TIMES OF OCCURRENCE OF EARTHQUAKES AT TELEGRAPH STATIONS IN CENTRAL JAPAN.

By W. B. MASON.

[Read March 7th, 1890.]

Every day at 12 noon a signal is sent to Telegraph stations throughout Japan from the Central Office in Tokyo. At all stations on the main circuit standard time is consequently accurately known. But the stations on branch lines, to which the signal is transmitted by manual operation from where the branch line leaves the main circuit, cannot be regarded as possessing the time at all accurately. And clearly, to satisfactorily time the occurrence of an earthquake as it is felt at different localities. we must have accurately compared clocks at these localities. But besides this doubt in several cases as to the accuracy of the time record, there is further the personal difficulty of accurately timing the earthquake. The telegraph clerks, whose services were employed, had no instruments. Some might note the beginning, some the end of an earthquake—others again might All those various sources take the instant of severest shock. of uncertainty are present in the observations under discussion. Yet some results seem deducible from what are still meagre statistics. Thus of the 151 earthquakes recorded in Tokyo during the interval, only 89 were felt at the other telegraph Some of those which were felt at all the stations seem to have been felt at almost exactly the same instant. other words there was no indication of a progression of the earthquake from point to point.

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For example, the times recorded of the earthquake of the 2nd August, 1889, which was felt over a wide area, are as follows:—

Yokohama	10.20.0	a.m.
Chiba	10.20.0	a.m.
Utsunomiya	10.20.0	a.m.
Hachioji	10.21.0	a.m.
Takasaki		
Shirakawa	10.21.0	a.m.
Tokyo	10.21.6	a.m.

The earthquake of the 7th October, 1889, recorded only at Tokyo and Hakodate, shows a difference in the times of occurrence of but 18 seconds, and while the observations also show that several earthquakes were felt over the large extent of country between those places, others apparently having their origin near Shirakawa in the Prefecture of Iwaki are almost confined to that locality.

Only those earthquakes recorded by the Gray-Milne Seismograph at the Observatory in Tokyo and noted by the Telegraph Stations are entered in the accompanying list. Details of those not observed beyond Tokyo may be found in the Catalogue of Earthquakes issued by the Meteorological Bureau and in the Society's publications.

EARTHQUAKES RECORDED AT TELEGRAPH STATIONS IN CENTRAL AND NORTHERN JAPAN,

FROM 11TH AUGUST, 1888, TO 31ST DEC., 1889.

Place,	Date.	Time shown by clock at time of Signal.	Clock corrected.	Time shown at time of Earthquake.	Remarks.
	1888.				
Choshi	11th Aug.	11.58.30	Yes	9.31.55 a.m.	
Tokio	12th Aug.	observatory		11.42.27 a.m.	
Odawara	12th Aug.			11.42.17 a.m.	No signal
Chiba	12th Aug.			11.41.10 a.m.	
Utsunomiya.	12th Aug.			11.40.50 a.m.	No signal
Shirakawa	12th Aug.			11.44.00 a.m.	No signal
Sendai	12th Aug.			11.40.40 a.m.	No signal
Tokio	17th Aug.	observatory		3.49.50 a.m.	
Shirakawa	17th Aug.	12.00.20	Yes	3.49.20 a.m.	
Utsunomiya.	17th Aug.	12.00.00	No	3.49.30 a.m.	
Chiba	17th Aug.	11.57.00	Yes	3.50.55 a.m.	
Sendai	24th Aug.	12.00.10	Yes	9.15.00 p.m.	
Tokio	11th Sept.	observatory		8.34.54 a.m.	
Yokohama	11th Sept.	12.01.00	Yes	8.35.45 a.m.	
Hakodate	27th Sept.	11.59.30	Yes	11.24.30 a.m.	
Tokio	28th Sept.	observatory		7.05.21 a.m.	
Chiba	28th Sept.	12.00.00	Yes	7.06.10 a.m.	
Shirakawa	30th Sept.			7.20.10?	No signal
Choshi	19th Oct.	12.00.50	Yes	3.15.00 a.m.	
Tokio	20th Oct.	observatory	— '	6.15.16 a.m.	
Choshi	20th Oct.	12.20.00	Yes	6.14.00 a.m.	
Chiba	20th Oct.	12.00.00	Yes	6.10.40 a.m.	
Yokohama	20th Oct.	12.00.11	Yes	6.15.00 a.m.	- '
Utsunomiya.	20th Oct.	12.00.00	No	6.14.30 a.m.	
Shirakawa	22nd Oct.	11.59.10	Yes	6.39.20?	
Tokio	2nd Nov.	observatory		1.48.01 p.m.	
Yokohama	2nd Nov.	12.00.00	No	1.47.00 p.m.	
Takasaki	2nd Nov.	12.00.00	Yes	1.48.30 p.m.	
Utsunomiya.	2nd Nov.	12.00.00	No	1.46.30 p.m.	
Sendai	2nd Nov.		Yes		
Shirakawa	2nd Nov.	11.59.40	Yes		
Takasaki	2nd Nov.		Yes	8.51.20 p.m.	
Tokio	3rd Nov.	observatory		8.13.33 a.m.	
Yokohama	3rd Nov.	12.00.00	No	8.15.30 a.m.	
Choshi	3rd Nov.	11.59.10	Yes	8.12.50 a.m.	
Chiba	3rd Nov.	12.00.00	Yes	8.17.30 a.m.	
Tokio	3rd Nov.			0.51.14 a.m.	
Chiba	3rd Nov.		Yes		
Tokio	5th Nov.			4.22.55 a.m.	
Chiba	5th Nov.	12.00.00	Yes	4.20.00 a.m.	1

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Place.	Da	te.	Time shown by clock at time	Clock corrected.	Time shown at time of Earthquake.	Remarks.
			of Signal.	08	•	
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Hakodate	5th	Nov.	11.58.30	Yes		
Hakodate		Nov.			3.37.00 p.m.	
Tokio	ł .	Nov.	1	37.	4.38.37 p.m.	
Hakodate		Nov.		Yes	4.47.30 p.m.	
Tokio		Nov.		37.00	10.27.34 p.m.	
Hakodate Sendai		Nov.	11.59.40		10.24.00 p.m.	
		Nov.	11.59.20	Yes	11.58.00 p.m.	one minute. Very strong.
Tokio	20th	Nov.	observatory		0.53.29 a.m.	
Shirakawa	20th	Nov.	12.00.00	No	0.53.40 a.m.	
Tokio	22nd	Nov.	observatory		1.27.43 p.m.	
Sendai	22nd	Nov.	11.58.25	Yes	1.25.00 p.m.	20 secs. Very
Tokio	aub	NT	abaamatan.		0.00.00.00	strong.
Hakodate	24th			Yes	2.03.23 a.m.	
Sendai		Nov.	12.00.30	Ves	2.10.15 a.m.	A SOOS VOUS
	24th	NOV,	11.58.00	ves	1.58,00 a.m.	strong.
Utsunomiya.	24th	Nov.	11.59.30	Yes	2.02.00 a.m.	
Tokio	25th	Nov.	observatory	_	4.50.15 p.m.	1
Chiba	25th	Nov.			4.50.00 p.m.	No signal
T oko	3rd	Dec.	observatory		0.24 47 a.m.	
Yokohama	3rd	Dec.	12.00.00	No	0.26.00 a.m.	
Utsunomiya.	3rd	Dec.	11.59.45	Yes	4.06.00 a.m.	
Tokio	Ğth	Dec.			7.27.42 a.m.	
Sendai	бth	Dec.	11.59.20	Yes		
Utsunomiya.	8th	Dec.	12.00.00	No	4.15.00 a.m.	
Shirakawa	8th	Dec.	12.00.00	No.	5.05.00 a.m.	
Utsunomiya.	16th	Dec.		-	5.30.30 a.m.	No signal
Utsunomiya.	30th	Dec.			11.29.30 ?	No signal
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Tokio		Jan.	observatory		3.04.50 a.m.	
Takasaki		Jan.	_		3.05.00 a.m.	
Tokio		Jan.	observatory		7.05.30 p.m.	
Choshi	Ist	Jan.	12.00.50	Yes	, , , , , ,	1.0
Yokohama		Jan.	12.00.00	No	7.05.00 p.m.	
Hachioji		Jan.	12.00.00	No	7.07.05 p.m.	
Odawara		jan.	12.00.00	No	7.04.55 p.m.	
Chiba		Jan.	12.00.00	No	7.04.15 p.m.	severe
Utsunomiya.		Jan.			7.04.30 p.m.	
Takasaki		Jan.		_	7.07.00 p.m.	
Shirakawa	Ist	Jan.			7.10.00 p.m.	
Tokio		Jan.	observatory		7.58.06 a.m.	
Utsunomiya.	٠.	Jan.	12.00.00	No	7.58.30 a.m.	
Utsunomiya.	· ·	Jan.	12.00.00	No	2.24.20 p.m.	
Tokio		Jan.	observatory	-	8.34 o3 p.m.	
Choshi		jan.	12.01.10	Yes	8.34.55 p.m.	
Utsunomiya.	15th	Jan.	12.00.00	Νo	9.51.30 p.m.	
Shirakawa	15th .	jan.	12.00.00	No	9.52.30 p.m.	I

Place.	Date.	Time shown by clock at time of Signal.	Clock Cor- rected.	Time shown at time of Earthquake.	Remarks
	1889.	,			
Choshi	6th Feb.	12.00.00	No	3.21.00 p.m.	-
ľokio	6th Feb.	observatory		3.20.05 p.m.	-
Choshi	18th Feb.		No	6.06.00 a.m.	
Shirakawa	18th Feb.		No	6.10.00 a.m.	
Yokohama	18th Feb.		No	6.09.00 a.m.	
ľakasaki	18th Feb.		No	б.09.30 а.т.	*
Sendai	18th Feb.		No	6.08.00 a.m.	
Jtsunomiya.	18th Feb.		No	6.09.00 a.m.	
Chiba	18th Feb.		No	6.05.00 a.m.	
Tachioji	18th Feb.		No	6.10.03 a.m.	
Odawara	18th Feb.		No	6.09.35 a.m.	
Γokio	18th Feb.	observatory	No	6.09.32 a.m.	
lakodate	18th Feb.		No	8.20.00 a.m.	
Ddawara	21st Feb.	12.00.18		11.01.00 a.m.	ľ
Tokio	21st Feb.	observatory	Yes		
Zokohama	21st Feb.	12.00.00	No	5.52.23 a.m.	
	21st Feb.	i .	No		
Cokio Chiba		observatory	Yes	5.52.21 a.m.	
	4th Mar.	11.59.00		7.22.00 a.m.	
okio	14th Mar.		Yes	7.24.25 a.m.	
Shirakawa	17th Mar.	12.00.00	Yes	5.06.00 p.m.	Climbe
lakodate	28th Mar.	12.00.00	l	9.15 a. 9.40 a.	Slight
Choshi	28th Mar.	12.00.00	Yes		
Cokio	28th Mar.	J .		10.22.55 a.m.	
Chiba	28th Mar,	12.00.00	Yes	1.22.00 a.m.	
Cokio	28th Mar.	observatory	Yes	1.20.10 a.m.	
Chiba	28th Mar.	12.00.00		10.25.10 a.m.	
Chiba	28th Mar.	12.00.00	Yes	7.20.00 p.m.	
l'okio	28th Mar.	observatory	Yes	7.18.23 p.m.	
lokohama	28th Mar.	12.00.20	Yes	1.19.50 a.m.	
Zokohama	28th Mar.	12.00.20	Yes	10.23.40 a.m.	
akasaki	28th Mar.	11.58.00	Yes	1.20.30 a.m.	
Jtsunomiya.	28th Mar.	11.58.40	Yes	1.22.00 a.m.	
Odawara	28th Mar.	12.00.45	Yes	1.20 07 a.m.	
Jtsunomiya.	31st Mar.	Sunday	No	6.40.30 a.m.	
Tokio	31st Mar.	′	No	6.42.15 a.m.	
Jtsunomiya.	31st Mar.		No	6.00.00 p.m.	
akasaki	31st Mar.		No	6.42.00 a.m.	
Takasaki	31st Mar.		No	5.58.00 p.m.	
Γokio	31st Mar.	observatory	No	5.59.42 p.m.	
endai	31st Mar.	no signal	No	7.30.00 a.m.?	
Sendai	31st Mar.	signai	No	6.00.00 p.m.	
Zokohama	31st Mar.		No	6.43.00 a.m.	
Chiba	31st Mar.		No	6.42.55 a.m.	
Chiba	gist Mar.		No		
	31st Mar.		No	6.00.00 p.m.	
Choshi Shirakawa	31st Mar. 31st Mar.		No	6.41.50 a.m. 6.39.00 a.m.	
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TT 1	1889		37		
Hachioji	3rd April	11.59.00	Yes	4.28.50 p.m.	
Tokio	3rd April	observatory	Yes	4.27.21 p.m.	
Yokohama	3rd April	12.00.00	No	4.30.00 p.m.	
Chiba	3rd April	12.00.00	Yes	4.28.30 p.m.	
Yokohama	3rd April	12.00.00	No	6.42.00 p.m.	
Shirakawa	7th April	12.00.00	No	12.49.50 p.m.	
Utsunomiya.	8th April		No	12.47.00 p.m.	
Tokio	8th April	observatory	No	0.48.00 p.m.	
Sapporo	14th April	12.00.00	No	2.56.00 a.m.	
Shirakawa	17th April	12.00.00	No	9.41.20 p.m.	
Tokio	17th April	observatory	No	9.41.43 p.m.	
Chiba	18th April	12.00.00	Yes	2.18.00 p.m.	
Chiba	18th April	12.00.00	Yes	3.39.30 p.m.	
Yokohama	18th April	12.00.00	No	2.08.00 p.m.	
Tokio	18th April	observatory	No	2.07.42 p.m.	
Utsunomiya.	18th April	12.00.00	No	2.08.30 p.m.	
Odawara	18th April	11.59.23	Yes	2.08.35 p.m.	
Odawara	18th April	11.59.23	Yes	3.40.18 p.m.	
Tokio	18th April	observatory	Yes	3.39.08 p.m.	
Shirakawa	10th April	12.00.00	No	3.00.00 p.m.	
Tokio	19th April	observatory	No		
Hakodate	19th April	11.58.45	Yes	.3.00.27 p.m.	1
Shirakawa	28th April	11.30.43	No	7.43.00 p.m.	1
Sendai	28th April		No	3.08.00 a.m.	İ
Tokio		observatore	No	3.07.00 a.m.	-
C1 1:	28th April	observatory	No	3.07.43 a.m.	
	28th April	¥0.00.00	No	3.15.10 a.m.	
Yokohama	6th May	12.00.00	Yes	11.41.00 p.m.	
Utsunomiya.	6th May	12.02.00		11.43.00 p.m.	İ
Tokio	6th May	observatory	Yes	11.41.41 p.m.	\ ·
Shirakawa	11th May	12.00.00	No	3.00.30 a.m.	
Utsunomiya.	13th May	11.55.00	Yes	5,45.00 a.m.	1.0
Utsunomiya.	14th May	11.59.30	Yes	6 49.00 a.m.	
Yokohama	17th May	12.00.00	No	1.49.00 p.m.	
Tokio	17th May	observatory	No	1.46.32 p.m.	
Shirakawa	20th May	12.00.00	No	2.25.00 p.m.	
Utsunomiya.	30th May	12.00.00	No	10.29.30 p.m.	
Γ okio	30th May	observatory	No	10.27.22 p.m.	1
Shirakawa	1st June	12.00.00	No	6.14.30 p.m.	
ľokio	ıst June	observatory	No	6.15.21 p.m.	
Shirakawa	3rd June	12.00.00	No	1.52.25 p.m.	
Shirakawa	3rd June	12.00.00	No	1.59.45 p.m.	
Choshi	3rd June	11.58.30	Yes	1.59.10 p.m.	
Tokio	3rd June	observatory	Yes	1.56.30 p.m.	\ · ·
Utsunomiya.	14th June	12.00.00	No	12.25.00 p.m.	
Tokio	14th June	observatory	No		
\sim 1 · · · ·	15th June		Yes	0.26.41 p.m.	
	reib Inno	12.00.52	Vo	10.07.30 a.m.	
Tokio	15th June	observatory	x es	10.10.02 a.m.	l

Place.	Date.	Time shown at time of Signal.	Clock Cor- rected.	Time shown at time of Earthquake,	Remarks.
Notes bearing	1889		No	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	
Yokohama	16th June	12.00.00		3.30.00 p.m.	
Choshi	20th June	12.02.00	Yes	9.50.50 p.m.	
Takasaki	20th June	11.59.00	Yes No	9.52.00 p.m.	
Utsunomiya.	20th June	12.00.00		9.50.00 p.m.	
Shirakawa	20th June	12.01.15	Yes	9.50.50 p.m.	
Chiba	20th June	11.58.00	Yes	9.48.00 p.m.	
Yokohama	20th June 20th June	12.00.00	No No	9.49.00 p.m.	
Tokio		observatory	No	9.51.10 p.m.	Sunday
Utsunomiya.	30th June	** ***	Yes	1.05.30 p.m.	Sunday.
Utsunomiya.	3rd July	11.59.30	No	5.40.00 p.m.	
Utsunomiya.	18th July	12.00,00	No	10.32.00 p.m.	
Tokio	18th July	observatory	Yes	10.33.18 p.m.	
Utsunomiya.	19th July	11.59.30			
Hakodate	22nd July	11.55.00		11.52.00 p.m?	
Chiba	29th July	11.51.00	Yes		
Chiba	2nd Aug.	11.58.00	Ves	10.20.00 a.m.	
Hachioji	2nd Aug.	12.01.20		10.21.00 a.m.	
Takasaki	2nd Aug.	12.00.00	No	10.21.00 a.m.	
Shirakawa	and Aug.	12.00.00	No	10.21.00 a.m.	
Yokohama	2nd Aug.	12.00.00	No	10.21.00 a.m.	
Utsunomiya.	2nd Aug.	12.00.00	No	10.20.00 a.m.	
Tokio	2nd Aug.	observatory	No	10.21.06 a.m.	
C hiba	5th Aug.	11.52.00	Yes	, , ,	
Hakodate	5th Aug.	12.00.00	No	7.35.00 a.m.	
Hakodate	5th Aug.	12.00.00	No	7.37.00 a.m.	
Tokio	5th Aug.	observatory		7.34.56 a.m.	
Hachioji	26th Aug.	12.00.05	Yes	0 0	
Chiba	26th Aug.	11.59.00	Yes		
Tokio	26th Aug.	observatory	No No	3.27.13 p.m.	
Yokohama	26th Aug.	12.00.00	No	3.28.02 p.m.	
Shirakawa	3rd Sept.	12.00.00		7.21.00 p.m.	
Sapporo	7th Sept.	12.00.30	Yes	1 10	
Hakodate	8th Sept.	Sunday	No	1.46 to 1.49 a.	
Shirakawa	Ioth Sept.	12.00.00	No	7.08.40 p.m.	
Shirakawa	11th Sept.	12.00.00	No No	7.40.00 p.m.	
Utsunomiya.		12.00.00		7.13.30 p.m.	
Tokio	11th Sept.	observatory	1	7.14.03 p.m.	
Utsunomiya.	16th Sept.	12.00.00	No	6.38.30 a.m.	
Yokohama	16th Sept.	12.00.00	No	6.38.00 a.m.	
Chiba	16th Sept.	12.00.00	Yes	1 2 2	
Odawara	16th Sept.	12.02.03	Yes Yes		
Tokio	16th Sept.	observatory		1 20,0	
Shirakawa	6th Oct.	12.00.00	No	8.49.50 p.m.	
Hakodate	7th Oct.	12.00.00	No	7.41.00 p.m.	
Tokio	7th Oct.	observatory		7.41.18 p.m.	
Hakodate		12.00.00	No	7.12.40 p.m.	
Odawara `	13th Oct.		1110	10.53.00 p.m.	

Place. Date. Time shown at time of Signal. Date. Time shown at time of Signal. Date. Time shown at time of Earthquake. Remarks.
Utsunomiya. 13th Oct. Shirakawa 13th Oct. Takasaki 13th Oct. Chiba 13th Oct. Chiba 14th Oct. Tokio 14th Oct. Tokio 14th Oct. Observatory Yes 11.05.00 p.m.
Utsunomiya. 13th Oct. Shirakawa 13th Oct. Takasaki 13th Oct. Chiba 13th Oct. Chiba 14th Oct. Tokio 14th Oct. Tokio 14th Oct. Observatory Yes 11.05.00 p.m.
Shirakawa 13th Oct. — No 10.52.00 p.m. Takasaki 13th Oct. — No 10.52.00 p.m. Chiba 13th Oct. — Yes 11.10.00 p.m. Chiba 14th Oct. 11.58.00 No 11.02.10 p.m. Tokio 14th Oct. Observatory Yes 11.05.00 p.m.
Takasaki 13th Oct. — No 10.48.00 p.m. Chiba 13th Oct. — Yes 11.10.00 p.m. Chiba 14th Oct. 11.58.00 No 11.02.10 p.m. Observatory Yes 11.05.00 p.m.
Chiba 13th Oct. — Yes 11.10.00 p.m. No 11.02.10 p.m. Tokio 14th Oct. observatory Yes 11.05.00 p.m.
Chiba 14th Oct. 11.58.00 No 11.02.10 p.m. Tokio 14th Oct. observatory Yes 11.05.00 p.m.
Tokio 14th Oct. observatory Yes 11.05.00 p.m.
Yokohama 14th Oct. 12.00.00 No 10.48.00 p.m.
Tokio 14th Oct. observatory No 10.50.24 p.m.
Hakodate 23rd Oct. 12.00.00 No 8.48.00 p.m.
Hakodate 23rd Oct. 12.00.00 No 11.41.00 p.m.
Hakodate 24th Oct. 12.00.00 No 2.33.00 a.m. }
Hakodate 26th Oct. 11.56.00 Yes 7.21.00 p.m.
Odawara 28th Oct. 12.02.30 Yes 2.16.50 a.m.
Yokohama 28th Oct. — No 2.13.00 a.m.
Tokio 28th Oct. observatory No 2.16.52 a.m.
Utsunomiya. 28th Oct. 11.58.30 Yes 2.16.00 a.m.
Sapporo 11th Nov. 12.00.00 No 6.46.00 ?
Utsunomiya. 15th Nov. 11.59.45 Yes 8.45.00 p.m.
Shirakawa 15th Nov. 11.58.00 Yes 8.47.55 p.m.
Tokio 15th Nov. observatory Yes 8.48.40 p.m.
Utsunomiya. 20th Nov. 12.00.00 No 12.56.00 a.m.
Tokio 20th Nov. observatory No 0.56.34 a.m.
Utsunomiya. 21st Nov. 12.02.40 Yes 2.08.00 a.m.
Shirakawa 26th Nov. 12.01.00 Yes 4.46 00 p.m.
Shirakawa 9th Dec. 11.59 40 Yes 3.01.40 p.m.
Yokohama 28th Dec. 12.00.00 No 10.13.00 p.m.
Hachioji 28th Dec. 11.59.00 Yes 10.15.20 p.m.
Tokio 28th Dec. observatory Yes 10.17.55 p.m.
Odawara 31st Dec. 12.00.35 Yes 1.05.15 p.m.
Yokohama 31st Dec. 12.00.00 No 1.06.05 p.m.
Chiba 31st Dec. 12.02.00 Yes 1.05.17 p.m.
Tokio 31st Dec. observatory Yes 1.05.13 p.m.
Shirakawa 31st Dec. 12.00.00 No 1.07.00 p.m.
Utsunomiya. 31st Dec. 12.10.00 Yes 1.07.00 p.m.
Hachioji 31st Dec. 11.58.40 Yes 1.16.10 p.m.

Discussion.

Professor Milne remarked that the best thanks of the Society were due to the Telegraph Bureau for the manner in which the project had been taken up by them. There was a special scientific importance attached to observations of the kind that Mr. Mason had just discussed. By them we might reasonably

hope to get a true estimate of the velocity of transmission of seismic disturbances. From this velocity we could then calculate the elastic constants involved and settle many a problem in the physics of the earth's crust. So far, a great deal of guesswork had necessarily characterised calculations in this direction. The 62 Tokyo earthquakes which were not noted at the telegraph stations were doubtless not felt there. It was another illustration of the relatively great seismic activity in the region near Tokyo. If subsequent research should establish the fact that earthquakes are practically simultaneous over a large area, it would be an interesting point, and would considerably alter our views as to how certain earthquakes originate.

