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The Geological Society, founded in London in 1807, is characterized in the foreword to this volume as "the senior Earth science society in the World." One of the society's goals from the outset was to provide a medium for more extensive geological expositions than the preeminent Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society would accommodate. Its earliest ventures in publishing proved financially problematic, and in 1845 the society's Transactions and Proceedings were combined to form a journal that continues to this day. Milestones in Geology commemorates this event by bringing together a collection of papers in which leading geologists set out to review the history and current status of "significant topics ... brought to the fore in earlier contributions to the Journal." After an introduction by the editor and a brief historical account of the society's publishing activities by Martin Rudwick there are 18 contributions, each of which

takes as its point of departure a particular paper or group of papers that appeared in the Journal. Invoking Hutton and Lyell, Brian Windley opens the series with a consideration of "uniformitarianism today" in which he offers evidence to argue that, thermal changes notwithstanding, "plate tectonics provides a paradigm" for the very early geological past. In another contribution Michael Brown, referring back to an 1893 paper by George Barrow, discusses issues in the development of metamorphic petrology. A paper by Sedgwick in the initial volume of the Journal dealt with early Paleozoic stratigraphy, and W. S. McKerrow summarizes the prior and subsequent development of that subject. Subjects of the other reviews include early Precambrian crustal development, geochronology of metamorphic complexes, strike-slip motion, issues of bio- and chronostratigraphy, Jurassic geochronology, Mesozoic and Cenozoic vertebrate remains, Ordovician-to-Devonian paleogeography, sedimentary structures, the petrography of limestones, volcanism in the British Tertiary, magmatism, and hydrothermal ore genesis. A sampling of the earlier authors whose work is highlighted includes Henry Clinton Sorby, Charles Moore, Archibald Geikie, Charles Lapworth, S. S. Buckman, Alfred

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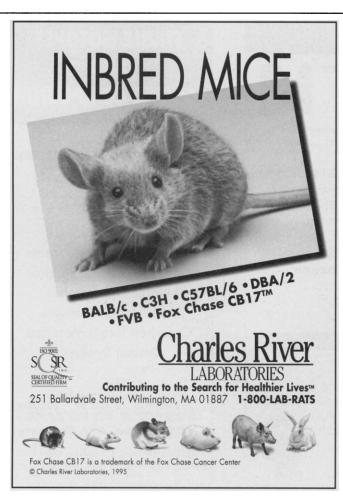
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