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BABYLON, with all nations, has but recently had its site her great walls rescued from oblivion by an indefatigable antiquarian. The temple and statue fourteen miles of the Olympian Zeus rely upon history square, her alone for evidence of their magnificence temple of Be— even of their existence. The pharos lus, her palaces of Alexandria exists today only in the and her hang- form of thousands of its descendants, ing gardens, which whose gleaming lights warn mariners to were reckoned by beware of the dangers of rock-bound the Greeks as be- coasts. Of all the "seven wonders" of ing among the the ancients, but one remains—the pyr- "seven wonders of amids, which tower above the sands of the world," has for Egypt—to bear witness to all genera- centuries been but tions, of the thousands of human lives mounds of debris sacrificed in their construction, at once upon an open plain. the most ancient and enduring work of

The huge colossus, which, with giant human hands upon the surface of the stride, guarded the harbor of Rhodes, globe. The great wall of China, stretch- has not cast a shadow upon the water ing its huge length of masonry a dis- for two thousand years, for half of which tance of twelve hundred and fifty miles period not a fragment of it has been through the heart of Asia, upon whose seen. The temple of Diana, at once the construction seven millions of men were glory and pride of Ephesus, and the engaged for a whole decade, one-half mil- wonder of the civilized world, which oc- lion of whom gave up their lives as a sac- cupied two centuries in its construction, rifice to the great work, which is fairly and received contributions of material entitled to be classed as an eighth "won- from more than one hundred kings, has der," also remains to tell us of the great been a thing of the past for sixteen cen- engineering works of ancient times. turies. The tomb of Mausolus, for a But these works of older civilizations, thousand years marvelous in the eyes of from a scientific point of view, are insig-