

ANT-309 Elements of Archaeology Wednesday January 16, 2008

II. Origins of the Discipline

A. Nabonidus

B. Renaissance

C. Diletanti

D. Antiquarianism

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III. Steps Toward a Science of Archaeology

A. Prevailing Orthodoxy: European views of life and history

A.D. 1600: Earth 6000 years old, Medieval Concept of Order

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**James Ussher
Archbishop
Church of Ireland
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4004 B.C.**

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B. Artifacts as as Products of human beings: **Ethnographic Analogy**

C. Contributions from Geology (James Hutton)

- 1. Uniformitarianism–James Hutton 1785**
- 2. Stratigraphy and the law of superposition**
- 3. Index Fossils- William Smith late 1700s, early 1800s**