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The Schiehallion experiment.

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From the text: In the 1700s, the Royal Society decided to send a team of scientists to Schiehallion mountain in central Scotland to perform an experiment to ascertain the mass of the Earth. Schiehallion was chosen for its symmetrical, conical shape, which can be seen from the picture below, taken from Kinloch Rannoch, looking across Loch Rannoch. The experiment was to bankrupt the Royal Society but its findings were astonishing for the time.

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