

SECOND DAY.

Wednesday, August 22nd, 1856.

The Excursion.

A LARGE party assembled at Dunster, and proceeded thence, some to the Church at Carhampton, Old Cleeve and Chapel Cleeve; others to geologize on the coast from Blue Anchor to Watchet. The outlines of the encampment, known as Daw's Castle, having been inspected, the party assembled at Watchet, going thence to St. Decuman's Church, and on to Battle Gore, close to Williton, to see the tumuli, and the undoubted remains of a British *Cromlech*. The three stones are there; the two upright stones (now lying prostrate) are about 10 feet long.

At Williton the company found luncheon provided for them by the liberality of Sir W. C. Trevelyan, who expressed his regret, that having no establishment at Nettle-

combe, he was unable to entertain them there as he wished. The Hon. P. P. Bouverie having acknowledged the kind hospitality of the President, the party proceeded to Old Cleeve Abbey, where, under the far-spreading branches of a magnificent sycamore tree, the Rev. F. WARRE read a paper On Old Cleeve Abbey, given in Part II.

After a minute examination of the remains of the Abbey, under the guidance of Mr. Warre, although the day was now far spent, a large party climbed the steep hill above Withycombe, to explore the supposed site of a British village. The Rev. Mr. Warre, who has explored so many of these remains, expressed his strong conviction that it was what Mr. Jones had suggested. Excavations were commenced, but, in consequence of the darkness, they were abandoned before any remains confirmatory of the hypothesis could be discovered. About half-way up this hill attention was directed to a natural section in the lane, showing very clearly the conjunction of the red sand-stone with the Devonian series, referred to in the paper on the geology of the neighbourhood.
