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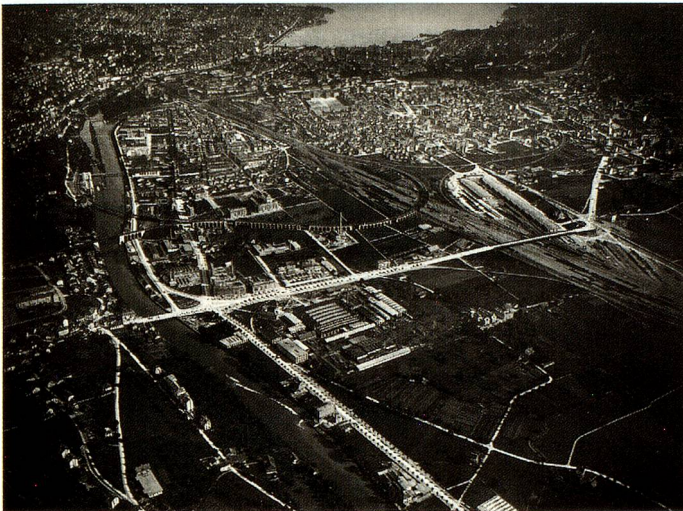
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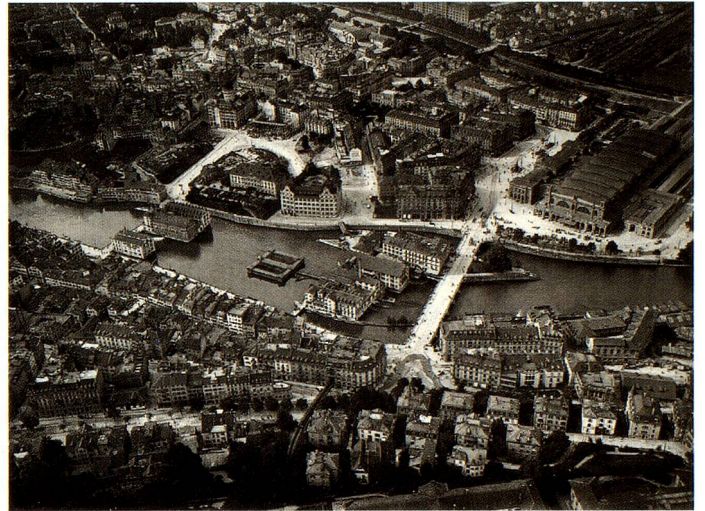
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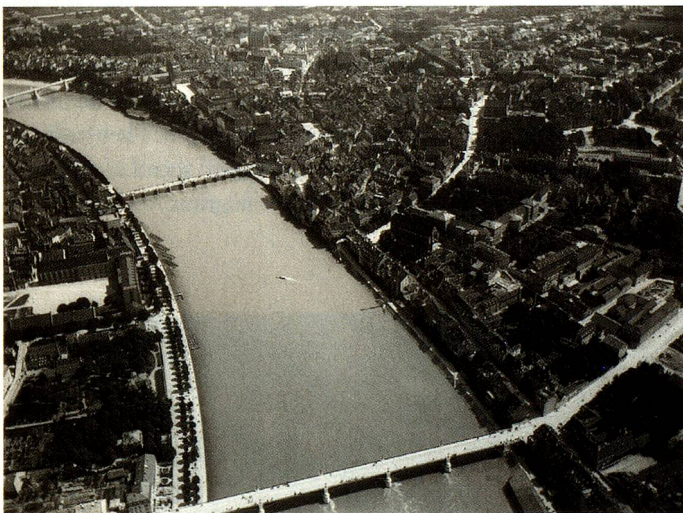
Aerial photography. Swiss balloonist Eduard Spelterini (1852–1931) was famous throughout Europe. From 1893, he used his balloon flights to take aerial photographs. He was the first person to fly over the Alps and take pictures of them. He immortalised Swiss cities, but also landscapes and locations in Egypt, the Orient and South Africa. His photographs have now been printed in book form for the very first time. The illustrated book is published in English and German and can be ordered at www.scheidegger-spiess.ch



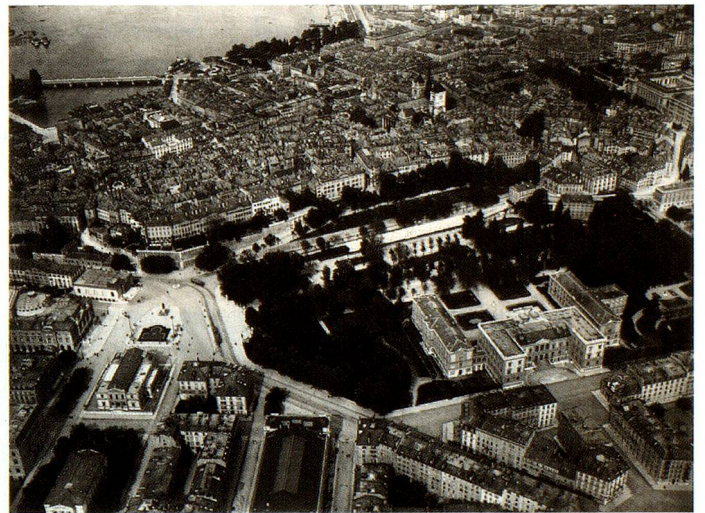
Lake Zurich and surrounding area seen from the west, 1904



Zurich old town and main station seen from the east, 1909/1910



Basel and the Rhine bridges seen from the north



Geneva old town, Parc des Bastions and cathedral seen from the south-west



St Gallen old town, 1893?



Interlaken and the balloon's takeoff spot