

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GEOLOGICAL AND POLYTECHNIC SOCIETY

Of the West Riding of Yorkshire,

AT THE FIFTY-FIRST (THE ANNUAL GENERAL) MEETING, HELD
IN THE PHILOSOPHICAL HALL, LEEDS, ON THURSDAY, MARCH 17TH, 1859,
AT TWELVE O'CLOCK AT NOON.

JOHN HOPE SHAW, Esq., in the Chair.

The CHAIRMAN in opening the proceedings expressed his regret that there were not more present, but remarked that the Society must not be judged merely by those attending its annual meetings, as it exercised a very important influence by means of its published transactions. He suggested, however, whether it would not be better in future to hold their meetings in the evening, after which he alluded to the union of the Yorkshire Philosophical and Scientific Societies, as proposed during the meeting of the British Association in Leeds, expressing the hope that, though such a union was postponed for the present, it would hereafter be realised, believing it would be for the benefit of their members and of science generally.