

reach this demonstration. If, however, such a result has been achieved in one part of the Highlands, it shows how prodigious the denudation must have been over the whole region since older Tertiary time.

Of the successive stages of this vast erosion we know nothing, for the memorials of them have been swept away, and we see now only the ultimate result. But that the waste

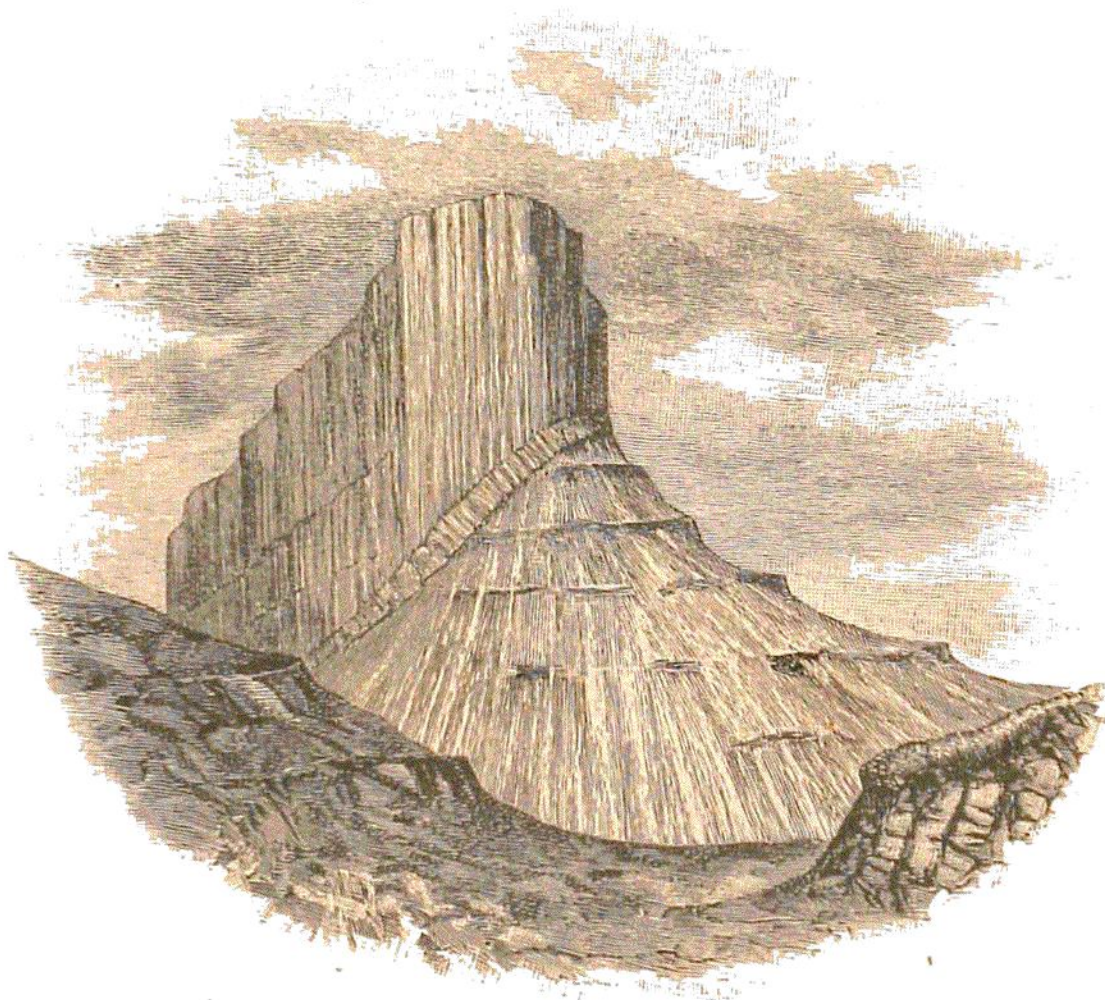


FIG 35.—View of the Scur of Eigg from the east

began and had made some progress before the close of the volcanic eruptions of the Inner Hebrides is admirably revealed by the Scur of Eigg, which stands out as one of the most striking monuments of denudation in the British Islands (Figs. 35, 36, and Section on Geological Map).

No feature of the western coast takes the traveller so much by surprise as the singular ridge which runs along