ITALY Adriatic Sea Anomalous movement of the sea was observed, Riccob. Ferr., col.254; Ann. B but without any resulting damage. Caesen., p.75; Ann. Foroliv., p.59-Cron. Ramp., II, p.261. EGYPT Al-Minya The waters of the Nile parted to reveal the river Anon., Ta'rikh, pp.126-7. bed, and then came together again. Some landslides occurred in the mountains around Minya. GRETE ISLAND Cadiz F? junis 1303 August 8 60 km 23 30 25 26.30 •TURKEY .^rt-vil?« Sisfer IX»RhcKfesciiy GREECE VI-VIIf • ANTIOCH CYPRUS **LEBANOM** VII »DAMASCUS MEDITERRANEAN SEA JORDAN ALEXANDRIA VIII-VIII VII? • Al-Karak LIBYA VII? Shaubak SAUDI ARABIA Al-Minva 300 km

figg. 70a-b The line indicates the area of a second earthquake in Egypt, as suggested by El-Sayed et al. (2000) on the basis of the sole distribution of seismic effects established in Ambraseys et al. (1994) and Guidoboni and Comastri (1997). For the calculation of the magnitude a new experimental term of the "Boxer Programme" has been used (see Gasperini et al. 1999, 2004), elaborated by P.Gasperini.

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Mirabello Castle GR	35 11	25 44	X-	Ash Shawbak HKJ	30 32	35 34	VII?	
Monforte Castle GR	35 06	26 04	X	Cairo ET	30 03	31 15	VII	
Sitia Castle GR	35 13	26 08	X	Chissamo Castle G	R 35 29	23 39	VII	
Temene Castle GR	35 11	25 06	X	Damascus SYR	33 30	36 19	VII	
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Damanhur al-W. ET	30 41	31 13	IX	Methoni GR	36 49	21 42	VII?	
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Chron. Parm., p.86; Zibald. Canal, pp.99-100

literature Guidoboni and Mariotti (1997); Mariotti et al. (2000)

catalogues d. Mercalli (1883); Baratta (1901)

sources

Although this earthquake does appear in the 19th century Italian seismological tradition (Mercalli 1883, p.223; Baratta 1901, p.627), it has not reached second generation Italian catalogues up to and including Postpischl (1985), and consequently does not appear in the most recent Italian compilations. It may well have been mistaken for a doublet of the great Mediterranean earthquake of 8 August 1303 (see the preceding entry) and therefore eliminated. This earthquake has, in a sense, remained in the shadow of the great Mediterranean earthquake of August 1303. Earthquakes which occur soon after other important seismic events are either not mentioned in the sources, or if they are, they run the risk of not being recognised as separate events, and hence may be eliminated from catalogues. In this case, the earthquake is recorded in the authoritative *Chronicon Parmense*, and its occurrence is confirmed by the *Zibaldone da Canal*, an independent Venetian source.

During 1303 an earthquake caused damage in the *Marca anconitana*, that is to say in an area covering a large part of the present-day Marche region in central Italy. Many towers and houses were damaged in the towns of Senigallia and Fano on the Adriatic coast. The town hall at Fano, which had only recently been built, was badly damaged or collapsed (*si disfece*). Furthermore, an unspecified town in *Sclavania* was "reduced to ruins" (*ruinata*) and may have been Struck by a tsunami. The name "Slavonia" was used at that time to refer to an area which is now Slovenia, Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina. Bearing in mind the earthquake's effects in Italy, and the fact that a tsunami is mentioned, it is reasonable to suppose that the affected area was along the Croatian coast, that is to say in what is now central Dalmatia, including the towns of Zadar and Split. The sources do not provide a precise chronology for the event, but it can reasonably be