

of eight, instead of six. Those now published are complete, according to their limits, in all that relates to the facts, literal or picturesque, of the subject ; and the last two of the series will be found in *The Testimony of the Rocks*, under the heads of 'Geology in its Bearing on the Two Theologies,' and 'The Mosaic Vision of Creation.' If it had been within the contemplation of the author to publish the six Lectures as they now stand, these last two would have formed their natural climax or peroration. And, accordingly, I entertained some thought of republishing them here, in order that the reader might enjoy the advantage of having the whole under his eye at once. But as they are not in any way necessary to the completion of the sense, and perhaps Geology, viewed simply by itself, and in the light of a popular study, is as well freed from extraneous matter, it was thought best, on the whole, to refer the reader who wishes to see the eight discourses in their original connexion, to *The Testimony of the Rocks*.

I have, instead, added an Appendix of rather a novel character. In addition to the *Cruise of the Betsey*, and *Ten Thousand Miles over the Fossiliferous Deposits of Scotland*, there was left a volume of papers unpublished as a whole, entitled *A Tour through the Northern Counties of Scotland*. They had, however, been largely drawn upon in various other works ; but, scattered throughout, were passages of more or less value which I had not met with elsewhere ; and some such, of the descriptive kind, I have culled and arranged as an Appendix ; first, because I was loath that any original observation from that mind which should never think again for the instruction of others should be lost, and also because many of those passages were of a kind which