

principal advantages which they anticipated from such a measure, besides a greater appearance of respectability, were a larger space for the increasing number of cabinets [it was 'cabinet' in 1808], the better accommodation of committees, and of persons visiting the collection, the additional convenience of a clerk, and above all the removal of the business of the general meetings from the place where it was then held to a habitation of their own.

On April 6, 1810, the Committee reported that the house, 3 Lincoln's Inn Fields, was engaged.

It was agreed that the front room on the ground floor was to be occupied by the Medical and Chirurgical Society exclusively; that the whole of the second floor was to be occupied by the Geological Society exclusively; and that the first floor was to be appropriated to the meetings of the two Societies. The back parlour and the remaining rooms were intended for the residence of a joint-clerk for the two Societies; and the Committee of Trustees were happy to say that they had in view a respectable person who would officiate as such.

On June 1, 1810, the first meeting was held in the new rooms, and Mr. Jones was appointed clerk to the Society.

On April 6, 1810, it was deemed necessary that permanent trustees be appointed, and the following were named:—

William Babington, M.D., F.R.S.	Francis Horner, M.P.
Robert Ferguson, F.R.S.	Sir Abraham Hume, Bart., M.P., F.R.S.
George Bellas Greenough, M.P., F.R.S.	David Ricardo.
	Samuel Woods.

In this year the property of the Society was insured for 400*l*. The printing of a new list of members and code of regulations was ordered on June 1, 1810; and on June 14 it was decided that cards, recording the dates of meetings, be printed and sent to each member prior to the commencement of the session.