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STILL GOING STRONG ! Thorough inspection of the Colosseum at Rome reveals that 'all's well' with the famous 18-centuries-old Amphitheatre.

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Picture.:- The ancient Colosseum at Rome gets its annual bath, wash-and-brush-up.

It is also inspected for loose stone-work and decay. Built--

--over nineteen hundred years ago, it still remains the---

--tallest building in Rome, and of course--

--the largest. When finished by Emperor Titus, it seated eighty-seven--

--thousand people. It has seen Hereulean, gladiatorial combats, and--

--the blood of many early Christians martyred for their--

--faith has stained its huge arena. Statues of most--

--emperors of the Ancient City of the Seven Hills,-- some overlords of Britain, still--

--stand in its walls. But even--

--such aristocrats occasionally require a plebian wash. Humiliating but true !