

## III.

PROOFS FURNISHED BY GEOLOGY OF THE  
BEING AND PERFECTIONS OF GOD.

I proceed now to consider the moral application of geological facts and principles, regarded as a branch of natural theology.

In this aspect, the subject is full of practical interest, and is well adapted to invigorate devotion.

It has been already stated that natural theology treats of the evidence for the being and perfections of God, derived from the manifestation of design in the works of creation. Geology has supplied most valuable additions to this argument from final causes. In drawing attention very briefly to the nature of its testimony, I shall speak of the organic, and then of the inorganic world.