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Yet the relics were still precious; the plate of the cathedral weighed five thousand pounds of silver; the entire spoil was computed at one million of pieces of gold, about four hundred thousand pounds sterling, and the captives must outnumber the seventeen thousand Christians, who were transported from the sack of Tauromenium into African servitude.

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The balm-tree, which produced the opobalsamum, a great object of trade, was probably introduced from Arabia, in the time of Solomon.

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At length, however, the fury of the tempest was spent or diverted: the Abbassides returned to the less turbulent residence of Bagdad; the insolence of the Turks was curbed with a firmer and more skilful hand, and their numbers were divided and destroyed in foreign warfare. In every city the productions of Arabic literature were copied and collected by the curiosity of the studious and the vanity of the rich. And the first appearance of that work, of course,—in that evocative year of 1776—has led many to consider its significance to American history.

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The remaining nine cohorts consisted each of five hundred and fifty-five; and the whole body of legionary infantry amounted to six thousand one hundred men.

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