

size of the trees prove the great age of the ruins, while the monumental history of Central America tell us that this is not a new world, and we awake with astonishment that in this country there was once a great empire before David reigned over the twelve tribes of Israel, and the stumps of Cincinnati surpass in consequence the magnificent ruins of antiquity, because they are remnants of matter, in form and fashion, such as it was, before the earth perished by water, bearing on their respective tops the indubitable marks of the exertion of man at so remote a period of time.

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