

GREEK EARTHQUAKE.

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Nature has struck and once again has shown her naked power. And once again in the face of calamity, men of many nations have shown their capacity for co-operation in the noble task of helping the victims.

And while that work goes on, the sympathy of all is extended to the people of these stricken islands. Once peaceful in their sunshine, they lie beneath a pall of death. - death that came in its most horrifying form when their world collapsed about them.

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