

as a platform for the great snow-fields, while it can even yet be traced along the undulating summits of the mountains of the Scottish Highlands. One of its latest great revolutions was a submergence towards the west, which, extending from the coasts of Ireland to the north of Norway, has given rise to some of the most distinctive features

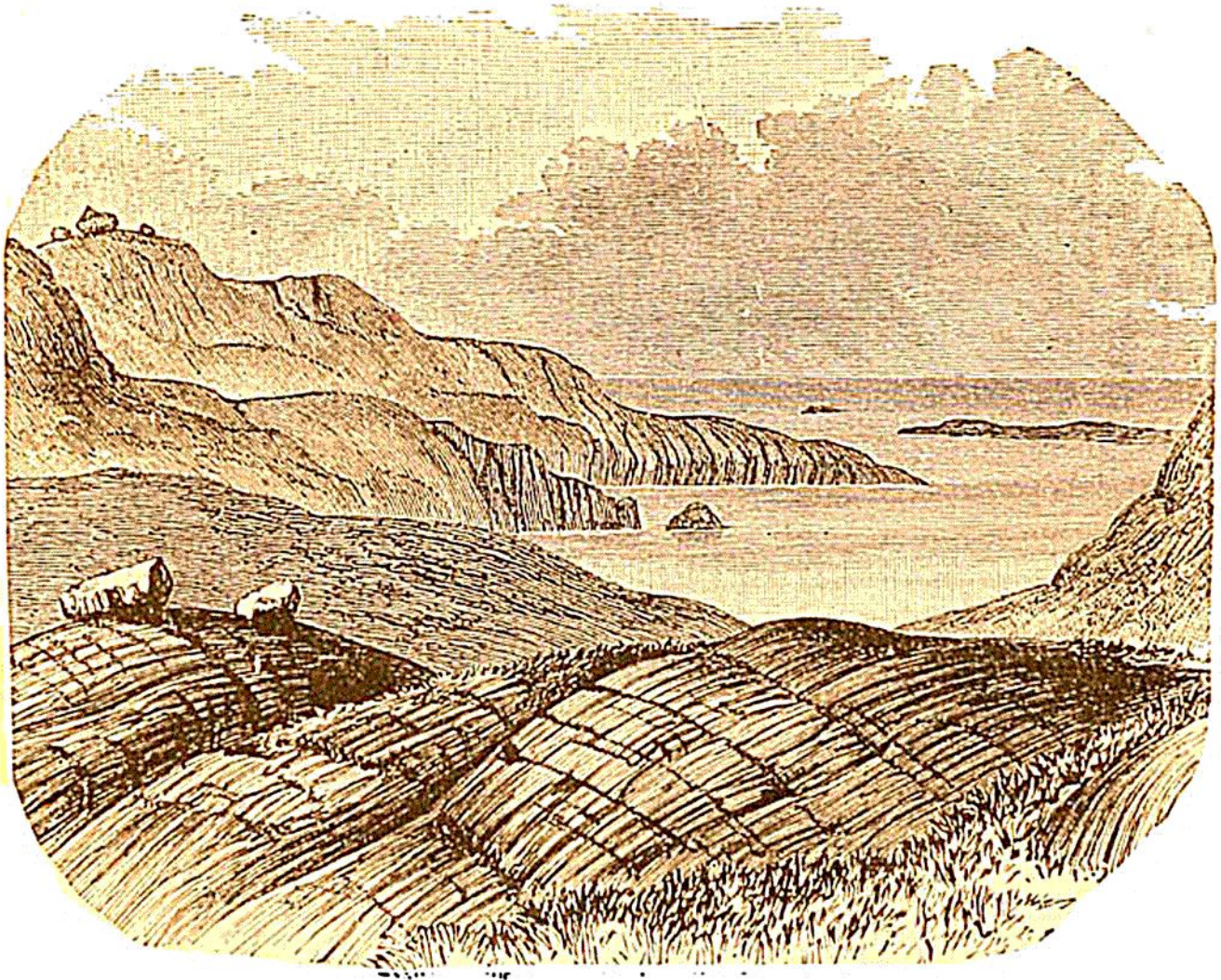


Fig. 7.—Ice-worn bosses of gneiss and perched blocks. North coast of Sutherland.

of that part of Europe. No one can attentively compare the maps of the land with the charts of the sea-bottom in the region between the headlands of Connaught and the North Cape, without being convinced that the endless ramifying sea-lochs and fjords, kyles and sounds, were once