Mountaineering
Part Two
An Offering of
30 More Book
First Edition - The Himalayan Campaign - Paul Bauer
The German Attack on Kangchenjunga - The Second Highest

1 Bauer, Paul; Austin, Sumner, Translator. HIMALAYAN CAMPAIGN. The German Attack on Kangchenjunga. The Second Highest Mountain in the World. (Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1937) First Edition. Recipient of the Gold Medal at the Olympic Games in Los Angeles. With 82 illustrations on coated plates and four full-page maps. 8vo, publisher’s original off-white linen, the upper cover and spine lettered in blue. xviii, 174, maps pp. A very good and well preserved copy, the text-block clean and in fine order as are the illustrations, the spine a bit mellowed by age, the cloth still quite clean and very well preserved in spite of the off-white colouring.

FIRST EDITION OF THIS FINE WORK. Bauer was one of nine men who had been drawn to the Himalayas at a time when only three peaks over 23,000 feet had been climbed, while no one had succeeded in reaching 24,600 feet. A forward step had been made when the English attacked Everest in force. At the second attempt in 1922 they succeeded in reaching a height of over 26,250 feet and on the third attempt in 1924, the climbers got over 27,880 feet but could not reach the summit. When Mallory and Irvine who had toiled towards the goal, had vanished forever in the clouds which hid the summit, the heroic attempt on Everest was abandoned.

Bauer’s group was the first to visit India after the war and was really the first extensive German Himalayan expedition. The group was given unusual sympathy and recognition. $75.

A Mountaineering Classic - T. Graham Brown - 1944
Describing the Climb of Mont Blanc via the Brenva Glacier

2 Brown, T. Graham. BRENVA (London: J. M. Dent & Sons, 1944) First edition. This copy with provenance, from the collection of famed climber Eric Roberts. With a doublepage sketch map and over 70 full or near full page black and white photographs on plates. 8vo, publisher’s original blue cloth lettered on the spine in gilt and blind. 225 pp., plates. A very pleasing, bright and well preserved copy, especially considering the war-time economy standards.

FIRST EDITION WITH PROVENANCE OF A MOUNTAINEERING CLASSIC. This is the story of climbing Mont Blanc via the Brenva glacier. Brown, a Scottish mountaineer and physiologist, pioneered three new routes– the Sentinelle Rouge, Route Major and the Pear Buttress – constituting “the most important new routes made by British climbers in the Alps in the inter-war years.” He climbed the first of these routes, the Sentinelle Rouge, with famous mountaineer and author Frank Smythe. $75.

The Delectable Mountains
Mountaineering Accounts From Around the World

3 Busk, Douglas. THE DELECTABLE MOUNTAINS (London: Hodder & Stoughton, 1946) First edition. The copy of famed mountaineer Eric Roberts. Illustrated with 4 folding maps by the author printed in black and red, 43 of the author’s own photographs on plates and with illustrations within the text by Bridget Busk. 8vo, publisher’s tan buckram lettered on the spine and upper cover in navy, in the original artistically decorated dustjacket. xi, 274 pp. A very good, attractive and bright copy, the book printed to wartime standards and thus especially well preserved, a little age spotting to the buckram and a bit of wear along the jacket edges but a very pleasing copy withal.

FIRST EDITION OF THIS FINE RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT, ENTHUSIASM AND FRIENDSHIPS HAPPILY REMEMBERED. The author provides many lively tales of climbing and skiing in the Alps, Pyrenees, the United States and Canada, South Africa and Persia. His interesting views on technical aspects of climbing are interwoven throughout the narratives. $65.
The Coldest Climb - The First Winter Ascent of McKinley
A Thrilling Tale of Disaster and Triumph
A Copy with Fine Provenance

4 Davidson, Art. THE COLDEST CLIMB The Winter Ascent of Mt. McKinley (London: The Bodley Head, 1970) First edition. This copy with provenance, from the collection of famed climber Eric Roberts. With 32 black and white illustrations from photographs on 8 double-sided plates. 8vo, original dark blue cloth lettered on the spine in gilt, in the publisher’s original dustjacket. 218 pp. A fine copy, the jacket very attractive with only some very minor age mellowing to the edges and folds.

FIRST EDITION, WITH PROVENANCE. In January of 1967 an eight-man international team attempted the first-ever winter ascent of Mt. McKinley in Alaska. They were confronted by some of the most severe conditions on Earth. The summit was reached, but not without loss of life and a great deal of suffering. The author, Art Davidson, was one of the three men to reach the summit and this is his thrilling tale of triumph and disaster.

$75.

Two British Women - Adventures on Their Afghan Quest
Mountaineering and Exploits in a Dangerous Land

5 Dunsheath, Joyce and Baillie, Eleanor. AFGHAN QUEST The Story of Their Abinger Afghanistan Expedition 1960 (London: George G. Harrap & Co. LTD, 1961) First Edition. From the collection of famed climber Eric Roberts. Illustrated with numerous authors’ photographs on glossy plates and a map. 8vo, in publisher’s dark blue buckram lettered on the spine in white, in the original colour illustrated dustjacket. 236, (2) pp. A very fine copy, the book nearly as mint, the jacket with only very minor age evidence and a small very neat repair on the verso.

FIRST EDITION AND AN ELUSIVE BOOK WHICH GIVES THE ACCOUNT OF WOMEN MOUNTAINEERS IN AFGHANISTAN, the exploits of two British women who set out without escort into wild and dangerous territory. The objectives of their two-person expedition included: Climbing Mir Samir, collecting botanical specimens and getting to know the Afghan people. All along their way the pair faced real danger as villagers made the rather significant warning sign of fingers across the throat. The resulting narrative is not only of outstanding entertainment but also provides significant information on the social and political conditions of the era.

$75.

Fighting Blizzards and Frostbite High in The Untrodden Andes
Egeler and de Booy Ascend Huantsan - First Edition

6 Egeler, C. G., in co-operation with de Booy, T. THE UNTRODDEN ANDES Climbing Adventures in the Cordillera Blanca, Peru. Translated From the Dutch by W. E. James (and With a Foreword by Sir Edmund Hillary) (London: Faber and Faber Limited, 1955) First edition. This copy with provenance, from the collection of famed climber Eric Roberts. With 32 plates of photographs and 9 illustrations within the text. 8vo, publisher’s original blue cloth lettered on the spine in mountain motif in white. 203 pp. A fine text in lightly mellowed blue cloth.

FIRST EDITION WITH PROVENANCE, VERY UNCOMMON. "This is an adventure story: a hair-raising narrative of grit and daring and endurance; a story of appalling dangers and exhilarating triumph. For decades the long snow-capped range of the Cordillera Blanca has challenged the climbers of the world. The supreme challenge is Huantsan; 21,000 feet of deep crevasses, of soft treacherous snow, of knife edges and vertical walls and tremendous cornices of ice. It was the dream of two young Dutchmen, Egeler and de Booy, that their country’s flag should be the first to fly from its summit. This book is their own story of how they planted it there..." - Contemporary review.

$55.
The Story of Everest
W.H. Murray - In the Original Dustjacket
By the Deputy Leader of the 1951 Reconnaissance

7 [Everest]; Murray, W.H. THE STORY OF EVEREST (London: Readers Union - J.M. Dent & Sons, 1954) First Readers Union edition, with additional materials not included earlier, and a special edition only for members and not to be sold to the general public. This copy with provenance, from the collection of famed climber Eric Roberts. Illustrated throughout with 15 maps and diagrams by Robert Anderson and with 24 pages of photographs. 8vo, publisher’s original white cloth lettered in gilt on the spine and with a gilt mountain vignette that runs across the spine and onto the upper cover, in the original decorated dustjacket. ix, 230 pp. A very fine, very bright and clean copy, the white cloth essentially pristine, as is the text, the jacket with some toning but complete with only trivial edge wear.

FIRST SPECIAL EDITION WITH PROVENANCE AND A FINE WORK BY W.H. MURRAY WHO WAS THE DEPUTY LEADER OF THE 1951 EVEREST RECONNAISSANCE and author of THE STORY OF EVEREST; THE SCOTTISH HIMALAYAN EXPEDITION, MOUNTAINEERING IN SCOTLAND AND UNDISCOVERED SCOTLAND. In this book, Mount Everest is, for the first time presented as a whole mountain, complete in all its facets, from the north, east, south and west; from 1852, when it was discovered to be the highest peak in the world and given its name, until 1953. All of the climbs on Everest, including the reconnaissances and the actual attempts on the summit are described including W.H. Murray’s own expedition with Eric Shipton and the two Swiss expeditions of 1952 leading to the final ascent in 1953.

$125.

The Mont Blanc and Dolomite Ranges of the Alps
Ten Years of Climbs With Giusto Gervasutti
First Edition in English of His Classic Account

8 Gervasutti, Giusto. GERVASUTTI’S CLIMBS Translated by Nea Morin and Janet Adam Smith (London: Rupert Hart-Davis, 1957) First edition in English of SCALATE NELLE ALPI. A copy with fine provenance, coming from the collection of famed climber Eric Roberts. With 15 illustrations from black and white photographs on glossy double-sided plates. 8vo, publisher’s original burgundy cloth lettered on the spine in silver. 201 pp. A fine copy.

A CLASSIC ACCOUNT OF MOUNTAINEERING IN THE DOLOMITE AND MONT BLANC RANGES AS WELL AS IN THE ANDES. Gervasutti, also known as “Il Fortissimo”, started climbing at the age of 16 years. Together with other well known climbers of the time he climbed the most difficult and sought-after faces in the Western Alps. Gervasutti died in a mountaineering accident on the Mont Blanc du Tacul.

$65.

The Picture of Everest - A Copy with Fine Provenance
43 Full-Colour Photos of the Ascent of Everest
First Fine Edition in Deluxe Parchment and Dustjacket

9 Gregory, Alfred. THE PICTURE OF EVEREST. A book of full-colour reproductions of the Everest scene. Chosen and Explained by Alfred Gregory with an Introduction by Sir John Hunt (London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1954) First edition, DELUXE ISSUE. A copy with fine provenance, coming from the collection of Eric Roberts, famed climber who was killed in an avalanche on Annapurna. 43 color photos taken by members of the British Mount Everest Expedition of 1953. The rear endpapers are a chart of the ascent. 4to, publisher’s original deluxe and best binding of white parchment over boards with extensive gilt decorations on both covers and the spine,
spine lettered in gilt, in the scarce navy blue paper dustjacket textured to look like buckram and boldly lettered in gilt on the the upper cover. [92] pp. A very good, bright and clean copy of this now scarce book, especially so in the deluxe binding and jacket. The text is completely free of the spotting and toning common on this title and is as bright as we have seen. The jacket with only the most trivial of toning to the spine.

FIRST EDITION WITH PROVENANCE OF THIS SCARCE PICTORIAL ACCOUNT OF THE FIRST SUCCESSFUL EVEREST EXPEDITION. These early colour photos of Everest were taken during the first successful ascent of Everest by various members of the expedition. The book includes the famous shot of Tenzing at the summit, which served as the frontispiece to Sir John Hunt’s THE ASCENT OF EVEREST.

“... I have tried to select from the hundreds of colour pictures which we brought back [from Everest], a number which will be a record, for all time, of our adventure. No book can hope to do justice to the lonely beauty of Everest and the peaks of Khumbu, but I hope that through these pictures the reader will be able to share in some part our life on Everest, and to go with us, in fancy at least, across the colourful and exquisitely lovely land of Nepal...

“Because something must always be left to the imagination the reader must reconstruct for himself, through these pictures, the real joys of Himalayan life: the scent of juniper smoke from our camps in the foothills at the twilight; the sudden breathtaking sight of prayer flags on the crest of a pass, leading the wanderer on to the inner sanctuary of the hills; or the thrill of a first glimpse of Everest, seen across the deep valleys of Khubu, a wave of rock and snow glinting in the sunlight, with a cloud plume blowing from its top.

“...Climbing on Everest is a grim and determined battle with the forces of nature. Neither I nor the pictures themselves can tell much of the... unbelievable fatigue that can come to a climber toiling up the last slopes of the mountain, where he almost reaches the end of human endurance and lives at the physical limit of possible life; but these pictures will perhaps bring you nearer to our adventure, and say a little of why men climb” (author’s preface). Neate G62; Perret 2048; Salkeld & Boyle G14

$225.

From a Famed Climber’s Own Library

The Story of Alpine Climbing - Francis Gribble - 1904

10 Gribble, Francis. THE STORY OF ALPINE CLIMBING (London: George Newnes, LTD., 1904) First edition. A copy with fine provenance. From the library of famed climber Eric Roberts who died on Annapurna in an avalanche. With 20 plates from black and white photographs. 16mo, in original decorated blue cloth, the upper cover with a mountain scene and lettering in white and black, the spine gilt lettered and decorated in black, rear cover decorated in black. 180 pp. A very handsome and well preserved copy, the decorated cloth still vivid and showing only the lightest bit of age wear, the paper very fresh and clean, the plates all fine too.

A VERY HANDSOME BOOK IN DECORATED CLOTH. The text is aimed at the young market but is still dense with information and is well illustrated with photographs. The author, Francis Gribble, published several work on mountaineering as well as providing text to illustrated travel books on Alpine counties for Adam and Charles Black. $65.

White Mountain and Tawny Plain - Ihr Herren Berge

Life and Adventure Deep in the Peruvian Andes

11 Hauser, Gunter. WHITE MOUNTAIN AND TAWNY PLAIN Translated From the German by Richard Rickett (London: George Allen & Unwin LTD, 1961) First edition in English of Hauser’s IHR HERREN BERGE. The copy of famed climber Eric Roberts. With maps of Peru, the Cordillera Blanca the Cordillera Vilcanota and numerous black and white photographs on glossy double-sided plates. 8vo, publisher’s original moss-green
course-wove cloth lettered on the spine in black, in the original pictorially decorated dustjacket. 224 pp. A very pleasing copy just lightly mellowed at the edges, a former library copy very well preserved with no markings to the binding or dustjacket. An old library label to the pastedown and withdrawn stamp only.

UNCOMMON FIRST EDITION, the account of the German Alpine Society, Swabian Section Expedition to the Cordillera Blanca and Cordillera Vilcanota, which included first complete ascent of Alpamayo, “the worlds most beautiful mountain.” The book also includes fascinating day-to-day accounts of life amongst the natives peoples of this extremely remote and wondrous region. $75.

Annapurna: First Conquest of an 8000 Meter Peak
A Handsome Copy in the Original Dustjacket

12 Herzog, Maurice. ANNAPURNA: FIRST CONQUEST OF AN 8000-METER PEAK [26,493 feet] Translated from the French by Nea Morin and Janet Adam Smith with an Introduction by Eric Shipton. (New York: The Reprint Society, 1954) First World Books Monthly edition, published by arrangement with Jonathan Cape for members. This copy with fine provenance, coming from the library of famed climber Eric Roberts. With frontispiece in colour-gravure, 16 full page black and white photographs on 8 double-sided plates, colour sketch map on rear endpapers, additional illustrations within the text. 8vo, publisher’s original green cloth with a red leather label on the spine gilt lettered, in the dustjacket. 288pp. A bright and handsome copy, the green cloth very fresh and clean, unworn, the paper well preserved and clean too, just a little spotting to the fore edge, the jacket complete and attractive with some general dusting and mellowing from sun at the spine and a little minor edge wear.

SCARCE IN JACKET. “Annapurna by Maurice Herzog is one of the great adventure classics of all time. It is also an enduring tribute to the spirit of man which is indestructible and against which nothing can prevail.

...Herzog was the leader of the French Expedition to the Himalayas which was the first in the history of mankind to climb an 8,000 meter peak-the magical goal of every mountaineer,-by conquering Annapurna’s 26,493 feet.”

$55.

Clarence King - Mountaineering in the Sierra Nevada
A Handsome Edition with Ansel Adams Photographs

13 King, Clarence. MOUNTAINEERING IN THE SIERRA NEVADA Edited with a Preface by Francis P. Farquhar (London: Adam and Charles Black, 1947) First edition thus. A copy with fine provenance, from the library of famed climber Eric Roberts. With a portrait frontispiece and 6 black and white plates from photographs, including three by Ansel Adams. 8vo, publisher’s canary yellow cloth lettered in red on the upper cover and spine, in the original dustjacket. 320 pp. A very good and fresh copy, the text very clean with just a little occasional and very minor evidence of foxing, the cloth bright and clean with essentially no wear, the jacket with a bit of age-wear along the top edge but still very attractive.

A MOUNTAINEERING CLASSIC, AND A CLASSIC WORK ON CALIFORNIA, THIS EDITION IS ILLUSTRATED WITH PHOTOGRAPHS BY ANSEL ADAMS. Clarence King’s writings for the Atlantic Monthly became hugely popular when first published in book form in 1872 and were highly praised by literary authors such as William Dean Howells. Three of the photographic illustrations are by Ansel Adams, and one is by Cedric Wright, Adams’ mentor and best friend for decades.

King’s writings were from his time spent with the Geological Survey of California from 1863 to 1866. Farquhar credits him with being “the first to climb the Sierra Nevada and the first to write of the range extensively in all its moods.” Farquhar, 61 (first edition).

$75.
The Bernese Oberland - The Most Beautiful Swiss Range
Written From Life-long Knowledge and Experience
A Handsome Copy & Beautifully Illustrated

14 Lunn, Arnold. THE BERNESE OBERLAND (London: Eyre & Spottiswoode, 1958) First edition. With 15 illustrations from photographs and one fold-out Profile of The Bernese Oberland showing principal mountain peaks and other features at the end of the book. 8vo, publisher’s original navy buckram lettered on the spine in silver, in the original dustjacket. 215 pp. A handsome, clean and fine copy, the dustjacket complete without edgewear, showing only mild soiling.

A HELPFUL GUIDE TO WHAT IS CONSIDERED BY MANY TO BE THE LOVELIEST OF ALL CONCEIVABLE MOUNTAIN RANGES. Lunn opens with a lively description of the town of Berne, its history, its chief sights and its most famous citizens. He goes on to the other centres of the Oberland, the well-known and the less-known, including the lake of Thun, which is associated with Matthew Arnold’s romance, Interlaken, where Byron stayed in 1816, Murren, Lauterbrunnen, Wengen, Grindelwald, Meiringen, praised by Dorothy Wordsworth and Hilaire Belloc among others, and Rosenlaui. In every case the author gives the most rewarding excursions, the famous peaks and the chief climbs, with hints and anecdotes from his unrivalled experience.

$65.

Norwegian Odyssey - First Edition - The Wild Mountains
Mais’ Vivid, Racy Picture of Norwegian Life and Climbing

15 Mais, S. P. B. NORWEGIAN ODYSSEY (London: Christopher Johnson, 1951) First edition. From the library of famed climber Eric Roberts. With 15 beautifully produced photogravures on plates, and with a map. 8vo, publisher’s original orange cloth gilt lettered on the spine, in the original dustjacket. 207 pp. A very good and fresh copy, the book especially so, the jacket well preserved with a little age mellowing primarily at the spine panel.

UNCOMMON FIRST EDITION, TRICKY TO FIND IN DUSTJACKET.

“Seasoned traveller as he is, S. P. B. Mais describes his visit to Norway as ‘by far the most exhausting and remarkable journey I have ever undertaken.” He performs a tour-de-force in his review of the thousand mile long stretch of coast and mountainous country that lies between the Arctic port of Tromso in the north and Oslo in the south. The grandeur of the Lofoten Islands, the quiet seclusion of the fiord settlements, the medieval atmosphere of the cities all come within the scope of the author’s travelogue. The book is in diary form and presents a vivid, racy picture of Norwegian life. The author displays his usual keen observation towards every new experience on his long and comprehensive itinerary.” - Dustjacket

$55.

Abode of Snow - The Himalayas
First Edition of This Now Classic Work

16 Mason, Kenneth. ABODE OF SNOW A History of Himalayan Exploration and Mountaineering (London: Rupert Hart-Davis, 1955) First edition. With 21 illustrations on black and white plates, predominantly from photographs, and with 16 maps and diagrams within the text, some being full or near-full page. 8vo, original dark gray-green cloth lettered on the spine in gilt, in the scarce original dustjacket with colour decoration. xi, 372 pp. A handsome copy, very near to fine with only the lightest mellowing to the edges of the cloth and a tiny slit at the head of the spine, the text very fresh with only the most minor age evidence at the edges, the jacket in excellent condition with only the lightest edge rubbing.

First edition of Kenneth Mason’s classic work, written at the very beginning of what would become known as the golden age of Himalayan mountaineering. In the 1950s nearly all of the world’s 8000m peaks were climbed for the very first time, and Mason is only able to touch on a handful of these ascents very briefly. Although many attempts were made in the first half of
the 20th century, very few Himalayan peaks were actually climbed before then.

A geographer by profession, Mason worked for the Survey of India, and made several expeditions to the Himalayas himself to map unexplored territory. Because survey stations were often on the tops of mountains, he also climbed, and one of his most notable contributions included mapping the Shaksgam area of the Karakoram north of K2, which was later completed by the great mountain explorer Eric Shipton. The first hundred pages of the book is almost a Himalayan geography lesson, he then provides some fascinating history about the early explorers and surveyors, such as the Pundits, native Indians who secretly mapped Nepal and Tibet disguised as pilgrims.

The journeys of great Himalayan explorers also figure prominently in his story. Names which crop up again and again include Martin Conway, the Duke of Abruzzi, Alexander Kellas, Tom Longstaff, Fanny Bullock-Workman, Charles Bruce and Eric Shipton. Mason covers all the classic expeditions, including the Brits on Everest, Americans and Italians on K2, and the disastrous German attempts on Nanga Parbat. The book ends too early. Annapurna, Everest, Nanga Parbat, K2 and Cho Oyu were all climbed for the first time as he was writing it, and most of the expeditions are covered only briefly

Horrell, Footsteps on the Mountain.

$95.

Mountaineering on Mount Kenya and Kilimanjaro
A Guide Book with Map - A Copy with Fine Provenance

17 Mitchell, John, Editor. GUIDE BOOK TO MOUNT KENYA AND KILIMANJARO (Nairobi: The Mountain Club of Kenya, 1971) Third edition, completely revised and brought up to date. A copy with provenance, coming from the library of famed climber Eric Roberts who died young in an avalanche on Annapurna. Illustrated with photos, maps, charts, as well as with advertisements for associated businesses such as hotels, lodges, safari companies and gear suppliers, and with a large fold out map of Kibo and the Mount Kenya Peak area. 16mo, in the original flexible plastic softcover printed and decorated from photographs in black and white on both upper and lover covers, printed in black on the spine. 240 pp. Remarkably well preserved for a field guide of this type, just the lightest expected age mellowing.

A VERY SCARCE SURVIVOR IN THIS CONDITION. Field books such as this are typically used hard and then discarded. This particular one was probably very hard to find in America even at the time it was new.

$55.

Some of the Greatest Mountaineering of All Time

18 [Mountaineering; Alpine]; Keenlyside, F.H., Editor. ALPINE CENTENARY 1857-1957. The Sixty-Second Volume (No. 295) of The Alpine Journal November 1957 (London: Published by The Alpine Club, 1957) First Edition. With a great profusion of illustrations throughout. 8vo, publisher’s original dark-green cloth, the upper cover and spine lettered in gilt. [xx], 194 pp. A fine and bright copy indeed, very well preserved.

FIRST EDITION. With articles by some of the most famous mountaineers of all time: Sir John Hunt, J.M. Thorington, H.E.L. Porter, Wilfrid Noyce, D.F.O. Dangar and others. A celebration of some of the greatest climbing adventures of all time.

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First Edition - *The Complete Hill Walker* - 1934
Climbing and Mountaineering in the British Isles
Scotland, Wales, The Lake District and More


FIRST EDITION of one of the best books on hill climbing and mountaineering in the British Isles. Wales, The Lake District, Scotland, the hills, ridges, mountains and hikes.  

$85.

Charles New’s Account of Kilimanjaro and East Africa
The First European to Reach the Snow of Kilimanjaro
With Other Important Ethnological Studies of the Area

20 New, Charles. *LIFE, WANDERINGS, AND LABOURS IN CENTRAL AFRICA with an Account of THE FIRST SUCCESSFUL ASCENT OF THE EQUATORIAL SNOW MOUNTAIN, KILIMANJARO and Remarks Upon EAST AFRICAN SLAVERY* (London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1873) First edition, this the copy of the Mountain Club of Eastern Africa, Uganda, with signed presentation to the members from the Author’s grand nephew affixed to the front pastedown. There are no other institutional or ex-libris markings. With a large folding map with routes in colour and 11 nicely engraved illustrative plates including a portrait of the author as frontispiece. 8vo, original dark blue cloth lettered in gilt and pictorially decorated in black on the upper cover, the spine gilt lettered. xiii, 525, [2] pp. Scarce in original cloth and rarely found in found in acceptable condition, this copy with old expert restoration to the cloth, rebacked with original spine panel preserved, endpapers refreshed, internally very good with more mild toning than is usually found with this title, the spotting only light and occasional, one plate with a closed tear with no loss.  

VERY SCARCE, RARE IN THE ORIGINAL CLOTH AND STILL MORE RARE IN ANYTHING BUT POOR CONDITION. THE WORK IS KNOWN TO MOST ONLY FROM THE REPRINT OF NEARLY 100 YEAR LATER. THE BOOK RELATES THE FIRST ASCENT OF KILIMANJARO.  

The author was a missionary, a member of the Livingstone Search and Relief Expedition, and was also an accomplished artist and photographer. The engraved plates in this volume are reproduced mostly from his own sketches and photos.  

Of great interest is the author’s account of his attempt to reach the summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro, with which he became the first European to successfully reach the snow line. New made a thorough study of the environment of the mountain and recovered a large number of native plants from the mountain slopes, which he then gave to Joseph Dalton Hooker from the Kew Gardens in London. New also discovered the crater lake of Jala, the mountain’s only volcanic lake, at Kilimanjaro’s foot to the south-east of Mawenzi. For his geographical exploits was honored by the Royal Geographical Society with a gold chronometer in April 1874.  

$1350.
Guido Rey’s *Matterhorn* - The Revised Edition Expanded
In the Original Pictorial Dustjacket - With Provenance

21  Rey, Guido.  *THE MATTERHORN*.  Translated from the Italian by J. E. C. Eaton Revised and Two Additional Chapters by R. L. G. Irving  (Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1946)  First Edition thus, the revised and expanded edition updated to the period.  A copy with fine provenance, coming from the collection of famed climber Eric Roberts. Illustrated with a colour frontispiece plus 36 plates of black and white photographs.  8vo, publisher’s original green cloth gilt lettered on the spine, in the original colour pictorial dustjacket.  336, including the index pp.  A very nice, bright copy.  The text and cloth near fine in an attractive jacket with some light edge wear and mellowing.

*The principal TEXT on the early history of the Matterhorn IN AN UPDATED EDITION TO INCLUDE OVER TWO DECADES OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.*  An inscription we remember on a copy sold long ago would serve as a fine invitation to any reader:  “May we introduce to you a book all about one of your well beloved hills?  Therein, that venerable Mountaineer Poet, Guido Rey, pours out the worship of a lifetime, and in doing so reveals the True Cervino—that immense, unsullied symbol of majestic grandeur.  Reverently, very reverently, he describes it as ‘Cathedral de Dieu,’ a truly wonderful phrase which cannot fail to stir the heart of any thinker.  But you must read and see and, let us hope, enjoy.”

Rey taught mountaineering to the Hugh de Amicis and ascended the Matterhorn at least five times.  These experiences first gave rise to several magazine articles and lectures, and finally to this book, first published in Milan.  The work boasts an introduction by Edmondo de Amicis, who was normally very reluctant to involve himself in other people’s writing endeavors.

$75.

First Edition - Lord Schuster’s *Postscript to Adventure*
On Alpine Climbing, Skiing and More

22  Schuster, The Lord, G.C.B.  *POSTSCRIPT TO ADVENTURE*  (London: Eyre & Spottiswoode, 1950)  First edition.  From the library of Eric Roberts, famed climber who died in an avalanche while climbing Annapurna.  Illustrated with excellent black and white photographs plus a frontispiece and full page drawings by H. G. Willink.  8vo, original blue cloth lettered on the spine in black, in the dustjacket with artwork by H. G. Willink.  xii, 214pp.  A very good, fresh and attractive copy, the dustjacket with a little wear at the edges and some minor general mellowing.

*FIRST EDITION, AND ONLY THE THIRD ENTRY IN THE “NEW ALPINE LIBRARY” SERIES.*  “No library of books on Alpine Climbing would be complete without a contribution from Lord Schuster, whose ‘Peaks and Pleasant Pastures’ is among the very best books ever written about mountaineering.  Lord Schuster shares with Mr. Leo Amery, as Mr. Arnold Lunn reminds us in his introduction to this volume, the distinction of having been president both of the Alpine Club and of the Ski Club of Great Britain.  His valedictory address on retiring from the presidency of the former is ranked by Mr. Lunn as the noblest of all the long series by past presidents, and it is included in this volume, as is also that historic paper ‘An Abstract Alpine Subject’, which silenced forever those purists who affected to see “something particularly immoral in skiing faster than your neighbour”.  Also included are the author’s “ Note on the Meije”, “The Rules of the Game” and an appreciation of John Tyndall as a mountaineer, as well as contributions written specially for this book.” - Publisher.

$65.
Mountain Holidays - First Edition - Janet Adam Smith
Great Climbing Adventures Throughout Europe and the Isles

23 Smith, Janet Adam. MOUNTAIN HOLIDAYS (London: J.M. Dent and Sons, Limited, 1946) First Edition and the copy of famed climber Eric Roberts. Illustrated with maps and a profusion of fine photographic full-page images on coated paper. 8vo, publisher’s original blue cloth, lettered in gilt, with the colour illustrated dustjacket. [xii], 194, photographs pp. A very well preserved copy, the book strong and tight, the dustjacket with a bit of wear to the head and tail of the spine panel.

FIRST EDITION and a fine work on climbing in Arran, the Bernese Oberland, the Dolomites, Tarentaise, Courmayeur and Zermatt. Described are the huts, the food, the strength and weakness of the party, weather, psychology and Alpine amusements, guides and the great successes and occasional failures.
$55.

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