A well-designed, striking picture, suitable especially for the walls of say a schoolroom. The effect of distance between the dark shadowed glacier snout in the middle and the brilliant sunlit snow peak of the background is well rendered.

Norway. Oberst Nissen's Kart over det nordlige Norge. Maalestok 1 : 1 000 000. Kristiania, Aschehoug, 1905. Kr. 2.50

—— Oberst Nissen's Kart over det sydlige Norge. Udarbeidet in 4 Blade. Maalestok 1 : 600 000. Kristiania, Aschehoug, 1905 Each sheet, Kr. 2.50.

These are clearly printed and accompanied by two indexes of places, one for the north and one for the south map. Each map is in cardboard covers. The maps are also published, as is usual, in other forms.

Thoma, Hans. Lauterbrunnental. München, Verlagsbuchhandlung G. D. W. Callwey, 1905. M. 4

A reproduction in colours—14″ × 17″—of a painting of the mountains surrounding the Valley of Lauterbrunnen.

Wieland, H. B. Sternennacht: Matterhorn. Leipzig, Teubner, 1906. M. 5

A reproduction in colours—size 22″ × 30″—of a picture by Wieland.

NEW EXPEDITIONS IN 1905 AND 1906.

Zermatt District.

DENT BLANCHE (4,364 m.=14,318 ft.) BY THE GREAT COULOIR OF THE S.W. FACE AND W. ARÊTE.—On August 4, 1905, Dr. O. K. Williamson and Mr. H. Symons, with Jean Maître and Pierre Maurys, ascended the Dent Blanche by this route, of which that part on the S.W. face and in the great couloir, except for about twenty minutes after leaving the glacier, is new.

Leaving a bivouac under the Rocs Rouges at 4.5 A.M. they ascended the glacier on the uppermost shelf, the séracs giving them some trouble. Reaching a point just below the level of a gently sloping shelf in the S.W. face which strikes the W. arête just below an almost vertical portion thereof, and after halting for 15 minutes, they took to the rocks of the S.W. face (6.15 A.M.). After the lower easy rocks they kept a line leading on the whole directly upwards until they struck the W. ridge. The rocks became firm and steep, and afforded fine climbing until, by an interesting chimney, they reached the W. arête at a well defined notch at just about the centre of the ridge (8.35 A.M.). Starting again at 9.5 A.M. they ascended the ridge itself, with traverses on one or other side for less than 1 hour. At a point several hundred feet below the gendarme which was the scene of the 1899 accident they again traversed, more or less horizontally, on to the face, here consisting of slabs, until they reached the middle of the great couloir between the W. arête and the next well defined rib to the S. Having ascended the slabs to the right of the middle of the couloir, it became necessary again to cross it, the slabs here being wet and very steep. This was the hardest part of the climb. The rocks now became relatively easy, and in a few minutes the party again struck the W. arête just above the gendarme (11.55 A.M.). Having

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halted for 10 minutes they followed the ridge to the point where it articulates with the N. snow arête, and so reached the summit (1.49 P.M.). Halting till 2.45 P.M. they descended by the S. arête (the ordinary route), but, owing to many halts and the necessity for cutting steps down an ice ridge from the Wandfluh, Ferpècle was not reached until 12.55 A.M. on the 5th inst. The mountain was probably in as good condition as it is ever likely to be, but the party cannot recommend that part of the climb on the slabs in the great couloir.

New Zealand.

ST. DAVID'S DOME (10,410 ft.) AND MOUNT STOKES (10,034 ft.).—We learn from Mr. Malcolm Ross that these peaks have been climbed by Dr. Teichelmann and Messrs. Newton and Dow.

Ruwenzori.

New climbs on Ruwenzori will be found described in 'Further Attempts on Ruwenzori,' pp. 141 foll. They have been placed there for convenience of reference.

ALPINE NOTES.

'THE ALPINE GUIDE.'—Copies of Vol. I. of the new edition of this work, price 12*s.* net, and of 'Hints and Notes, Practical and Scientific, for Travellers in the Alps' (being a new edition of the General Introduction), price 3*s.*, can be obtained from all booksellers, or from Messrs. Stanford, Charing Cross.

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THE ALPINE CLUB OBITUARY IN 1906.—G. E. Foster (1864).

MEMORIAL TO THE LATE CHARLES EDWARD MATHEWS.—A movement has been started among the friends of the late Charles Edward Mathews to raise a fund for the purpose of setting up a monument to his memory. His life-long devotion to the Alps, his close connection with the Alpine Club as one of its founders, one of its Presidents, and one of its most active and esteemed members, his connection also with other confraternities of mountaineers, both British and foreign, combine to indicate some mountaineering centre as a suitable place for such a memorial. The name of C. E. Mathews is closely associated with two renowned mountains, Mont Blanc and Snowdon, the former of which he ascended a dozen times, the latter upwards of a hundred. A memorial at the foot of either, where his friends would be likely to see it from time to time, might serve to keep his memory green amongst future generations of mountaineers. The nature of the monument must be determined by the response made to this appeal, whilst the opinion of subscribers will be the safest indication of the position to be chosen.

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