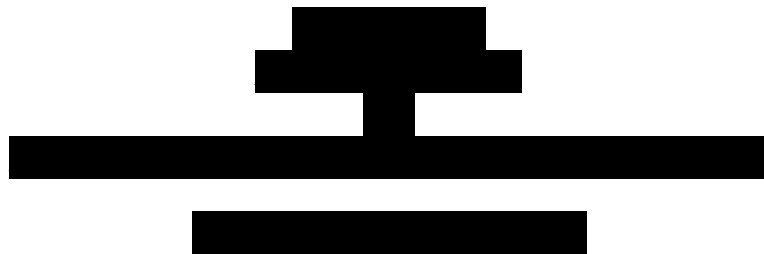




THEORY OF THE EARTH;



I.

*THEORY of the EARTH; or an Investigation of the Laws observable in the
Composition, Dissolution, and Restoration of Land upon the Globe:*

Where so many living creatures are

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we are not to look for nature in a quiescent state;

*matter itself is in motion, and the scenes of life are a
continued series of c h a n g e s a n d e v e n t s.*

II

~We.

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[redacted] - *the various substances*
of which that complicated body is composed, soft and hard parts variously combined to form a
medium consistence, adapted to the use of plants and animals; wet and dry properly mixed for
nutrition, for the support of those growing bodies [redacted]

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[redacted] we [redacted]
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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] we?

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[REDACTED]

We [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] We [REDACTED] bountifully provided
with the necessaries of life [REDACTED] we [REDACTED] supplied
with things conducive to the growth and preservation of [REDACTED] animals and nature [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] our intellect [REDACTED]

III

various purposes of this world are accomplished by the operation of varieties: obtained, blessed, possessed,

like the beneficial artificial light and culinary fire.

[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] the most conspicuous in the
operations of this world [REDACTED] examined by philosophers- [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] the accident of natural things [REDACTED]

the inherent property of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] of the globe, and [REDACTED]
an essential part in the constitution of this wor(l)d.

[REDACTED] with [REDACTED] moving powers, by which
its operations, diversified almost *ad infinitum*, are performed. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

This subject is important to the human race [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] in contemplating [REDACTED]
future [REDACTED] concerning causes, [REDACTED]
events which otherwise we could not know.

If, in pursuing this object, we employ our skill in research, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
we should [REDACTED] respect [REDACTED] the natural history of this
earth [REDACTED] For [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] that
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] is

necessary

necessary to the growth of plants and [REDACTED] the materials collected
from the d e s t r u c t i o n of the [REDACTED] *l a n d* [REDACTED]
inhabited by people, [REDACTED] plants and animals, [REDACTED] **made by nature to**
decay, in dissolving form [REDACTED] below the
soil [REDACTED]

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is necessarily washed away.

by the continual circulation of the water,

running from the summits of the mountains

our land?

The heights of our land

are thus

levelled with the shores

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our fertile plains are formed from the ruins of the mountains
our fertile plans are formed from the ruins of the mountains

our fertile plans are formed on the ruins.

those travelling materials are still pursued by the moving water,

propelled along the surface of the earth

These moveable materials:

delivered into the sea

delivered into the rivers

delivered into the suns

delivered into the rains

delivered into the ruins

of

we

rest upon the shore.

the winds,
the tides and currents,

every moveable thing is carried farther and farther

towards the unfathomable-