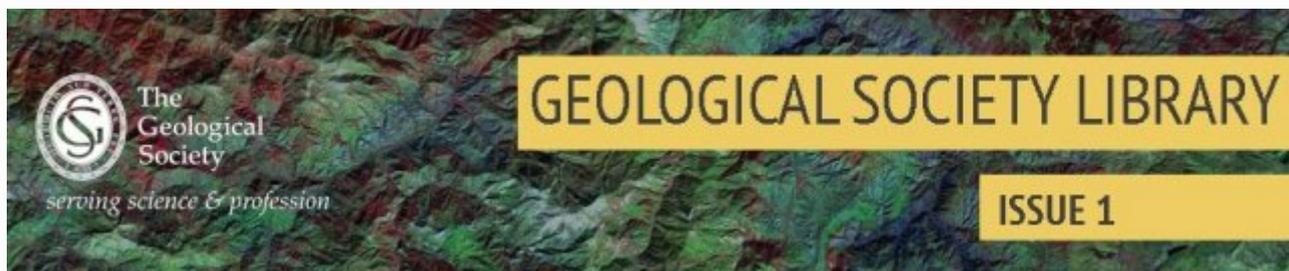


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## Welcome

Welcome to the first issue of the Geological Society Library's electronic newsletter. From important Library news to fundraising activities, electronic journal updates and interesting events, the bi-monthly newsletter will be your first port of call for everything to do with the UK's premier Earth science Library.

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We hope you find the newsletter informative and useful. Do get in touch and let us know what you think!

Best wishes,

The Library Team

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## Online journal access



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From 2014 we will be subscribing to over 90 electronic titles, including 51 titles published by Elsevier and Springer, which Fellows of the Society can read from the comfort of their own home, office or while commuting. From geochemistry to volcanology, mining to hydrogeology, all aspects of the geological sciences are covered.

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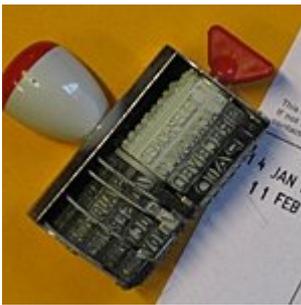
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## Two new online exhibitions



The Library's latest online exhibition, [The Society's Portrait and Bust Collection](#), focuses on the paintings and sculptures of Fellows and distinguished individuals which are displayed around the rooms and staircase of the Society's apartments in Burlington House.

The exhibition gives an introduction to the sitters depicted and their connections with our organisation, from Mary Anning to Henry Woodward.



A second exhibition provides an opportunity to view some of the images from the [Louis Agassiz fossil fish collection](#). We have recently been fundraising to conserve and digitise this collection, which comprises nearly 3000 original drawings and watercolours of fossil fish specimens, each commissioned by the Swiss naturalist Louis Agassiz to accompany his research.

In this exhibition you can get a closer look at some of the more unusual items in the collection, from a fossil tooth to a pencil rubbing of a scale, and find out about the history of their discovery, Agassiz's interpretations, the various collectors they belonged to and the artists who carried out the work.

[Visit the website](#) to learn more about these fascinating collections  
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## Map prints for sale



Reproduction map prints are still available to buy from the Map Room. Each print is from a map in our collection scanned at high-resolution. We have the entire collection of William Smith Geological County maps available, as well as Murchison's "Siluria", Griffith's map of Ireland, and many others covering Europe, North America, Australia and India. Please visit the [Map Print Sale](#) page of our website.

Every purchase allows us to scan and preserve more of our historic maps. More scanning is planned for later in the year, so look out for updates in our newsletter and on our website.

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The Geofacets-GSL Millennium Edition platform is an innovative map-based research tool designed for geoscientists and contains:

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## Historic images from British Library



The British Library have released over a million images onto Flickr Commons for anyone to use, remix and repurpose without copyright infringement. The images are from the pages of 17th, 18th and 19th century books and are searchable through keywords. Of particular interest to geologists will be the wonderful historical maps, geological diagrams and illustrations. The images were plucked from pages as part of the 'Mechanical Curator', a creation of the British Library Labs project. Each image is individually addressible online, and Flickr provides an API to access it and the image's associated description.

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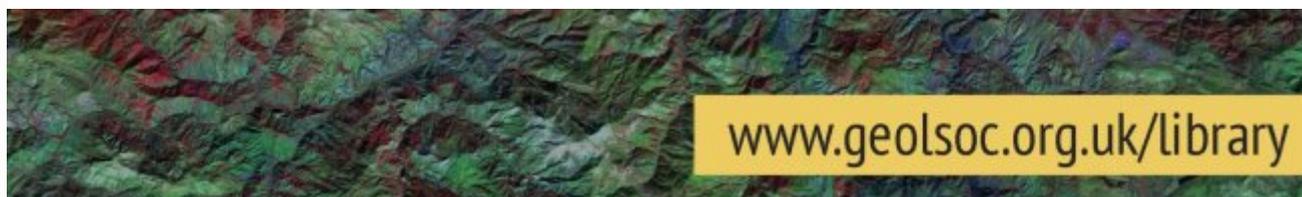
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