

has lost no time in proceeding to the publication of some valuable papers, that had for a considerable time been accumulating. They consist chiefly of papers on the geological features and physical appearances of the country, with indications also of our Literary occupations.

With this information before it, the Society will, it is hoped, proceed, in the first instance, to the judicious selection of its officers, and then to fulfil its onward and increasing course through the year that is about to commence, and through many successive years. Associations, like this, have a long destiny to run. Elevated above all distinctions of party, and confined to no language, but embracing objects, wide as the wants and necessities of man, they will no doubt be co-eval with his existence on this globe. They will last while the love of knowledge lasts. So long may, we hope that this Society, or some improved substitute for it, will continue to flourish, and be the germ of other Societies, equally beneficial and enduring as itself.

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