observations on which I ground my conclusion, but I am convinced that a fresh advance of the ice was in progress in 1887–1889. How far that advance has been continued I do not possess sufficient materials for judging.

'It is much to be desired that the Russian Government or scientific societies should arrange for the periodical measurement of several of the principal ice streams on either side of the chain. The Azau Glacier, the Bezingi and Shikildi Glaciers, the Karagom Glacier on the N., the Chalaat, Leksur, and Adish Glaciers on the S. would be good examples. Failing this, successive travellers should measure and report on these or any other conspicuous glaciers, and use their personal influence to induce the Priestav of Betsho, and the princes of Urusbieh, or the Načhalnik at Naltshik to take up the work. M. Jukoff did what he could while engaged on the Survey (see "The Exploration of the Caucasus in 1890," in R.G.S. "Proceedings," 1892), but he was naturally removed after one or two seasons to another part of the country.'

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE NEW ZEALAND ALPS.

To the Editor of the ALPINE JOURNAL.

Thames: March 27, 1897.

DEAR SIR,—May I, as spokesman of the N.Z. Alpine men, express my appreciation of Mr. Freshfield's very able summing up of the points at issue between Mr. FitzGerald and myself?

We young colonists are very touchy when anything is said which may tend to depreciate our hard work, and imagined our past labours in opening up our Alps were being overlooked when, perhaps, there was really no cause for protest.

I thoroughly endorse the concluding remarks of the article, and can only again express, as already testified in Mannering's and my letters, our congratulations and admiration of Mr. FitzGerald's climbs out here with his guide.

I should be glad if you could find space for this note, as evidence that we accept Mr. Freshfield's verdict and thank him for his very exhaustive and interesting summing up of the whole subject.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,

ARTHUR P. HARPER.

THE SUMMER EXHIBITION.

AMONG the smaller picture galleries of London it would be difficult to find one superior to that belonging to the Alpine Club. Admirably lighted, most suitably decorated, and situated within a few hundred yards of the chief exhibition rooms of London, it might reasonably have been expected that its walls would be

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