

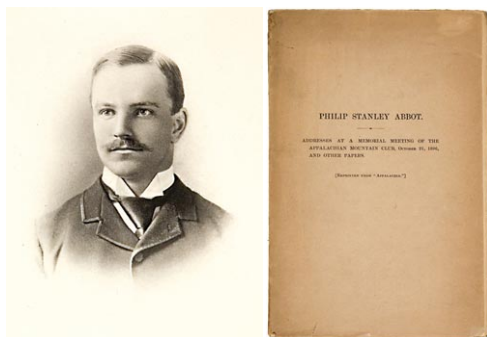
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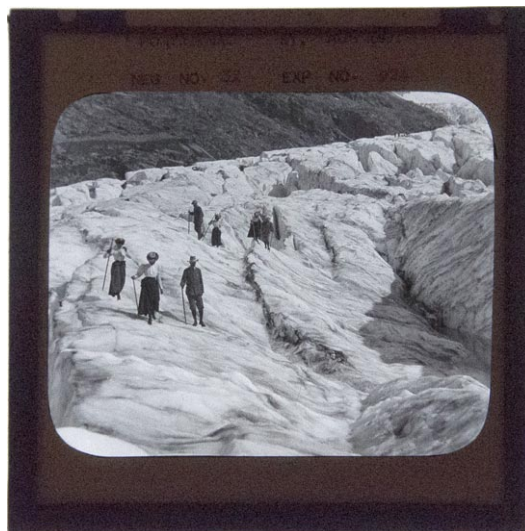


1. ABBOT, Philip Stanley. Addresses at a Memorial Meeting of the Appalachian Mountain Club, October 21, 1896, and other papers. Reprinted from "Appalachia", [Boston, Mass.], n.d. [1896]. £98

8vo. Original printed wrappers; pp. [iii], 82; portrait frontispiece, 10 other plates; spine with wear, wrappers toned, a good copy.

First edition. This is a memorial volume for Abbot, who died on Mount Lefroy in August 1896. The booklet prints Charles E. Fay's account of Abbot's final climb, a biographical note about Abbot by George Herbert Palmer, and then reprints three of Abbot's articles ('The First Ascent of Mount Hector', 'An Ascent of the Weisshorn', and 'Three Days on the Zinal Grat').

Not in the Alpine Club Library Catalogue 1982, Neate or Perret.



2. ALPINE SLIDES. A Collection of 72 Black and White Alpine Slides. 1894 - 1901. £750

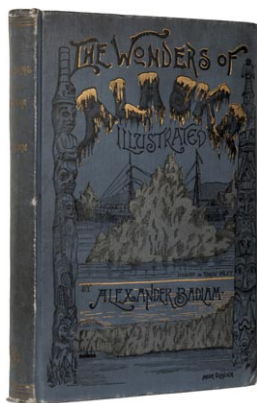
A collection of 72 slides 80 x 80mm, showing Alpine scenes. A couple with cracks otherwise generally in very good condition.

44 of the slides have no captioning. The remaining are variously captioned with initials, "CY", "EY", "LSY" AND "RY".

Places mentioned include Morteratsch Glacier, Gussfeldt Saddle, Mourain Roseg, Pers Ice Falls, Pontresina. Other comments include "Big lunch party", "Swiss Glacier Scene No. 10" additionally captioned by hand "Caution needed".

The remaining slides show climbing parties in the Alps, including images of lady climbers. A fascinating, thus far unattributed, collection of Alpine climbing.

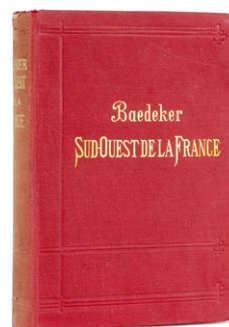




3. BADLAM, Alexander. *The Wonders of Alaska.* San Francisco, The Bancroft Library, 1890. **£248**

8vo. Original grey-blue pictorial cloth, lettered in gilt, patterned endpapers; pp. vii, [3], 152, highly illustrated with maps, plates after photographs and two blueprints of ship plans; only light wear to extremities, internally very clean and fresh.

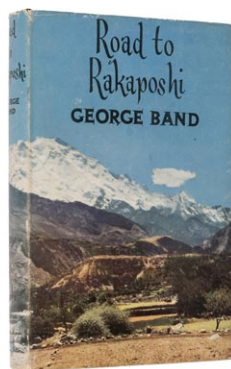
First edition. A rather unusual Alaska book, a journey from Seattle leading north to Vancouver Island, then inland, climbing glaciers, with an illustrated chapter on mirage cities (various travelers had claimed to see cities hovering above the glaciers and submerged in Glacier Bay), natural resources, wildlife and much about First Nation Americans, their material culture, language and social order.



4. BAEDEKER, Karl. *Le sud-ouest de la France. De la Loire a la frontiere d'Espagne.* Leipzig and Paris, Baedeker and Ollendorff, 1897. **£78**

Small 8vo. Original flexible red cloth, spine and front cover lettered in gilt, ornamented in blind, rear endpaper map; pp. xxx, 384, numerous maps and plans in colour, mostly folding; head of spine with a little wear, internally clean and unmarked.

Sixth edition, corrected and revised. Good maps of and mountain routes in the Pyrenees.



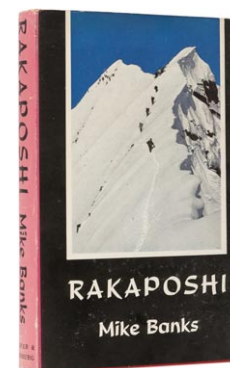
5. BAND, George. *Road to Rakaposhi.* London, Hodder and Stoughton, [1955]. **£65**

Original cloth with dust-wrapper (price-clipped), map endpapers; pp. 192; wrappers a little rubbed, gift inscription to front endpapers; internally fine.

First edition. Attempt on Rakaposhi (7788m) by a British climber who was on the 1953 Everest expedition and who climbed Kanchenjunga with Joe

Brown in 1955. The entire journey, including the overland voyage to Pakistan is told in a lively manner. Eric Shipton described the Cambridge Mountaineering Club's expedition as 'a fine example of what can be achieved by a privately conducted expedition on a high and difficult peak' (front flap blurb).

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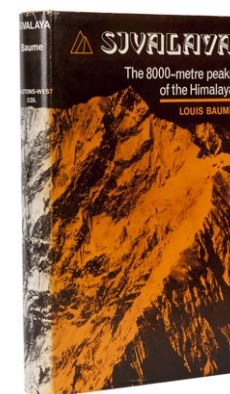


6. BANKS, Mike. *Rakaposhi.* London, Secker and Warburg, 1959. **£48**

Original boards with illustrated dust-wrapper, not price-clipped; pp. 238; plates after photographs; near-fine, name on front fly-leaf.

First edition of this first-hand account of the first ascent of the 7788m peak by Banks and Tom Patey in 1958.

Neate B38.



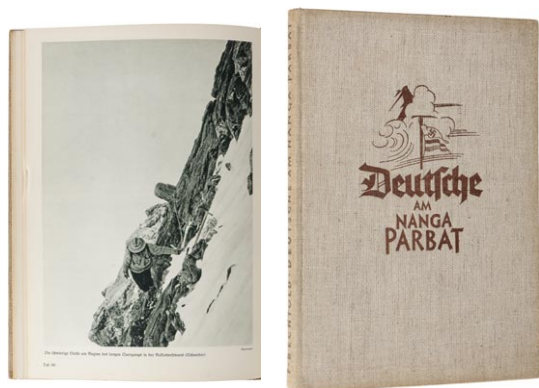
7. BAUME, Louis. *Sivalaya - The 8000 Metre Peaks of the Himalaya.* Reading, Gastons-West Publications, [1978]. **£78**

8vo. Original orange cloth, printed in green on spine, with illustrated dust jacket; pp. 316; spine faded, some chipping to dust wrapper, otherwise very good; **with a moving typed and signed letter by the author tipped in.**

First edition. An intense history of the exploration of the Himalaya, from the earliest records to 1977. It is divided into two sections - Part One concerns the

overall survey of the Himalayan range, including orography, cartography and mountaineering trends. Part Two concerns a chronicle of expeditions taken up the 14 peaks, illustrated with drawings and maps. - In the letter Louis Baume announces his retirement from the mountaineering booktrade in 1993. Tipped in as well is his obituary published in the *Daily Telegraph*.

Neate B66.



8. **BECHTOLD, Fritz.** Deutsche am Nanga Parbat. Der Angriff 1934. Munich, F. Bruckmann, [c. 1934]. £45

Small 4to. Original publisher's cloth, spine and front cover titled in brown; pp. 52, tinted photogravure plates (printed on both sides); very light toning to cloth, presentation inscription to front fly-leaf.

First edition, first issue. The unsuccessful attempt resulted in the death of four Europeans, including the leader, and six porters.

Neate B69; Yakushi B98.

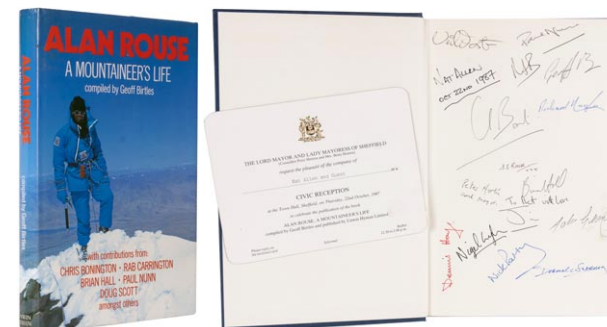


9. **BIRMANN, Samuel.** Souvenirs de l'Oberland Bernois [cover title]. Basle, Birmann et Fils, [c. 1828]. £895

Oblong folio (405 x 285 mm), original tinted lithographic title, stitched as issued; 16 aquatint plates after Birmann, finely printed with good tonal range and in deep black impressions; wrappers a little spotted and with light fraying to margins, apart from light marginal spotting or a few flaws, a very good copy with wide margins.

Very rare first edition of this suite of Romantic views of the Bernese Oberland, masterfully drawn by the Swiss landscape artist Samuel Birmann, whose psychological difficulties, which finally led to his suicide in 1847, has occasionally been described as contributing factors to his highly Gothic Romantic views.

Both KVK and OCLC locate only one set, in Lucerne, with 25 plates.

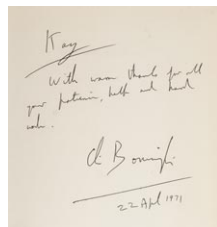
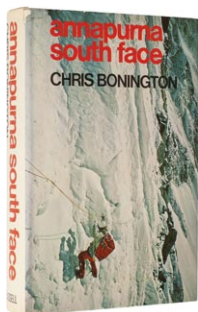


10. **BIRTLES, Geoff [editor and contributor].** Alan Rouse. A Mountaineer's Life. London, Unwin Hyman, [1987]. £348

8vo. Original boards with illustrated dust-wrapper (not price-clipped); pp. 224; plates after photographs, illustrations in the text; front fly leaf with faint spot; otherwise very fresh and clean.

First edition, inscribed by a large number of contributors to the collection of commemorative essays written by the fellow climbers of Alan Rouse who died on K2 in August 1986, after having reached the summit. This had been the first successful British ascent and a severe storm killed Alan, Julie Tullis and three of the mountaineers. The library of the British Mountaineering Council is named in honour of Alan Rouse. The front fly-leaf is filled with the signatures of the following contributors and mountaineers, Geoff Birtles, Susan Rose, Deborah Sweeney (Alan's girlfriend), Dennis Hay, Rab Carrington (with his typical RAB signature), Nick Parry, Paul Nunn and others.

Provenance: Nat Allen's copy signed and dated October 22nd 1987, the day the book was launched at a civic reception at Sheffield Town Hall (Nat Allen's gold-edged invitation card loosely inserted). The British mountaineer Nat Allen was instrumental, together with Paul Nunn and Dave Gregory, in reviving the British Mountaineering Council's commitment to producing climbing guides to the Peak District.



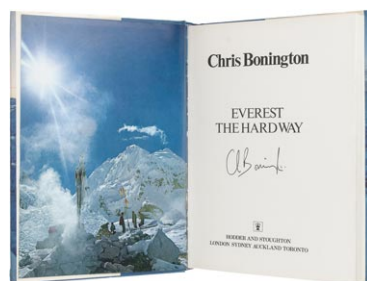
11. BONINGTON, Christian. *Annapurna South Face.* London, Cassell, [1971]. **£128**

8vo. Original cloth in dust-jacket; pp. x, 334; coloured illustrations from photographs, 2 sketch maps, one folding photographic plate of route; a very good copy.

First edition, presentation copy, inscribed by the author in April 1971, thanking one Kay for help and hard work.

Bonington's own account of the successful ascent of Annapurna - first climbed by Maurice Herzog in 1950 - via the treacherous South Face. Bonington also recounts the death of Ian Clough, killed by an avalanche during the last stages of the descent.

Neate B127; Yakushi B212a.

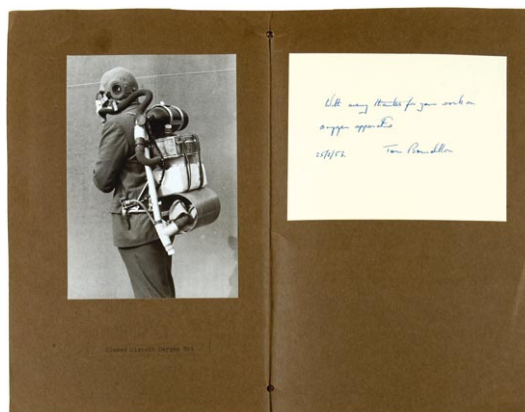


12. BONINGTON, Christian. *Everest the Hard Way.* London, Hodder & Stoughton, [1976]. **£78**

Small 4to. Original cloth with dust-jacket; pp. 239; numerous coloured photographic illustrations, sketch maps; wrapper with repaired tear, otherwise fine, **signed by the author** to the title page.

First edition. An account of the successful 1975 ascent of Everest's South West face.

Neate B130; Yakushi B464a; Perret 0568; S & B B26.



13. [EVEREST]. BOURDILLON, Thomas Duncan. A small album of photographs presented by Tom Bourdillon to his father. **£975**

8vo. A purpose-made thick brown paper album, type-written paper label to upper cover, 8pp., containing 4 monochrome photographs with typed captions, paper label pasted to verso of final leaf **inscribed in ink 'With many thanks for your work on oxygen apparatus Tom Bourdillon 25/2/53'**; together with, loosely inserted:

The Order of Service for the memorial mass for Bourdillon and Richard Merriam Viney held at St. Mary's Aylesbury, 15th September 1956. 4pp., tear to spine; loosely containing also 3 photographs showing the churchyard in which Bourdillon and Viney were laid to rest and a mimeographed type-written sheet concerning the 'Bourdillon Memorial Fund'.

A unique and personal collection. Bourdillon joined Shipton on the 1951 Everest Reconnaissance and also accompanied the 1952 Cho Oyu training expedition. He trained as a physicist and with his father developed the closed-circuit oxygen apparatus used on the 1953 expedition. On the 26th May, 1953, Bourdillon with Charles Evans made the first and unsuccessful attempt on Everest's summit. 3 years later, on July 29th 1956, Bourdillon and his climbing partner Dick Viney were killed on the ascent of the East Buttress of the Jägihorn in the Bernese Oberland. The present photograph album contains 4 images: the gateway to Thyangboche, the top of the Cwm icefall, a panorama of Everest,

Lhotse and Nuptse, and a person modelling the closed-circuit oxygen set.



14. BRYCE, James, Viscount Bryce. "Privy Councillor, Professor and Politician" Feb. 25, 1893. **£98**

An original *Vanity Fair* print by H.C. Sepping Wright ("Stuff") from the "Statesmen" series (no. 609), in an acid-free mount ready for framing with the original text to verso.

The British jurist and statesman Viscount Bryce (1838-1922) found time, between his several ministerial and diplomatic appointments, to indulge his love of mountaineering.

**'WE LEARN FROM HISTORY THAT WE DO NOT
LEARN FROM HISTORY' (HEGEL)**

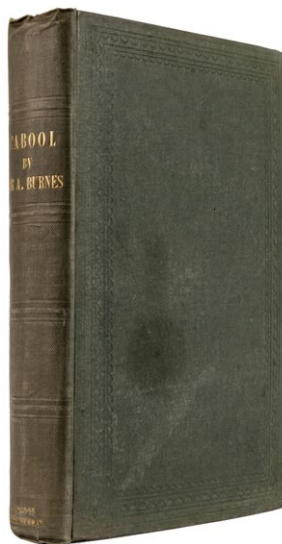
15. BURNES, Sir Alexander. *Cabool: Being a Personal Narrative of a Journey to, and Residence in that City, in the Years 1836, 7, and 8.* London, John Murray, 1842. **£1,795**

8vo. Original green cloth, boards with borders blocked in blind, spine ruled in blind and lettered in gilt; pp. xii, 398, [2, erratum], 8 (publisher's catalogue dated April 1842); tinted lithographic frontispiece by Day & Haghe after L.W. Hart, one engraved plate by E. Finden after D. McClise, 5 tinted lithographs by Day & Haghe after J.M. Gonsalvez, J. Rattray et al., one lithographic plate, 2 folding lithographic plates by Day & Haghe, 2 wood-engraved plates after J.M. Gonsalvez, et al., wood-engraved diagrams and plans in the text; extremities very slightly bumped, expertly recased with new endpapers [?], occasional light spotting, a few plates with light traces of humidity, otherwise a very good copy.

First edition. In 1836, the Governor of India directed Burnes to undertake a mission to Kabul (Cabool) with the intention of opening the region to commercial concerns and to persuade the British to support Dost Mohammed's claim over Peshwar. The present work relates Burnes' experiences with the mission and offers reasons for its failure. The narrative does not relate the aftermath of the mission: Burnes returned to Kabul in 1839 with British troops and seized the city; in 1841 Burnes was murdered and the British troops, with 12,000 followers, were forced to retreat to India, during which the entire column was destroyed, bar a handful of survivors. Burnes' *Cabool* provides the background to this disastrous episode.

Yakushi (3rd ed.) B633a.

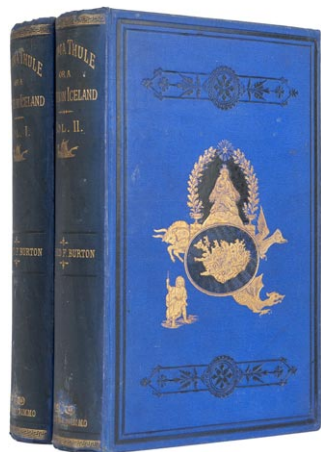
Provenance: From the library of the mountaineer and soldier Tony Streather (1926-2018), who had come 'to mountain climbing by chance. Staying on in the subcontinent after independence and partition between India and Pakistan, as aide-de-camp to the governor of North West Frontier Province, Streather was the last British officer serving under a Pakistani commanding officer when, in 1950, a Norwegian expedition led by the ecologist Arne Næss arrived in the region with the intention of climbing Tirich Mir (7,708m), the highest mountain in the Hindu Kush' (obituary in *The Guardian*). Further high-altitude exploits included joining the 1953 American Karakoram Expedition to K-2 (reaching 7,800m), and participating in the first ascent of Kangchenjunga, the third highest mountain in the world in 1955. This made him the first man ever to climb two peaks of over 25,000 feet.



16. BURRARD, S. G. *Kashmir and Jammu.* Calcutta, India Office, 1925. **£228**

Large colour-zincographic map (91 x 119 cm), dissected into 60 segments (irregularly shaped mapped area, several panels outside the region left blank) and folding with printed label on the verso of front panel, a few portions a bit darkened due to offsetting from the mounting glue, otherwise good; *provenance:* label inscribed in a contemporary hand N of Srinagar [...] Ladakh border.

Produced under the supervision of the Surveyor General of India, Burrard, this is the second and updated version of a map first issued in 1912.

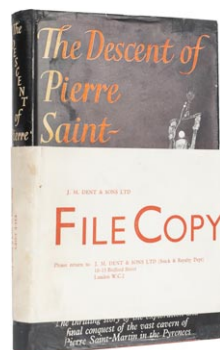


17. BURTON, Sir Richard F. *Ultima Thule; or, a Summer in Iceland.* London, William P. Nimmo, 1875. £998

Two volumes, 8vo. Original blue cloth, upper cover with vignette in gilt and black incorporating a map of Iceland and other Icelandic motifs, lettered in gilt to spine; pp. xix, 380, 16 (advertisements); vii, 408; 5 tinted lithographic plates, 2 folding maps in colour, one double-page facsimile, wood-engravings including some full page in the text; minimal rubbige to extremities, front fly-leaves cut short, occasional light toning or spotting, else a very good set.

First edition. Burton had the opportunity to visit Iceland in 1872 when he was commissioned to write a report on the sulphur mines there. As a seasoned traveller, Burton found the widely held views concerning the horrors of the Icelandic landscape risible. Indeed, the present work contains slighting comments about Mount Hecla, the geysers and other famed Icelandic phenomena. Nonetheless *Ultima Thule* displays Burton's ability to understand a culture within a short space of time and the book makes a significant contribution to the literature on Iceland.

Penzer pp. 91-2; Casada 67; Fiske Collection p. 82.

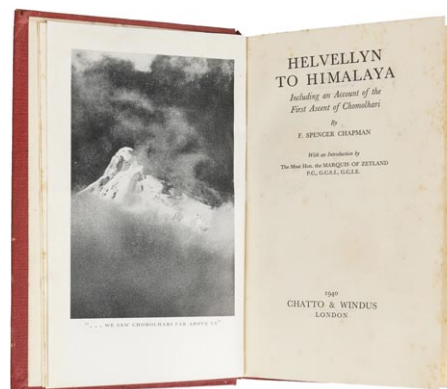


18. CASTERET, Norbert. *The Descent of Pierre Saint-Martin ...* Translated by John Warrington. London, J. M. Dent, [1955].

£128

8vo. Original cloth with illustrated dust-wrapper, printed wrap-around by the publishers lettered FILE COPY, affixed folded copy of the wrapper tipped in at the beginning; pp. xi, 160, plates after photographs, illustrations in the text; wrapper a little frayed, otherwise very good.

First edition in English of this book by the French cave diver on his exploration of the Pyrenees cavern in the Col de la Pierre St. Martin, which took several years. Casteret was one of the most famous cavers of the world in the middle of the 20th century.

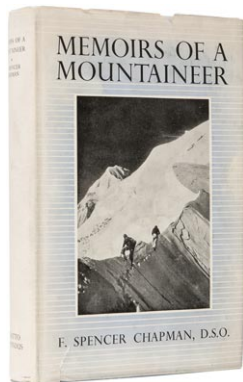


19. CHAPMAN, Frederick Spencer. *Helvellyn To Himalaya. Including and Account of the first Ascent of Chomolhari.* London, Chatto & Windus, 1940. £98

8vo. Original red cloth; pp. xv, 284, [2], plates after photographs, folding map at rear; cloth a bit marked, occasional light spotting, map with repaired tear.

First edition, now rather scarce. Chapman had already spent several years in Greenland and the Arctic, and was driven to extreme climes. 'However, his passion for adventure was far from sated and, early in 1936, he joined a Himalayan climbing expedition. It was during this trip that he first met Basil Gould, the Political Officer for Sikkim, Bhutan and Tibet who offered him a job as his private secretary for the 1936-37 Political Mission to Lhasa. The Mission to the Tibetan capital departed from Gangtok (Sikkim) in late July 1936 and left Tibet just over six months later in February 1937. The aim of the Mission was to advise the Regent of Tibet and his Cabinet, to persuade the Panchen Lama to return from China where he had fled, and, if possible, to establish permanent British representation in Lhasa. The mission personnel, under the leadership of Gould, included Hugh Richardson, the British Trade Agent at Gyantse, and Lieutenant Evan Nepean, one of two telegraph operators sent from the Royal Signal Corps. Chapman's main role in the Mission was to decipher telegraphs, but in reality he did much more than this. 'I have to take film and still photos, do bird, plant and bug work, some survey, and personal work for Gould'. He was also responsible for keeping the Mission Diary, which was accompanied by photographs and sent off to the Government of India each week. Chapman spent his spare time bird-watching (an interest shared with Richardson), hill-climbing, and taking and developing photographs. He was also a major exponent of the British Mission's entertainment programme. He spent many hours editing and sorting cine film (much of which he had made himself in Tibet) to show to Tibetan audiences at the British Mission house, the Deyki Lingka. He was also one of the keenest players in the 'Mission Marmots' football team. It was due (in part) to these activities that the Mission made a favourable impression on the residents of Lhasa and in particular Chapman's 'open, cheerful friendliness went down well with the Tibetans'. After his return from Lhasa in 1937 Chapman secured permission to lead a small climbing expedition to the Tibetan holy mountain, Chomolhari. Chapman and a Sherpa named Passang Dawa succeeded in becoming the first mountaineers to reach the 24,000ft. summit. Tibet also provided Chapman with material for two new books *Lhasa: The Holy City* (1938) and *Helvellyn to Himalaya ...* (The Tibet Album, online).

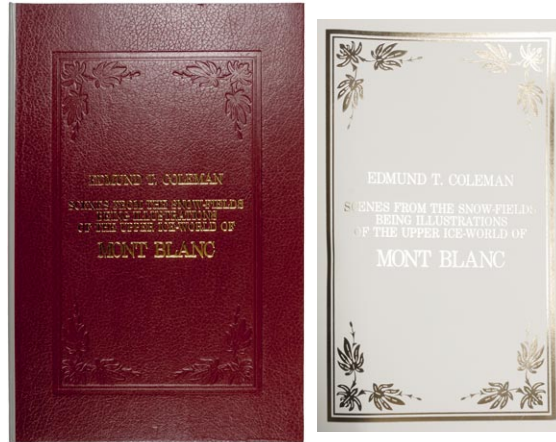
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20. CHAPMAN, F. Spencer. *Memoirs of a Mountaineer. Helvellyn to Himalaya Lhasa: The Holy City.* London, Chatto & Windus, 1951. £58

8vo. Original cloth with illustrated dust-wrapper; pp. 446, two folding maps, plates after photographs, wrapper with minor marginal flaws, otherwise very good, ownership inscription Kathleen Holloway.

A good edition combining two mountaineering classics by Chapman.



21. COLEMAN, Edmund T. *Scenes From The Snow-Fields; being Illustrations of the Upper Ice-World of Mont Blanc, from Sketches made on the Spot in the Years 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858; with historical and descriptive Remarks and a Comparison of the Chamonix and St Gervais Route.* [Ivrea, Pheljna, 1984]. £298

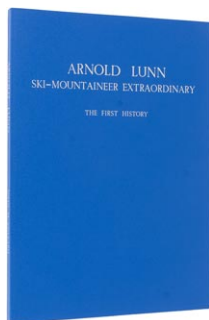
Large folio; publisher's original purple wrappers, front cover lettered in gilt, within drop-back box, front cover lettered in gilt, within the original cardboard box with label (original price Lit 200.000); pp. 47, 19 colour plates; as new.



Limited edition reprint of the original London publication of 1859. This is number 222 of 500 copies signed by the publisher. Edmund Thomas Coleman (1823-1892) was the founding member of the Alpine Club (1858) and an experienced mountaineer who in

1855 reached the summit of Mont Blanc. In 1858 he was the first to reach the top of Domes de Miage (3673 m, Montblanc range). The work is dedicated to John Ruskin, in honour of his 'eloquent exposition of the beauties and attributes of mountain scenery'. Coleman intended to convey in this work the views 'experienced by Alpine travellers ... those more extraordinary combinations which are only to be met with above the level of perpetual snow' (*Preface*). - The original is so rare and sought after that a copy fetched £7800 in 2011 at auction.

See *Abbey Travel* 68; *Neate* 169.

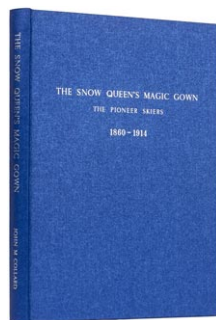


22. COLLARD, John M. Arnold Lunn. Ski-mountaineer Extraordinary. Conspectus of a great quarter century 1902-1926. Adelboden - Montana - Mürren - Arlberg, being the first history of his ski-mountaineering career and its unique consequences. *London, privately printed, 2015. £45*

Tall 4to. Original blue cloth-covered wrappers, spine and front cover lettered in silver; pp. 151, with four plates.

First edition, privately printed, soft-cover issue. The first full-length monograph of the British skiing pioneer, inventor of the slalom race (1922), founder of the Alpine Ski Club (1908) and the Kandahar Ski Club (1924), writer on skiing, Alpine sports, and critical commentator of materialist tendencies in the 20th century. - With bibliographical appendices and index. 'As a boy, Arnold Lunn explored on ski the spacious untouched snows of belle époque Switzerland, finding a life-long love of ski-ing and mountains. His abilities as author, editor and public intellectual ensured that his exploits on ski were well documented – but the story of this first quarter century, driven by a ski-mountaineering career, was dispersed amongst many sources; only now has this story been presented so that it can be comprehended in one volume. In *Arnold Lunn Ski-mountaineer Extraordinary* it is possible to follow all his major skiing expeditions, such as: his first ski-tour, at Grindelwald; his baptism on the snows of Adelboden; his dangerous freedom at Montana; his discoveries in the Bernese Oberland; his final High Alpine achievements: and all of these sowing the seeds of his parallel creation of Alpine racing. Extracts from his books and articles bring to vivid life his exploits and the supporting cast of his fellow pioneers and family; wit and humour are constant elements of his engaging prose. Many anonymous journal articles have now been identified as Lunn's work; some little-known biographical material has been unearthed. Happy skiers! The genius of Arnold Lunn flourishes anew in this unique volume' (publisher's flyer).

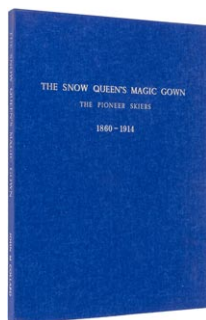
'John Collard has shone a bright light on Arnold Lunn's early years as a skimountaineer ... This is a seriously scholarly book, but highly readable and enlivened by light touches from the author and the subject' (Andrew Morgan in *The Kandahar Review*, 2015).



23. COLLARD, John M. The Snow Queen's Magic Gown. The pioneer skiers 1860-1914. Switzerland - Great Britain - Europe. *London, privately printed, 2015. £58*

Tall 4to. Original blue cloth, spine and front cover lettered in silver; pp. 252.

A very good ski-historical study of the early years of the winter sport, magisterially researched by John Collard, ski historian and author of the first monograph of the skiing pioneer Arnold Lunn, published one year before this highly legible reference work, equipped with useful appendices, containing a reference list of skiing literature of the period, a chronology, an annotated list of resorts, ski poetry, a bibliography covering periodicals and other bibliographies, as well as an index. The work contains substantial translations (from German and French) of the expedition accounts of Swiss and German pioneers. This is their first appearance in English. - The first edition of this book of 2007 is virtually unobtainable now, which made this second and revised edition necessary.



24. COLLARD, John M. The Snow Queen's Magic Gown. The pioneer skiers 1860-1914. Switzerland - Great Britain - Europe. *London, privately printed, 2015. £45*

Tall 4to. Original blue flexible cloth, spine and front cover lettered in silver; pp. 252.

First edition, privately printed, the soft-cover issue.

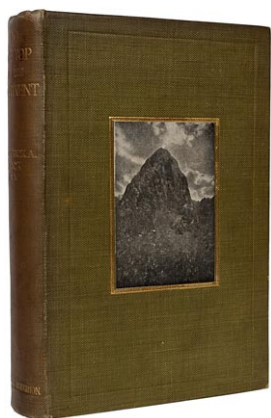


25. CONWAY, Sir William Martin. The First Crossing of Spitsbergen. Being an Account of an Inland Journey of Exploration and Survey, with Descriptions of several Mountain Ascents, of Boat Expeditions in Ice Fjord, of a Voyage to North-East-Land, the Seven Islands, down Hinloopen Strait, nearly to Wiches Land, and into most of the Fjords of Spitsbergen, and of an almost complete circumnavigation of the Main Island, *London, J.M. Dent & Co, 1897. £398*

Royal 8vo. Original publisher's two-tone cloth, lettered in gilt, top edge gilt, remainder uncut; pp. xii, 371, 8 colour plates, 2 maps (coloured and folding), 99 photographic illustrations, (some after drawings by Conway); a little rubbed, spotting to and offsetting from one map, as well as from endpapers, otherwise a good copy.

First edition. An account of exploration during the summer of 1896, the author's first visit to West Spitsbergen (a second was made in the following year). In all, the party made 13 mountain ascents, produced a survey sketch of c. 600 square miles of the central region, nearly completed a circumnavigation of the main island, and put together valuable geological and natural history collections.

Neate C105; Arctic Bibliography 3378.

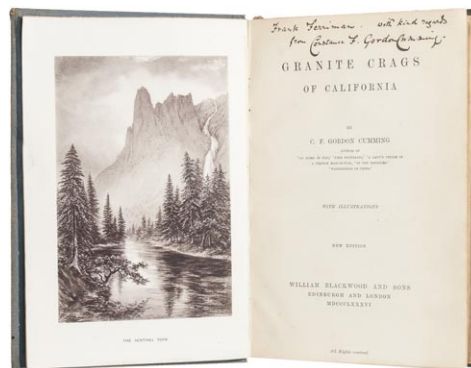
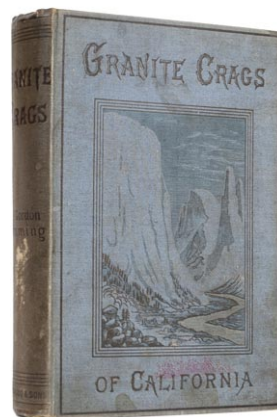


26. COOK, Frederick A. *To the Top of the Continent. Discovery, Exploration and Adventure in Sub-arctic Alaska. The First Ascent of Mt. McKinley, 1903-1906 ...* Illustrated from photographs by the author. London, Hodder & Stoughton, 1908. £278

8vo. Original olive green buckram, spine lettered in gilt, gilt-framed and mounted illustration of the peak on front cover, top edge gilt; pp. xxi, [3], 321, colour-printed frontispiece, 23 leaves of plates with numerous, mainly photographic illustrations, including one double-page map, several illustrations, maps and charts in the text; spine a little sunned, apart from light offsetting from fly-leaves and frontispiece, a clean and fresh copy, with some gatherings still unopened.

A beautiful copy of the scarce first UK edition, first issue. Cook's account of relentless exploration of Alaska, with his fraudulent claim of the first ascent of the mountain. The location of the photo proving the mountaineering success is now known as Fake Peak. Cook moved swiftly on to 'conquer' the North Pole. Despite that little flaw, a good book of Alaskan exploration, with appendices on the possible economic development of the state, concerning mining and railway transport.

Neate 184.

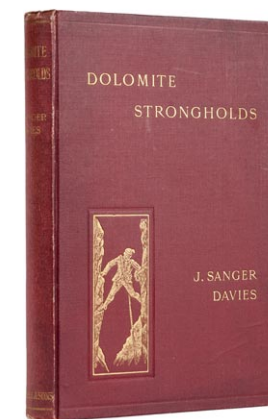


27. CUMMING, Constance F. Gordon. *Granite Crags of California.* Edinburgh & London, William Blackwood and Sons, 1886.

£398

8vo. Original grey cloth, image of Yosemite to upper cover; pp. ix, 384, 24 (advertisements); 5 plates after painting by the author, one folding map; cloth a little darkened and marked, occasional spotting internally, but this copy **inscribed to the title 'Frank Feriman with kind regards from Constance F. Gordon Cumming'**.

New edition. The intrepid lady-traveller Constance Gordon Cumming visited California on her return from Tahiti. The highlights of *Granite Crags*, her account of this visit (extended from the intended three days to three months), include the description of her ride through, and climbs in, Yosemite. Her watercolours where shown at the time - the first art exhibition in Yosemite.

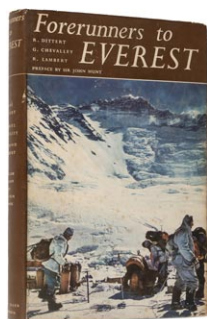


28. DAVIES, Rev. J. Sanger. *Dolomite Strongholds. The Last Untrodden Alpine Peaks. An Account of Ascents of the Croda da Lago, the Little and Great Zinnen, the Cinque Torri, the Fünffingerspitze, and the Langkofel.* George Bell and Sons, York St., Covent Garden, 1896. £98

8vo. Original red cloth, image of author climbing, blocked in gilt to front cover, lettered in gilt, pp. xiv, 176, [4, advertisements]; colour frontispiece, map in black and red, 8 black and white plates, illustrations in the text; a near-fine copy with the contemporary pictorial bookplate of Laura R. Chapman.

Second edition (two years after the first) with revisions based on the 1895 Baedeker on the *Eastern Alps*. Though Neate describes the work as containing 'Rather exaggerated accounts of fairly unremarkable climbs', this fails to capture the veiled humour of Davies' account. - An attractively produced and illustrated book.

Neate D07.

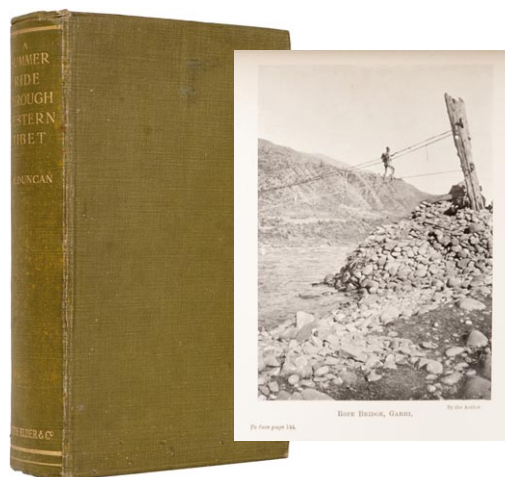


29. DITERT, R., G. CHEVALLEY and R. LAMBERT. Forerunners to Everest. The Story of the two Swiss Expeditions of 1952. London, George Allen & Unwin Ltd., [1954]. **£68**

8vo. Original cloth in dust-wrapper; pp. 256; colour frontispiece, plates after photographs, 9 sketch maps; very minor spotting to wrappers, otherwise a very good copy.

First English edition.

Neate D32; Yakushi C178b; Perret 0976 (French edition); S & B D18; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 38.

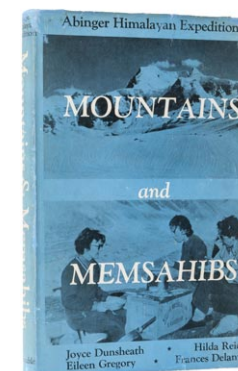


31. DUNCAN, Jane. A Summer Ride through Western Tibet. London, Smith, Elder & Co., 1906. **£498**

8vo. Original green cloth, spine lettered in gilt; pp. xviii, 341, [2, advertisements]; plates after photographs, folding map; cloth a little marked, a very good copy; originally sold by Thacker & Co, in Bombay (bookseller's stamp inside front cover).

First edition. Ms. Duncan explored Ladakh and Baltistan on a journey that lasted over six months. She left Srinagar in April 1904 with her Indian servant Aziz Khan (ex-batman to Sir Francis Younghusband) and travelled to Leh before continuing along the border with Tibet. She was particularly interested in Tibetan culture and religion, an interest displayed by the excellent illustrations in the book taken from her original photographs.

Yakushi (3rd ed.) D347.

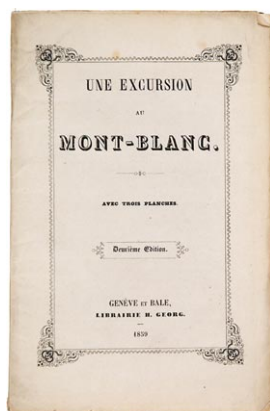


32. DUNSHEATH, Joyce et al. Mountains and Memsahibs. By the Members of the Abinger Himalayan Expedition 1956 ... Foreword by Mrs. Pandit, High Commissioner for India. London, T. and A. Constable Ltd for Constable & Co Ltd, 1958. **£68**

8vo. Original cloth, spine lettered in gilt, map endpapers, dustwrapper; pp. x, 198; half-tone plates with illustrations recto-and-verso; dustwrapper rubbed and chipped at edges and a little marked, but not price-clipped, endpapers spotted, otherwise a very good copy.

First edition. The 1956 Abinger Himalayan Expedition comprised four women members, who motored from London to Manali at the head of the Kulu valley and explored the Bara Shigri Glacier and surroundings. This is the account of a rather overlooked all-women Himalayan expedition.

Neate D58; Yakushi (3rd ed.) D361a.

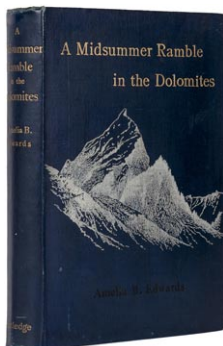


30. DUCOMMUN, J.-C. Une Excursion au Mont-Blanc. Avec Trois Planches. Geneva and Basle, Librairie H. Georg, 1859. **£228**

8vo. Original printed wrappers; pp. 32; 3 etched plates; a very good copy preserved in custom-made cloth flapcase with leather label.

Second edition; the first had appeared in 1858. An account of an ascent of Mont Blanc. The three plates show the ascent of the Dôme, Les Rochers Rouges and the Aiguille de Goûter.

Perret 1417; Meckly 066 (first edition); Bib. der Schweiz. Land. p. 183.

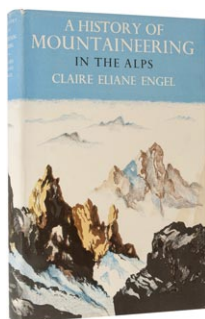


33. EDWARDS, Amelia B. *A Midsummer Ramble in the Dolomites.* London, George Routledge and Sons, 1890. £178

8vo. Publisher's original blue cloth, image of mountains blocked in white to upper cover, lettered in gilt to upper cover and spine, edges uncut; pp. 389; numerous wood-engraved illustrations including some full page, folding map; extremities minimally rubbed, browning to endpapers, a very good copy.

Second edition (first, 1873), and the first with this abbreviated title, updated and revised.

Neate E09.

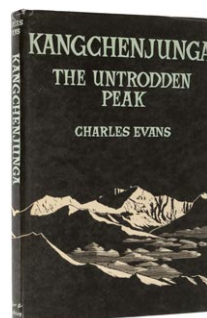


34. ENGEL, Claire Eliane. *A History of Mountaineering in the Alps. An Historical Survey...* With a Foreword by F. S. Smythe. London, George Allen & Unwin Ltd, 1950. £65

8vo. Original cloth in dust-wrapper; pp. 296; illustrations from drawings and photographs; near fine, ownership inscription Kathleen Holloway.

First edition, getting rather scarce. A well-researched and very readable history of Alpine mountaineering.

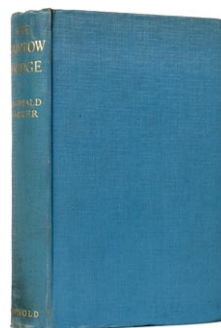
Neate E18; Perret 1505.



35. EVANS, Charles. *Kangchenjunga. The Untrodden Peak.* London, Hodder & Stoughton, [1956]. £58

8vo. Original black cloth, spine lettered in gilt, mountain range in gilt on front cover, illustrated dust-wrapper, not price-clipped, binding design by the author; pp. xix, [1, sketch map], 187, plates after photographs (two in colour); near fine, contemporary ownership inscription Kathleen Holloway to front free endpaper.

First edition.

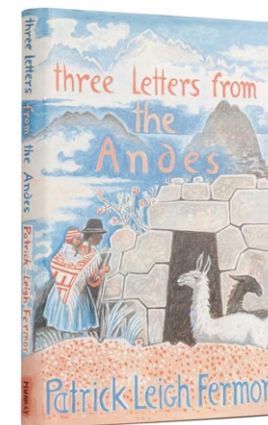


36. FARRER, Reginald J. *The Rainbow Bridge.* London, Edward Arnold & Co, 1926. £78

8vo. Original light blue cloth, spine lettered in gilt; pp. xi, 383, photographic plates, one folding map; light spotting to fore-edges and preliminaries, a good copy.

Third impression (1st 1921). Farrer's account of his plant hunting in China's southwest Kansu province. The book originally appeared shortly after his death in Upper Burma in 1920.

Yakushi (3rd ed.) F22.



37. FERMOR, Sir Patrick Leigh. *Three Letters from the Andes.* London, John Murray, 1991. £498

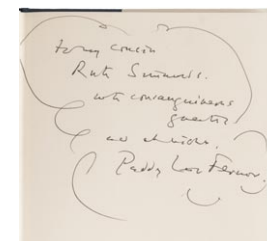
8vo. Original blue boards, spine lettered in gilt, original dustwrapper after John Craxton, retaining price; pp. [x], 118, title-vignette after Craxton, full-page map, each letter preceded by a part-title with vignette after Craxton; very light toning to endpapers; near fine.

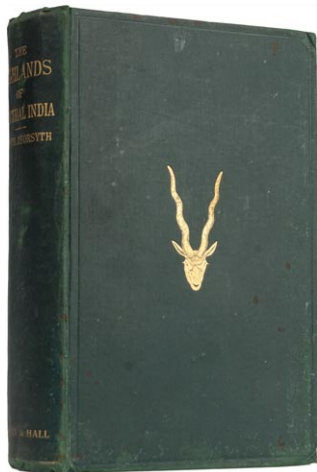
First edition, inscribed and signed by the author with ornamental drawing. *Three Letters from the Andes* is composed of three letters which were written to his wife by Patrick Leigh Fermor, whilst on a climbing expedition in the Andes in 1971. The group was 'led by Robin Fedden, the writer and poet, and his wife; there was a Swiss international skier and jeweller; a social anthropologist from Provence who had fought in the Resistance; and a Nottinghamshire farming squire' (blurb); these accomplished mountaineers were accompanied by the author and Andrew Cavendish, the Duke of Devonshire on their journey through Peru, and the work records their progress through the country.

Provenence: Fermor inscribed this copy to his cousin Ruth Summers 'with consanguineous greetings.'

38. FERMOR, Sir Patrick Leigh. *Three Letters from the Andes.* London, John Murray, 1991. £85

As above but without author's signature; ownership inscription to fly-leaf; apart from light fading to spine, near fine.

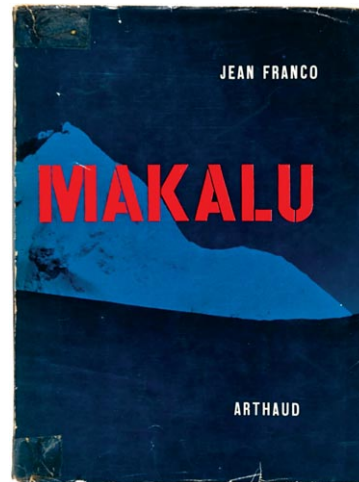




39. FORSYTH, James. The Highlands of Central India; Notes on Their Forests and Wild Tribes, Natural History, and Sports. London, Chapman and Hall, 1889. **£148**

8vo. Original dark green cloth, upper cover with gilt vignette of a gazelle, titled in gilt on spine, uncut; xi, pp. 475, with a chromolithographed frontispiece of an elephant's howdah being attacked by a tiger, 6 chromolithographed or tinted lithographed plates, all printed by Vincent Brooks, Day & Son, wood-engraved illustrations, one folding map; cloth a little marked, contemporary ownership inscription to title-page, tiny repaired marginal tear to frontispiece, otherwise vary good.

New edition. An invaluable guide to an area of India, previously considered impenetrable. Much information on the languages and ethnography, as well as the selection of elephants and their husbandry.

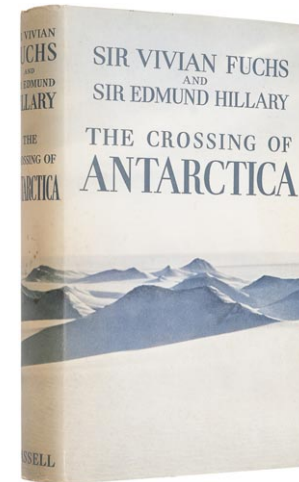


40. FRANCO, Jean. Makalu. [Grenoble and Paris], Arthaud, [1955] **£275**

Square 8vo. Original wrappers in dust-wrapper; pp. 225, [10, advertisements], 4 pages loosely inserted [explanation of the plates]; 30 illustrations from photographs, 5 sketch maps; a little wear to wrapper, else a very good copy, **inscribed by Guido Magnone, one of the summiters.**

First edition. An account of the successful French ascent of Makalu by the leader of the expedition.

Perret 1741.



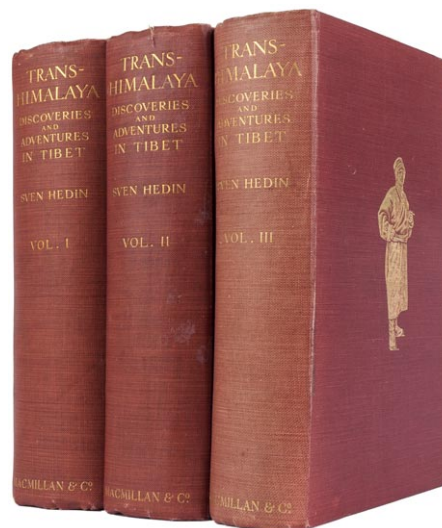
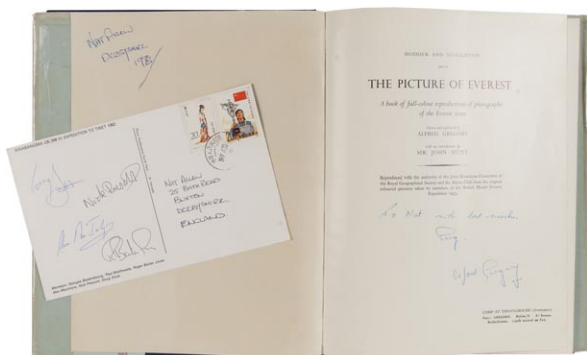
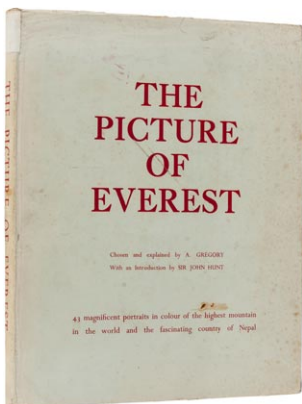
41. FUCHS, Sir Vivian, and Sir Edmund HILLARY. The Crossing of Antarctica. The Commonwealth Trans-Antarctic Expedition 1955-58. London, Cassell, [1958]. **£98**

8vo. Original cloth, spine lettered in silver, map endpapers, illustrated wrappers; pp. [2], xvii, 337; coloured and black and white illustrations from photographs, including double-page size colour-printed title, 9 sketch maps; a clean and fresh copy.

First edition. The wrapper reveals that this book was very expensive: 50 shillings net.

Spence 490; Renard 567.

Yakushi (3rd ed.) G261



42. GREGORY, Alfred. The Picture of Everest. A book of full-colour reproductions of photographs of the Everest scene ... With an introduction by Sir John Hunt. London, Hodder & Stoughton, [1954]. **£398**

Small 4to. Original blue cloth gilt in original wrappes, not price-clipped; pp. [96]; numerous full-page colour illustrations from photographs; jacket with old repairs and a little spotted, else a very good copy.

First edition, this in the standard binding and **with Alfred Gregory's signed presentation inscription to the British mountaineer Nat Allen on title-page.** Nat Allen's ownership inscription on opposite fly-leaf, dated 1983. Together with a loosely inserted large format postcard showing the South Face of Xixabangma in Tibet, an official Tibetan postcard of the 1982 Xixabangma expedition. **This postcard from Tibet is addressed to Nat Allen and signed by Doug Scott, Nick Prescott, Alex Macintire and Roger Baxter.**

43. HEDIN, Sven Anders. Trans-Himalaya. Discoveries and Adventures in Tibet. London, Macmillan, 1909-13. **£1,995**

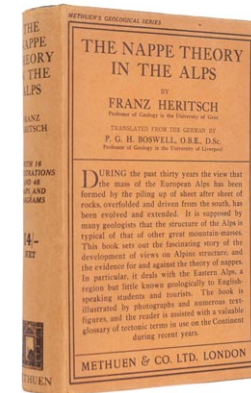
Three volumes, 8vo. Original red cloth gilt, upper boards blocked with gilt vignette of Hedin in Tibetan costume, spines lettered in gilt, top edges gilt; pp. [i]-xxiii, [1 (blank)], 436, [4, advertisements]; xvii, 441, [2, advertisements]; xv, 426, [2, advertisements] portrait frontispieces, retaining tissue guards, hundreds of plates (2 folding and a few colour-printed), 10 maps (3 fold-out and colour printed); extremities a little worn and and bumped, light offsetting onto free endpapers, some occasional light spotting, short, skilfully-repaired marginal tears on 2 folding maps, nonetheless a very good, clean set in the original cloth.

First English edition, first printing of all volumes, a fine photogravure portrait of the author inscribed and signed by Hedin, mit herzlichem Dank von Hedin, laid down inside front cover of volume one. Hedin's account of the Swedish expedition to Tibet and Central Asia in 1906-1908, under the patronage of King Oscar of Sweden. Departing from Ladakh and 'traversing the Chang-Tang in Tibet through Srinagar and Leh he reached [...]

Shigatse. Thence he went back to the Lake Manasarowar along the Tsangpo and descended the Indus, and then towards Leh and returned to Simla by the Sutlej route' (Yakushi, p. 317). Although the title-page of the first volume states that the work is issued 'In two volumes', the preface announces a projected third, supplementary volume, which was published some four years later in 1913. What one usually encounters are sets with the first two volumes dated 1910.

NLS, Mountaineering t182; Neate H68; Perret 2193 ('Ouvrage important sur l'Himalaya'); Yakushi (3rd ed.) H177c.

VOLCANIC PHOTOGRAPHY



44. HEILPRIN, Angelo. The Tower of Pelée: New Studies of the Great Volcano of Martinique. Philadelphia and London: J. B. Lippincott Company, 1904. **£148**

Folio (306 x 225mm). Original red half buckram over plain boards, title-label printed in red and black on upper board, printed title-label on spine; pp. 62, [2 (blank l.)]; title printed in red and black and with publisher's device, half-tone photographic frontispiece and 23 photographic plates after Heilprin, Murray Jordan, and Singley, Keystone View Co., all with printed tissue guards bearing captions; boards slightly marked and darkened, extremities a little rubbed, some minor dustmarking, frontispiece guard slightly creased, nonetheless a very good copy; provenance: The Royal Institution (discreet blindstamp on title, inscription 'ExRS 14/2/05').

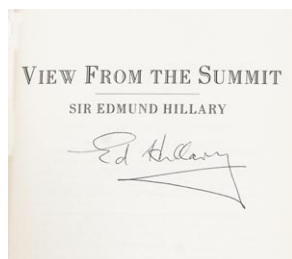
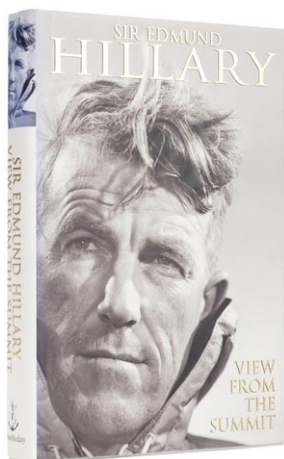
First edition. The geologist and zoologist Heilprin (1853-1907) emigrated to the United States with his family as a child, before returning to Europe to pursue his education, studying Natural Sciences at the Royal School of Mines in London, where his tutors included T.H. Huxley for biology, and then continuing his studies in Paris, Geneva, Florence, and Vienna. He then returned to the United States, where he was appointed Professor of Invertebrate Paleontology at the Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia, and subsequently he held a series of academic positions at this and other institutions. However, 'it was as a traveler and explorer [...] that he was best known' (DAB VIII, p. 501): his expeditions took

him to Florida, Mexico, Bermuda, and he was the chief scientist with Robert Peary's Arctic expedition of 1891 and a member of the Peary Relief Expedition of 1892. 'On May 8, 1902, Mont Pelée, which had shown signs of activity for three days, suddenly burst forth "with a violence that surpasses description", and overwhelmed 40,000 persons in the city of St. Pierre. A few days later Heilprin started on a steamer for Martinique. The eruption had not ceased when he arrived, and on May 20 the mountain was in violent convulsion again; but the Philadelphia scientist braved the danger and ascended its slopes. He made numerous photographs at ranges so close to the fiery crater as to place his life in constant jeopardy, but he continued his observations as coolly and calmly as if he had been examining a fossil in a museum. He remained in Martinique for several months, and made subsequent visits to the island. On his return from his first visit he made a report which added materially to the knowledge of vulcanology' (*op. cit.*). This report, *Mont Pelée and the Tragedy of Martinique: a Study of the Great Catastrophes of 1902, with Observations and Experiences in the Field* (Philadelphia and London: 1903), was followed by the present volume, and the two works were revised and republished under the title *The Eruption of Pelée: a Summary and Discussion of the Phenomena and their Sequels* (Philadelphia: 1908).

45. HERITSCH, Franz. The Nappe Theory in the Alps (Alpine Tectonics, 1905-1928) ... translated by P.G.H. Boswell. London, Methuen, [1929]. **£178**

8vo. Original green cloth, spine lettered in gilt, orange printed dust-wrappers; pp. xxx, 228, plates after photographs, illustrations in the text; apart from offsetting from endpapers and name on front fly-leaf, a very good copy with the rare wrapper.

First edition in English. This book examines the history of large-scale overthrusts of rock sheets as explanation for the tectonics of the Alps. Heritsch was an Austrian geologist and paleontologist who lived all his life surrounded by high peaks, in Graz.

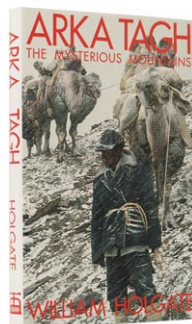


46. HILLARY, Edmund, Sir. *View from the Summit.* London, Doubleday, 1999. **£245**

8vo. Original light-grey boards, spine lettered in gilt, dustwrapper (retaining price), illustrated with portrait after Karsh of Ottawa on upper panel, map endpapers; pp. [x], 310; 12 colour-printed plates and 4 monochrome plates with illustrations recto-and-verso, 5 full-page maps and plans in the text; dustwrapper very slightly creased at edges, leaves very lightly toned (as often), a very good copy.

First UK edition, signed on the title 'Ed Hillary'. Hillary's autobiography, recounting his early expeditions with Eric Shipton to reconnoitre Everest and attempt Cho Oyu, his celebrated ascent of Everest, his participation in the British and Commonwealth Trans-Antarctic Expedition in 1958 (leading the first group to reach the South Pole using motor vehicles), and his 'Ocean to Sky' expedition, which travelled the length of the Ganges from mouth to source. The work also discusses his charitable work with the Himalayan Trust (which he founded) and his diplomatic role as New Zealand's High Commissioner to India, Pakistan, Nepal, and Bhutan.

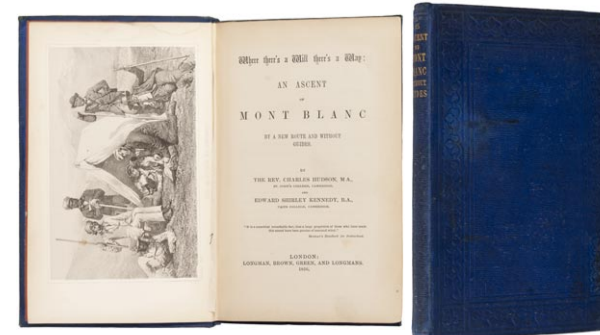
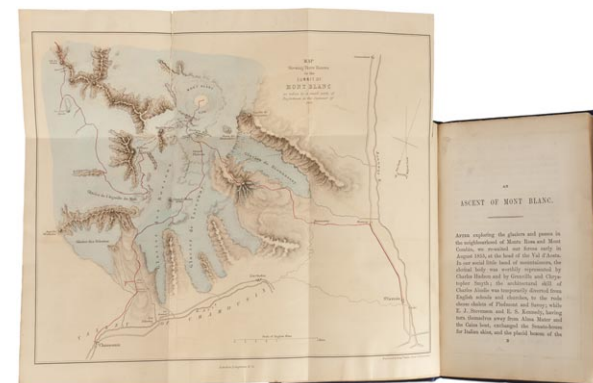
Provenance: From the library of the mountaineer and soldier Tony Streater (1926-2018), the first man ever to climb two peaks of over 25,000 feet.



47. HOLGATE, William. *Arka Tagh. The Mysterious Mountains.* The Ernest Press, 1994. **£72**

8vo. Original cloth in dust-wrapper; pp. [vi], 154; illustrations after photographs, 3 sketch maps; as new.

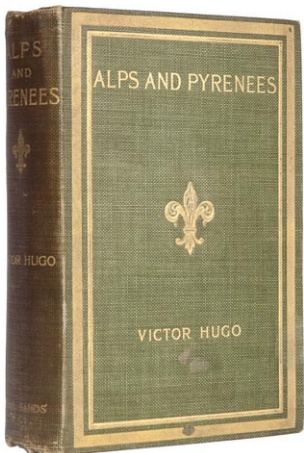
First edition, signed by the author on title-page. An exploration of the Arka Tagh, a range on the southern border of the Taklamakan desert, with a small dog, seven companions (Chinese, Uigur and British), and 19 camels. A very good read, factual and gripping. One camel died, the dog had a great time and the Uigur camel driver, who was used to live at 3000m altitude suffered seriously from altitude sickness. All participants could have perished easily. - This title is getting increasingly rare.



48. HUDSON, Charles, and Edward Shirley KENNEDY. *Where There's a Will There's a Way: An Ascent of Mont Blanc by a New Route and Without Guides.* London, Longman, Brown, Green, and Longmans, 1856. **£1,150**

8vo. Original blue blind-stamped cloth, spine lettered in gilt; pp. xvi, 95, 24 (advertisements), stipple-engraved frontispiece, hand-coloured lithographic folding map (repaired tear to one fold); partly erased name on half-title, front fly-leaf with short marginal tear, very light spotting, otherwise very good.

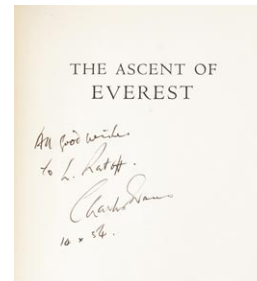
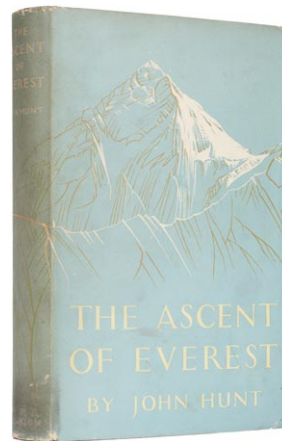
Very uncommon first edition. 'Hudson was the leading amateur mountaineer of his day. He made the first ascent of the highest point of Monte Rosa and the first guideless ascent of Mont Blanc. He was killed in the Matterhorn accident' (Neate H126).



49. HUGO, Victor. *Alps and Pyrenees.* London, Bliss, Sands & Co., 1898. **£198**

8vo. Original green cloth, bordered and titled in gilt to upper cover and spine, top edge gilt; pp. xviii, 354; spine faded, internally clean and sound, the Bombay bookseller Thacker's stamp inside front cover.

First English Edition, uncommon, translated from the French, though also published as part of *Victor Hugo's Letters to His Wife and Others* in 1895. Here the great French novelist's travelogue of an Alpine journey in the late 1830s and one in the Pyrennes, undertaken in 1843 are published for the English readers.

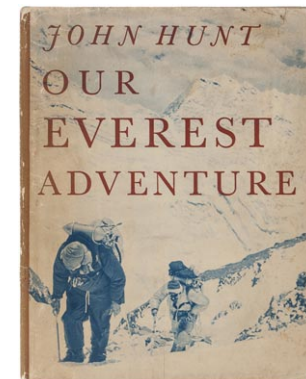


50. HUNT, John. *The Ascent of Everest.* London, Hodder & Stoughton, 1953. **£175**

8vo. Original cloth with dust-wrapper; pp. xx, 299, [1], highly illustrated in black-and-white and colour; wrapper a little darkened and with minor marginal abrasions.

First edition, second printing, only one month after the first, inscribed and signed by the deputy leader of the expedition, Sir Charles Evans on half-title. An account of the greatest mountaineering feat of the 20th century by the leader of the expedition. Mike Westmacott was the self-deprecating, but immensely resourceful and important mountaineer of the Everest team. Lowe, member of the team as well made an award-winning documentary film of the expedition. - Evans was not as keen as other members of the expedition to sign books.

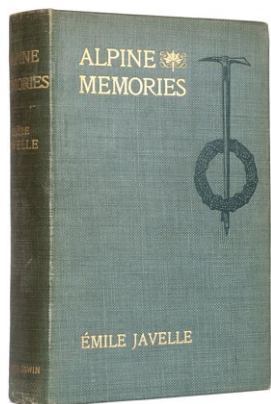
Neate H135; Yakushi 470a; Perret 2304; S & B H31; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 39.



51. HUNT, John. *Our Everest Adventure.* Brockhampton Press, Leicester, 1954. **£45**

8vo. Original illustrated boards, in dust-jacket; illustrated with half tone photographs; jacket a little used but very good, contemporary ownership inscription and bookplate.

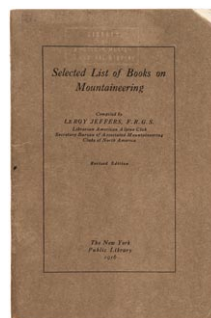
First edition. A beautifully produced pictorial history of Hillary's 1953 ascent with his Sherpa Tenzing from Kathmandu to the summit.



52. JAVELLE, Émile. *Alpine Memories ...* With a biographical and literary notice by Eugène Rambert. Translated and with an Introduction by W. H. Chesson. London, T. Fischer Unwin, 1899. £68

8vo. Original pale green buckram, lettered in gilt, climbing gear in dark green on front cover; pp. vi, [2], 444, portrait frontispiece and three plates; offsetting from endpapers, otherwise very good.

First English edition of the climbing memoirs of a Swiss school teacher, the fifteenth man to reach the summit of the Matterhorn. A good deal of nineteenth-century mountaineering history is covered by this volume.

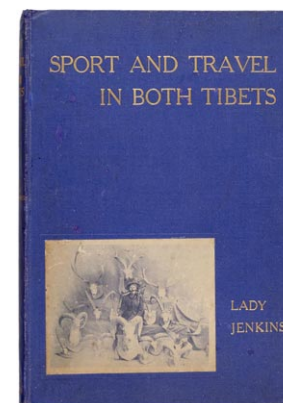


53. [BIBLIOGRAPHY] - JEFFERS, LeRoy (editor). *Selected List of Books on Mountaineering ...* Revised Edition. [New York]: The New York Public Library, 1916. £48

12mo. Original brown printed wrappers; pp. 46, [2 (blank)]; wrappers slightly marked, corner of upper wrapper and first few ll. creased causing small losses, otherwise a good, internally-fresh copy; *provenance*: Library of the American Museum of Natural History (blindstamp on upper wrapper and first 2 ll.).

Revised edition. 'This list of titles on mountaineering has been compiled in recognition of the growing interest on this continent in the exploration, and development, of mountain regions, and in their preservation in National Parks' (p. 3). Jeffers made the first solo ascent of the north peak of Mount Moran, and was a member of several leading mountaineering clubs and formed the Bureau of Associated Mountaineering Clubs of North America in 1916; a list of the associated clubs is given on pp. 3-4. This handlist was first issued in 1914.

Not in the usual bibliographies.

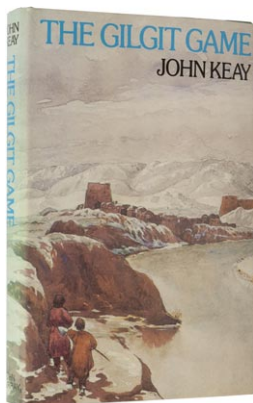


54. JENKINS, Lady Minna. *Sport and Travel in Both Tibets; With Map and Twenty-Five Coloured Illustrations Exactly Reproduced from the Authoress's Original Sketches.* London, Blades, East & Blades, [1909]. £235

Tall 8vo. Original purple cloth, titled in gilt on spine and upper cover, with a photographic portrait of the author laid down on the upper cover, surrounded by her hunting trophies; pp. [vi], 87, with 25 colour plates after original paintings by the author, and a double-page lithographed map, indicating the party's route; binding a little marked, small marginal tears to one plate, text with occasional light spotting.

First edition. Lady Jenkins was an experienced big game hunter and the aim of this expedition was to seek out the gazelles, antelopes and wild sheep of Bahistan (Little Tibet), and in the North-Western part of Tibet itself. She started her trip at Srinagar, where she stayed as a guest of the Maharajah of Kashmir, and travelled over the Zoli la Pass (on the border of Kashmir and Tibet), carrying on up to Leh, where she employed a caravan of local shikaris and coolies, and began her long trek through the Himalayan foothills. After the Lanak and Lungnak passes, due to extremely bad weather conditions, unfortunately they had to turn back. 'One of the handful of Edwardian-era women who embarked on her own hunting expeditions, Lady Jenkins departed from Srinagar, traveled through Leh and Miroo and into the high country of Changchenmo' (Czech).

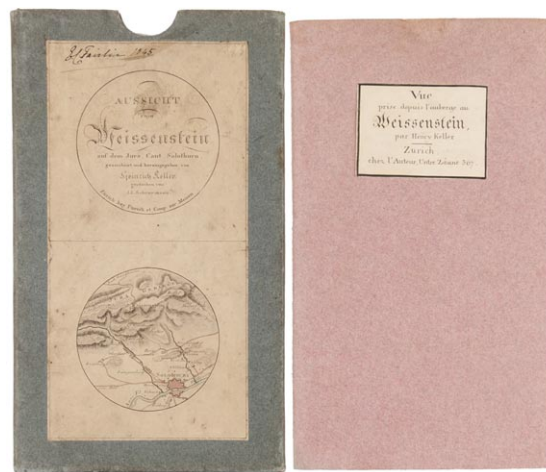
Yakushi J28. Czech p. 112.



55. KEAY, John. *The Gilgit Game. The Explorers of the Western Himalayas 1865-95.* London, John Murray, [1979]. **£48**

8vo. Original boards with dust-wrapper (not proce-clipped); pp. xii, [2], 277; a very good copy of the **first edition** of this particular episode in the history of the Great Game.

Neate K09.

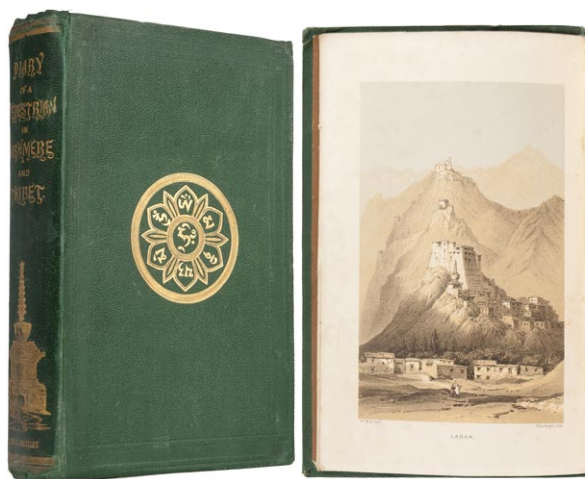


56. KELLER, Heinrich [*illustrator*] and **J.J. SCHEURMANN** [*engraver*]. *Vue Prise Depuis l'Auberge au Weissenstein par Henry Keller.* Zürich by Füessli et Comp: zur Meisen, [c. 1822]. **£498**

Concertina-folding aquatint and partially hand-coloured panorama (158 x 1920 mm) with 2 flaps extending from lower margin to reveal Solothurn, folding back into the original publisher's pink boards with lithographic title label and cardboard slip-case with engraved label incorporating small partly coloured map; this lightly spotted, otherwise in very good condition, or - 'as new'.

This is an exceptional panorama of the view from Mount Weissenstein. Heinrich Keller (1778-1862) was the leading Swiss draughtsmen of panoramas and maps. This panorama, drawn in 1817 in the inn on the mountain, was one of his last works to be published by Fuessli before he founded his own publishing company. The label on the boards reads already 'chez l'Auteur, whereas the one on the slipcase still mentions Füessli. The engraver Samuel Johann Jakob Scheurmann was, similarly to Keller, a specialist of topographical prints.



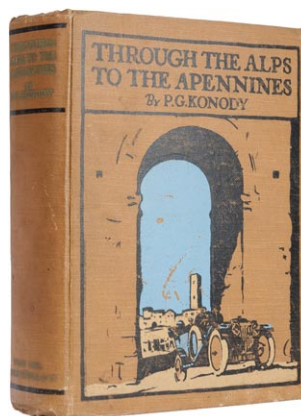


57. KNIGHT, Captain William. *Diary Of A Pedestrian in Cashmere and Thibet.* London, Richard Bentley, 1863. £998

8vo. Original green pebble-grained cloth, gilt vignette to upper board, gilt title and pictorial vignette to spine; pp. xvi, 385, 8 (publisher's catalogue), lithographic frontispiece in three colours, 7 lithographic plates in three colours, 8 full page woodcuts, one original specimen of a piece of text from a Tibetan prayer wheel mounted onto captioned sheet (frequently lacking), 27 woodcut illustrations to text; light wear to extremities, hinges re-inforced; a rather nice copy.

First edition. Knight, a British officer based in India, in 1860 gained 6 months' leave of absence and undertook a journey through the foothills of the Himalayas from Srinagar, via Zoji la and Hemis, to Ladakh. His diary of the journey describes numerous monasteries, tombs and ruins as well as the lives of the inhabitants of the villages and towns through which he passed. He tried to understand the essence of Tibetan Buddhism and apparently surreptitiously emptied the contents of a prayer wheel.

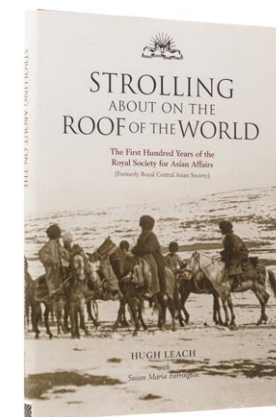
Yakushi (3rd ed.) K247.



58. KONODY, Paul George. *Through the Alps to the Apennines.* London, Kegan Paul, Trench, Trubner & Co Ltd, 1911. £48

8vo. Original sand-coloured cloth, illustrated and lettered in black and blue; pp. xii, 370, [2], colour frontispiece, plates after photographs, illustrations in the text, cloth a little rubbed, light offsetting from endpapers, otherwise very good.

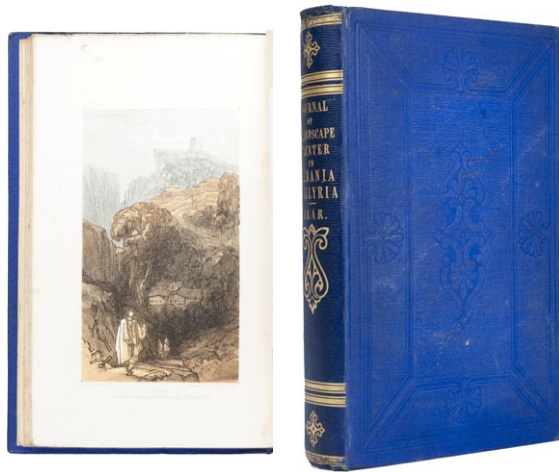
First edition. "The car was a 30 H. P. White Steam - noiseless, running as smoothly as a sledge, provided with a comfortable touring body and luggage-carrier; and, above all, a splendid hill-climber. She seemed positively enjoying flying uphill, and to express her pleasure by a gentle, musical chirping sound, to which she owed her name - the Cricket' (p. 2). The motoring tour focused much on steep inclines, and altitude differences of the points visited during the journey are given as tables.



59. LEACH, Hugh, and Susan Maria FARRINGTON. *Strolling about on the Roof of the World. The First Hundred Years of the Royal Society for Asian Affairs.* London, RoutledgeCurzon, [2003]. £35

8vo. Original red boards, spine lettered in gilt, with gilt-stamped logo on upper cover, map endpapers, in illustrated dust-wrapper; pp. xxv, 229, illustrated throughout and printed on heavy paper stock.

First edition. "This volume covers the first one hundred years of the Royal Society for Asian Affairs, formerly the Royal Central Asian Society. It traces its fons et origo in the Central Asian Question, within the context of the 'Great Game', and continues its fascinating chronology through the two World Wars to the present day. There are separate chapters on its widely drawn membership, variety of activities and archive collection. Throughout the pages are glimpses and vignettes of some of its extraordinary, even eccentric, members and their astonishing adventures. The wealth of factual and often amusing detail makes it a very lively account, which is also valuable as a work of reference for all interested in Asia. The book is generously illustrated and includes some of the Society's unique archival photographs not previously published' (synopsis inside front flap). - Much information is provided about T. E. Lawrence, reproducing and discussing a sketch map by him, and many other rather less known details of his life and deeds documented in the RSAA archive.



60. LEAR, Edward. Journals of a Landscape Painter in Albania, &c. ... Second Edition. London, Richard Bentley, 1852. £798

8vo. Original blue cloth by Remnant & Edmonds, London, with their ticket on the lower pastedown, boards blocked in blind with central lozenge enclosed by a border, spine lettered and decorated in gilt, yellow endpapers; pp. xiii, 418; lithographic map with tissue guard, 20 tinted lithographic plates in 3 tints by and after Lear, printed by Hullmandel & Walton; a little rubbed, some light offsetting (as often), occasional light browning and spotting, otherwise a very good copy.

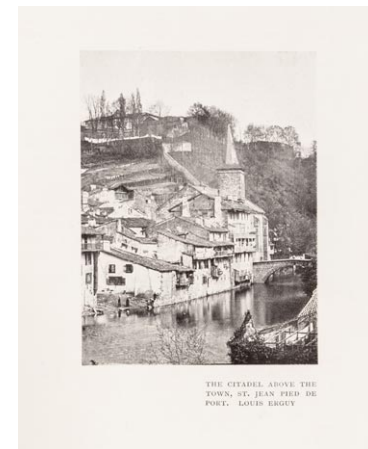
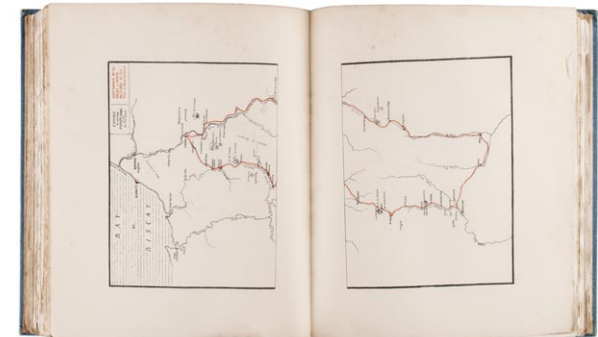
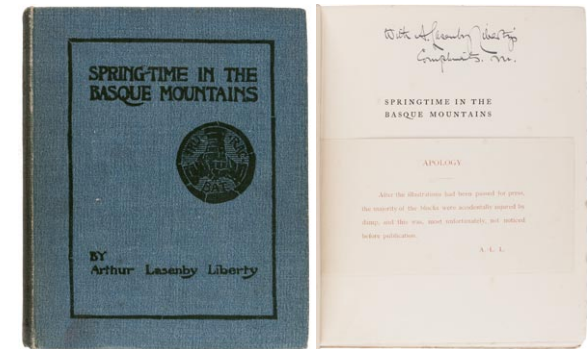
First edition. "The notes for this volume were collected during two journeys throught Northern and Western Greece, Albania, and what is now Yugoslavia in 1848 and 1849. Lear's first visit to Corfu took place in 1848 when he stayed with George Bowen [...] of the Ionian University. He then travelled to Constantinople with Sir Stratford and Lady Canning, and on his return overland from Salonica he visited Macedonia and Albania. The second journey took place in April 1849 - Albania, Epirus and Thessaly. According to Field this work contains "fully as detailed an account of Lear's life as appears in his diaries" for this period' (Blackmer).

Abbey, *Travel* 45; *Blackmer* 986.

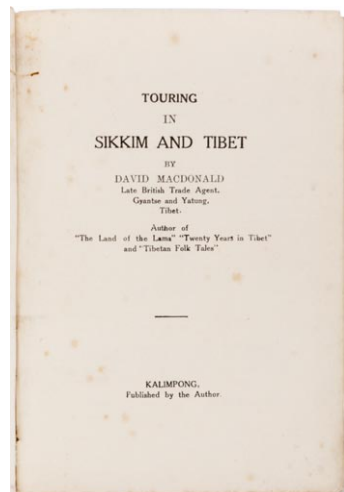
61. LIBERTY, Sir Arthur Lasenby. Springtime in the Basque Mountains. London, Grant Richards, 1901. £498

Small 4to. Original light blue cloth, lettered and decorated on black; pp. xx, 299, highly illustrated with plates by the author's wife, Emma, mostly after photographs, numerous maps in black and red; minimal spotting to endpapers and a few plates; a very good copy.

Uncommon first edition, the issue for private circulation, presentation copy inscribed by the author on half-title, of one of the best early books on the Basque country, on both sides of the Pyrennees in the English language. This copy contains 'the persoal portraits [which] are only included [one hotel bill as well] in the copies issued for private circulation' (p. xviii). Furthermore this copy has a slip printed in red before half-title, reading: *Apology. After the illustrations hed been passed for press, the majority of the blocks were accidentally injured by damp, and this was, most unfortunately, not noticed before publication. A. L. L.* The printrun was therefore rather limited. The founder of the textile design retailer Liberty travelled with his wife and other members of the family to this rarely visited (apart from Biarritz) part of Western Europe, climbed a few mountains and crossed several passes. The travellers payed attention to traditional design of everyday objects, struggled with the language and cover pretty much the entire Basque Country on both sides of the Pyrenees.



THE CITADEL ABOVE THE TOWN, ST. JEAN PIED DE PORT, LOUIS BRUGY

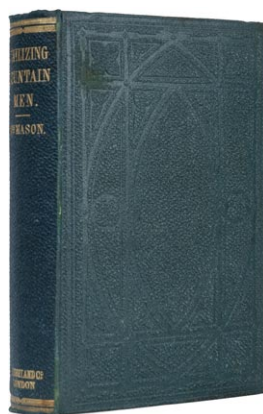


62. MACDONALD, David. *Touring in Sikkim and Tibet.* Kalimpong, Published by the Author [printed by S. Manu Pradhan at the Mani Press], 1930. £498

Small 8vo. Original printed wrappers, [viii, including initial blank], 142; wrappers with paper reinforcements around edges and on spine, and a little spotted, internally a little spotted towards the end; still a good copy of a rare survival.

First edition of this very rare motoring guide, printed at an altitude of 1250 meters, in the vicinity of Mount Kanchenjunga, written by a local hotelier. 'Between 1905 and 1910, David Macdonald set up the Himalayan in Kalimpong, the first hotel in the Darjeeling region. All climbers attempting to scale Mt. Everest would put up at this hotel before embarking on their onward icy journey. In 1924, the legendary mountaineers George Mallory and Andrew Irvine planned an Everest expedition. In the climbing party was David's elder son John Macdonald. Now, young John loved his whisky. On the night before the final summit, he had one too many pegs, as a result of which his mates had to leave him behind the next morning, fast asleep. The journey proved fatal for both Mallory and Irvine after they were hit by a freak monsoon squall. And John cheated certain death' (*The Telegraph India* August 14, 2018, online). The Macdonald family had been linked with Tibet since the Younghusband expedition in 1904.

There are only a few copies of the Cactus, Thacker and Spink edition of 1943 on the market.

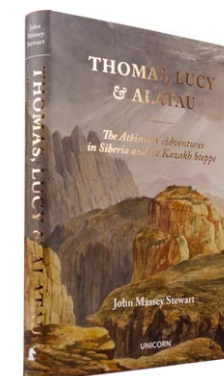


63. MASON, Ellen B. *Civilizing Mountain Men. Or Sketches of Mission Work among the Karens ...* Edited by L.N.R[anyard]. London, James Nisbet & Co, 21 Berners Street, 1862. £325

8vo. Publisher's original blind-stamped blue cloth, lettered in gilt; pp. xii + 384 + [4, advertisements]; folding coloured frontispiece of "Karen National Institute for Girls, Tounghoo, with the Native Board of Managers in their hunting dresses"; a very good crisp copy of this unusual work.

Second edition, appearing in the same year as the first. Though ostensibly an account of missionary labours in Burma, the author, herself "the first white woman who ever entered either the city or the kingdom of Tounghoo", presents a fascinating glimpse of life among the Karen, inhabitants of the mountainous country on the outskirts of Tounghoo (eastern Burma).

Cf. Trager 0951.



64. MASSEY STEWART, John. *Thomas, Lucy & Alatau. The Atkinson's Adventures in the Kazakh Steppe.* [London], Unicorn, [2018]. £25

8vo. Original boards with illustrated dust-wrappers, map endpapers; pp. 344, highly illustrated in colour and black and white.

First edition of the first book on the incredible Central Asian journey, second printing. *Thomas, Lucy and Alatau* is the first full biography of an unjustly forgotten man: Thomas Witlam Atkinson (1799–1861), architect, artist, traveler extraordinaire, and author.

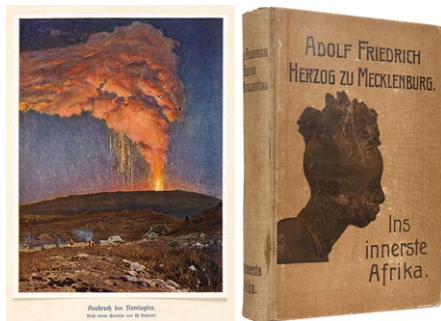
Famous in his lifetime as "the Siberian traveler", Atkinson spent seven years travelling nearly forty thousand miles through the Urals, Kazakhstan, and Siberia with special authorization from the Tsar. During his travels he produced more than five hundred watercolor sketches—many published here for the first time—of the often dramatic scenery and exotic peoples. He also kept a detailed daily journal, extensively quoted in this book for the first time. But this is also the story of Lucy, his spirited and intrepid wife, and their son, Alatau Tamchiboulac, named after their favorite places and born in a remote Cossack fort. They both shared Atkinson's many adventures—enduring extremes of heat and cold, traveling on horseback up and down precipices and across dangerous rivers, escaping a murder plot atop a great cliff, and befriending the famous Decembrist exiles. Their true live adventures are sure to appeal to history and travel enthusiasts in equal measure' (University of Chicago Press, *online*).



65. MATTERHORN and Swiss High Alps. A collection of over 50 private photographic slides of climbing tours in Switzerland, including an ascent of the Matterhorn and tours in the surrounding area. *Britain, c. 1926* **£498**

Each slide measuring 82 mm square, in good condition (one damaged not counted); few with later captions, later numbering; in a contemporary spruce wood slide box with grooves inside. A little worn and spotted.

Some breathtaking photos of high Alpine glaciers, crevasses, and distant views of mountains, including one with a climber on the summit of the Matterhorn, others of climbers with ropes, and one woman, later labelled the 'Mountain Cat'.

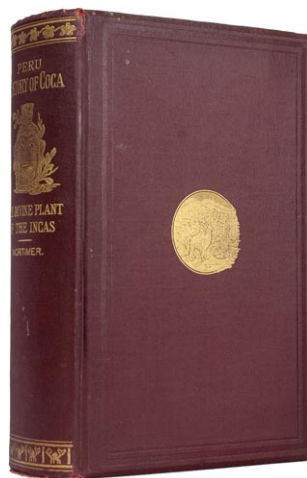


66. MECKLENBURG, Adolf Friedrich Herzog zu. *Ins innerste Afrika. Bericht über den Verlauf der deutschen wissenschaftlichen Zentral-Afrika-Expedition 1907-1908.* Leipzig, Klinkhardt & Biermann, 1909. **£68**

Large 8vo. Original cloth-backed pictorial boards, spine lettered in black, illustration of African native head to upper cover; pp. xii, 476 with portrait frontispiece, 20 tipped-in plates (some in colour, the others tinted), numerous photographic illustrations in the text, folding map printed in four colours in rear pocket; slightly rubbed and with light wear to extremities, neat repair to lower joint, title minimally spotted and with inscription, dated 1919, and with number in crayon, else a very good copy.

First edition. The Duke of Mecklenburg's expedition to Central Africa explored the Great Lakes region, with particular work undertaken in Ruanda, south-western Uganda and the area to the west (now Zaire). The Duke also explored the mountain region north-east of Lake Kivu before skirting the Ruwenzori range. En route much game was taken and the illustrations show examples of the okapi, the existence of which had been proved to European zoologists only a few years before the Duke's expedition. - There are several variants of bindings and some copies contain two maps.

See Czech p. 122 for the English edition.

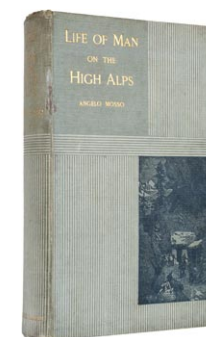


67. MORTIMER, W. Golden. *Peru: History of Coca "The Divine Plant of the Incas". With an Introductory Account of the Incas, and of the Andean Indians of To-Day.* New York, J.H. Hall & Co, 1901. **£398**

8vo. Original burgundy ribbed cloth, covers and spine richly embossed with titles and gilt emblems, top edge gilt; pp. xxxi, 576, with a collotype frontispiece after the painting by Robida, and 178 illustrations in text, many full page, including numerous decorative cuts of coca-related objects and motifs; only corners of binding with light rubbing, and with light spotting to endpapers, otherwise a very good and clean copy, far better than usually encountered.

First edition of a cocaine classic. Dr. Mortimer documented 'by ample testimony that Coca is not only a substance innocent as is tea or coffee, [but] vastly superior to these substances, and more worthy of general use because of its depurative action on the blood ...' He goes on to make the not so ironic suggestion that 'There is every reason to suppose that this substance will come into general use in every household as a stimulant'. - There is an extensive bibliography and a detailed index, including results of large-scale drug experiments carried out in the US in the late 1890s.

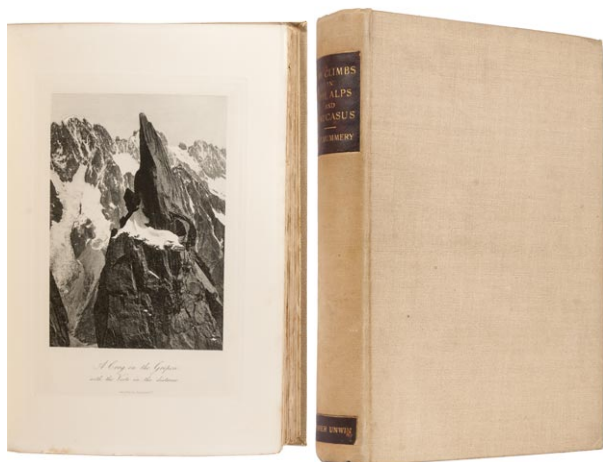
Garrison & Morton 2040.1; Phantastica 194; Waller 15626.



68. MOSSO, Angelo. *Life of Man on the High Alps ...* Translated from the Second Edition of the Italian by E. Lough Kiesow. London, T. Fisher Unwin, 1898. **£98**

Large 8vo. Original grey pictorial cloth, top edge gilt; pp. xv, 342, [2], plates and text illustrations after photographs and drawings, cloth and the final 20 pages a little spotted; otherwise good.

First English edition of a monograph on altitude sickness and physiological and psychological effects of high altitude on humans. Angelo Mossi was the foremost Italian physiologist of the time and carried out research in a hut at 3600m altitude in the Monte Rosa range.



69. MUMMERY, A.F. My Climbs In The Alps And Caucasus. London: T. Fisher Unwin; New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1895. £798

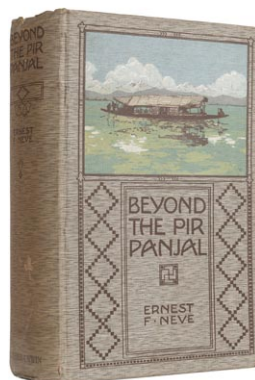
Tall 8vo. Original oatmeal cloth with morocco lettering-pieces to spine; pp. xii, 360; lithographed frontispiece, 8 photogravure plates, 11 full-page woodcuts, 11 woodcut illustrations to text and one chromolithographed plate; the cloth binding in far better condition, than usually encountered, only light spotting internally; a very good copy.

First edition. Mummery even today is considered a kindred spirit by young climbers, since he was a pioneer of the ridges and difficult pinnacles of the Alps. His list of climbs is remarkable, including the first ascents of the Grepon, the Zmutt Ridge of the Matterhorn, and the Charmoiz, with Alexander Burgener. He also pioneered guideless climbing, making the first guideless ascent of Brenva Ridge on Mont Blanc.

Classics in Literature in Mountaineering 21; Neate M181; Perret 3149.

70. MUMMERY, A.F. My Climbs In The Alps And Caucasus. London: T. Fisher Unwin; New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1898. £198

As above but fourth printing of the second edition, enlarged.

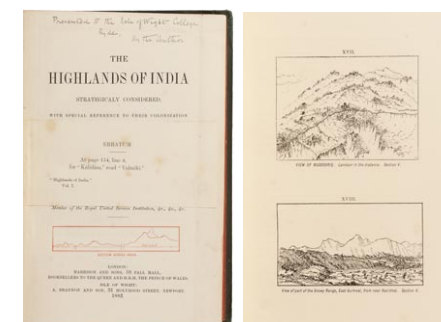
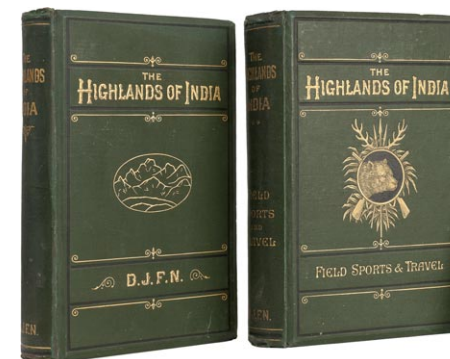


71. NEVE, Ernest F. Beyond the Pir Panjal. Life among the Mountains and Valleys of Kashmir. London and Leipzig, T. Fisher Unwin, 1912. £198

8vo. Publisher's original cloth, image of river boat blocked in colours to upper cover, decorated and lettered in brown, top edges gilt, remainder uncut; pp. 320; 56 black and white plates from photographs, 1 folding map; slightly darkened on spine, but still a nice copy.

First edition. The Neve brothers - Ernest and Arthur - had been appointed directors of the Medical Mission in Srinagar in 1886. During their time at the mission (Arthur died there in 1919), they climbed and travelled extensively in Kashmir, Baltistan and Ladakh. The present volume includes an account of the ascent of the highest of the Kolahoi peaks in 1911 with Kenneth Mason.

Neate N13; Yakushi N36.



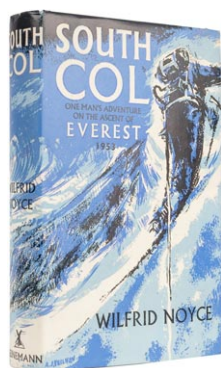
72. NEWALL, D.J.F. The Highlands of India Strategically Considered, with Special Reference to their Colonization as Reserve Circles, Military, Industrial, and Sanitary [Vol. II, Being a Chronicle of Field Sports and Travel in India]. London, Harrison and Sons; Isle of Wight: A. Brannon and Son, 1882-87. £798

Two volumes, 8vo. Original pictorial green cloth gilt with bevelled edges; pp. xv, 20, 274, errata slip; [2], xvi, 46481 illustrations after drawings and photographs on plates and a folding frontispiece map; inner hinges repaired, a very good **presentation copy, inscribed by the author on both title-pages to the Isle of Wight College.**

First edition of both volumes, rarely seen together. A survey of the hill stations of Kashmir, Nepal, British Sikkim, and elsewhere in India including Ceylon. 'Perhaps the most important proponent of the strategic value of the hills was Major-General D.J.F. Newall. In the two-volume *The Highlands of India Strategically Considered* (1882*sic*), he sought to show that the colonization of the highlands by European troops was both feasible and essential to the "future of British India." The book provided a detailed region-by-region survey of the many stations and the cantonments scattered across the Indian highlands' (Dane Keith Kennedy, *The Magic Mountains: Hill Stations and the British Raj*, p. 158).

Yakushi N109.

**'ONE OF THE BEST PERSONAL ACCOUNTS
OF AN EVEREST EXPEDITION'**

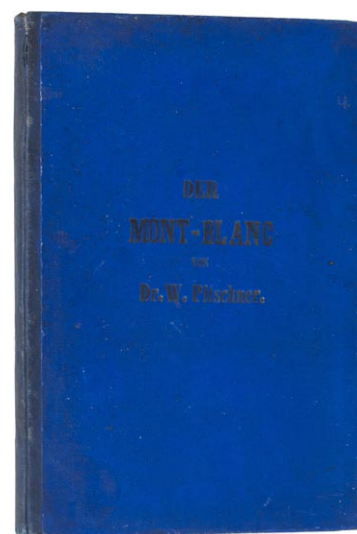


73. NOYCE, Wilfrid. *South Col. One Man's Adventure on the Ascent of Everest, 1953* ... Foreword by Sir John Hunt. London, William Heinemann Ltd, [1954]. **£85**

8vo. Original blue cloth, spine lettered and ruled in gilt, lower board with publisher's device in blind, dustwrapper with colour-printed illustration after A. J. Veilhan, (price-clipped), pictorial endpapers after Veilhan printed in ochre, top edge stained blue; pp. xx, 303, colour-printed frontispiece, 3 colour-printed plates, 24 monochrome plates with illustrations recto-and-verso, 16 full-page illustrations after Veilhan, and 5 full-page maps; only very light toning to initial leaves, Kathleen Holloway's name on front fly-leaf, otherwise fine.

First edition. 'A great climber, as well as a poet and scholar, [Noyce] was chosen to make the leading ascent of the South Col on the 1953 British Everest expedition. His brilliant climb to the 26,000-foot saddle opened the way to the final assault on the summit of the peak [...] *South Col* was his best work, a personal narrative of his own impressions of the adventure and his impressions of others during this unique experience. It superbly complemented the official narrative, *The Ascent of Everest*' (*Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering*). As Neate comments, *South Col* is widely recognised as 'one of the best personal accounts of an Everest Expedition.'

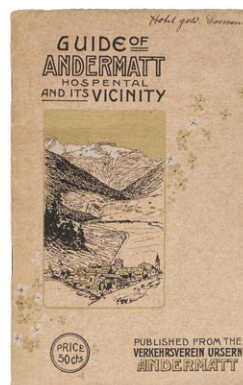
NLS, *Mountaineering*, s315; Neate N40; Perret 3224 ('*Un des grandes classiques de la littérature himalayenne*'); Salkeld & Boyle N18 ('*A well-written personal account of first successful expedition*'); *Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering* 40; Yakushi (3rd ed.) N172a.



75. PITSCHNER, Wilhelm. *Der Mont-Blanc. Darstellung der Besteigung desselben am 31. Juli, 1. und 2. August 1859. Ein Blick in die Eislandschaften der Europäischen Hochalpen.* Berlin, In Commission bei August Hirschwald, 1860. **£798**

8vo. Original cloth-backed boards, upper cover lettered in gilt; pp. [xxii], 154, [2], three lithographic plates (2 in colour); wear to extremities, a little spotted internally.

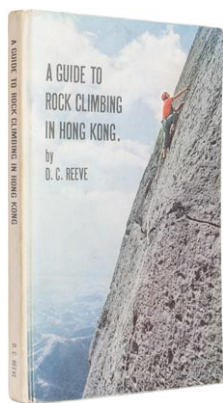
Very rare first edition. In 1864, together with the second edition (privately published) of this title appeared an even rarer atlas volume with six plates. After John Tyndall's exploration and ascents of Mont Blanc from 1857 to 1859 'another remarkable scientific ascent was in 1859 by Wilhelm Pitschner, a Professor at Berlin, who had reached the summit with four guides and 26 porters, who carried physical instruments, photographic equipment, a dog, a cat and three pigeons. A series of measurements were made on physics, astronomy and glaciology' (West, *High Life. A History of High-Altitude Physiology and Medicine*, p. 76). Dôme and Aiguille Pitschner have been named after the pioneering scientific mountaineer.



74. OFFICIAL INQUIRY OFFICE OF THE URSEREN VALLEY. *Andermatt, Hospental and Environs.* Zurich, Orell Füssli, 1907. **£78**

Small 8vo. Original illustrated card wrappers; pp. 53, highly illustrated in the text, large folding panorama, colour-printed map at rear; inscription *Hotel gold. Loewen* in ink on front cover, otherwise very good.

A beautifully designed and produced brochure for tourists and mountain enthusiasts.



76. REEVE, D.C. A Guide to Rock Climbing in Hong Kong. [Set and printed by Everbest Printing Company Ltd., Hong Kong, 1968]. **£75**

8vo. Original pictorial boards; pp. 253; coloured and black and white illustrations; slightly bumped to extremities, else a very good copy.

First edition. The second ever guide to climbing in Hong Kong after J.F. Bunnell's 1959 *Rock Climbing in Hong Kong*, with details of some 400 climbs. There are several similarities between Reeve's

and Bunnell's books: Both were apparently privately printed, both were the authors' only publication and they are almost equally difficult to find - only 5 copies of Reeve's book are listed by OCLC, as compared with a single copy of Bunnell's.

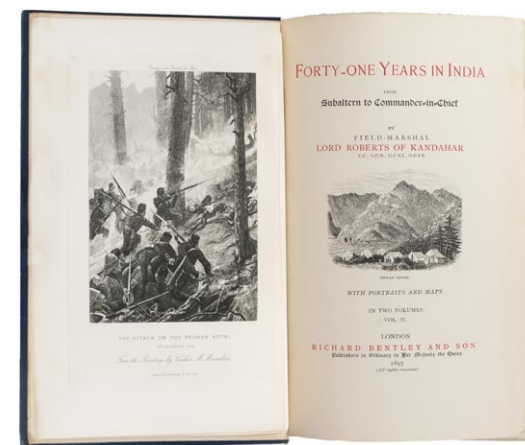
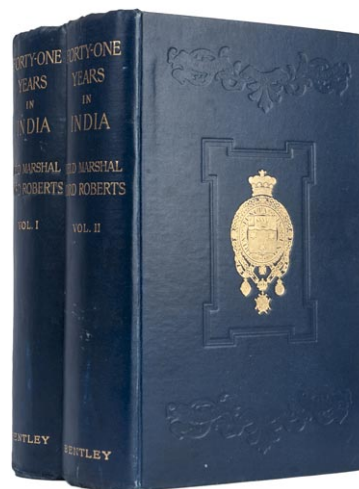
Not in the relevant bibliographies.

77. REID, William Jameson. Through Unexplored Asia. Boston, Dana Estes and Company, 1899. **£198**

8vo. Original green pictorial cloth, gilt, top edge gilt; pp. 499, 3 folding maps in rear pocket, numerous wood-engraved and photographic illustrations; tail of spine very slightly rubbed, a little browning due to paper stock, maps printed on thin paper with repairs, as usual; a very good copy.

First edition. The account of a journey of exploration through Western China and Eastern Tibet during 1894. Reid travelled in the company of George Burton into territory that had previously remained largely unexplored by Westerners. The maps were based on Reid's own daily sketch maps and observations made during the journey; they differ dramatically from D'Anville's atlas and earlier Jesuit maps which had previously been supposed accurate. Many of the photographs taken during the trek were later damaged or destroyed in the midst of an exceptionally hazardous winter in the Koko Nor and many of the illustrations intended to be photographic were replaced by engravings.

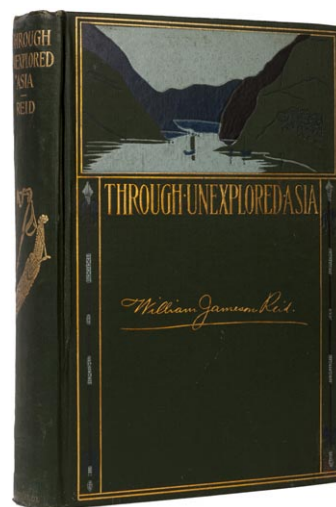
Yakushi R81.

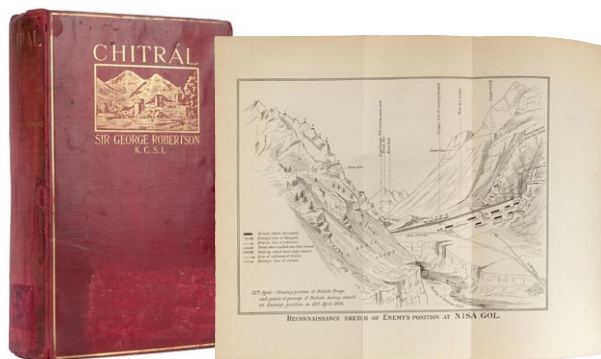


78. ROBERTS, Frederick, Field-Marshal Lord, of Kandahar. Forty-One Years In India from Subaltern to Commander-in-Chief. London, Richard Bentley And Son, 1897. **£498**

8vo. Two volumes. Original publisher's dark blue cloth, spines lettered in gilt, covers decorated gilt and blind, patterned endpapers; pp. xx, 511; xii, [2], 522, [64, publisher's catalogue including index]; engraved frontispiece to both volumes, 17 plates in various techniques (retaining tissue guards), 2 folding panoramas, 9 folding maps and plans in up to three colours; light rubbing to cloth, one map with repairs to folds, otherwise internally very good; ownership inscriptions, dated July, 1897, to half-titles.

First edition, 18th (vol. II) and 19th printing (a few months after the first issue). **A magnificently produced and illustrated documentation of over four decades of Great Game**, with battle plans of Kandahar, a panorama seen from Kabul, detailed maps, portraits of the Great Gamers, and high-altitude battle scenes, written by an old India hand, who had witnessed the Mutiny and fought in the Second Afghan War. Despite its great popularity, the lessons from this book had apparently not been learned.





79. ROBERTSON, Sir George S. Chitral. The Story of a Minor Siege. London, Methuen & Co, 1898. £148

8vo. Original red cloth, gilt, image of Chitral fort blocked in gilt to upper cover, top edge gilt; pp. xi, 368, 40 (advertisements, dated October, 1898); 32 black and white plates from photographs, 5 maps including 2 folding; binding with restorations to extremities; a few repairs to folds of maps; internally a very good copy.

First edition. The author was British Agent in Gilgit when local infighting led to the murder of the Mehtar, or ruler, of Chitral. The ensuing power vacuum was exploited by Umra Khan, a local chief, who invaded the area. Robertson and his troops were besieged in Chitral, without provisions or support and with vastly inferior numbers, for six weeks until their relief at the hands of British forces.

Yakushi R133.

Provenance: From the library of the Geographical Institute at Berlin University, with contemporary stamp on title verso and a few library markings, then from the library of the mountaineer and soldier Tony Streater (1926-2018), who had come 'to mountain climbing by chance. Staying on in the subcontinent after independence and partition between India and Pakistan, as aide-de-camp to the governor of North West Frontier Province, Streater was the last British officer serving under a Pakistani commanding officer when, in 1950, a Norwegian expedition led by the ecologist Arne Naess arrived in the region with the intention of climbing Tirich Mir (7,708m), the highest mountain in the Hindu Kush' (obituary in *The Guardian*). Further high-altitude exploits included joining the 1953 American Karakoram Expedition to K-2 (reaching 7,800m), and participating in the first ascent of Kangchenjunga, the third highest mountain in the world in 1955. This made him the first man ever to climb two peaks of over 25,000 feet.

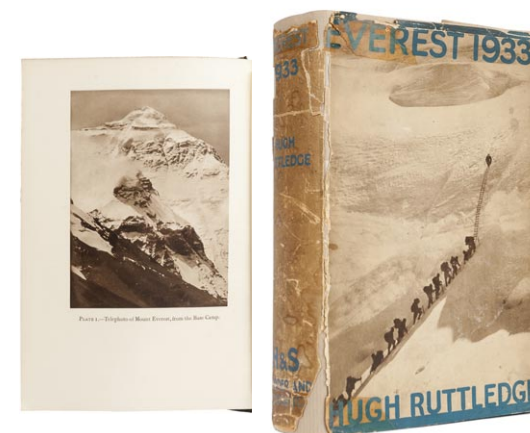


80. RUBAKIN, N. A. Razskazy o gorakh. Saint Petersburg, Knigoizdatel'skoe Tovarishchestvo "Prosveshchenie", [c. 1914]. £298

8vo. Original cloth, illustrated panel mounted on front cover; pp. [vi], 150; highly illustrated with wood-engravings and after photographs; binding a trifle rubbed, apart from a few minor spots internally a very good copy; ownership inscription in blue crayon, dated 1920, on front fly-leaf.

First edition. A book for the general public; nevertheless, extremely rare, on the lure of mountains, Russian and far away, their geology, glaciology, formations, peaks and gorges of mountain ranges. The author is most unlikely the Russian revolutionary, bibliophile and founder of the science of bibliopsychology Nikolai Aleksandrovich Rubakin, but a popular writer on ethnography, and Siberia.

We were unable to locate any other copy.



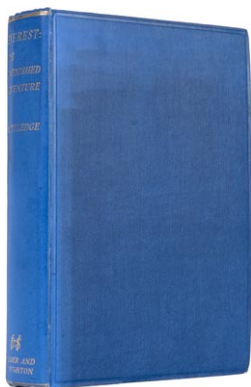
81. RUTLEDGE, Hugh. Everest 1933. London, Hodder & Stoughton Limited, 1934. £198

8vo. Original cloth gilt, illustrated dust-wraper (with loss); pp. xiii, [3], 390; photographic frontispiece in sepia, 58 sepia photographic plates, 3 diagrams in text, 4 maps, including 3 large folding; light wear to cloth; internally a few spots, inscription to flyleaf, a good copy.

First edition. The official account of the fourth expedition to Everest, led by Hugh Ruttledge with a team that included Frank Smythe, Eric Shipton, Wyn Harris, and L.R. Wager. Harris and Wager made a summit attempt from the famous Camp VI, reaching 28,200 feet in attempting to determine whether the northeast ridge was climbable. During this climb they came upon the ice-axe of either Mallory or Irvine, lost nine years before on their fateful climb. Harris and Wager found the 'second step' unclimbable and had to revert to a traverse of the face, when time ran out. On the return to the high camp Wager struggled to the crest of the ridge and became the first man to look down the awesome east face of Everest.

Classics of Mountaineering Literature 33; Neate R99; Yakushi R213a; Perret 3830.

Provenance: From the library of the mountaineer and soldier Tony Streater.



82. RUTLEDGE, Hugh. Everest: The Unfinished Adventure. London, Hodder and Stoughton, 1937. **£135**

Royal 8vo. Original cloth gilt; pp. xvi, 295; portrait frontispieces of members of expedition, 63 black and white photographic plates and 2 large folding maps to rear; a little spotting near maps (offsetting) otherwise very clean and fresh.

First edition. The 1936 expedition, the fifth to Everest and the second under Rutledge's leadership, was again a first-class party. It was plagued by an early monsoon and stricken with weather problems from the beginning.

Neate R100; Yakushi (3rd ed.) R414; Perret 3831; S & B R30; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 35.

Provenance: From the library of the mountaineer and soldier Tony Streater (1926-2018).

83. SALE, Lady Florentia. A Journal of the Disasters in Afghanistan, 1841-2. John Murray. 1843. **£498**

8vo. Original cloth, spine lettered in gilt, gilt-stamped elephant on front cover; pp. xvi, 451; folding plan, one single-page engraved plan, printed advertisement slip for another book on the Afghan War tipped in before title, recased with new endpapers, a little rubbed, folding plan with repaired tear along one fold, otherwise internally very good.

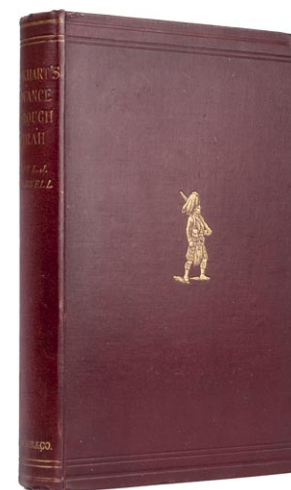
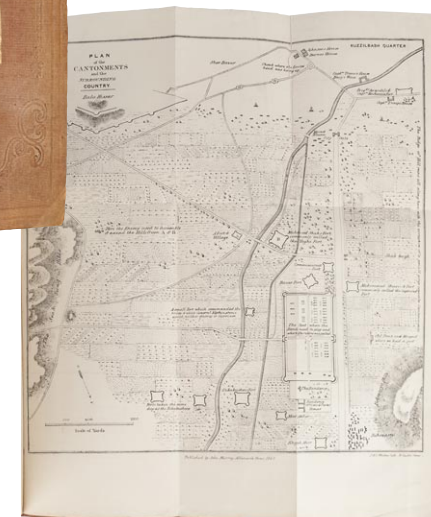
First edition, scarce. Lady Sale was married to General Robert Henry Sale and based in Kabul when the Afghan rising of 1841 occurred. The British forces retreated in January 1842 and Sale joined the 16000 troops and civilians who formed its ranks. The hostile climate and continual Afghan attacks resulted in the death of many on the march and Sale herself was taken captive. During her captivity she learned that a single survivor from the retreat had managed to reach the safety of Jalalabad. In the diary that she kept during this period Sale records these events and their attendant sufferings, thus providing a close-up and harrowing account of the debacles experienced at this time by the British forces in Afghanistan.

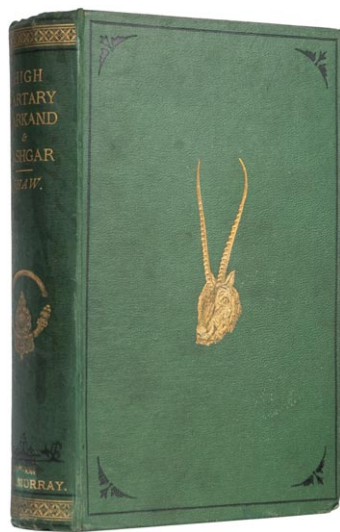
Yakushi S14a.

84. SHADWELL, Leonard Julius. Lockhart's Advance Through Tirah. London, W. Thacker & Co. 1898. **£198**

8vo. Original maroon cloth, spine lettered in gilt, image of Scottish Highlands soldier blocked in gilt onto front cover; pp. vii, [4], 319, 31 (publisher's catalogue), two large colour-printed folding maps, plates after photographs; minimal rubbing to binding, one map with repaired tear and a bit spotted; a very good copy.

First edition. 'In 1897 Lockhart was placed in command of the 40,000 strong Tirah expeditionary force, after Afridis attacked British outposts along the north-west frontier during the most serious outbreak of resistance to British rule in India since the mutiny. During the difficult extended fighting in the inaccessible mountains of Tirah, he skilfully conducted punitive operations against elusive Afridi and Orakzai fighters, armed with modern rifles. Though for the most part consisting of guerrilla warfare, the campaign also included such bitterly contested engagements as the attack at Dargai and the withdrawal of the 2nd division down the Bara valley. For his services he received the thanks of the government of India, was made a GCB, and succeeded Sir George White as commander-in-chief in India in 1898' (ODNB).





85. SHAW, Robert Barkley. Visits to High Tartary, Yarkand, and Kâshgar (formerly Chinese Tartary), and Return Journey over the Karakoram Pass. *London, John Murray, 1871.* **£998**

8vo. Original green pictorial cloth, lettered in gilt, illustrated in gilt, ornamented in black; pp. [iii]-xv, 486, 24 (advertisements); 4 xylographed plates, tinted in two colours, 3 wood-engraved plates, wood-engravings to text, 2 folding maps; only light wear to extremities, front inner hinge strengthened, otherwise a very good copy from the Royal College of Science Library in Ireland (dissolved in the 1920s), with their oval stamp to title.

First edition. Shaw was a tea planter based in Kangra from 1859 and was the uncle of Francis Younghusband. In September, 1868, Shaw joined a caravan from Leh to Yarkand and Kashgar for trade purposes. He became the first Englishman to reach Yarkand later that year, and Kashgar, in 1869. - A milestone of Western travel in Central Asia.

Yakushi (3rd ed.) S401a.

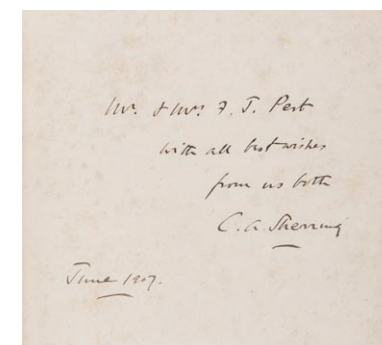
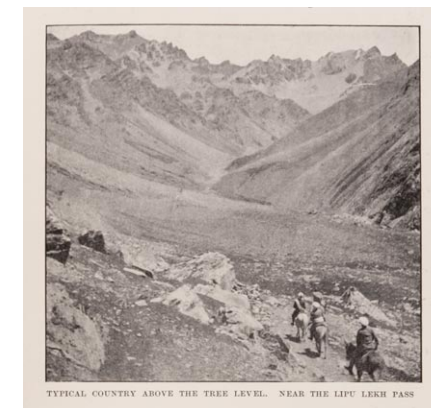
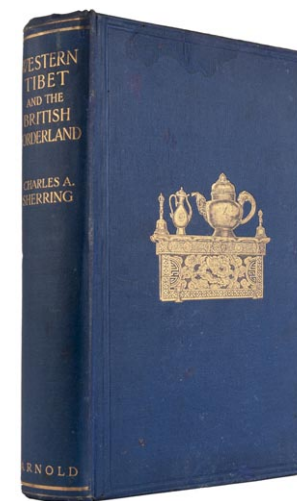
86. SHERRING, Charles Atmore. Western Tibet and the British Borderland. The Sacred Country of Hindus and Buddhists. With an Account of the Government, Religion and Customs of its Peoples ... With a chapter by **T.G. Longstaff** ... describing an Attempt to Climb Gurla Mandhata. *London, Edward Arnold, 1906.*

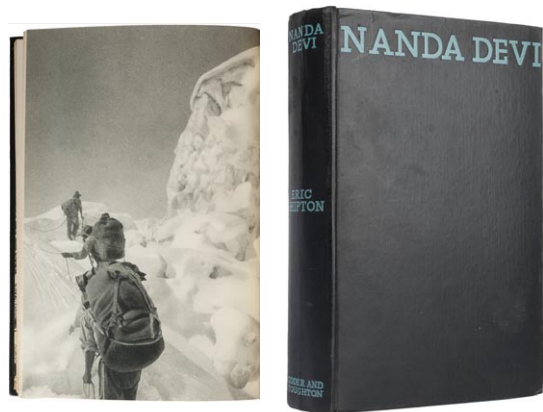
£1,995

8vo. Original blue cloth, image of Oriental chest blocked in gilt to upper cover, lettered in gilt; pp. xv, 376; photogravure frontispiece, 2 large folding colour maps, printed at Thomason Collge, Roorkee, numerous black and white photographic illustrations after photographs, sketch maps; very light rubbing to binding, a few minor spots internally, tiny inoffensive insect holes to initial five leaves; otherwise a very good copy.

First edition, presentation copy signed by the author and dated June 1907 on front fly-leaf. A topographical and anthropological account of exploration in Garhwal and Ladakh - "The most serious book on that region" (Yakushi). Sherring travelled with T.G. Longstaff of the Alpine Club who, with two Alpine guides, attempted an ascent of Gurla Mandhata, the highest mountain in the region. The attempt was frustrated by lack of supplies and the cold. - Presentation copies of this title don't seem to appear on the market at all.

Neate S53; Yakushi S421.



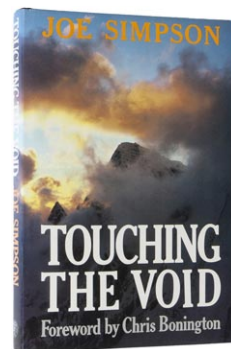
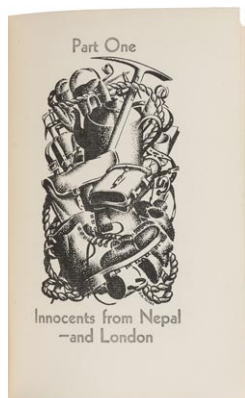


87. SHIPTON, Eric. Nanda Devi ... With a Foreword by Hugh Ruttledge. London, Hodder & Stoughton, [1936.] **£198**

8vo. Original cloth, map endpapers; pp. xvi, 310; 27 plates after photographs, each with captioned tissue-guard, line drawings by Bip Pares; a very good copy.

First edition. Both Eric Shipton and H.W. Tilman were members of British expeditions to the Himalayas in the 1930's. During the Ruttledge-led Everest 1933 expedition, Shipton conceived a plan for a small-scale expedition that would not attack "lofty summits of the earth" but would, instead, "wander... through the labyrinth of unexplored valleys". In 1934, with Tilman and 3 Nepalese porters, Shipton pursued this plan by penetrating the Rishi Gorge in the Western Himalayas to reach the Nanda Devi 'Inner Sanctuary'. They thus became the first to reach the foot of Nanda Devi itself, "the greatest mountain in the British Empire" (Ruttledge in his Foreword to the book). Tilman returned in 1936 to make the first successful ascent of the mountain (related in his *Ascent of Nanda Devi*, 1937).

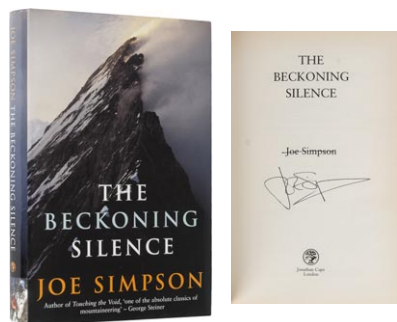
Neate S63; Yakushi S209a; Perret 4042.



88. SIMPSON, Joe. Touching the Void. With a Foreword by Chris Bonington. London, Jonathan Cape, [1988]. **£125**

8vo. Original boards in dust-jacket (price-clipped), map endpapers; pp. 172, [2]; plates after photographs; near fine.

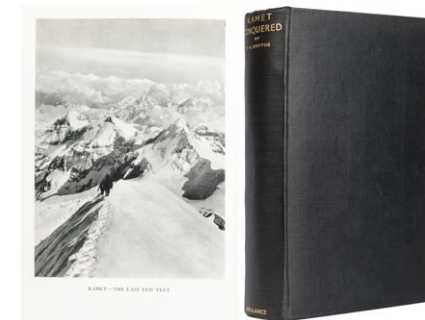
First edition, first printing, with the uncorrected ISBN number on title-verso (differing from the one on the wrapper) of the climber's first book. Simpson's own account of his survival after a fall in the Peruvian Andes.



89. SIMPSON, Joe. The Beckoning Silence. London, Jonathan Cape, 2002. **£60**

8vo. Original cloth with dust wrapper, photographic endpapers; pp. xii, 287, plates after photographs, apart from the usual toning of the paper, near fine copy.

First edition, signed by Joe Simpson on title page. The account of Simpson's attempt on the north face of the Eiger.



90. SMYTHE, F.S. Kamet Conquered. London, Victor Gollancz, 1932. **£68**

8vo. Original black cloth, spine lettered in gilt; pp. xvi, 420; 59 black and white photographic plates and 2 full page maps, one folding map at the end; apart from light spotting to edges, a very good and clean copy.

First edition. The trek organised by Smythe was one of the most important European climbing expeditions of the day. Mount Kamet had defied attempts on her summit since 1855, and the conquest in 1931 was a land-mark in Mountaineering. In this volume Smythe relates the compulsive tale of his victorious assault on the 25,447 feet peak, and the subsequent exploration of the source of the Ganges.

Neate 729, Yakushi (3rd ed.) S623a



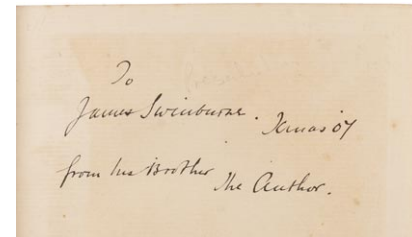
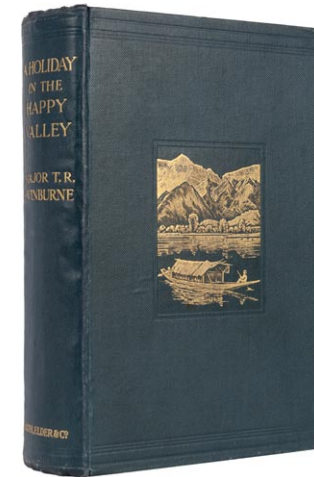
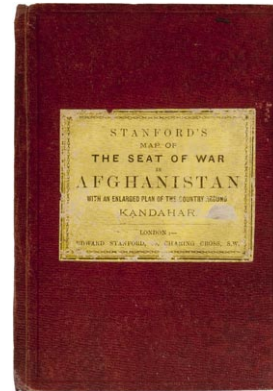
91. SMYTHE, F.S. The Mountain Vision. Hodder and Stoughton Ltd., [1941]. **£88**

8vo. Original cloth in original dust-jacket; pp. xi, 308; 16 photo. illu.; slight chipping and soiling to d.j.; previous owner's bookplate attached to front endpapers, very good.

First edition. Albeit somewhat impressionistic in tone, Smythe's book relates his experiences of climbing in the Alps and the Himalayas, with a

chapter on his 1933 Everest expedition, another on Kangchenjunga, and one on skiing.

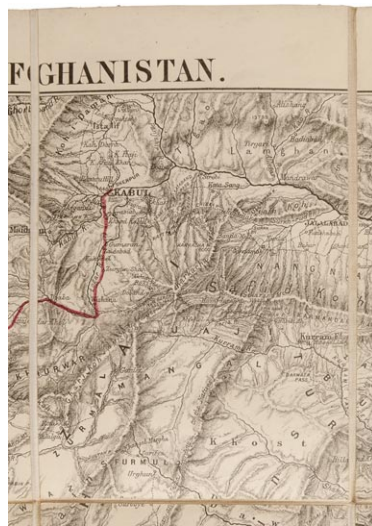
Neate S122; not in other bibliographies.



92. STANFORD, Edward. Stanford's Map of the Seat of War in Afghanistan. London, Edward Stanford, September, 1880. £498

Folding lithographic map, hand-coloured in outline, with an inset map of 'The Country around Kandahar', dissected and laid down onto linen, overall dimensions of sheet 45 x 60cm, folding into original purple cloth covers, upper cover with applied lithographic title-label on yellow paper, inside upper cover and facing panel on verso of map with applied advertisements for Stanford's maps and atlases, printed on yellow paper; covers slightly marked and rubbed, spine faded and chipped at extremities, map itself very good.

Published at the end of the Second Afghan War, this beautiful map is rather uncommon.

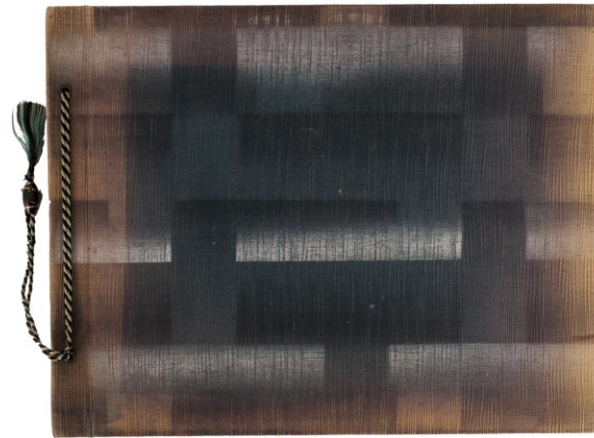
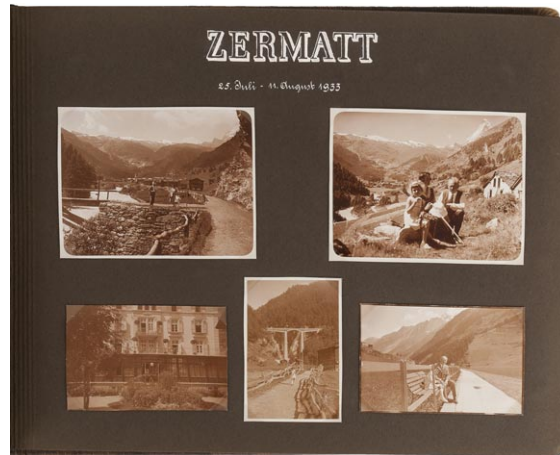


93. SWINBURNE, T.R. A Holiday in the Happy Valley with Pen and Pencil. London, Smith, Elder, & Co., 1907. £398

8vo. Original green cloth, spine lettered in gilt-stamped vignette on title; pp. xii, 342, [6, advertisements]; 24 colour plates, one folding map; a very good copy.

First edition, presentation copy, inscribed by the author to his brother James for Christmas 1907. This account of the author's holiday in Kashmir offers details of his time in Srinagar, of his travels along the Rivers Khelum and Lidar (to the still unclimbed mountain Kolahoi), with the occasional reference to Nanga Parbat. Swinburne made sure to give his brother a copy of the first edition in the superior binding, with the vignette on the front covers. Other copies are sometimes in not illustrated cloth. Presentation copies of this work do not seem to come up on the market.

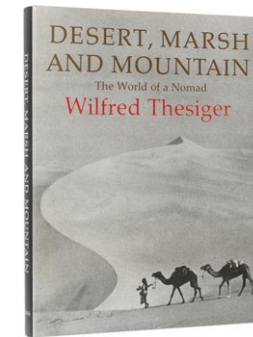
Yakushi (3rd ed.) S825.



94. SWITZERLAND. Private photoalbum of over 200 original photos, printed in sepia. *Switzerland*, c. 1934. **£398**

Oblong folio; cord-bound stylish cloth-covered album with mounted photographs ranging in size from 78 x 52 mm to 107 x 78 mm; cloth a little faded, neatly captioned in white ink; well-preserved.

The tourist couple with a little daughter started their mountain journey in Zermatt with some climbing tours and taking photos of the Matterhorn from various positions and angles. The captions sometimes give the precise altitudes in meters. Glaciers are visited, Monte Rosa photographed, and the party reaches serious altitudes of more than 3000 meters. The second half of the album is titled *Montreux and Clarens*, from where they ramble in the Bernese Alps and visit Vevey and Chillon Castle. At the end of their journey they attend a *Trachtenfest* (folk costume festival).

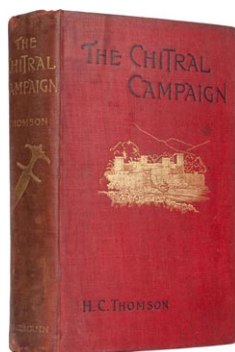


95. THESIGER, Sir Wilfred Patrick. *Desert Marsh and Mountain. The World of a Nomad.* London, Collins, 1979. **£98**

4to. Original brown boards, spine titled in gilt, photographically-illustrated dustwrapper after Thesiger, price-clipped; pp. 3-304; numerous photographic illustrations after Thesiger, some full- or double-page, maps after Tom Stalker-Miller, some full- or double-page; light wear do edges of wrappers, otherwise a very good, fresh copy.

First edition. A superbly-illustrated record of Thesiger's travels in Abyssinia, Yemen, Persia, Iraq, Afghanistan and Chitral, dating from his birth in 1910 to 1978, prefaced by a 'Biographical Summary and List of Principal Travels, 1910-78' and a short-title list of 'Other Books and Articles by Wilfred Thesiger'. In the foreword to the revised 1993 edition published by Motivate, Thesiger commented that, 'This book has always been a personal favourite, capturing as it does the wide scope of my journeys and my affinity with the nomadic way of life. Journeying at walking pace under conditions of some hardship, I was happiest when I had no communication with the outside world, and was utterly dependent on my tribal companions'.

P.N. Grover, Bibliography of Works by Sir Wilfred Thesiger, p. 271.



96. THOMSON, Harry Craufuird. *The Chitral Campaign. A Narrative of Events in Chitral, Swat and Bajour.* London, Heinemann, 1895. **£125**

8vo. Original red pictorial cloth, top edge gilt; pp. xviii, 312, 4, (advertisements), plates after photographs, 4 maps and plans; cloth a bit marked, internally, apart from light spotting here and there, a very good copy.

First edition of a book on the Chitral campaign, written from an unusual perspective. Thomson happened to be on a business trip in India, when he heard 'that a force was to be sent through Swat and Bajour to relieve the beleaguered garrison of Chitral' (p. vii). He had been close to the North West frontier earlier with an interest in Hellenistic Buddhist relics, the Pathans and ancient cities of the region. He joined the expeditionary force as a press correspondent and witnessed some action.

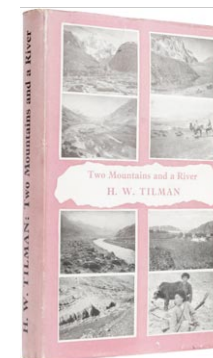
Provenance: From the library of the mountaineer and soldier Tony Streater (1926-2018), who had come 'to mountain climbing by chance. Staying on in the subcontinent after independence and partition between India and Pakistan, as aide-de-camp to the governor of North West Frontier Province, Streater was the last British officer serving under a Pakistani commanding officer when, in 1950, a Norwegian expedition led by the ecologist Arne Næss arrived in the region with the intention of climbing Tirich Mir (7,708m), the highest mountain in the Hindu Kush' (obituary in *The Guardian*). Further high-altitude exploits included joining the 1953 American Karakoram Expedition to K-2 (reaching 7,800m), and participating in the first ascent of Kangchenjunga, the third highest mountain in the world in 1955. This made him the first man ever to climb two peaks of over 25,000 feet.

97. TILMAN, H.W. *Two Mountains and a River.* Cambridge, University Press, 1949. **£135**

8vo. Original cloth in dust-jacket; pp. xii, 233, plates after photographs, 3 sketch maps, one folding map, 2 single-page maps; very light marking to dust-jacket, minor rubbing to edges, a good copy.

First edition. The mountains of the title are Rakaposhi and Mustagh Ata, ascents of both of which Tilman attempted (the latter with Eric Shipton). After his return from these attempts Tilman visited the source of the Oxus, the river of the title.

Neate T49; Yakushi T79a.



98. ULLMAN, James Ramsey. *Americans on Everest.* The official account of the ascent led by Norman G. Dyhrenfurth. London, Michael Joseph, [1965]. **£98**

8vo. Original cloth in original dustwrapper, pictorial endpapers; pp. xxiii, 429; plates after photographs in colour and black and white, one double-page sketch map; dustwrapper minimally chipped, but a very good copy.

First UK issue, using the original American sheets and binding (Michael Joseph's name on cloth pasted over the original US publisher's name on spine), with the author's initials in red pen, dated Victoria, 1967 to title-page. The spectacular first American ascent of Everest, written by the official historian of the expedition, and ghost-writer of Tenzing Norgay's autobiography.

Neate U01; Yakushi U16a.



99. [EVEREST] URIARTE, Felipe. *Vascos en el Everest.* [Bilbao]: Artes Gráficas Grijelmo for Le Caja de Ahorros Municipal de Bilbao, 1982. **£48**

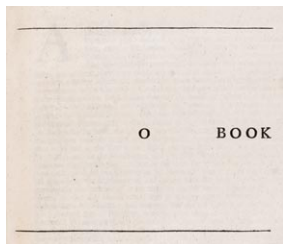
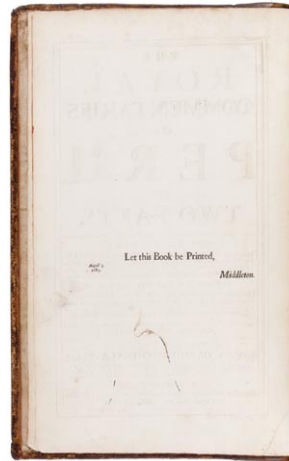
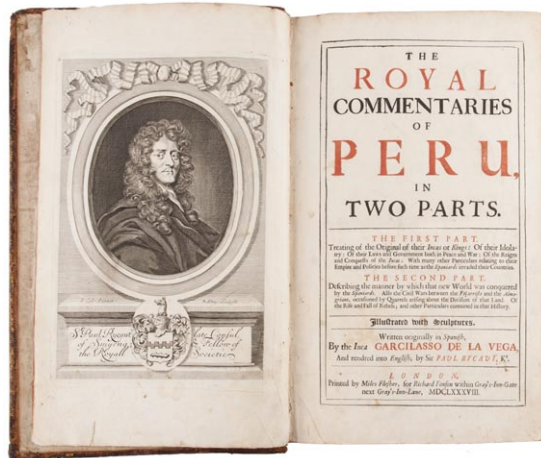
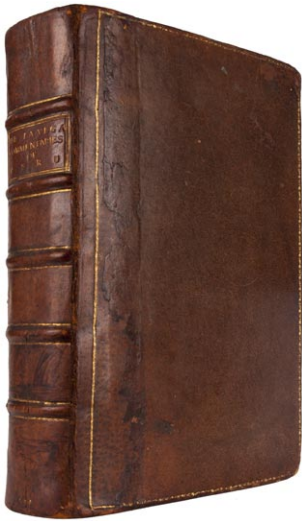
Folio (296 x 210mm). Original pictorial wrappers; pp. 119, [1 (blank)]; publisher's introduction in Castilian and Basque, text in Castilian; colour-printed and monochrome illustrations and maps in the text; extremities slightly rubbed, otherwise very good.

First edition thus, a shortened version issued by Le Caja de Ahorros Municipal de Bilbao of the same author's more extensive 1981 work on the 1980 Basque expedition to Everest. The expedition resulted in the first successful Basque and Spanish ascent.

Salkeld & Boyle U12; Yakushi US2c; not in Perret.



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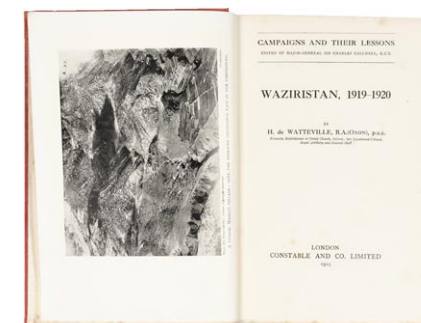
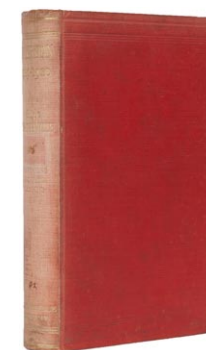
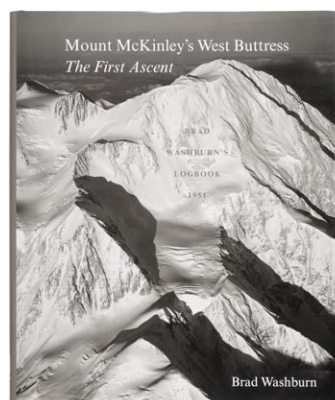
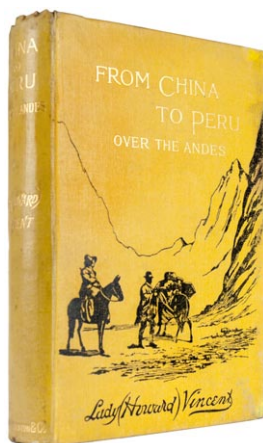
100. VEGA, Garcilasso de la, 'El Inca.' The Royal Commentaries of Peru, In Two Parts. The first Part. Treating of the original of their Incas or Kings: Of their Idolatry: Of their Laws and Government both in Peace and War: Of the Reigns and Conquests of the Incas: With many other Particulars relating to their Empire and Policies before such time as the Spaniards invaded their Countries. The Second Part. Describing the Manner by which that new World was conquered by the Spaniards. Also the Civil Wars between the Picarrists and the Almagrians, occasioned by Quarrels arising about the Division of that Land. Of the Rise and Fall of Rebels; and other Particulars contained in that History. Illustrated with Sculptures. Written originally in Spanish, by the Inca Garcilasso de la Vega, and rendred into English, by Sir Paul Rycaut, Kt. London, Printed by Miles Flesher, for Richard Tonson at Gray's-Inn-Gate next Gray's-Inn-Lane, 1688. **£2,695**

Folio. Contemporary full calf, rebaked in the 20th century, boards with gilt-stamped floral border, all edges red; pp. [viii], 22, 27-1019, [9], engraved portrait frontispiece of the translator and ten engraved plates, title in red and black; wear to extremities; marginal wormhole to pp. 395-407, marginal repaired short tear to frontispiece, very few spots internally and only very lightly toned in places, a crisp and clean copy; *provenance*: contemporary engraved armorial bookplate

First English edition, one of four imprint variants of the work on the history and civilization of the Inca Empire including its destruction. The author was born in the ancient Inca capital of Cuzco in the same decade as the conquest of Peru took place. He was the son of a Spaniard of noble lineage and an Indian princess, Chimpa Oclio, a second cousin of the last two Inca rulers, the rivals Huascar and Atahualpa. The commentaries give an account of the birth, growth and fall of the Inca Empire from its legendary origins until the execution of the last native ruler Tupac Amaru, in 1572. Part one deals with the history of the Incas and their civilization, ending with the civil wars between Atahualpa and Huascar which reached a climax only just before the arrival of the Spaniards. Although the Inca theme is supposedly continued in part two, which opens with the organization of Pizarro's expedition and his capture of Atahualpa, the Indians in fact play no more than a subordinate role in it. The second part is essentially a book about the conquerors. The *Comentarios Reales de los Incas* had been printed first in Lisbon in 1609.

ESTC R11046 (a slight variant thereof); Sabin 98760; Palau 354801.

ONE OF 300 COPIES SIGNED BY THE AUTHOR



101. VINCENT, Lady Ethel Gwendoline, and Sir Henry VINCENT. *China to Peru over the Andes. A Journey through South America ... With Reports and Letters on British Interests in Brazil, Argentina, Chili, Peru, Panama and Venezuela.* London, Sampson Low, Marston & Company, [1894]. **£398**

8vo. Publisher's original yellow cloth, image of travellers amid Andean peaks blocked in black to upper cover, lettered in gilt; pp. xi, 333, [3, advertisements]; 16 plates including some from photographs, one folding colour-printed map; minor rubbing to binding, a few spots internally, but generally a nice copy.

First edition. The book of the authors' "third journey, whereof the furthestmost point completed our 'survey of mankind from China to Peru'". It includes an account of travels through Argentina, Chile, Peru and the West Indies (accounts of China were included in the Vincents' previous books). The appendix to the present work contains useful information on these areas and the Panama Canal.

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102. WASHBURN, Bradford. *Mount McKinley's West Buttress: The First Ascent. Brad Washburn's Logbook 1951.* Williston, VT: The Stinehour Press for Top of the World Press, LLC, 2003. **£130**

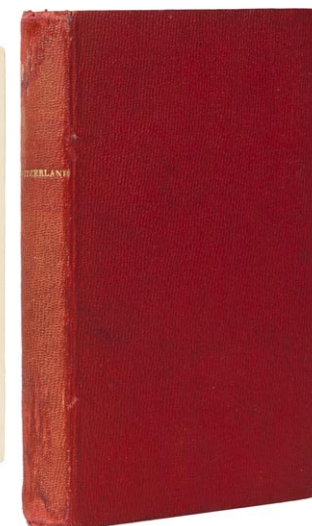
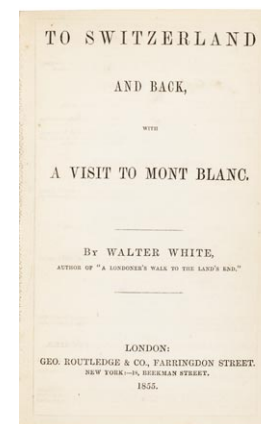
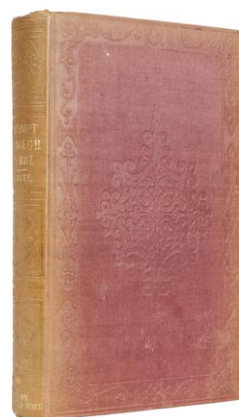
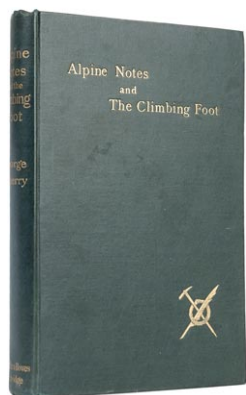
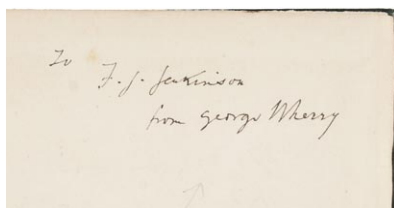
4to (253 x 216mm). Original black cloth, upper board and spine lettered in silver, maroon endpapers, dustwrapper; pp. xvii, [1 (section-title)], 142, loosely-inserted errata slip; frontispiece and numerous text illustrations, some full-page, after Washburn *et al.*; a fine copy.

First edition, no. 206 of 300 signed copies. Mount McKinley, the highest mountain in North America, was first climbed in 1913, and the first ascent of it via the West Buttress was made by Washburn — the acknowledged expert on the mountain — in 1951. The present, finely-printed volume reprints Washburn's logbook and is illustrated with his photographs of the mountain taken both on the ground and from the air.

103. WATTEVILLE, H. de. *Waziristan, 1919-1920.* London, Constable And Co. Limited, 1925. **£128**

8vo. Original red cloth, spine lettered in gilt, pp. xx, 238, 6 plates, 1 folding map and 3 full-page sketch maps; spine a little sunned, cloth with minor marking; a few pages a little spotted, one gathering opened crudely.

First edition, published in the series *Campaigns and Their Lessons*, edited by Major-General Sir Charles Callwell, K.C.B. Watteville presents a detailed account of the Waziristan campaign, with an analysis of modern mountain warfare, the impact of the artillery and the deployment of aircraft. After the Third Anglo-Afghan War, the Indian and British Army fought against Waziri tribes. - A scarce book on the North-West Frontier.



104. WHERRY, George. *Alpine Notes & the Climbing Foot.* Cambridge, Macmillan & Bowes, 1896. **£225**

8vo. Original dark green ribbed cloth, vignette of mountaineering tackle in gilt to upper cover, lettered in gilt to upper cover and spine, edges uncut; pp. xvi, 174, [4, advertisements]; frontispiece and 20 illustrations including some from photographs; a very nice copy, inscribed by the author on front fly-leaf to F. J. Jenkinson.

Uncommon first edition, presentation copy. In this unusual book the author relates his climbing in the Dauphine, Switzerland and Savoy. The later chapters in the book discuss the foot and its relation to climbing, particularly with regard to mountain guides, and to accidents met with in the sport. George Wherry was ideally suited to deal with this subject as he was a climber and lecturer of surgery at Cambridge from 1884 to 1911.

Neate W50.

105. WHITE, Walter. *On Foot through Tyrol.* London, Chapman and Hall, 1856. **£265**

8vo. Original ribbed and blind-stamped pink cloth, spine lettered in gilt; pp. viii, 316, 16 (advertisements); cloth a bit faded, very minor spotting here and there internally, a very good copy.

First edition of this record of extensive wanderings in and around Tyrol, written by the librarian of the Royal Society, who enjoyed long walking holidays, mostly in the Alps and turned them into books, such as this. This particular holiday included trips to Switzerland, the Black Forest and the Vosges. White, with a working-class background was a keen observer of the social circumstance he encountered and he reports on the rural poverty which resulted in migrant child labour and emigration of these southern parts of Central Europe.

106. WHITE, Walter. *To Switzerland and Back.* London, Routledge, [1855]. **£698**

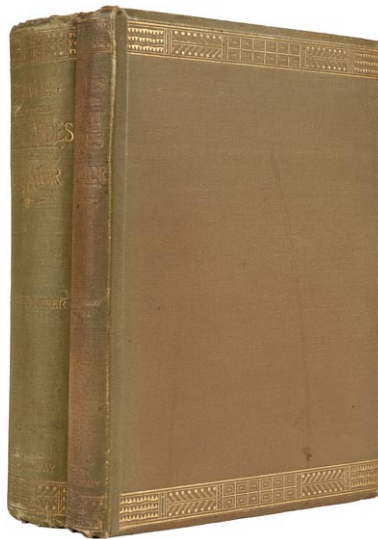
Small 8vo. Slightly later red cloth, spine lettered in gilt; pp. xvi, 208; some wear to lower hinge, else a very good copy.

Re-issue with a new title-page of *To Mont Blanc and Back Again*, first published in 1854, extremely rare. A lively account of a journey by boat and train through Germany to Switzerland, and on foot within the Swiss Alps, via the St. Bernard Pass to Chamonix and Mont Blanc. The author, librarian of the Royal Society, provides interesting detail of his ascents, relates his impressions of country and people, and comments on weather conditions and his travelling companions. Chapters 10 to 15 contain the description of the surroundings of and Mont Blanc itself.

See Perret 4554; Meckly 215; not in Neate.



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A CLASSIC OF SOUTH AMERICAN MOUNTAINEERING LITERATURE

107. WHYMPER, Edward. *Travels amongst the Great Andes of the Equator ... Second Edition* [— *Supplementary Appendix to Travels amongst the Great Andes of the Equator*]. London: R. & R. Clark for John Murray, 1892-1891. **£595**

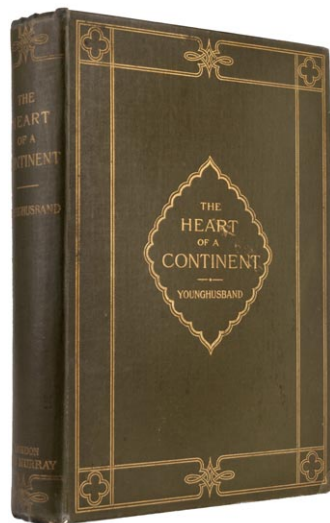
Two volumes, 8vo. Original olive-green cloth over bevelled boards, the upper boards with gilt borders, the spines lettered and decorated in gilt, lower boards with borders in blind, mid-brown coated endpapers, uncut, some quires in supplementary vol. unopened; pp. I: [2 (blank l.)], xxiv, [2 (fly-title, verso blank)], 456, [2 (blank l.)]; II: [2 (blank l.)], xxii, [2 (addenda, verso blank)], [2 (fly-title, verso blank)], 147; [1 (blank)], [2 (blank l.)]; wood-engraved frontispiece by Whymper after W.H. Overend, 43 wood-engraved plates and numerous illustrations in the text by Whymper after F. Barnard, A. Corbould, F. Dadd, W.L. Jones, Overend, P. Skelton, E. Wagner, E. Wilson, Joseph Wolf, *et al.*, one wood-engraved map by Stanford's Geographical Establishment, one folding lithographic plan, one folding facsimile map by William Delahaye, and one large folding lithographic map by Stanford's Geographical Establishment loose as issued in pocket on lower pastedown of vol. I; extremities lightly rubbed and bumped, spines slightly faded, minor damage on front free endpaper of *Travels*, splitting and old repairs on upper hinge of supplementary volume, offsetting onto verso of loose map, otherwise a very good, clean set; *provenance*: Harrison and Sons, London (bookseller's ticket on upper pastedown of *Travels*) — Thomas Somers Vernon Cocks (1850-1932, engraved bookplate on upper pastedown of *Travels*).

Second edition of *Travels*, **first edition of the *Supplementary Appendix***. Long recognised as a classic of mountaineering literature, *Travels amongst the Great Andes of the Equator* was written by

the mountaineer and wood-engraver Edward Whymper (1840-1911) and describes his travels in Ecuador in 1879 and 1880. Whymper and his companions 'twice climbed Chimborazo (20,498 feet), the highest mountain in Ecuador, and other peaks including Cotopaxi (19,613 feet), an active volcano. Whymper also surveyed the area and collected over 8000 zoological and botanical specimens. Often considered his magnum opus, *Travels among the Great Andes of the Equator* (1891-2) combines a popular account of his ascents with his detailed scientific observations [...] In 1892 Whymper received the patron's medal of the Royal Geographical Society. He also designed a new tent for his Ecuador journey that was widely used by mountaineers for many years' (ODNB). The *Supplementary Appendix* was the first volume to be published (in 1891), and *Travels amongst the Great Andes of the Equator* then followed in 1892; this set is comprised of the second edition of *Travels amongst the Great Andes of the Equator*, with the first edition of the *Supplementary Appendix*, although this volume is in a variant binding without the gilt vignette on the upper board of other copies, which suggests that this copy may be in a secondary binding.

The work is eulogised by Neate as 'The first of the few great classics of South American mountaineering literature, equalled only by books like De Agostini's *Andes Patagonicos*. It remains essential reading for anyone visiting Ecuador'. Similarly, Perret notes that 'ce livre est peu courant et recherché', judging that it was the first important book to be published on the Andes and that 'il demeure un ouvrage essentiel pour quiconque envisage de se rendre dans les Andes équatoriennes'.

NLS, *Mountaineering* t204 and t206 (*special ed.*); for the 1st ed, cf.: Neate W66; Perret 4559.



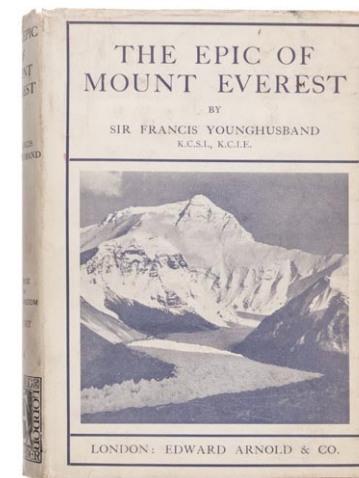
108. YOUNGHUSBAND, Captain Frank E. *The Heart of a Continent: A Narrative of Travels in Manchuria, across the Gobi Desert, through the Himalayas, the Pamirs, and Chitral, 1884-1894.* London, John Murray, 1896. **£1,298**

8vo. Original green cloth, lettered and decorated in gilt; pp. xix, 409; 18 illustrations from photographs and original sketches, 4 folding maps including one in rear pocket; minimal rubbing to extremities, very light marginal toning, the map in the rear pocket, which has never been taken out before we got it has a few weakened areas at the crossings of the folds; a very good copy.

Very rare first edition of a cornerstone of a Central Asian travel book collection. Younghusband (1863-1942) was a key figure in Central Asian exploration, both for his own travels in the region and latterly as President of the Royal Geographical Society and chairman of the Mount Everest Committee. The present work relates his almost unbroken journey from Vladivostock, through Manchuria, Mukden, the Gobi Desert and the Himalayas, finally to the Hindu Kush. It contains observations on customs, climate, politics and geography and is perhaps the definitive work of its time on these regions. In addition to his many talents and interests, Younghusband was also something of a mystic and he comments in the book on the spiritual aspects of his journey. *The Heart of a Continent* earned him recognition from the RGS, which awarded him its Gold Medal. 'In 1886 he accompanied a seven-month expedition to Manchuria. In Peking (Beijing) in March 1887 he met his superior Colonel Mark Sever Bell, and the two men obtained leave to return to India by separate land routes. Younghusband, alone with hired guides, spent seven months crossing the Gobi Desert to Hami, and over the Himalaya via Kashgar and the Muztagh Pass to Kashmir. The crossing of this 19,000 foot pass was a rite of passage which heightened his sense of being a lone Englishman carrying *England's mission* into new territory. In a letter of 1901 to his friend Henry Newbolt he would write: *The Empire must grow: we can't help it* (French, 156). On returning to London in April 1888 Younghusband lectured to the Royal Geographical Society; he was elected their youngest fellow, and awarded the founder's medal in 1890. In 1889-91 he consolidated his role as a trekking arm of empire in the border zones of British India, Russia, China, and Afghanistan, and recorded these journeys in *The Heart of a Continent*' (ODNB).

The last copy of a first edition to appear at auction was at the Brooke-Hitching sale in 2015. It fetched £1375 all in.

Neate Y29; Yakushi (3rd ed.) Y27a.



109. YOUNGHUSBAND, Sir Francis. *The Epic of Mount Everest.* London, Edward Arnold & Co., 1926. **£398**

8vo. Original beige cloth, lettered in black, **in the rarely seen illustrated dust-wrapper**; pp. 319, 16 (publisher's catalogue); 16 plates after photograph, 2 sketch maps; apart from very light spotting to wrapper, a fine copy.

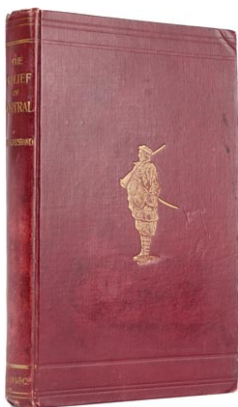
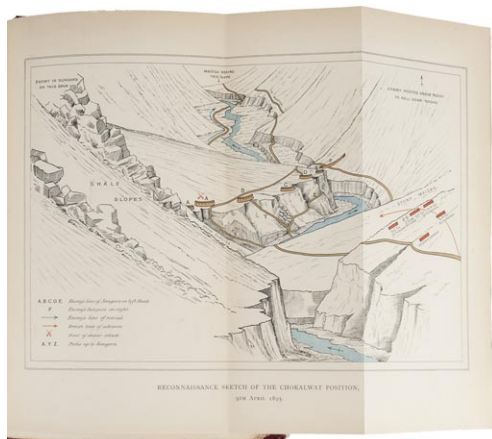
First edition, now very rare. Younghusband played a major role in the organization of the three 1920s Everest expeditions. The present account of these expeditions was written for the Mount Everest Committee and based on the published accounts.

Neate Y27; Yakushi Y33a; Perret 4640; S & B Y09.

110. YOUNGHUSBAND, Sir Francis. *The Epic of Mount Everest.* London, Edward Arnold & Co., 1926. **£128**

As above but without dust-wrapper.





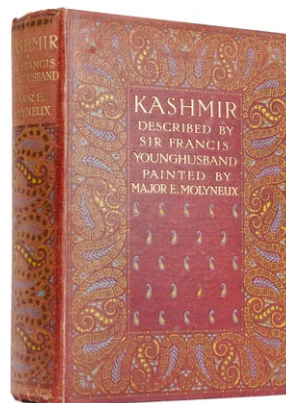
111. YOUNGHUSBAND, George J. and F.E. YOUNGHUSBAND. *The Relief of Chitral.* London, Macmillan and Co. 1895. **£145**

8vo. Original red cloth, gilt; pp. vi, [2], 183, [4, advertisements]; plates mainly from photographs, 3 maps including 2 folding; a little rubbed, else a very good copy.

First edition, first printing. An account of the Chitral campaign of 1895 by the two *Times* correspondents who accompanied the expedition.

Provenance: From the library of the mountaineer and soldier Tony Streather (1926-2018).

Yakushi (3rd ed.) Y37.



112. YOUNGHUSBAND, Sir Francis Edward, and Major E. MOLYNEUX [*illustrations*]. *Kashmir.* London, Adam & Charles Black, 1909. **£198**

8vo. Original dark red cloth with an intricate design printed in blue, green and yellow on the upper board and the spine, letters blocked in dark brown on the spine, top edge gilt; 70 colour-plate illustrations, captioned on the tissue guards, pull-out map at the end of the volume; very light fading and minor rubbing to cloth, very few minor spots internally, a very good copy.

First edition. 'A & C Black's Twenty Shilling series of colour plate books, published from 1901 onwards, brought the world into the home at a time when travel, especially overseas, was much more difficult than it is today. For the first time books containing large numbers of colour plates – up to 100 per volume – were made available to the public at an affordable price.' (Inman)

Provenance: From the library of the mountaineer and soldier Tony Streather (1926-2018).

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