

CHARLES LYELL (1767-1849)

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Bryological career

Lyell collected particularly from 1812 until 1816, when he was sending material to William Jackson Hooker for inclusion in Hooker's *British Jungermanniae* (1812-16). His liverworts include *Gymnomitrium concinatum*, *Haplomitrium hookeri* and *Moerckia hibernica*. Mosses include *Bartramia ithyphylla*, *Dicranum spurium* and *Pseudobryum cinclidioides*.

Lyell's herbarium is at the Natural History Museum in London. His letters are at the Natural History Museum, Kew, and the Linnaean Society.

Family background and biography

Charles Lyell (1767-1849) was a son of Charles Lyell (1734-1796), and father of the famous geologist Sir Charles Lyell (1797-1875).