fig. 7 Showing the critical position of an attracting body for the tidal stresses parallel and perpendicular to the fault-planes.
- Fig. 8 Showing the number of earthquakes occurring when the sun's zenith distance from the corresponding earthquake centre ranges from  $0^{\circ}$ - $10^{\circ}$ ,  $11^{\circ}$ - $20^{\circ}$  etc.
- Fig. 9 Showing the number of earthquakes occurring when the moon's zenith distances from the corresponding earthquake centre ranges from  $0^{\circ}$ - $10^{\circ}$ ,  $11^{\circ}$ - $20^{\circ}$  etc.
- Fig. 10 Showing the number of earthquakes occurring when the angular distances between the sun and moon range from  $0^{\circ}$ - $10^{\circ}$ ,  $11^{\circ}$ - $20^{\circ}$ , etc.
- Fig. 11 Showing the number of earthquakes corresponding to the angles subtended by the sun's and Moon's azimuthal directions when the said angles range from  $0^{\circ}$ - $10^{\circ}$ ,  $11^{\circ}$ - $20^{\circ}$ , etc..



## Text Figures

no. 1-11 (in duplicate)



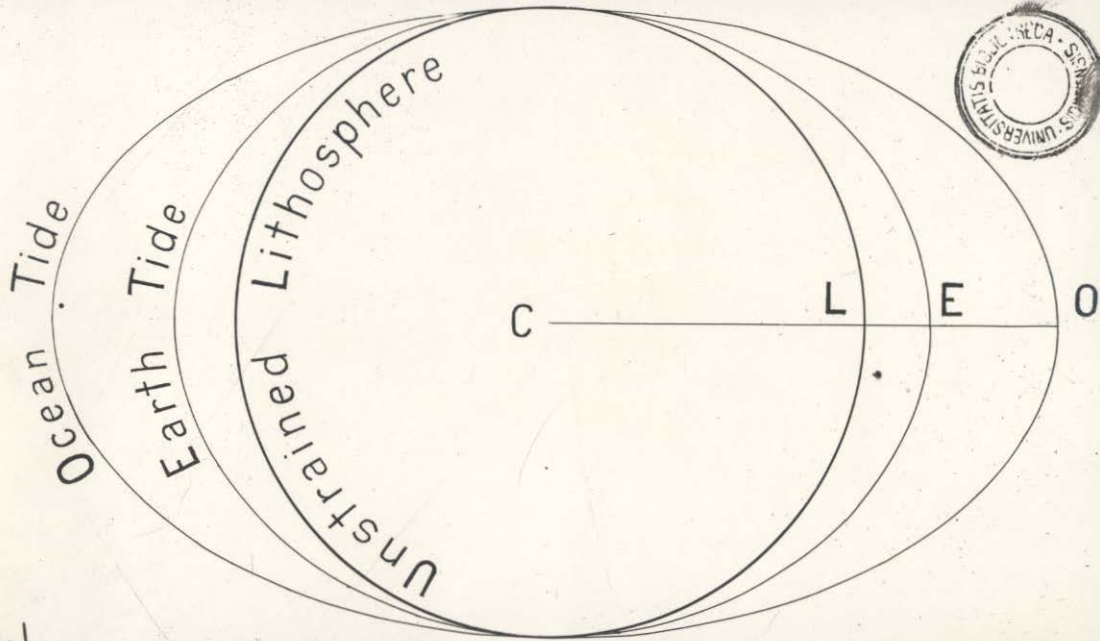


Fig-1.



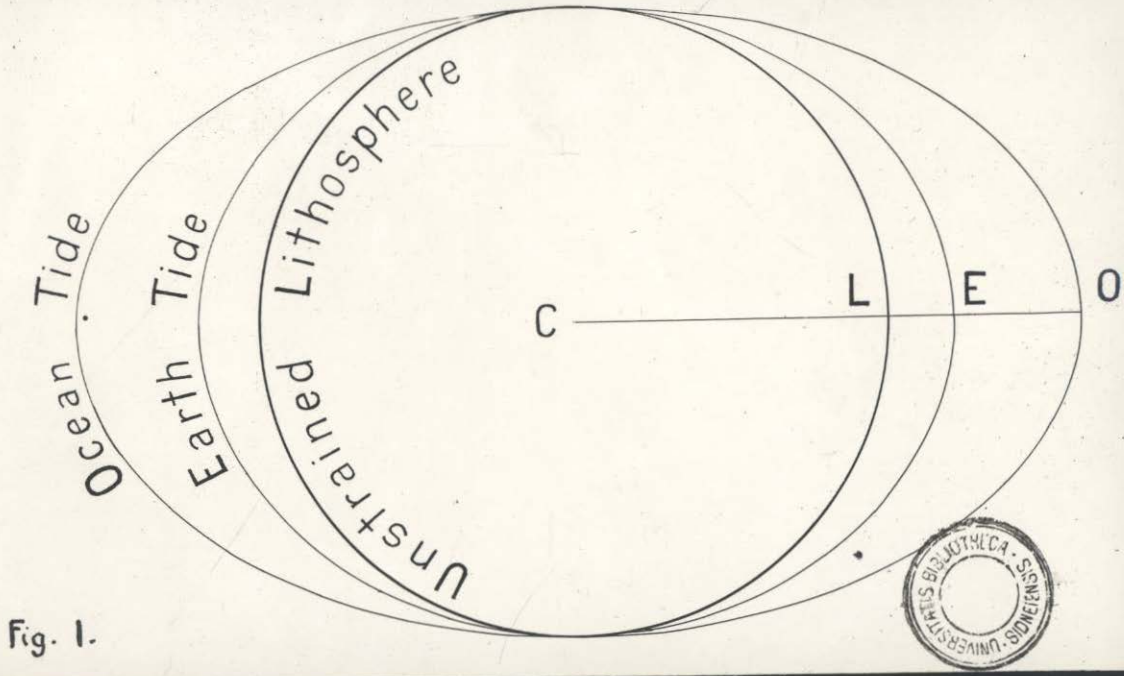
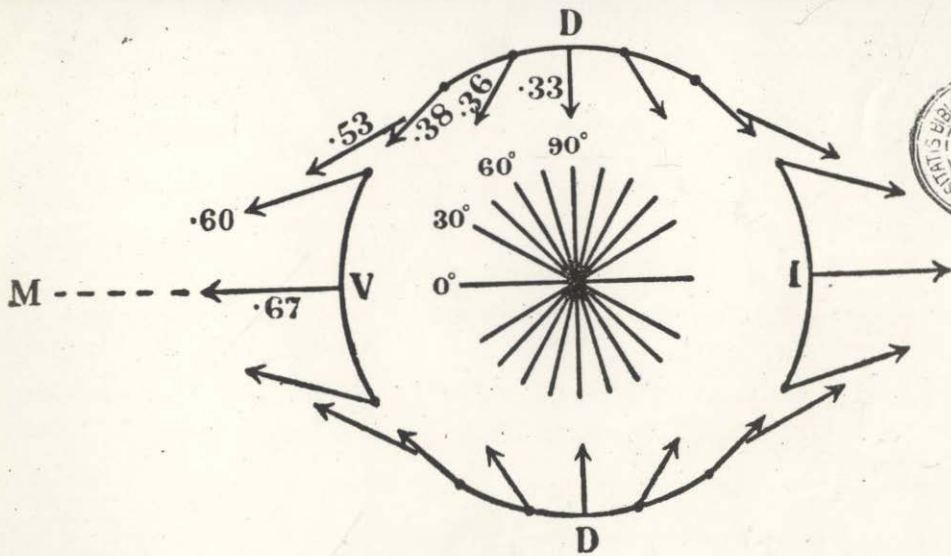


Fig. 1.

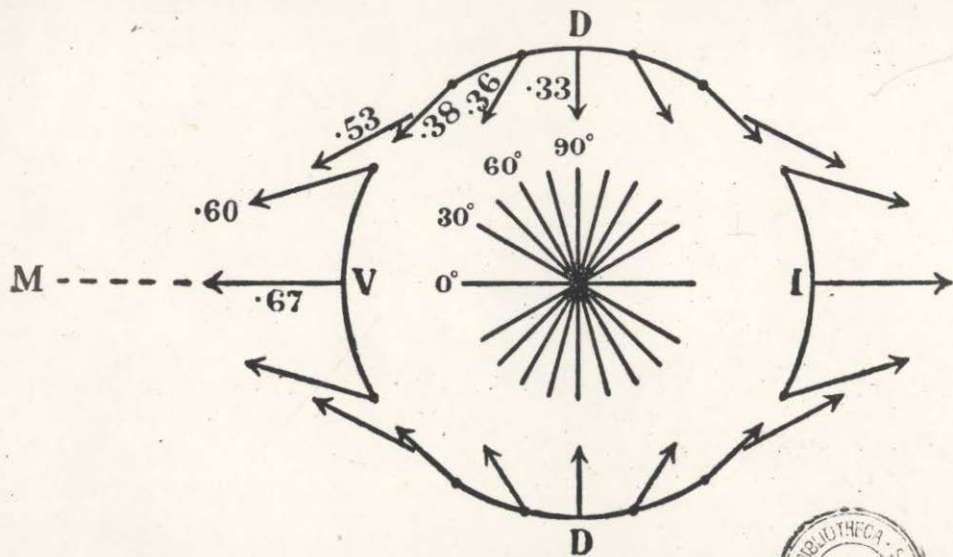




TIDE-GENERATING FORCE

Fig. 2.





TIDE-GENERATING FORCE



Fig. 2.

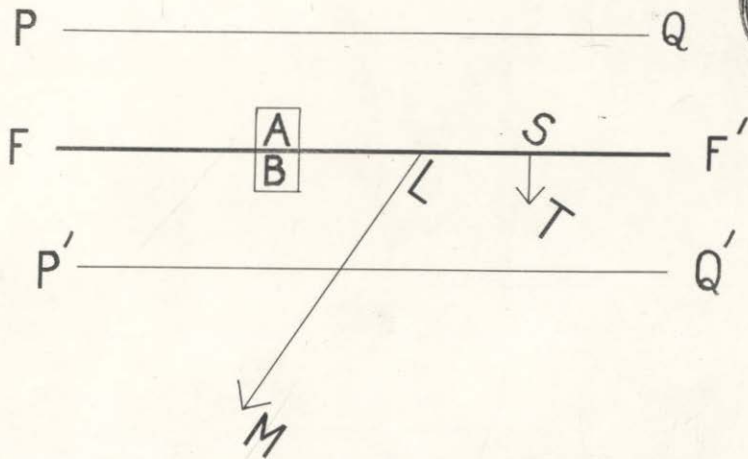


Fig. 3..



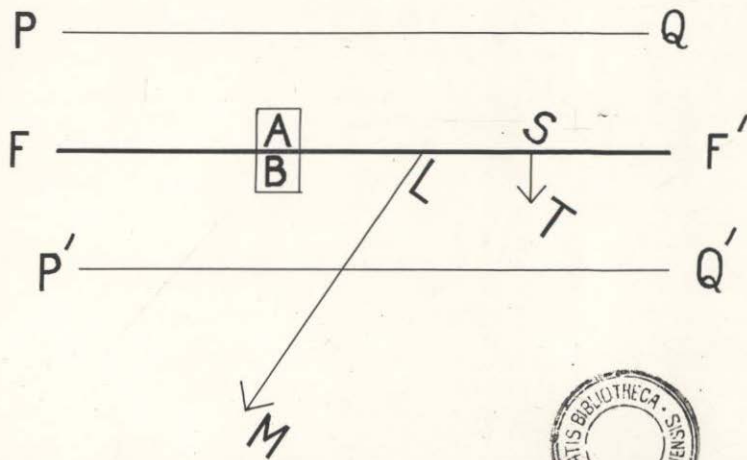


Fig. 3.

Fig. 4.

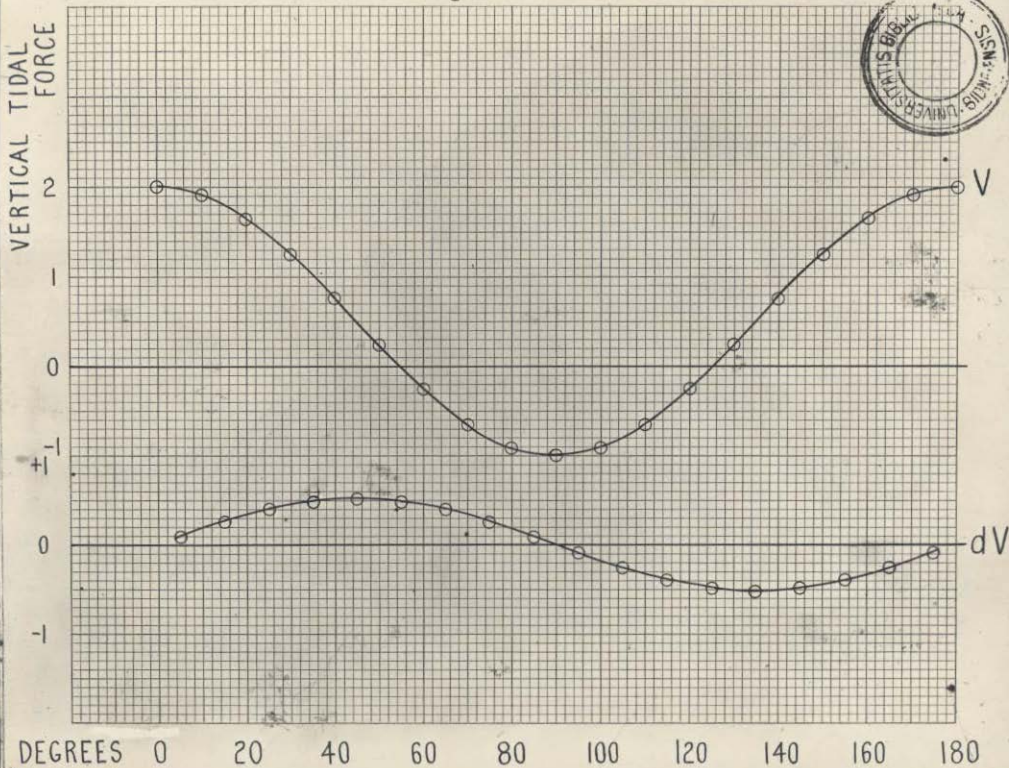




Fig. 4.

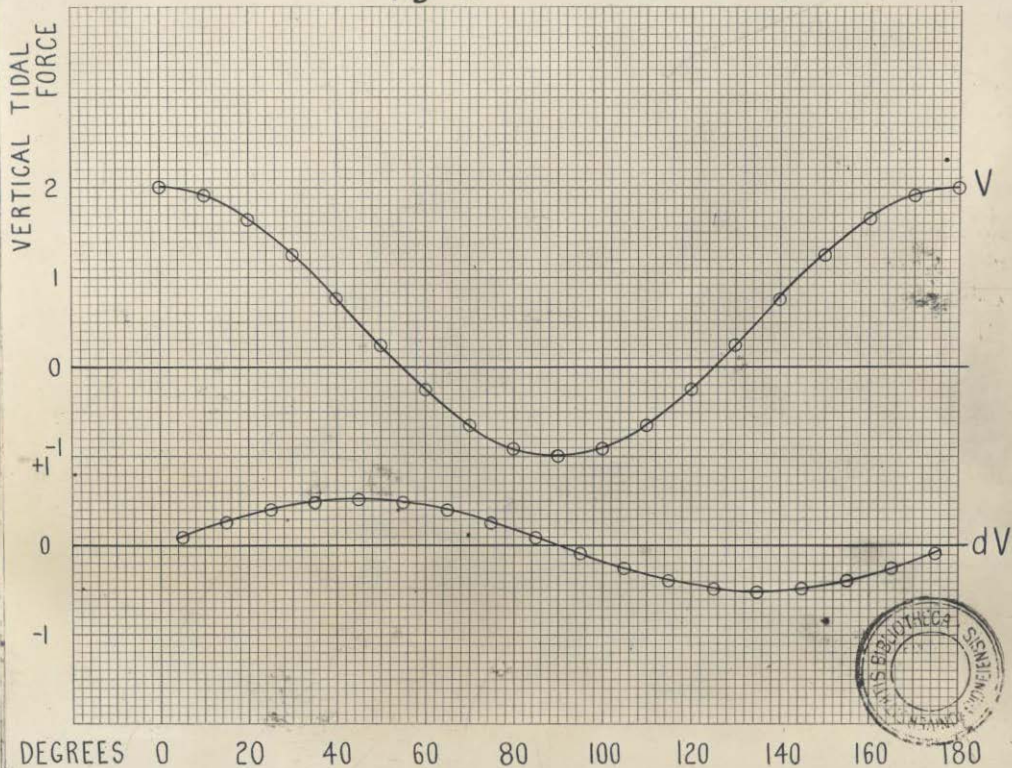


Fig. 5.

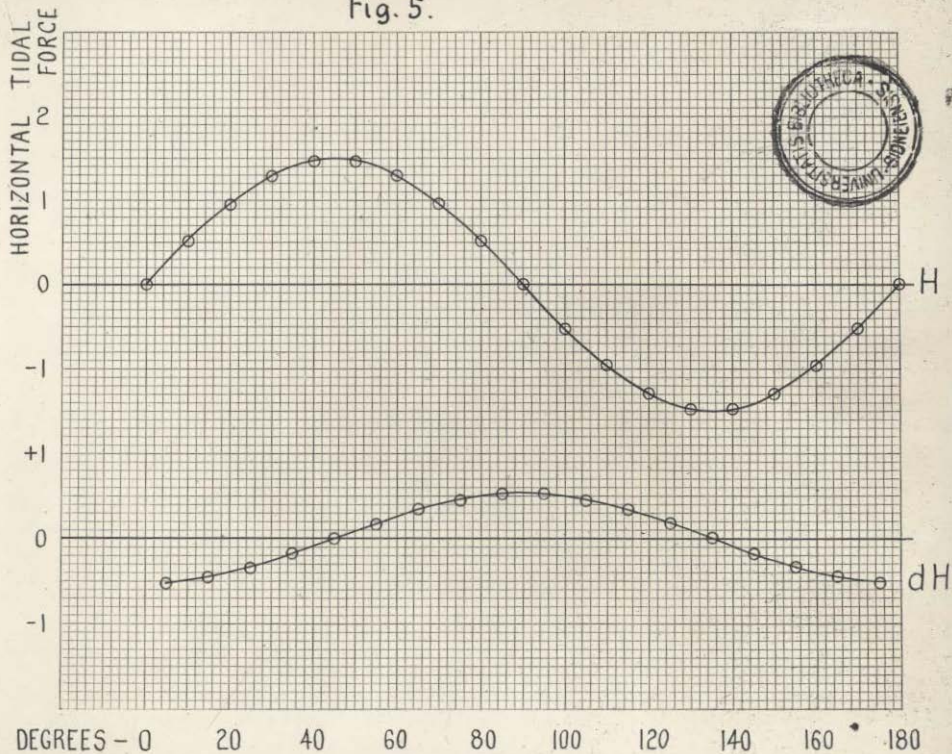
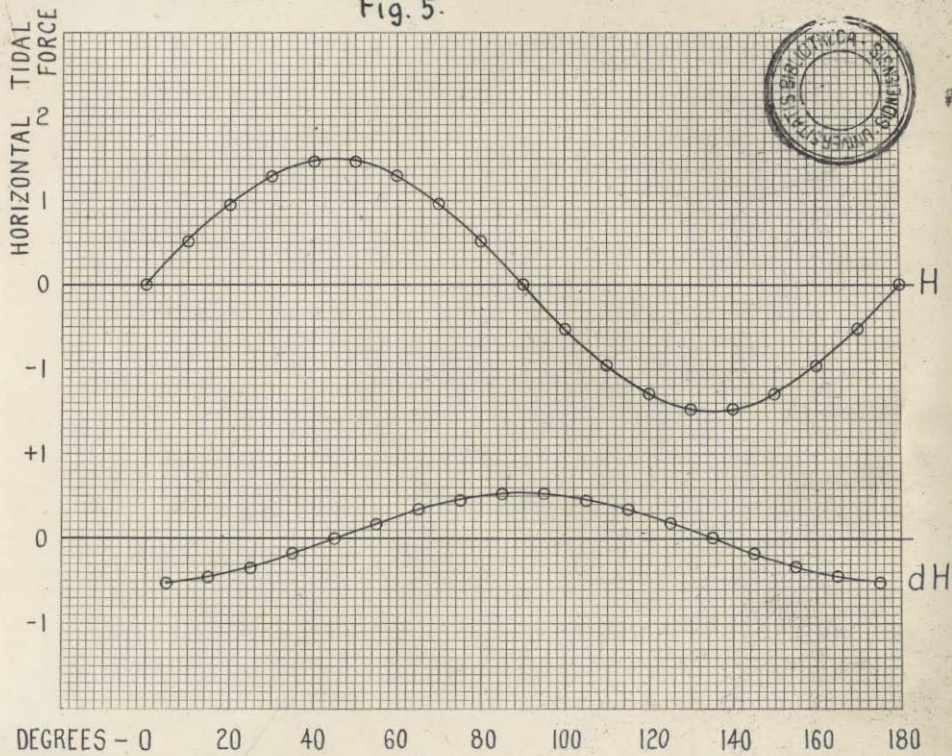




Fig. 5.



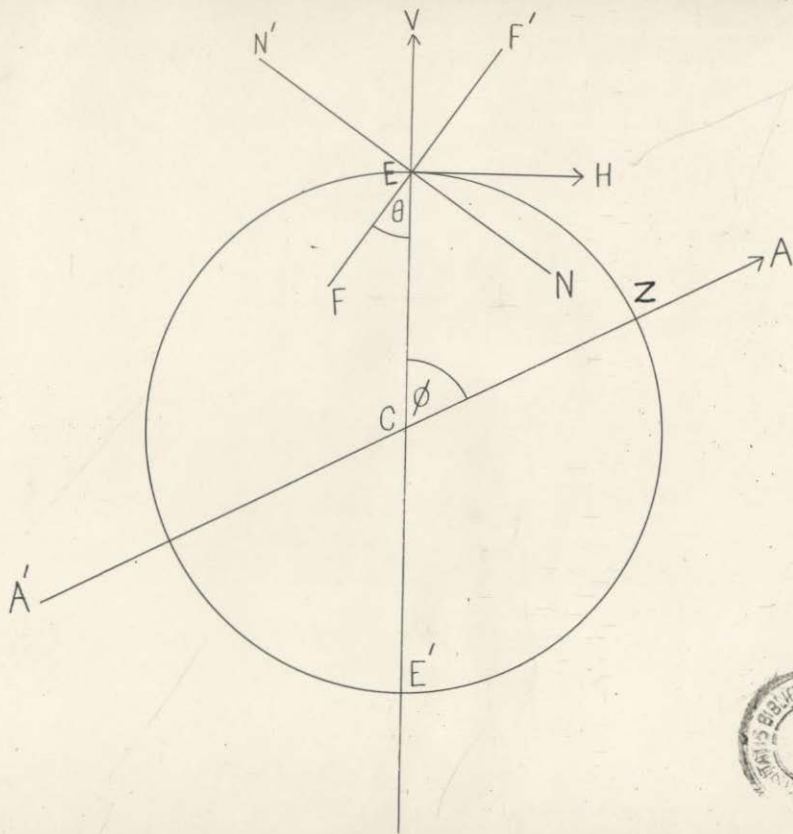


Fig. 6.



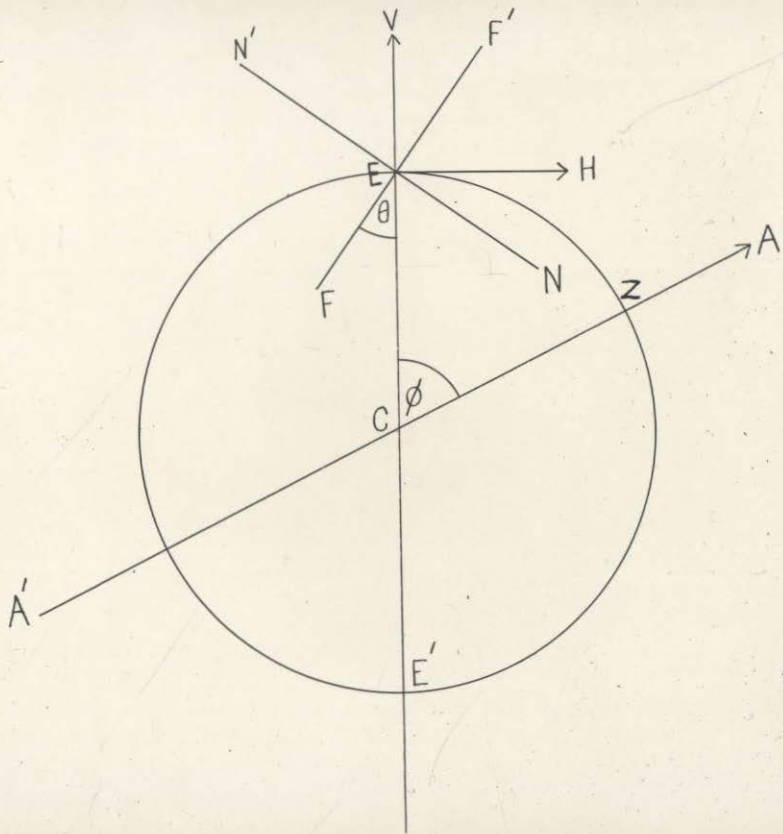


Fig. 6.

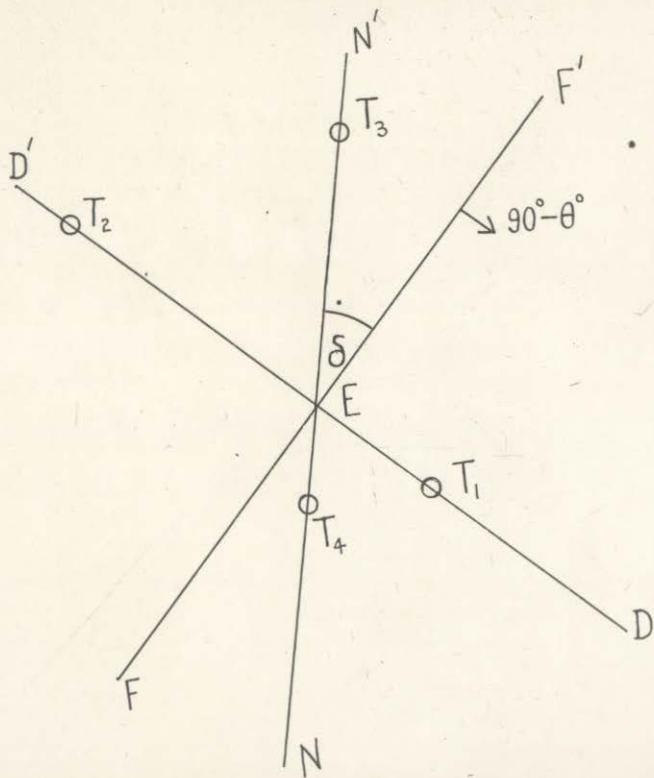


Fig. 7.





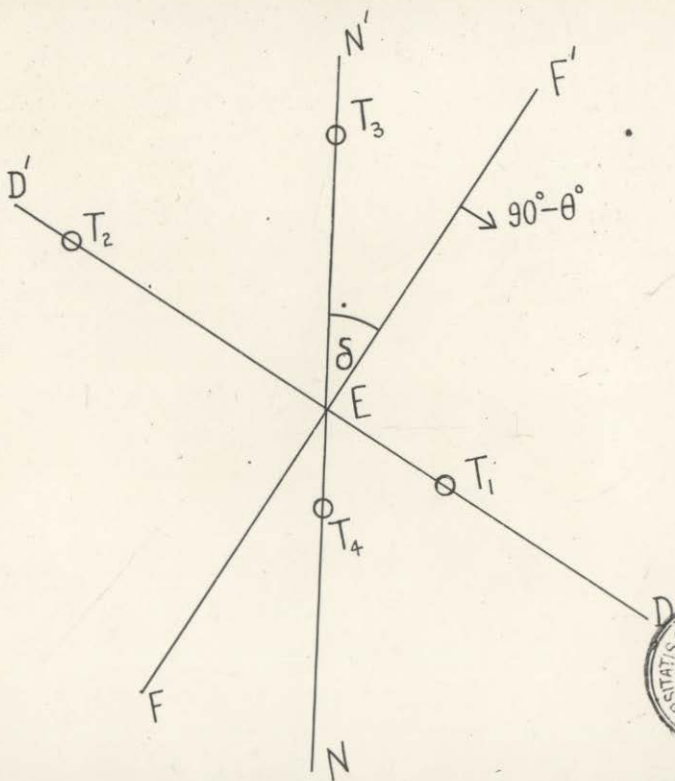


Fig. 7.







Fig. 8.

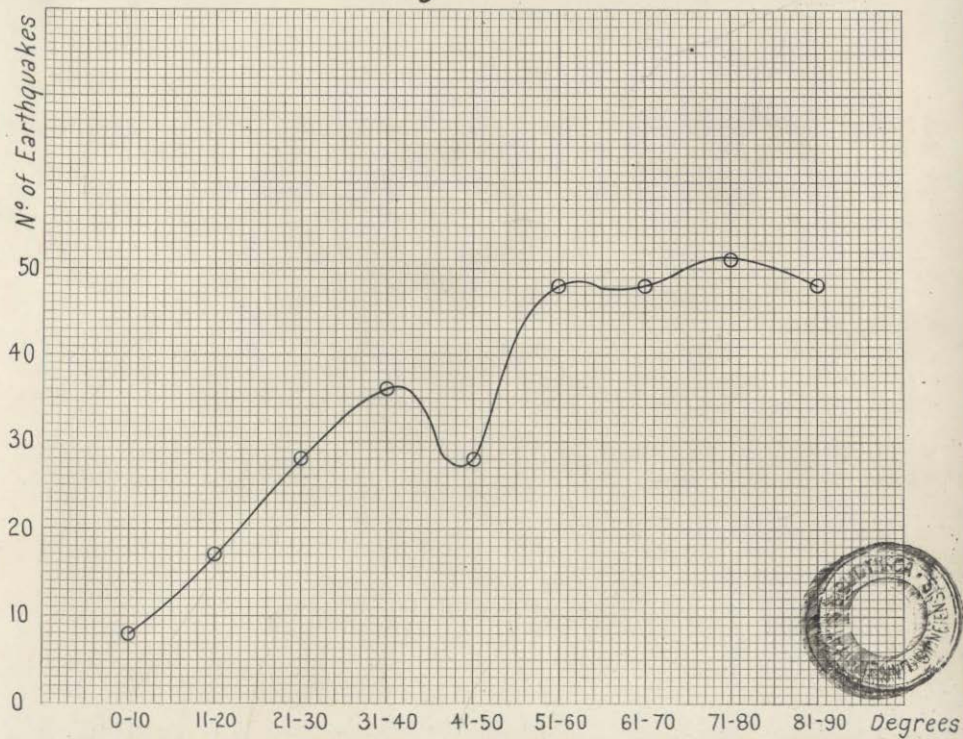


Fig. 9.

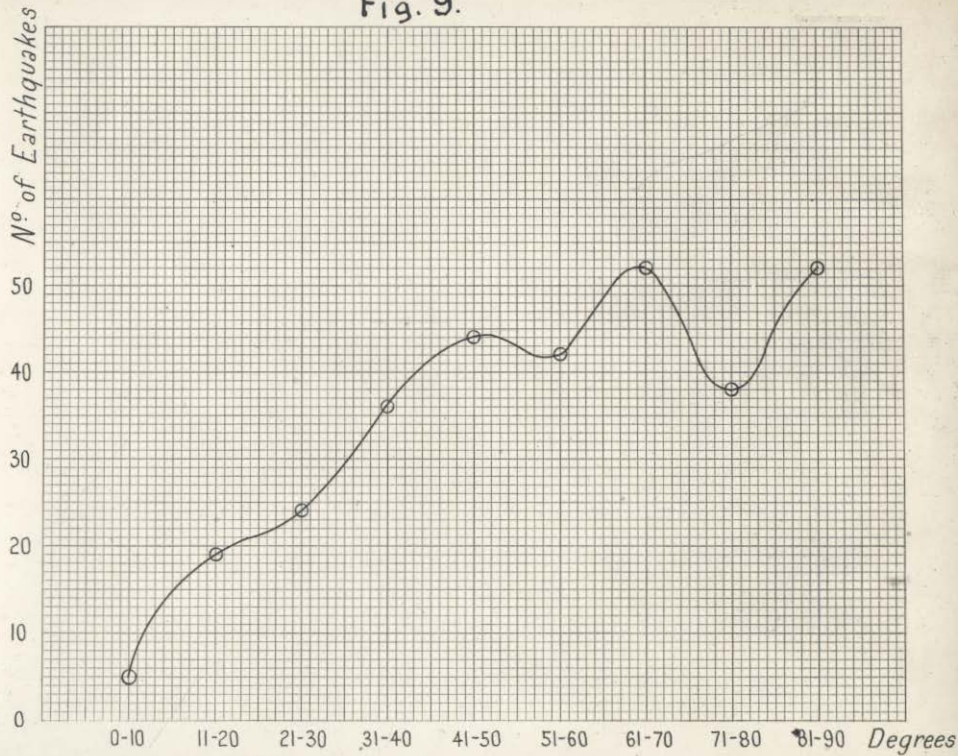




Fig. 9.

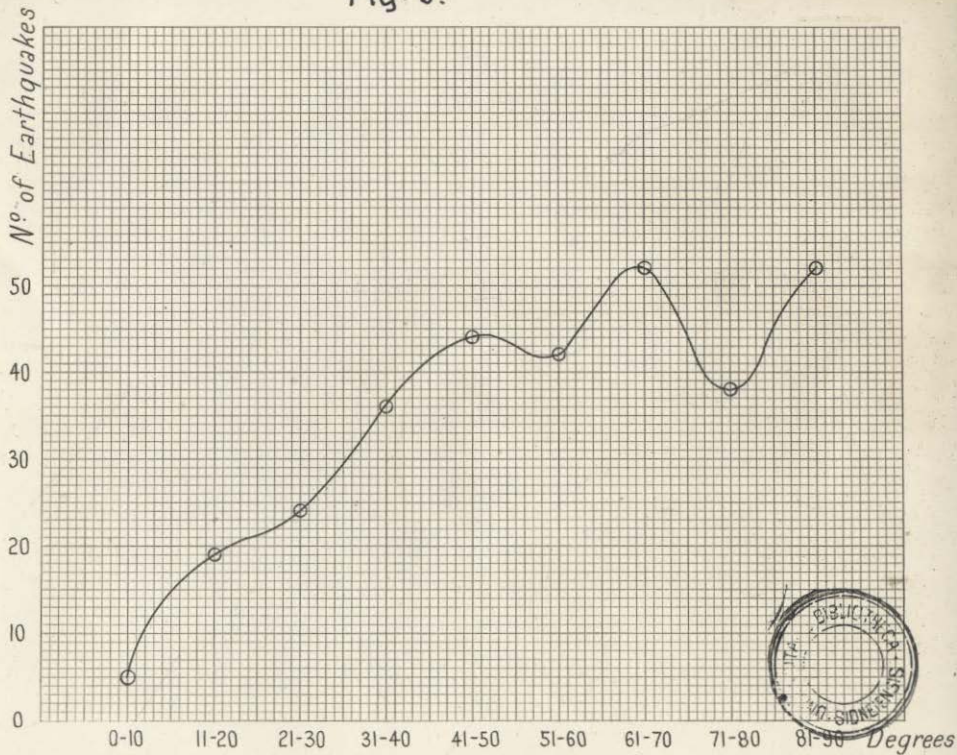


Fig. 10.

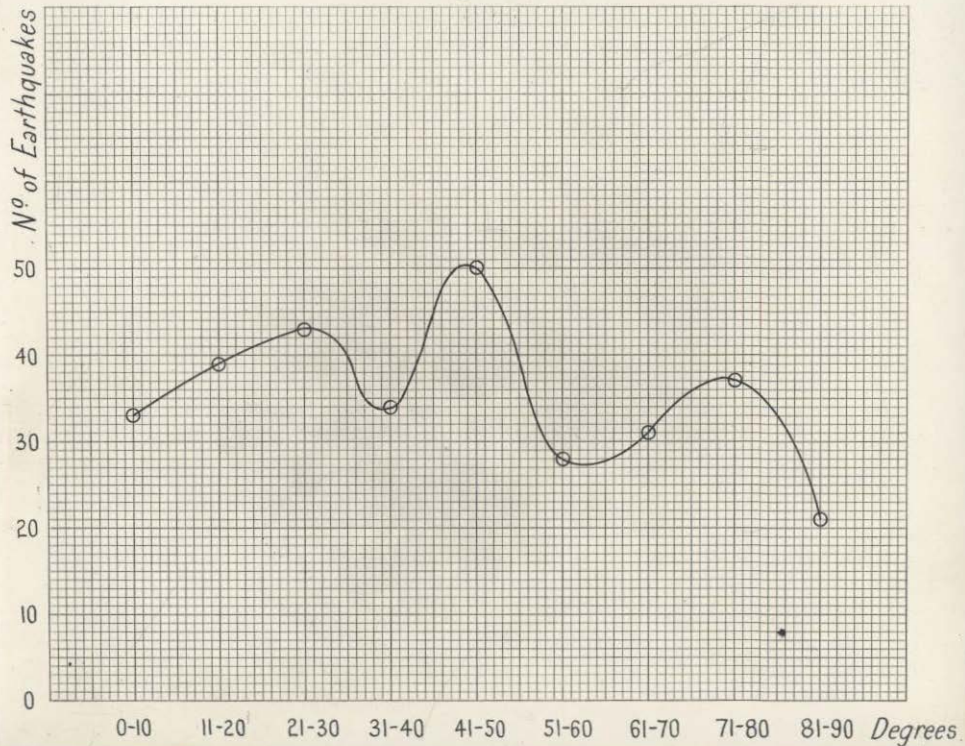




Fig. 10.

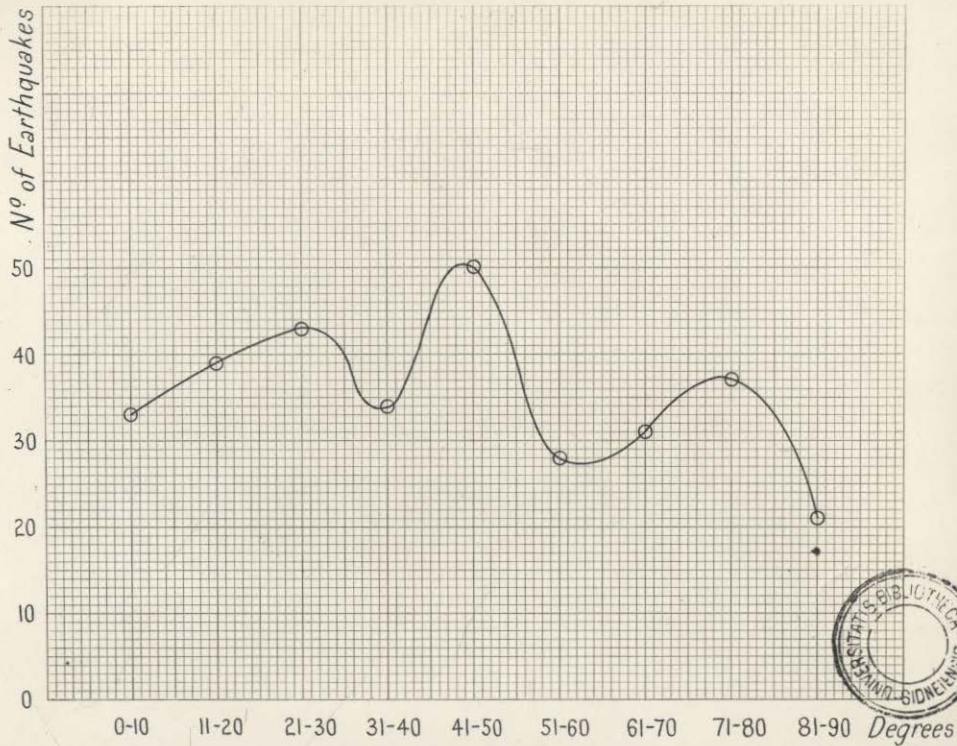


Fig. 11.

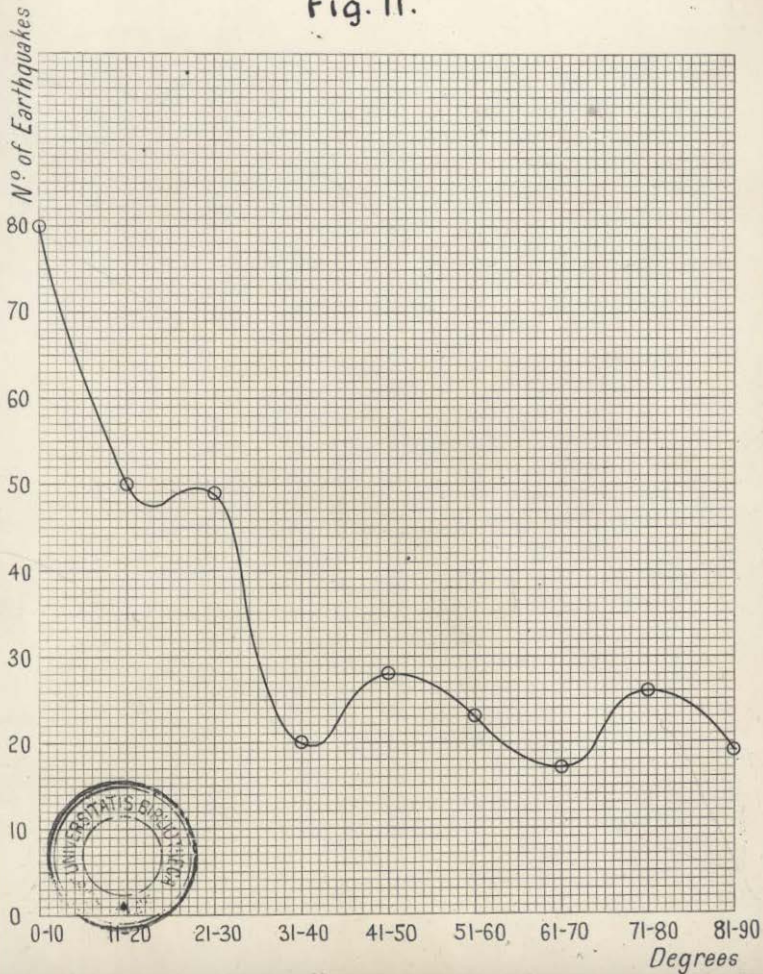
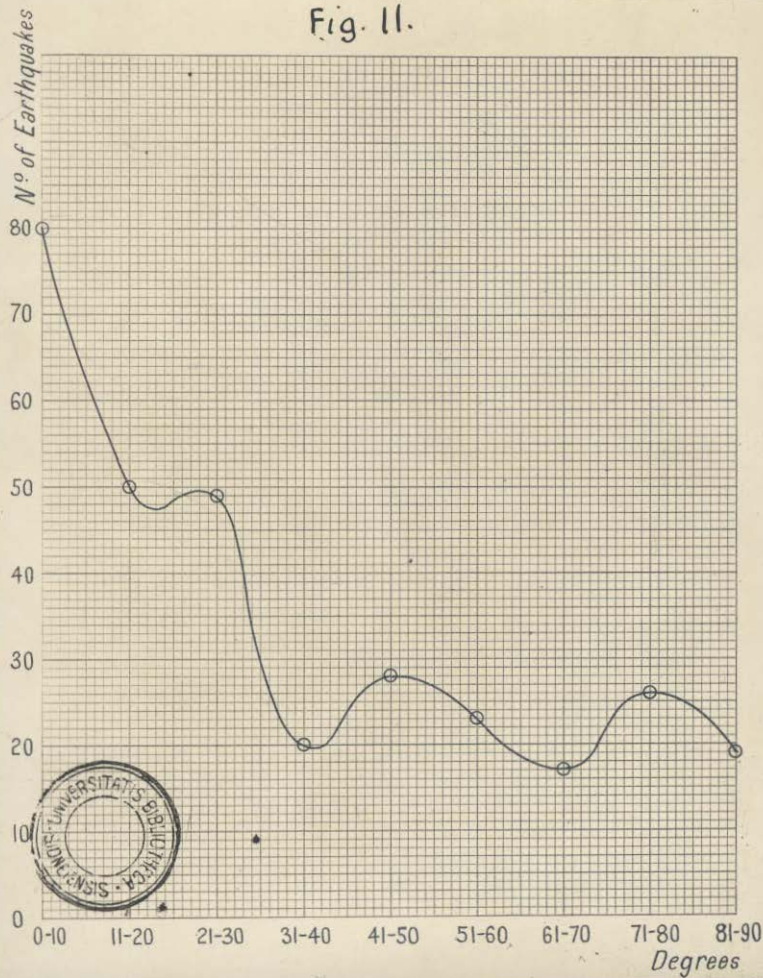




Fig. 11.



BIBLIOGRAPHY.

Reference No.	Author	Title and Publication.
1	Beal, Carl H.	The Italian (Avezzano) Earthquake of January 13th, 1915. Bull. Seismol. Soc. Am. Vol.5, No.1, 1915, pp.1-5.
2.	Becke, F.	Bericht uber das Graulitzer Erdbeben 24te October bis 25 November 1897. Sitzber k. Akad. Wiss? Wien 1898 Band CVII Abth 1, s.789-959.
3	Boue	Parallele der Erdbeben, Nordlichter und Erdmagnetismus, Sitz. der K.A. d Wissensch Vol. IV -1856 p.395.
4	Branner, J.C.	Suggested organization for Seismologic work on the Pacific Coast. Bull. Seismol. Soc. Am. Vol. I No.1 - 1911 pp.5-7.
5	Cancani C.	Sopra un ipotetica relazione fra le variazioni di latitudine e la frequenza dei terremoti mondiali.
6a	<i>Chrystal</i>	Boll. della. Soc. Sism. Italiana, Vol. VIII
6	Darwin, G.H.	The Lunar Disturbance of Gravity, Variations in the vertical due to Elasticity of the Earth's Surface. Rep. Brit. Assoc. Adv. Sci. 1882, pp.95-119.
7	Darwin G.H.	The Tides and Kindred Phenomena in the Solar System. Published by John Murray - London.
8	Darwin, G.H.	Article on Tide Encyclopaedia Brittanica, 11th Edition, Vol.26, pp.938-960
9	Davison, C.	On the Annual and Semi-Annual Seismic Periods. Phil. Trans. Series A - 1893, Vol.184, pp.1107-1170.
10	Davison, C.	On the Diurnal Periodicity of Earthquakes. Phil. Mag. Vol. XLIII - 1896, pp.463-476.

10a



Reference No.	Author	Title and Publication.
11	Davison, C.	A Study of recent earthquakes. New York and London - 1905, pp.355.
12	Davison, C.	The Death Rate of Earthquakes. Science Progress, Vol.VII - 1912, pp.239-250.
13	Davison, C.	The Origin of Earthquakes. Published by Cambridge University Press, 1912.
13a	"	"
13b	"	"
13c	"	"
13d	"	"
14	Davison, C.	The Prevision of Earthquakes. The Geographical Journal, Vol. XLVI, 1915, p.249.
15	Delauney	Planets and Earthquakes.(review only) Am.Journ.Sci. Vol.XIX, p.162.
16	<del>W</del> Drake, N.F.	Destructive Earthquakes of China. Bull. Seismol.Soc. Am.Vol.2 No.1, 1912, pp.40-91.
17	Dutton, C.E.	Earthquakes. Published by John Murray, London, 1904
18	Fisher, O.	Physics of the Earth's Crust. Published by Macmillan & Co. London, 1881.
19	Fuchs, K.	Die Vulkanischen Erscheinungen der Erde.
20	Gilbert, G.K.	Earthquake Forecasts. Science(New Series) 29, 1909, pp.121-138.
21	Gray, A.	A Treatise on Physics. Vol.I - Dynamics and Properties of Matter. Published by J.&A.Churchill, London, 1901.
22	Hobbs, W.H.	Earthquakes. Published by Sydney Appleton, London, 1908.



Reference No.	Author	Title and Publication.
23	Huntington, E.	Coincident Activities of the Earth and the Sun.  Popular Science Monthly, No.72,1908, pp.492-502.
24	Imamura, A.	Synodic monthly variation of seismic frequency in Japan.  Pub. Earthquake Im.Com.Tokyo, 18,1904, 41-71 with 8 plates.
25	Jensen, H.I.	Sun-Spots and Earthquakes.  Proc. Roy. Soc. N.S.Wales, 1904.
26	Kikuchi (Baron Dairoku)	Recent Seismological Investigations in Japan.  Publication Eqks.Inv.Com. No.19.1904 pp.1-120.
27	Kluge	Erdbeben und Vulkanische Eruptionen, 1855-1856. Peterman's Mitteilungen, Vol.IV,1858, p.246.
28	Knott	Earthquake Frequency.  Trans. Seismol. Soc. Japan, Vol.9, 1886.
29	Knott	Earthquake Frequency.  Rept.Brit.Assoc. Adv 1896, lxvi, p.220
30	Knott	On Lunar Periodicities in Earthquake Frequency.  Proc.Roy. Soc.London, Vol.60,1896-7 pp.457-466.
31	Knott	The Physics of Earthquake Phenomena  Published by Oxford Clarendon Press, 1908.
32	Koto, B.	The Cause of the Great Earthquake in Central Japan - 1891.  Journ.Coll.Sci.Imp.Univ.Japan, Vol.V, 1893, pp.295-353.
33 <sup>Law</sup>	Lawson, A. & others	The Californian Earthquake of April 18, 1906.  Publication No.87 Carnegie Inst. 2



40

Reference No.	Author	Title and Publication.
34	Love, A.E.H.	Some Problems of Geodynamics. Cambridge Univ. Press, 1911.
35	Love, A.E.H.	Tides and the Rigidity of the Earth. Science Progress, Vol.7, 1912, pp.1-12.
36	Mallet	On the Facts and Theory of Earthquake phenomena. Brit. Assoc. Adv. Sci. 1858.
37	Michelson, A.A.	Preliminary Measurements of the Rigidity of the Earth. Journ. Geol. 1914, Vol. XXII, pp. 97- 130.
38	Milne, J.	Seismic Science in Japan. Trans. Seismol. Soc. Japan, Vol. I, Part 1, pp. 3-38, 1880.
39	Milne, J.	Notes on the Great Earthquakes of Japan. Trans. Seismol. Soc. Japan, Vol. III, 1881, pp. 65-102.
40	Milne, J.	Earthquakes. Published by Kegan Paul, Trench & Co. London.
41	Milne, J.	Seismology. Published by Kegan Paul, Trench & Co. Trubner & Co. London.
42	Milne, J.	Rept. Brit. Assoc. Adv. Sci. 1900.
43	Milne, J.	Seismic Frequency in Japan. Nature lxxvi p. 202, 1902.
44	Milne, J.	Recent Advances in Seismology. Bakerian Lecture to Roy. Soc. Lond. Proc. Roy. Soc. London, Series A, Vol. 77, 1906.
45	Milne, J.	



Reference No.	Author	Title and Publication.
45	Milne, J.	A Catalogue of Destructive Earthquakes, A.D.7 to A.D.1899. Rept. Brit. Assoc. Adv. Sci. 1911.
46	Montessus de Ballore	Note sur la methode de recherche de la correlation entre deux ordres de faits Compts. Rend. Acad. Sci. Tome 104-1887, pp.1148-1149.
47	Montessus de Ballore	Etude sur la repartition horaire diurne-nocturne des Seismes, et leur pretendue relation avec les culminations de la lune Archives des Sciences Phys. et Nat. Tome XXII, 1889, pp.409-430.
48	Montessus de Ballore	Sur la repartition horaire des seismes et leur relation supposee avec les culminations de la lune. Comptes Rendus. Tome 109-1889, pp.327-330.
49	Montessus de Ballore	Etude critique des lois de repartition saisonniere des seismes. Archives des Sciences Phys. et Naturelles, 3 Ser. XXV, 504, 1891.
50	Montessus de Ballore	Sur la repartition saisonniere des seismes. Comptes Rendus. Tome 112, 1891, pp.500-502.
51	Montessus de Ballore	Sur une evaluation approchee de la Frequences des Tremblements de Terre a la surface du globe. Comptes Rendus Acad. Sci. CXX, 577, 1895.
52	Montessus de Ballore	Seismic Phenomena in the British Empire. Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc., 1896.
53	Montessus de Ballore	Les Tremblements de Terre. Libraire Armand Colin, Paris, 1906.
54	Montessus de Ballore	Les pretendues lois de repartition mensuelle des tremblements de terre Compte Rendus Acad. Sci. 143, 1906, 146-7.



Reference No.	Author	Title and Publication.
55	Montessus de Ballore	Variations des latitudes et tremblements de Terre. Comptes Rendus, 1908, Oct. Vol.147, pp.655-656.
56	Montessus de Ballore	Sur la constance probable de l'activite seismique mondiale. Compte Rendus Acad. Sci.154, 1912 (1843-1844).
57	Montessus de Ballore	Tremblements de terre et taches solaires. Compte Rendus Tome 155, 1912, pp.560-561.
58	Montessus de Ballore	Periodes de Bruckner et tremblements de terre destructeurs. Compte Rendus Tome 155, 1912, pp.379-380.
59	Montessus de Ballore	Megaseismes et phases de la lune. Comptes Rendus 1913, Vol.156, pp.100-102.
60	Montessus de Ballore	Megaselames et saisons. Comptes Rendus, Vol.156, 1913, pp.414-415.
61	Montessus de Ballore	Tremblements de terre destructeurs et precipitations atmospheriques. Comptes Rendus, 1913, Vol.156 pp.1194-1195.
62	Montessus de Ballore	Luminous Phenomena of Earthquakes. Bull. Seismol. Soc. Am., Vol.3, No.4, 1913, pp.187-190.
63	Nagasaki, H.	Strains produced by surface loading over a circular area with applications to Seismology. Publ. Eqke. Inv. Comm. No.22, 1906, pp.1-15.
63a	Oldham	
64	Oldham	The Periodicity of Earthquakes. Geol. Mag. London, (ser.2), (4), 8, 1901, pp.449-452).



Reference No.	Author	Title and Publication.
65	Oldham	On the Tidal Periodicity in the Earthquakes of Assam.  Journ. Asiatic Society, Bengal. Vol.LXXI, pp.139-153, 1902.
66	Oldham	The Diurnal Variation in Frequency of the After-shocks of the Great Earthquake of 12th June, 1897.  Mem. Geol. Surv. India, Vol.XXXV, Part 2, 1903, pp.1-34, with 5 plates.
67	Oldham, R.D.	Some Considerations arising from the Frequency of Earthquakes..  Geol. Mag? March 1918, pp.138-143.
68	Oldham	On A Seasonal Variation in the Frequency of Earthquakes.  Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc. 1919.
69	Omori, F.	On the after-shocks of Earthquakes.  Journ. Sc. Coll. Tokyo. Imp. Univ. Vol.VII, 1895.
70	Omori, F.	Notes on the Earthquake Investigation Committee Catalogue of Japanese Earthquakes.  Journ. Sc. Coll. Imp. Tokyo Univ. Vol.XI, 1899, pp.389-437.
71	Omori, F.	Annual and Diurnal variations of Seismic Frequency in Japan.  Publ. Earthquake Com. Tokyo. No.8, pp.1-94, 2 tables 32 pls., 1902.
72	Omori	Note on the relation between earthquakes and changes in latitude.  Publ. Earthquake Inv. Com. Tokyo, 18, 1904, p.13-21 with pl.
73	Omori	Note on the lunar-daily distribution of earthquakes.  Publ. Earthquake Inv. Com. Tokyo, 18, 1904, p.27-40 with pl.
74	Omori	Preliminary Note on the Formosa Earthquake of March 17, 1906.  Bull. Imp. Eqke. Inv. Com. Japan, Vol.I, 1907, pp.53-69.



Reference No.	Author	Title and Publication.
76	Omori	On the Fore-shocks of Earthquakes. Bull. Imp. Eqke. Inv. Comm. Japan, Vol.II, pp.89-100.
77	Omori	Note on the Long-period Variations of the Atmospheric Pressure. Bull. Imp. Eqke. Inv. Com. Japan, Vol.II, 1908, pp.215-222.
78	Omori	Note of the Secondary Causes of Earthquake Bull. Imp. Eqke. Inv. Comm. Vol.II, No.2, 1908, pp.101-135.
79	Perrey, A.	Record of Perrey's Report. Compte Rendus XXIV, p.822, May, 1847.
80	Perrey, A.	Memoire sur les rapports qui peuvent exister entre la fréquence des tremble- ments de terre et l'âge de la lune. Compte Rendus vol.XXXVI, Jan.-Juin, 1853, pp.537-540.
81	Perrey, A.	Rapport sur les travaux de M.Alexis Perrey relatif aux tremblements de Terre. Comptes Rendus XXXVIII, 1854, pp.1038- 1046.
82	Perrey.	Compte Rendus, lii, 1861, pp.146-151.
83	Perrey	Theory of Earthquakes. Am. Journ. Sci. vi.XXXVII, May, 1864.
84	Perrey, A.	Sur la fréquence des tremblements de terre relativement a l'âge de la lune. Compte Rendus Acad. Sci. Tome, 1875, pp.
85	Sayles, H.W.	Earthquakes and Rainfall. Bull. Seismol. Soc. Am. Vol.3, No.2, 1913, pp.51-56.
86	Schmidt, J.F.	Studien über Erdbeben, 1879.
87	Schuster, A.	On Lunar and Solar Periodicities of Earthquakes. Proc. Roy. Soc. lxi, pp.455-465, 1897.

Reference No.	Author	Title and Publication.
88	Schuster, A.	Some Problems of Seismology. Bull. Seismol. Soc. Am. Vol. I, No. 3, 1911 pp. 97-100.
89	Seidl, F.	Die Beziehungen zwischen Erdbeben und atmospharischen Bewegungen Mitt. des Musealvereines fur Krain, Laibach, 1895.
90	Spalding, W.A.	Seasonal Periodicity in Earthquakes. Bull. Seis. Soc. Am. Vol. V, No. 1, 1915, pp. 30-39.
90a	Seuss E	
90b	" "	
90c	" "	
91	Taber, Stephen	Seismic Activity in the Atlantic Coastal Plain near Charleston S.C. Bull. Seismol. Soc. Am. Vol. 4, No. 3, 1914, pp. 108-161.
92	Tarr, R. and Martin, L.	The Earthquakes at Yakutat Bay, Alaska in September, 1899. Prof. Paper, U.S. Geol. Surv. No. 69, 1912, pp. 128.
93	Turner	Rep. Brit. Assoc. Adv. Sci., 1912.
94	Walker, C.W.	Modern Seismology. Published by Longman's Green & Co., 1913.

95 The Bible  
Amos Ch. I Verse I.



Supplementary List.

- 5a Chree, Charles. Aurora Polaris  
Encyclopaedia Brittanica, 11th Ed.  
1910-11. Vol.2, pp.930-931.
- 5b Chrystal, G. Text Book of Algebra.  
Published by Adam & Charles Black,  
London, 1898.
- 10a Davison C. On the Distribution of Earthquakes  
in Japan during the years 1885-1892.  
Geog. Journ. Vol.X, 1897, pp.530-535
- 10b Davison, C. The Inverness Earthquake of September  
18th, 1901, and its accessory shocks.  
Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc. Vol.LVIII,  
1902, pp.377-397.
- 10c Davison, C. The Derby Earthquakes of March 24,  
and May 3, 1903.  
Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc. Vol.LX, 1904,  
pp.215-232.
- 10d ~~The Derby Earthquake~~  
Davison, C. The Derby Earthquake of July 3, 1904.  
Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc. Vol.LXI,  
1905, pp.8-17
- 10e Davison, C. Twin-earthquakes.  
Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc. Vol.LXI,  
1905, pp.18-33.
- 30a Knott C.G. Earthquakes and Changes in Latitude.  
Rep. Brit. Assoc. Adv. Sci. 1907.  
pp.91-92.
- 42a Milne J. Earthquakes and Changes in Latitude.  
Rep. Brit. Assoc. Adv. Sci., 1903,  
pp.78-80.
- 42b Milne J. Earthquakes and Changes in Latitude.  
Rep. Brit. Assoc. Adv. Sci., 1906,  
pp.97-99.
- 45a Milne, J. Earthquake Periodicity.  
Rep. Brit. Assoc. Adv. Sci., 1912,  
pp.94-95.



45b Milne, J. On the 443 or 452 Day Period.  
Rep. Brit. Assoc. Adv. Sci., 1913, p.51.

63a Oldham, R.D. Report on the Great Earthquake of June 12, 1897.  
Mem. Geol. Surv. India, Vol.XXIX, 1899, pp.1-377.

74a Omori, F. Comparison of the Faults in the three Earthquakes of Mine-Owari, Formosa and San Francisco.  
Bull. Imp. Eqke. Inv. Comm. Japan, Vol.I, No.2, 1907, pp.70-72.

78a Omori F. On the Recent Sea-level Changes of the Japanese Mareograph Stations.  
Bull. Imp. Eqke. Comm. Vol.V, 1913, pp.39-86.

78b Omori, F. On the Recent Sea-level change at the Italian and Austrian Mareograph stations, and the cause of the Messina-Reggio Earthquake of Dec. 28th, 1908.  
Bull. Imp. Eqke. Inv. Comm. Vol.V, 1913, pp.87-100.

88a See, T.J.J. The New Theory of Earthquakes and Mountain Formation, as illustrated by processes now at work in the Depths of the Sea.  
Proc. Amer. Phil. Soc. Vol.46, 1908, pp.369-416.

90a Suess, E. Die Erdbeben des sudlichen Italien.  
Denkschr. d.k. Akad. d. Wissensch. Wien; Math. naturw. Kl.  
Band XXXIII, 1874, s.1-38.

90b Suess, E. Die Erdweben Niederosterreichs.  
Ibid. Band XXXIV, 1875, s.1-32.

90c Suess, E. The Face of the Earth. 1904-1909.  
(Translated by Sollas).

90d Turner, H.H. On a New Periodicity in Earthquake Frequency.  
Rep. Brit. Assoc. Adv. Sci., 1912, pp.95-97.



APPENDIX. A

Mathematical Analysis.

SECTION I

Tidal stresses and their tendency to produce  
movement along plane fractures in the outer earth's  
crust.



The Problem Stated.

Given a plane fracture in the surface zone of the earth's crust, to determine, for a given point on the fracture, the zenith distance of an attracting body in a vertical plane perpendicular to the plane of the fracture such that,

(a) the differences in the components of the tidal forces, taken normal to the plane of the fracture, and acting on adjacent masses on opposite sides of the fracture, are a maximum; and,

(b) the differences in the components of the tidal forces, taken parallel to the plane of the fracture, and acting on adjacent masses on opposite sides of the fracture, are a maximum

Let  $EE'$  be a central section of the earth, which is assumed to be spherical, taken perpendicular to the given plane fracture  $FEF'$ .

Let the trace of the fracture plane  $FEF'$  make an angle  $\theta$  with the vertical  $E'CE$  through the point  $E$ .

Let the required position of the attracting body lie in the direction  $CZA$  making an angle  $\phi$  with  $EC$  the vertical at  $E$ , and at a distance which is remote as compared with the earth's radius.

Let  $NN'$  be the normal to the fracture plane through  $E$ .

The attracting body lying in a direction  $CZA$  exercises a tide producing force at  $E$ , the amount of which may be derived from the potential at  $E$ .

It is well known<sup>x</sup> that the tide generating potential P is given by the relation

$$P = \frac{3m}{2r^3} p^2 (\cos^2 \phi - \frac{1}{3}) \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

where m is the mass of the attracting body, r its distance from the earth's centre, p the earth's radius and  $\phi$  the angle between r and p.

This tide generating potential P gives rise to a tide producing force which may be represented by its vertical and horizontal components. Let these be denoted by V and H respectively. Then as can be readily shown<sup>x</sup> by differentiating the tide generative potential P

$$V = -\frac{m}{r^3} p (3 \cos^2 \phi - 1) \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

and

$$H = \frac{3m}{r^3} p \sin \phi \cos \phi \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

where V may be taken as positive when directed away from the earth's centre, and H as positive when directed towards the attracting body.

By resolving along the normal NN' we have the forces along NN' represented by F<sub>1</sub> where

$$F_1 = H \cos \theta - V \sin \theta \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

x G.H. Darwin - Article on Tides  
 Encyclopaedia Britannica  
 11th Ed. Vol. XXVI, p.946.

x Lamb - Hydrodynamics, p.364.

x see also Andrew Gray - A treatise on Physics  
 . Vol.1, p.530.



Similarly by resolving parallel to  $MF'$  we have the forces along  $MF'$  represented by  $F_2$  where

$$F_2 = H \sin \theta + V \cos \theta.$$

Now let the differences in the components of the tidal forces on adjacent masses on opposite sides of the fracture plane be

$dF_1$  in a direction normal to the fracture plane and  $dF_2$  .....parallel .....

These values will consequently be given by the relations

$$\frac{dF_1}{d\phi} = \frac{d}{d\phi} \{ 3K \sin \phi \cos \phi \cos \theta - K(3\cos^2 \phi - 1) \sin \theta \}$$

and

$$\frac{dF_2}{d\phi} = \frac{d}{d\phi} \{ 3K \sin \phi \cos \phi \sin \theta + K(3 \cos^2 \phi - 1) \cos \theta \}$$

where  $K = \frac{m}{r^3} p$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{dF_1}{d\phi} = 3K \cos (2\phi - \theta) \dots\dots\dots (5)$$

$$\text{and } \frac{dF_2}{d\phi} = -3K \sin (2\phi - \theta) \dots\dots\dots (6)$$

As  $dF_1$  and  $dF_2$  represent the forces tending to produce relative movement of masses on opposite sides of the fracture plane, the most favourable conditions for movement occur when  $dF_1$  and  $dF_2$  reach their maximum numerical values without regard to sign.

From (5) we see that  $dF_1$  has its maximum numerical values when

$$\cos (2\phi - \theta) = \pm 1$$

$$\text{i.e. when } 2\phi - \theta = 0 \text{ or } \pi$$

$$\text{or } \phi = \frac{\theta}{2} \text{ or } \frac{\pi + \theta}{2} \dots\dots\dots (7)$$

being positive in the former and negative in the latter case.

Similarly from (6) we see that  $dF_2$  has its maximum numerical values when

$$-\sin(2\phi - \theta) = \pm 1$$

$$\text{or when } 2\phi - \theta = \frac{3\pi}{2} \text{ or } \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{i.e. when } \phi = \frac{3\pi + \theta}{4} \text{ or } \frac{\pi + \theta}{4} \dots \dots \dots (8)$$

being positive in the former and negative in the latter case.

From (7) we see that when  $\phi = \frac{\theta}{2}$  the forces acting normal to the fracture plane will operate to cause compression tending to close the fracture and that when  $\phi = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\theta}{2}$  these forces will operate to cause tension yending to open the fracture.

Again from (8) we see that when  $\phi = \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\theta}{2}$  the forces acting parallel to the fracture plane will tend to move that part of the earth's crust which lies above the fracture plane downwards towards the earth's interior when the motion is considered relatively to the mass lying under the fracture plane;

and when

$\phi = \frac{3\pi}{4} + \frac{\theta}{2}$  the forces will tend to produce relative motion in the opposite direction.

Now it is known that the tide-producing forces at any part B (Fig. <sup>6</sup> 1) are the same whether the attracting body lies in the direction CA or in the opposite direction CA', the direction r being in each case the same.

Hence the disposition of the tidal forces in each of the cases above considered will be the same if the angle  $\pi + \phi$  be substituted for  $\phi$  in each case.



SECTION II.

The determination of the probability of certain relations in a certain series of observations.

9.

The Problem Stated.

A certain series of 316 measurements were made comprising angles which ranged from 0 to 90°. These were grouped in 9 sets as shown in the following Table

Range for each group of measurements	0	11 <sup>1</sup>	21 <sup>0</sup>	31 <sup>0</sup>	41 <sup>1</sup>	51 <sup>1</sup>	61 <sup>1</sup>	71 <sup>1</sup>	81 <sup>1</sup>	
	-10 <sup>0</sup>	20 <sup>0</sup>	30 <sup>0</sup>	40 <sup>0</sup>	50 <sup>0</sup>	60 <sup>0</sup>	70 <sup>0</sup>	80 <sup>0</sup>	90 <sup>0</sup>	
		<del>falling</del>								
No. <sup>falling</sup> in each group	80	50	49	20	28	23	17	26	19	

If these represent random measurements what is the probability of obtaining such an arrangement as that indicated in the first three groups?



<sup>One</sup>  
~~Another~~ way of looking at the problem is to enquire  
what are the probabilities of at least 80 of the measure-  
ments falling within the range 0-10°; of 50 of the  
remainder falling in the range 11°-20°; and of 49 of  
the remainder falling within the range 21°-30°.

It is shown in text-books dealing with probability  $x$   
 that the probability  $P$ , that an event happen on at least  
 $r$  out of  $n$  occasions where it is in question is given  
 by the relation

$$P = nC_r p^r q^{n-r} + nC_{r+1} p^{r+1} q^{n-r-1} + \dots + nC_n p^n q^0$$

where the <sup>notation</sup> ~~relation~~ is the same as that of the preceding  
 discussion, adopted by Chrystal.

This formula is readily derived from that giving the  
 probability of the event occurring exactly  $r$  times,  
 since it represents the sum of the probabilities that  
 the event occur exactly  $r, r+1, \dots$  and  $n$  times.

Now from the nature of the case when  $r$  exceeds the  
 expectancy, the event is less likely to occur  $r+1$  times  
 than  $r$  times;  $r+2$  times than  $r+1$  times; and so on. Hence  
 each of the terms in the above expression is less than the

one which precedes it and therefore the sum of the  $n-r+1$  terms must be less than  $(n-r+1)$  times the value of the first term.

Therefore, the probability that at least 80 of the measurements fall within the range  $0^{\circ}$ - $10^{\circ}$  is

$$\therefore P < (n-r+1)nC_{rp}^r q^{n-r}$$

$$\text{i.e. } < \frac{1}{47.5 \times 10^3}$$

Similarly the probability that at least 50 of the remaining measurements fall in the range  $11^{\circ}$ - $20^{\circ}$  is given by

$$P' < \frac{1}{16.2 \times 10^3}$$

$$P' < \frac{1}{86.6}$$

And again the probability that at least 49 of the remaining measurements occur in the range  $31^{\circ}$ - $40^{\circ}$  is given by

$$P'' < \frac{1}{10.97 \times 10^2}$$

Hence the total probability that the numbers of measurements reach at least 80, 50 and 49 for the respective groups considered is less than the product  $P \times P' \times P''$

$$\text{i.e. is less than } \frac{1}{47.5 \times 10^3} \times \frac{1}{86.6} \times \frac{1}{10.97 \times 10^2}$$

$$\text{i.e. } < \frac{1}{45.135 \times 10^7}$$



Appendix. *B*

Part II - Tables 1 to VI.

TABLE I.

Giving particulars of the time and places of  
316 world shaking earthquakes and the calculated  
earth latitudes and longitudes for the sun and  
moon at the times of the earthquakes.



Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquakes.		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District.	Date 1899	Hour.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
282	A <sub>1</sub>	April 16	2:38	N 58°	W 138°	N 10°	W 39°	N 22°	E 39°
308b	A <sub>1</sub>	July 14	1:34	N 60°	W 150°	N 22°	W 22°	S 7°	E 36°
333	A <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 3	12:20	N 59°	W 140°	N 7°	E 175°	N 3°	E 172°
334	A <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 3	16:53	N 59°	W 140°	N 7°	E 107°	N 7°	E 95°
337	A <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 10	5:0	N 59°	W 140°	N 5°	W 76°	S 21°	W 16°
337b	A <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 10	8:43	N 59°	W 140°	N 5°	W 132°	S 21°	W 70°
338	A <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 10	9:38	N 59°	W 140°	N 5°	W 145°	S 21°	W 83°
341	A <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 15	17:14	N 59°	W 140°	N 3°	E 101°	S 15°	W 124°
342	A <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 17	0:51	N 59°	W 140°	N 2°	W 14°	S 9°	W 139°
344	A <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 22	23:04	N 65°	W 140°	N 0°	E 12°	N 21°	E 116°
345	A <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 23	1:43	N 55°	W 133°	0°	W 28°	N 21°	W 155°
1900									
391	A <sub>1</sub>	Feb. 25	15:41	N 59°	W 140°	S 9°	E 128°	S 19°	E 78°
442	A <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 9	0:27	N 55°	W 132°	S 6°	W 10°	N 14°	W 175°
444	A <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 16	23:2	N 55°	W 132°	S 9°	E 11°	N 11°	W 64°
1901									
460	A <sub>1</sub>	Jan. 17	16:41	N 60°	W 135°	S 21°	E 113°	S 21°	E 78°
539	A <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 15	1:23	N 23°	W 134°	S 8°	W 24°	S 18°	E 11°
560	A <sub>1</sub>	Nov. 20 1902	11:57	N 50°	W 130°	S 20°	E 177°	S 1°	W 67°
643	A <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 2	5:48	N 58°	W 145°	S 3°	W 90°	S 9°	W 76°

Earthquake No.	District	Nautical Almanac Date	Almanac Hour	Earthquakes Lat.	Earthquakes Long.	Sun's Lat.	Sun's Long.	Moon's Lat.	Moon's Long.
1903									
690	A <sub>1</sub>	March 15	2:13	N 51°	W 128°	S 2°	W 31°	S 8°	E 172
766	A <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 10	1:48	N 58 <sup>b</sup>	W 130°	N 5°	W 28°	N 9°	W 168
1899									
248	A <sub>2</sub>	Jan. 13	14:37	N 20°	W 110°	S 21°	E 143°	S 10°	E 173
372	A <sub>2</sub>	Dec. 25	0:25	N 34°	W 117°	S 23°	W 6°	S 8°	W 95
1900									
452	A <sub>2</sub>	Dec. 18	11:15	N 27°	W 120°	S 23°	E 170°	S 19°	E 132
1901									
470	A <sub>2</sub>	March 2	19:45	N 35.30°	W 120°	S 7°	E 67°	N 10°	W 137
472	A <sub>2</sub>	March 4	22:45	N 23	W 120°	S 6°	E 22°	N 1°	W 159
555 <sup>b</sup>	A <sub>2</sub>	Nov. 13	16:35	N 37°	W 117°	S 16°	E 107°	S 20°	E 140
564	A <sub>2</sub>	Dec. 8	14:17	N 23°	W 120°	S 23°	E 144°	S 18°	E 121
1903									
674	A <sub>2</sub>	Jan. 23	17:25	N 27°	W 120°	S 19°	E 112°	S 18°	E 60
1902									
597	A <sub>2B</sub>	March 16	23:22	N 30°	W 109°	S 2°	E 12°	N 19°	E 107
661	A <sub>2B</sub>	Dec. 12	11:05	N 23°	W 118 <sup>b</sup>	S 23°	W 168°	N 15°	W 20



Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquakes		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
1899									
250	B	Jan. 24	11:45	N 17°	W 99°	S 19°	W 173°	N 22°	W 14°
264	B	March 11	21:37	N 17°	W 103°	S 4°	E 39°	N 4°	E 44°
270	B	March 25	2:27	N 10°	W 87°	N 2°	W 35°	N 1°	E 125°
1900									
381	B	Jan. 19	18:32	N 19°	W 108°	S 20°	E 85°	0	W 49°
407	B	May 16	8:13	N 20°	W 105°	N 19°	W 124°	S 22°	E 84°
415	B	June 16	2:43	N 3°	W 90°	N 23°	W 41°	S 14°	W 175°
417	B	June 21	8:56	N 15°	W 86°	N 23°	W 134°	N 13°	E 154°
447	B	Nov. 9	4:7	N 11°	W 96°	S 17°	W 66°	N 21°	E 152°
1901									
536	B	Oct. 7	14:16	N 7°	W 90°	S 5°	E 143°	N 9°	E 94°
1902									
576	B	Jan. 16	11:53	N 17°	W 99°	S 21°	W 76°	N 10°	W 94°
578	B	Jan. 18	11:23	N 16°	W 94°	S 21°	W 168°	N 17°	W 61°
606a	B	April 18	14:22	N 15°	W 91.3°	N 11°	E 145°	N 2°	W 75°
642	B	Sept. 23	8:16	N 15°	W 90°	N 0	W 36°	N 19°	W 138°
1903									
671	B	Jan. 13	13:44	N 3°	W 90°	S 22°	E 156°	S 3°	E 28°

Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquakes		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
1899									
291	BD <sub>1</sub>	June 4	16:30	N.S 0	W 85°	N 22°	E 112°	N 18°	E 74°
1902									
600b	BA <sub>1</sub>	March 24	15:26	N 3°	W 87°	N 1°	E 131°	S 8°	W 39°
1899									
269	C <sub>1</sub>	March 23	2:26	N 22°	W 59°	N 1°	W 34°	N 11°	E 106°
292	C <sub>1</sub>	June 5	3:2	N 23°	W 73°	N 23°	W 45°	N 20°	W 78°
294	C <sub>1</sub>	June 14	23:6	N 18°	W 77°	N 23°	E 14°	N 7°	E 83°
321	C <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 2	3:16	N 23°	W 76°	N 18°	W 47°	N 24°	W 92°
322	C <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 2	5:57	N 25°	W 90°	N 18°	W 87°	N 23°	W 130°
1901									
498	C <sub>1</sub>	May 27	4:25	N 20°	W 70°	N 21°	W 67°	S 5°	E 50°
1902									
582	C <sub>1</sub>	Jan. 28	6:48	N 20°	W 68°	S 18°	W 91°	S 5°	E 136°
589a	C <sub>1</sub>	Feb. 16	12:39	N 20°	W 70°	S 12°	E 174°	N 19°	W 80°
600	C <sub>1</sub>	March 24	5:58	N 31°	W 80°	N 1°	W 87°	S 6°	E 98°
642	C <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 23	16:54	N 31°	W 80°	0	E 105°	N 19°	E 8°
1903									
672	C <sub>1</sub>	Jan. 17	4:12	N 25°	W 88°	S 21°	W 61°	N 1°	E 173°
687	C <sub>1</sub>	Feb. 27	21:50	N 20°	W 81°	S 8°	E 36°	S 2°	E 42°
761	C <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 16	1:35	N 20°	W 72°	N 14°	W 23°	N 16°	W 112°



Earthquake No.	District	Nautical Almanac Date	Almanac Hour	Earthquakes Lat. Long	Sun's Lat. Long.	Moon's Lat. Long.
1899						
361	C <sub>2</sub>	Nov. 18	2:55	N 3° W 65°	S 19° W 48°	N 23° E 147°
1900						
422	C <sub>2</sub>	July 15	6:49	N 12° W 70°	N 22° W 101°	S 4° E 121°
445	C <sub>2</sub>	Oct. 28	21:26	N 11° W 68°	S 13° E 35°	S 20° E 104°
1902						
580	C <sub>2</sub>	Jan. 21	9:40	N 3° W 71°	S 20° W 142°	N 19° E 7°
1899						
303	D <sub>1</sub>	July 6	20:38	S 10° W 90°	N 23° E 52°	N 22° E 47°
1900						
432	D <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 31	19:56	N 10° W 94°	N 9° E 61°	S 20° E 136°
1901						
455	D <sub>1</sub>	Jan. 6	12:30	S 2° W 82°	S 23° E 174°	N 13° E 18°
537	D <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 10	14:56	S 7° W 85°	S 6° E 133°	S 4° E 117°
1903						
675	D <sub>1</sub>	Jan. 24	3:37	S 5° W 86°	S 19° W 51°	S 19° W 98°
676b	D <sub>1</sub>	Feb. 1	21:30	S 15° W 100°	S 17° E 17°	N 3° E 66°
1899						
268	D <sub>2</sub>	March 22	22:23	S 20° W 67°	N 1° E 26°	N 12° E 165°
278	D <sub>2</sub>	April 12	5:23	S 28° W 67°	N 9° W 81°	N 22° W 51°
279	D <sub>2</sub>	April 12	15:36	S 29.5° W 67°	N 9° E 126°	N 23° E 162°

Earthquake		Nautical	Almanac	Earthquakes		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
1902									
593	D <sub>2</sub>	March 5	7:3	S 20°	W 83°	S 6°	W 103°	S 17°	W 157°
605b	D <sub>2</sub>	April 11	11:55	S 27°	W 65°	N 8°	W 179°	N 19°	W 131°
1903									
668	D <sub>2</sub>	Jan. 3	16:53	S 15°	W 83°	S 23°	E 107°	S 5°	E 175°
698	D <sub>2</sub> ?	March 29	4:28			N 3°	W 66°	N 6°	W 59°
793b	D <sub>2</sub>	Dec. 7	2:40	S 28°	W 71°	S 23°	W 42°	N 17°	E 179°
1901									
497	D <sub>1</sub> D <sub>2</sub>	May 25	19:40	S 15°	W 63°	N 21°	E 64°	N 10°	E 168°
1899									
295	E	June 16	13:8	N 40°	E 145°	N 23°	E 163°	S 6°	W 101°
1900									
397	E	March 11	13:32	N 38°	E 142°	S 4°	E 160°	N 16°	W 66°
405	E	May 11	5:21	N 39°	E 144°	N 18°	W 81°	S 11°	E 65°
425	E	Aug. 4	16:18	N 39°	E 144°	N 17°	E 117°	S 21°	W 132°
431	E	Aug. 28	14:32	N 42°	E 145°	N 10°	E 142°	S 11°	W 179°
450	E	Nov. 23	19:54	N 40°	E 148°	S 20°	E 59°	S 21°	E 84°
1901									
458	E	Jan. 13		N 42°	E 145°	S 22°	E 23°	S 17°	W 55°



Earthquake		Nautical	Almanac	Earthquakes		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
475	E <sub>1</sub>	March 18	11:24	N 50°	E 159°	S 1°	W 169°	S 5°	E 168°
475x	E <sub>1</sub>	March 19	11:46	N 50°	E 159°	S 1°	W 174°	0	E 178°
483	E <sub>1</sub>	April 5	11:32	N 44°	E 149°	N 6°	W 172°	S 15°	E 28°
493	E <sub>1</sub>	May 13	18:49	N 42°	E 148°	N 18°	E 77°	N 3°	W 24°
514	E <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 8	21:21	N 40°	E 144°	N 16°	E 41°	N 20°	W 25°
516	E <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 9	6:32	N 40°	E 144°	N 16°	W 97°	N 20°	W 158°
551	E <sub>1</sub>	Nov. 7	18:3	N 40°	E 150°	S 16°	E 85°	S 7°	E 46°
1902									
584	E <sub>1</sub>	Jan. 30	1:59	N 43°	E 145°	S 18°	W 27°	S 12°	W 143°
585	E <sub>1</sub>	Jan. 30	13:41	N 43°	E 145°	S 18°	E E 158°	S 13°	E 58°
607	E <sub>1</sub>	May 1	23:39	N 39°	E 144°	N 15°	E 4°	S 7°	W 64°
1903									
760	E <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 13	3:46	N 41	E 146°	N 15°	W 55°	N 6°	W 179°
1899									
267	E <sub>2</sub>	March 21	2:31	N 24°	E 129°	0	W 36°	N 19°	E 83°
307	E <sub>2</sub>	July 10	19:29	N 15°	E 140°	N 22°	E 69°	N 9°	E 106°
1900									
446	E <sub>2</sub>	Nov. 4	19:39	N 34°	E 139°	S 15°	E 61°	N 11°	W 142°
448	E <sub>2</sub>	Nov. 9	5:52	N 34°	E 139°	S 17°	W 92°	N 21°	W 142°

Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquakes		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
454	B <sub>2</sub>	Dec. 24 1902	17:2	N 27°	E 146°	S 23°	E 105°	S 12°	E 146°
641	B <sub>2</sub>	Sept. 21 1903	13:44	N 13°	E 130°	N 1°	E 152°	N 16°	E 25°
681	B <sub>2</sub>	Feb. 9 1899	14:48	N 11°	E 142°	S 15°	E 114°	N 17°	W 66°
366	E <sub>3</sub>	Nov. 24 1900	6:41	N 43°	E 131°	S 21°	W 103°	N 8°	E 164°
404	E <sub>3</sub>	April 24	11:14	N 27°	E 126.5°	N 13°	W 168°	S 5°	E 136°
411	E <sub>3</sub>	June 9 1901	0:11	N 30°	E 130°	N 23°	W 3°	S 16°	E 131°
500	E <sub>3</sub>	June 6	12:3	N 23°	E 121°	N 23°	E 179°	S 13°	E 68°
505	E <sub>3</sub>	June 23	19:3	N 25°	E 135°	N 23°	E 76°	S 6°	E 169°
565	E <sub>3</sub>	Dec. 14 1902	10:54	N 14°	E 121°	S 23°	W 164°	S 14°	W 119°
592	B <sub>3</sub>	Feb. 28	12:13	N 24°	E 122°	S 8°	E 180°	S 17°	E 70°



Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquakes		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District.	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
598	E <sub>3</sub>	March 19	13:50	N 24°	E 122°	S 10°	E 155°	N 13°	W 74°
606c	W of E <sub>3</sub>	April 18	14:36	N 27°	E 113°	N 11°	E 141°	N 2°	W 79°
609	E <sub>3</sub>	May 7	14:19	N 30°	E 132°	N 17°	E 144°	N 16°	E 147°
625	E <sub>3</sub>	Aug. 20	23:17	N 8°	E 124°	N 13°	E 12°	0	W 144°
655	E <sub>3</sub>	Nov. 14	21:30	N 28°	E 128°	S 18°	E 34°	N 15°	E 161
656	E <sub>3</sub>	Nov. 16	12:36	N 14°	E 121°	S 19°	E 168°	N 18°	E 8°
658	E <sub>3</sub>	Nov. 20	8:32	N 21°	E 121	S 20°	W 132°	N 13°	E 122°
659	E <sub>3</sub>	Nov. 20	19:3	N 21°	E 120°	S 20°	E 70°	N 12°	W 28°
1903									
668b	E <sub>3</sub>	Jan. 3	17:17	N 13°	E 120°	S 23°	E 102°	S 4°	E 159°
670	E <sub>3</sub>	Jan. 5	9:59	N 34°	E 124°	S 23°	W 149°	N 2°	W 73°
710b	E <sub>3</sub>	May 23	10:7	N 7°	E 126°	N 20°	W 153°	N 8°	E 168°
719	E <sub>3</sub>	June 6	21:5	N 21°	E 122°	N 23°	E 44°	S 14°	W 167°
748b	E <sub>3</sub>	July 23	10:36	N 19°	E 121°	N 20°	W 157°	N 17°	W 166°
764b	E <sub>3</sub>	Sept. 6	19:14	N 23°	E 122°	N 7°	E 72°	S 4°	W 106°
773	E <sub>3</sub>	Oct. 10	4:41	N 32°	E 132°	S 6°	W 73°	N 17°	E 157°
785	E <sub>3</sub>	Nov. 17	8:23	N 9°	E 126°	S 19°	W 130°	S 11°	W 110°
790	E <sub>3</sub>	Dec. 1	2:21	N 24°	E 120°	S 22°	W 38°	N 9°	E 101°

92

Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquakes		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District.	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
1899									
263	E <sub>123</sub>	March 7	12:53	N 33.8	E 136°	S 5°	E 170°	S 19°	E 118°
1899									
310	F <sub>1</sub>	July 16	22:0	N 5	E 130°	N 21°	E 31°	S 19°	E 133°
324	F <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 3	16:43	N 8°	E 120°	N 17°	E 111°	N 21°	E 85°
352	F <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 13	5:28	S 10°	E 173°	S 8°	W 86°	S 14°	E 26°
354	F <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 18	21:16	S 5°	E 148°	S 10°	E 37°	N 16°	W 138°
358	F <sub>1</sub>	Nov. 12	11:43	S 25°	E 162°	S 18°	W 180°	N 2°	W 57°
365	F <sub>1</sub>	Nov. 23	21:56	0	E 128°	S 20°	E 28°	N 10°	W 168°
366	F <sub>1</sub>	Nov. 24	6:39	N 5°	E 136°	S 21°	W 103°	N 8°	E 164°
1900									
377	F <sub>1</sub>	Jan. 10	21:5	S 5°	E 148°	S 22°	E 46°	N 22°	E 172°
386b	F <sub>1</sub>	Feb. 2	16:15	N 2°	E 126°	S 17°	E 119°	N 4°	E 158°
414	F <sub>1</sub>	June 12	8:15	0	E 135°	N 23°	W 124°	S 22°	E 52°
427	F <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 13	8:13	N 2°	E 137°	N 15°	W 122°	N 5°	E 95°
438	F <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 20	6:57	N 5°	E 136°	N 1°	W 106°	N 9°	W 139°
441	F <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 7	9:0	0	E 130°	S 5°	W 139°	N 6°	E 31°
441b	F <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 7	20:42	S 12°	E 155°	S 5°	W 47°	N 8°	E 130°



Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District.	Date	Hour	Lat. l.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
448b	F <sub>1</sub>	Nov. 11	13:16	N 3°	E 147°	S 7°	E 160°	N 17°	E 90°
		1901							
468a	F <sub>1</sub>	Feb. 19	21:36	N 3°	E 152°	S 11°	E 40°	0	E 55°
483b	F <sub>1</sub>	April 5	9:53	N 2°	E 130°	N 6°	W 147°	S 15°	E 14°
515	F <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 9	12:1	N 20°	E 159°	N 16°	W 14°	N 20°	E 105°
517	F <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 9	22:27	S 5°	E 155°	N 16°	E 34°	N 19°	W 28°
530	F <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 8	5:42	S 11°	E 170°	N 6°	W 86°	N 16°	W 146°
555	F <sub>1</sub>	Nov. 12	22:16	0	E 122°	S 18°	E 22°	S 20°	E 46°
562	F <sub>1</sub>	Nov. 24	13:52	N 3°	E 127°	S 20°	E 149°	N 17°	W 45°
		1902							
581	F <sub>1</sub>	Jan. 24	11:23	S 8°	E 161°	S 19°	W 168°	N 11°	E 23°
590	F <sub>1</sub>	Feb. 25	3:35	0	E 127°	S 9°	W 51°	S 7°	E 162°
601a	F <sub>1</sub>	March 28	2:43	N 3°	E 130°	N 3°	W 40°	S 18°	W 172°
624	F <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 15	20:0	S 15°	E 165°	N 14°	E 61°	S 17°	W 154°
		1903							
673	F <sub>1</sub>	Jan. 19	0:36	N 1°	E 140°	S 21°	E 6°	S 7°	W 99°
685	F <sub>1</sub>	Feb. 24	5:33	S 8°	E 152°	S 10°	W 80°	S 14°	W 112°
724	F <sub>1</sub>	June 10	4:31	0	E 149°	S 23°	W 60°	S 19°	E 119°

Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District.	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
746	F <sub>1</sub>	July 11	17:27	S 5°	E 150°	N 22°	E 99°	S 12°	W 54°
775	F <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 19	14:47	S 9°	E 168°	S 10°	E 134°	S 6°	E 128°
780	F <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 29	2:19	S 20°	E 167°	S 13°	W 39°	S 12°	E 67°
781	F <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 29	15:54	S 20°	E 175°	S 13°	E 118°	S 10°	W 129°
784	F <sub>1</sub>	Nov. 10	8:46	S 17°	E 167°	S 17°	E 144°	N 15°	E 123°
1899									
247	F <sub>2</sub>	Jan. 11	20:0	N 2°	E 128°	S 22°	E 62°	S 19°	E 68°
347	F <sub>2</sub>	Sept. 29	5:1	S 4°	E 129°	S 2°	W 77°	N 14°	W 146°
355	F <sub>2</sub>	Oct. 23	15:57	S 9°	E 124°	S 11°	E 117°	N 22°	E 5°
1901									
471	F <sub>2</sub>	March 4	4:12	S 12°	E 113°	S 7°	W 60°	N 3°	E 110°
529	F <sub>2</sub>	Sept. 7	10:34	S 5°	E 125°	N 6°	W 158°	N 18°	E 142°
1902									
621b	F <sub>2</sub>	Aug. 6	23:46	S 4°	E 108°	N 17°	E 5°	S 3°	E 49°
655b	F <sub>2</sub>	Nov. 14	21:33	S 20°	E 105°	S 18°	E 33°	N 15°	W 135°
1903									
682	F <sub>2</sub>	Feb. 11	4:5	S 8°	E 119°	S 14°	W 57°	N 12°	E 116°
699	F <sub>2</sub>	March 29	15:23	S 3°	E 126°	N 3°	E 130°	N 8°	E 143°



Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
710a	D <sub>2</sub>	May 23	8:7	S 6°	E 110°	N 20° W 123°	N 8° W 163°		
774	D <sub>2</sub>	Oct. 13	15:30ca	S 11°	E 138°	S 7° E 127°	N 16° E 44°		
1899									
251	F <sub>3</sub>	Jan. 30	5:45	0	E 90°	S 18° W 83°	S 2° E 136°		
298	F <sub>3</sub>	June 23	4:57	N 1°	E 97°	N 23° W 73°	S 20° E 123°		
299	F <sub>3</sub>	June 29	10:52	N 1	E 97°	N 23° W 162°	N 7° E 102°		
1900									
376	F <sub>3</sub>	Jan. 5	6:56	S 3°	E 102.5°	S 23° W 103°	S 2° E 48°		
1901									
456	F <sub>3</sub>	Jan. 6	7:38	S 6°	E 92°	S 22° W 112°	N 6° E 112°		
468	F <sub>3</sub>	Feb. 14	20:4	S 6°	E 95°	S 13° E 62°	S 20° E 100°		
519	F <sub>3</sub>	Aug. 17	14:5	S 17°	E 92°	N 14° E 150°	S 6° E 171°		
532	F <sub>3</sub>	Sept. 9	16:26	N 7°	E 90°	N 5° E 113°	E 13° E 81°		
543	F <sub>3</sub>	Oct. 18	21:0 ca	-	-	S 9° E 41°	S 19° E 118°		
1902									
574	F <sub>3</sub>	Jan. 12	10:24	S 15°	E 100°	S 22° W 154°	S 7° W 120°		
1903									
686	F <sub>3</sub>	Feb. 26	12:44	S 5°	E 104°	S 9° E 172°	S 7° E 166°		

Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
774b	F <sub>3</sub>	Oct. 18 1902	15:5ca	S 3°	E 98°	S 9°	E 130°	S 2°	E 112°
639	F <sub>1</sub> E <sub>3</sub>	Sept. 15 1903	22:54	N 6°	E 122°	N 3°	E 16°	S 5°	E 180°
788	F <sub>1</sub> E <sub>3</sub>	Nov. 24	1:34	N 3°	E 125°	S 20°	W 26°	S 15°	E 38°
802	F <sub>1</sub> E <sub>3</sub>	Dec. 27 1899	14:50	N 3°	E 123°	S 23°	E 139°	N 5°	W 121°
332	F <sub>1</sub> H <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 24 1899	3:9	S 27°	E 165°	N 11°	W 47°	N 12°	E 175°
305	G <sub>1</sub>	July 9 1900	7:8	S 5°	E 65°	N 22°	W 106°	N 15°	W 84°
404b	G <sub>1</sub>	April 30	8:17	N 12°	E 48°	N 15°	W 125°	N 21°	W 103°
443	G <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 9 1903	15:6	N 16°	E 60°	S 6°	E 131°	N 16°	W 28°
777	G <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 20	21:50	S 33°	E 55°	S 10°	E 29°	S 14°	E 40°
793	G <sub>1</sub>	Dec. 6 1900	10:48	S 41°	E 45°	S 22°	W 164°	N 18°	E 47°
383	G <sub>2</sub>	Jan. 29	10:30	S 10°	E 82°	S 18°	W 154°	S 19°	W 171°



Earthquake		Horizontal	Almanac	Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
390b	G <sub>2</sub>	Feb. 20	9:36	S 19°	E 80°	S 11°	W 141°	S 18°	W 102°
433b	G <sub>2</sub>	Sept. 9	10:48	0	S 84°	N 5°	W 163°	N 3°	W 171°
1901									
492b	G <sub>2</sub>	April 26	16:5	N 12°	E 75°	N 13°	E 118°	N 9°	W 131°
1902									
606d	G <sub>2</sub>	April 18	14:34	S 35°	E 60°	N 11°	E 142°	N 2°	W 78°
606d	G <sub>2</sub>	April 21	5:26	S 40°	E 68°	N 12°	W 81°	S 9°	E 87°
642b	G <sub>2</sub>	Sept. 23	8:29ca.	S 60°	E 77°	S	W 129°	N 19°	E 139°
1899									
374	G <sub>1</sub> G <sub>2</sub>	Dec. 31	8:19	N 3°	E 68°	S 23°	W 124°	S 23°	W 135°
1899									
252	H	Jan. 30	23:12	N 35°	W 28°	S 18°	E 130°	S 6°	W 120°
254	H	Feb. 23	1:36	N 45°	W 25°	S 10°	W 21°	N 14°	W 136°
255	H	Feb. 26	1:36	N 45°	W 25°	S 9°	W 21°	S	E 167°
256	H	Feb. 26	23:17	N 52°	W 20°	S 8°	E 140°	S 5°	W 148°
257	H	Feb. 27	3:21	N 50°	W 22°	S 8°	W 47°	S 5°	E 151°
307b	H	July 10	19:36	N 35°	W 42°	N 22°	E 67°	N 8°	E 105°
308	H	July 11	13:35	S	W 20°	N 22°	E 157°	N 5°	W 158°
346	H	Sept. 26	20:1	N 9°	W 40°	S 1°	E 58°	N 21°	W 23°

Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District.	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
372	H	Dec. 25	12:23	N 30°	W 42°	S 23°	E 174°	S 10°	E 90°
		1900							
379	H	Jan. 15	7:46	N 5°	W 40°	S 21°	W 114°	N 18°	E 66°
		1900							
619	H	July 19	20:49	S 5°	W 25°	N 21°	E 49°	S 17°	W 135°
		1903							
750	H	July 26	22:34	N 33°	W 57°	N 20°	E 24°	N 4°	E 64°
751	H	July 27	0:32ea	N 33°	W 57°	N 19°	W 6°	N 4°	W 109°
767	H	Sept. 13	3:31ea	N 41°	W 19°	N 4°	W 54°	N 17°	W 157°
		1899							
259	J	Feb. 28	7:33	N 70°	E 10°	S 8°	W 110°	S 11°	E 121°
		1900							
430	J	Aug. 27	22:59	N 68°	W 10°	N 10°	E 15°	S 8°	E 47°
		1901							
486	K <sub>1</sub>	April 6	8:55	N 55°	E 132°	N 6°	W 133°	S 17°	E 77°
		1902							
605a	K <sub>1</sub>	April 11	11:41	N 50°	E 110°	N 8°	W 175°	N 19°	W 127°
612	K <sub>1</sub>	June 10	18:10	N 53°	E 142°	N 23°	E 88°	N 8°	E 16°
641b	K <sub>1</sub>								



Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
641b	K <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 21	13:46	N 75°	E 175°	N 1°	E 152°	N 16°	E 26°
666	K <sub>1</sub>	Dec <sup>r</sup> 27	13:41	N 52°	E 88°	S 23°	E 155°	S 19°	E 134°
679	K <sub>1</sub>	1903 Feb. 5	19:33	N 50°	E 98°	S 16°	E 71°	N 16°	E 169°
689	K <sub>1</sub>	March 12	2:19	N 54°	E 87°	S 4°	<del>W 32°</del>	N 5°	E 134°
736	K <sub>1</sub>	June 25	10:12	N 51°	E 96°	N 23°	W 152°	N 18°	W 142°
778	K <sub>1</sub>	Oct. 22	14:36	N 50°	E 97°	S 11°	E 137°	S 16°	E 169°
789	K <sub>1</sub>	Nov. 25	23:46	N 53°	E 110°	S 21°	E 1°	S 10°	E 87°
1902									
610	K <sub>2</sub>	May 25	5:20 <sup>ca.</sup>			N 21°	W 51°	S 18°	E 167°
663	K <sub>2</sub>	Dec. 15	17:8	N 42°	E 75°	S 23°	E 102°	N 18°	W 62°
1903									
676	K <sub>2</sub>	Jan. 31	21:33	N 42°	E 102°	S 18°	E 40°	S 1°	E 79°
683	K <sub>2</sub>	Feb. 12	6:42	N 40°	E 87°	S 14°	W 96°	N 7°	E 92°
696	K <sub>2</sub>	March 27	19:55	N 40°	E 72°	N 2°	E 62°	0	E 54°
1901									
542	K <sub>3</sub>	Oct. 16	12:57	E 70°	N 30°	S 9°	E 116°	S 20°	E 167°
558	K <sub>3</sub>	Nov. 17	12:4	E 77°	N 32°	S 19°	E 175°	S 13°	W 107°

Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
		1902							
613b	K <sub>3</sub>	June 15	13:36	E 79°	N 29°	N 23°	E 174°	S 11°	W 62°
640	K <sub>3</sub>	Sept. 19	18:30	N 37°	E 70°	N 1°	E 81°	N 11°	W 69°
644	K <sub>3</sub>	Oct. 5	21:10	E 72°	N 38°	S 4°	E 44°	S 18°	E 98°
662	K <sub>3</sub>	Dec. 13	5:8	E 85°	N 30°	S 23°	W 80°	N 17°	E 79°
		1903							
692	K <sub>3</sub>	March 22	2:35	E 60°	N 35°	N 0°	W 37°	N 17°	W 110°
709	K <sub>3</sub>	May 16	13:0	E 80°	N 23°	N 19°	E 164°	S 16°	E 50°
771	K <sub>3</sub>	Sept. 24	13:20	E 58°	N 34°	S 0	E 169°	S 14°	E 142°
791b	K <sub>3</sub>	Dec. 3	9:26	E 93°	N 32°	S 15°	W 143°	N 16°	E 22°
		1899							
373	K <sub>4</sub>	Dec. 30	22:50	E 42	N 42°	S 23°	E 41°	S 23°	E 25°
		1902							
588	K <sub>4</sub>	Feb. 12	(21:34.6 or 21:39	E 50°	N 41°	S 14°	E 59°	N 11°	E 116°
		1903							
704	K <sub>4</sub>	April 28	11:40	E 43°	N 39°	N 14°	W 175°	N 16°	W 155°
734	K <sub>4</sub>	June 24	4:56	E 49°	N 39°	N 23°	W 74°	N 19°	W 82°
		1899							
249	K <sub>5</sub>	Jan. 21	20:14	N 37°	E 21.3°	S 20°	E 88°	N 25°	W 144°
343	K <sub>5</sub>	Sept. 19	14:11	N 37.5°	E 27.5°	N 1°	E 146°	N 6°	W 29°



Earthquake		Nautical Almanac	Earthquake's			Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District.	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
1902									
618	K <sub>5</sub>	July 8	15:38	N 27°	E 56°	N 23°	E 127°	N 6°	E 176°
1901									
548	K <sub>6</sub>	Oct. 28	20:42	N 44°	E 19°	S 13°	E 46°	N 19°	W 109°
1903									
714	K <sub>6</sub>	May 28	21:33	N 39°	E 20°	N 21°	E 36°	N 18°	E 73°
759	K <sub>6</sub>	Aug. 10	16:30	N 36.25	E 23°	N 16°	E 114°	S 3°	W 37°
1901									
479	K <sub>7</sub>	March 30	19:11	N 44	E 28.3°	N 4°	E 73°	N 7°	W 197°
1902									
616	K <sub>7</sub>	July 5	2:59	N 40°	E 23°	N 23°	W 44°	N 18°	E 43°
1902									
626	K <sub>123</sub>	Aug. 21	15:1	N 40°	E 75°	N 12°	E 136°	N 3°	W 13°
631	K <sub>123</sub>	Aug. 23	0:58	N 41°	E 79°	N 12°	W 13°	N 9°	W 145°
632	K <sub>123</sub>	Aug. 23	13:45	N 40°	E 75°	N 12°	E 155°	N 11°	E 30°
635	K <sub>123</sub>	Aug. 29	3:4	N 40°	E 75°	N 10°	W 46°	N 17°	E 30°
636	K <sub>123</sub>	Aug. 30	9:47	N 40°	E 76°	N 9°	W 147°	N 14°	W 178°
1903									

51

Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
1903									
717	K <sub>1A</sub> <sub>12</sub>	June 2	1:10	N 67°	W 170°	N 22°	W 180	N 50	E 74°
792b	K <sub>1A</sub> <sub>11</sub>	Dec. 4	17:7	N 66°	W 150°	S 22°	E 100°	N 18°	W 73°
1902									
653	K <sub>23</sub>	Nov. 3	23:35	N 32°	E 91°	S 15°	E 20	S 19°	E 51°
1899									
326	K <sub>5G</sub> <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 17	8:38	N 16°	E 56°	N 13°	W 128°	S 22°	E 100°
1901									
513	K <sub>5G</sub> <sub>1</sub>	Aug. 6	6:39	N 30°	E 55°	N 17°	W 99°	N 15°	E 158°
1903									
671b	K <sub>5G</sub> <sub>1</sub>	Jan. 13	14:46	N 24°	E 64°	S 22°	E 141°	N 15°	W 32°
794	K <sub>5G</sub> <sub>1</sub>	Dec. 9	19:8	N 21°	E 65°	S 23°	E 71°	N 8°	W 32°
1900									
408	L	May 26	3:59	S 60°	E & W 0°	N 21°	W 61°	N 17°	W 88°
452b	L	Dec. 18	10:4	S 67°	W 125°	S 23°	W 152°	S 19°	E 170°
1902									
596	L	March 12	3:7	S 60°	W 160°	S 40	W 44°	N 10°	W 15°
1903									
765	L	Sept. 7	17:7	S 50°	E 78°	N 60	E 103°	0	W 66°



Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
1899									
283	M <sub>1</sub>	April 16	13:36	S 27°	W 167°	N 10°	E 156°	N 21°	W 120°
1		1900							
378	M <sub>1</sub>	Jan. 12	21:52	S 48°	E 148°	S 22°	E 34°	N 23°	W 175°
1901									
557	M <sub>1</sub>	Nov. 15	8:15	S 43°	E 173°	S 18°	W 128°	S 18°	W 76°
568b	M <sub>1</sub>	Dec. 25	21:58	S 58°	E 140°	S 23°	E 31°	N 18°	W 136°
1902									
586	M <sub>1</sub>	Feb. 8	19:43	S 43°	W 171°	S 15°	E 68°	S 7°	E 76°
586b	M <sub>1</sub>	Feb. 8	22:12	S 43°	W 171°	S 15°	E 31°	S 7°	E 40°
641c	M <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 21	13:56	S 52°	E 152°	N 1°	E 149°	N 16°	E 12°
1903									
721	M <sub>1</sub>	June 7	17:23	S 50°	E 121°	N 23°	E 99°	S 168°	W 103°
738	M <sub>1</sub>	July 2	9:22	S 50°	E 150°	N 23°	W 139°	S 8°	W 39°
764a	M <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 6	19:10	S 71°	E 175°	N 7°	E 73°	S 4°	W 105°
769	M <sub>1</sub>	Sept. 22	12:14	S 52°	E 160°	N 1°	E 175°	S 7°	W 162°
783	M <sub>1</sub>	Nov. 10	5:17	S 50°	E 150°	S 17°	W 83°	N 16°	E 172°
1899									
286	M <sub>2</sub>	May 7	15:11	N 20°	E 170°	N 17°	E 131°	N 15°	E 110°

Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District.	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
351	M <sub>2</sub>	Oct. 13	3:13	S 15°	E 178°	S 8°	W 51°	S 15°	E 60°
1900									
385	M <sub>2</sub>	Jan. 31	6:50	0°	E 178°	S 17°	W 189°	S 10°	W 90°
394	M <sub>2</sub>	March 8	14:18	S 8°	E 168°	S 5°	E 149°	N 22°	W 133°
424	M <sub>2</sub>	July 28	18:59	S 8°	W 178°	N 19°	E 77°	N 4°	E 106°
435	M <sub>2</sub>	Sept. 17	9:45	S 5°	E 148°	N 2°	W 147°	N 19°	E 148°
1901									
496	M <sub>2</sub>	May 24	12:32	N 12°	E 165°	N 21°	E 171°	N 6°	W 99°
518	M <sub>2</sub>	Aug. 11	2:32	S 23°	E 178°	N 15°	W 37°	N 19°	W 73°
1902									
619b	M <sub>2</sub>	Aug. 2	2:13	0°	E 150°	N 18°	W 31°	N 17°	W 50°
1903									
678	M <sub>2</sub>	Feb. 5	6:26ca	N 8°	W 178°	S 16°	W 92°	N 15°	E 3°
798	M <sub>2</sub>	Dec. 22	12:53	S 5°	E 170°	S 23°	E 167°	S 13°	W 146°
1902									
617	M <sub>3</sub>	July 6	1:1	S 31°	W 160°	N 23°	W 14°	N 16°	0°
1903									
705	M <sub>3</sub>	April 28	15:59	S 43°	W 143°	N 14°	E 119°	N 16°	E 142°



Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
1903									
707	M <sub>2</sub> E <sub>2</sub>	May 12	18:32	N 8°	E 142°	N 18°	E 81°	S 18°	W 77°
708	M <sub>2</sub> E <sub>2</sub>	May 14	23:41ca	N 12°	E 142°	N 18°	E 4°	S 18°	W 127°
796b	M <sub>2</sub> E <sub>2</sub>	Dec. 18	0:18	N 5°	E 135°	S 23°	W 5°	S 18°	W 10°
1899									
309	0	July 14	1:40	N 23°	E 33°	N 22°	W 24°	S 7°	E 45°
1900									
392	0	March 6	6:0	N 23°	E 33°	E 6°	W 87°	N 21°	W 20°
1901									
474	0	March 15	23:56	S 10°	E 40°	S 2°	E 3°	S 16°	W 51°
1903									
694	0	March 25	10:27	N 27°	E 27°	N 1°	W 159°	S 9°	E 170°
718	0	June 4	3:12	N 23°	E 37°	N 22°	W 49°	S 4°	E 67°
1901									
476	P	March 23	2:10	N 55°	E 170°	N 1°	W 30°	N 17°	E 10°
569	P	Dec. 30	10:34	N 52°	W 160°	S 23°	W 157°	N 10°	E 92°
571	P	Dec. 30	21:0	N 41°	W 173°	S 23°	E 46°	S 5°	W 60°

Earthquake		Nautical Almanac		Earthquake's		Sun's		Moon's	
No.	District	Date	Hour	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
<del>1900</del>									
572	P	Dec. 31	18:20	N 47°	W 165°	S 23°	E 86°	S 5°	W 11°
1903									
700	P	April 2	22:32	N 57°	W 157°	N 5°	E 23°	N 18°	E 93°
1901									
502	PE <sub>1</sub>	June 12	15:19	N 52°	E 160°	N 23°	E 130°	N 15°	E 81°
1899									
364	Q	Nov. 22	21:42	N 30°	E 160°	S 20°	E 31°	N 17°	W 75°
1901									
534	Q	Sept. 29	22:6	N 30°	E 170°	S 2°	E 27°	N 14°	W 124°
570	Q	Dec. 30	17:51	N 10°	W 130°	S 23°	E 93°	S 1°	W 15°
1902									
599	Q	March 22	10:12	N 23°	W 140°	O	W 151°	N 2°	E 14°
1903									
789b	Q	Nov. 30	18:43	N 25°	E 165°	S 22°	E 76°	S 19°	W 148°
1903									
703	Uncertain	April 11	15:13	-	-	N 8°	E 132°	S 8°	W 167°



TABLE II.

Giving the calculated zenith distances and the azimuthal directions of the sun and moon at the times of each earthquake.

TABLE II

Earthquake No.	District	Angle		Angle		Sun's Direction	Moon's Direction	Angle	
		E	S	E	M			S	M
282	A <sub>1</sub>	86°		100°		77°	3°	74°	
308 <sup>b</sup>	A <sub>1</sub>	88°		125°		45°	340°	65°	
333	A <sub>1</sub>	63°		67°		232°	234	1°	
334	A <sub>1</sub>	94°		101°		293°	304°	11°	
337	A <sub>1</sub>	73°		126°		112°	73°	38°	
337 <sup>b</sup>	A <sub>1</sub>	55°		108°		349°	118°	51°	
338	A <sub>1</sub>	55°		93°		187°	130°	57°	
341	A <sub>1</sub>	102°		74°		297°	162°	45°	
342	A <sub>1</sub>	106°		69°		56°	180°	56°	
344	A <sub>1</sub>	111°		76°		32°	291°	79°	
345	A <sub>1</sub>	98°		37°		75°	215°	40°	
391°	A <sub>1</sub>	99°		131°		270°	130°	40°	42°
442	A <sub>1</sub>			53°					
444	A <sub>1</sub>	126°				48°			
460	A <sub>1</sub>	118°		134°					
539	A <sub>1</sub>	108°		136°		58°	51°	27°	



Earthquake No.	District	Angle		Angle		Angle	Sun's Direction	Moon's Direction	Angle	
		E	S	E	M				S	M
560643	A <sub>11</sub>	84°	80°	106°	87°	66°	229°	293°	64°	
690	A <sub>1</sub>	96°		102°		25°	117°	111°	22°	6°
766	A <sub>1</sub>	92°		56°		137°	85°	63°		
248	A <sub>2</sub>	68°		97°		30°	75°	77°	2°	
371	A <sub>2</sub>	60°		133°		86°	281°	331°	50°	
452	A <sub>2</sub>	96°		66°		35°	60°	81°	21°	
470	A <sub>2</sub>	29°		29°		24°	166°	218°	52°	
472	A <sub>2</sub>	39°		44°		5°	250°	254°	4°	
555b	A <sub>2</sub>	42°		67°		33°	106°	81°	25°	
564	A <sub>2</sub>	74°		58°		23°	71°	81°	10°	
674	A <sub>2</sub>	50°		11°		50°	91°	180°	89°	
597	A <sub>2</sub> B	63°		121°		85°	254°	322°	68°	
661	A <sub>2</sub> B	112°		90°		30°	51°	75°	24°	
250	B	98°		79°		19°	73°	74°	1°	
264	B	40°		141°		170°	255°	58°	17°	

Earthquake		Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moon's	Angle	
No.	District	E	S	E	M	S	M	Direction	Direction	E	SM
270	B	53°		147°		160°		94°	285°	11°	
381	B	12°		62°		62°		80°	100°	20°	
407	B	18°		6°		24°		265°	73°	12°	
415	B	46°		91°		45°		71°	80°	9°	
417	B	45°		112°		68°		286°	289°	3°	
447	B	41°		106°		36°		134°	296°	22°	
536	B	53°		164°		51°		89°	346°	77°	
576	B	93°		8°		93°		65°	140°	75°	
578	B	98°		32°		70°		245°	84°	19°	
606a	B	118°		21°		42°		291°	126°	15°	
642	B	55°		45°		100°		102°	282°	0°	
671	B	67°		61°		122°		64°	272°	28°	
600b	BD <sub>1</sub>	140°		128°		12°		275°	28°	5°	
291	BD <sub>1</sub>	152°		152°		36°		271°	89°	2°	



Earthquake		Angle	Angle	Angle	Sun's	Moon's	Angle
No.	District	E S	E N	S M	Direction	Direction	E SE
269	C <sub>1</sub>	32°	144°	139°	128°	28°	80°
292	C <sub>1</sub>	26°	6°	31°	85°	249°	16°
294	C <sub>1</sub>	82°	148°	68°	68°	42°	26°
321	C <sub>1</sub>	28°	14°	42°	276°	276°	0
322	C <sub>1</sub>	8°	36°	40°	164°	273°	71°
498	C <sub>1</sub>	3°	60°	63°	81°	263°	2°
582	C <sub>1</sub>	131°	28°	120°	43°	116°	73°
589a	C <sub>1</sub>	62°	9°	71°	92°	266°	6°
600	C <sub>1</sub>	30°	25°	6°	193°	187°	6°
642a	C <sub>1</sub>	31°	78°	84°	171°	74°	83°
672	C <sub>1</sub>	126°	97°	57°	327°	276°	51°
687	C <sub>1</sub>	63°	57°	11°	267°	257°	10°
761	C <sub>1</sub>	47°	38°	85°	89°	270°	1°
361	C <sub>2</sub>	153°	139°	15°	322°	310°	12°
422	C <sub>2</sub>	31°	13°	44°	296°	115°	1°
445	C <sub>2</sub>	74°	12°	<del>22°</del> 66°	280°	322°	42°
580	C <sub>2</sub>	108°	78°	30°	65°	69°	40

76

Earthquake No.	District	Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moon's	Angle	
		E	S	E	M	S	M	Direction	Direction	E	SM
303	D <sub>1</sub>	39°		43°		4°		66°	71°	5°	
432	D <sub>1</sub>	150°		50°		100°		51°	73°	22°	
455	D <sub>1</sub>	102°		81°		24°		248°	77°	9°	
537	D <sub>1</sub>	140°		157°		17°		252°	249°	3°	
675	D <sub>1</sub>	37°		18°		43°		112°	218°	74°	
676b	D <sub>1</sub>	70°		19°		128°		294°	310°	16°	
268	D <sub>2</sub>	87°		50°		43°		270°	90°	0°	
278	D <sub>2</sub>	141°		128°		32°		154°	198°	44°	
279	D <sub>2</sub>	24°		43°		37°		30°	93°	63°	
593	D <sub>2</sub>	24°		69°		54°		305°	258°	47°	
605b	D <sub>2</sub>	64°		102°		49°		86°	116°	30°	
668	D <sub>2</sub>	141°		110°		59°		293°	259°	34°	
698	D <sub>2</sub> ?	-		-		7°		Earthquake position not known.			
793b	D <sub>2</sub>	26°		65°		39°		93°	84°	9°	
497	D <sub>1</sub>	50°		53°		103°		255°	259°	4°	

26



Earthquake No.	District	Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moon's	Angle	
		E	E	E	N	S	N	Direction	Direction	E	SM
497	D <sub>1</sub> D <sub>2</sub>	50°		53°		103°		285°		101°	40
295	E <sub>1</sub>	22°		69°		83°		133°		259°	54°
397	E <sub>1</sub>	134°		119°		47°		334°		31°	57°
405	E <sub>1</sub>	109°		91°		33°		44°		73°	29°
425	E <sub>1</sub>	31°		81°		65°		235°		290°	55°
431	E <sub>1</sub>	32°		118°		137°		186°		322°	44°
450	E <sub>1</sub>	78°		95°		23°		75°		58°	17°
458	E <sub>1</sub>	52°		31°		73°		94°		222°	52°
475	E <sub>1</sub>	122°		125°		23°		322°		348°	26°
475x	E <sub>1</sub>	123°		52°		170°		326°		157°	11°
483	E <sub>1</sub>	51°		57°		22°		127°		101°	26°
493	E <sub>1</sub>	63°		134°		100°		270°		348°	78°
514	E <sub>1</sub>	88°		119°		62°		291°		350°	59°
516	E <sub>1</sub>	100°		53°		57°		59°		94°	35°
551	E <sub>1</sub>	98°		75°		39°		60°		94°	34°
584	E <sub>1</sub>	26		88°		102°		164°		287°	57°

Earthquake		Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moon's	Angle	
No.	District	E	S	E	M	S	M	Direction	Direction	E	SM
585	E <sub>1</sub>	118°		83°		95°		348°	80°	88°	
607	E <sub>1</sub>	115°		41°		109°		318°	226°	88°	
760	E <sub>1</sub>	121°		147°		121°		25°	130°	75°	
<del>267</del>											
267	E <sub>2</sub>	155°		60°		118°		12°	278°	86°	
307	E <sub>2</sub>	66°		34°		38°		290°	266°	24°	
446	E <sub>2</sub>	93°		75°		24°		70°	86°	16°	
448	E <sub>2</sub>	45°		15°		37°		259°	209°	50°	
454	E <sub>2</sub>	117°		141°		41°		41°	180°	41°	
641	E <sub>2</sub>	26°		100°		126°		117°	290°	7°	
681	E <sub>2</sub>	154°		140°		28°		180°	46°	46°	
366 <del>6</del>	E <sub>3</sub>	49°		40°		84°		270°	122°	32°	
404	E <sub>3</sub>	63°		146°		22°		89°	340°	71°	
411	E <sub>3</sub>	108°		134°		44°		314°	358°	44°	
500	E <sub>3</sub>	52°		115°		65°		78°	62°	16°	
505	E <sub>3</sub>	53°		136°		86°		283°	310°	27°	

76



Earthquake		Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moun's	Angle	
No.	District	E	S	E	M	S	M'	Direction	Direction	E	SM
565	E <sub>3</sub>	97°		57°		44°		297°	278°	19°	
592	E <sub>3</sub>	115°		115°		105°		290°	56°	54°	
598	E <sub>3</sub>	137°		136°		50°		305°	229°	77°	
606c	W of E <sub>3</sub>	31°		151°		144°		112°	21°	89°	
609	E <sub>3</sub>	16°		22°		5°		138°	134°	4°	
625	E <sub>3</sub>	107°		87°		154°		290°	268°	22°	
655	E <sub>3</sub>	78°		35°		49°		78°	106°	28°	
656	E <sub>3</sub>	124°		108°		19°		304°	295°	9°	
658	E <sub>3</sub>	68°		9°		71°		281°	180°	79°	
659	E <sub>3</sub>	116°		134°		78°		54°	314°	80°	
668b	E <sub>3</sub>	140°		137°		56°		20°	290°	90°	
670	E <sub>3</sub>	77°		140°		113°		290°	24°	86°	
710b	E <sub>3</sub>	79°		41°		40°		67°	87°	20°	
719	E <sub>3</sub>	73°		103°		30°		290°	294°	4°	
748b	E <sub>3</sub>	76°		69°		10°		75°	80°	5°	
764b	E <sub>3</sub>	51°		50°		4°		260°	256°	4°	
773	E <sub>3</sub>	36°		28°		50°		320°	121°	71°	
785	E <sub>3</sub>	74°		55°		21°		287°	278°	9°	

Earthquake No.	District.	Angle		Angle		Sun's Direction	Moon's Direction	Angle	
		E	S	E	M			S	M
790	E <sub>3</sub>	20°		24°		42°	89°	230°	39°
263	E <sub>123</sub>	50°		55°		52°	134°	21°	67°
310	F <sub>1</sub>	97°		157°		74°	289°	357°	68°
324	F <sub>1</sub>	13°		37°		26°	318°	297°	21°
352	F <sub>1</sub>	102°		138°		108°	100°	235°	45°
354	F <sub>1</sub>	110°		102°		10°	256°	251°	5°
358	F <sub>1</sub>	18°		45°		59°	69°	296°	37°
365	F <sub>1</sub>	80°		160°		80°	70°	61°	9°
366	F <sub>1</sub>	60°		27°		83°	289°	82°	27°
377	F <sub>1</sub>	98°		144°		50°	246°	223°	23°
386b	F <sub>1</sub>	159°		31°		135°	30°	85°	55°
414	F <sub>1</sub>	100°		96°		40°	65°	65°	0°
427	F <sub>1</sub>	99°		43°		138°	72°	276°	24°
438	F <sub>1</sub>	117°		85°		32°	84°	82°	2°
441	F <sub>1</sub>	87°		97°		100°	273°	278°	5°
441b	F <sub>1</sub>	152°		146°		5°	125°	130°	5°
448b	F <sub>1</sub>	165°		96°		69°	309°	288°	21°



Earthquake No.	District	Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's Direction	Moon's Direction	Angle	
		E	S	E	M	S	M			E	SM
468 a	F <sub>1</sub>	68°		98°		20°		82°	270°	80°	
483b	F <sub>1</sub>	84°		65°		20°		84°	79°	5°	
515	F <sub>1</sub>	9°		114°		110°		57°	122°	65°	
517	F <sub>1</sub>	490°		14°		50°		106°	191°	85°	
530	F <sub>1</sub>	75°		130°		60°		268°	240°	288°	
555	F <sub>1</sub>	81°		105°		28°		71°	72°	1°	
567	F <sub>1</sub>	148°		159°		14°		318°	338°	20°	
581	F <sub>1</sub>	32°		41°		12°		112°	98°	14°	
590	F <sub>1</sub>	8°		145°		142°		6°	186°	80°	
601o	F <sub>1</sub>	169°		118°		50°		298°	292°	6°	
624	F <sub>1</sub>	74°		40°		34°		100°	93°	7°	
673	F <sub>1</sub>	52°		57°		100°		51°	276°	45°	
685	F <sub>1</sub>	125°		94°		30°		103°	107°	4°	
724	F <sub>1</sub>	145°		155°		10°		48°	48°	0°	
746	F <sub>1</sub>	122°		150°		28°		122°	129°	7°	
775	F <sub>1</sub>	33°		40°		6°		267°	273°	6°	
780	F <sub>1</sub>	136°		95°		102°		141°	256°	65°	
781	F <sub>1</sub>	55°		55°		110°		266°	87°	1°	
784	F <sub>1</sub>	57°		124°		74°		101°	122°	21°	

96



Earthquake		Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moon's	Angle	
No.	District	E	S	E	M	S	M	Direction	Direction	E	SM
247	F <sub>2</sub>	69°		61°		8°		241°	248°	7°	
347	F <sub>2</sub>	153°		94°		109°		101°	256°	25°	
355	F <sub>2</sub>	9°		60°		67°		244°	117°	53°	
471	F <sub>2</sub>	160°		163°		11°		196°	170°	26°	
529	F <sub>2</sub>	102°		151°		58°		84°	40°	44°	
621b	F <sub>2</sub>	75°		59°		144°		290°	266°	24°	
655b	F <sub>2</sub>	68°		58°		12°		250°	85°	15°	
682	F <sub>2</sub>	23°		20°		8°		10°	352°	18°	
<del>682</del>	F <sub>2</sub>	23°		20°		8°					
699	F <sub>2</sub>	7°		20°		14°		40°	58°	18°	
710a	F <sub>2</sub>	53°		93°		41°		68°	80°	12°	
774	F <sub>2</sub>	4°		92°		96°		148°	31°	63°	
251	F <sub>3</sub>	19°		134°		136°		18°	271°	73°	
298	F <sub>3</sub>	153°		147°		15°		337°	340°	3°	
299	F <sub>3</sub>	99°		8°		92°		54°	42°	12°	
376	F <sub>3</sub>	31°		29°		137°		303°	81°	42°	

136



Earthquake No.	District	Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moon's	Angle	
		E	S	E	M	S	M	Direction	Direction	E	SM
456	F <sub>3</sub>	139°		157°		46°		141°	239°		82°
468	F <sub>3</sub>	30°		80°		49°		253°	251°		2°
519	S of F <sub>3</sub>	115°		77°		149°		241°	90°		29°
532	F <sub>3</sub>	22°		11°		32°		93°	306°		33°
543	F <sub>3</sub>	-		-		74°		Earthquake position not known.			
574	F <sub>3</sub>	100°		133°		34°		119°	119°		0°
686	F <sub>3</sub>	68°		62°		6°		<del>89</del> 98	97°		1°
774b	F <sub>3</sub>	33°		15°		17°		100	265°		15°
639	F <sub>1</sub> E <sub>3</sub>	106°		121°		16°		275°	280°		5°
788	F <sub>1</sub> E <sub>3</sub>	34°		92°		60°		60°	72°		12°
802	F <sub>1</sub> E <sub>3</sub>	148°		116°		80°		328°	83°		45°
332	F <sub>1</sub> M <sub>1</sub>	30°		136°		134°		209°	203°		6°

Earthquake No.	District	Angle		Angle		Sun's Direction	Moon's Direction	Angle	
		E	S	E	M			S	M
305	G <sub>1</sub>	20°		32°		21°	154°	106°	48°
404b	G <sub>1</sub>	153°		135°		21°	344°	318°	26°
443	G <sub>1</sub>	107°		83°		23°	281°	283°	2°
777	G <sub>1</sub>	34°		24°		12°	308°	320°	12°
793	G <sub>1</sub>	110°		120°		28°	151°	182°	31°
383	G <sub>2</sub>	118°		102°		17°	115°	113°	2°
390b	G <sub>2</sub>	130°		20°		111°	122°	92°	30°
433b	G <sub>2</sub>	113°		106°		8°	89°	90°	1°
492b	G <sub>2</sub>	42°		148°		107°	82°	59°	23°
606a	G <sub>2</sub>	90°		50°		138°	255°	60°	15°
606d	G <sub>2</sub>	39°		34°		16°	54°	27°	27°
642b	G <sub>2</sub>	62°		88°		94°	327°	237°	90°
374	G <sub>1</sub> G <sub>2</sub>	150°		145°		10°	155°	142°	13°
252	H	115°		86°		130°	-	-	52°
254	H	124°		118°		22°	-	-	26°
255	H	126°		46°		168°	-	-	9°





Earthquake		Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moon's	Angle	
No.	District	E	S	E	N	S	N	Direction	Direction	E	SN
256	H	114°		65°		156°				26°	
257	H	119°		45°		156°				33°	
307b	H	92°		126°		37°		60°	41°	19°	
308	H	158°		136°		46°		178°	<del>222°</del> 280°	78°	
346	H	<del>82°</del> 80°		21°		98°		271°	49°	42°	
372	H	33°		48°		80°		90°	257°	13°	
379	H	112°		103°		10°		66°	71°	5°	
619	H	100°		108°		7°		<del>294°</del> 246°	<del>291°</del> 249°	3°	
750	H	71°		112°		42°		<del>77°</del> <del>728°</del> 79°	67°	12°	
751	H	48°		55°		99°		90°	250°	28°	
767	H	50°		110°		100°		232°	317°	85°	
259	J	71°		72°		126°		<del>226°</del> 116°	254°	42°	
430	J	60°		86°		154°		152°	124°	28°	
486	K <sub>1</sub>	89°		94°		320°		81°	51°	30°	
605a	K <sub>1</sub>	75°		95°		48°		102°	47°	55°	
---	---	---		---		---		---	---	---	

101

Earthquake		Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moon's	Angle	
No.	District	E	S	E	M	S	M	Direction	Direction	E	SM
641b	K <sub>1</sub>	74°		89°		125°		348°	148°	20°	
666	K <sub>1</sub>	85°		98°		20°		301°	317°	16°	
679	K <sub>1</sub>	109°		65°		79°		28°	95°	67°	
689	K <sub>1</sub>	70°		53°		15°		113°	125°	12°	
736	K <sub>1</sub>	84°		94°		11°		56°	54°	2°	
778	K <sub>1</sub>	109°		88°		30°		323°	244°	79°	
789	K <sub>1</sub>	62°		114°		82°		92°	21°	71°	
610	K <sub>2</sub>										
663	K <sub>2</sub>	110°		108°		17°		334°	316°	18°	
676	K <sub>2</sub>	90°		16°		42°		63°	44°	19°	
683	K <sub>2</sub>	26°		34°		9°		184°	187°	3°	
696	K <sub>2</sub>	44°		42°		9°		198°	209°	11°	
542	K <sub>3</sub>	121°		74°		51°		56°	77°	21°	
558	K <sub>3</sub>	73°		18°		74°		77°	167°	90°	
613b	K <sub>3</sub>	83°		41°		54°		292°	254°	38°	
640	K <sub>3</sub>	36°		119°		147°		18°	313°	65°	
644	K <sub>3</sub>	131°		120°		54°		320°	28°	68°	



Earthquake No.	District	Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's Direction	Moon's Direction	Angle	
		E	S	E	M	S	M			E	SM
662	K <sub>3</sub>	14°		14°		21°		251°	156°	85°	
692	K <sub>3</sub>	94°		128°		74°		86°	13°	73°	
709	K <sub>3</sub>	76°		130°		63°		285°	320°	35°	
771	K <sub>3</sub>	72°		86°		30°		102°	76°	26°	
791b	K <sub>3</sub>	54°		66°		14°		91°	85°	6°	
373	K <sub>4</sub>	114°		112°		15°		359°	342°	18°	
588	K <sub>4</sub>	124°		66°		117°		12°	261°	69°	
704	K <sub>4</sub>	115°		123°		19°		319°	339°	20°	
734	K <sub>4</sub>	99°		107°		8°		49°	46°	3°	
249	K <sub>5</sub>	96°		116°		47°		300°	344°	44°	
343	K <sub>5</sub>	112°		60°		172°		72°	252°	0°	
618	K <sub>5</sub>	63°		113°		51°		75°	73°	2°	
548	K <sub>6</sub>	117°		101°		25°		328°	310°	18°	
714	K <sub>6</sub>	23°		51°		34°		137°	108°	37°	
759	K <sub>6</sub>	81°		111°		31°		77°	70°	7°	

Earthquake		Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moon's	Angle	
No.	District	E	S	E	N	S	N	Direction	Direction	E	SM
479	K <sub>7</sub>	56°		140°		138°		120°	354°	54°	
616	K <sub>7</sub>	58°		61°		7°		276°	268°	8°	
626	K <sub>123</sub>	60°		87°		145°		100°	271°	9°	
631	K <sub>123</sub>	84°		116°		128°		280°	51°	49°	
632	K <sub>123</sub>	75°		49°		122°		86°	249°	17°	
635	K <sub>123</sub>	107°		124°		48°		300°	350°	50°	
636	K <sub>123</sub>	117°		94°		30°		49°	69°	20°	
717	E <sub>1A1</sub>	88°		96°		90°		29°	299°	90°	
792b	K <sub>1A1</sub>	61°		68°		8°		99°	95°	4°	
653	K <sub>23</sub>	82°		116°		48°		77°	42°	35°	
326	K <sub>5G1</sub>	149°		122°		44°		3°	311°	52°	
513	K <sub>5G1</sub>	133°		95°		99°		322°	70°	72°	
671b	K <sub>5G1</sub>	91°		90°		100°		295°	285°	100°	
794	K <sub>5G1</sub>	134°		95°		74°		351°	280°	71°	



Earthquake		Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moon's	Angle	
No.	District	E	S	E	M	S	M	Direction	Direction	E	SM
408	L	85°		76°		25°		124°	99°	25°	
452b	L	46°		62°		32°		328°	287°	41°	
596	L	99°		56°		148°		114°	319°	25°	
765	L	119°		122°		12°		208°	223°	15°	
283	M <sub>1</sub>	52°		66°		80°		310°	48°	82°	
378	M <sub>1</sub>	88°		78°		28°		238°	35°	23°	
557	M <sub>1</sub>	56°		88°		50°		83°	298°	35°	
568b	M <sub>1</sub>	80°		78°		13°		243°	256°	13°	
586	M <sub>1</sub>	79°		78°		11°		58°	70°	12°	
586b	M <sub>1</sub>	60°		58°		11°		25°	38°	13°	
641e	M <sub>1</sub>	54°		48°		45°		357°	56°	59°	
721	M <sub>1</sub>	75°		76°		22°		338°	315°	23°	
738	M <sub>1</sub>	97°		58°		78°		62°	350°	72°	
764a	M <sub>1</sub>	100°		96°		4°		260°	262°	2°	
769	M <sub>1</sub>	54°		54°		22°		20°	48°	28°	
783	M <sub>1</sub>	81°		68°		210° 72°		24° 310°	54° 24°	50° 74°	

Earthquake No.	District	Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moon's	Angle	
		E	S	E	M	S	M	Direction	Direction	E	SM
286	H <sub>2</sub>	38°		57°		20°		270°	276°		60
352	M <sub>2</sub>	127°		110°		108°		109°	247°		420
385	M <sub>2</sub>	98°		88°		12°		246°	256°		100
394	M <sub>2</sub>	20°		97°		80°		280°	256°		34°
424	M <sub>2</sub>	78°		105°		30°		104°	96°		8°
435	M <sub>2</sub>	114°		154°		65°		264°	157°		89°
496	M <sub>2</sub>	12°		94°		88°		29°	86°		57°
518	M <sub>2</sub>	32°		67°		34°		278°	259°		19°
619b	M <sub>2</sub>	162°		155°		18°		180°	42°		42°
678	H <sub>2</sub>	90°		156°		82°		284°	3°		79°
798	H <sub>2</sub>	19°		44°		45°		191°	103°		88°
617	M <sub>3</sub>	10°		24°		15°		325°	310°		15°
705	M <sub>3</sub>	76°		90°		23°		88°	110°		22°
707	M <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	60°		39°		21°		287°	290°		3°
708	M <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	129°		85°		46°		304°	287°		17°
796b	H <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	43°		37°		7°		59°	63°		40



Earthquake		Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's	Moon's	Angle	
No.	District	E	S	E	M	S	M	Direction	Direction	E	SM
309	O	52°		147°		107°		283°	336°	53°	
392	O	70°		48°		93°		273°	273°	0°	
474	O	38°		89°		112°		281°	265°	26°	
694	O	152°		40°		55°		250°	250°	65°	
718.	O	78°		140°		144°		289°	309°	20°	
476	P	122°		106°		43°		23°	338°	45°	
569	P	105°		100°		69°		357°	285°	72°	
571	P	37°		70°		102°		107°	259°	28°	
572	P	60°		48°		85°		87°	217°	50°	
700	P	108°		85°		68°		50°	296°	66°	
502	PE <sub>1</sub>	36°		71°		46°		232°	271°	39°	
364	Q	38°		109°		70°		91°	55°	36°	
534	Q	45°		71°		41°		123°	85°	38°	
570 <sup>Δ</sup>	Q	44°		66°		107°		65°	268°	23°	
599	Q	25°		144°		14°		30°	49°	19°	

Earthquake No.	District	Angle		Angle		Angle		Sun's Direction	Moon's Direction	Angle		
		E	S	E	M	S	M			E	SM	
789b	Q	82°		116°		60°		70°		311°		61°
703	Uncertain											



TABLE III.

Angles between the earthquake centres and the sun's zenith positions.

Degrees	0 10	11 20	21 30	31 40	41 50	51 60	61 70	71 80	81 90	Total
Group	Numbers of Earthquakes.									
A <sub>1</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	5	8	20
A <sub>2</sub>	-	-	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	6
A <sub>2B</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
B	-	2	-	1	3	4	2	-	2	14
BD <sub>1</sub>	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2
C <sub>1</sub>	2	-	2	3	2	1	2	-	1	13
C <sub>2</sub>	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	2	-	4
D <sub>1</sub>	-	-	1	3	-	-	1	1	-	6
D <sub>2</sub>	-	-	3	2	-	-	1	-	1	7
D <sub>1</sub> D <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
E <sub>1</sub>	-	-	2	2	1	5	3	3	2	16
E <sub>2</sub>	-	-	3	-	1	-	2	-	1	7
E <sub>3</sub>	-	2	-	3	2	4	4	8	1	24
E <sub>123</sub>	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
F <sub>1</sub>	2	4	2	4	2	6	3	5	6	34
F <sub>2</sub>	3	1	2	-	-	1	2	2	-	11
F <sub>3</sub>	-	1	3	2	1	-	2	1	1	11
F <sub>1</sub> F <sub>3</sub>	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	3
F <sub>1</sub> F <sub>1</sub>	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
G <sub>1</sub>	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	1	-	5
G <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	1	2	-	3	-	1	7
G <sub>1</sub> G <sub>2</sub>	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
H	-	-	1	1	2	2	4	3	1	14
J	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2

Degrees	0 10	11 20	21 30	31 40	41 50	51 60	61 70	71 80	81 90	Total
---------	---------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	-------

Group                      Numbers of Earthquakes.

K <sub>1</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3	4	10
K <sub>2</sub>	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	2	4
K <sub>3</sub>	-	1	-	1	1	2	-	3	2	10
K <sub>4</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	1	4
K <sub>5</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	3
K <sub>6</sub>	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	3
K <sub>7</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
K <sub>123</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2	1	5
K <sub>1A1</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
K <sub>23</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
K <sub>501</sub>	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	1	4
L	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	4
M <sub>1</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	4	3	12
M <sub>2</sub>	-	4	-	2	-	1	1	1	2	11
M <sub>3</sub>	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
M <sub>2</sub> <sup>H</sup> <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	3
O	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	-	5
P	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	2	-	5
PH <sub>1</sub>	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Q	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>312</b>



TABLE IV.

Angles between the earthquake centres and the moon's zenith positions.

Degrees	0	11	21	31	41	51	61	71	81	Total
	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	
Groups	Numbers of Earthquakes.									
A <sub>1</sub>	-	-	-	1	3	4	4	5	3	20
A <sub>2</sub>	-	1	1	-	2	1	2	-	1	8
A <sub>2</sub> <sup>B</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2
B	1	2	1	3	1	-	3	2	1	14
BD <sub>1</sub>	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
C <sub>1</sub>	2	1	2	4	-	2	-	1	1	13
C <sub>2</sub>	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	4
D <sub>1</sub>	-	2	1	-	2	-	-	-	1	6
D <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-	2	1	3	1	-	7
D <sub>1</sub> <sup>D<sub>2</sub></sup>	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
E <sub>1</sub>	-	-	-	1	3	4	4	1	5	18
E <sub>2</sub>	-	1	-	3	-	1	-	2	-	7
E <sub>3</sub>	1	-	4	4	7	2	3	2	1	24
E <sub>123</sub>	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
F <sub>1</sub>	-	2	5	7	5	3	3	2	7	34
F <sub>2</sub>	-	3	1	-	-	3	1	-	3	11
F <sub>3</sub>	1	2	2	1	2	-	1	2	-	11
F <sub>1</sub> <sup>E<sub>2</sub></sup>	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	3
F <sub>1</sub> <sup>H<sub>1</sub></sup>	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
G <sub>1</sub>	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	1	5
G <sub>2</sub>	-	1	-	2	1	-	-	2	1	7
G <sub>1</sub> <sup>G<sub>2</sub></sup>	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
H	-	-	1	-	4	2	4	2	1	14



Degree	0	11	21	31	41	51	61	71	81	Total
	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	

Group	Numbers of Earthquakes.									
-------	-------------------------	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

J	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	2
K <sub>1</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	6	10
K <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	4
K <sub>3</sub>	-	2	-	-	2	2	2	1	1	10
K <sub>4</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	4
K <sub>5</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	3
K <sub>6</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	3
K <sub>7</sub>	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	2
K <sub>123</sub>	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	2	5
K <sub>1A1</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
K <sub>23</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
K <sub>5G1</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	4
L	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	4
M <sub>1</sub>	-	-	-	-	1	3	2	4	2	12
M <sub>2</sub>	-	-	3	-	1	1	2	1	3	11
M <sub>3</sub>	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
M <sub>2H2</sub>	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	3
O	-	-	-	3	2	-	-	-	1	5
P	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	2	5
PH <sub>1</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Q	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	1	-	5
Totals	5	19	24	36	44	42	52	38	52	312



TABLE V.

Angles between the sun and moon at the times of occurrence of the earthquakes.

Degrees	0 10	11 20	21 30	31 40	41 50	51 60	61 70	71 80	81 90	Total
Group	Numbers of earthquakes.									
A <sub>1</sub>	2	2	1	2	3	2	4	4	-	20
A <sub>2</sub>	1	-	3	2	1	-	-	-	1	8
A <sub>2</sub> <sup>B</sup>	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
B	1	2	1	1	2	3	3	4	1	14
BD <sub>1</sub>	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2
C <sub>1</sub>	1	1	-	2	2	2	2	1	2	13
C <sub>2</sub>	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	4
D <sub>1</sub>	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	6
D <sub>2</sub>	1	-	-	3	3	2	-	-	-	8
D <sub>1</sub> D <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
E <sub>1</sub>	1	-	3	2	2	2	2	4	2	18
E <sub>2</sub>	-	-	2	2	1	1	1	-	-	7
E <sub>3</sub>	3	1	4	3	6	1	2	2	2	24
E <sub>1</sub> E <sub>2</sub> E <sub>3</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
F <sub>1</sub>	6	4	4	3	5	2	3	6	1	34
F <sub>2</sub>	2	3	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	11
F <sub>3</sub>	1	2	-	3	4	-	-	1	1	12
F <sub>1</sub> F <sub>3</sub>	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	3
F <sub>1</sub> F <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
G <sub>1</sub>	-	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
G <sub>2</sub>	1	2	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	7
G <sub>1</sub> G <sub>2</sub>	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
H	2	1	3	1	3	-	-	2	2	14



Degrees	0	11	21	31	41	51	61	71	81	Total
	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	

Group	Numbers of Earthquakes.									
J	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
K <sub>1</sub>	-	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10
K <sub>2</sub>	2	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	8
K <sub>3</sub>	-	1	2	1	-	3	1	2	2	10
K <sub>4</sub>	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	4
K <sub>5</sub>	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	3
K <sub>6</sub>	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	3
K <sub>7</sub>	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2
K <sub>123</sub>	-	-	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	5
K <sub>23</sub>	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
K <sub>5</sub> <sup>G</sup> <sub>1</sub>	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	4
K <sub>1</sub> <sup>A</sup> <sub>1</sub>	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
L	-	2	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	4
M <sub>1</sub>	1	3	4	-	1	-	-	3	-	12
M <sub>2</sub>	-	3	1	1	1	-	1	2	2	11
M <sub>3</sub>	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
M <sub>2</sub> <sup>E</sup> <sub>2</sub>	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	3
O	-	-	-	2	-	1	2	1	-	5
P	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	1	1	5
PH <sub>1</sub>	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Q	-	1	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	5
Uncertain	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Totals	33	39	43	34	50	28	31	37	21	316



Degrees	0	11	21	31	41	51	61	71	81	Total
	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	
Group	Members of Earthquakes.									
J	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
K <sub>1</sub>	1	3	1	0	2	1	0	1	1	10
K <sub>2</sub>	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
K <sub>3</sub>	1	0	2	2	0	0	2	1	2	10
K <sub>4</sub>	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
K <sub>5</sub>	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
K <sub>6</sub>	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
K <sub>7</sub>	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
K <sub>123</sub>	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5
K <sub>1</sub> <sup>A</sup> <sub>1</sub>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
K <sub>23</sub>	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
K <sub>5</sub> <sup>G</sup> <sub>1</sub>	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	4
L	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
M <sub>1</sub>	1	3	3	1	0	1	0	2	1	12
M <sub>2</sub>	3	1	0	1	2	1	0	1	2	11
M <sub>3</sub>	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
M <sub>2</sub> <sup>H</sup> <sub>2</sub>	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
O	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	5
P	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	5
PH <sub>1</sub>	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Q	0	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	5
Totals	80	50	49	20	28	23	17	26	19	312



Degrees	0	11	21	31	41	51	61	71	81	Total
	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	

Group	Numbers of Earthquakes.									
-------	-------------------------	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

J	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
K <sub>1</sub>	1	3	1	0	2	1	0	1	1	10
K <sub>2</sub>	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
K <sub>3</sub>	1	0	2	2	0	0	2	1	2	10
K <sub>4</sub>	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
K <sub>5</sub>	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
K <sub>6</sub>	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
K <sub>7</sub>	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
K <sub>123</sub>	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5
K <sub>1</sub> A <sub>1</sub>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
K <sub>23</sub>	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
K <sub>5</sub> A <sub>1</sub>	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	4
L	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
M <sub>1</sub>	1	3	3	1	0	1	0	2	1	12
M <sub>2</sub>	3	1	0	1	2	1	0	1	2	11
M <sub>3</sub>	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
M <sub>2</sub> <sup>R</sup> <sub>2</sub>	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
O	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	5
P	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	5
PE <sub>1</sub>	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Q	0	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	5
Totals	80	50	49	20	28	23	17	26	19	312





UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY LIBRARY



000000601994555