

THE ASSOCIATION OF
BRITISH MEMBERS
OF THE
SWISS ALPINE CLUB.

(ESTABLISHED 1909.)

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ASSOCIATION OF BRITISH MEMBERS
OF THE
SWISS ALPINE CLUB.

*The Annual Report, Accounts & Balance Sheet
for 1921.*

NEW MEMBERS.

Forty-one new members have joined during the past year, but 31 have resigned or died. It is hoped that members will make every effort to secure *new candidates* for the S.A.C. and the Association.

The members now are :—

December 31st, 1921	441
Less Resignations, Deaths, etc....	31
	410
Total Jan. 1st, 1922	410

Of these, 164 are Life Members, 16 Honorary Members and 230 Ordinary Members.

PROGRESS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

June,	1909	Members	26
	Dec. 31st, 1909	"	120
	" 1910	"	250
	" 1911	"	330
	" 1912	"	386
	" 1913	"	426
	" 1914	"	451 (War)
	" 1915	"	440 "
	" 1916	"	423 "
	" 1917	"	410 "
	" 1918	"	408 "
	" 1919	"	412
	" 1920	"	423
	" 1921	"	441

We regret to announce the death of four of our members during the year, and one in January, 1922, viz. : The Rev. Prebendary W. E. Durham, 'AC.,' who was killed as a result of a climbing accident on Tryfan, N. Wales ; Mr. Oscar Eckerstein ; Col. E. Clayton (portrait and short sketch annexed) ; F. W. Bourdillon (Jan. 1921), and Viscount Bryce, O.M. (Jan. 1922).

COLONEL E. CLAYTON.

Colonel Emilius Clayton, R.A., was born at Uckfield, in Sussex, on October 17th, 1841. He was educated at Bradfield College, Berks, and passed from there first—both in and out of Woolwich. Instead of entering the Engineers he took a commission in the Royal Artillery. In 1861 he served with his Battery in the expedition in Canada against Riel, the Fenian, for which he received the medal. On his return he entered the Staff College, Camberley, from which he came out head of the list, and then obtained an instructorship at the Royal Academy at Woolwich. His climbing career commenced in 1870, and he was elected to the Alpine Club in 1872. In 1876 he climbed several peaks in the Tyrol. In 1877, on the Weiss Kugel, he and his guide were struck by lightning, and his arm broken. He was married in 1883, and became Professor of Tactics and Fortification at the College, Camberley. In 1901, at 60 years of age, he climbed the Schreckhorn. Though I knew him in Bath previously, we did not meet in Switzerland until 1907, after which he seldom failed to turn up somewhere in the course of our travels. He was always pleased to join any expedition, but perhaps his happiest days were when he and I set out alone on some ramble or scramble, the stiffer the better. If we broke the canons of the strict climbing code by two on a rope, what climber would be the first to cast a stone. From Le Planct we twice ascended the Tours Glacier, crossing the Chardonnet ridge, descending by the Grandes Glacier, and then re-crossing the ridge by the Point de Bron. At Maloya, in 1910, we climbed from the Forno glacier by the Casnile pass down to the Albigna Glacier, and then again down by the steep track to Vicosoprano. I only mention these scrambles among many because one learns more topography than by perhaps more ambitious expeditions, gaining some of the finest views of Mont Blanc and the Bregaglia Group respectively. The declaration of War found us at Rosenlani. We went first of all to Berne, where, after a few days by the advice of the British Consul we secured a passage, with about 600 others, in the White Star Liner, the "Cretic." It was crowded, dirty and uncomfortable: a very mixed company, some of doubtful honesty. By general consent Col. Clayton was elected Police Commissionaire, and under his command the whole ship was divided into "beats,"



THE LATE
COLONEL E. CLAYTON.

and was regularly patrolled by night and by day for the fortnight at sea between Genoa and Liverpool.

Col. Clayton was a man of rare powers. A charming personality. His military training and experience, his wide reading, his accurate memory, his genial disposition, his unfailing good temper under all conditions made him a delightful companion and a firm friend. I and others must look back with regret on those rare good times which cannot return, partly because '*tempora mutantur*' men are not now made on the same model, and partly because '*nos mutamur in illis*' we have to make shift, and a poor one at that, without them.

HENRY J. HEARD.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS.

Members of our Association were climbing in all parts of the Alps last summer. One of our members, Mr. G. L. Mallory, was a member of the Everest expedition, and after Mr. Raeburn's illness led the mountaineering party.

In addition members of our Association formed part of the Oxford University Expedition to Spitsbergen, including N. E. Odell, one of our Hon. Sees., R. A. Frazer, a member of our Committee, R. F. Stobart, and A. M. Carr-Saunders.

SWISS ALPINE CLUB.

The Hon. Treasurer has continued to collect on behalf of most of the Sections which contain British Members the Annual Subscriptions for 1921. The total sum so collected for 1921 amounted to £435 16s. 9d. in small sums for 11 Sections.

TOTAL SUBSCRIPTIONS RAISED BY THE ASSOCIATION.

	£	s.	d.
Club Hut Britannia	830	1	6
Clinton Dent Memorial	73	5	0
Belgian Relief Fund	61	8	6
Swiss Guides Relief Fund	367	1	7
Visits of Relatives to Prisoners of War in Switzerland	117	10	6
Spitsbergen Expedition	6	5	0
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Total ...	£1455	12	1

CLUB ROOMS AND LIBRARY.

The Club Room is at Gatti's, 436, Strand, W.C. (2nd floor), and affords a meeting place for members. If the door is locked, key can be obtained on the 1st floor.

Dr. H. L. R. Dent kindly presents the current number of the Alpine Journal.

Mrs. Larden presented us with copies of "Recollections of an old Mountaineer" and "Inscriptions on Swiss Chalets," by her late brother-in-law, Walter Larden.

Mr. C. E. Montague, one of our members, presented us with a copy of his book, "Disenchanted," for our library. We should be glad if other members would send us a copy of any book they may write.

A catalogue of the Library will be found in the Club Room, and is also included in this report.

The best thanks of the Association are due to Mr. E. R. Taylor for lending the Club a bookcase.

Monthly Dinners are held there on the *4th Wednesday* in each month at 7.30. In March, however, the Dinner will be on the *5th Wednesday*, in the Adelaide Gallery. Ladies may be asked as guests on this date, and slides will be shown after dinner. Due notice will be given on other dates when ladies may be invited.

Gifts of Books for the Library will be gratefully received by the Hon. Librarian, C. T. Lehmann, Old Manor House, Gunnersbury Lane, W.

The Geneva Section has contributed £20 towards the expenses of the Association so that Members of the S.A.C. resident in this country may obtain, out of the subscriptions paid by them, some of the advantages which their Swiss colleagues enjoy, but from which we are debarred by living in this country.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The President, Vice-Presidents, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Secretaries, Hon. Librarian, Hon. Auditor and Hon. Solicitor for the ensuing year were elected at the

Annual Meeting on November 23rd (for names see inside cover). The name of Brig.-Gen. Hon. C. G. Bruce, C.B., was added to the list of Vice-Presidents.

THE COMMITTEE.

The following retired from the Committee in accordance with Rule 7b :—W. Adams, Captain Greuffell, R.N., R. C. Richards and Sir C. Ruthen.

The following have been elected in their place :—Rev. G. H. Lancaster, Sir Leonard Powell, R. B. Robertson and Gerald Steel, C.B.

W. Adams was co-opted a member of the Committee.

Eight Committee Meetings were held during the year.

FINANCE.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. R. Graham, the Hon. Auditor. There is a balance on Revenue for the year 1921 of £11 8s. 9d., but to this must be added the accumulated Balances of former years, making a total of £135 12s. 4d. The Life Membership Reserve Fund stands at £275, invested in War Loan in the names of J. A. B. Bruce and W. M. Roberts as Trustees. For further particulars see the Balance Sheet at the end of the Report.

DINNERS, 1921.

The Annual Summer Dinner was held on June 22nd and was a great success. Ladies were invited, and moving pictures of climbing in the Alps and elsewhere were shown by Mr. E. Simmons. About 100 were present.

On August 17th at the Cabane Britannia above Saas Fée, Monsieur D'Arcis presented, on behalf of the Geneva Section, a bronze memorial to our members who were killed in the war. This was unveiled by Brig.-Gen. the Hon. C. G. Bruce, C.B., who also presided at the dinner held the same evening at the Grand Hotel, Saas Fée. Account and report of speeches annexed.

DINNER TO DR. & MRS. O. K. WILLIAMSON.

It was with great regret that the Association received the resignation of Doctor O. K. Williamson as Vice-President of our Association. This was owing to his leaving England to take up an appointment at Johannisburg University, S. Africa. He and Mrs. Williamson were invited as the guests of the Club to a farewell dinner on October 26th at the Adelaide Gallery, when their healths were proposed by Dr. Dent, and responded to.

ANNUAL WINTER DINNER.

Our Annual Winter Dinner was held at the Adelaide Gallery (Gatti's) on November 23rd, 1921. Nearly 100 were present. Our President, Mr. A. E. W. Mason, took the chair, and the guests of the evening included Professor Norman Collie (President of the Alpine Club), Sir Francis Younghusband (President of the Royal Geographical Society), Mr. A. D. Godley (Public Orator of Oxford), and Capt. Longstaffe. During the evening the Chairman presented a testimonial to Mr. J. A. B. Bruce, the Hon. Treasurer, on behalf of some of the members of the Association. Report annexed.

MONTHLY DINNERS IN 1922.

These will be held on the **4th Wednesdays in each month (except in August and December), at 7.30 p.m., at Gatti's Restaurant, 436, Strand, W.C. Notice will always be given when ladies may be invited, or slides shown. Members wishing to dine should communicate with the Hon. Sec., A. N. Andrews, 34, Great Ormond Street, W.C., as early as possible, stating if they wish to bring guests. Dates annexed. The price of the dinners is usually collected at the table.

** In March, however, the dinner will be held on the 5th Wednesday, at the Adelaide Gallery (Gatti's), viz., on March 29th. On this occasion ladies may be invited. Slides will be shown after the dinner by Mr. N. E. Odell, of the Spitsbergen expedition, and by others.



CABANE BRITANNIA.

DATES IN 1922.

January 25th.	April 26th.	July 26th.
February 22nd.	May 24th.	September 27th.
*March 29th.	June 28th.	October 25th.

* *i.e.*, the 4th Wednesday in each month, at 7.30 p.m., except March 29th, which is 5th Wednesday.

The Annual Winter Dinner for 1922 will be held in November.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS IN SWITZERLAND, 1922.

Anyone desiring to make up parties for climbing this summer is requested to communicate with the Hon. Secretaries, who will keep a list.

If a dinner is to be held in Switzerland, notice will be given.

CABANE BRITANNIA.

This hut, situated on the Kleine Allalinhorn, between Saas Fee and Zermatt, was presented through the Association to the Swiss Alpine Club as a token of our appreciation of their kindness and hospitality to us in the past. It is much used by climbers in Summer and skiers in Winter. It was placed under the care of the Geneva Section by the Central Committee of the Swiss Alpine Club.

Association of British Members of the Swiss Alpine Club.
ACCOUNTS TO DECEMBER 31st, 1921.

RECEIPTS TO DECEMBER 31st, 1921.

	Section of S.A.C. £ s. d.	Association. £ s. d.	Total. £ s. d.
Subscriptions Collected for Swiss Alpine Club	{ 433 3 11 1 0 8	..	484 4 2
Subscription to Association—at 5/- .....	..	41 0 0	
" " at 10/- .....	..	39 10 0	
Life Membership	£42 : 0 : 0		
" " Less over payments Returned	£4 : 4 : 0		
	<u>£37 : 16 : 0</u>	37 16 0	
Sale of Alpine Journals, per C. T. Lehmann .....	..	1 1 0	154 13 2
Donation from Geneva Section .....	..	20 0 0	
Net Dividends .....	..	10 1 6	
Sale of Jahrbuch and Badges .....	..	1 6 11	
Donations .....	..	1 16 0	
Transferred from Sections .....	..	2 0 9	
	<u>434 4 2</u>	<u>154 12 2</u>	<u>588 16 4</u>
Balances, December 31st, 1920	1 12 7	124 3 7	125 16 2
	<u>435 16 9</u>	<u>278 15</u>	<u>714 12 6</u>

PAYMENTS TO DECEMBER 31st, 1921.

	Sections of S.A.C. £ s. d.	Association. £ s. d.	Total. £ s. d.
Amounts paid to Sections of S.A.C.	433 16 0	..	433 16 0
Transferred to Revenue from Sections	2 0 9	..	2 0 9
Printing and Stationery .....	..	69 0 10	
Stamps	£47 : 8 : 11		
Less paid by Geneva for Stamps	£5 : 0 : 0		
	<u>£42 : 8 : 11</u>	42 8 11	
Transferred Life Membership Account.....	..	25 0 0	
Dinners to Guests .....	..	2 14 0	>149 3 5
Donation to Spitsbergen Expedition.....	..	5 5 0	
Paid for Jahrbuch and Badges .....	..	1 0 3	
Subscription returned .....	..	0 10 0	
Clerical .....	..	4 8 8	
Miscellaneous .....	..	2 15 9	
	..	<u>143 8 5</u>	579 0 2
Balance, December 31st, 1921, on year.....	..	11 8 9	11 8 9
	..	<u>154 12 2</u>	590 8 11
Accumulated Balances of previous years.....	..	124 8 7	124 8 7
	<u>485 16 9</u>	<u>278 15 9</u>	<u>714 12 6</u>

1921.
LIFE MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance from 1920	250	0	0	Transferred to Revenue	12	16	0
Net received, 1921	37	16	0	Balance	275	0	0
	£287	16	0		£287	16	0

BALANCE SHEET, Year ending December 31st, 1921.

LIABILITIES.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Life Membership Account	275	0	0	Balance at Bank	104	11	10
Revenue	135	12	4	Invested War Loan at cost price	306	0	6
				200 War Stock, 3½% (1925-28)			
				50 War Loan, 5% (1929-47)			
				52 do. 5% P.O. (1929-47)			
				20 Exchequer Bond, 5¼% (1925) P.O.			
				all held by Barclay's Bank			
	£410	12	4		£410	12	4

January, 1922.

Audited and found correct,
R. GRAHAM, *Hon. Auditor.*

The above Accounts audited by Mr. Reginald Graham, were presented at the January Meeting, 1922. The Properties of the Club, bookcase, books, model of Club hut "Britannia," etc., are valued at over £100, but are not included in the assets.

BOOKS IN OUR LIBRARY.

- Above the Snow Line (presented by J. A. B. Bruce) .
C. T. Dent
- Adventures on the Roof of the World ... *Mrs. Aubrey Le Blond*
- Alpine Flowers and Gardens *G. Flemwell*
- Alpine Memories *Emile Javelle*
- Alps from End to End *Sir W. Conway*
- Alps and How to See Them *Muddoch*
- Alps, The *Arnold Lunn*
- Alps, The *Sir W. Conway*
- Alpine Club Journal (complete set), also 129/136, 138, 144/8,
 150, 214/7, 19/22
- Ditto Index
- American Alpine Club (By-Laws and Register, 1919)
- Annals of Mt. Blanc *C. E. Matthews*
- Annual of the Mountain Club of S. Africa (1917)
- Around Kangchen-Junga *D. W. Freshfield*
- Ascent of Mt. Blanc (1837)
- Ascent of Mt. St. Elias *Duke of Abruzzi*
- Ascent to the Summit of Mt. Blanc *Auldjo*
- Association of British Members of Swiss Alpine Club (bound
 copies of Reports since foundation)
- Badminton Library (Mountaineering), 2 copies
- Baedeker: Eastern Alps (1907)
 Norway and Sweden
 Switzerland (1913)
- Ball's Alpine Guide: The Central Alps (2 vols.)
 Introduction, 1875
 Penine Alps, 1873
 Western Alps
 East Switzerland, 1876
- Ball's Hints and Notes to Travellers in the Alps, 1899
- British Mountaineering (2 copies) *C. E. Benson*
- British Mountain Climbs *G. Abraham*
- Building of the Alps (presented by the Author)...*J. G. Bonney*
- Chamonix and Mt. Blanc *Ed. Whymper*
- Climbers' Guide to the Range of the Todi *W. A. Coolidge*
- Climbing in the British Isles (Wales and Ireland)
W. P. Haskett-Smith
- Climbing in the Himalaya *Sir Wm. Conway*
- Climbs in New Zealand Alps *Fitzgerald*
- Climber's Club Journals: Vol. 1, parts 1, 2, 4
 Vol. 2, part 7
 Vols. 3 to 13 complete
 Years 1912/13/14/15
- Club Hut Album of the S.A.C., 1911
- Complete Mountaineer *G. D. Abraham*
- Coxe's Travels, 1789 (3 vols.)

- Disenchanted (presented by the Author) *E. C. Montague*
 Dauphiné Days *J. Monroe Thorington, M.D.*
 Defence of the Matterhorn against the Proposed Railway to its
 Summit *F. W. Bourdillon*
 Dolomite Strongholds *J. Sanger Davies*
 Dolomites *Reginald Farrer*
 Doldenhorn and Weisse Frau
- Early Mountaineers *Francis Gribble*
 English Lakes, The *Bradley*
- Five Months in the Himalayas *A. I. Mumm*
 Fell and Rock Climbing Club Journals, vols. 1 to 13 complete
- Geneva Section S.A.C. Annual Reports, 1909, 1912
 Girl in the Carpathians (1892) *M. Muriel Norman*
 Glaciers of the Alps *Tyndall*
- Handbook of Switzerland (1839) *Murray*
 Ditto (Savoy) Parts 1 and 2 (1879)
- Here and There among the Alps *Hon. E. Plunkett*
 High Alps Without Guides *Girdlestone*
 Highest Andes *Fitzgerald*
 How to Use the Aneroid Barometer *Ed. Whymper*
 Hours of Exercise in the Alps *Tyndall*
- Inscriptions from Swiss Chalets *Walter Larden*
 In Praise of Switzerland *Harold Spender*
 Inauguration of the Cabane Britannia (1912)
- Jahrbuch des S.A.C., vols. 1 to 53
 Ditto Supplement 1 to 13
- Joy of Tyrol *J. M. Blake*
- L'Evolution Belliquese de Guillaume
 Le Conseiller de l'Ascensionniste *M. Hans Koenig*
 Les Cinquante Premiere Annees du Club Alpine Suisse
 *Dr. H. Dubi*
- Life of Man in the High Alps *A. Mosso*
- Matterhorn, The *Guido Rey*
 Melchior Anderegg, 1817-1914 *Dr. H. Dubi*
 Mountaineering *Claude Wilson*
 Mountain Ascents *J. Barrow, F.C.S.*
 Mountains of Piemont *Gilley*
 Mountain Adventures *Mrs. Main*
 Mountaineering Art *Raeburn*
 Mountain Craft *G. W. Young*
 Mountain Adventures at Home and Abroad *G. D. Abraham*
 Mountaineer, Recollections of an Old *Walter Larden*
 Mountaineering in the Land of the Midnight Sun ... *Mrs. Main*
 Mountaineering Pamphlets (Vol. 1)
- My Alpine Jubilee *Frederick Harrison*
 My Climbs in the Alps and Caucasus *Mummery*
 My Home in the Alps *Mrs. Main*

- Norske Turistforening Aarbok (1911)
- Oberland and its Glaciers (1866) *H. B. George*
- Offizielle Literatur der Kriegsfuhrenden in den Jahren (1914
to 1918)
- Peaks, Passes and Glaciers (1859)
By Members of the Alpine Club
- Ditto (1862), 2 vols.
- Physician's Holiday in 1848 *Forbes*
- Physical Geology & Geography of Great Britain...*A. C. Ramsey*
- Pictures in Tyrol
- Playground of Europe (First Ed.) *Leslie Stephen*
- Pontresina *Ludwig*
- Report of Special Committee on Equipment for Mountaineers
on Ropes, Axes and Alpenstocks
- Rock Climbing in North Wales *G. A. Abraham*
- Rock Climbing in Skye *A. P. Abraham*
- Ruenzori *D. Filippi*
- Scrambles Amongst the Alps (1860-9) *Ed. Whymper*
- Scrambles in the East Graians *George Yeld*
- Scenery of Switzerland *Sir John Lubbock*
- Ski-Runner *E. C. Richardson*
- Story of Alpine Climbing *Francis Gribble*
- Story of Mt. Blanc *Albert Smith*
- Story of the Hills *Rev. H. N. Hutchinson*
- Summer Holidays in the Alps (1898-1914) *W. E. Durham*
- Summer Months amongst the Alps (1857) *Hinchliff*
- Swiss Alpine Club Jubilee Number (1863-1913) *Dr. Dubi*
- Switzerland *W. Beattie, M.D.*
- Swiss Alpine Club Guide (Glarner-Alpen)
" " (Bündner Alpen)
- Tour of Mt. Blanc (1840) *Forbes*
- True Tales of Mountain Adventure *Mrs. Aubrey Le Blond*
- Travels amongst the Great Andes of the Equator...*Ed. Whymper*
- Travels through the Alps *Forbes*
- Two Seasons in Switzerland *Herbert Marsh*
- Tyrol, the Land in the Mountains *W. A. Baillie Grohmann*
- Unknouwn Switzerland *V. Tissot*
- Untrodden Peaks & Unfrequented Valleys... *Amelia B. Edwards*
- Vacation Tourist and Notes on Travels *Francis Galton*
- Views in Wales *North*
- Walks and Climbs around Arolla *Walter Larden*
- Walks and Scrambles in the Highlands *Bayley*
- Wanderings among the High Alps (1858) *A. Wills*
- Winter Sports Annual (1912-1913)
- Zermatt and the Matterhorn *Ed. Whymper*
- In addition there are various illustrated Pamphlets.

LIST OF MAPS.

Alpine Club Map of Switzerland (4 parts). 1871	
Chain of Mont Blanc, 1896	<i>Barbey</i>
Carte de la Suisse (Sion-Vevey) 17 (2 copies)	<i>Dufour</i>
" " (Briez-Airolo) 18 (2 copies)	<i>Dufour</i>
" " (Sondrio-Bormio) 20	<i>Dufour</i>
" " (Aoste-Martigny) 22	<i>Dufour</i>
" " (Arona-Domo-d'Ossola) 23	<i>Dufour</i>
Mont Blanc. Paris. 1865	
Tyrol (Oetzthaler-Ferner)	<i>Reymann</i>

FRENCH MAPS:

Stanfords 1.100.000 (Moutiers-Modane)	
" " (Les Houches-Moutiers)	
" " (Briancon)	
" " (Mont Thabor)	
" " (La Grave)	
" " (La Berarde)	

ITALIAN MAPS:

Aosta	Gt. St. Bernard
Antrouapiava	Monte Rosa
Bannio	Monte Bianco
Chatillon	Valtournanche
Gressoney	

SWISS MAPS:

Grimsel	<i>Siegfried</i>
Meiringen-Triftgletcher	<i>Siegfried</i>
Titlis-Sustenhorn	<i>Siegfried</i>

C. T. LEHMANN, *Hon. Librarian,*
 Old Maur House.
 Gunnersbury Lane, W.



GRAND HOTEL, SAAS FEE, AUGUST, 1921.

UNVEILING OF THE BRONZE MEMORIAL
 AT THE
 CABANE BRITANNIA, SAAS FEE,
 TO THE
 BRITISH MEMBERS OF THE SWISS ALPINE
 CLUB
 WHO FELL IN THE GREAT WAR.

(From "*Swiss Observer*.")

We are indebted to our compatriot, Mr. Georges Dimier, for the following interesting and minute report of the unveiling ceremony of the Mountain Memorial, erected at an altitude of 10,000 feet, as a Swiss tribute to the British who fell in the Great War.

Mr. Dimier writes:—

On Wednesday, 17th of August, 1921, members of the "Alpine Club," the "Swiss Alpine Club" and the "Association of British Members of the Swiss Alpine Club" assembled to attend the ceremony of dedication of a bronze memorial plate bearing the following inscription:—

A LA MEMOIRE
 DES MEMBRES BRITANNIQUES DU C.A.S.
 TOMBES AU CHAMP D'HONNEUR
 1914—1918
 PRESENTE PAR LA SECTION DE GENEVE
 DU
 CLUB ALPINE SUISSE
 AOUT 1921.

On Tuesday, the 16th instant, 15 Genevese members of the C.A.S. started from Saas Fee for the Britannia Hut (built in 1912 and presented to the Geneva Section on August 17th, 1912, by the "Association of British Members of the Swiss Alpine Club") for the purpose of making the necessary arrangements for the ceremony on the day following.

At 6 a.m. Wednesday morning some seventy alpinists, accompanied by 30 guides, set out from Saas Fee to climb up to the Britannia Hut, a journey of between four or five hours, necessitating the traversing of glaciers and snow fields where the assistance of the guides and their ropes was badly needed and welcome.

Although the weather was beautiful in Saas Fee, by the time the eternal snow region was reached we were enveloped by a mist which made the atmospheric conditions quite cold and chilly. However, by 11.30 a.m. over a hundred ladies and gentlemen had reached the Hut without any mishap, and a hot cup of tea soon stimulated appetite for a well-earned and splendidly served cold luncheon, which, in conjunction with 'Fendant du Valais,' quickly raised the bodily temperature.

The firing of a gun at 12.30 intimated to the assembly that the unveiling ceremony demanded their exit from the Hut, and out we stepped into the cold and inhospitable fog, perhaps an appropriate—if not congenial—atmospheric condition, recalling to the mind those dark days of which, alas, our present meeting was the consequence.

Monsieur Egmond D'Arcis said—

"I have been entrusted by the Geneva Section of the Swiss Alpine Club not only with the great honour of acting as representative, but also of unveiling in its name the commemoration tablet by which we pay our respects to the remembrance of our British members fallen during the Great War.

I must first of all convey to you the greetings and good wishes of Dr. Doret, President of the Geneva Section, and Dr. Tschopp, Central President, unfortunately prevented by their professional duties from being present at this ceremony; both have asked me to express their regret at their enforced absence.

It was at the beginning of the war, in the autumn of 1914, that the idea originated in Geneva of expressing in a tangible form the friendship and the admiration that we felt for the chivalrous attitude of Great Britain in entering the war so as to loyally uphold her obligations to Belgium (like our own a neutral country, and the sad fate of which could also have been ours). We have proved then what the friendship of the English was worth, a friendship which is not easily bestowed, but which once given is staunch and true through fair weather and adversity.

Though our political situation has been very difficult in the course of the Great War, though our neutrality has been misjudged by many, we have nevertheless felt that over there, on the other side of the Channel, friends were watching over us, safeguarding us, and also fighting and dying for us. In the black days of the war, when we felt catastrophe approaching, we have been comforted, encouraged by your strong friendship and saved more than once from terrible complications by your influence and intervention.

And amongst all the English, you, brothers of the Swiss Alpine Club of which you are faithful members, you have been the truest of our true friends, you have been our most faithful supporters. That is why we wished to consecrate the memory of those sorrowful hours and to bring to you a token of our friendship and gratitude.



GENERAL THE HON. C. G. BRUCE.



E. D'ARCIS
UNVEILING WAR MEMORIAL AT CABANE BRITANNIA.

To those survivors of the war, to you dear brothers, each day we can prove our gratitude in one way or another ; you know our great esteem for you, there is no necessity to repeat it for our friendship is not a thing of to-day, it has grown through centuries since those days long past when England came to the help of Reformed Switzerland, or upheld the Swiss Confederation with an admirable disinterestedness when she was menaced by neighbouring powers.

But to-day we wish, without forgetting the living—those who will build the world of to-morrow—to address our homage to the dead, to those who have fallen to save the world of yesterday when menaced by German imperialism. It is to those among you who have generously shed their blood for humanity and for liberty that we dedicate to-day—exactly nine years since the inauguration of Britannia Hut, on August 17th, 1912—this modest monument of our gratitude and admiration.

Last Thursday, as I went down Whitehall, I saw before the Cenotaph a mixed crowd of people who, amidst the whirl of London traffic, were silently engrossed in paying their respects to the dead. Before this monument, before the flags floating in the wind, country people, farmers from Kent and Lincolnshire, Highlanders, in their country clothes, standing there motionless, barcheaded, serious, deeply moved ; some women deposited a bunch of flowers—only one flower sometimes—at the foot of the Cenotaph, and this silent homage, great in its simplicity, profoundly impressed me.

It was the tribute of a people to its gallant defenders, it was the moving token of love of relations and friends to those who the terrible war has taken from their affection.

And we also, on this day address our respectful homage to our friends of the Swiss Alpine Club, to those who have struggled and suffered, to those who have bravely fallen at the call of duty, to those whose sacrifices have been our salvation, to those who have died for a noble ideal, who have perished for that liberty which for centuries has been cultivated by our two nations.

Their sacrifice is the much more meritorious because they voluntarily defended their country and the liberty of democratic nations, not because they were impelled by any law, but because they were urged by their sentiment of duty and by their love of the ideal of justice.

They have not voluntarily sacrificed themselves to satisfy the ambitions of a ruler, they have not fought for conquest or gain, they have struggled for the liberation of nations, and to assure the liberty of men as well as the world-peace : it is this which renders their sacrifice so noble.

At times we ask ourselves if the death of all these heroes has not been in vain, if their efforts have not been useless. The peace which everyone has so ardently desired seems so far off. The world has not found its equilibrium, it hesitates, it seeks the way to go, it is tempest-tossed and driven by every adverse wind that blows. But the glorious dead have not perished in

vain, they have saved us from disaster, they have shown us the value of sacrifice, they say to us: "We have died for you, we have sacrificed ourselves that you will be able to reconstruct the world on new foundations. it is for you to work now, you the living, and to struggle that our sacrifice may not be fruitless!"

Truly it is for us to remake the world, and, alas, personal interests, ambitions, passions, hinder us from completing our task. Nevertheless, we are responsible before posterity, who will ask an account of our works. Let us then show ourselves worthy of the task which we have to accomplish: it is difficult, it demands from us prodigious energy and sacrifice, we must not fear to devote all our efforts to this aim. We should try, also to free ourselves from those narrow limits which make for jealousy, selfishness and ambition so as to obtain a wider and higher outlook on life that we may work for the good of humanity, for the ideal of love, justice and liberty which, alone, can enable the world to readjust itself after this terrific upheaval.

We who love the Alps, where can we be better inspired than in the middle of these magnificent mountains, which teach us, in the course of our climbs, the need of energy, of patience, and the love of our neighbour?

This modest monument could not be better placed, far from the world, far from human passions, where nature herself speaks to our souls, amongst the Alps, the symbol of the calm of eternity.

This monument is suitably placed in the middle of these eternal snows, for those whose memory it recalls have passionately loved the mountains, and their remembrance will always remain united to these Alps which, like them, have in olden times repelled the invasions of Barbarians.

May this tablet remain here as long as the Alps stand, as a monument raised by Friendship to Courage, as an eternal token of Gratitude to Sacrifice.

Glory to the dead, may their souls rest in peace! May their remembrance be honoured for ever by all those who come up here, and who passing before this bronze tablet will say to themselves: "These are they who have sacrificed themselves for their country, for humanity, for their friends!" "Greater love hath no man, that a man lay down his life for his friend."

Honour to them. Truly they were men, let us follow in their track, struggle ever for good, for justice, and for liberty!"

General Bruce, I hand you over, on behalf of the Section Genevoise du Club Alpin Suisse this Tablet erected to the memory and glory of the British members fallen during the Great War, and I pray you, General, to consider it as a tribute of gratitude and admiration from your Swiss friends.



E. D'ARCIS PRESENTING WAR MEMORIAL CABANE BRITANNIA.



PUTTING UP WAR MEMORIAL AT CABANE BRITANNIA.

Brig.-Gen. the Hon. C. G. Bruce said in reply—

“M. d’Arcis and our esteemed colleagues of the Geneva Section of the Swiss Alpine Club,—I thank you on behalf of the British Members of the Swiss Alpine Club for this beautiful testimony of your appreciation of the British Members fallen during the late war, but it is only another expression of Swiss sentiment. Much as we value this beautiful plaque which commemorates how our Members did their duty, we value infinitely more the kindly sentiments which prompted its execution, another proof, if any was needed, of the deep affection which joins not only the Members of our Club together, but our two peoples.

It must not be forgotten that this is not the only proof. No one can forget the hospitality offered by Switzerland to our British prisoners of war; certainly not myself, for the life of one of my oldest friends was thus saved entirely by this generosity.

That I should have been chosen to represent the British Members on this occasion is a source of the deepest gratification. I am one of many who might equally have found his name among those to be inscribed, and I can imagine no greater pleasure, shared, let us hope, by those who are gone, than to feel that at any rate there is for us still a little niche, a little remembrance among these glorious mountains which we all join in loving and which form for so many of us the chief inspiration of our lives.

In the name of the British Members let me again assure you how very deeply we appreciate your gift, and let me express a hope that the bond of our friendship thus further cemented, may be as lasting as the great mountains themselves.”

The English Chaplain, the Rev. G. H. Lancaster, S.A.C., wearing his robes of office, then proceeded to consecrate the Memorial Tablet, which had been unveiled by M. d’Arcis after further gun shots had rung out into the sublime silence.

Conditions being none too comfortable in the open, the Britannia Hut was re-entered by the gathering, who, after partaking of some further slight refreshment, started on the descent to Saas Fee.

The ceremony ended, the party descended to the valley, out of the white mists into the glorious sunshine below.

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THE DINNER AT SAAS FEE,

AUGUST 17th, 1921.

At 8 p.m. all the guests re-assembled for the Dinner at the Saas Fee Grand Hotel, the arrangements for which were in the able hands of Mr. Reginald Graham, who was assisted by Mr. J. A. B. Bruce, both members of the "Association of British Members of the Swiss Alpine Club," to whom great thanks are due for their untiring efforts, which were crowned with complete success. [The report is partly taken from that appearing in *Swiss Observer*.]

About 80 ladies and gentlemen sat down for this dinner-function, General the Hon. C. G. Bruce presiding as chairman.

His first toast was in honour of the President of the Swiss Confederation, followed by the toast of "The King," both toasts being received with great acclamation. Further proposing the health of the "Swiss Alpine Club," General Bruce proceeded to address the assembly as follows:—

"I felt a very great diffidence when Mr. Graham, the organiser of this meeting, invited me to take the chair. I accepted with fear and trembling owing to the fact that though I have been a British member of the Swiss Alpine Club for some years I have never had the pleasure of meeting my fellow Members before. Though I have begun late, still I have begun, and in proposing the health of the Swiss Alpine Club I also to myself add a fervent hope that my own health may remain such that I may continue for many years the acquaintance so auspiciously begun. For up to now my visits to Switzerland have been spread, very much spread over many years, and have nearly all occurred only during my different leaves home from India. Not that I have neglected the mountains, for, for more than 30 years, in my serious moments, I was a Frontier Ruffian located in the N.W.F. In my lighter moments I wandered, explored, climbed and shot through the Hindu Kush and Himalayas and their related ranges, but wherever I have found myself, the standard of comparison has always been the Alps. I am sure that my old friends here present to-night, Col. Gurdon, Mr. Mumm and Mr. Montagnier, will bear me out in this, and our combined experiences cover a large range. Further I am in the peculiarly happy condition that after many years spent in the mountains, I can return to my first love and find her as young



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GRAND HOTEL, SAAS FEE, AUGUST 17TH, 1921.

as ever. She was always white on top when I first knew her. The idea that the Alps are hackneyed, played out, or stale is to me an absurd idea. This is but my second visit to Saas Fee, the first being 22 years ago, and is connected always in my mind with a very curious coincidence.

Here he told the story of Zurbriggen's axe.

One Alpine story reminds me of another, or rather a mountaineering story, and I may precede it by saying that it has no connection with Mr. Whympers's old chestnut (Cardiff hen and the Hippos., the South Face as being nearer to water). Even after telling a story of this kind I feel I can still look forward to a good many years of wandering, and this pleasant outlook is due to the fact that the heroic period, when men climbed the Matterhorn direct from Zermatt, is no more.

Elderly men can now hope to enjoy the great mountains and snowfields and mightily prolong their strength and enjoyment of life by so doing, without over-exertion, and all this is due to the enterprise of the Swiss Alpine Club.

This no doubt is a hackneyed subject, but a very blessed one. The Swiss Alpine Club have conferred a real blessing on humanity; may their shadows never grow less; coupled with the fervent hope that my own speedily will.

Before I sit down I cannot help saying what a pleasure it has been to me to make the acquaintance of Dr. Dubi, a name known and honoured throughout the British mountaineering world, and if I may be allowed, I would like to couple his name with the toast of the Swiss Alpine Club. Ladies and Gentlemen, I give you the toast of the Swiss Alpine Club, coupled with the names of Dr. Dubi and Monsieur Renaud-Bovy-Lysberg" (cheers).

Mr. Renaud-Bovy-Lysberg, Hon. Sec. of the Geneva Section, said—

"Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,—First of all I should like to thank you for the very courteous invitation extended to our Section to be represented at your monthly dinner. It gives me very great pleasure to have been chosen amongst our Committee to welcome you in one of our most beautiful valleys and to bring you here the salutations of our Geneva Section.

Allow me, Gentlemen, to bid our fair and charming guests, the Ladies, a special and most cordial welcome.

We feel highly flattered by your presence and most thoroughly appreciate your assistance. You make this dinner brilliant, and change the monotony of black coats into a cheerful assembly of gay colours. You enchant our valley.

Ladies and Gentlemen, all of us we have left behind under the smoky clouds of our cities the cares and worries of the troublesome times we are passing through. The everyday life, overshadowed by commercial, industrial, financial disputes, is no more for a few weeks. You from the far-away Island, you

have lifted up your eyes towards the mountains and you have come to us.

My friends here, Mr. d'Arcis, your honorary member, and Mr. Dunand, Mr. Eggermann, Mr. Fiala, Mr. Graf and Mr. Vaucher, delegates of our Commission des Cabannes, are here to prove you by our presence how sincerely and most thoroughly we appreciate all you have done by sympathy to our Genevese section of the C.A.S. I personally, and all of us, we are admirers of British energy, British efficiency, British fairness.

Your country is a beautiful land in which a good many of us we Swiss have passed some of our most happy and useful years, and it is a great satisfaction for us to realize that amidst all the difficulties of the present situation, the long and traditional friendship which has always existed between Switzerland and Great Britain is to-day even more firmly established than ever.

Our two countries, so widely separated as they are from each other, and differing so completely in geographical situation, seem to have been united by a real community of ideas for the last five hundred years or more. You have the same liberal high ideals as we have.

During the last world-war, when civilisation seemed to have been washed away by the terrific waves of brutality and unfaithfulness, in both our countries men have risen up with courage to canalize the torrent. They worked like our rough mountaineers when wild waters, rushing down from the heights, try to sweep away everything in their peaceful valleys.

Who were they, these men?

They were those accustomed to lift up their hearts as well as their eyes, high above the low horizon of material life, those who loved to lift up their eyes towards the mountains, those who knew the way to the heights. Like the climber, they did not mind hard, rough rockwork. Let us do as they did, raise ourselves up to the summit.

I have said that we were admirers of British fairness. We are not a world power, and there is rivalry between your country and ours. We want the same as you do: a fair field and no favour. And we have again and again seen that England has always given us fair play. And in our absolute faith in British fairness I see the chief reason of friendly and good feeling of all Switzerland towards your Country.

Mountaineering is above all the school of energy and fair play. The conditions and the reward are the same for everyone. When we approach the lofty mountains and penetrate in the most brilliant part of the empire of our Great God, we feel ourselves raised up very high above the multitude of petty preoccupations and worldly cares.

But to get up to the top all our energies combined must work together, enroped in the same caravan. We must go on helping each other to the last. When with throbbing hearts we reach the summit and, delighted, look round over the vast horizon, life seems more simple, though how much loftier. Our two countries are roped up in the same caravan, and work

together for the benefit of mankind. Let us in our Swiss Alpine Club do the same to the utmost of our power.

Like our forefathers, when they thrilled the world with their cries of "Liberty" from the heights of our mountains, let us repeat our Swiss motto: "Un pour tous, tous pour un," lifting up our glasses to England and Switzerland morally united."

The Chairman then called on Professor F. F. Roget to propose the Alpine Club.

Professor F. F. Roget said—

"I feel rather nervous on rising. I am to propose the health of that eminent and respectable corporation, the Alpine Club. Wherever I look in this dining hall, I find myself beset with the best dressed and finest company that ever met in Saas-Fee. But when I look inquiringly at myself, what I see is the meanest of mountain-tramps attired in coarse pedestrian cloth, with a wisp of cord round his neck hanging upon a flannel shirt front; disquieting indeed for the dignity of my office.

You see, I have walked nine hours to-day to take my seat here, punctually, at the hour appointed for dinner. My thoughts have been with you at all hours of this long walk. I mentally followed you in the pilgrimage to the hut. All along, my meditation teemed with pictures of the ceremony going on up there, where the track is well known to me, well-worn I may say with print of hobnail or ski. Methought the words spoken fell within my hearing. Who could have expected, on the day when we opened together, in serene and lofty mood, the Britannia hut, that at the next meeting there of Switzers and Britons, the rocks would ring with a last mournful echo of the unpardonable tragedy which soiled during so many years the fair face of the world, and shamed man before his Maker!

Great in their service were then the British men whose sacrifice is recorded up there. When their spirits looked down towards the hut this day, surely a glad smile stole over their wan features, extinguishing the last embers of bitterness left burning in their souls by the sense of an undeserved, however meritorious, death. Could a fitter mansion, a habitation more to their mind be found for their memorial plate, than this hut? Henceforth their memory shines forth with the purity of the Alpine snow which they loved most, next to country and liberty. The rocks around speak of their steadfastness. The icy wilderness in which you stood to-day is clothed in a solemn and precious meaning.

All hail, Britannia! A righteous fame has been borne up.

"Even to the frozen ridges of the Alps,
Wherever Englishman durst set his foot."

So Shakespeare put it, three hundred years before the taste for Alpine adventure grew in England or anywhere else.

There are, it seems to me, many good reasons wherefor I should recommend, to the members of the Alpine Club,

Shakespeare for posthumous honours, as a fellow member hitherto unacknowledged, and even as the original founder of Alpinism.

In *Cymbeline*, Act III, scene 3, he has something for both the blithe and the old among you when Belarius says :

“ Now for our mountain sport. Up to
 Yon hill ! . . . Consider
 Your legs are young. I'll tread these flats ! ”

and points in the next scene a warning against attempting heights :

“ . . . whose top to climb
 Is certain falling, or so slippery that
 The fear's as bad as falling.”

Had Shakespeare not been so busy with the stage there is some likelihood that he would have taken the feather out of Sir Henry Lunn's cap as a founder of winter sports Clubs. He might even have made his mark as an early patron of the winter-sun cure-stations at Davos.

We read in *King Richard II* :

“ O, who can hold a fire in his hand
 By thinking of the frosty Caucasus ?
 Or wallow naked in December snow
 By thinking of fantastic summer's heat ? ”

In this wonderment of Shakespeare there is expectation and anticipation of the significance for health of the winter sun in the mountains. Those “ frosty fires ” are now experienced by children “ naked in December snow,” who snap their fingers at “ summer's heat.”

It is hard to believe—as one must—that the Shakespeare who spoke tenderly of the flowerets nestling in the wrinkles of winter's frowsy brow, as my next quotation will show, had never seen them there. For this we must turn to *Midsummer Night's Dream*, Act IV, scene 2, where we read :

“ . . . on old Hyem's chin and icy crown
 An odorous chaplet of sweet summer buds
 Is, as in mockery, set.”

In the *Tempest*, he calls forth that most unpleasant sight, which may still be beheld in some Alpine valleys, of :

“ . . . mountaineers
 Dew-lapped like bulls, whose throats had hanging of them
 Wallets of flesh.”

So, to have read Shakespeare brings I submit to this now well-informed assembly, sufficient ground for my contention that the Alpine Club cannot but be the latest offspring from Shakespeare. Proceeding from such intensely English suggestions as the Shakespearean, it could not but be born in Britain, and, because Shakespeare embodied the sum total of human experience and aspirations, the Alpine Club, as the last work of his life, could not but meet with universal favour thereafter.

So the Alpine Club, the thought of which sprang from the

English mind and could not have found elsewhere a cradle—I am no longer speaking fabulously—served as a model and example to Europe. The Swiss were physically too near the Alps to realize that there was food for the soul to be got from the contemplation and unselfish exploration of them. In them they saw a military fastness, with grazing grounds for their herds, and with inexhaustible stores of wood for the building of their homes. Their appreciation was that of shepherds, hunters, tillers and carpenters. Love for the Alps was to them too humdrum to be transformed into a solemn cult, with Associations to foster it and levies of money to defray it. Such came to them as suggestions from townspeople unaccustomed to the Alps and unfitted by their way of life to deal with the difficulties of mountaineering. Latterly there arose from among the Alpine peasantry the craftsmen called guides, an institution for which the Alpine Club has always felt much affection. They were a remedy to the obvious inability of flatlanders in the learned and sedentary professions—the principal Alpinists—to safely practise alone, in the accredited forms of their sport, a cult otherwise poetic and sentimental. There is something in Shakespeare applying to the guides too. His mountaineers do not:

“ . . . seek for danger
Where there’s no profit.”

Most admirable in the Alpine Club are three things. One is its universality. It is not the *English* Alpine Club. It is *the* Alpine Club. In that unique quality it is now sending as world-messengers its own steeple-jacks to the top of the highest pinnacle that dots the surface of the planet. The second distinction is that it is a club of gentlemen. It does not bear an utilitarian, any more than a national stamp. The Swiss Club, compared to the Alpine, is a mob, and I, as their representative, a mobsman. Shakespeare would quite agree. He speaks of “villain, rustic mountaineers, robbers, law-breakers, traitors; such as we cave here, hunt here, are outlaws.”—If you have any doubt just look at me and it will be removed!

The third point you may think a most strange one to dwell upon. It is a paradox which I shall put in a nutshell. Suppose the Swiss, instead of founding a national Alpine Club, had founded a universal sea-club, you would think it odd, would you not? Well, there was exactly the same unlikelihood of you forming a mountain Club instead of the universal sea Club in which one would have expected Britons to congregate. That is why I fancy I see Neptune’s trident and our ice-axe joined in a fit Anglo-Swiss symbol.

There appeared last year in the *Times* of March 12th a beautiful piece of writing under the title: “Two voices are there.” This heading was borrowed from Wordsworth’s famous sonnet, and the article was all about the rival enchantments of Alps and Ocean. The poets have always found that the Swiss soul and the British soul are sister-souls. Maybe some doubt

about this was cast in some English minds during the war. Perhaps those doubters will point out to me now the Swiss platoon of infantry, the battery of artillery, the squadron of cavalry who crossed over to the enemy in his attempt upon the liberty of the world. If they can find it, I shall say their doubting was right. If they cannot, let them make amends. The villagers of Saas-Fee, in whose care the Britannia memorial remains, are German in blood, customs and language. Yet the care of the memorial could not be entrusted to people more faithful. All the Swiss kept faith within the mountain-girt land of liberty, as did all the British in the wave-born empire. Who has ever heard of a Swiss deserting his country's flag? As a Swiss soldier I may address you without any sense of disgrace. Our British colleagues may dwell in peace within our Club. We shall keep out only the false mountain-lovers, from whichever quarter they may attempt to crawl in.

So here goes to the health of the Alpine Club, and may its colours be unfurled on the top of Mount Everest, and ever rest there, with staff upright and the silk flying, if need be, with a Swiss arm to steady it" (cheers).

The toast was duly honoured. Before sitting down Professor Roget asked for leave to connect with the name of Mr. Mumm those of the two biographers of H. B. de Saussure, namely Dr. Douglas Freshfield and Mr. H. F. Montagnier, both A.C.'s.

Mr. A. L. Mumm (Vice President of the Alpine Club) said—

"Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,—It is a great pleasure to me to have the honour of responding to the toast of the Alpine Club on this occasion. Standing up here to-day, and looking back on my relations with the Alpine Club, I am reminded of a play which many of you must have seen recently in London, called "Milestones." I see myself crossing the Alphubeljoch in 1877, and coming down for the first time to this beautiful place, when there were no hotels in existence, nothing but the one old hotel at Saas Grund, where, by the way, I have a very vivid recollection of the strawberries and cream. I was a school-boy then, filled with an ardent ambition to qualify for the Alpine Club as soon as possible. That is the first milestone. I pass on over 14 years, to my second visit in 1891. I had become a member of the Club by then, and was climbing strenuously among the neighbouring peaks. That is the second milestone. Then a great leap of 30 years brings me to to-day, when alas! I can no longer climb so hard or so continuously. But during those 30 years the Alpine Club has done much for me. I have at least one qualification for responding for the Club. I am sure that not one of the members owes more to it than I do. It has given me many things. It has

given me a hobby for my old age, but I had better not begin to speak of that or I might go on all night. Best of all, it has given me some very good friends.

At this late hour I will not say all I might have wished to say about the Club. We have all listened with interest to the charming poetic things which Professor Roget has said of it, and now I will only ask my fellow members to join me in expressing our appreciation of his kindly words, and in thanking you all for the very cordial way in which you received the toast" (cheers).

Dr. H. Dubi said—

"Ladies and Gentlemen,—I ask you to drink the health of our distinguished chairman, who read us such a touching and, despite the condition of the weather, such a warm address at half-past noon before the Britannia hut, and who presides over our dinner to-night in so witty and spirited a manner.

I was ordered to propose this toast by the committee, and I accepted the task with enthusiasm, even before I was aware that General Bruce would be so kind as to couple my name with the toast for the Swiss Alpine Club. My personal acquaintance with General Bruce dates only from last Sunday morning, when I was presented to him in a railway carriage between Brig and Viège. Since then I had the advantage to sit next to him at meals in this room, and after what you heard him say this evening, I need not assure you that a man who is sitting beside General Bruce at table is a blessed one, and does not lack entertainment of the humorous and interesting sort.

But now I must complain of our chairman, because he took out the wind from my pipes by telling you himself his remarkable Alpine career all over the world. On the other hand I am glad that other Swiss climbers may now be aware of what I knew long since, namely, that General Bruce is a prominent and expert mountaineer, who wandered far and high not only in the Himalayas, but also in the Alps and other mountain regions.

That all I should have liked to explain you, but now you know it better. Therefore as the load of my speech in honour of our chairman would be too meagre, I beg leave following his example, to couple this toast with another, as I am indeed a somewhat weak and shattered member of those prominent climbing bodies, the Alpine Club and the Swiss Alpine Club, as well as of the society with the long name who forms itself in an irrational series of letters as A.B.M.S.A.C.

I propose to drink the health of the Association, etc. And now allow me to speak German, as this is in fact the mother tongue of a majority of Swiss people and of many, if not most, of the Sections of the Swiss Alpine Club, and I am sure you will not be disgusted being spoken to in German if it is done in a friendly tone.

(The following was spoken in German.)

Our chairman told you that tourists and mountaineers are

indebted to the Swiss Alpine Club for so many Club huts that made the access to big mountains easier and shorter, and thus, he said, the S.A.C. took an active part in the progress of our sports. For the Saas Valley and Saas-Fee at least he was not right in giving us this credit. The two existing huts here are the gifts, one of the Akademischer Alpen-Klub, Zürich, the other of the Association, and when they were built they were badly wanted in a place which had grown up rapidly and had become popular with tourists and Alpinists.

But there are also earlier promoters of our welfare. When I came in this valley for the first time, about 55 years ago, there were only two inns between Stalden and the Monte Moro, one at Saas-Grund, the other at Matt-Mark, and both in the hands of one Imseng, the curé, Johann Joseph Imseng, a near relation to my now neighbour, my dear old friend, Clemens Imseng. The latter had the very fruitful idea that an inn was necessary for Saas-Fee, and so he persuaded his Commune, of which he was then President, to build, in 1881, the Hotel du Dom, which was in due course followed by the Hotel Bellevue and the Grand Hotel, so well managed by the family Lagger, whose guests we are to-night. That initiative of Herr Imseng, whose acquaintance I made before the Hotel du Dom, then in construction 40 years ago, was the beginning of a prosperity that may last long and give the founders, as well as ourselves, every satisfaction. Thus I venture to treble my toast, and give you the health of the Chairman, the Association of British Members S.A.C., and the future of Saas-Fee" (cheers).

General Bruce in reply proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. R. Graham and Mr. J. A. B. Bruce for all the work they had undertaken in organizing the unveiling of the Memorial and of this very successful dinner.

Mr. Reginald Graham said in reply—

"General Bruce.—I thank you for the kind way in which you have thanked me, and you, Ladies and Gentlemen, for the generous way in which you have responded.

I must say that for three or four days I felt some anxiety as to the likely success of this gathering, but this was soon dispelled when I received a reply from you, General Bruce, saying you would take the chair at this dinner. No greater thanks could be accorded me than to see so many present here to-night.

This has been a Red Letter day for me, the ceremony at the Britannia Hut this morning was one never to be forgotten. Our colleagues of the Geneva Section have indeed honoured those brave fellows who gave their lives in the War (doubtless they had hoped to spend many summers climbing in these glorious Swiss mountains). Neither can we forget the kind hospitality of the Swiss to the wounded prisoners, whose sojourn in the mountain air probably saved many lives.

I personally have to be very thankful to Switzerland, for in

the autumn of 1891 I was told by my doctor that if I did not go to Davos for the winter I should probably not be alive the following spring. I acted upon his advice and recovered. Since then I have missed no opportunity of spending my holidays amongst the mountains.

It is impossible for me to mention all those who have given me such able assistance in carrying out the details of this dinner, but I should like specially to mention Messrs. d'Arcis, Dunand, Dimier, Boveyron, Renaud and Gallay. I should also like to thank the Famille Lagger for their great courtesy to me throughout, and for the beautiful way in which they have decorated this room and the excellent dinner they have provided (cheers).

I cannot sit down without reading some telegrams I have received ; they are as follows :—

“Salutations cordiales de la Section Genevoise.”

“Hommage respectueux a la memoire des collègues tombés au champ d'honneur. Doret. President.”

“Best wishes for a happy day.”

Section Neuchateloise, C.A.S.

“Best wishes for a successful evening.”

A. N. Andrews,

Secretary, Association British Members, S.A.C.

and many verbal regrets from those who have been unable to be present.

Mr. J. A. B. Bruce thanked the Chairman for the kind references he had made to the work Mr. Graham and himself had done in arranging these meetings.

He thought, however, the chief credit was due to Mr. Graham, who had given up so much of his short holiday and come over from Zermatt to Saas Fee to make the necessary arrangements. He was reminded of a German he met at La Berarde who had come a long way and at great expense to climb the Meije, and who was very excited at the prospect. “I have,” he said, “one violin that cost 10,000 and another that cost 12,000 francs, but I fling them on the ground to climb the Meije !” Mr. Graham had engaged two guides at enormous expense, but he flung them on the ground (metaphorically) and allowed them to kick their heels in well-paid idleness whilst he came to Saas to sit on sub-committees and plan out the details. It was a great sacrifice for an ardent “climber in a hurry.” Few, alas, who were present at the Meeting (just 9 years ago to a day) when the Cabane Britannia was inaugurated and given by the British to the Swiss, were here to-day. Sir George Radford and Walter Larden were no more. Cyril King-Church, Cyril Hartree and others had been killed in the war, but George Dimier was here again, always present at our gatherings, as he hoped he would be for many years, enlivening us with his wit and stimulating us by his enthusiasm (cheers).

After the replies of Messrs. Graham and Bruce, Messrs. John Graff and Georges Dimier, respectively in French and English, proposed the health of the ladies present, concluding with the characteristic Swiss Bans : Cantonaux, Fédéraux and de Coeur, and the singing of " Qu'elles vivent," which customs greatly impressed and delighted the whole assembly.

Dr. Knottenbelt, President of the Dutch Alpine Club, also spoke and dwelt on the friendship which existed between Holland and England, and rejoiced that the Swiss Alps was a place where citizens of all countries could meet as brothers.

Midnight was approaching when the function came to an end, and I feel convinced that the day will never be forgotten by those who had the good fortune to be present.

The members of the British Colony present at Saas Fee have complimented Messrs. Graham and Bruce and expressed their gratitude to the members of the Geneva Section who arranged the luncheon at the Britannia Hut, and to the donors of the Memorial Tablet.

I also wish to mention that the proprietors of the Saas Fee Hotels, the Family Lagger, excelled themselves in providing for the comforts and the catering for the gathering, which was a great credit to them, pleasing all the participants.

GEORGES DIMIER.

Among those who were present at the Consecration Ceremony at the Britannia Hut or at the dinner at Grand Hotel, Saas Fee, in the evening were :—

General the Hon. C. G. Bruce, C.B., M.V.O. (A.C., S.A.C.)

The Rev. G. H. Lancaster, S.A.C.

Egmond d'Arcis, C.A.S., Geneva, Hon. Member B.A.M.,
S.A.C.

J. Anderson, S.A.C.

F. N. Ashcroft.

Miss E. Austin.

F. Beck, S.A.C.

Miss E. Blandy.

E. R. Blanchet, A.C., S.A.C.

Ch. Boveyron, S.A.C.

W. M. Brooke, S.A.C.

J. A. B. Bruce, A.C., S.A.C.

J. D. Cargill, S.A.C.
 H. E. Davison, S.A.C.
 Georges Dimier, C.A.S., C.A.L., A.C.
 P. M. Dixon.
 Dr. T. B. Dixon, S.A.C.
 E. J. S. Donner, S.A.C.
 Miss Eileen Drew.
 Dr. L. Dübi, S.A.C., Hon. Member A.C.
 Leon Dufour, S.A.C.
 Em. A. Dunaud, C.A.S.
 D. McAdam Eccles.
 J. Eggermann, C.A.S.
 Madame N. Eggermann, Member of Central Committee "Club
 Suisse de Femmes Alpiistes."
 Francis N. Ellis, A.C., C.A.S.
 Alice Ellwood.
 L. A. Ellwood, C.A.F.
 Dr. T. A. Ellwood, S.A.C.
 Kate E. Fauner.
 Margaret Fechteler.
 E. Fiala, C.A.S.
 F. Fiala.
 H. Gallay, S.A.C.
 Madam A. Geneux.
 E. Geneux.
 Emile Geneux, C.A.S.
 Madam E. Geneux.
 Mlle. Geneux.
 Adeline E. Godfrey.
 Miss A. E. Godfrey.
 F. N. Goggs.
 F. S. Goggs, A.C., S.M.C.
 A. J. Goldberry.
 John Graff, S.A.C., A.A.C.F.
 Reginald Graham, A.C., S.A.C.
 R. B. Graham.
 Col. Gurdon, D.S.O., A.C., S.A.C.
 Rev. B. P. Gurdon, S.A.C.
 Mr. Harvey, S.A.C.
 E. Inseug.
 R. V. Johnson.
 Arnold Kluser.
 Charles Lamb, S.A.C.
 Mrs. C. Lamb.
 Miss Mears.
 H. F. Montagnier, A.C., S.A.C.
 C. Mottu, S.A.C.
 Mrs. Mottu.
 Lanz-Muller.
 Werner Lanz.
 N. J. Knottengbelt (President Dutch Alpine Club).
 Dora J. K. Lancaster.

Hylda M. Lancaster.
 Margarite King Stephens.
 May Konody.
 O. Konody, S.A.C.
 J. S. Maclay.
 André Monod.
 Cécile Morin.
 M. J. Mounsey.
 W. A. Mounsey. A.C., S.M.C.
 A. L. Mumm, Vice-President A.C.
 Rev. H. E. Newton, A.C., S.A.C.
 B. F. K. O'Malley, A.C., S.A.C.
 L. W. Paul, S.A.C.
 Mrs. Paul.
 Alfred Pestalozzi.
 H. S. Rawson.
 J. T. Reed, S.A.C.
 J. L. Renaud, C.A.S.
 Professor F. Roget, S.A.C.
 His Honour Judge Herbert Smith.
 Mrs. Herbert Smith.
 Miss Herbert Smith.
 Miss Herbert Smith.
 J. P. Thomson, C.A.S.
 P. J. H. Unna, S.A.C., A.C., S.M.C.
 Alph. Vaucher, C.A.S.
 Dr. A. Velleman.
 P. C. Visser, A.C., S.A.C., Attache Dutch Legation.
 Madam Visser.
 Mrs. F. Watson.
 May G. Woolrych.
 A. C. Woolrych.
 S. H. C. Woolrych.
 Mr. Wymann.
 Ch. Ybloux, C.A.S.

A LA CABANE BRITANNIA.

From L'Echo des Alpes, September, 1921.

Le 17 août 1912, la Section genevoise inaugurerait la cabane "Britannia" que lui avaient donnée les membres anglais du C.A.S. groupés en "Association des membres anglais du C.A.S." Neuf ans plus tard, le 17 août de cette année, une délégation genevoise se rendait à "Britannia" pour remettre aux Anglais, réunis ce jour-là à Saas-Fée, une plaque de bronze rappelant le souvenir des collègues britanniques morts au cours de la guerre.

Donc, le mercredi 17 août 1921, les Genevois, montés la veille à la cabane, réussaient de fourbir le refuge et ses alentours tandis que le soleil, qui s'était levé dans un ciel magnifique,

commençait à disparaître derrière les brouillards de plus en plus épais amenés d'Italie par un vent du sud aussi violent que glacial.

A dix heures, on signale les premiers arrivants et, dès lors, émergeant du brouillard opaque dont est couvert le glacier de Kessjen, voici venir, les unes après les autres, les caravanes montées de Saas. Les détonations brutales de cartouches de dynamite saluent les personnages les plus importants : le Dr. Dübi qui a uni ses 72 ans aux 80 du père Imseug ; M. Graham, secrétaire de l'Association des membres anglais, le général C. G. Bruce, qui préside ce soir la réunion de nos collègues anglais, M. J. B. Bruce, le sympathique trésorier de l'Association, M. Mumm, vice-président de l'Alpine Club ; bientôt la cabane est pleine à en craquer : une soixantaine d'Anglais, de Suisses, plusieurs dames, quelques guides font honneur au thé bouillant que leur a préparé Mme. X. Eggermann, dont le dévouement et l'empressement méritent d'être loués.

Puis on distribue aux hôtes le lunch offert par la Section genevoise et préparé dans la chambre des guides par les mains expertes d'un maître queux en veston et bonnet blanc. Très pittoresque ce lunch : les uns sont assis autour des tables dans la cuisine, les autres s'installent sur les escaliers, d'autres, comme des sénateurs romains, mangent couchés sur les confortables (?) paillasses des dortoirs.

Enfin, à une heure, tout le monde s'assemble sur la terrasse, sur le côté sud de la cabane, pour assister à l'inauguration de la plaque. Il fait un froid glacial, les rafales cinglent les figures, le brouillard humide pénètre les vêtements les plus chauds. Certes, ce temps exécrable, ces nuées sinistres, ce vent déchainé contribue à rendre plus impressionnante la cérémonie qui se déroule devant la plaque dissimulée sous les drapeaux anglais et suisse réunis. C'est d'abord Edmond d'Arcis, ancien président, délégué de la Section genevoise, qui remet ce modeste monument à nos collègues anglais. En anglais, il adresse un hommage ému à ces hommes qui ont volontairement sacrifié leur vie pour leur pays et qui, en combattant, en souffrant, en mourant, nous ont aussi sauvés. Il dit la reconnaissance des Suisses envers les héros de la grande guerre, et assure tous ceux qui ont survécu à ces rudes batailles que notre amitié leur est acquise à jamais. "Ce monument, qui ne pouvait être mieux placé puisqu'il est au milieu de ces Alpes splendides où les disparus venaient chaque année retremper leurs forces et leur énergie, ce monument, dit-il, est élevé par l'amitié au courage, par la reconnaissance au sacrifice."

La plaque est alors dévoilée et l'on y peut lire l'inscription :

A la mémoire
des collègues britanniques du Club Alpin Suisse
morts au champ d'honneur.

1914-1918.

Hommage de la Section genevoise du C.A.S.

Août 1921.

Le révérend J. Lancaster bénit la plaque et le général Bruce en prend possession au nom des Anglais. Après avoir remercié les Suisses de cette preuve d'estime, il rappelle le souvenir de tous ces prisonniers de guerre que la généreuse hospitalité de la Suisse a sauvés. L'émotion atteint son paroxysme lorsque le général, qui a été grièvement blessé à Gallipoli, dit : " Je suis l'un de ces nombreux collègues dont le nom aurait aussi pu être gravé sur cette plaque, et je ne crois pas qu'on puisse éprouver de plus grande satisfaction que celle que j'éprouve en ce moment."

Le cérémonie est terminée, laissant chacun sous une impression de sérieux que traduisent les visages sévères, voire même les yeux humides ; elle fut simple mais combien émouvante, et je me souviens de plus d'un soldat de la grande guerre qui eut les larmes aux yeux, là-haut, à Britannia.

On prit alors le chemin de la vallée où, heureusement, le clair soleil nous fit un accueil joyeux.

A 8 heures du soir, dans la salle à manger du Grand Hôtel, plus de 80 clubistes anglais et suisses, et plusieurs dames étaient réunis sous la présidence du général Bruce qui, au dessert, porta la santé du Président de la Confédération et du roi d'Angleterre. Puis, dans un speech pétillant d'humour, le général proposa la santé du Club Alpin Suisse ; vieux routier de l'Himalaya, de l'Hindou-Kouch, le général Bruce est un fervent admirateur de nos Alpes où il a fait aussi mainte campagne. Vous m'en voudriez de ne point rappeler la charmante histoire dont il agrémenta son discours : avec Sir Martin Conway, dont le guide était Mathias Zurbriggen de Saas, le général fit une fois une expédition dans le Cachemire ; Zurbriggen, qui portait un piolet au fer marqué de son nom, se chargeait de former un jeune Gourkha. Quelques années plus tard, le général descendait de la cabane du Midi sur le glacier du Géant avec son même Gourkha devenu guide émérite. Tout à coup, on aperçoit un piolet dans une crevasse, on descend le Gourkha qui est le plus léger et, triomphalement, le jeune Hindou ramène au jour le piolet du seul homme qu'il connaît en Europe, celui de Mathias Zurbriggen. Or, peu de jours après, à Saas, le général raconte est incident à un alpiniste qui l'interrompt et lui dit : " C'est avec moi que Zurbriggen a perdu son piolet sur le glacier du Géant, il y a six ans." Et, en six ans, le piolet du guide de Saas avait déjà fait un voyage de 3 km. le long du glacier.

Le général Bruce est l'un des organisateurs de l'expédition au Mont Everest, et il nous conta qu'un jour, à Cardiff, au sortir d'une conférence sur cette tentative faite pour atteindre le plus haut sommet du monde, un homme très religieux s'approche et lui déclare que l'Everest l'intéresse beaucoup à cause de l'arche. L'arche de Noé se serait en effet arrêté sur ce pic encore vierge ! Et le général d'ajouter avec un fin sourire : " Vous vous représentez le travail que devait faire l'hippopotame lorsqu'il voulait aller prendre un bain et remonter dans l'arche ! "

Le secrétaire de la Section genevoise, J. Renaud-Bovy-

Lysberg, prit ensuite la parole en anglais et, en termes très heureux, apporta à nos amis d'outre-Manche le salut de nos vallées ; il rappela les services nombreux que l'Angleterre nous rendit au cours des siècles, montra la communauté d'idées et d'idéals qui unit les deux peuples et but à l'union morale de l'Angleterre et de la Suisse.

En proposant la santé de l'Alpine Club, pionnier de l'alpinisme, initiateur sur les traces duquel ont marché tous les clubs alpins, le prof. F. F. Roget, de Genève, sut habilement exprimer les angoisses par lesquelles la Suisse passa au cours de la guerre et faire comprendre aussi combien délicate et difficile fut sa situation de neutre.

M. Mumm, vice-président de l'Alpine Club, répondit en termes très heureux et adressa des paroles pleines d'affection aux Suisses présents. On entendit encore MM. Graff et Dimier qui, l'un en français, l'autre en anglais, portèrent le toast aux dames et se firent chaleureusement applaudir ; le Dr. H. J. Knottenbelt, président du Club Alpin néerlandais, insista sur les liens d'amitié qui existent entre Anglais et Hollandais et se réjouit de voir que les Alpes suisses sont le terrain où tous peuvent fraterniser ; MM. Graham et Bruce, de l'Association des membres anglais trouvèrent d'aimables paroles pour la Suisse ; M. Graham donna lecture de divers télégrammes et messages, dont un du Dr. Doret, président de la Section genevoise, et un autre de la Section neuchâteloise ; M. le Dr. Dübi, moitié en anglais, moitié en allemand, exprima la satisfaction qu'il éprouvait à se retrouver au milieu de tous ces amis de la montagne.

Il convient d'ajouter que les participants goûtèrent à leur juste saveur d'excellentes cigarettes gracieusement offertes par la maison Laurens.

On se sépara fort tard, comme il convient à une réunion de ce genre, mais avec la certitude que cette belle journée resterait gravée dans la mémoire de chacun de ceux qui eurent le bonheur de la vivre.

Nous avons pu constater, une fois encore, qu'il n'y a pas de frontières pour ceux qui ont le culte de la montagne et que, lorsqu'on a un idéal aussi élevé dans le cœur, il est facile de fraterniser malgré les différences de langue et de race.

EGMOND D'ARCIS,

Section genevoise,

*Honorary Member of Association of British Members
of Swiss Alpine Club.*

SWISS TRIBUTE TO ENGLISH FALLEN.

From *The Times*, August 23rd, 1921.

It was on August 17, 1912, that the Geneva Section of the Swiss Alpine Club inaugurated, on the heights above Saas-Fee (10,000ft.), the "Britannia" hut, a gift from the English members grouped under the name of "Association of British Members of the Swiss Alpine Club, with headquarters in London."

Nine years later exactly the Geneva section unveiled at the "Britannia" hut a bronze tablet dedicated to the English members who had fallen for their country. Last Wednesday, at midday, this moving ceremony took place. As early as 9.30 from the hut one could perceive shadows moving through the dense fog which hung over the Kessjen glacier. The arriving parties emerging from the white clouds tossed about by a strong wind were greeted by salvos of cheers. Roped together one could see young Imeng, the guide, his 80-year-old father, and Dr. Dubi, only seven years younger. With another party came General the Hon. C. G. Bruce, a hero of Gallipoli, one of the promoters of the Everest expedition; then followed Mr. Mumm, vice-president of the Alpine Club, Messrs. Graham and J. A. B. Bruce, of the Association of British Members, together with many other English and Swiss climbers, including several ladies.

The hut, which is made to contain 45 people, was crowded, as more than 60 guests and guides ate the luncheon offered by the Geneva Section. It was a picturesque scene; some were sitting round the tables in the kitchen, others on the staircase, others, like Roman Senators, were lying on the beds and berths. At 12.30 everybody assembled outside the hut, on the southern side, where the bronze tablet erected by the Geneva Section lay covered with the Union Jack and the Swiss flag. M. Edmond d'Arcis, former President of the Geneva Section, handed over the monument to General Bruce; in his speech he said Switzerland was saved by the sacrifice of those English friends who voluntarily gave their lives for their country and for the liberty of the world. "This tablet," he said, "is erected by Friendship to Courage, by Gratitude to Sacrifice." The tablet was unveiled and dedicated by the Rev. J. Lancaster. Then General Bruce thanked the Geneva Section and the Swiss for this proof of their esteem, and recalled Switzerland's generosity towards the prisoners of war. "My name," said the General, "could also have been added to those whose memory is recalled by this tablet."

It was a moving ceremony. One felt that every one of those present was deeply impressed by this simple but sincere homage paid to the British dead whose memory rests in the middle of

those gigantic Alps, at that moment swept by a roaring gale which was rolling along with it heavy clouds.

The inscription on the tablet is as follows:—

“Aux Collègues de l'Association britannique des membres
du Club Alpin Suisse tombés au champ d'honneur.
1914-1918.

“Hommage de la Section Genevoise du C.A.S.
Aout, 1921.”

REPORT OF ANNUAL WINTER DINNER. 1921.

The Annual Winter Dinner of the Association was held on Wednesday, November 23rd, at the Royal Adelaide Galleries, Gatti's Restaurant, the Chair being taken by the President, Mr. A. E. W. Mason.

About 90 members and guests attended.

Among those present were His Excellency the Swiss Minister, M. Paravicini, Lieut.-Col. Sir Francis Young-husband, K.C.S.I., K.C.I.E. (President of the Royal Geographical Society), Professor J. Norman Collie, L.L.D., F.R.S. (President of the Alpine Club), Mr. A. D. Godley, Captain T. G. Longstaff, M. Henri Martin, the President of the City Swiss Club, The Editor “The Swiss Observer,” Dr. H. L. R. Dent, Gen. the Hon. C. G. Bruce, Mr. H. G. Pulling, Mr. R. Graham, Mr. J. A. B. Bruce, Mr. W. M. Roberts, Dr. O. K. Williamson, Gerald Steel, C.B., Mr. N. E. Odell (Hon. Secretary), Mr. C. T. Lehmann (Hon. Librarian), W. Adams and Mr. A. N. Andrews (Hon. Sec.)

After the loyal toasts the Chairman gave the toast of the Swiss Confederation.

After alluding to the absence of Lord Bryce, who fulfilled the task at the last year's gathering, he expressed his delight that His Excellency the Swiss Minister would again respond, than whom we could have no better or more welcome representative of Switzerland.

The relations between the two countries were of a most cordial nature; he rejoiced at the endeavour to restore travelling facilities, but regretted that officialdom on this side rendered the abolition of visas so difficult.

The Chairman concluded by saying that like the fairy who came down from the mountains to bestow happiness on the children, the people of the plains were now looking up to the people of the mountains for the realisation of those ideals by which the League of Nations was to confer happiness upon mankind.

Mr. Paravicini in reply said—

“That his first visit to the Club was one of the darkest moments of his life, as he then keenly felt that he lacked the necessary qualifications, never having climbed one of the high peaks.

Now, however, after having been in their genial company, and thoroughly introduced to the Swiss Alps, he was quite at home, in fact he felt that his relations with Alpine climbing had become so intimate that he already looked forward to next year's invitation.

He was very proud to find himself in the company of such distinguished travellers as Sir Francis Youngbusband and General Bruce, and he thanked the Chairman and the members for the great friendship they testified for Switzerland.”

“The Alpine Club and Kindred Societies” was proposed by Mr. Reginald Graham, who said—

“Mr. President, Your Excellency, Gentlemen,—I rise to propose the toast of the Alpine Club and Kindred Societies. I had hoped to be listening myself to a speech from an expert orator, but a few days ago I received a call on the telephone, and from the other end came a cry of one in distress—it was our excellent Secretary who asked me, in desperation, to propose this toast as he had been disappointed in a speaker.

Mr. Punch's advice to those about to marry was DON'T. MY advice to those who receive such a call from Capt. Andrews is (unless they are ready and able speakers) DON'T!

I do not know whether there is an orthodox formula for introducing this toast, but last year the proposer started with Noah, and carried our interest to the end in a most brilliant discourse. I am not an expert Ar(k)æologist so I cannot compete with him; in fact he has left no pitons upon which I may rely to reach his summit of oratory.

Maybe one should start with the inception of the Alpine Club in 1857 and trace its history from that time down to 1921; don't be alarmed, for I do not intend to do so, for is it not written in that excellent work, “The Alpine Journal,” which all who are interested in Alpinism may read?

Our Chairman, in proposing the Swiss Confederation, has trespassed upon my ground and removed my last piton.

We are fortunate this evening in having with us the Presidents of the Alpine Club and the Royal Geographical Society, both of whom we have to thank and congratulate on the great success which has attended this year's expedition to

Mount Everest. Sir Francis Younghusband, President of the Royal Geographical Society, has acted as President of the Joint Committee this year, and he has been asked to act in that capacity next year also. I am sure we all glory in the great success which has attended the expedition this year, and I am sure our thanks go out to the brave men who have borne the hardships and struggles which must necessarily attend such an enterprise.

We have here to-night also General Bruce—the accepted leader for next year's expedition; his extraordinary knowledge of the Himalaya should give every hope for success. I trust that when Professor Norman Collie presents the Alpine Club with his valedictory address at the December meeting next year, he will be able to include the fact that during his three years of office as President of the Alpine Club, success has crowned the attack on Everest.

As regards the kindred societies: the Ladies' Alpine Club is going strong, I believe, and if I may judge of what I saw of the fair-sex climbers this year, they will feel greatly satisfied with their year's work.

The Climbers Club, the Fell and Rock Scottish Mountaineering Club, the Yorkshire Ramblers, etc., still carry all before them, carrying the wrestle with the perpendicular to the point nearest to the impossible.

I ask you to drink a bumper to the toast "The Alpine Club and Kindred Societies," coupled with the names of Professor Norman Collie and Sir Francis Younghusband."

Professor J. Norman Collie, LL.D., F.R.S., who, on rising, was greatly applauded, replied on behalf of the Alpine Club.

He continually dreamed about mountains, especially that horrible Mount Everest, and he, too, hoped that by the end of 1922 they would hear the last of the latter. He gave some delightful anecdotes of General Bruce, who is to be the leader of next year's expedition, and referred at some length to the tremendous hardships imposed upon its members.

Lieut.-Col. Sir Francis Younghusband, K.C.S.I., K.C.I.E. (President of the Royal Geographical Society), who was greeted with no small ovation, paid a graceful tribute to Swiss Alpine climbing.

He related some personal reminiscences when, at the age of 24, he was exploring the then unknown regions of Tibet, often in altitudes of 19,000 feet; it was at that time that he became acquainted with the leader of the next expedition, General Bruce, who already then had conceived the idea of conquering Mount Everest. Until recently certain political difficulties had stood in the way of achieving this object; the mountain itself presented, in his opinion, no great obstacles in fact, he might

say that Mount Everest was an easy mountain, but we were unable at present to ascertain the resistance and endurance that human nature was capable of offering at an altitude of 24,600 feet.

Mr. W. M. Roberts in proposing the guests said, among other things—

“Besides the many and probably distinguished guests present here to-night whose names I do not know, there are with us three whom I must particularly associate with this toast—Professor Collie, Sir Francis Younghusband and Mr. Godley. Professor Collie is known to all mountaineers as the President of the Alpine Club, and as a pioneer in the mountains in all parts of the world—the Alps, the Himalayas, the Caucasus, the Rockies, Norway and no doubt elsewhere. He particularly interests many of us because, like Mr. Godley, he was concerned in rockclimbing in the British Isles in its early days. I do not know whether he, like other Presidents of the Alpine Club, has had a mountain named after him in the Rockies, but in this country his name will live for ever in Collie's Step, and he has certainly an Exit named after him somewhere too.

Sir Francis Younghusband, the President of the Geographical Society, tells us he is not a mountaineer. I am sorry about this. It destroys me of my illusion. I had always regarded him as a man to be envied, who, during his life in India, could have a really good time in the mountains when he wanted, by just ordering a couple of hundred of his retainers to go off with him for a month to a first-class hotel in the Karakoram, or running off now and then for a week-end to Tashi Dumpo, where he could take tea with his friend, the something Lama.

I come now to Mr. Godley, the Public Orator at Oxford, who is to reply to this toast. I remember the last time I heard him speak at Oxford, he spoke in Latin, and I did not understand very much of what he said. I hope he will not do so on this occasion. Mr. Godley is known to us as a mountaineer, but he is better known to us as a poet. Many people have written poetry more or less successfully about mountains, but Mr. Godley alone has written, with success, a poem about climbing. We are always hoping he will do it again, and in order to spur him on to further efforts I feel I ought to tell him he had a rival. I will venture to quote from the words of this artist in order that you may realise that this is so—

No dread crevasse, no rugged steep,
 No crack in the dizzy height,
 But knows the crash of a human heap
 Thudding into the night.
 Ask not the dead who slumber now
 In the village grave hard by,
 How they rolled from the mountain brow,
 And toppled down from the sky.

I ask Mr. Godley; can he write poetry like that? I rather hope he can't.”

Mr. A. D. Godley said—

“English Alpinists owed much gratitude to the Association (not only for ensuring payment of S.A.C. subscription by undeserving outsiders like myself) but for the good work which it does in strengthening the friendship between the Swiss and ourselves in times when influences have been at work which might endanger that friendship. There is no reason why we should not be now the ‘most favoured nation,’ as we were, for different reasons, 30 or 40 years ago ; but we must give the Swiss definite reasons for locating us as such. Many of them showed their willingness so to do in the war.”

General Bruce, in response to a general desire for a speech, gave a short account of three previous attempts to climb Mount Everest.

Captain T. G. Longstaff proposed the health of the Chairman, who suitably responded.

PRESENTATION TO THE HON. TREASURER.

During the evening a presentation was made to Mr. J. A. B. Bruce, the Hon. Treasurer of the Association.

Mr. H. G. Pulling, in asking the Chairman to make the presentation, stated that—

“The members wished to recognize the extraordinary services rendered by Mr. Bruce since the foundation of the Association. Time did not allow him to enumerate the many expressions of appreciation which he had received from Members ; he only wished to single out a letter received from the Geneva Section of the Swiss Alpine Club.”

The following letter was received—

CLUB ALPIN SUISSE,
SECTION GENEVOISE,
November 11th, 1921.

JAMES A. B. BRUCE, ESQ.,
LONDON.

Dear Mr. Bruce,

At this specially opportune moment, when your colleagues of the British Association have presented you with a proof of their esteem, may we, your friends of the Geneva section be allowed also to offer you a tangible mark of our friendship.

The Geneva section will remember you always as the god-father of so many English who have swelled our ranks, and as one of the foremost to aid with untiring energy the work of

erecting the magnificent Britannia Hut, of which the Alpine Club is justly proud.

Then as Hon. Secretary and Treasurer of the British Association you have rendered important service to our Club by giving your invaluable help for the formation of the British Association, to which we are attached as to a daughter, who fills us with pride.

As a mark of the deepest gratitude for your inestimable work in favour of the Geneva Section of the Alpine Club, we present to you this small silver goblet which we beg you to accept in the name of your Geneva friends and well-wishers and in the name of the Geneva Section of the Swiss Alpine Club.

DR. E. DORET, *President*.

J. L. RENAUD, *Secrétaire*.

The Chairman then presented Mr. Bruce with a beautifully-illuminated address, emphasising that it was solely due to his strenuous work and self-sacrificing interest that the Association had survived the critical years of the war. A pair of binoculars, an aneroid barometer, a fitted suit case and a cheque accompanied the presentation, as well as a special silver drinking cup, the gift of the Geneva Section.

Mr. J. A. B. Bruce (Hon. Treasurer) said—

“Mr. President,—I thank you and Mr. Pulling for the more than kind references to myself. The Album, so beautifully illuminated and containing the names of so many kind friends who have subscribed to this testimonial, “is a thing of beauty and a joy for ever,” and will always be valued by me to the end of my life. When Mr. Pulling wrote and asked what I should like done with the balance I replied, “Give it in my name to the Geneva Section for the repair or enlargement of the Cabane Britannia.” In reply I was informed that this was not considered “personal” enough to myself, and a Piece of Silver Plate was suggested. At my age, and as I am unmarried and, moreover, being a person of very simple tastes, I was not very willing to have such grandeur thrust upon me. A friend of mine told me he had received a similar gift and that it had reposed in the caverns of his bank, and he had only once seen it in ten years. Another friend has just inherited a piece of presentation plate from an uncle, and as he said it was no use to him he had had it melted down. I did not see my nephew getting the chance to act in a similar way, so I replied in the words of St. Paul to Timothy, “Give me a little wine for my stomach’s sake.” That should, I think, be personal enough. Replenish my cellar, so sadly denuded during the war, so that I can continue, as I was wont, to give a bottle of good wine to my friends, especially those of our British Association, when

they do me the honour to come and stay with me (cheers). I can give very good precedents for this. My friend, Dr. Dubi, one of our Honorary Members, was not long ago presented with an illuminated address and 50 bottles of the very best wine. I know how excellent because I gave him my assistance in drinking two of them when I dined with him at Bern last year (laughter). Then, as Bon Gaultier mentions, there is the Poet Laureate who receives—

“A butt of sherry to make himself merry,
And nothing to do but to pocket the gold.”

But no, Mr. Pussyfoot Johnson got at Mr. Pulling just before returning to America and my prayer was denied, and I was saved all further trouble in the matter by the sub-committee choosing these beautiful gifts for me.

The Zeiss Field Glasses through which I shall be able to watch from *below*, young and adventurous spirits like Mr. Graham scaling the empyrean heights of the Matterhorn which, owing to advancing age, I myself am apparently considered unable ever again to attain.

The Aneroid Barometer is, I see, very thoughtfully only graded up to 5,000 feet above the sea—I suppose a hint of the limit I am likely to be able to ascend in the future. No more Cabane Britannia's, no more Arolla's, or even Zermatt's for me, but Chamounix still remains at 3,445 feet.

The Dress Suit Case, with its silver fittings! Well, being a person of simple life I can only hope, if indeed I ever dare to take it away with me, that it will not by its magnificence inspire in the breasts of domestics in private house or hotel the hope of obtaining greater largess than I can ever hope to gratify.

I also thank the Geneva Section for their kind thought in sending me this silver goblet. I will often drink their healths in it. I believe I am “parrain” to many hundreds of their members, but in this country the gifts are usually the other way.

I am very grateful to the large number of my friends in the Association, 152 in all, who have given me these presents, and I shall never forget their kindness” (cheers).



THE
ASSOCIATION OF BRITISH MEMBERS
OF THE
SWISS ALPINE CLUB.

RULES.

1. NAME.

The name of the Association shall be "The Association of British Members of the Swiss Alpine Club."

2. OBJECTS.

- (a) To encourage British Alpinists to support the Swiss Alpine Club in all its work, by becoming members of a section of that body.
- (b) To collect funds and present to the S.A.C. a club hut, and for such other purposes as the Association may from time to time determine.
- (c) To form a body able to present a collective opinion to the S.A.C. on any question of Alpine interest.
- (d) To promote among British members the sociability which is so conspicuous a feature of the Swiss sections, but from which we are necessarily debarred by living at a distance from the head-quarters of our sections. This is done by Monthly Informal Dinners, Lectures, Smoking "At Homes," and showing Alpine Slides on the Lantern at the Club Room, 436, Strand, W.C.

3. CONSTITUTION.

Officers—President

Vice-Presidents To be elected annually,
Two Hon. Secretaries in November or Dec.
Hon. Treasurer
Hon. Auditor

with power to the Committee to increase the number of Officers by two if it is so desired.

Members—1. Ordinary. The qualification for ordinary membership shall be "membership of some section of the S.A.C."

2. Honorary. To be elected at the discretion of the Committee.

4. SUBSCRIPTION.

The Annual Subscription to the Association shall be 10/- per annum, payable at election. The payment of £4 4s. shall be considered as equivalent to the annual payment of 10/-.

For those elected before 1921 it is optional whether they pay 5/- or 10/- subscription or £2 2s. 0d. or £4 4s. 0d. for Life Membership.

Annual Subscriptions shall be due on 1st January of each year and any member whose subscription shall not have been paid on or before 1st April shall cease to be a member of the Association, but may be reinstated on payment of arrears, at the discretion of the Committee. Any member joining after the 1st November shall not be required to pay his subscription for the ensuing year.

5. GENERAL MEETINGS.

There shall be at least two General Meetings in the year, viz., The Annual General Meeting and a dinner in November or December, a more informal meeting in June, and such Winter meetings as the Committee may think fit.

6: POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

- (a) The Committee may, by a two-third majority of those present, call upon any member to resign if they consider his conduct to be incompatible with Membership of the Association, but such member shall have the right of appeal to the next general or special meeting, which shall have the power of confirming or annulling, by a two-third majority, the decision of the Committee.
- (b) The Committee, on the requisition of 12 members, may call, at any time, a Special General Meeting, provided that *seven* clear days' notice shall be given to all members of such a Special General Meeting, together with full information as to the place, time, and business to be transacted.

- (c) The Committee shall have the power to submit any new proposal affecting the Association to a General or Special General Meeting of the members of the Association.

7. COMMITTEE.

The Committee shall consist of *ex-officio* members and ordinary members.

- (a) The *ex-officio* members shall be the officers of the Association for the time being.
- (b) The ordinary members of the Committee shall be 12 in number ; and shall be elected at the Annual Meeting of the Association ; one-third of these shall retire annually and shall be eligible for re-election after * one year has elapsed. The Committee may co-opt not more than three additional members, one of whom must retire yearly ; the mode of election and the manner of retirement to rest with the Committee. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

* Year ends 31st December.

The Committee may suggest names for Officers and Committee, but this is not to be taken as precluding any two members from nominating candidates, whose consent, however, must be previously obtained.

At least 'three weeks' notice of the Annual Meeting shall be given to every member ; and nominations for Officers and Committee must be sent in to the secretaries at least ten days before the Annual Meeting. In the event of more candidates being nominated than there are vacancies the election shall be by ballot.

8. ACCOUNTS.

The accounts of the Association shall be audited in January and presented by the Treasurer at the next General Meeting of the Club, and shall be published with the Annual Report.

9. CASUAL VACANCIES.

The Committee shall have power to fill up casual vacancies amongst the Officers or Committee ; and those chosen shall serve for the unexpired period of office to which the member whom they succeed was entitled.

10. ROOM FOR MEETINGS and LIBRARY.

The Committee shall have power to hire premises for the purposes of the Association, and have done so at Gatti's, 436, Strand, W.C. (2nd floor).

11. AN ANNUAL REVIEW.

The Committee shall have power to publish an Annual Review and appoint an Editor when they think the funds of the Club will permit.

12. ALTERATION OF RULES.

A General Meeting shall have power, by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the members present and voting to alter or add to the existing rules of the Club.

13. REGULATIONS.

The Committee shall have power to make such regulations, not being inconsistent with these rules, as they think to be for the well-being of the Club.

14. THE CHAIRMAN.

The Chairman whether at a General Meeting or at a Meeting of the Committee shall in case of an equality of votes have a second or casting vote.

15. MONTHLY INFORMAL DINNERS.

These are held at our Club Room, 436, Strand, on 4th Wednesday in each month. Price 5/6.

HOW TO BELONG TO SWISS ALPINE CLUB.

Those who do not yet belong to the Swiss Alpine Club and desire to do so, can be put up at once, even if they do not wish to belong to our Association. They should write to the Treasurer, J. A. B. BRUCE, Selborne Lodge, Guildford, and state whether they wish to join a French, German, or Italian speaking section. *The subscription varies slightly in the various sections, *e.g.*, in Geneva 29 francs a year and 20 francs entrance fee. The Association can arrange to pay the subscription to the S.A.C. yearly, or will supply Banker's Forms for that purpose. If the first year's subscription and entrance fee is sent the candidate can be elected at once. If he wishes to obtain the full advantage of membership he should also enclose a small photograph of himself, this will be endorsed by our Treasurer and returned on his card of membership. If, in addition, he wishes to belong to our Association in England, the subscription is only 10/- a year or £4 4s. 0d. for life.

The Central Committee of the Swiss Alpine Club have cordially approved of the formation of our Society, and most of the British members have joined our Association.

* The subscription in English money varies slightly also with the rate of exchange.

ADVANTAGES OF BELONGING TO THE SWISS ALPINE CLUB.

Members of the Club obtain reductions on certain Swiss Railway (*e.g.*, half-price on Zermatt Railway), half-price at certain Huts ; a RIGHT of entry at the Club Huts, instead of being there on SUFFERANCE ; a fortnightly paper and monthly magazine in a French section free ; the Jahrbüch, a well-illustrated Annual, half-price (6 francs), and other advantages. In a German speaking section the Jahrbüch is compulsory and included in minimum subscription, but the Echo des Alpes is extra.

A good feeling is created amongst the Swiss when they see British climbers, who use their Huts, contributing to their support by becoming members of the S.A.C.

Club Hut Album contains pictures of all the S.A.C. Huts, and descriptions ; it is issued as a supplement to Jahrbüch.

Informal Dinners (5/6) are held by the British Members at their Club Room, 436, Strand, W.C., on the 4th Wednesday in each month, except August and December, at which members who are interested in climbing meet and become acquainted with one another. Lantern slides are generally shown after the dinner.

INSURANCE OF GUIDES.

The S.A.C. contributes one-half the cost of insurance, if the guide pays the other half.

LIST OF MEMBERS
OF THE
Association of British Members
Swiss Alpine Club.

1922.

(CORRECTED TO MARCH 20th, 1922.)

* Indicates Life Member : *Italics*, Hon. Member : 'AC.' Alpine Club. Sections of S.A.C. in brackets.

- Adams, W. (*Geneva*), Orchard House, Saffron Walden
 Adams, W. G., 'AC.' (*Diablerets*), Blatchington House, Seaford
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 *Aitken, S., 'AC.' (*Geneva*)
 Allen, B., 'AC.' (*Montreux*), 14, Gainsboro' Gardens, Hampstead, N.W. 3
 Allen, Dr. Freeman, 'AC.' (*Oberland*), 200, Beacon Street, Boston, U.S.A.
 *Anderson, J. G. (*Geneva*), 2, Edgridge Road, Croydon
 Andrews, A. N., 'AC.' (*Grindelwald*), *Hon. Sec.*, Southfield, Ryde, and 34, Great Ormond Street, W.C. 1
 Ashby, R. C., 'AC.' (*Diablerets*), 16, Northlands Road, Southampton
 Backhouse, Edward, 'AC.' (*Geneva*), 50, Higher Drive, Purley, Surrey
 *Baer, J. (*Jaman*), 80, Holland Park, W.
 *Bainbridge-Bell, Rev. F. C., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), St. Luke's Vicarage, The Avenue, Kew Gardens, Surrey
 Baker, H. K. (*Geneva*), Links House, Beacon Hill, Hindhead
 Barker, A. E., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), 71, Fountaine Road, Edgbaston
 *Barnard, W. (*Oberland*), 3, New Court, Lincoln's Inn, W.C.
 Barnes, A., 'AC.' (*Oberland*), Board of Trade, S.W., and 22, Park Hill, Ealing, W. 5
 *Barrow, Harrison (*Geneva*), 35, Frederick Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham
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 Bartrum, Capt. G., 'AC.' (*Grindelwald*), Brambletye, Guildown, Guildford
 Bateman, Rev. A. B. (*Geneva*), Woodlands, Auderston Park Road, Moseley, Birmingham

- Beauman, Flight-Commander E. B., R.A.F., 'AC.' (*Geneva*),
Seafield, Sea View, Isle of Wight
- *Bell, Rev. G. (*Geneva*), The Vicarage, Romford
- Bentley, E. (*Neuchatel*), 22, Stanley Gardens, W.
- Bernoud, A. (*Geneva*), Les Pives, Av Wendt 23, Pt Saconnex,
Geneva (Hon. Member)
- *Bezencenet, M. (*Geneva*), 34, Fenchurch Street, London, E.C.
- Bird, Major L. W., D.S.O., 'AC.' (*Monte Rosa*), Ruxley Lodge,
Claygate, Surrey
- *Blackden, Brig.-Gen. L. S., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), The Jewell House,
Marden, Kent (*life Member Geneva*)
- Blampied, C. G. (*Geneva*), 7, Elizabeth Place, St. Hiliers,
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- *Blunt, Lt.-Col. W. S., R.E., 'AC.' (*Monte Rosa*), c/o Cox and
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- *Bowdoin, H. C., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), c/o Messrs. Bariug & Son,
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- Boyd, Dr. Alexander (*Geneva*), The Manor House, Ware
- Bradford, Rev. O. (*Geneva*), 4, St. Clements Rd., Bournemouth
- Bradley, Major M. G., 'AC.' (*Oberland*), Hemingford Abbots,
St. Ives, Huntingdon
- *Brant, R. W., C.M.G., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), 55, Chatsworth Road,
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- *Brigg, J. J., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), Kildwick Hall, Keighley (*life
Geneva*)
- Brockman, Rev. Ralph, 'AC.' (*Grindelwald*), St. John's Vicar-
age, The Brooke, Liverpool
- Brooke, Rev. H. S., 'AC.' (*Grindelwald*), Wadhurst, Sussex
- Brooke, W. M. (*Geneva*), Wadhurst, Sussex
- *Brown, Eric (*Lagern*), Baden, Switzerland
- Brown, S. K. (*Geneva*), India Office, S.W., and 23, Reynold's
Close, Hampstead Way, N.W.
- Browne, G. E. (*Moleson*), Sandy Nook, Maybury Common,
Woking
- Browne, The Right Rev. George Forrest, D.D., 'AC.' (*Bern*),
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- Bruce, General Hon. C. G., M.V.O., 'AC.' (*Monte Rosa*), c/o
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- *Bruce, J. A. B., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), Selborne Lodge, Guildford,
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- Brunner, Felix (*Monte Rosa*), 43, Harrington Gardens, S.W.
- *Brunner, Sir J. F. L., Bart. (*Bern*), 43, Harrington Gds., S.W.
- Bryce, Right Hon. Viscount, O.M., D.C.L., F.R.S., 'AC.' (*Hon.
Member*), died January, 1922
- Burnett, T. R., Dr. Sc. (*Uto*), County Buildings, Dumfries, N.B.
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- *Carr-Saunders, A. M., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), Department Comparative Anatomy Museum, Oxford
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 Chapuis, C. L. (*Geneva*), 72, Roseberry Avenue, London
 Chorley, R. S. T. (*Geneva*), 3, Dr. Johnson's Buildings, London, E.C. 4
- *Christison, McC. (*Geneva*), Dulwich College, S.E. 21
- *Clarke, A. E., 'AC.' (*Diablerets*), 46, Finchley Road, N.W.
 Clarke, L. W., 'AC.' (*Oberland*), 5, Ladbrook Square, W.
 Clason, C. (*Bern*), 2, Bickenhall Mansions, Gloucester Place, W. 1
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 Coddington, E., 'AC.' (*Diablerets*), St. John's School, Leatherhead
- Collen, D. (*Geneva*). The Bridge, Chippenham
- *Collier, Hon. Eric (*Geneva*), Traveller's Club, Pall Mall, S.W., and 39, Montague Road, Richmond
- Collun, A. J. (*Geneva*), Bank of England, E.C.
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- Cooper, J. H. (*Geneva*), Lancing College, Shoreham, Sussex
 Correvon, H. (*Ex-President of Geneva Section*), *Hon. Member*, Floraire, Chêne, Bourg, Geneva
- Corry, Robert, 'AC.' (*Monte Rosa*), Ivanhoe, Alders Road, Reigate
- *Cory-Wright, Sir A., Bart. (*Geneva*), Ayot Place, Welwyn
- *Cotterell, H. C. (*Diablerets*), 11, Redcross Street, Liverpool
- *Courtney, H. G. (*Diablerets*), Marlfield, St. James Road, Winchester
- *Currie, J. M. (*Geneva*), 23, Upper Phillimore Gardens, Kensington, W.
- *Cushen, C. O. (*Geneva*), Down Cottage, Cliff End, Purley, Surrey
- *Cutforth, A. E., 'AC.' (*Geneva*); Hatters Croft, Sawbridge-worth, Herts
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- Dandridge, H. C. (*Geneva*), Dulverton, Coperscope Road, Beckenham, Kent
- D'Arcis, E. (*Geneva*), 1, Florissant, Geneva (*Hon. Member*)
- *Davison, H. E. (*Geneva*), c/o Dalgetty & Co., 45, Bishopsgate, London, E.C., and 15, Old Burlington Street, W.
- Davey, C. A. (*Bern*), Paternoster Row, Sheffield
- *Dawson, Rev. Canon James, 'AC.' (*Diablerets*), The Rectory, Chislehurst
- Dawson, Colonel W. R. (*Geneva*), 7, Ailsbury Road, Dublin

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- *Dehu, Harold (*Oberhasli*), Moss Bank, Oak Road, Withington, Manchester
- *Deut, Dr. H. L. R., 'AC.' (*Diablerets*), 29, St. Mary Abbots Terrace, Kensington, W. 14 (V.P.)
- *Dent, J. Y., 'AC.' (*Diablerets*), 29, St. Mary Abbots Terrace, Kensington
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- Devereux, Rev. Canon (*Geneva*), Christchurch Vicarage, Woking
- *Dimier, G. D. (*Geneva*), 46, Cannon Street, E.C., and 532, Lordship Lane, Dulwich, S.E. (*life Geneva*)
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- *Dixon, W. S., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), Hillbrow, Overslade, Rugby
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 Donner, E. J. S. (*Geneva*), Mere Court, Chelford, Cheshire
- *Drummond, J. W., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), Westerlands, Stirling (*life Geneva*)
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- Earle, J. Greville (*Geneva*), c/o Messrs. Hodgson, Morris & Co., 41, North John Street, Liverpool
- Edwards, H., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), 2, The Abbey Ruins, Bury St. Edmonds
- Egerton, Capt. W. de M., R.N. (*Geneva*), 46, Palace Gardens Terrace, W. 8
- *Ellis, F. N., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), Debdale Hall, Mansfield (*life Geneva*)
- *Ellison, George (*Burgdorf*), Flint Green House, Acocks Green, Birmingham
- *Ellwood, T. Ashcroft, M.D. (*Neuchatel*), 99, Tollington Park, London, N. 4
- *Ellwood, Victor C., R.A.M.C. (*Grindelwald*), 99, Tollington Park, London, N. 4
- *Evans, R. Du B. (*Geneva*), c/o Messrs. Cotterell & Greig, Post Box No. 1, Bagdad (*life Geneva*)
- *Farmer, Professor J. B., F.R.S., 'AC.' (*Bern*), Shirley Holm, South Park, Gerards Cross, Bucks
- Fewtrell, J. W. (*Oberhasli*), 48, Frewin Road, Wandsworth Common, S.W. 18
- Fielding, R. (*Lanterbrunnen*), Hillcroft, Warbreck Hill Road, Blackpool
- *Finzi, N. S., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), 107, Harley Street, London, W. 1
 Fitzpatrick, Rev. T. C., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), Queen's College, Cambridge
- *Fletcher, Colonel P., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), The Boyce, Bagshot Rd., Woking
- *Foa, Edgar, 'AC.' (*Bregaglia*), 34, de Vere Gardens, W. 8
- Forbes, J. W. F., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), Christ's Hospital, Horsham
- Fordham, Sir H. G. (*Diablerets*), Odsey, Ashwell, Baldock, Herts

- *Fothergill, Dr. C. (*Geneva*), 150, Harley Street, London, W.
- *Fowler, G. W. T., 'AC.' (*Oberhasli*), c/o Messrs. Lithgow and Pepper, 29A, Wimpole Street, London, W.
- Francis, E. C., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), Cold Spring Ranch, Procter, British Columbia
- Franklin, W. (*Diablerets*), Sheafdale, Lemsford Rd., St. Albans
- *Fraser, Major A. H., R.A. (*Oberhasli*), c/o Cox & Co., 16, Charing Cross, S.W., and Stretton, Bradfield, Berks
- Frazer, R. A., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), National Physical Laboratory, Teddington
- Freshfield, Douglas W.*, 'AC.' (*Hon. Member*), Wych Cross Place, Forest Row, Sussex
- Frieschmann, E. S. (*Geneva*), Quarnford, Kinnaird Road, Withington, Manchester
- Fuller, C. O. (*Geneva*), Hemmingford, Abotts Huntingdon
- *Fynn, V. A., 'AC.' (*Uto*), Racquet Club, St. Louis, U.S.A.
- Gait, H. J. (*Geneva*), Platts Lodge, 3, Platts Lane, Hampstead, N.W. 3
- Gait, J. C., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), 22, Aldermanbury, London, E.C.
- *Galbraith, W. (*Geneva*), 16, Castle Street, Edinburgh
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- *Gask, S., 'AC.' (*Geneva*), The Hill, Westby, Kirkham, Lancs
- Gilson, J. P. (*Oberhasli*), British Museum, W.C.
- Glazebrook, Sir R. T., K.C.B., F.R.S. (*Geneva*), 63, Grange Rd., Cambridge
- Goldsmith, Dr. J. N. (*Geneva*), 67, Chancery Lane, W.C.
- *Gooch, H. M., O.B.E. (*Geneva*), 67, Chestnut Road, West Norwood
- *Gordon, R. (*Geneva*), 73, Sydenham Road, North Croydon
- Gotch, M. (*Geneva*), Lindesfarne College, Westcliffe-on-Sea
- Gower, J. J. (*Altels*), Mansfield Woodhouse, Mansfield
- *Graham, Reginald, 'AC.' (*Geneva*), Cumberland House, Acton, W. 3 (Hon. Auditor)
- Grant, Major D. F., M.C., R.F.A. (*Geneva*), 12, Glebe Road, Reading
- *Greaves, A., 'AC.' (*Grindelwald*), c/o National Prov. Bank, Fargate, Sheffield, and School Cottage, Baslow Bakewell, Derbyshire
- Greene, Raymond (*Geneva*), Pembroke College, Oxford
- Greene, Rev. W. B. (*Geneva*), Federal Reserve Bank, 925, Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, U.S.A.
- *Grenfell, Captain F. H., D.S.O., R.N. (*Geneva*), The United Services Club, Pall Mall, S.W. 1
- *Grimthorpe, The Lord (*Geneva*), 14, Hyde Park Gardens, W. 2
- Grindon, Rev. H. (*Geneva*), Brompton Hospital, London, S.W. 3
- Guggenheim, E. A. (*Geneva*), Caius College, Cambridge
- Guggenheim, O. A. (*Geneva*), Charterhouse, Godalming
- Gurdon, Rev. B. P. (*Geneva*), The Vicarage, Witheyham-St. Johns, Crowborough, Sussex
- Gurdon, Lt.-Col., C.I.E., D.S.O. (*Geneva*), Heatherfield, The Warren, Crowborough, Sussex

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