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### Errata

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The following corrections were received too late to be made in this edition:

The credit lines for Plates 8 and 11 should read Mount Wilson Observatory instead of Royal Astronomical Society.

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