

to the fact that within its borders it has a vast extent of country of magnificent and of beautiful scenery.

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9 × 6½: 133 plates, 2 maps.

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10 × 6½: maps, plates.

This contains, *inter alia*:—

January. C. W. Furlong, The Fuegian tribes.

A. K. Lobeck, White Mountain region.

February. W. W. Hyde, Mountain scenery in modern times.

March. C. W. Furlong, Settlements of the Fuegians.

W. S. C. Russell, Askja.

April. Th. Roosevelt, Bowman's Andes of Southern Peru.

July. E. de Martonne, The Carpathians.

W. R. Jillson, Mount St. Helens and Mount Hood.

ALPINE NOTES.

'BALL'S ALPINE GUIDE.' VOL. I. THE WESTERN ALPS.—Copies of the new edition (1898) of this work can be obtained from all booksellers, or from Edward Stanford, Limited, 12 Long Acre, W.C. 2. Price 12s. net.

'BALL'S ALPINE GUIDE,' THE CENTRAL ALPS. PART I.—A new edition (1907) of this portion of 'The Alpine Guide,' by the late John Ball, F.R.S., President of the Alpine Club, reconstructed and revised on behalf of the Alpine Club under the general editorship of A. V. Valentine-Richards, Fellow of Christ's College, Cambridge, can be obtained from all booksellers, or from Edward Stanford, Limited, 12 Long Acre, W.C. 2. It includes those portions of Switzerland to the N. of the Rhône and Rhine valleys. Price 6s. 6d.

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MAP OF THE VALSESIA.—Some copies of the Map issued with the ALPINE JOURNAL No. 209, and of the plates opposite pages 108 and 128 in No. 208, are available and can be obtained from the Assistant Secretary, Alpine Club, 23 Savile Row, W. Price for the set (the Map mounted on cloth), 3s.

CLUBFÜHRER DURCH DIE WALLISER-ALPEN (CLIMBERS' GUIDE TO THE PENNINE ALPS).—Vol. III., in 2 parts, of this new Climbers' Guide, edited by Dr. Dübi, covering the country from the Théodule to the Simplon, has just been published (in German). The price of the volume (to members of the S.A.C.) is 5fr. 15c. Post free from the Quæstor of the respective section. The book is so well furnished with route-marked illustrations that a very scanty knowledge of German suffices for its use.

The volume from the Col Ferret to the Théodule is in a forward state.

A few copies of Vol. III. have been sent over and can be obtained from the Asst. Editor, Alpine Club, price 5s. post free.

THE ALPINE CLUB OBITUARY.—

	Elected.
Bushell, Rev. W. D. . . .	1863
Woollnough, Rev. J. B. W. . .	1865
Philpott, Rev. T. H. . . .	1865
Carson, T. H.	1867
Malan, H. N.	1872

MR. CHARLES PILKINGTON.—Every member of the Alpine Club will learn with great regret that Mr. Pilkington had an apoplectic seizure while staying in Mid-Wales in June. Up to now, while his strength is well maintained, the power of speech has not returned. He was, however, well enough to leave for home in September.

SCHWEIZER ALPEN-CLUB.—The published accounts to December 31, 1916, give the following information :

Total number of members (including 1186
new members). 13,332

Total income inclusive of the gross receipts
from the ' Jahrbuch ' fr.138,250 = £5,530

The principal items of expenditure are :

New huts	fr. 25,000
Repairs to huts; furniture, insurance, &c.	„ 14,143
' Alpina '	„ 12,966
' Jahrbuch,' vol. I.	„ 59,743
Assurance of guides	„ 6,901
Rescue arrangements	„ 3,974
Various subventions	„ 2,900
Publication of Guide-books	„ 1,000
General expenses	„ 11,102

fr. 137,729 = £5,509

CORRIGENDA, VOL. XXXI.

p. 176, last line but one read, 'I should have given evidence on the side of the linendraper.'

p. 184, last line but one, for 1757 read 1775.

p. 227, last line but two, for *Baker*, read *Butler*.

Professor Ker writes: 'It was Butler's first season in the Alps—he used to talk about it—how "Jamie Riddell" gave him an ice-axe and took him over the Col du Grand Cornier. They had bad weather and could not do much, but they bathed in the water above Macugnaga. Butler never went back to the Pennines—he was wrong.'

REVIEW.

La Storia dei tre Weisssthor. By W. A. B. Coolidge. Translated into Italian by Gualtiero Laeng. *Rivista*, xxxvi. Nos. 3-7. Turin: 1917.

THE history of the various Weisssthor is worked out in this article in the elaborate manner which we expect from the learned author. It is not without a touch of comedy. In Plate V. of vol. iv. of De Saussure's '*Voyages dans les Alpes*,' published in 1796, is shown apparently just N. of the Jägerhorn, a '*Passage en Valais*,' which the author calls, '*Weisse-Grat qui veut dire Porte-Blanche*.'

For something like one hundred years ardent climbers hunted for this selfsame passage all along the ridge from the Jägerhorn to the Cima di Jazzi. The Alt-Weisssthor, as it came to be called, possesses even to-day for the mountaineer an engrossing interest. What these climbers discovered may be best studied in '*The Passes across the Weisssthor Ridge*,' by W. M. Conway, in '*A.J.*' xi. 193 seq., with a plate, in which the various lines of passage are marked in red, and in '*Neue und alte Pfade in den Zermatter Bergen*,' by Professor K. Schulz, in the Swiss *Jahrbuch*, vol. xviii., while '*Ueber das Alt-Weisstor*,' by Karl Jaksche, in the '*O.A.Z.*' for 1911 (with a diagram), is very instructive.

A review of the present state of knowledge of the Weisssthor ridge, with many diagrams, as well as an elaborate discussion of the various historical points, is given by Dr. Dübi in section ix.—Weisstor-Gruppe—of his recently published '*Walliser-Alpen*.'

None of the various Alt-Weissthor then discovered turned out to be quite easy and safe. In 1895 it struck a German writer, Herr Lüders, to check the bearings of his Col given by De Saussure '*à 55 degrés du Nord par Ouest de Macugnaga*,' when it turned out that they indicated, not the position marked in his plate, but the Schwarzenberg-Weissthor. Thus the real Alt-Weissthor was an old pilgrims' pass used since the sixteenth century.

The discrepancy is easily accounted for. De Saussure, the man of science, would naturally take on the spot the exact bearings of the