

Worton, Devizes, Wilts
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Sir

Earthquake changes

Being interested in
your recent opening address
I venture to draw your
attention to a great
similarity between the
the line of Earthquake
disturbance, which took
place at Colchester, West
Mersey, and other places
extending in the Westerly
direction as far as the
Bristol Channel, and
that which has recently
occurred in New Zealand
and America. —

The former was

remarkable in the fact
that following the
line of geological formation
from E. E. by N, to
N. W. by S it threw
its greatest energy on
the eastern coast and
in a line from the
Belgian Coal-field
beneath the super
strata towards the
West, ^{where it} apparently expended
it. — it may also be
noted that this line
of disturbance is almost
parallel to the supposed
fissure which is now
the British Channel

With regard to

The second point ^{is a line from} it
is singular that New
Zealand, and ~~the other~~
passing the American
coasts, recently discovered
far distant as they are
themselves almost the
same angle of deflection
from the magnetic
pole. -

I am Sir
Yours respectfully
J. Musselwhite

Sir Wm Dawson
President British Association

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