

was covered by the waters until the time of the separation. We have therefore just right to conclude it was formed in those waters of Genesis; and, accordingly, as stated by one of the best modern geologists, "Every part of the earth, every continent and every island, exhibits the phenomenon of marine productions."

Our theory is founded on these Scriptural and geological facts, and we have a confirmation of the competent powers of the vegetable and animal deposits and labours of the marine animals of the ocean to produce these formations of the earth, in the known and established fact, of an extent of land more than equal to one-eighth of the diameter of the earth, being formed by a few species of marine insects, for the Coral Islands and reefs of the Indian Sea and Pacific Ocean are 1,500 miles long by 60 or 70 broad.

In the course of my journies through this Province, to offer my works for sale, I am happy to state, that a great majority of the people appear to be duly impressed with a belief in the sacred Scriptures; indeed I have met with some who seemed to think the Mosaic account of creation required no support. These were, however, generally persons unacquainted with the authenticated geological facts. It is unquestionable that many of the formations have been produced by *gradual* deposition from the waters, and must have required a period for that deposition immensely greater than that since the creation, being nearly 6,000 years.

Some modern geologists claim indeed millions of years for these formations of the crust of the earth; and, we trust, we can thoroughly satisfy these claims by the construction of the first verse of Genesis, now sanctioned by the eminent writers mentioned in the preface to the first edition.

We trust also to have presented a palpable clue to the discovery of the mode in which it may have pleased the Deity to have constructed the solid machinery of our globe. The vastness of this machinery is indeed calculated to strike the mind with awful wonder, but it is His work, and, as such, a fair subject for the study and discussion of His creatures, as