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REVEALING THE PAST - Excewating the ancient city of Herculaneum which lies below a modern town near Naples.

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Picture. :- The town of Resine is being torn down to

-- the famous ruins of Herculaneum, the ancient city

--has been buried since the year seventy-nine A.D. under the fiery ashes from--

--Mount Vesuvius. Beautiful vases are dug up, preserved by the lava, filled--

-with wheat still good--

-after 1900 years.

The bath tub designs haven't changed much since the good old days of seventy-nine.

Skilful excerning preserves original frescoes, and slowly the beautiful city takes-

-chape. Massive stone pillars of great grandeur !

This partial reconstruction just hints at the

-- city. Complete villas of delicate and novel designs are uncovered which show the talent, wealth and luxury of those past days.

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