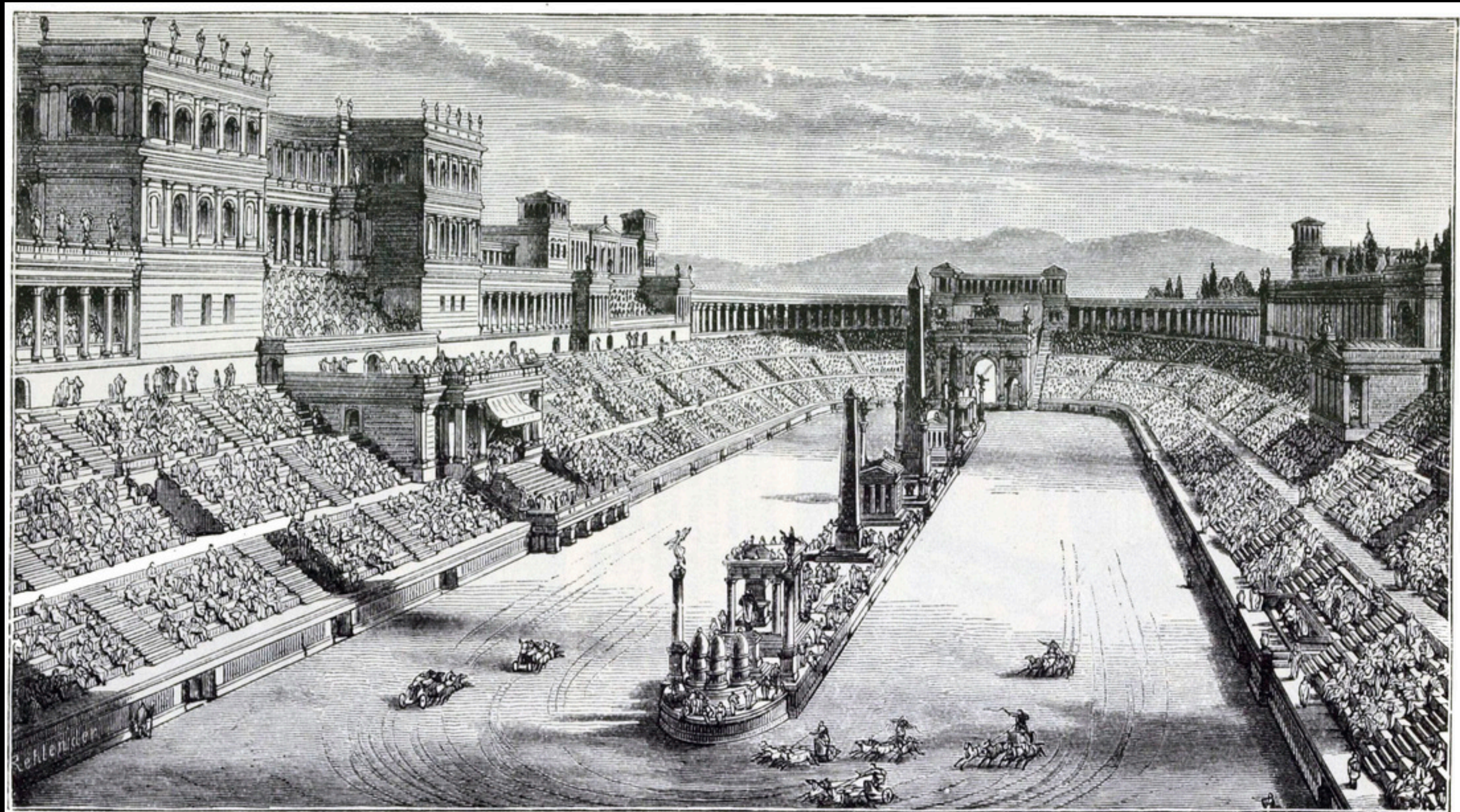


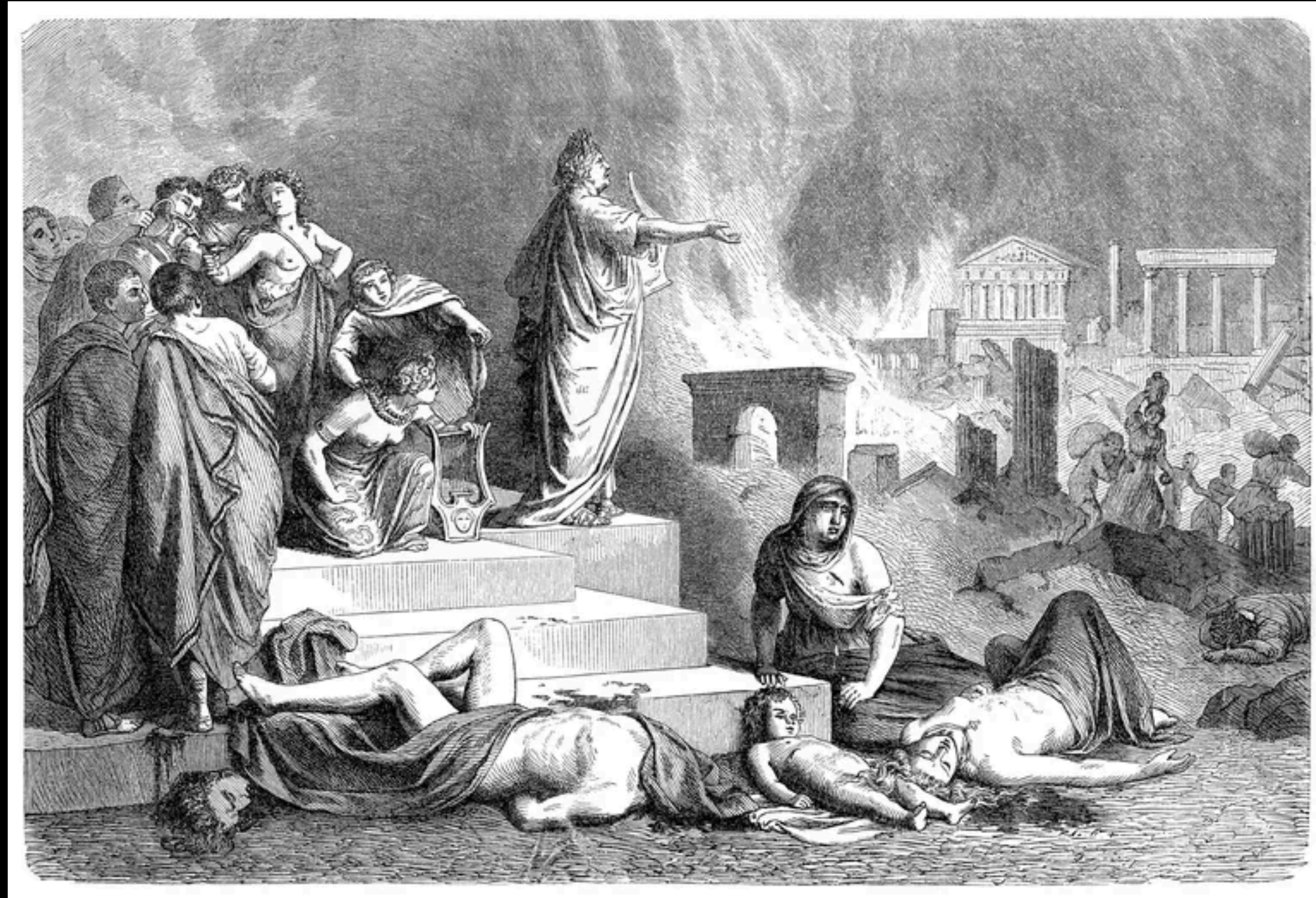
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<https://neroandthegreatfire.weebly.com/the-great-fire-of-rome.html>



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" A disaster followed, whether accidental or treacherously contrived by the emperor, is uncertain, as authors have given both accounts, worse, however, and more dreadful than any which have ever happened to this city by the violence of fire. It had its beginning in that part of the circus which adjoins the Palatine and Caelian hills, where, amid the shops containing inflammable wares, the conflagration both broke out and instantly became so fierce and so rapid from the wind that it seized in its grasp the entire length of the circus. For here there were no houses fenced in by solid masonry, or temples surrounded by walls, or any other obstacle to interpose delay. The blaze in its fury ran first through the level portions of the city, then rising to the hills, while it again devastated every place below them, it outstripped all preventive measures; so rapid was the mischief and so completely at its mercy the city, with those narrow winding passages and irregular streets, which characterised old Rome. Added to this were the wailings of terror-stricken women, the feebleness of age, the helpless inexperience of childhood, the crowds who sought to save themselves or others, dragging out the infirm or waiting for them, and by their hurry in the one case, by their delay in the other, aggravating the confusion.

Source: <https://www.thoughtco.com/nero-burning-rome-119989>

-Tacitus (Annals XV)



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Mark 1:2 just as it is written in Isaiah the prophet: “Behold, I am sending My messenger before You,

Who will prepare Your way;

Malachi 3:1 “Behold, I am sending My [a]messenger,
and he will clear a way before Me. And the Lord,
whom you are seeking, will suddenly come to His
temple; and the messenger of the covenant, in whom
you delight, behold, He is coming,” says the Lord of
armies.

Exodus 23:20 “Behold, I am going to send an angel before
you to guard you along the way and to bring you into the
place which I have prepared.

Mark 1:3 The voice of one calling out in the wilderness, ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, Make His paths
straight!”

Isaiah 40:3 The voice of one calling out,
“Clear the way for the Lord in the wilderness;
Make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

