

Epicurean nautical references, allusions, and metaphors in the texts

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Got it! Good one! Thanks!

[Lucretius, De Rerum Natura, BOOK I, line 146](#)

Again, why see we lavished o'er the lands

At spring the rose, at summer heat the corn,

The vines that mellow when the autumn lures,

If not because the fixed seeds of things

At their own season must together stream,

And new creations only be revealed

When the due times arrive and pregnant earth

Safely may give unto the shores of light

Her tender progenies? But if from naught

Were their becoming, they would spring abroad

Suddenly, unforeseen, in alien months,

With no primordial germs, to be preserved

From procreant unions at an adverse hour.

Looking up the Latin:

in luminis oras

"In partic., the coast, sea-coast"

[Charlton T. Lewis, Charles Short, A Latin Dictionary, ōra](#)