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REVIEWS.

SCOTTISH MOUNTAINEERING CLUB JOURNAL. No. 55.
January, 1908.

VOL. 10 of this excellent publication starts with a good average number. There are four articles—one by Mr. Ling on An Teallach, etc., a second by Mr. Raeburn on a good rock climb he discovered at Loch Avon, a third by a worthy K. C., entitled, "A Skye Highway"; he presumably describes his route as a highway from the amount of road metal he struggled over, ready for any enterprising road contractor to cart away. The fourth article, "Some Mechanics of the Rope and Axe," is by Mr. Gilbert Thomson, the President of the Club. Among the etceteras which make up the number a song entitled "Verses at Rosthwaite" is worthy of note. There is a verve and go about it which climbers will appreciate, and we believe we are correct in thinking that the feminine initials S. S. (-ess) conceal the identity of a lady climber.

SCOTTISH MOUNTAINEERING CLUB JOURNAL. No. 56.
May, 1908.

A LARGE portion of this number is taken up by an account of how a party of three spent a day and a night on the Tower Ridge of Ben Nevis at the Club's 1908 New Year Meet. Like Browning's "Ring and the Book," the tale is told from three standpoints (1) the second man on the rope, (2) the third man, and (3) the search party. It was fortunate that weather conditions were more favourable on that particular night than is often the case at that time of year. The S. M. C. Guide

Book article in this number is concerned with Arran, and Mr. H. Macrobert gives a capital account of the climbing and scrambles to be had on that delightful island. The article is capitally illustrated.

CAIRNGORM CLUB JOURNAL. No. 30. January, 1908.

THIS number contains several interesting articles. The only one we would specially mention is that by Mr. Wm. C. Walsh, entitled "Camping on the Cairngorms." This describes the adventures of a party of three, who with a portable tent did battle royal with the contending elements. The huge distances in the Cairngorms, the lack of a suitable centre and the uncertainty of the weather make a portable tent in that district a great convenience. Might we suggest to the Cairngorm Club that the expenditure of a few pounds would make the famous Shelter Stone wind and water tight, to the great comfort of the devotees of solitude. Must a special Act of Parliament be passed for this purpose, or could the scheme be worked in under a new "Access to Mountains" Bill?

CAIRNGORM CLUB JOURNAL. No. 31. July, 1908.

FROM the Pennine Alps to Torridon we are led by a devious track, under the guidance of two clerics, two M.A.'s, an F.R.G.S., not to mention one or two ordinary mortals who rejoice in no letters. A number of general interest both to the climber and the layman.