

Reference has already been made to Dr. J. F. Berger, a native of Switzerland and a student of geology, who sought refuge in this country in 1813 from the troubles which then affected his native land. 'In 1816, at the request of some of his friends in this Society, he agreed to devote himself for three years to geological investigations in the British islands; and an annual sum was insured to him during that period by a subscription of some of our members.' These included Dr. Babington, Dr. Marcet, Mr. Francis Horner, Dr. Wollaston, Sir Joseph Banks, and others.<sup>1</sup>

Berger contributed to the third volume of *Transactions* a memoir on the geology of the north-eastern counties of Ireland, to which were added pictorial geological coast-sections drawn by Buckland and Conybeare, in a style which was followed with signal success by De la Beche.

This third volume was illustrated by twenty-six plates, including several geological maps. One of these showed the connection between north-east Ireland and south-west Scotland; there were others of Skye and Glen Tilt by Macculloch, of part of Lincolnshire by E. Bogg, and of west Somerset by Leonard Horner.

At the end of 1815 the Society consisted as follows :—

240 ordinary members	
87 honorary	”
14 foreign	”
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The Obligation subscribed by members at this time was in these terms :—

We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, do hereby engage that we will endeavour to promote the honour and interest of the Geological Society, and observe its Regulations so long as we shall continue members thereof.

The first Foreign Member was elected in 1814 (see Appendix).

In 1816 the Society removed from Lincoln's Inn Fields to No. 20 Bedford Street, Covent Garden.

<sup>1</sup> See address of G. B. Greenough, 1834, *Proc. Geol. Soc.* ii. p. 44.