- violent thunder storm. On Monday letter from New Zealand announcing my election as honorary member of the N.Z. Scientific Society: dated April 4th.
- 18. Mr Scott Russell, & Mr Fuller of the Crystal Palace called to consult me as to the Geological Court—Wrote a letter to the Annals of Nat. Hist. [a copy of this letter is tipped into the volume]
- 19. Went with Mr Woodhouse to Regent Street, to a diaromatic [sic] lecture on Australia: some of the painting was very good: the lecture itself very bad.
- 20. Wrote to Reginald & sent him two Australian books. Sent Ellen Maria Bible, Shells, &c—& Petrifactions. Mr. Thompson, Secty. Nat. Hist. Dept. of the New Crystal Palace called, & I found that the plan intended to be carried out as to Geology, was merely to have models of extinct animals, which were hereafter to be distributed over the building. I therefore declined the superintendance of such a scheme.
- 22. Sunday. Called on Mr Gassiott.
- 26. Thursday. Hard at work every night till two or three in the morning, at the fossil botany!—In the afternoon went to Vauxhall Gardens & saw another ascent in Green's balloon, by Mr Welsh, & another person from the Kew Observatory. Met Mr Babbage, Bowman, J. G. Gray, Gassiott & other scientific friends: the ascent very fine, a beautiful clear sky. Mr. Lee brought all my lignographs.
- 27. Went at eleven by boat to Gravesend; arrived at Roshville Gardens soon after two: strolled about till five: boat dangerously crowded: a lovely day & moonlight evening: got home by nine.
- 28. Saturday. Mr Woodhouse came, and arranged as to his trip to Ireland.
- 29. In the evening walked to Chelsea Pier, & by boat to Hungerford, & walked home.
- 30. Called on Mr Woodhouse with letters for him. To Clapham. Up till three with my hard task!
- 31. Took the Mss & 68 Woodblocks to Mr Bohn; the entire illustrations of fossil botany.—Very ill from fatigue, & want of fresh air & repose; but I must toil on!
- September. 2. Thursday. Left at One oClock from the Waterloo Station for Gosport: arrived there at five. Took steamer for Ryde, reached the pier soon after six oClock; went to Mrs Maltby at Glanville Lodge, Monckton Street. A lovely day and evening. Went to bed at ten oClock.
- 3. Friday. Walked to Victoria Arcade, called on Mr Barrow, accompanied him to the room of the Scientific Institution. Took an