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The ancients looked upon thunder and lightning as an attribute of Deity, beyond the ken of the human intellect, and that whatever it might be, its control was exclusively the province of their chief gods, Jehovah, Jupiter, Thor or Ptah, who so carefully guarded the secrets of its nature or rules of action that it would be both useless and impious for man to attempt to find out the properties of electricity, or the laws, if there were any save the wills of the gods, that controlled its actions or explained its manifestations. The idea that puny man could penetrate the guarded chambers of the gods, find out the properties of electricity, drag it down from the sky, tame it like a wild horse, and make it as we now do man's servant to bear his messages under oceans and across continents, light his dwellings and streets, turn the wheels in great factories, drive great war ships and freight carriers across oceans and up and down rivers, unyoke the patient ox or nervous horse from the plow and take their places in the furrows, never entered the brains of the ancient philosophers.

Greece and Rome had been dead for centuries when Gilbert, of Colchester England, published the first book on electricity in 1600 A. D. in which for the first time the word electricity was used, and was the first to suggest that electricity might be a force of nature, a moving power. In 1760, one hundred sixty years after Gilbert's suggestion Benjamin Franklin made the first conductor of electricity. Seventy two years after Franklin's discovery, Samule Morse of Massachusetts, conceived the notion that electricity could be made the servant of man in transmitting his thoughts, and eleven years thereafter in 1843 he built a telegraph line from Washington D. C. to Baltimore Maryland. There are now at least 250,000 miles of telegraph poles in the United States on which are stretch over 3,000,000 miles of wire. In 1902 there were 2,445,750 miles of telephone wires in use in the United States.

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