

December 2, 1825. Mr. Lyell stated that the cavities enclosing the toads had been opened on November 15, 1825, and that two toads in them had been found alive.

Resolved that the bets between Dr. Buckland and Mr. Warburton, and Mr. Taylor and Mr. Stokes, referring to the period of one year are decided by this evidence to be lost by Mr. Warburton and Mr. Stokes respectively, one bottle of champagne each.

Among the Officers and Council at this period were the following :—

Philip Barker Webb, F.R.S. (1793-1854), who had been one of the secretaries in 1824-25, was essentially a botanist, but he had become interested in geology through the teachings of Buckland at Oxford, and he was an authority on the topography of the Troad.

Daniel Moore, F.R.S., F.S.A., who was treasurer from 1815-22, was a barrister, of Lincoln's Inn.

Thomas Horsfield, M.D., F.R.S. (1773-1859), was a naturalist, and for some years Keeper of the Museum of the East India Company.

Henry Thomas Colebrooke, F.R.S. (died 1837), had much experience in India, had written papers on the geology of the country, and had been a member of the Supreme Council of Calcutta.