

I have yet seen ; but as Sir William Jardine is understood to be still engaged in figuring and describing its various footprints, — the only traces of former existence which it has been found to contain, — we bid fair to be acquainted, at no distant date, with all that it produces. It could be wished, however, that we had the result of Sir William's labors conveyed to us in that cheap but yet adequate form of outline engraving in which Professor Hitchcock has figured the foot-tracks, reptilian or ornithologic, of the New Red Sandstones of the Connecticut.

In the Lias and Oolite of Scotland a good deal still remains to be accomplished. Some of their richest deposits lie scattered among the inner Hebrides, and along lochs and creeks of the Western Highlands, rarely visited by the tourist, and far from inns ; and this difficulty of access has served to lock up in these solitudes many a curious fossil, that may be regarded as held in safe keeping, to reward the enterprise of our younger geologists. My collection contains not a few curious specimens, derived from these Hebridean recesses during a desultory voyage in the Free Church yacht *Betsey*, made about ten years ago, — reptilian remains, fossil wood, and the teeth of placoidal fishes from the Oolite of Eigg, and pinnæ, ammonites, and massive corals from the Lias of Pabba and Skye. It may serve to show that we are no more to argue an entire identity of the Oolitic deposits of Scotland with those of England, than of its Silurian with the Silurians of that country, — that corals, which are of exceeding rarity and minute size in the English Lias, form entire beds of great extent and several feet in thickness in the Lias of Skye. I can, however, only indicate the *locale* of some of the deposits in which these rarities may be found, — simply referring, in the passing, to the localities already indicated by Sir Roderick Murchison in his earlier papers, — such as the Oolites in the neighborhood of Portree, the Oolitic beds of Raza, and the Liassic strata of Applecross ; as also to