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# Prehistory and History of the Carpathian Basin Hungary at the Cross-roads

## Past, present, future – Part I.

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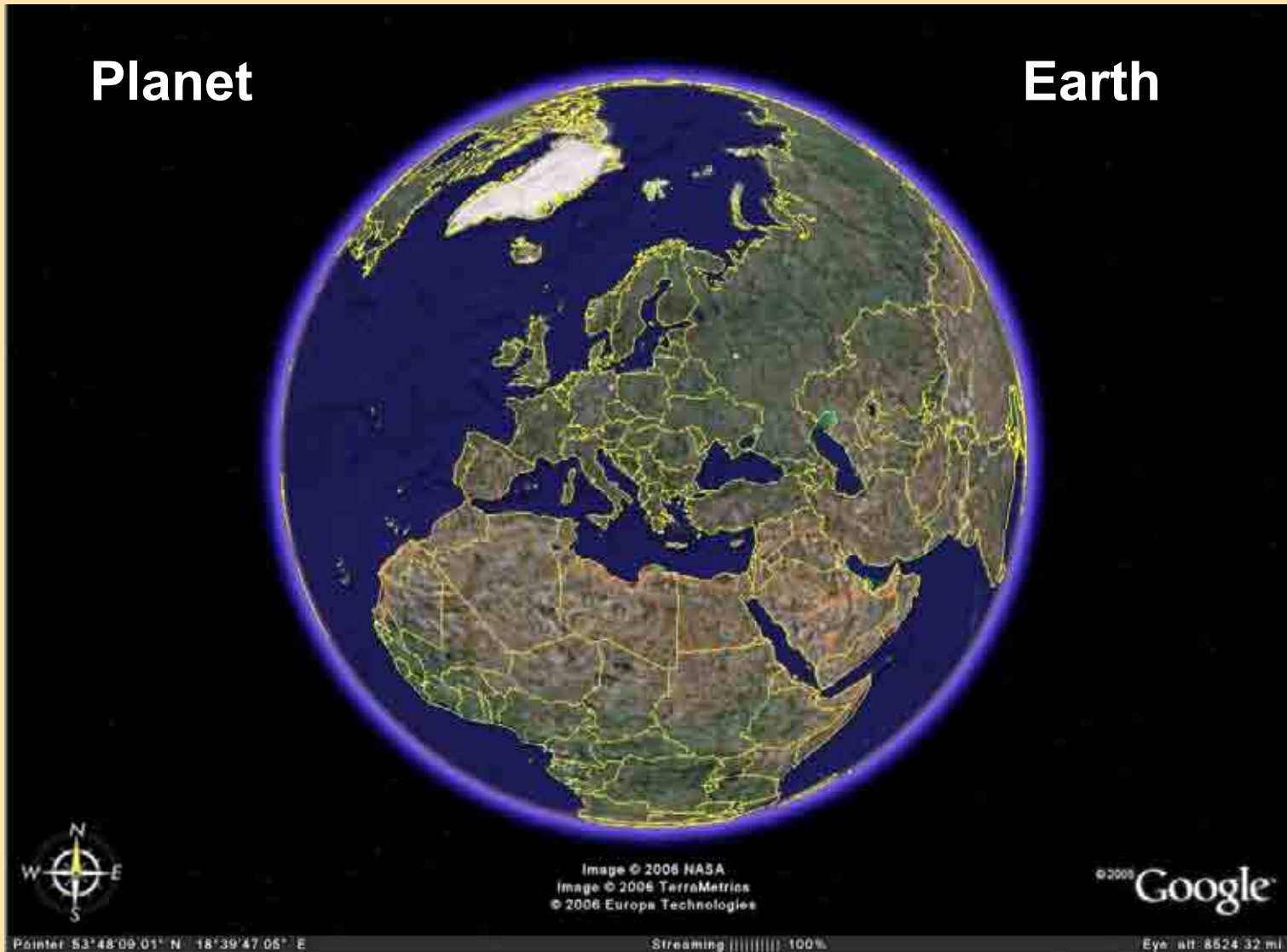
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**Carpathian  
Basin**

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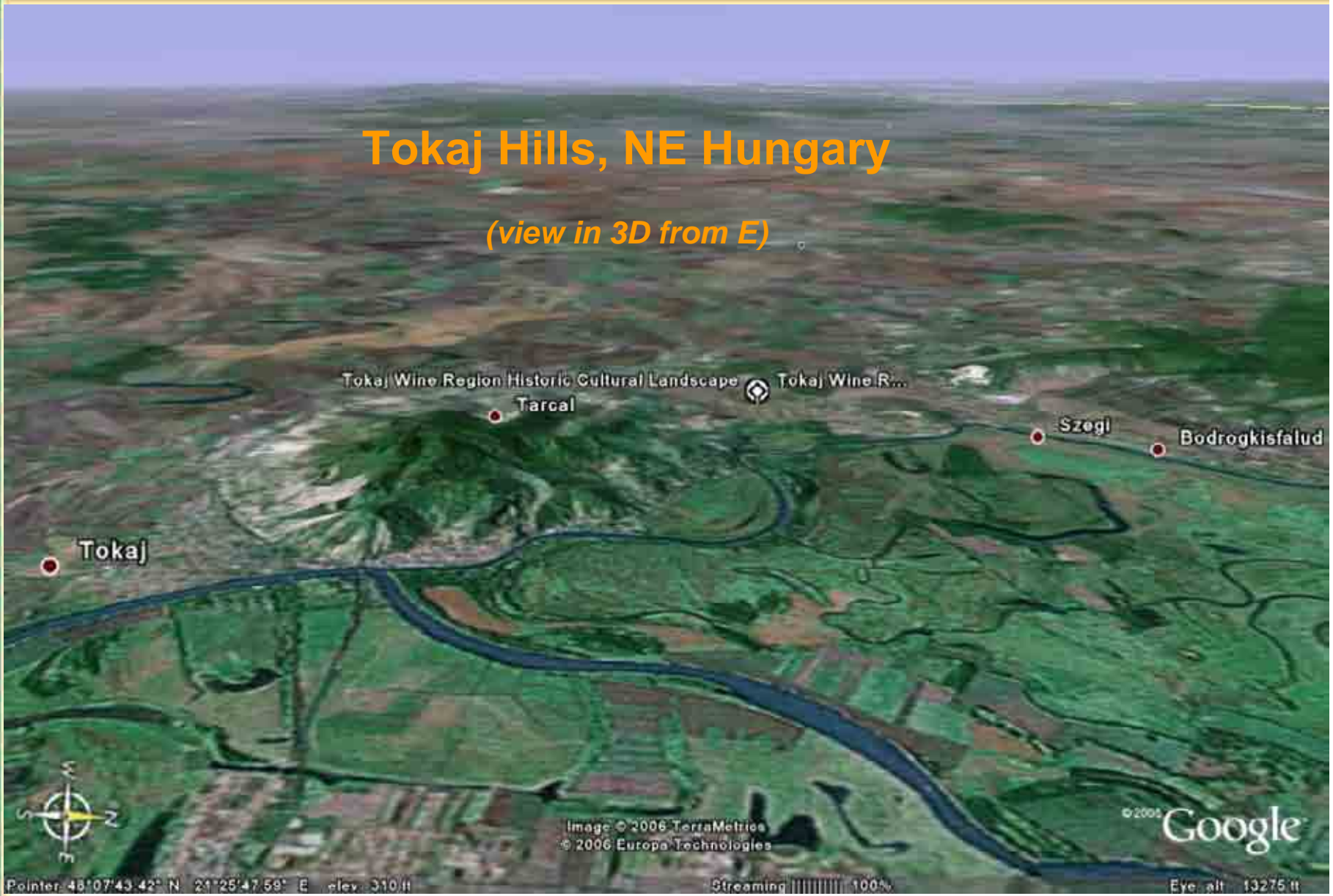
**Maximum glaciation**



# 1. The Ancient Roads of Obsidian and Amber

# Tokaj Hills, NE Hungary

*(view in 3D from E)*



## Obsidian

*E-W*



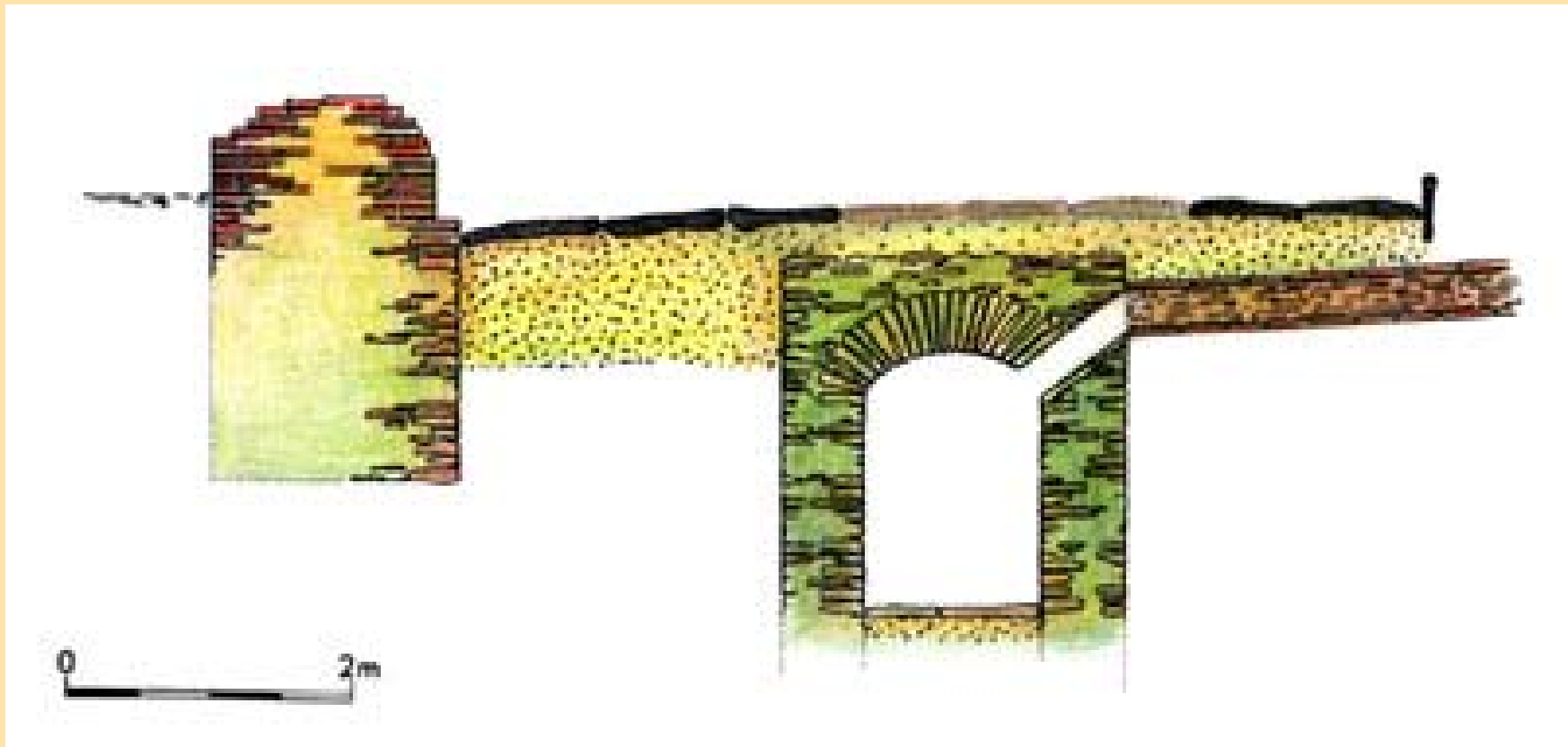
## Amber

*N-S*





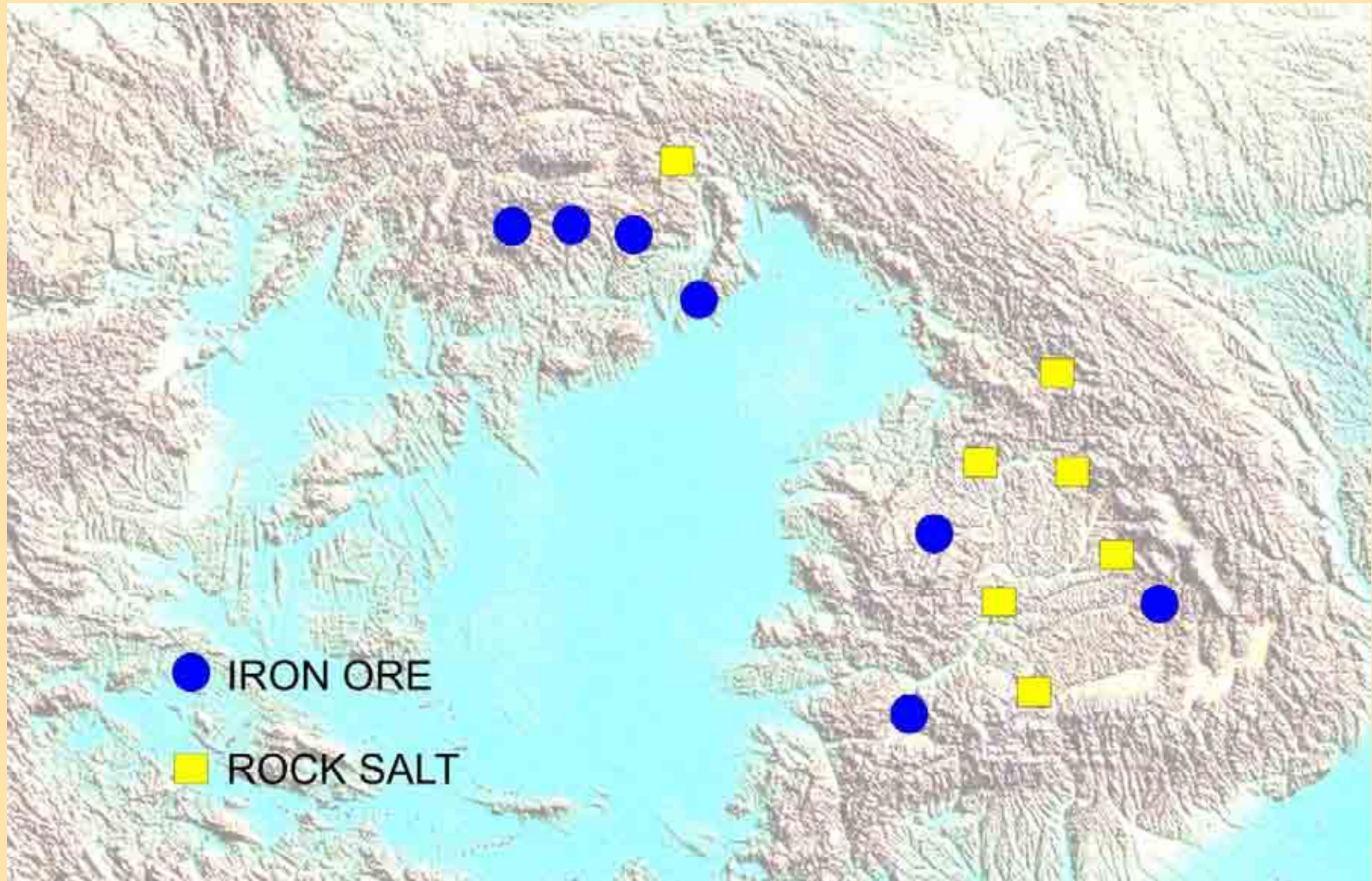
**Cross section of a Roman road  
in Savaria (Szombathely)  
*part of the Amber Road***



## **2. Exchange of Iron and Salt**

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### **3. Roman Military Roads Meet at Gorsium**

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## Road network of Pannonia



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# AQUINCUM

**aqueduct**  
*(reconstruction)*



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## Gorsium (Tác)

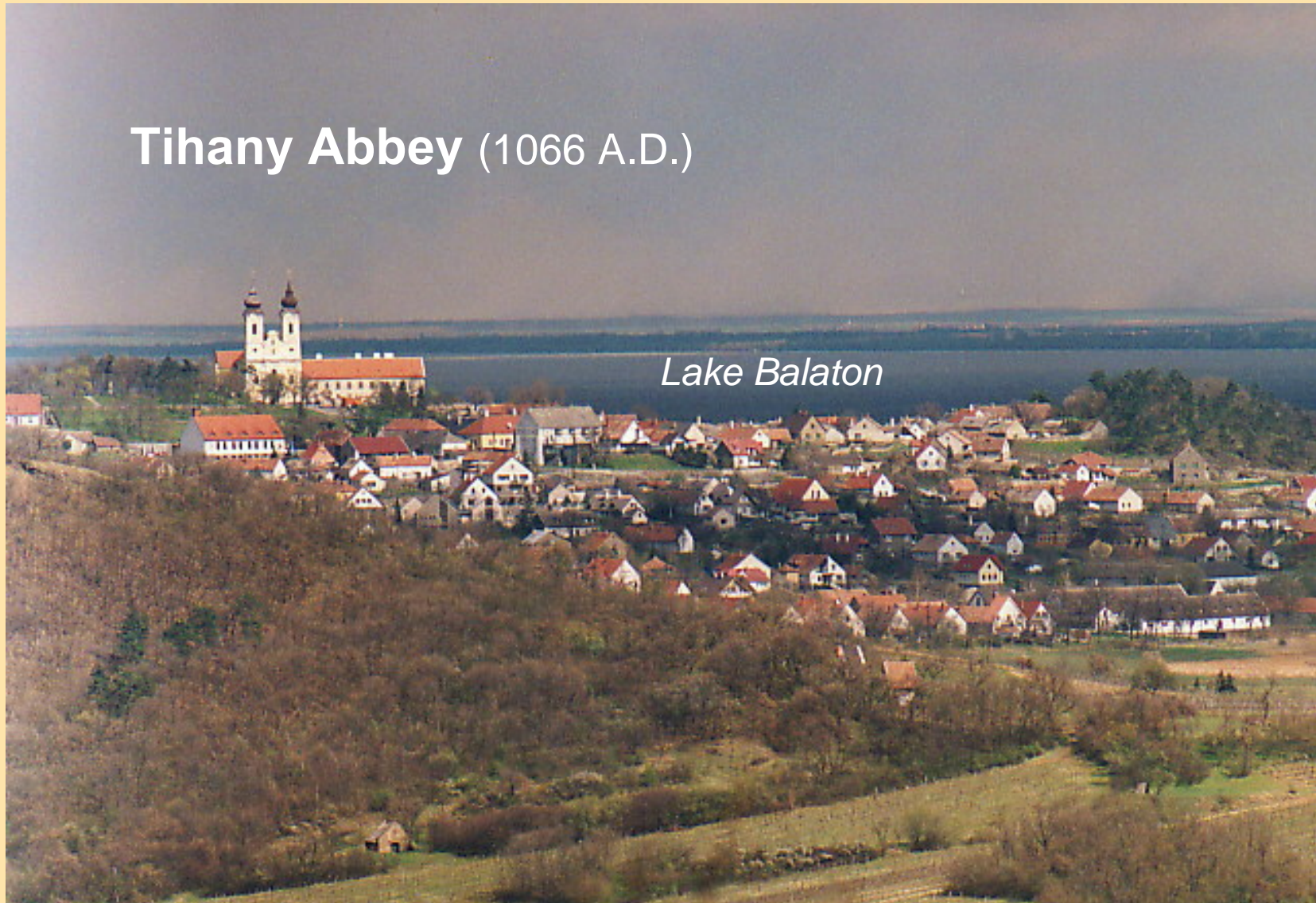




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**Tihany Abbey (1066 A.D.)**



*Lake Balaton*

## **4. Double-faced Danube:**

### **Frontier and Waterway**

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## Esztergom (Gran)

*Cathedral*

*Royal Castle*

*Danube*



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## Esztergom and Šturovo (Párkány)

*view from the Cathedral,  
with the rebuilt bridge*



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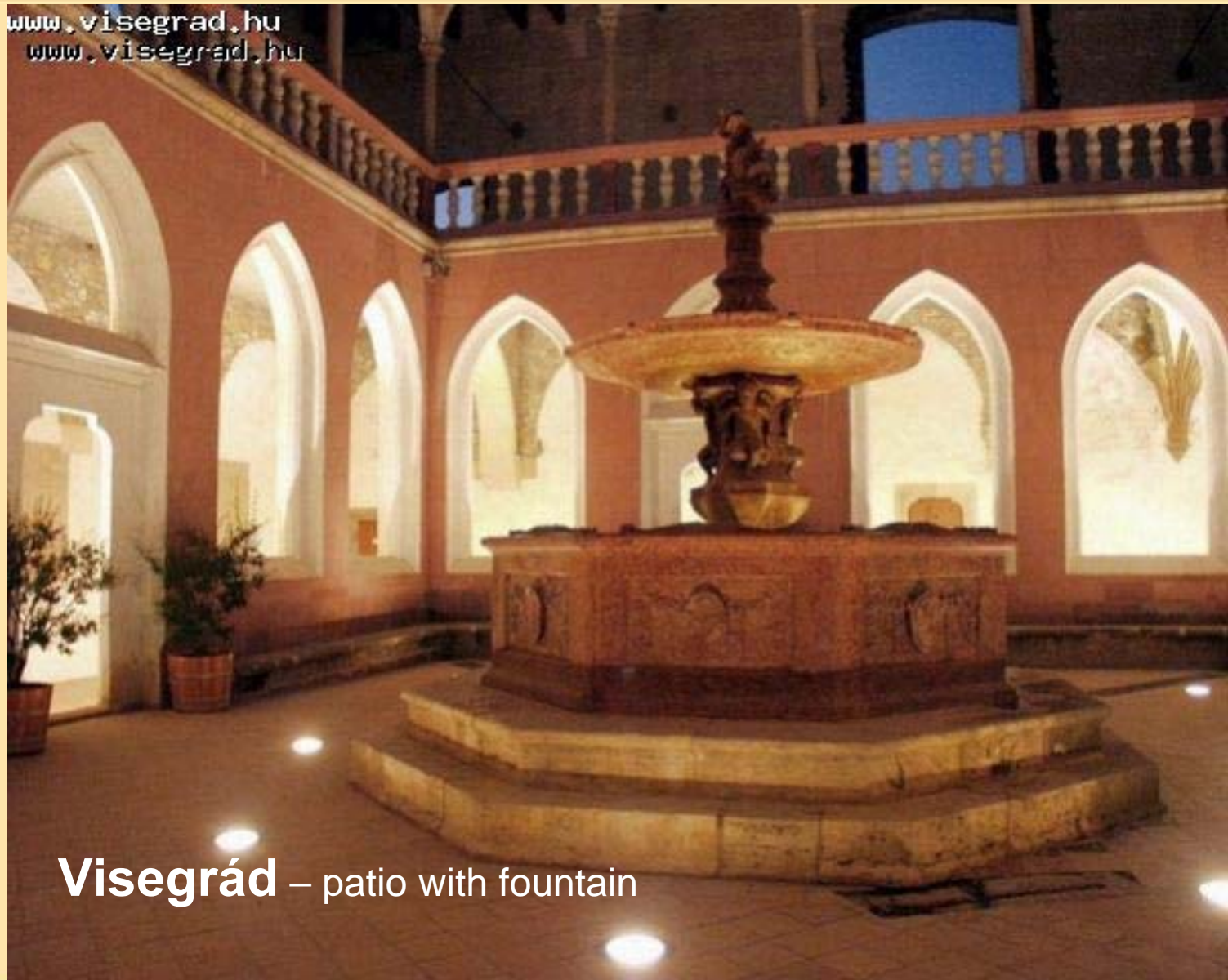
## Visegrád Castle



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**Visegrád** – patio with fountain

## **5. Peoples of the Sunrise**

**– and the "Drang nach Osten"**

**Goths,  
Huns,  
Gepids,  
Slavs,  
Avars**

**Magyars (Hungarians) – 9<sup>th</sup> century**



**Feszty panorama painting (detail)**



# Ópusztaszer

896 A.D.

1896 A.D.



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Ópusztaszer

1996 A.D.



2004

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**Mohács 1526**

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Wien (Vienna)

## **6. Driving Cattle to the North and Rafting Timber to the South**

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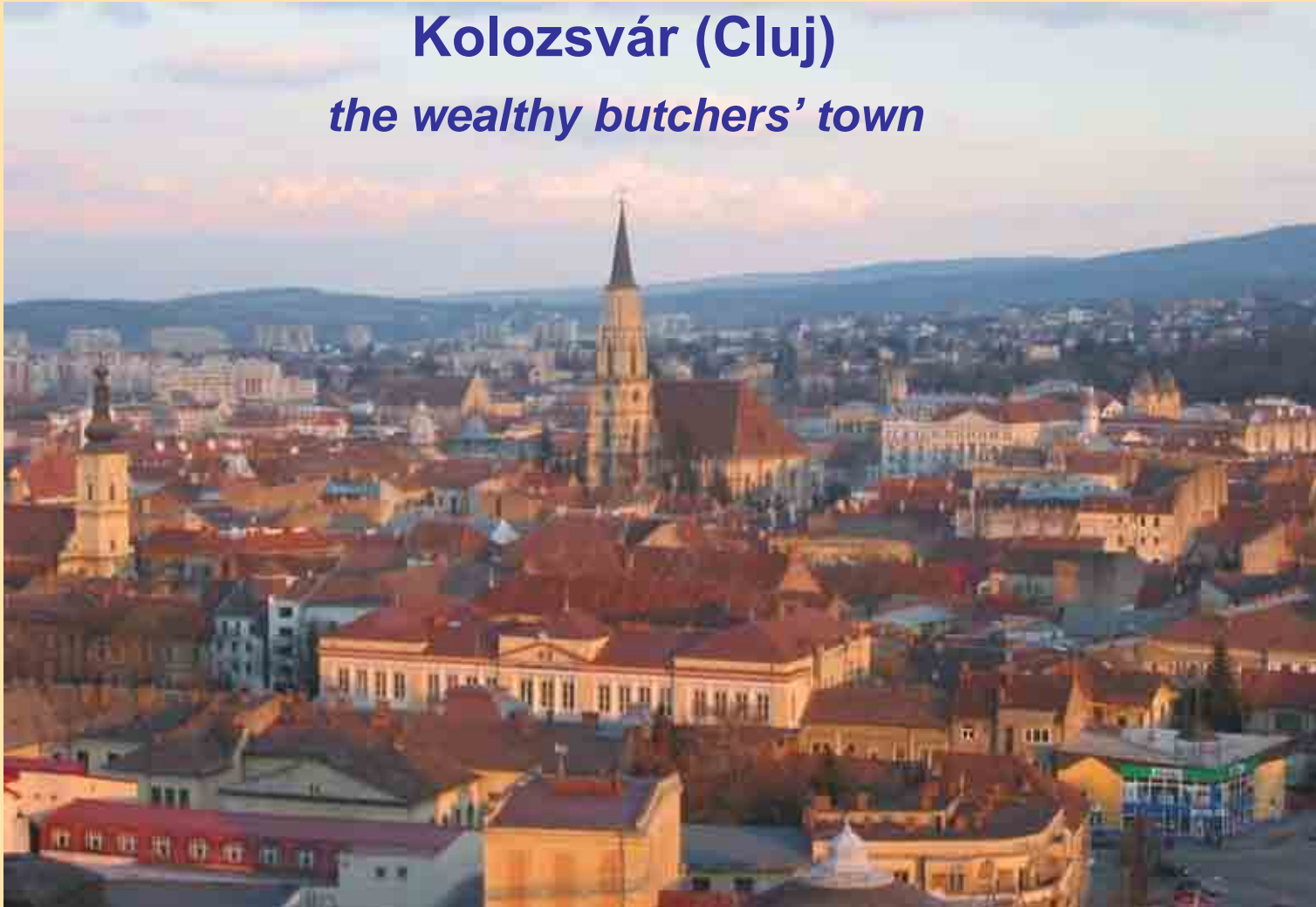
**Hungarian grey cattle**



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**Kolozsvár (Cluj)**  
*the wealthy butchers' town*



## **7. Destination Heaven:**

**West and East – South and North**

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## Rome – St. Peter's Cathedral



## Constantinople



- detail of Hagia Sophia

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**King Stephen I (1000-1038),**

*the Saint of  
two churches*



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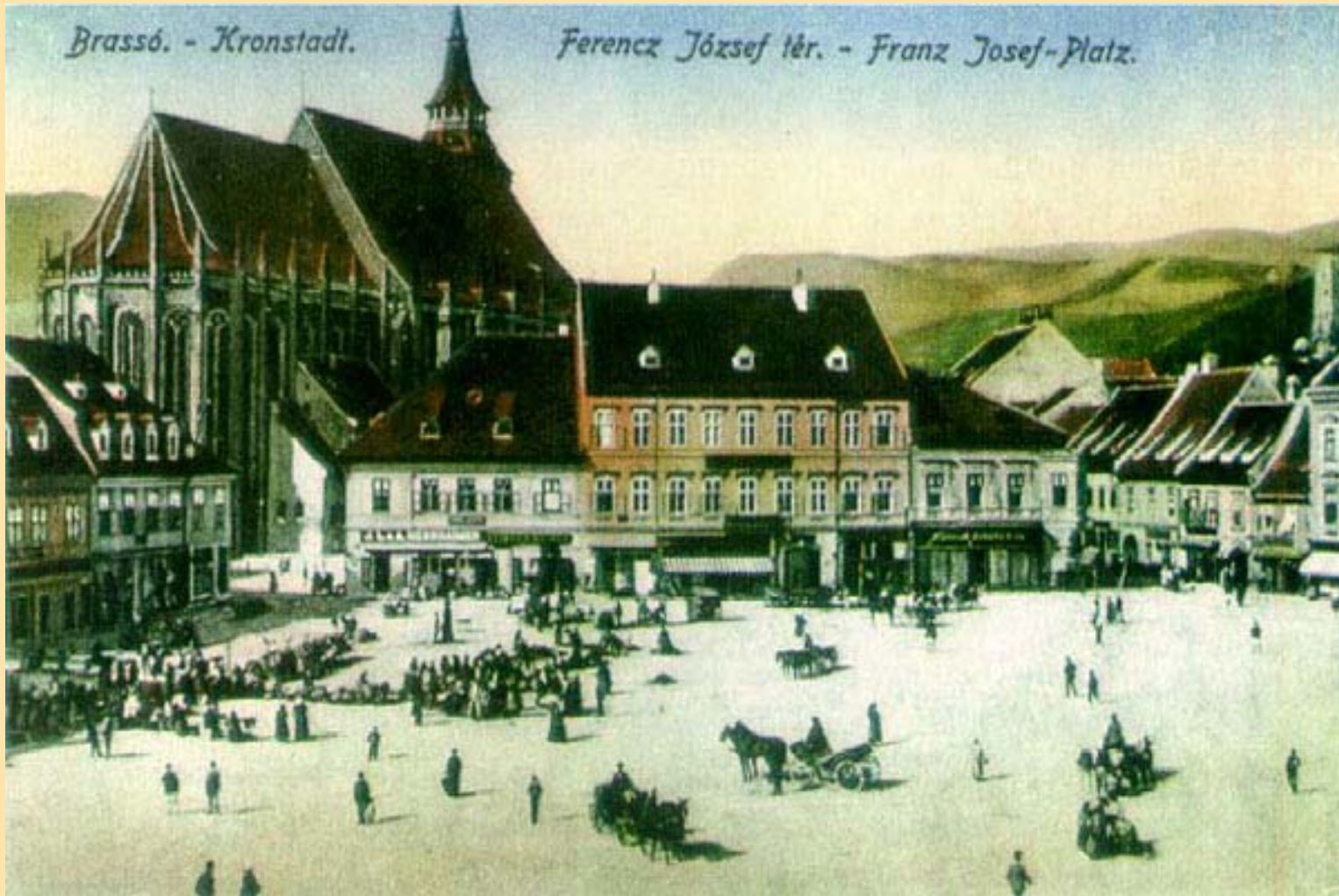


Sketch of the  
two main dividing  
lines of religion  
in Europe

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## The Black Church in Brassó (Braşov) of the Lutheran Saxons



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**The Old Church  
at Torda (Turda)**



**1568 A.D.**



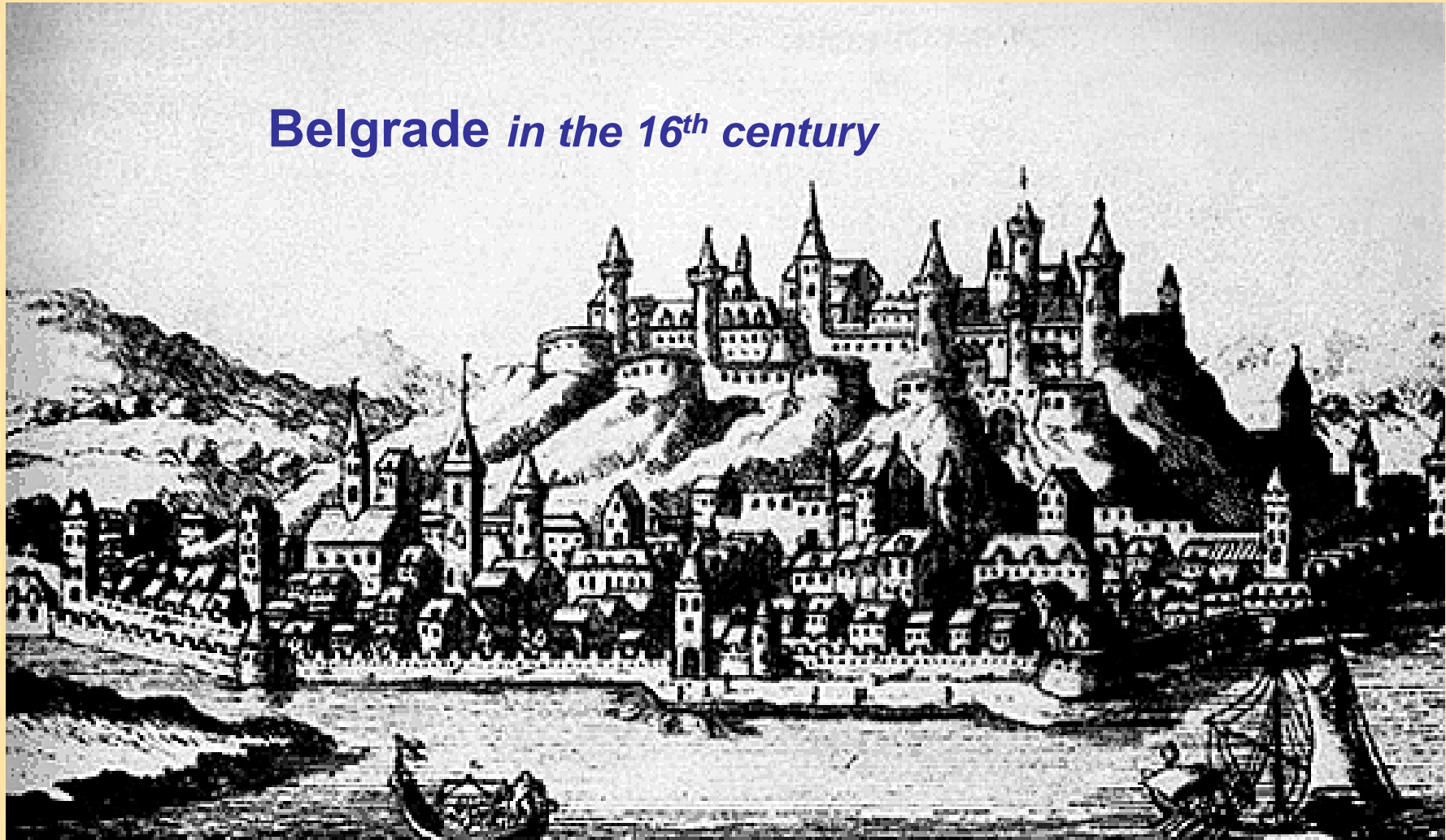
## **8. Cross and Crescent Crushing**

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Siege 1456 A.D. 

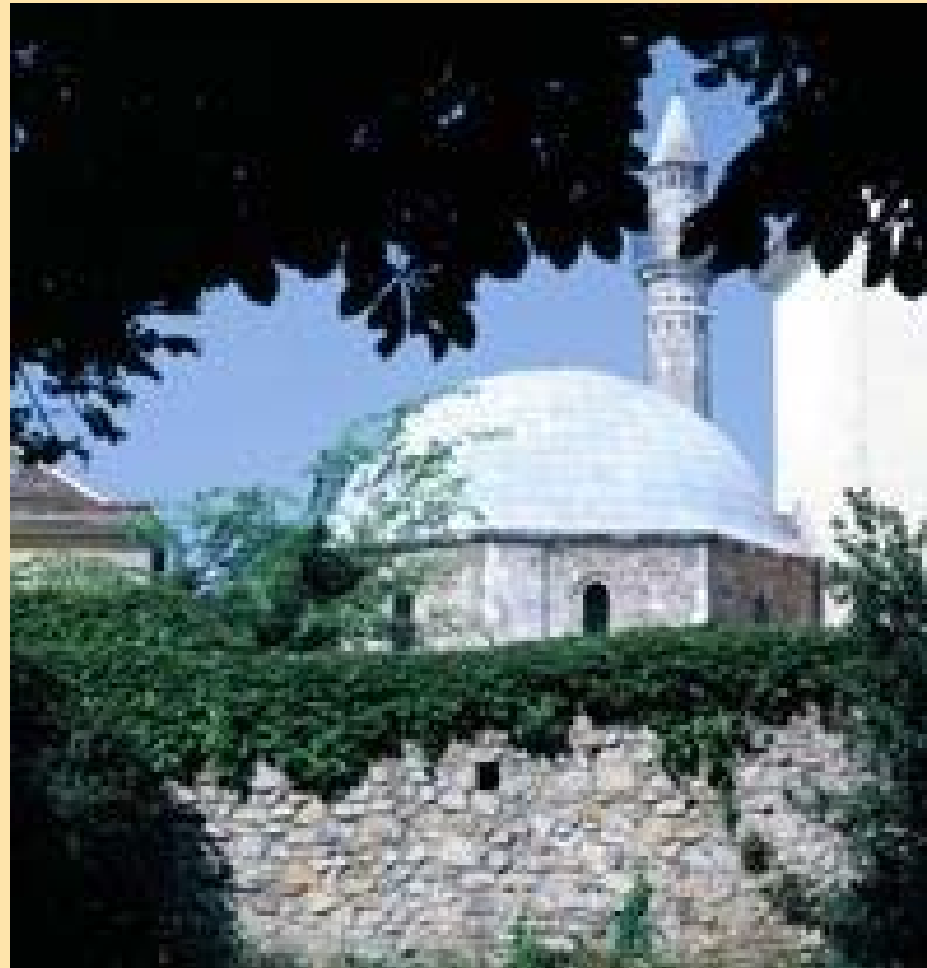
*Belgrade in the 16<sup>th</sup> century*



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## Mosque at Pécs (Fünfkirchen)



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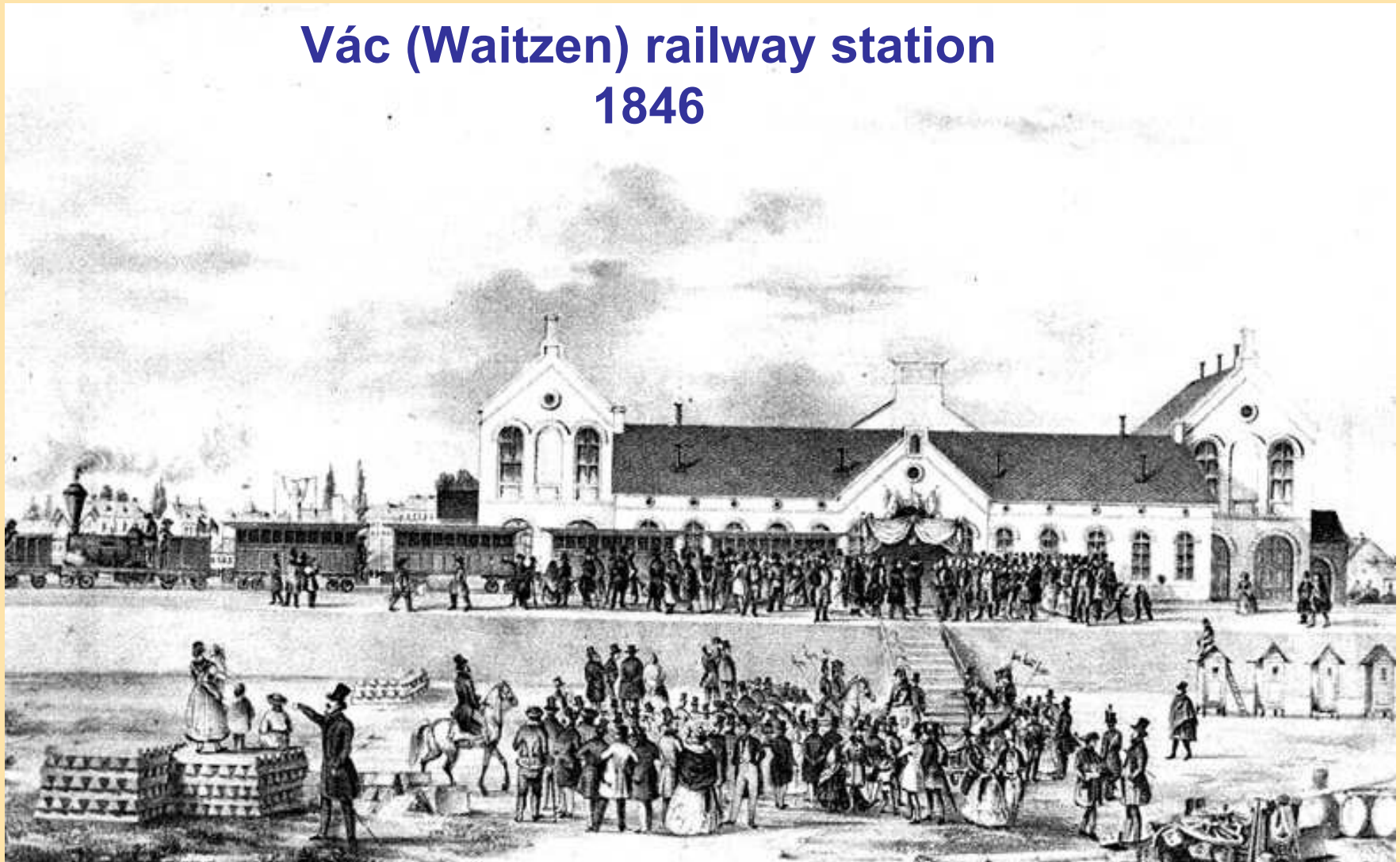
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## Hamмам (Turkish bath) in Buda



## **9. Railroad Crossing in Budapest**

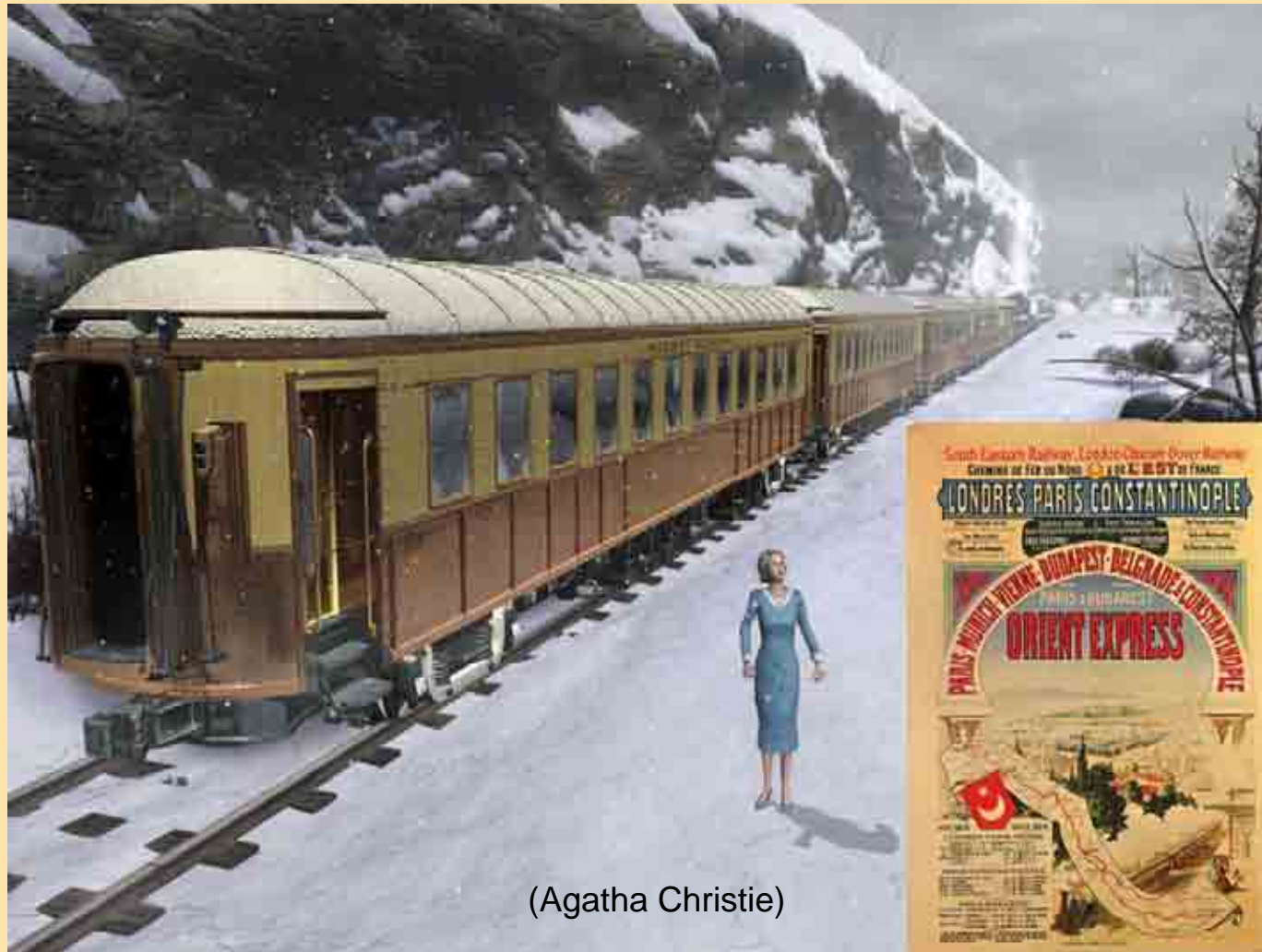
## Vác (Waitzen) railway station 1846



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## The Orient Express (Paris-Budapest-Istanbul)



(Agatha Christie)

## **10. Also Airways Are Fair Ways**



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## Hungarian Airlines (MALEV) Route Map



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## Ferihegy Airport





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National Theatre

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**to the Carpathian Basin**

**to Hungary**

**to Budapest!**

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***Thank you!***

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