

started for the third time for the Wetterhorn and reached the top at 7.15. We left at 7.35 and reached the top of the Mittelhorn at 8.43, regaining the hut at 11.30 and descending to Grindelwald. Ulrich Lauener led all the way up on each occasion, and the times taken under difficult conditions show clearly that at the age of 59 there was little, if any, abatement of energy and strength. I have the most vivid recollection of his constant care, courtesy and cheerfulness. As an instance of his skill and strength I will close with an incident in our descent from the Glectstein Hut. When we were about half-way across the Platten my second guide, who was then leading, became suddenly ill and declared that he could not move. I told Ulrich, who was behind me, and he asked me to go down to some lower notches in the rocks so as to allow him to pass. He then joined the other man and, holding him up, took him safely to the end of the Platten.

Yours faithfully,

HENRY W. T. BOWYEAR.

48 Duke Street, St. James's,
Sept. 11, 1917.

THE LATE MR. T. H. PHILPOTT.

DEAR CAPTAIN FARRAR,—I thank you for your note. I had not heard of Mr. Philpott's death. I am very sorry to hear it. I am not sure that I should have written my letter at all if I had known, as the first idea of it arose in my mind from the thought that he might be interested and pleased to know the impression that his 'form' left on my mind. I had not known Mr. Philpott before I met him on the mountains in 1890, and have had no communication with him since I sent a draft of my note to the 'A.J.' upon our expedition for his approval. But I have a very pleasant recollection of his kindness and courtesy to a much younger man and a comparative novice on the mountains.

Yours sincerely,

HENRY BOWYEAR.

48 Duke Street, St. James's, S.W.,
Sept. 21, 1917.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ALPINE CLUB.

A GENERAL MEETING of the Club was held in the Hall, 23 Savile Row, W. 1, on Tuesday, June 5, 1917, at 8.30 P.M., Captain J. P. Farrar, D.S.O., *President*, in the Chair.

The PRESIDENT said: I am sorry to say the Acting Honorary Secretary is laid up with an attack of sciatica. I am to express his great regret at being absent. I think it is the only time during his tenure of office.

I have to announce with very sincere regret the death, on May 22, of the Rev. T. H. Philpott, the survivor of the famous Hornby and Philpott party and the author of the charming *Reminiscences* lately published in the JOURNAL. He was about eighty years of age. I had a very delightful correspondence with him while he was preparing his *Reminiscences*, and I seem to lose in him a familiar friend. The splendid enthusiasm of the veteran was most invigorating to witness.

You will remember that Captain G. T. Ewen, M.C., Manchester Regiment, was severely wounded on March 8, 1916, in the action for the relief of Kut, and had to be left when the attack was broken off. I fear we must now assume that he succumbed to his wounds. Captain Ewen was elected in 1911, and is another of the young members of the Club whom it can ill afford to lose. Doubtless a full notice of him will appear later in the JOURNAL.

The PRESIDENT then read a Paper entitled 'A Great Traverse' (the traverse of the Aiguille Blanche de Peuterey and of Mont Blanc), which was illustrated by lantern slides.

A discussion took place in which Sir Edward Davidson, Mr. J. H. Wicks, Professor Collie, Mr. E. A. Broome, and Mr. R. W. Lloyd took part, and a hearty vote of thanks to the President, proposed by Mr. H. Woolley, was carried unanimously.

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