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The following works have been added to the Library since October:—

Club Publications.

Appalachia. The journal of the Appalachian Mountain Club, vol. 13, 1913–1915
 $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6$: pp. vii, 421: maps, plates. Boston, 1915

F. E. Matthes, The glaciers of Mount Rainier.

There are eleven glaciers on Mount Rainier (pronounced Rainiër). A peculiarity of the snow-fall is that there is more at the base than at the summit, as the summit is above the level of storm clouds: so that most of the ice streams begin about 4,000 feet below the summit.

H. C. Parker, Conquering Mount McKinley.

A. Burr, Mont Blanc by the Brenva route.

A. H. Bent, Early American Mountaineers.

This review begins with the ascent of Popocatepetl in 1519 and El Misti in 1677, with early plates of the former. The exploration of the White Mountains, the Rockies of the U.S. and of Canada, of the Sierra and finally of Mount McKinley, is then reviewed.

A. H. Bent, Higher mountains of California and Colorado.

C. E. Fay, The Canadian Rockies to date.

S. P. Fay, Canadian Rockies between Yellowhead Pass and Peace River.

Ladies' Alpine Club. Calendar 1916.

$5 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$: 3 photographs.

The Mountaineers, Seattle. The Mountaineer, vol. 8. Mount Rainier National Park. 1915

10×7 : pp. 118: map, plates.

S.A.C. Les cinquante premières années du Club Alpin Suisse. Notice historique par le Dr. Henri Dübi publiée sous les auspices du Comité Central à l'occasion du Jubilé semi-séculaire du C.A.S. Berne, 1913

$10\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$: pp. vi, 303: ill.

— **Alpina.** 23. Jahrg. Redigiert v. Dr. E. Walder. Zürich, Tschopp, 1915
 $12 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$: pp. iv, 240.

Among other articles, this contains:—

E. Wehrli, Skitouren vom Tirol in's Engadin.

H. Dübi, Melchior Anderegg.

A. Slekken, Ferientage im Wallis.

A. Müller, Die Kreuzberge im Sântisgebiet.

F. Stucky, Eine Jungfrautransversierung.

— **Molésou.** La section Molésou 1871–1896. (1896)

$7\frac{1}{2} \times 5$: pp. 22: 2 plates.

— **Uto.** Festschrift zum fünfzigjährigen Bestehen der Section.

9×6 : pp. 32: plates. Zürich, Tschopp, 1913

The plates include portraits of Josias Simler, his descendant Dr. Th. Simler, Dr. Alb. Heim, Dr. E. Walder, Prof. C. Schröter, Dr. F. G. Stebler, Dr. G. Meyer v. Knouau.

New Books and Articles.

Allen, Edward Frank. A Guide to the National Parks of America.

New York, McBride Nast, 1915. \$1

6×4 : pp. (viii) 286: maps, plates.

This is a handy guide-book for the Yellowstone Glacier, Yosemite, Mt Rainier, Sequoia, Grant, Mesa Verde, Crater Lake, Canadian National Parks and to the Grand Canyon. Descriptions, full particulars of

what to see and of all expenses, and of how to see the sights,⁷ with good maps, and a number of well-printed plates are given. To visit any of the Parks seems to provide a well-ordered, methodical camping holiday, a mixture of regulated organised routine with the freedom of open-air camping.

Ami, Henry M. Stanford's Compendium of geography and travel (new issue). North America, vol. 1. Canada and Newfoundland. Second edition, revised. London, Stanford, 1915. 15/-

7½ × 5: pp. xxviii, 1069: maps, ill.

This is an excellent statistical, historical, scenic and generally descriptive work. It contains many maps and views of the mountains of Alberta and British Columbia. There is a good bibliography of 30 pages to the end of 1913: but there are serious omissions in regard to books dealing with the Rockies, etc. While Dr. Collie's work is mentioned, the works of Mr. Green, the Duke of the Abruzzi, the Appalachian Club and the Alpine Club of Canada, are omitted. The book is altogether very useful for giving a traveller much information.

Beckett, Samuel J. The fjords and folk of Norway.

6½ × 4: pp. xv, 307: map, plates. London, Methuen (1915). 5/- nett
A description of Norway, geography, cultivation, people, history: with description of individual places alphabetically arranged. An interesting work with good illustrations.

Le Blond, Mrs. Aubrey. True tales of mountain adventure for non-climbers young and old. London, etc., Nelson, 1915. 1/-

6 × 4: pp. 395: plates.

Burpee, Lawrence P. Among the Canadian Alps.

London and New York, Lane, 1915

9 × 6: pp. 239: 4 col. and 45 uncol. plates, maps.

Cairnes, D. D. The Yukon-Alaska International Boundary, between Porcupine and Yukon Rivers. Canada, Depart. Mines, Geol. Surv. Mem. 67.

9½ × 6½: pp. iii, 161: plates, map. Ottawa, Gov. Print. Bureau, 1914

— Upper White River District, Yukon. Canada, Depart. Mines, Mem. 50.

9½ × 6½: pp. iv, 191: plates. Ottawa, Government print. bureau, 1915

Coolidge, W. A. B. Zur topographischen Geschichte des Belalp- und des Aletschglatschergebiet, der Eggishornkette und des Märjelsees. 1915
8 × 5½: pp. 67-102: in Bl. a.d. Walliser-Gesch. Bd. 4.

— The passage of the Alps in 1518. Reprint from English Hist. Rev.

10 × 6½: pp. 681-691.

October 1915

Egger, Carl. Im Kaukasus Bergbesteigungen und Reiseerlebnisse im Sommer 1914. Basel, Frobenius, 1915

8½ × 5½: pp. 113: plates.

This expedition of Carl Egger and Guido Miescher included the following first ascents in the Caucasus:—Andürtschi, Dschan-tugan-Tau, Baschkara, Gadül-Tau, Dschailik-Basch, Tiu-tiu-Basch: and several unnamed peaks. The book is illustrated with numerous small good plates and a panorama from Kurmütschi.

Freshfield, D. W. The southern frontiers of Austria. In Geogr. Journ. London, vol. 46, no. 6. December 1915

9½ × 6: pp. 414-435: maps, ill.

This forms the opening address of the President of the R.G.S.

Frobenius. Die Schweiz aus der Vogelschau. I. Blatt (Mittelstück).

28 × 19: col. plate.

Basel, Frobenius [1915]

A good view from Bâle to Milan and from the Col d'Otemma to Bellinzona.

Geographical Journal, vol. 46.

July to December 1915

9½ × 6: pp. viii, 531: maps, ill.

This vol. contains the following:—

July. R. N. Brown, Spitsbergen in 1914.

August. F. De Filippi, Karakoram and Central Asia 1913-1914.

September. W. Weston, Northern Japanese Alps.

October. Sir A. Stein's expedition in Central Asia.

December. D. W. Freshfield, Southern frontiers of Austria.

Hocking, Silas K. The great hazard.

London, Unwin (1915)

7½ × 4½ : pp. 383.

A novel with some alpine climbing in it.

Lewis, A. G. Sport, travel and adventure. London, Unwin (1915). 10/6

8½ × 5½ : pp. 352 : plates.

This is an interesting collection of extracts from various books, well selected and arranged. There is a chapter on 'Climbing Adventures.'

The book is very well put together and well illustrated.

Nussbaum, Dr. F. Schweizerische Landesaustellung in Bern 1914. Bericht über die Ausstellung des Schweizer Alpenclub. Bern, Wyss, 1914

8 × 5½ : pp. 52 : ill.

Phontrides, Aristides E., and Farquhar, Francis P. With the gods on Mount Olympus. In Scribner's Mag., New York and London, vol. 58, no. 5.

9½ × 6½ : pp. 558-577 : plates.

November 1915

An ascent in 1914, some fine plates of the precipices of the mountain and a bibliography of ascents.

Rundall, Lt. L. B. The ibex of Shā-ping and other Himalayan studies. With numerous pen and ink sketches and coloured plates by the author.

London, Macmillan, 1915

9½ × 7 : pp. xiv, 152 : 15 plates.

These are tales of wild animals founded on actual hunting experiences.

They are delightfully and sympathetically told : and include hunting bear, ibex, musk deer, pheasant, etc. It is worth while quoting here the prefatory letter from the author, for its expression of keen feeling for mountain life.

'I love the mountains better than I can say, and the sport, if only for watching the game and getting to know them ; and the music and the scenery of it all. There is music in it all, and the composer who has got closest to it is Grieg ; but his music does not reach above the forests and the torrents, and even so it is a poor imitation. The "music" of absolute silence and loneliness high above forest and water is perhaps the grandest, and is, I suppose, one of the lures of climbing the high peaks. But there is nothing I have ever heard in the works of any composer which does more than barely suggest it—all so unutterably grand and bare, so sad and lonely. And the end of it all ? How many mountain ranges have faded into sandy plains, and how many sea-beds have been raised into great jagged peaks and snowfields since the world was made ? Shouldn't every man be glad to rough it out and test his power of endurance, and harden himself, and sharpen his animal wits in the keen mountain wind, and silence of the forests ? Next to my profession I am keenest on sport ; not necessarily from the point of view of firing off a number of cartridges and drawing blood, but because I love the mountains for their beauty, their moods, their music, and their absolute eeriness—so like the sea in a way. I have already thought out my future expeditions. One into unexplored Spiti, beyond the hills of Waziri Rupi which run up to about 23,000 feet ; several short ones into Chamba, and Bhagal, and then a big one into Tibet. That is the one I want to do most, but it is far away.'

These expeditions will never be carried out, as the author fell in action in December 1914. The coloured plates of mountain peaks are very pleasing, somewhat in the style of Elijah Walton. The original sketches of the coloured mountain plates were exhibited in the Alpine Club Hall in December last.

S., J. J. De exploratie van Nieuw-Guinee. In Tijdsch. k. Nederl. Aardr. Gen. deel 32, no. 7. 15 November 1915

9½ × 6½ : pp. 857-861 : map.

The map contains the snow peaks of Cartensztop, Idenburgtop, Wilhelmminatop and Julianatop and the hill ranges to the north of them.

Die Schweizerische Grenzbesetzung, 1914-15.

Basel, Frobenius, 1915

12½ × 9½ : pp. 82 : plates.

- An album of plates representing military work in Switzerland, with descriptive text. There are 162 plates illustrating field work.
- Tarr, Ralph Stockman and Martin, Lawrence.** Alaskan glacier studies of the National Geographic Society in the Yakutat Bay, Prince William Sound and lower Copper River regions. Based upon the field work in 1909, 1910, 1911 and 1913 by National Geographic Society expeditions.
 10 × 7½: pp. xxvii, 498: maps, plates. Washington, Nat. Geogr. Soc. 1914
 This is a remarkably fine work, with many excellent plates and maps. There are more than 200 plates, very well printed, besides text illustrations, and 9 coloured maps and many uncoloured maps included in the plates.
- Thorne, Guy.** The greater power. London, etc. Gale and Polden, 1915
 7 × 5: pp. vii, 184.
 Fiction referring to the war in the Italian Alps, including a chapter describing the hauling of big guns up precipices and work of the Alpini.
- Der Winter 1914-15 an der Grenze.** Schweiz. Grenzbesetzung.
 12½ × 9½: pp. 86: plates. Basel, Frobenius, 1915
 A most interesting album of views of military work on the Swiss Alps: with descriptive text. There are 167 excellent plates, of mountain scenery, Red-Cross work, general army work and portraits.

Older Works.

- Compton, Thomas.** The Northern Cambrian Mountains, or a tour through North Wales, describing the scenery and general characteristics of that romantic country, and embellished with a series of highly-finished coloured views, engraved from original drawings by Thomas Compton.
 London, printed for the author, by C. Corral, 1817
 9½ × 13½: pp. 63: 30 col. plates.
- Grew, J. C.** Sport and travel in the far east.
 London, Constable: Boston and New York, Houghton Mifflin, 1910
 8½ × 5½: pp. xiv, 264: plates.
- Miléville, Sir Walter.** Letters from Norway.
 Brighton, Combridge: London, Simpkin, Marshall [? c. 1906]
 6½ × 4½: pp. 200.
- Toepffer, R.** Nouvelles genevoises précédées d'une lettre adressée à l'éditeur par le Comte Xavier de Maistre. Paris, Charpentier, 1846
 6½ × 4½: pp. 490.
- Walton, Elijah.** Alpine vignettes. With descriptive text by T. G. Bonney. Fourth edition. London, Thompson, 1882
 13 × 9½: 16: 12 col. plates.
- Wordsworth, William.** The River Duddon, a series of Sonnets: . . . to which is annexed, a topographical description of the Country of the Lakes, in the north of England. London, Longmans, 1820
 9 × 5½: pp. viii, 322.
 This is the first edition of the Sonnets and the second of the Description, for this was first published with Wilkinson's Views.

Map.

- Canada Depart. of Interior.** Topographical map of the Rocky and Selkirk Mountains between lat. 50°37 and 51°44 and long. 115°55 and 118.21.
 Scale 1·97 miles to the inch. 1914