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This compassionate account of how British society developed during the nineteenth century is worthy of the period which it portrays. The author opens with a vivid description of the French Revolution and its impact on British politics and she deals graphically with the main political developments of the nineteenth century like the struggle for the Reform Bill and for the People's Charter. She is equally effective in her account of industrial developments and of the early history of trade unionism, leading to the Great Dock Strike of 1889. A wide range of sources have been drawn on to illustrate key topics such as scientific advances both in medicine and engineering, the construction of Britain's railway system, and the changing place of women in society. Finally much attention is paid to the early history of the British Empire and to the tragic story of Britain and Ireland.

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