Alpine Club, which should be in the hands of every student of that Chain.

On the other hand the attempt in 1892 made by Messrs. Mummery, Slingsby, and Ellis Carr, so vividly described by the latter in 'Two Days on an Ice Slope,' 'A. J.' xvi. 422, starts from the adjoining glacier, marked on Vallot's sketch map 'Glacier Nord du Plan,' and led right up the N. face of the Plan—so that no portion of these two climbs coincides. No attempt appears to have been made to complete the ascent by the N. face which this party were so very near carrying through. The reader of Mr. Ellis Carr's paper can vicariously get excitement and *frissons* enough without venturing himself on these terrible slopes. The N. face is shown by the sketches in Mr. Ellis Carr's paper, and even better by a photo in 'Echo des Alpes,' 1910, 167.

ALPINE ACCIDENTS IN 1913.

On September 7 **Mlle. Renée Eugster,** a well-known French climber, was killed on the **Aig. de la Persévérance,** one of the Aiguilles Rouges de Chamonix. With the guide Alfred Simond and the porter Robert Claret she attempted the descent on the Vallée de Bérard side, which is very precipitous. The party had already double-roped down two pitches and was engaged in descending a third by the same means. The porter had arrived below and was waiting on a small ledge. The rope, however, proved too short for the lady and she had to detach herself for the last bit, but shouted to the guide who was well placed out of sight above that she had landed all right. The guide then commenced to descend but, just at the overhang, he was rendered partially unconscious by a flash of lightning, let go the double rope and fell. The rope, however, got twisted round one of his legs and he fortunately happened to fall on the ledge half suspended by one foot.

The porter hastened to his assistance but Mlle. Eugster had disappeared. Apparently in the excitement she had slipped and fallen, feet first, down the snow couloir by the side of which she was standing. Her body was found 150 m. lower down at the edge of the bergschrund, her clothes having caught on the rocks which stopped her farther fall. A bad wound on the temple was evidently the cause of her death.

On October 26 **Herr Widauf,** aged 31, described as a competent climber and good gymnast, attempted the ascent of the difficult N. face of the **Vertatscha.** His companion turned back owing to illness and nothing more was seen of Herr Widauf until his terribly mangled body was found on the 28th at the foot of the wall.