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1 different times, a new dimension was added to
 2 the naturalistic efforts to explain the origin
 3 of the prophetic books. In 1789 Doederlein
 4 declared that Isaiah 40-66, which predicts the
 5 coming of Cyrus and the return of the Jews from
 6 exile, had been written more than a century
 7 after the time of Isaiah. Some of the same
 8 arguments that alleged that Isaiah could not
 9 have written chapters 40-66 were extended to
 10 various passages in the previous 39 chapters.
 11 Eventually many critics divided the entire book
 12 of Isaiah into great numbers of separate sec-
 13 tions, allegedly written by a great variety of
 14 authors who were said to have lived at various
 15 times. This approach was soon extended to
 16 nearly all the other prophetic books. It was
 17 long held by most critical scholars that Ezekiel
 18 was a unit though a few questioned it, but
 19 early in the 20th century critics began to
 20 divide this book also into many sections sup-
 21 posed to have been written by a variety of
 22 authors.

23 Most of these higher critical approaches to
 24 the prophets result from two causes: (1) unwill-
 25 ingness to believe that the prophecies could

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