

EVEREST

A catalogue of books, ephemera, and artefacts relating to
the exploration of the world's highest peak on the 60th
anniversary of its first ascent

including

Books from the libraries
of
George Lowe and Michael Ward
Members of the 1953 Expedition

With a Foreword

by

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Times Correspondent with the 1953 Expedition



AQUILA BOOKS



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Sooner or later the great moments of human adventure are subsumed into legend or poetry. Odysseus wanders the wine-dark sea. Cortez stands silent on his peak in Darien. Henry Stanley presumes. “Titus” Oates warns he may be some time. Neil Armstrong takes a giant step, and Ed Hillary, sixty years ago, returns from the summit of Mount Everest and says “Well, George, we’ve knocked the bastard off.”

The first ascent of the highest place on earth is not yet blurred into the mythical, has not yet produced its high art or its holy relics, but the historic British Everest Expedition of 1953 already exerts a powerful fascination of its own, tinged with affectionate nostalgia. The “George” of Hillary’s *cri de coeur* was George Lowe, the last survivor of the expedition’s climbers, and he died only a few months before the 60th anniversary of the triumph.

Everest mementos of many kinds appear in this remarkable catalogue, from pamphlets and postcards to ice-axes, but it is dominated of course by books. Many of them come from George Lowe’s own library, together with those of another of the climbers, Michael Ward. *Everestiana* (if there is such a word) may not yet have entered the connoisseurs’ vocabulary, but the inclusion of these particular volumes in this commemorative memento strikes me as symbolically proper. One of those two men was an archetypically tough and courteous New Zealand schoolmaster, the other a fiery English surgeon who was to dedicate all his later life to the public health service.

For to my mind the 1953 Everest expedition was above all decent. Its reputation was besieged for a time by the squalors of nationalism, but jingo was never its own style, and there was nothing flashy to its postures. Some of its members - John Hunt the leader, Hillary and Tensing the first summiteers - were to become world celebrities, commemorated in medals, street names and postage stamps. Most of them, though, like Lowe and Ward, played vital parts in the adventure but were content with a modicum of celebrity, and to the end of their days pursued lives of useful citizenship. It is right that books (together with ice-axes) should represent the memory of such people, and of such an adventure too – an adventure which revealed no new oceans, opened no immense new prospects for mankind, but will always be remembered, I think, as it morphs into its own myths, as a grand innocent allegory of the human potential.

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26 April 2013

George Lowe (1924-2013)



Wallace George Lowe participated in important climbing expeditions to the great ranges of the world, and joined the Commonwealth Trans-Antarctic Expedition as photographer. Lowe was born in Hastings, New Zealand, in 1924. During holidays, he climbed in the New Zealand Alps, and met there Edmund Hillary. The friendship that developed between them continued during the many expeditions in which they participated together.

In 1951, Lowe and Hillary took part in the first New Zealand climbing expedition to the Himalaya. The two men joined the Cho Oyu expedition of 1952 led by Eric Shipton, when they made an attempt on the summit. Lowe returned to the Himalaya in 1953 with the successful Everest Expedition, playing an important role in driving a route up the Lhotse face in preparation for the summit attempts. In 1954, Lowe joined Hillary on another Himalayan expedition to the Barun Valley and an attempt on Makalu.

Lowe next participated in the first great post-war Antarctic endeavour, the Commonwealth Trans-Antarctic Expedition 1955-1958, on which he was photographer and cinematographer. Lowe subsequently took part in a series of expeditions: the 'Silver Hut' Expedition of 1960-1 in the Everest area; the "Yeti Expedition" to Rowaling; John Hunt's climbing expeditions to Greenland and the Pamirs, and elsewhere.



Outside of this work on expeditions, George Lowe pursued his career in teaching, with appointments at Repton School and a decade at Grange School in Santiago, Chile. In 1973 he became an Inspector of Schools in the UK, until his retirement. In 1989 he helped to establish the Sir Edmund Hillary Himalayan Trust UK, of which he was the first chairman until 2003.

Michael Ward (1925-2005)



Michael Phelps Ward made important contributions to Himalayan climbing and exploration, high altitude physiology, and the cartography of Everest. Born in London, he was educated at Marlborough College, where his housemaster was Edwin Kempson, a member of the 1935 and 1936 Everest expeditions.

Ward's enthusiasm for climbing led him to research the possibility of an approach to Everest from the south side, resulting in the 1951 Everest Reconnaissance led by Eric Shipton, in which Ward participated. Confirmation of a southern route opened the way for the successful 1953 expedition, which Ward joined as doctor.

Ward's association with the 1953 Everest expedition physiologist, Griff Pugh, awakened interest in high altitude physiology, and the two men later conceived and participated in the so-called Silver Hut expedition of 1960-1, a mountaineering/scientific undertaking that examined the effects of prolonged stay at high altitude. In perhaps his most important mountaineering achievement, Ward and 3 others made the first ascent of Ama Dablam during the winter that the expedition spent in the Himalayas.



Ward's interest in high altitude physiology led him to write, with John West and Jim Milledge, the first textbook on the subject. He made two medical trips to the remote Lunana region of Bhutan in 1964 & 1965. His career as a surgeon left little time for serious climbing, but in 1980-1 he headed the successful expedition to Kongur, another joint climbing/scientific project, and in 1985 joined the Tibetan Plateau Geotraverse.



On retirement, Ward devoted his time to scholarly pursuits, writing on the cartography of Everest, the Pundits, and an excellent history *Everest: A Thousand Years of Exploration* (Ernest Press, 2003).

Portrait of Michael Ward, commissioned when Master of the Society of Apothecaries

Note

On May 29th, 1953, James Morris watched George Lowe lead Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay back to camp: George “was raising his arm and waving as he walked! It was thumbs up! Everest was climbed!” (*Coronation Everest*, p. 126).

Sixty years ago Hillary and Tenzing stepped onto the summit of Everest, the first men to do so. That achievement brought them worldwide recognition and celebration, and marked a turning-point not only in their lives and the lives of their fellow expedition members, but also in the history of mountaineering.

The story began in the 1850s, with the discovery of the highest mountain in the world, named for the director of the Survey of India, Sir George Everest. The following decades witnessed a growing fascination with that remote peak, and from the 1920s onwards a series of largely British expeditions reconnoitred, surveyed, and made attempts to climb ‘the third pole’.

The books and other materials in this catalogue illuminate that story. They also illustrate the fascination Everest held for two men intimately connected with its history: George Lowe, Hillary’s climbing partner and the man who worked exhaustingly to open up the route to the summit via the Lhotse face; and Michael Ward, the expedition doctor who had, with Hillary in 1951, shown the feasibility of a southern approach to the summit.

Cameron Treleaven, of Aquila Books, annually attends the Banff Mountain Film and Book Festival, where over the years he has shaken hands with some of the world’s greatest mountaineers. He first met George and Mary Lowe there in 2004, and they hit it off from the start. They discussed various possible future projects, and Cameron began to visit George and Mary on his regular trips to the UK. In 2012, Mary Lowe decided to sell George’s library to raise funds for the Himalayan Trust, of which George had been the first chairman. The Everest books from George’s collection feature in the present catalogue.

Michael Ward was a regular buyer at Sotheran’s bookshop in London, where Stuart Leggatt ran the travel and mountaineering department. The suggestion that Michael launch at the shop his 2003 book - *Everest. A Thousand Years of Exploration* – led to closer dealings, and eventually Michael was ‘commissioned’ to write another book on one of his favourite topics, the Pundit surveyors. Michael’s library - which includes both working copies and books purchased by him as a collector - reflected his interests in Himalayan exploration (with a special emphasis on Everest) and high altitude physiology. The Everest books from Michael’s library are featured in the present catalogue.

The deaths of Michael Ward in 2005, and of George Lowe earlier this year, brought an end to a remarkable era. The books and other items from their libraries on offer in this catalogue - with additions from our own stock - will, we hope, provide an insight into the importance of Everest for these two men.

Cameron Treleaven
Aquila Books

Stuart Leggatt
Meridian Rare Books

1. Markham, Clements R., editor. Narratives of the Mission of George Bogle to Tibet, and of the Journey of Thomas Manning to Lhasa. Edited, with Notes, and Introduction, and Lives of Mr. Bogle and Mr. Manning, by Clements R. Markham. *London: Trübner and Co., 1876.* **£2,500**

First edition. 8vo. pp. clxi, [2, part title], 354; errata slip tipped-in at p. xxi; steel-engraved frontispiece of Warren Hastings, 6 wood-engraved plates of views, 2 wood-engravings to text, one folding facsimile letter, 4 folding maps; slight browning to one map, else very good in the original blind-stamped maroon cloth, lettered in gilt to spine, faded on spine (as usual). Pencilled ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Yakushi M88a. George Bogle (1746-1781) and Thomas Manning (1772-1840) were the first Britons on record to enter Tibet. Clements Markham's publication of their narratives includes a long introduction with a history of Tibet and Nepal, and a geographical sketch of the Himalayas. The book reproduces, at p. lxi, D'Anville's 1733 map of Tibet, which features the first recorded mention of Mount Everest in Western literature, here described as 'Tchoumour Lancma'.



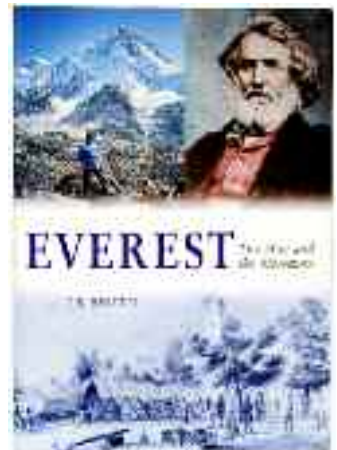
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2. Waugh, Lieutenant-Colonel A.S. & B. S. Hodgson. 'Papers relating to the Himalaya and Mount Everest.' An article in the complete issue of *Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society of London*, no. IX, April & May, 1857. *London: Edward Stanford, 1857.* **£750**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 329-364 [article at pp. 345-351]; some staining, good in the original printed wrappers. Signed to the front wrapper by Ed Hillary. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

Not in the usual bibliographies. The naming of Mount Everest, signed by the first man to climb the mountain. Waugh's notice, just 2pp. long and dated Dehra, March 1st, 1856, marks the beginning of the Everest story in Britain. In this brief article, Waugh imparts to the members of the RGS news that the Survey of India's peak XV "is higher than any other hitherto measured in India, and most probably it is the highest in the whole world." He continues: "I was taught by my respected chief and predecessor, Colonel Geo. Everest, to assign to every geographical object its true local or native appellation. I have always scrupulously adhered to this rule, as I have in fact to all other principles laid down by that eminent graduist. But here is a mountain ... without any local name that we can discover ... I have determined to name this noble peak of the Himalayas 'Mont Everest.'" There follows a second notice in which B.H. Hodgson suggests that Everest does have a local name - Dévadhúnga - which should be adopted. In the discussion following the reading of these two papers at the RGS, the president Sir Roderick Murchison hopes that, whatever its name in India, in England at least peak XV "would always be known by the name of Everest." The final say goes to Colonel Everest himself, who objects to the application of his name to peak XV because the word Everest "was not pronounceable by a native of India."

3. Waugh, Lieutenant-Colonel A.S. & B. S. Hodgson. 'Papers relating to the Himalaya and Mount Everest.' An article in the complete issue of *Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society of London*, no. IX, April & May, 1857. *London: Edward Stanford, 1857.* **£475**

Another copy, very good in the original printed wrappers. Not signed.

4. Smith, Jim. 'Everest - Man and Mountain.' An article in *Land and Minerals Surveying*, vol. 8, no. 7, July 1990. **£20**

8vo. pp. 311-362 [article at pp. 321-328]; illu. fine in wrappers. Signed by the author to first page of his article. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to front wrapper.

Published to mark the bicentenary of George Everest's birth. See next item for Smith's book-length treatment of Everest.

5. Smith, J. R. Everest - The Man and the Mountain. [*Latheronwheel:*] Whittles, [1999]. **£50**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xiv, 306; illu., sketch maps; very good in original card wrappers, slightly creased. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

A biography of George Everest, in honour of whom the mountain was named.



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6. Saunders, Trelawney. 'The Himalayan Mountain System.' [Offprint] From *The Geographical Magazine* for July, 1877. **£450**

First separate edition. 4to. pp. [2, List of Observed Peaks], 173-182; one folding engraved map of 'The Himalaya and Tibet', one folding engraved map showing divisions of Himalaya after Hodgson; first map cropped at head and foot by binder, else very good in the original printed wrappers, chipping to upper cover, minor browning to margins of wrapper. Contained in a purpose-made portfolio. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to inside board of portfolio.

Not in the usual bibliographies. Trelawney Saunders was an Assistant in the Geographical Department of the India Office. His essay on the Himalayan system has its source in Clements Markham's *Narratives of the Mission of George Bogle to Tibet ...* (1876 - see item 1 above), which outlined a Himalayan system formed of three chains. Criticisms of Markham's outline were made in the *Calcutta Review* (January 1877), and Markham published a reply in *The Geographical Magazine* (May 1877). "Mr. Trelawney Saunders also published a further and more exhaustive reply to the "Calcutta Review" in a valuable article illustrated by maps, and also by a list of peaks, with their altitudes, taken from the manuscript records of the Great Trigonometrical Survey [of India]" (Markham *A Memoir on the Indian Surveys*, 2nd ed., 1878, p. 353). *The Geographical Magazine* ran under the editorship of Markham from 1872-8, when it merged with the *Proceedings* of the RGS; volumes of the magazine are rare, and offprints from it even more so.

7. Walker, J. T. & Douglas W. Freshfield. 'Notes on Mont Everest', 'Further Notes on "Mont Everest"', and 'A last note on Mont Everest'. Three articles in *Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society*, Vol. VIII, no. 2, pp. 88-94, no. 3, pp. 176-188, and no. 4, 257-263, February-April, 1886. **£250**

Together three original issues. 8vo. One folding plate of views to second article; very good in the original printed wrappers, slight wear to rear wrapper of first issue. Ownership inscriptions of Michael Ward to first leaf of each issue.

Not in the usual bibliographies. This series of articles forms an extended discussion of the naming of Everest, which Freshfield had wished to name

Gaurisankar. The folding plate reproduces illustrations taken from H. Schlagintweit and Survey of India sources, showing profiles of peaks thought to include Everest.

8. Waddell, L. A. 'The Environs and Native Names of Mount Everest.' An article in *The Geographical Journal*, vol. XII, no. 6, pp. 564-9, December, 1898. **£35**

8vo. pp. xvi, [4, ads.], 553-698, viii, xvii-xxiv (ads.); folding map relating to another article; some water staining with subsequent crinkling of pages, good in the original printed wrappers, sellotape repair to foot of spine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf.

Not in the usual bibliographies. Waddell contributes to the discussion of native names for Everest with reference to Tibetan nomenclature.

9. Boeck, Karl. *Indische Gletscherfahrten. Reisen und Erlebnisse im Himalaya.* Leipzig and Stuttgart: Deutsches Verlag, 1900. **£395**

First Edition. 8vo. pp. xii, 470, ii (ads); photo. illustrs., 4 folding photo. panoramas, 6 plans and 3 maps (2 in colour and folding); bumped to head of spine, else very good in the original pictorial cloth, slightly rubbed.

Yakushi B197. An early photographic record of Boeck's two tours in the Himalaya, around Nanda Devi and into Sikkim through the Sinigalia Range. The extending photographic panoramas show Nanda Devi, Everest, and Kangchenjunga.

10. [Postcard.] 'Mt. Everest. Greetings from Darjeeling.' *Th. Paar, Phot., Darjeeling*, n.d. c. 1904. **£25**

An embossed phototype b & w postcard, postally used with a One Anna India Postage stamp, postmarked '28 Au 04' and dated by hand to front Aug 26/04, VG.

Thomas Paar, a photographer based in Darjeeling around the turn of the 20th century, produced tourist viewbooks, postcards and similar souvenirs using photographs of Darjeeling and the Himalayas. Paar and others took some of the earliest photographs of Everest, albeit from a distance, and this early 1900s postcard shows a view of the Himalayas from Darjeeling.

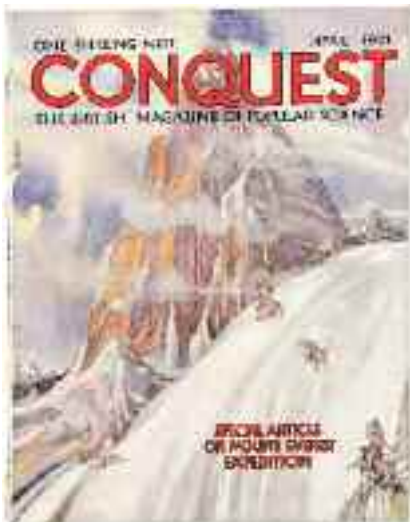


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11. Rawling, Captain C. G. *The Great Plateau. Being an Account of Exploration in Central Tibet, 1903, and of the Gartok Expedition, 1904-1905.* London: Edward Arnold, 1905. **£1,250**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xii, 324; photo. illustrs., 2 folding maps; portraits of Rawling and Ryder pasted to flyleaf, very good in the original blue cloth, gilt, image of mounted soldier in gilt to upper cover, slightly darkened on spine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate R11; Yakushi R48; Perret 3597; S & B R02. Rawling's explorations inside Tibet provided important knowledge of the region, as well as the closest view to date of Everest. In 1903 he travelled with A. J. Hargreaves and Ram Singh, a sub-surveyor of the Survey of India, mapping a great part of Western Tibet. In 1904-5 Rawling was joined by F.M. Bailey and a strong band of surveyors under C. H. D. Ryder and Henry Wood attached to the Younghusband Lhasa expedition. They explored from Gyantse along the Brahmaputra to the upper reaches of the Sutlej river. On this occasion, Rawling's team crossed the Kura La to gain an unsurpassed view of Everest: "Towering up thousands of feet, a glittering pinnacle of snow, rose Everest, a giant amongst pigmies ... No other peaks lie near or threaten its supremacy" (p. 212).



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12. Noel, Major J. B. 'A Journey to Tashirak in Southern Tibet, and the Eastern Approaches to Mount Everest.' [Reprinted] From "The Geographical Journal" for May 1919. **£100**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 289-308; 3 plates of illu., 2 sketch maps; very good in the original printed wrappers. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

S & B p. 114. Noel's important lecture examines the possibilities for approaching Everest, with suggestions for likely routes. The discussion that followed Noel's lecture included contributions by Freshfield, Kellas and Younghusband. Noel's contributions to the subject resulted in his inclusion in the 1920s Everest expeditions.

13. Haldane, J. S., A. M. Kellas and E. L. Kennaway. 'Experiments on Acclimatisation to Reduced Atmospheric Pressure.' Reprinted from the *Journal of Physiology*, Vol. LIII, Nos. 3 and 4, December 3, 1919. **£75**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. [iii], [181]-206; very good in the original printed wrappers, slight fraying to extremities, National Hospital Library inkstamp to upper wrapper, ownership inscription of J. M. R. Walsh.

Alexander Kellas was a member of the 1921 Everest Reconnaissance, his place being relatively assured due to his knowledge of the Himalaya, and particularly of the Everest region. Kellas had also been one of few to give serious consideration to the physiological challenge of the height of Everest. In 1918, he worked with J. S. Haldane on acclimatisation research using a low-pressure chamber in London's Lister Institute. The present paper published the findings and conclusion of the experiments undertaken "in connection with a projected expedition by one of us (A. M. K.) to the Himalayas" (p. 181).

14. Bruce, Brig.-General the Hon. C. G. 'Mount Everest.' (Reprinted from *The Geographical Journal* for January 1921). **£100**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 21; 1 sketch map, 3 photo. illu.; very good in original printed wrappers, slightly creased, lightly browned to extremities.

Bruce's lecture, read at the RGS on the 8th November, 1920, calls for an expedition to Everest. The 1921 reconnaissance took place in the following year.

15. [Everest 1921.] H. Onslow. 'Life on the Roof of the World. The Problems of the Mount Everest Expedition.' An article in a complete issue of *Conquest: The British Magazine of Popular Science*, Vol. II, no. 6, April 1921, pp. 237-245. [*London: The Wireless Press, Ltd.*] **£25**

4to. pp. iv, 237-278; frontis. photo. of Kamet, illu. to text of Onslow's article, illu. to other articles; the issue defective, lacking the rear

wrapper and accompanying ads., but still with the front pictorial wrapper with a scene of a climbing party in the Himalaya after an original by Frederick Parker.

Not in the usual bibliographies. Onslow's article was written as a response to the announcement of the Everest expedition of 1921. His article relates the experiences of C. F. Meade, who in 1913 made an attempt on Kamet, camping overnight on the mountain at 7,138 metres (Meade's Col is named for him), and uses Meade's photographs of the Himalaya. Onslow tries to illustrate "some of the special difficulties to be encountered in the Himalaya", and also "to deal with the supply of oxygen to the body at high altitudes, and to inquire whether, in the light of modern knowledge of the physiology of respiration, a sufficient degree of acclimatisation may be expected to enable men to reach the summit of Everest".

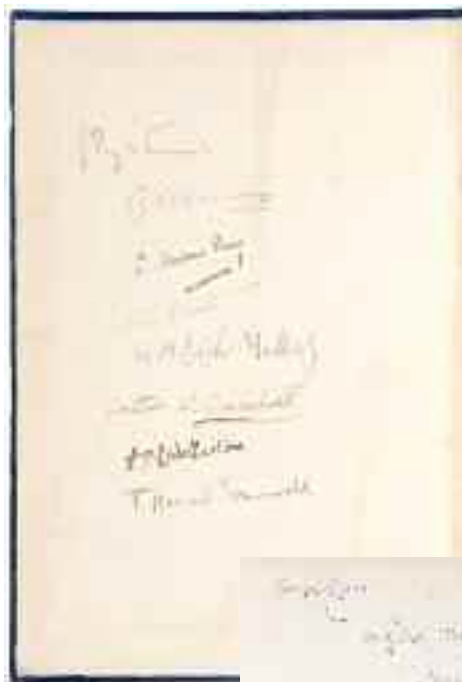
16. Howard-Bury, C. K. *Mount Everest The Reconnaissance*, 1921. *London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1922.* **£4,000**

Large Paper Edition limited to 200 copies. 4to. pp. xi, 356; photogravure frontis., 32 photo. illu., plus 12 photogravure plates and 2 folding panoramas not in the ordinary edition, 3 folding maps; mild foxing to panoramas, presentation inscription to Professor H. S. Foxwell by the "Old Students' Association of the London School of Economics, 17.11.22"; slight damage to fore-edge of flyleaf, else internally very clean, very good in the original quarter vellum with red buckram boards, lettered in gilt to spine, t.e.g., minor soiling to spine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate H120; Yakushi H247a; Perret 2288 ("Les exemplaires en grand papier du tirage de luxe de l'édition originale anglaise sont rares et très recherchés"); Salkeld & Boyle H27; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 28. In 1921, the British organised the first official expedition to Mount Everest, having been granted permission for the undertaking by the Dalai Lama the previous year. The expedition intended a reconnaissance of the mountain prior to the actual assault (planned for 1922). George Mallory joined the party, which included also other capable climbers and a team of surveyors. Although the death of A. M. Kellas from 'over-exertion' marred the expedition, it did not prevent the successful completion of the reconnaissance. The tremendous reception given the returning expedition and its intrinsic importance account for the existence of this deluxe version of the leader's official account - copies of which have become uncommon.

17. Howard-Bury, C. K. *Mount Everest The Reconnaissance*, 1921. *London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1922.* **£3,250**

Another copy of the Large Paper Edition, copy no. 52 of 200 copies. Very clean in the original quarter vellum with red buckram boards, gilt, t.e.g., bumping to the spine, which is also slightly discoloured.



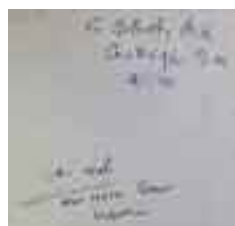
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18. Howard-Bury, C. K. Mount Everest The Reconnaissance, 1921. *London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1922.* **£12,500**

First trade edition. 8vo. pp. xi, 356; photo. illu., 3 folding maps; upper hinge neatly restored, else very good in the original cloth, gilt, boards slightly bowed, neatly restored to extremities. Provenance: Photographic reproduction of a letter from Arthur R. Hinks presenting the book to Mr Browne for his assistance with the expedition, and signed to front pastedown by 1920s Everest expedition members G. Ingle Finch, C. G. Bruce, C. Howard-Bury, E. L. Strutt, G. H. Leigh-Mallory, Arthur W. Wakefield, A. F. R. Wollaston, and T. Howard Somervell. The book subsequently presented to "George Lowe from Dorothy Irving-Bell 1st October 1955".

Neate H120; Yakushi H247a; S & B H27; Perret 2288. The 1921 Everest Expedition explored the mountain with a view to a later attempt, but it already included George Leigh Mallory in its climbing party, and he returned with the 1922 expedition to make a summit bid. Assistance was given to the 1922 expedition by a "Mr. Browne", who handled stores at Calcutta, and in August 1922, the Mount Everest Committee presented this copy of the 1921 expedition official account to Browne in thanks for his work. To this end, the book was signed by several members of the 1921 expedition - Mallory, as well as the leader Howard-Bury and the medical officer Wollaston - and also by members of the recently returned 1922 expedition - Finch, Bruce, Strutt, Wakefield, and Somervell. In 1955, the book was once again presented, this time by the Polar enthusiast Dorothy Irving-Bell to George Lowe, of the successful 1953 Everest Expedition. The result is a unique copy, connecting the very first expeditions of the 1920s to the first ascent in 1953.



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19. Howard-Bury, C. K. Mount Everest The Reconnaissance. *London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1922.* **£850**

Another copy of the first trade edition, very good in the original cloth, gilt, slight wear to extremities. With the ownership inscription of G. Hattersley-Smith, and signed to the flyleaf by John Noel, expedition member from the 1922 and 1924 Everest expeditions.

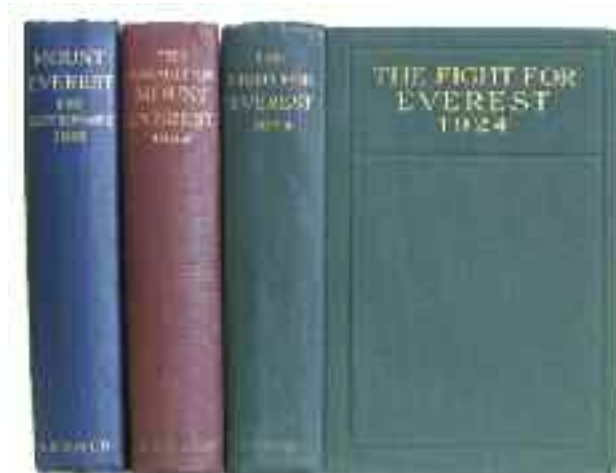
John Noel was the photographer with the 1922 and 1924 Everest expeditions.

20. Howard-Bury, C. K. Mount Everest The Reconnaissance, 1921. *London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1922.* **£450**

Another copy of the first trade edition, slight age-toning to text, creasing to fore-edge of prelims., else very good in the original cloth, gilt, slightly bumped. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

21. Howard-Bury, C. K. Mount Everest The Reconnaissance, 1921. *London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1922.* **£200**

Another copy of the first trade edition, slight age-toning to text, library label to rear endpaper, shaken in the original cloth, gilt, worn on spine, marked. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with long note by him concerning the book.



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Ward's note reads: "All Everest books of mine were used as a 1y source by Ward 1951-52 in extracting 1y source accounts of high-altitude this was the basis of work by Pugh at M.R.C. 1951-52 which enabled us to climb Everest in 1953. For the first time the medicine & physiology was looked at by a true professional - using up to date laboratory and field technique. Also I used this particular book to try and get as much information as possible about the Nepalese side of Everest in early 1951, plus the photos. from MOD archives of 1945 and 1947 (Unofficial) flights over Everest; plus some photo. from the 1933 (official) flight over Everest. Mallory looked into W Cwm No photo in book - but are in RGS archives."

22. Howard-Bury, C. K., C. G. Bruce, & E. F. Norton. Mount Everest The Reconnaissance / The Assault on Mount Everest 1922 / The Fight for Everest 1924. *London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1922, 1923 & 1925.* **£1,500**

First editions. Together 3 vols. 8vo. pp. xi, 356, x, 339 & x, 372; photo. illu., folding maps; browning to endpapers, second volume with "Presentation Copy" blindstamp to title-page, third volume with ownership inscription of Benjamin Ludlow Bathurst, very good in the original cloth, gilt, slight wear to extremities. George Lowe's copies.

Neate H120, B196 & N31; Yakushi H247a, B279a & N64a; S & B H27, B44 & N16; Perret 2288, 0738 & 3219.



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23. Alpine Club. Catalogue of the Exhibition of Photographs from the Mount Everest Expedition 1921. With Introduction by A.E.W. Mason. Arranged by the Mount Everest Committee of the Royal Geographical Society and the Alpine Club January 1922. *N.p.* [?London], n.d. c. 1922. **£495**

First and only edition. 8vo. pp. 24; 8 photo. illu. on 4 plates; heavy spotting throughout, previous owner's initials and the inscription "Oxford. 1923. 'Mallory's Lecture'" to title-page, a good copy in the original printed wrappers, fraying to margins of wrappers.

S & B A09; not in other bibliographies. After the return of the 1921 Everest expedition, an exhibiton of photographs taken by its members was held at the Alpine Club Hall in London. This exhibition catalogue lists 144 photographs and identifies the photographer in each case - Howard-Bury, Wollaston, Heron, and Mallory. 24 select images were made available in autotype and could be ordered at the exhibition. Proceeds from the sale of catalogues and photographs were put towards the 1922 Everest expedition. Copies of the catalogue are now scarce, and we have traced otherwise only the Alpine Club copy and those at Yale and the National Library of Scotland.

24. [Everest 1921.] Photographs from the Mount Everest Expedition. *N.p.*, n.d. c. 1922. **£20**

A single 8vo leaf, printed to both sides, slight marginal browning.

A prospectus and order form for "photographs taken by members of the Mount Everest Expedition of 1921". It lists some 56 images that could be ordered in two sizes, and an order form appears at the foot of the second page. It is not clear how this prospectus would have been distributed, but it may have been loosely inserted into copies of *The Geographical Magazine*, the *Alpine Journal*, and perhaps also copies of the 1921 Everest book.

25. Heron, A. M. 'Geological Results of the Mount Everest Reconnaissance Expedition.' [Offprint] From the *Records of the Geological Survey of India*, Vol. LIV, Part 2, 1922, pp. 215-234. **£125**

First separate edition. 8vo. One photogravure plate of Everest, folding map of the Arun river, one folding section, 4 plates of photo. illu.; near-fine in the original printed wrappers. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

Heron accompanied the 1921 Everest Reconnaissance, and surveyed an area "of over 8000 square miles" in the Arun river drainage region in Tibet. These results were read before the Indian Science Congress at Madras in February, 1922; an abbreviated version of the article appeared as Appendix III in Howard-Bury's *Mount Everest The Reconnaissance, 1921* (pp. 338-40).

26. Kinnear, N. B. & A. F. R. Wollaston. 'On the Birds collected by Mr. A. F. R. Wollaston during the First Mt. Everest Expedition.' [Offprint] From *The Ibis* for July 1922, pp. 495-526. **£95**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. [495]-526; one chromolithographed plate of the rose-finch (*Pyrrhospiza punicea punicea*); very good in the original printed wrappers, somewhat frayed.

This offprint contains a list of the birds collected by Wollaston on the 1921 Everest Reconnaissance. The first five pages contains Wollaston's brief description of the terrain visited, and a general overview of Wollaston's finds by Kinnear. The plate of the rose-finch is particularly fine.

27. Wheeler, E. O. 'The Mt. Everest Expedition, 1921.' An article in *The Canadian Alpine Journal*, vol. 13. pp. 1-25. *The Alpine Club of Canada*, 1923. **£100**

8vo. Original wrappers. [iv, ads.], vi, 274, 3 ads; numerous photo. illustrations and maps, some folding, relating to Wheeler's article; some foxing and spotting throughout, else good in original wrappers, neatly repaired. Inscribed by Nicholas B. Putman "To Dr. Tholen with recollections of a short but very interesting acquaintance" on front flyleaf.

Not in the usual bibliographies. Wheeler took part in the survey of Mount Everest during the 1921 reconnaissance, and his article includes a map of the region, and photographic illustrations. This volume also includes the article 'Some Aspect of the Everest Problem' by T.G. Longstaff.

28. Younghusband, Sir Francis. 'The Mount Everest Expedition [Abstract].' An offprint from the Royal Institution of Great Britain, Weekly Evening Meeting, Friday, February 3, 1922. **£25**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 3; very good in self-wrappers.

A brief description of the forthcoming 1922 expedition.

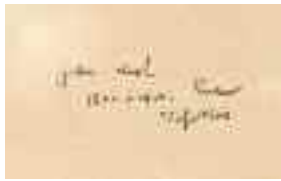
29. Bruce, C. G. *The Assault on Mount Everest 1922.* London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1923. **£2,750**

First edition. 8vo. pp. x, 339; photo. illu., 2 folding maps; fine in the original cloth, gilt, in the original d.j., which is chipped to extremities, soiled on spine. Armorial bookplate of R. J. Brocklehurst. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate B196; Yakushi B279a; Perret 0738; S & B B44; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 29. The official account of the second Everest expedition. This copy previously belonged to R. J. Brocklehurst, 1899-1995, Alpinist and physiologist. Copies in the dust-jacket are exceptionally scarce.



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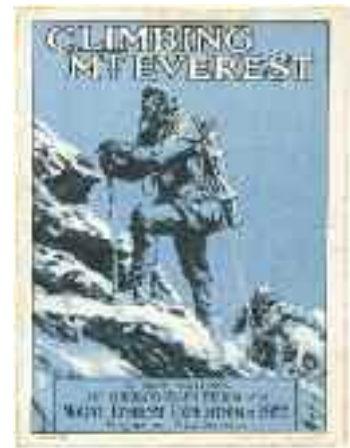
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33. [Everest 1922 Ephemera.] Cardiff Naturalists' Society. Founded 1867. The First Public Lectures in Wales on Climbing Mount Everest 1922 Will be given, on behalf of the Mount Everest Committee, by Brig.-Gen. The Hon. C. G. Bruce, C.B., M.V.O. *N.p.*, n.d. [1922]. **£175**

A handbill, approx. 190 x 250 mm., photo. illu. of Everest to recto and of expedition team to verso; creased, lightly browned to verso, chipped and soiled.

A promotional printing for Bruce's lecture, with brief details of the achievements of the expedition to the verso. Bruce's family home was at Dyffryn Aberdâr, which may partly explain how he came to lecture in Wales.

34. [Everest 1922 Ephemera.] Climbing Mt. Everest. Under the Auspices of the Mt. Everest Committee. The Cinematograph Record of the Mount Everest Expedition of 1922. Programme Price Sixpence. *London: Eyre & Spottiswoode Ltd.*, n.d. c. 1922. **£250**

First edition. Large 8vo. pp. 12; 12 illu. from photos., 2 bird's-eye view maps; slightly foxed and soiled, very good in the original printed wrappers with an image of Everest climbers after D. Macpherson's sketch, some age-toning, slightly chipped.

Not in the usual bibliographies. An apparently unrecorded piece of Everest ephemera, issued to accompany the lectures and film of the 1922 expedition. The text comprises an overview of the Mount Everest Expedition, a section entitled "The Kinematograph Story" (a narrative of the film) and a concluding page on "The Music" (a description of the Tibetan music played "in the interval and during the exhibition of the film").

35. [Everest 1922 Ephemera.] Climbing Mt. Everest. A New Edition. The Cinematograph Record of the Mount Everest Expedition of 1922. Programme Price Sixpence. *London: Eyre & Spottiswoode Ltd.*, n.d. c. 1922. **£250**

"New Edition". Large 8vo. pp. 12; 12 illu. from photos., 2 bird's-eye view maps; slightly foxed and soiled, very good in the original printed wrappers with an image of Everest climbers after D. Macpherson's sketch, slightly foxed.

Not in the usual bibliographies. A ?later printing of the previous item.

36. [Everest 1922 Ephemera.] Au Sommet du Monde a l'Assaut du Mt. Everest. [*Paris: Imprimerie Charles Bernard*], c. 1920s. **£195**

8vo. pp. 16; 13 photo. illu., 2 sketch maps; very good in the original printed wrappers with an image of Everest climbers after D. Macpherson's sketch, browned and chipped to margins, partly split along spine.

Not in the usual bibliographies. This is an unrecorded French version of the preceding two items, printed for distribution with screenings of Noel's film of the 1922 expedition by the Gaumont Film Company in France. The programme has a slightly smaller physical format than the English language editions, with new French text, and the same illustrations save for an additional image of a pony train on the final page.

30. Bruce, C. G. The Assault on Mount Everest 1922. *London: Edward Arnold & Co.*, 1923. **£850**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth, gilt, somewhat rubbed and bumped. Ownership inscription of Geoffrey Hattersley-Smith, with the pencilled ownership inscription of H. E. L. P. to front pastedown, and signed to the flyleaf by John Noel, expedition member with the 1922 and 1924 Everest expeditions.

This copy bears the pencilled initials "H.E.L.P." i.e. H. E. L. Porter, a climbing companion of George Mallory. John Noel, who signed this copy, was the photographer with the expedition.

31. Bruce, C. G. The Assault on Mount Everest 1922. *London: Edward Arnold & Co.*, 1923. **£450**

Another copy of the first edition, embrowning to endpapers, else very good in the original cloth, gilt, slightly rubbed. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with long note by him concerning the book.

Ward's note reads: "This book together with other accounts of Everest for 1921-1938 were used by me to get 1st hand source material for investigation of high altitude in 1951-52. Pugh at Holly Hill M.R.C. Labs used this material on which to base his estimations of O₂ necessary for ascents to the summit of Everest in 1953. This was based on operational research that he had carried in the Navy & Army during his time in Lebanon and elsewhere. The use of O₂ by Finch - an FRS - and Bruce resulted in a faster climbing rate than without O₂. Finch however was not liked by most people & so his comments tended to be side-lined".

32. Bruce, C. G. Mount Everest. Der Angriff 1922. *Basel: Benno Schwabe & Co.*, 1924. **£150**

First German edition. 8vo. pp. viii, 299; illu., 2 folding maps; very good in the original cloth, in the original d.j., which is frayed with slight loss to extremities.

Yakushi B279c.

37. Finch, George Ingle. *The Making of a Mountaineer.* London: Arrowsmith, [1924]. **£350**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 340; b & w photo. illu-
strs.; inkstamps of the S.A.C. Association of British Members to flyleaf and title-page, very good in the original cloth, gilt, gilt vignette of figure scaling rock to upper cover, faded to spine, in original d.j., which is worn and browned on spine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate F28; Yakushi F58a; Perret 1662; S & B F09. Finch began climbing in the Alps, and this memoir describes ascents of the Wetterhorn, the Jungfrau, the Matterhorn and Mont Blanc. The closing chapters describe his work with the 1922 Everest expedition, during which he reached 27,300ft.

38. Finch, George Ingle. *The Making of a Mountaineer.* London: Arrowsmith, [1924]. **£150**

Reprint (same year as first edition). 8vo. pp. 340; b & w photo. illu-
strs.; minor age-toning to plates, else very good in the original cloth, gilt, gilt vignette of figure scaling rock to upper cover, faded to spine, minor chipping to extremities. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, Oct. 1955, to flyleaf, with a long annotation by him beneath concerning his meeting with Finch in 1953.

Lowe's long note reads: "In 1953 I sailed from NZ to Bombay to join the team from U.K. for Everest. John Hunt asked me to take the train from Bombay to Poona where Geo. Finch was lecturing at a science University- (in his retirement). I was to ask him (G. F.) about his view of & experience with using Oxygen on Everest 1922. He took me to the teaching rooms & took rubber tubes from the bunsen burners - & said "This is all you need - bite the tube when you breath out & let the O2 come in." "It's not going to give you any useful help anyway!" A v. tough old man -!"

39. Finch, George Ingle. *The Making of a Mountaineer.* London: Arrowsmith, [1924]. **£45**

Second impression. 8vo. pp. 340; b & w photo. illu-
strs.; minor age-toning to plates, front endpaper excised, good in the original cloth, gilt, gilt vignette of figure scaling rock to upper cover, faded to spine, cloth splitting along joints. Ownership inscription of M. P. Ward to flyleaf.

40. Finch, George Ingle. *The Making of a Mountaineer ... with a Memoir by Scott Russell.* Foreword by John Hunt. [Bristol:] J. W. Arrowsmith Ltd., [1988] **£125**

[Second edition.] 8vo. pp. ix, 116, 340; photo. illu-
strs.; very good in the original cloth, bumped to head of spine, in d.j., which is slightly faded on spine. Inscribed to first leaf of 'Memoir' "For Michael Ward Scott Russell April 1990". Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

S & B F09. An important new edition of Finch's 1924 autobiography, with an extensive memoir by Scott Russell (Finch's son-in-law and a climber himself) which sheds light on Finch's exclusion from the 1921 and 1924 Everest expeditions.

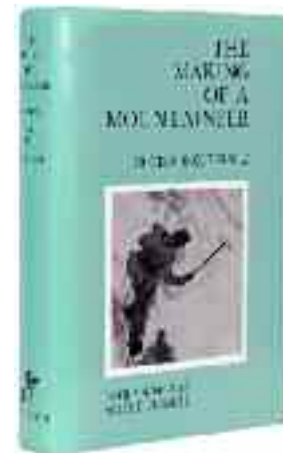
41. Finch, George Ingle. *Electrochemistry Researches 1912-1935* [so titled to spine]. **£150**

A collection of 55 technical and scientific papers by Finch and others, with numerous illu-
strs., diags., tables, purpose-bound in full buckram and lettered in gilt to spine, presentation inscription to flyleaf "To W. A. Bone, F.R.S. from G. I. Finch in grateful remembrance of 23 years of happy association 17th June 1937".

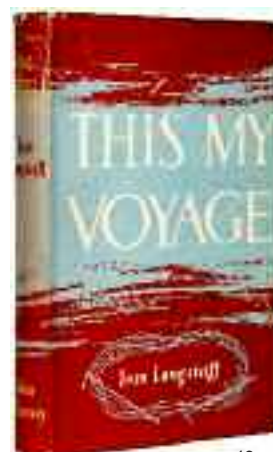
Finch's climbing abilities won him a place on the 1922 Everest expedition, but mountaineering interests ran alongside his career as an electrical chemist. He studied science at the Zürich Polytechnic in 1912, before moving to England, where he was appointed demonstrator in the newly formed fuel department at Imperial College. Following the First World War, Finch was appointed a lecturer in electrochemistry, and became a professor in 1936. According to his DNB entry, "Finch's mountaineering did not interrupt a steady stream of scientific researches. During the 1920s he investigated combustion initiated by, or occurring in, electric discharges. This led to studies of metal catalysed reactions of gaseous mixtures, and attempts to relate structure-activity relationships in platinum films. Initial studies using X-rays failed to elucidate the relationships and Finch decided to use electron diffraction". The present collection of papers covers these and other subjects on which Finch worked (the first two, in German, were published in 1912 at the very start of his career). The recipient of this bound volume, William Arthur Bone, a chemist and fuel technologist, sat with Finch on the committee of the Fuel Conference of the World Power Conference, 1928, and communicated several of Finch's papers to the Royal Society.



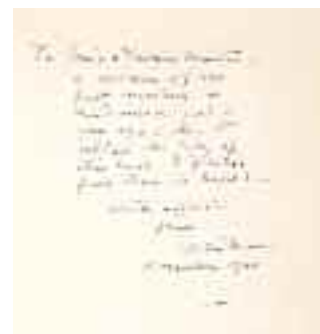
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42. Longstaff, Tom. *This my Voyage.* London: John Murray, [1951]. **£75**

First edition. 8vo. pp. [xi], 324; 23 photo. illu-
strs., 15 maps; very good in the original cloth, in original d.j., which is slightly worn with internal sellotape repairs. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate L48; Yakushi L134a; Perret 2685; S & B L12. Longstaff was one of the great early Himalayan climber-explorers, who climbed on most ranges in the northern hemisphere. This autobiography recounts his experiences in the Himalayas, the mountains of Kumaon and Garhwal and Karakoram, and includes a chapter on his time with the 1922 Everest expedition.

43. Longstaff, Tom. *This my Voyage.* London: John Murray, [1951]. **£50**

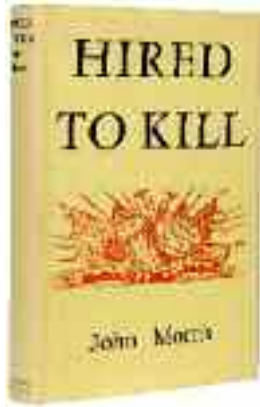
Reprint (a year after the first edition). 8vo. pp. [xi], 324; 23 photo. illu-
strs., 15 sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, in original d.j., slightly faded to spine and chipped to extremities. Presented "To George Lowe with best wishes from the Heretaunga Tramping Club Garhwal, 1951".

This copy was presented to George Lowe by the Heretaunga Tramping Club, based in his home town of Hastings, probably after his return from the New Zealand Himalayan expedition to Garhwal in 1951.

44. Morris, John. *Hired to Kill. Some Chapters of Autobiography.* Rupert Hart-Davis in association with The Cresset Press, 1960. **£75**

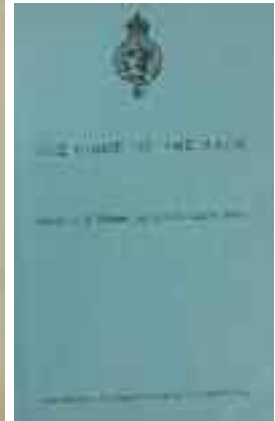
First edition. 8vo. pp. 272; very good in the original cloth-backed boards, small snag to head of spine, in d.j., very slightly faded on spine. A presentation copy, "To Jamie & Yvonne Hamilton - a souvenir of our first meeting, in Kathmandu, just a year ago; also to replace the copy of this book I filched from them in Nepal! With affection from John Morris, November 1961".

Neate M149; Yakushi M259; S & B M50; not in Perret. Morris served with the Gurkhas during the 1920s and 1930s. He was selected to join the 1922 Everest expedition, and later also the 1936 Everest expedition. The present autobiography covers the first 35 years of his life, with 3 chapters devoted to the 1922 expedition and others on a 1927 expedition to the Pamirs and Chinese Turkestan.



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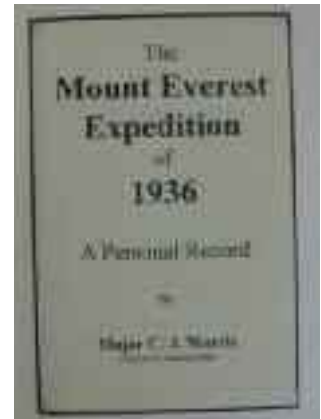
45. Morris, John. *Hired to Kill. Some Chapters of Autobiography. Rupert Hart-Davis in association with The Cresset Press, 1960. £50*
Another copy, with ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.



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46. Morris, Charles John (1896-1891). An extensive archive of photograph albums, maps, and ephemera relating to John Morris, the 1922, and 1936 Everest expeditions. **£15,000**

Together two 1920s half calf or full calf photograph albums of the 1922 Everest expedition with respectively 99 and 87 gelatin silver prints, each approx. 7.5. x 10 cm., many captioned by a former owner, second album titled 'The Gorge of the Arun' to spine and with, additionally bound in, an offprint from *The Geographical Journal* for September 1923 of Morris' article by that name; 5 modern albums relating to the 1936 Everest expedition containing 403 silver prints, mostly 14 x 9 cm, each; 7 maps, laid down on linen, one with the ownership inscription of C. J. Morris; 14 Everest postcards, and a single envelope addressed to Morris from Kodak in India, containing two original negatives of images showing porters, approx. 3.25 x 4.5 cm. each; the photographs largely in very good and unfaded condition, heavy wear to second full calf album, several of the maps soiled or creased, all housed in 'Morris' contemporary oak box, approx. 40 x 24 x 13 cm., hinged lid with brass handles, internal removeable tray, lacking the original lock, overall very good.

A superb archive relating to John Morris, member of the Everest expeditions of 1922 and 1936. Morris served in the First World War, after that becoming a regular soldier in the Indian Army's 3rd Gurkhas. As a soldier he travelled extensively in Nepal, Sikkim, and Tibet, becoming an expert on the Gurkhas. He was a member of the support party on the 1922 Everest expedition, during which he and John Noel undertook a journey up the Arun Valley in the Everest region. The first two albums in the archive contain images - possibly by Noel, according to a note at the front of the second - taken on Everest, and of places and people met on the way to it. A number of the images are reproduced in the book of the expedition by C. G. Bruce, and more appear in Morris' article for *The Geographical Journal*.

Morris also took part in the 1936 Everest expedition, acting as transport officer, and the modern albums contain over four hundred images taken, possibly by Morris, on the expedition. They include evocative portraits of members of the expedition - Rutledge, Smythe, Shipton, Harris, Gavin, Warren, and Kempson. Fifteen of the images appear in the expedition book by Rutledge.

The maps and ephemera in the archive also relate to Everest, three of the maps being the preliminary survey from 1921 issued by the Survey of India (a rare set of maps). The postcards include 10 of the 18 'official' postcards issued after the return of the 1922 expedition (contained in two of the original envelopes), as well as two cards advertising the screening of the 1922 expedition film at the Dome, Brighton, and two real photograph postcards (one shows Norton and Mallory, the other Morris himself with climbing gear). A fuller description of the archive can be provided on request.



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47. [Morshead, Henry.] Ian Morshead. *The Life and Murder of Henry Morshead ... A True Story from the Days of the Raj with an introduction by Mark Tully.* *The Oleander Press Ltd.*, [1982]. **£50**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xiv, 207, [1, ads.]; photo. illu., map endpapers; very good in the original cloth, d.j. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to half-title.

S & B M52; not in Neate, Yakushi or Perret. Henry Morshead was a member of the Everest expeditions in 1921 & 1922 (Morshead's letters appear chapter 10) and Watkins' 1927 expedition to Spitsbergen. He disappeared in 1931 and the present work, written by his son, provides a biography of his father and attempts to unravel the mystery.

48. [Morshead, Henry T.] *Survey of India. Notes for June 1931.* *N.p.*, n.d. c. 1931. **£75**

A singed leaf, printed to both sides, trimmed to margins of text, folded and slightly browned.

This report from the Survey of India carries a notice of the death of Henry T. Morshead, with two pages of biographical information for him. Details are given of his attempt, with Kellas, on Kamet in 1920, and of his subsequent participation in the 1921 Everest reconnaissance as a surveyor, and in the 1922 Everest expedition as a climber.

49. Somervell, T. Howard. *After Everest. The Experiences of a Mountaineer and Medical Missionary.* *London: Hodder and Stoughton Limited*, 1936. **£250**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xiii, 339; coloured frontis., photo. illu., one folding map, map f.e.p.; very good in the original cloth, creased on spine, in the original d.j., which is frayed with loss to extremities. Bookplate of the Library of the Ladies Alpine Club, previous owner's bookplate to front pastedown. Ownership inscription of M. P. Ward to flyleaf.

Neate S142; Yakushi S306a; Perret 4099; S & B S47. Somervell joined the 1922 and 1924 Everest expeditions, helping with the oxygen equipment. *After Everest* includes details of the expeditions, as well as Somervell's climbs on Kangchenjunga and Nanda Devi.

53. Norton, E. F. *The Fight for Everest 1924.* *London: Edward Arnold & Co.*, 1925. **£2,500**

First edition. 8vo. x, 372; 8 colour plates, photo. illu., one folding map; very good in the original cloth, gilt, somewhat rubbed, in original d.j., which is now expertly and neatly restored, browned to spine. With the ownership inscription of G. Hattersley-Smith, also the pencilled ownership inscription of H. E. L. P. to front pastedown, and signed to the flyleaf by John Noel, expedition member with the 1922 and 1924 Everest expeditions.

Neate N31; Yakushi N64a; Perret 3219; S & B N16; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 30. The official account of the third Everest expedition, during which Mallory and Irvine disappeared. This copy bears the pencilled initials 'H.E.L.P.' i.e. H. E. L. Porter, a climbing companion of George Mallory, and is also signed by John Noel, photographer with the 1922 and 1924 Everest expeditions. Copies in the dust-jacket are particularly uncommon.

50. Somervell, T. Howard. *After Everest. The Experiences of a Mountaineer and Medical Missionary.* *London: Hodder and Stoughton Limited*, 1936. **£75**

Another copy, occasional spotting to text, good in the original cloth, heavily faded on spine, which has a snag to the head. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward M. P. Ward to flyleaf.

51. [Somervell, T. Howard.] Reason, J. *Heights after Everest (Howard Somervell of India).* *London: Edinburgh House Press*, [1957]. **£25**

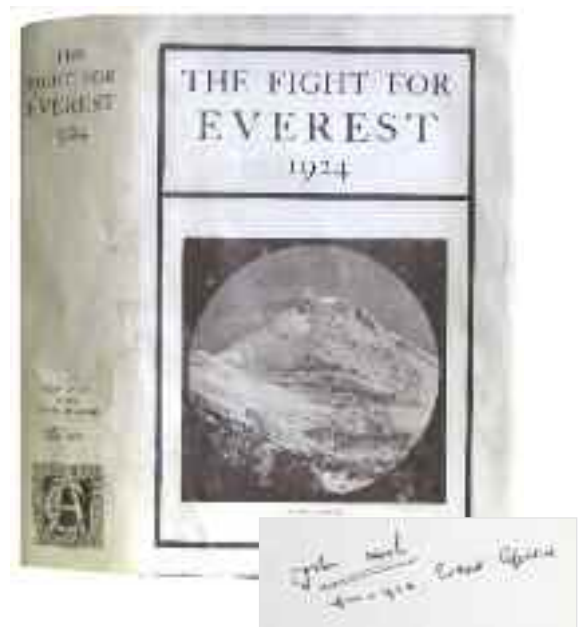
Second impression. Small 8vo. pp. 24; slightly crease, loose in the original printed wrappers, which are a little chipped.

Not in the usual bibliographies. Published as no. 69 in the publisher's Eagle Books series ("True Stories of Real People"), this is a brief biography of T. Howard Somervell, first published in 1954.

52. [Everest. Game.] *Mount Everest.* *Harbourn, England: The Chad Valley Games*, n.d. [1923]. **£500**

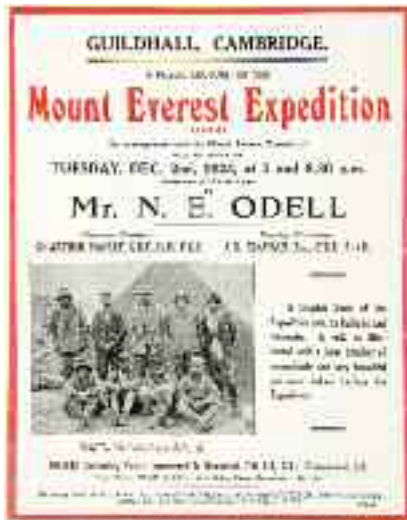
A chromolithographed board game in three sections, approx. 43 x 30cm., folding and contained in the original box, chromolithographed image of mountaineer gazing at Everest pasted as issued to lid, rules in English and French pasted inside lid, complete with four metal pieces in the form of climbers, die and die-holder; minor wear to box, else in very good condition.

Giochi delle Montagne Inv. 139. This attractively produced board game draws directly on the Everest expeditions of 1921 and 1922. The players negotiate the various hazards presented by Everest - crevasses, illness, blizzards, and accidents - with a relative safe point reached at the Rongbuk Glacier Camp (16,500 feet).





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54. Norton, E. F. *The Fight for Everest 1924.* London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1925. **£500**

Another copy, near-fine in the original cloth, gilt, a few slight marks. Armorial bookplate of R. J. Brocklehurst. Loosely inserted signed letters from expedition member Noel Odell and Bill Norton (son of E. F. Norton). Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

This copy once belonged to R. J. Brocklehurst, 1899-1995, Alpinist and physiologist.

55. Norton, E. F. *The Fight for Everest 1924.* London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1925. **£450**

Another copy, very good in the original cloth, gilt, slightly rubbed. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with long note by him concerning the book.

16 Ward's note reads: "Used as a 1y source for accounts at high altitude by Pugh & Ward at M.R.C. in 1951 prior to ascent in 1953. Various passages marked in Odell account and Norton Somervell account. On the accounts were based Pugh's work 1951-52 which got us to the top of Everest in 1953. Accounts of climbing rates, dehydration, probably CO Poisoning, h.-a. laryngitis, Hallucinations, Temp. records - a mass of information - which was much more valuable than the final chapters on medicine & physiology. Odell's ascent without O2 was as fast as those with O2 & thus confused the picture in O2 v. non O2. Also the natural reluctance of climbers to use O2 - because it was [?] exasperating - and an awful nuisance. This problem solved by Pugh".

56. [Everest 1924.] Guildhall, Cambridge. A Public Lecture on the Mount Everest Expedition [1924] ... Will be given on Tuesday, 2nd, 1924, at 3 and 8.30 p.m. ... by Mr. N. E. Odell. *N.p.*, n.d. [1924]. **£250**

A handbill, approx. 193 x 245mm., printed in red and black to both sides, group portrait of the expedition members to recto, telephoto. of the summit of Everest to verso, inset diagram of Everest, creased but still in very good condition. Michael Ward's copy.

A handbill announcing Odell's lecture. Text to the verso offers a brief summary of the expedition, and mentions Odell's final sighting of Mallory and Irvine, whose names "will live until men cease to tell of great deeds".

57. [Everest 1924.] Mount Everest. *John Player and Sons*, [n.d. c. 1924]. **£250**

A complete series of 20 cigarette cards, commemorating the 1924 Everest expedition in which Mallory and Irvine died, each card with a photographic image by J. B. L. Noel (two by T. Howard Somervell), captioned to foot of image, each with descriptive text to verso.

Singer & Gould [2nd ed.] p. 23. This attractive series of cigarette cards shows some of the stunning images recorded by Noel and Somervell during the 1924 Everest expedition. Mallory and Irvine appear alongside their fellow climbers in one of the portraits, while others show climbing parties, mountain features, base camp and the like. Some of the images appear in the official Everest accounts, but others were not published in the contemporary accounts.



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58. [Everest 1924 - Ephemera.] Captain J.B.L. Noel. 'Mt. Everest Expedition, 1924.' **£95**

A postcard sent from the base camp of the 1924 Everest Expedition, showing "Mt. Everest from the Base Camp in the Rongbuk Valley, Tibet", with an official "Mount Everest Expedition" stamp and postmark, 1 Indian postal stamp and Calcutta postmark, self-addressed, signed in facsimile "Best Wishes - J.B.L. Noel, Captain, Mt. Everest Expedition", very foxed, else good.

Singer & Gould [2nd ed.] p. 11ff. This postcard and others to different addressees were carried to Base Camp as a fund-raising venture. Post-marked at Base Camp and then again at Darjeeling or Calcutta, they were mailed back to Britain as a souvenir of the 1924 Everest expedition.

59. Shipton, Eric. 'Norton of Everest.' Reprinted from *The Geographical Journal*, Vol. CXXI Part 1, March 1955. **£25**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 84-5; very good in original printed wrappers. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

A biographical appreciation of Norton, who led the 1924 Everest expedition.

60. Mallory, George. *Boswell the Biographer.* London: Smith, Elder & Co., 1912. **£125**

First and only edition. 8vo. pp. ix, 337, [2, ads.]; portrait frontispiece of Boswell after the drawing by George Dance; some spotting, good in the original cloth, gilt, somewhat marked, chip with slight loss to head of lower joint.

George Mallory is known as a climber, but the present work testifies to his interest in the life and work of James Boswell, Samuel Johnson's friend and biographer. Based on his Member's Prize Essay written during his final year at Cambridge, *Boswell the Biographer* was Mallory's only book-length publication.



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61. Robertson, David. *George Mallory.* London: Faber and Faber, [1969]. **£125**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 279; illu. and sketch maps; very good in the original cloth in dust-wrapper, which is slightly chipped. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate R51; Yakushi R131a; Perret 3719; S & B R14. A modern biography by Mallory's son-in-law.

62. Holzel, Tom and Audrey Salkeld. *The Mystery of Mallory and Irvine.* London: Jonathan Cape, 1986. **£25**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 322; illu., map endpapers; fine in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by Audrey Salkeld.

S & B H23. Re-examination of the 1920s Everest expeditions, with discussion of the final attempt by Mallory and Irvine.

63. Green, Dudley. *Mallory of Everest.* Faust Publishing, 1990. **£100**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 141, [2, index]; numerous illu.; near-fine in original card wrappers. Signed by the author to the title-page, and with the signatures of George Lowe and Mike Westmacott to the half-title. George Lowe's copy.

S & B G12 ("reproduces little-known portraits and documents").

64. Green, Dudley. *Mallory of Everest.* Faust Publishing, 1990. **£40**

Another copy, near-fine. Not signed.

65. Gillman, Peter and Leni. *The Wildest Dream. Mallory His Life and Conflicting Passions.* London: Headline, [2000]. **£25**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xiv, 306; illu.; mild age-toning to margins, else very good in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by the authors.

A biography of George Mallory.

66. [Irvine, Andrew Comyn, 1902-1924.] Merton College, June 1923. A photograph of the College students by Soame, Oxford. **£750**

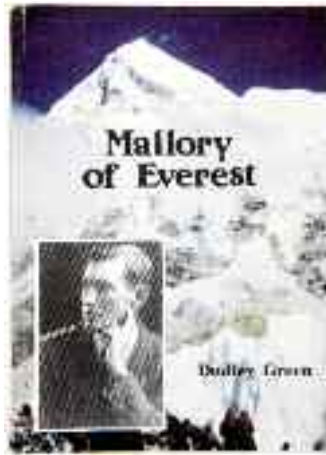
A large gelatin silver print, approx. 14 x 11" (37 x 29 cm.), mounted as issued on card with the photographer's printed details at foot, calligraphed title of college above and the college crest below flanked by the date; the image slightly oxidised and faded, but still clear, contained in the original glazed frame, pencilled name of "Mrs Taylor" to back of frame with other apparently unrelated notes.

A fine image of the Merton College students in June 1923, taken on the steps leading in to the hall. At centre front sits Andrew Irvine, his prominent position - some 80 or so students feature in the photograph - perhaps due to the fame he had won as a member of that year's Oxford boat race team, which had beaten Cambridge in March. Though we have been unable to identify them, the group portrait probably also features George Binney and other members of the 1923 Merton College Arctic Expedition, the expedition to Spitsbergen in which Irvine participated in July and August of 1923.

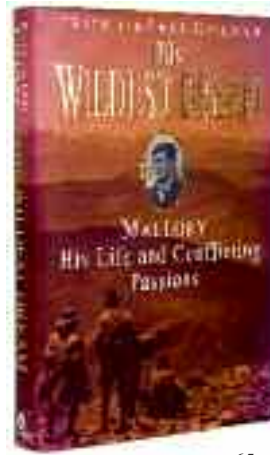
67. [Irvine, Andrew.] Julie Summers. *Fearless on Everest. The Quest for Sandy Irvine.* London: Weidenfeld & Nicolson, [2000]. **£35**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xii, 290; illu., maps; fine in original cloth, d.j. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, 20 July, 2003, to half-title.

A biography of Andrew Irvine, who died with George Mallory on Everest in 1924.



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68. Finch, George Ingle. *Der Kampf um den Everest.* Leipzig: F. A. Brockhaus, 1925. **£250**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 206, [2, ads.]; 2 drawings in text, 88 photo. illu., frontis. with tissue overlay, 3 sketch maps; very good in original sandy cloth, lettered and bordered in green and blue, in original pictorial d.j., which is chipped. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Yakushi F59; S & B F10; not in Perret. Finch was a key member of the 1922 British Mount Everest Expedition, when he and G. Bruce climbed to 27,300ft (8,321 m), a height greater than any previously achieved. Bilingual in English and German, Finch wrote the present overview in German of the 1920s Everest expeditions. The book is illustrated with Finch's photographs not published elsewhere. His book was not translated into English until 2008 (see following item).

69. Finch, George Ingle. *The Struggle for Everest.* Edited by George W. Rodway. Carreg, 2008. **£20**

First English edition. 8vo. pp. 232; 70 b & w photo. illu., 2 sketch maps; as new, inscribed by the editor to the wife of Michael Ward.

The first translation into English of the previous work, with the addition of entries from Finch's expedition diary at appropriate locations in the text to support and enhance the story. The editor's introduction relates Finch's life and achievements, and the book concludes with an appreciation of Finch by Stephen Venables.



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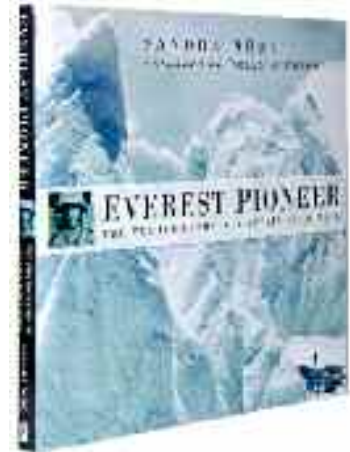
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70. Younghusband, Sir Francis. *The Epic of Mount Everest.* London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1926. **£225**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 319, 16 (pubs.' cat.); 16 photo. illu-
strs., 2 sketch maps; very good in the original beige cloth, lettered in black, in the original d.j., which is frayed with loss to extremities and slightly stained to upper joint. With a loosely inserted prospectus which includes this title.

Neate Y27; Yakushi Y15a; Perret 4640; S & B Y09. Younghusband played a major role in the organization of the three 1920s Everest expeditions. The present account of these expeditions was written for the Mount Everest Committee and based on the published accounts.

71. Younghusband, Sir Francis. *The Epic of Mount Everest.* London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1928. **£45**

Reprint (1st published 1926). 8vo. pp. 319; 16 photo. illu-
strs., 2 sketch maps; some foxing at front and rear, else very good in the original beige cloth, lettered in black, slightly bumped. Ownership inscription of George Lowe (W. G. Lowe 1946) to flyleaf.

Cf. Neate Y27; Yakushi Y15a; Perret 4640; S & B Y09. Though published some two years after the first edition, this reprint contains no new matter. The early ownership inscription indicates Lowe's interest in the subject long before he first visited the Himalaya.

72. Noel, Captain J. B. L. *Through Tibet to Everest.* London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1927. **£750**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 302, [2], 16 (ads.); b & w photo. illu-
strs., 4 illu- str. to text; some heavy spotting at front and rear, frontis. and one other plate reinserted with sellotape which has now browned, inner hinges repaired, good in the original cloth, gilt, rubbed and soiled. A presentation copy, inscribed by the author to the title-page "To Dear Nance in appreciation and the happy memory of her typing the whole of the script of this book as I wrote it in 1926 John Noel Life Fellow of the R. Geographical Society F.R.S.A. Hon. Life Member of the Am. Museum of Natural History of New York", and additionally signed by Noel's daughter Sandra R. Noel. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with long note by him.

Neate N22; Yakushi N56a; Perret 3211; S & B N13. Noel, photographer with the 1922 and 1924 Everest expeditions, here offers his own account of the first three expeditions to Everest and of the 1913 Reconnaissance in which he participated. Ward's long note reads: "I went to see Noel & his wife at their house after the Everest 1953 Expedition. He was an unusual person and would not have fitted in with the Public School type on the early Everest Expeditions. Also he was too concerned selling his film etc. Sandra Noel is his daughter. He died in 1989, a multi-faceted man. The title of this book is a bit of a hype - In fact he got nowhere near Everest on his expedition in 1913 - but he did take film on the North Col in 1922 & 1924. He was also friendly with Kellas - the "forgotten" physiologist of Everest. John West has written a good article about Kellas in the Jnl of Applied Physiology 1988 & Alp Jnl 1989-90."

73. Noel, Captain J. B. L. *Through Tibet to Everest.* London: Edward Arnold & Co., 1927. **£575**

Another copy of the first edition, slight worming to front endpapers with small wormhole extending to p. 34, previous owners' inscriptions and label to flyleaf, good in the original cloth, gilt, rubbed, neatly restored to extremities. Signed by the author to flyleaf "John Noel 1922 & 1924 Everest Expeditions".

74. [Noel, J. B. L.] Sandra Noel. *Everest Pioneer. The Photographs of Captain John Noel.* [Stroud:] Sutton Publishing, [2003]. **£35**

First edition. 4to. pp. xvi, 176; photo. illu- str.; near-fine in original cloth, d.j. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf

An account of Noel's time with the 1920s Everest expeditions, which reproduces many of his photographs.

75. [Lantern Slides.] Newton & Co., Ltd. *Geology and Physical Geography. Fourth Section of the Complete Catalogue of Lantern Slides published and manufactured by Newton & Co., Ltd.* London: Newton & Co., Ltd., n.d. c. 1920s. **£50**

?First edition. 8vo. pp. [iv], 255-294; some browning, good in the original printed wrappers, worn.

This uncommon catalogue, one in a series of ten themed lists, details various lantern slides broadly grouped under the heading of Geography. Among the special announcements at the rear of the catalogue is one for the Mount Everest Expedition with news that "Slides visualizing the Mount Everest Climbing Expedition" are to be made available for purchase or hire along with printed lectures.



76. Royal Geographical Society. Thirty-six issues of the *Geographical Journal*, each containing articles relating to the Everest expeditions from 1919-1953. **£1,250**

8vo. Numerous photo. illu- str., folding maps; very good in original printed wrappers, slight wear to some spines. Ownership inscriptions of Michael Ward to first leaf of each issue.

A set of the articles in the *Geographical Journal* relating to each of the major Everest expeditions of the 1920s, 1930s, and 1950s, including the 1951 Reconnaissance and the successful 1953 expedition in which Michael Ward took part. The collection also includes John Noel's 'A Journey to Tashirak in Southern Tibet, and the Eastern Approaches to Mount Everest' (1919), and associated articles on geology, physiology, and surveying by Noel Odell, Michael Spender, Griff Pugh, and others.

77. Finch, Captain G. Ingle. *Climbing Mount Everest.* London: George Philip & Son, Ltd. 1931. **£145**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 72; 22 illu- str., sketch map; Gothic House Library inscription to title, very good in the original printed wrappers, browned. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to title-page.

Neate F29; Yakushi F60; S & B F11. Published in Philips' "New Prospect" Readers series, this is an account of the 1922 Everest Expedition, during which Finch reached 27,300 feet. The book is partly based on Finch's *Der Kampf um den Everest* (1925, see item 67), which was not fully translated until 2008.

78. Finch, Captain G. Ingle. *Climbing Mount Everest.* London: George Philip & Son, Ltd., 1931. £125

Another copy, very good in original printed card wrappers. The publisher's file copy, with label to that effect pasted to front wrapper, and inkstamp with additional information to title-page.

According to information entered by hand on the publisher's inkstamp, 10,000 copies of Finch's booklet were due to be printed.

79. Finch, Captain G. Ingle. *Climbing Mount Everest.* London: George Philip & Son, Ltd., 1931. £100

Second edition. 8vo. pp. 72; photo. illu. sketch map; very good in original printed card wrappers. The publisher's file copy, with label to that effect pasted to front wrapper, and inkstamp with additional information to title-page.

Effectively a reprint of the first edition, with slight differences to the advertisements inside the wrappers. 7500 copies were printed.

80. Finch, Captain G. Ingle. *Climbing Mount Everest.* London: George Philip & Son, Ltd., 1931. £100

Third edition, reprinted. 8vo. pp. 72; photo. illu., sketch map; very good in original limp patterned cloth, slightly rubbed.

Another reprint of the first edition, with once again slight differences to the advertisements inside the wrappers.

81. Finch, Captain G. Ingle. *Climbing Mount Everest.* London: George Philip & Son, Ltd., 1932. £100

"Indian edition". 8vo. pp. 72; photo. illu., sketch map; very good in original printed card wrappers. The publisher's file copy, with label to that effect pasted to front wrapper, and inkstamp with additional information to title-page.

Another edition of Finch's little book, marked on the upper wrapper "Indian Edition", with the same written across the publisher's label and inkstamp. The only other difference from the first edition appears at the foot of the final leaf of text, which reads "Printed at the Diocesan Press, Vepery, Madras".

82. Burrard, Sir Sidney. *Mount Everest and its Tibetan Names. A Review of Sir Sven Hedin's Book. Dehra Dun: The Geodetic Branch Office, Survey of India, [1931].* £275

First edition. 8vo. pp. [iv], 18; 2 images of "The Himalayan area embraced by the arms of the River Kosi" on one plate; very good in the original cloth-backed printed boards, RGS inkstamp to upper board. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

S & B B51; not in Neate, Yakushi or Perret. Survey of India Professional Paper no. 26. Burrard's review of Hedin's *Mount Everest* (1926) primarily concentrates on the latter's claim that the true Tibetan name for the mountain, based on evidence from D'Anville's map of Tibet (1733), should be Chomo Lungma.

83. Burroughs Wellcome & Co. *Photography at the Chicago Exposition.* N.p., n.d. c. 1933. £25

A small 4pp. flyer, approx. 95 x 170mm., two illu. to front and rear (Dioramas of Peary at the North Pole and Byrd landing in France after his Transatlantic flight), key plan of photographic exhibit to centre pages; VG.

The Burroughs Wellcome photographic exhibit at the Chicago Exposition included 24 dioramas "illustrating outstanding incidents of pioneer travel by land, sea and air". This flyer promotes the company's products, and underlines their use in the development of some of the expeditions reproduced in the dioramas: Peary, Byrd, Scott at the South Pole, and "the Mount Everest Expeditions".

84. Burroughs Wellcome & Co. *The Romance of Exploration and Emergency First Aid from Stanley to Byrd.* New York: Burroughs Wellcome & Co., [1934]. £25

First US edition. 8vo. pp. 160; plan of Exposition to flyleaf verso, numerous illu. inc. a few coloured, 2 sketch maps; some crinkling to upper margins, else very good in original red cloth, gilt, t.e.g., marked to rear cover. Ownership inscription of Geoffrey Hattersley-Smith.

Spence 219. This catalogue, issued for the Chicago Century of Progress Exposition 1934, offers a history of the use of first aid in exploration, with sections on Stanley, Franklin, Peary, Stefansson, Scott, Wilson, Shackleton, Amundsen, Byrd - and Everest expeditions.

85. [Ephemera.] A luggage label for Hotel Mount Everest Darjeeling India. *W. Newman & Co., Ltd., Printers, Calcutta, n.d. c. 1930s.* £75

A small diamond-shaped label, approx. 8.5 x 5.5" (22 x 14 cm.) in size, printed to one side only with a view of Everest from Darjeeling and lettering beneath within a red patterned border, small crease else VG. Signed to the image by 1953 Expedition member George Lowe.

A nice piece of ephemera from Darjeeling.



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86. Fellowes, Air-Commodore P. F. M., et al. First Over Everest. The Houston-Mount Everest Expedition 1933. London: John Lane, [1933]. **£95**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xix, 279; portrait frontis. of Lady Houston, photo. plates including "An Anaglyph from Vertical Photographs Taken Over Everest. Made to Appear in Stereoscopic Relief" (with accompanying 3-D spectacles in pocket at rear), several double-page photographic panoramas, 3 maps inc. 2 folding; very good in the original cloth, chipped to head of spine, faded on spine and margins of boards. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate F17; Yakushi F27a; Perret 1604; S & B F08. The success of the Houston Flight over Everest Expedition is captured in this well-illustrated account, complete with the original 3-D spectacles in rear pocket.

87. Fellowes, Air-Commodore P. F. M., et al. First Over Everest. The Houston-Mount Everest Expedition 1933. London: John Lane, [1933]. **£75**

Reprint (same year as original). 8vo. pp. xix, 279; portrait frontis. of Lady Houston, photo. plates, 3-D spectacles in pocket at rear, several double-page photographic panoramas, 3 maps inc. 2 folding; very good in the original cloth, faded on spine. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, Oct 1955, to flyleaf.

88. Clydesdale, The Marquess of Douglas and Clydesdale & D.F. M'Intyre. The Pilots' Book of Everest ... With a Preface by Lt.-Col. The Rt. The Lord Tweedsmuir. William Hodge & Company, Limited, [1936]. **£275**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xvi, 209; photo. illu. inc. 3 folding, 3 maps inc. one folding; near-fine in the original cloth, d.j. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate C86; Yakushi C129; S & B C32; not in Perret. The 1933 Houston-Mount Everest expedition achieved the first flight over the mountain. In the present work, the pilots present their account of the expedition, supplementing the official account given in *First Over Everest* (1933).

89. Clydesdale, The Marquess of Douglas and Clydesdale & D.F. M'Intyre. The Pilots' Book of Everest ... With a Preface by Lt.-Col. The Rt. The Lord Tweedsmuir. William Hodge & Company, Limited, [1936]. **£250**

Another copy of the first edition, some spotting, else very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is browned and worn on spine, soiled. With a loosely inserted typed letter from Clydesdale to Sir F. H. G. Peek, on Dungavel headed notepaper, 6th June, 1933.

The letter with this copy replies to the request for a contribution to "this year's Eton Ephemera Change ... I enclose an article on our first flight, which I fear is over 900 words. Please, however, do not hesitate to shorten or alter it in any way to suit the paper". We have not been able to ascertain whether the article was ever published.

90. Clydesdale, The Marquess of Douglas and Clydesdale & D.F. M'Intyre. The Pilots' Book of Everest ... With a Preface by Lt.-Col. The Rt. The Lord Tweedsmuir. William Hodge & Company, Limited, 1936. **£75**

Another copy of the first edition, some spotting, occasional creases to illu., good in the original cloth, bumped and soiled. Prize bookplate presenting the book to M. P. Ward, with his ownership inscription to flyleaf and note about the book.

Ward's note reads: "Used as 1y source material in 1951 by me when looking for photos of Nepalese side of Everest to see if there was a route - Photos show Kangshung face & S. ridge".

91. The Times. 'Flying to the Summit Photographs taken on the Second Everest Flight'. *The Times Publishing Company*, May 8, 1933. **£50**

Large folio. pp. iv; 8 photo. illu.; centrally creased both horizontally and vertically where folded, some age toning, else good in the original self-wrappers, a few marginal tears.

This "Special Illustrated Section" from *The Times* contains some of the spectacular illustrations taken during the second 1933 Houston-Everest expedition flight. The images from the expedition provided some of the best informational photographs then available, and they were used to construct a map of Everest, not however published until 1952. *The Times* had previously published separately a similar supplement relating to the first flight on April 24, not present here.

92. Fellowes, P. F. M. 'The Houston-Everest Flight'. An article in *The Journal of the Royal Aeronautical Society*, vol. XXXVIII, pp.689-704, August 1934. **£30**

First edition thus. 8vo. pp. x, 689-746, xi-xii; very good in the original printed wrappers, which are worn at head and tail of spine.

Fellowes led the Houston-Everest Expedition.

93. [Everest 1933 Flight. Ephemera.] A full set of Flight Over Everest 1933 playing cards. *The Worshipful Company of Makers of Playing Cards*, n.d. c. ?1933. **£350**

52 playing cards, together with Joker, Contract Scoring card and portrait card of Hubert Marsh (Master of the Worshipful Company), each edged in silver and with an image from an original sketch of a plane approaching Everest, slight rubbing or soiling, else VG in the original box, slightly rubbed.

Not in Giochi delle Montagne. A nicely produced set of playing cards, details of the production of which we have been unable to ascertain.



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94. Ruttledge, Hugh. *Everest 1933*. London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1934. **£450**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xv, 390; sepia photo. frontis., 58 sepia photo. plates, 3 diagrams in text, 4 maps, including 3 large folding; previous owners inscriptions to flyleaf, minor marginal foxing, else very clean in the original cloth gilt, d.j., which is slightly rubbed. Armorial bookplate of R. J. Brocklehurst. Loosely inserted ALS from expedition members Jack Longland and T. A. Brocklebank. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate R99; Yakushi R213a; Perret 3830; S & B R29; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 33. The official account of the fourth expedition to Everest, led by Hugh Ruttledge with a team that included Frank Smythe, Eric Shipton, Wyn Harris, and L. R. Wager. Harris and Wager made a summit attempt from Camp VI, reaching 28,200 feet, and finding the ice-axe belonging to Andrew Irvine, lost nine years before on their fateful climb.

95. Ruttledge, Hugh. *Everest 1933*. London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1934. **£375**

Another copy of the first edition, previous owners' inscriptions to flyleaf, minor marginal foxing, else very clean in the original cloth gilt, d.j., which is rubbed and chipped, browned on spine. George Lowe's copy.

96. Ruttledge, Hugh. *Everest 1933*. London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1934. **£100**

Another copy of the first edition, some spotting, ex-Reform Club library with inkstamps to verso of each plate, maps, and prelims., good in the original cloth, some time rebaked. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with his pencilled notes relating to medical aspects of the 1933 expedition to flyleaf and occasionally to text.

Ward's note reads: "Used a 1y source for research 1951-2 in H.A. at M.R.C. Holly Hill Labs with Pugh. Main pt were hallucinations by Smythe indicates acute O₂ lack. Also RG wrote of ascent at 28,000ft without supplementary oxygen. Wager an F.R.S. Prof. at Durham & then Oxford (Geologist). On the RS [Royal Society]-CAS [Chinese Academy of Sciences] Tibet Geotraverse in 1985/6 a number of people had been taught by him - in fact John Dewey [member of the Geotraverse] did exactly the same i.e. Prof at Durham & then Oxford (1985)."

97. Ruttledge, Hugh. *Everest 1933*. London: Hodder and Stoughton, [1947]. **£150**

5th Black Jacket edition. 12mo. pp. 254; sketch map, photo. illu.:; very good in the original cloth, d.j. (chipped and soiled). Signed on the dedication page by expedition member Jack Longland.

A later edition of the abridged version of Ruttledge's account, signed by Longland, who assisted the descent of eight sherpas from Camp VI on Everest during a whiteout.

98. Ruttledge, Hugh. 'The Mount Everest Expedition of 1933.' An article in *The Himalayan Journal*, vol. VI no 1, pp. 31-47. Oxford at the Clarendon Press, 1934. **£75**

First edition thus. 8vo. pp. vi (ads.), vi, 197; 14 photo. illu.: and folding map, some relating to other articles; very good in original printed wrappers, previous owner's signature to upper wrapper.

S & B p. 116, 118 & 106. This same volume contains 'Mount Everest's Weather in 1933' by L. R. Wager, and 'The Mount Everest Flights' by V. Stewart Blacker

99. Greene, Raymond. 'The Everest Oxygen Apparatus, 1933.' Reprinted from *The Lancet*, Nov. 17th, 1934, p. 1122. **£100**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 8; 2 illu.:; very good in self-wrappers. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to front wrapper.

Greene discusses the equipment used on the 1933 expedition.

100. Greene, Raymond. *Everest 1933. Some Medical Aspects ... A Reprint of Chapter II of the "Observations" in "Everest 1933," published by Hodder and Stoughton Ltd., London, E.C.4. N.p. [H. W. V. Ltd], n.d. ?1930s.* **£250**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 247-269; slight spotting, else very good in the original printed wrappers. A presentation copy "Michael Ward from Raymond Greene. I'm afraid it's rather out of date!". Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

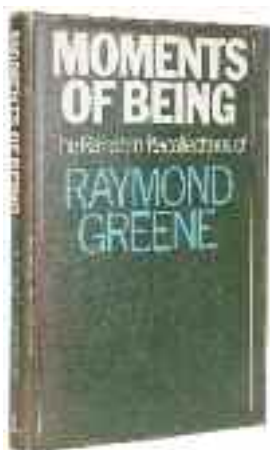
Greene was the doctor on the 1933 Everest expedition. This unrecorded offprint of his contribution to Ruttledge's official expedition narrative was presented by him to the doctor on the Everest 1953 expedition, Michael Ward.

101. Greene, Raymond. 'Mental Performance in Chronic Anoxia.' Reprinted from the *British Medical Journal*, May 4, 1957, vol. 1, pp. 1028-1031. **£125**

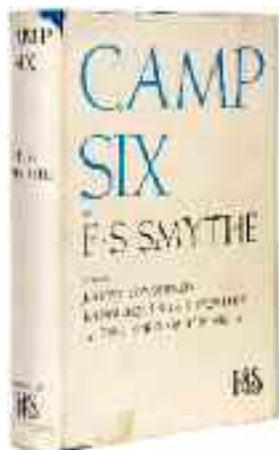
First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 9; very good in self-wrappers. Presented by the author, "With Compliments RG". Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first page, with his notes to the final leaf.

A discussion of oxygen deficiency and its relation to mental performance, as observed on Everest in 1933. Ward's notes read in part: "In 1933 Expedition members were not chosen well because of effects quoted in present observations. On Makalu lot quarrels. On Everest 1953 no quarrels so effect not due to use of O₂."

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105. Smythe, F. S. *Camp Six. An Account of the 1933 Mount Everest Expedition.* London: Hodder & Stoughton, 1937. **£95**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

106. [Everest 1933. Menu.] Himalayan Club Dinner. Saturday Club. 3rd August 1933. **£450**

A printed menu, approx. 185 x 230mm, with a tipped-on photo. illust. of the 1933 Everest Expedition team; somewhat soiled to margins, signed in ink by expedition leader Hugh Ruttledge, in pencil by Raymond Greene, and with eight further signatures, probably by members of the Himalayan Club.

A rare piece of ephemera. The Everest expedition was honoured by several dinners after its return to Darjeeling, including a dinner at the Darjeeling Club on 29th July, and this one given by the Himalayan Club a few days later. It is possible that fewer members of the expedition attended the Himalayan Club dinner, since the only other example of this menu that we have seen has similarly few expedition members' signatures.

107. [Wilson, Maurice.] Dennis Roberts. *I'll Climb Mount Everest Alone. The Story of Maurice Wilson.* London: Robert Hale Limited, [1957]. **£175**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 158; photo. illustrs., 3 sketch maps; fine in original cloth, d.j., which is slightly frayed to extremities, small label removed from front of wrapper.

Neate R46; Yakushi R128; S & B R13; not in Perret. The extraordinary story of the solo adventurer Maurice Wilson, who in 1934 resolved to climb Everest alone. Roberts bases his account on the diaries recovered by Eric Shipton, who discovered Wilson's body on the 1935 reconnaissance.

108. [Wilson, Maurice.] Dennis Roberts. *I'll Climb Mount Everest Alone. The story of Maurice Wilson.* London: Robert Hale Limited, [1957]. **£50**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth, faded, creased on spine. Ownership inscription of George Lowe to the flyleaf.

109. Shipton, Eric. 'The Mount Everest Reconnaissance, 1935.' An article in *The Himalayan Journal*, vol. 8, pp. 1-13. Oxford at the Clarendon Press, 1936. **£75**

8vo. pp. [viii, ads.], vi, 193; numerous photo. illustrations and maps, some folding, some relating to Shipton's article; very good in original printed wrappers, previous owner's signature to upper wrapper.

S & B p. 116. A book version of Shipton's reconnaissance did not appear until 2005 (see next item).

110. Astill, Tony. *Mount Everest The Reconnaissance 1935. The Forgotten Adventure.* Published by the Author, 2005. **£150**

Subscription edition, no. 5 of 250 copies, inscribed by the author to Michael Ward. Royal 8vo. pp. [vii], xvii, 359, [2, ads.]; photo. illustrs., folding maps; as new in the original cloth in double d.j., t.e.g.

The 1935 Mount Everest Reconnaissance, led by Eric Shipton and including H. W. Tilman, was only previously known from articles written at the time and from secondary literature. The story of this historically important expedition was compiled by Tony Astill from the original expedition diaries and photographs, as well as maps based on Spender's surveys. Astill was greatly assisted in his research for the book by Michael Ward.



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102. Greene, Raymond. *Moments of Being. The Random Recollections of ...* London: Heinemann, 1974. **£175**

First edition. 8vo. pp. ix, 180; photo. illustrs.; very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is rubbed. Two loosely inserted letters from Greene to Ward. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with long note by him to half-title.

Neate G61; Yakushi G125; S & B G13; not in Perret. Greene was a member of the 1933 Everest expedition under Ruttledge, having previously joined Smythe's 1931 expedition to Kamet. Ward's note reads: "Raymond Greene was one of the famous family of Greenes, Graham, Hugh Carlton - etc. He was an elegant writer - and one of the few people who was a GP & went on to become a Consultant Physician. His speciality was endocrinology. He helped me a lot in Everest 1953 particularly. He told me that he had referred Frank Smythe to George Riddoch, a London Hospital neurologist with unequal pupils! also he said that a number of people on the 1933 Everest party had become mentally abnormal ... I liked Raymond - he had a pleasantly detached, sceptical acerbic yet involved way with him. He was a very good physician and very amusing."

103. [Greene, C. Raymond.] If - by Rudyard Kipling. London: Macmillan and Co., Limited, 1916. **£25**

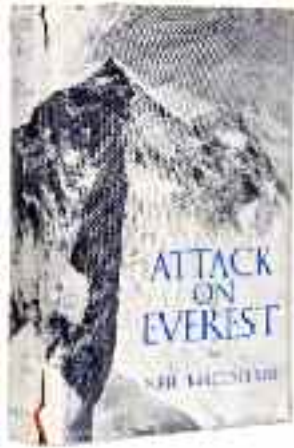
Reprint. 8vo. pp. 4; very good in the original wrappers, browned to margins and slight wear to upper cover. Ownership inscription to upper cover of C. Raymond Greene, with the additional words "from Alia Bell".

A book from Greene's library.

104. Smythe, F. S. *Camp Six. An Account of the 1933 Mount Everest Expedition.* London: Hodder & Stoughton, 1937. **£295**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xi, 307; b & w photo. plates; contemporary inscription to flyleaf, else very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is frayed to extremities and has internal tape repairs, with a loosely inserted prospectus for the book.

Neate S114; Yakushi S288a; Perret 4082; S & B S42; *Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering* 34. One of Smythe's best books, *Camp Six* relates his solo attempt on Everest's summit, "one of the greatest efforts in Everest history" (Neate), during the 1933 Everest expedition led by Ruttledge.



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111. Macintyre, Neil. *Attack on Everest.* London: Methuen & Co. Ltd., [1936]. **£75**

First edition. 8vo. pp. vii, 172; diagram of Everest as frontis.; some spotting, else good in the original cloth, which is slightly faded to head of spine, in original dust-jacket, which is frayed with loss to extremities.

Neate M18; Yakushi M24; S & B M06; not in Perret. "This book is an elaboration of a series of articles on attempts to climb Mount Everest, which appeared in the News Chronicle" (Preface). Macintyre relates the story of Everest down to the 1933 expedition, followed by chapters about Kangchenjunga and K2.

112. Greene, Raymond. 'Introduction to Everest.' An article in *The Geographical Magazine*, vol. III, no. 1, pp. 17-43, May 1936. **£45**

Small 4to. pp. xxiv, 72, xxv-xxxii; photo. illu. relating to Greene's article, photo. illu. to other articles; very good in the original pictorial wrappers, rubbed. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

S & B p. 110. Greene, a member of the 1933 Everest expedition under Rutledge, sketches in this article the difficulties facing the 1936 expedition. The article is prefaced by a nicely printed 16pp. 'Photogravure Supplement' entitled 'The Way to Everest'. The adverts. at front and rear feature products used by the 1936 expedition.

113. Rutledge, Hugh. *Everest: The Unfinished Adventure.* London: Hodder And Stoughton, [1937]. **£450**

First edition. Royal 8vo. pp. xvi, 295; port. frontis. of members of expedition, b & w photo. plates, 2 large folding maps to rear; fine in the original cloth, in bright condition, in the original d.j. Armorial bookplate of R. J. Brocklehurst. Loosely inserted ALS from expedition member Charles Warren. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate R100; Yakushi R214; Perret 3831; S & B R30; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 35. The 1936 expedition, the fifth to Everest and the second under Rutledge's leadership, was again a first-class party. It was plagued by an early monsoon and stricken with weather problems from the beginning.

114. Rutledge, Hugh. *Everest: The Unfinished Adventure.* London: Hodder And Stoughton, [1937]. **£375**

Another copy of the first edition, previous owner's inscription to flyleaf, minor spotting to leaves adjoining maps, else very good in the original cloth, in bright condition, in the original d.j., which is slightly chipped and soiled. George Lowe's copy.

115. Rutledge, Hugh. *Everest: The Unfinished Adventure.* London: Hodder And Stoughton, [1937]. **£150**

Another copy of the first edition, minor spotting, sellotape repairs to first map, else good in contemporary cloth. Signed by expedition members Gavin and Warren to their frontispiece portraits. Ownership inscription of M. P. Ward to flyleaf, with long note by him concerning the importance of the book to him.

Ward's note reads: "Used as 1y source material for H[igh]. A[ltitude]. Investigations with [Griff] Pugh in 1951-152 at M.R.C. Holly Hill Labs - but more importantly for me was the realisation that Kempson & Gavin in 1935 had been to the Lho La, looked into the West Cwm and taken a photo. - which he (K) subsequently gave me. The chapters on medicine & physiology are good - most of the points made have since been shown to be correct. H. A. Deterioration was high-lighted - also the effectiveness of oxygen at altitude."

116. Rutledge, Hugh. 'The Mount Everest Expedition of 1936.' Reprinted from *The Geographical Journal*, vol. LXXXVIII no 6, December 1936. **£75**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 491-523; 15 photo. illu. relating to Rutledge's article; very good in the original printed wrappers.

Not in the usual bibliographies. Rutledge's article contains appendices by Morris, Smijth Windham, Smythe, Humphreys, and Warren. The discussion which followed the reading of the paper included contributions by Smythe, Humphreys and Warren.

117. Rutledge, Hugh. 'The Mount Everest Expedition, 1936.' An article in *The Himalayan Journal*, vol. 9, pp. 1-15. Oxford at the Clarendon Press, 1937. **£75**

8vo. pp. [iv, ads.], vi, 206; numerous photo. illustrations and maps, some folding, some relating to Rutledge's article; very good in original printed wrappers, previous owner's signature to upper wrapper.

S & B p. 116, 117. This volume includes two other articles on Everest: 'Survey on the Mount Everest Expedition' by Michael Spender and 'The Problem of Mount Everest.'

118. Younghusband, Sir Francis. *Everest: The Challenge.* Thomas Nelson and Sons Ltd., [1936]. **£95**

Reprinted 1936, "Second edition". 8vo. pp. ix, 243; photo. illu., 3 sketch maps at rear, map endpapers; inscription to frontis. recto, else a fine clean copy in the original cloth, gilt, vertical crease to spine, in the original dust-jacket, which is frayed to extremities.

Neate Y28; Yakushi Y18a; Perret 4639; S & B Y10. Younghusband gives an overview of the British Everest expeditions of the 1920s and 1933, and on German attempts on Kangchenjunga and Nanga Parbat. The book first appeared in March 1936, but a month later this "Second edition" appeared. A publisher's notice tipped-in to the title-page advertises that the reprint has "a Special Account of the 1936 Expedition", and indeed Younghusband rewrote chapter 5 to include results from this expedition.

119. Snaith, Stanley. *At Grips with Everest ...* Foreword by T. Howard Somervell. New York: Oxford, 1938. **£425**

First US edition. 8vo. pp. xv, 258; 8 plates; very good in the original cloth, in d.j., which has minor wear to extremities. Signed by 1953 Everest expedition members George Lowe, John Hunt, George Band, Mike Westmacott, Michael Ward, and Charles Wylie.

Neate S137; Yakushi S295; S & B S46; not in Perret. An introduction for children to the history of attempts on Everest, with chapters also on Kangchenjunga, Nanda Devi and Nanga Parbat.

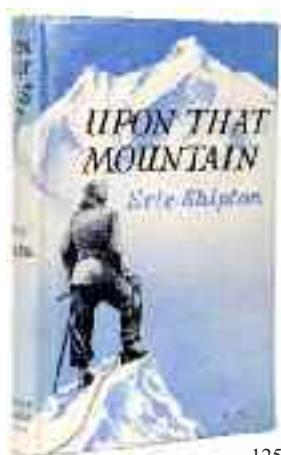
120. Tilman, H. W. 'Mount Everest 1938.' An article in *The Himalayan Journal*, vol. XI, pp. 1-14. Oxford at the Clarendon Press, 1939. **£75**

8vo. pp. [iv, ads.], vi, 219; numerous photo. illustrations and maps, some folding, some relating to Tilman's article; very good in original printed wrappers.

S & B p. 117. Tilman's book on the expedition did not appear until 1948.



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121. Tilman, H. W. Mount Everest 1938. *Cambridge at the University Press*, 1948. **£450**

First edition. 8vo. pp. x, 160; b & w photo. illu., 4 maps; very good in original cloth, faded to spine, in original d.j., which is frayed to extremities and faded on spine. Signed by expedition members Peter Lloyd and Charles Warren to flyleaf, and with a 3pp. letter from Warren loosely inserted. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with a long pencilled note by him to flyleaf.

Neate T44; Yakushi T78a; Perret 4277; S & B T11; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 36. Tilman led this small expedition, which included Eric Shipton, Frank Smythe and N. E. Odell. Like that of 1936, it was defeated by the weather. The publication of the account was delayed by the outbreak of the Second World War. Ward's note reads: "Used as 1y Source material in 1951-2 in the preliminary work on H[igh].A[ltitude]. at Phys. lab Holy Hill - M.R.C. Main pt. was use of Closed Circuit O2 and the "Stroke" suffered by a Sherpa - plus general illness of party, which meant that they had to descend to Kharta Valley. Charles Warren told me that he had started out very keen on the closed-circuit - but it gave so much trouble that he switched his allegiance to the Open Circuit."

122. Tilman, H. W. Mount Everest 1938. *Cambridge at the University Press*, 1948. **£150**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in original cloth, in original d.j., which is faded on spine and chipped at ends. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

123. Tilman, H. W. Mount Everest 1938. *Cambridge at the University Press*, 1948. **£150**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in original cloth, faded to spine, in original d.j., which is frayed to extremities and faded on spine. Ownership inscription of George Lowe ("W. G. Lowe 1948") to flyleaf.

124. Warren, C. B. M. 'Alveolar air on Mount Everest.' [Offprinted] From the *Proceedings of the Physiological Society*, 8 July, 1939. **£75**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 2; fine in self-wrappers. Signed by the author at foot of text. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to front wrapper.

S & B p. 118. A brief note on observations made during the 1938 Everest expedition. Charles Warren was a member of Everest expeditions in 1935, 1936 and 1938.

125. Shipton, Eric. *Upon That Mountain.* London: Hodder & Stoughton Limited, [1943]. **£195**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 222; 31 b & w photo. illu., four sketch maps to text; discolouration to inner margins of prelims., else very good in the original cloth, in the original dust-jacket, which is slightly chipped. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with brief note by him ("This was written by Eric Shipton when he was Consul-General in Kashgar").

Neate S68; Yakushi S211a; Perret 4044; S & B S23. Shipton's account of his climbs in the Alps, his ascents of Nanda Devi and Mount Kenya, and of the Everest expeditions of 1933, 1935, 1936 and 1938.

126. Shipton, Eric. *Upon That Mountain.* London: Hodder & Stoughton Limited, [1943]. **£150**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth, in the original dust-jacket, which is slightly chipped with minor loss at foot of spine.

127. Shipton, Eric. *Upon That Mountain ... with a Foreword by Geoffrey Winthrop Young.* London: Readers Union Limited Hodder & Stoughton Limited, 1945. **£350**

Reprint [1st ed 1943]. 8vo. pp. 248; 31 b & w photo. illu., four sketch maps to text; very good in the original cloth (no dust-jacket issued for this edition), rubbed and marked. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, Oct. 1955, to flyleaf, signed by the author Eric Shipton to the title-page.

128. Thomas, John. *Himalayan Journey.* Bombay: Thacker & Co., Ltd., 1944. **£95**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 60, 8 (pubs. list); minor creasing to corners, very good in the original printed wrappers, slightly chipped and soiled, staples rusted.

Published as volume no. 53 of The Rampart Library, this is an account of the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway. Chapter four, 'Mountain Magic', describes the views of Everest, Makalu, Kanchenjunga, and others.

129. Roxburgh, H. L. 'Oxygen Equipment for Climbing Mount Everest.' Reprinted from *The Geographical Journal*, vol. CIX nos. 4-6, April-June, 1947. **£50**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 207-216; 4 photo. illu.; very good in original printed wrappers. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

Not in the usual bibliographies. Roxburgh's article discusses the use of oxygen by the RAF during the Second World War and its potential applications to the climbing of Everest.

130. Denman, Earl. *Alone to Everest.* London: Collins, 1954. **£95**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 256pp.; photo. illu., 4 sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is slightly chipped with internal tape repair to head of spine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate D17; Yakushi D87a; Perret 1284; S & B D05. The story of Denman's ascents of the eight principal summits of the Virunga mountains in the Belgian Congo, followed by his remarkable 1947 journey with Tenzing through Sikkim and Tibet to Everest, where they reached a height of 23,500 feet before bad weather turned them back.



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131. Ullman, J. R. Kingdom of Adventure: Everest. A chronicle of man's assault on the earth's highest mountain narrated by the participants and with an accompanying text. *London: Collins, 1948* **£125**

First UK edition, a year after the US first. 8vo. pp. 320; photo. illu., 3 sketch maps, one diagram; light spotting to edges, else good in the original cloth, faded on spine, in d.j., which is frayed with loss to extremities. Ownership inscription of George Lowe ("W. G. Lowe 1949") to flyleaf, and a slip of paper signed by Tenzing loosely inserted.

Neate U03; Yakushi U12; S & B U05; not in Perret. A well-compiled history of Everest expeditions. Tenzing signed the slip of paper in this copy when he met George Lowe in Lhasa in September, 1981.



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132. [Ice-Axe.] An Italian ice-axe by Grivel, c. 1940s.

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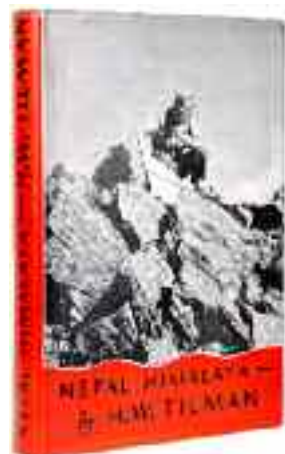
An ice pick with steel head and tip, wooden haft, in good condition, slight chipping to varnish of wood. Signed by 40+ climbers, including Ed Hillary, George Band, George Lowe, Tom Hornbein, Jim Whittaker, Jack Tackle, Barbara and Brad Washburn, Bob Bates, Charles Houston, Reinhold Messner, Peter Habeler, Kurt Diemberger, Junko Tabei, Galen Rowell, Carlos Buhler, Carlos Carsolio, Ed Viesters, Conrad Anker, Babu Chiri Sherpa, Anatoli Boukreev, Joe Simpson, Simon Yates, Stevie Haston, Sharon Wood, Lynn Hill, Yvon Chouinard, John Roskelly, Stacey Allison, David Breashears, Greg Child, Krzysztof Wielicki, Ricardo Cassin, Anders Heckmaier, Laurie Skreslet, Pat Morrow, Ed Webster, Jon Krakauer, and others.

A unique ice-axe, signed by numerous climbers of Everest and other peaks.

133. Tilman, H. W. Nepal Himalaya. *Cambridge at the University Press, 1952.* **£275**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xii, 272; photo. illu., 7 sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j. which is very slightly chipped. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with a long note by him to flyleaf.

Neate T45; Yakushi T81a; Perret 4278; S & B T12. After World War II, the northern route to Everest through Tibet became closed off to climbers. A southern route was therefore needed and initial inspection was made of the route by Tilman and Charles Houston in 1950. The present work contains an account of that expedition, together with accounts of expeditions Tilman made to Langtang and the Ganesh Himal (1949) and to the Annapurna Himal and Manaslu (Spring 1950).



Ward's note reads: "In 1950 Tilman and Houston failed to go far enough to look into the Western Cwm. Hence missed a chance to mount an expedition in 1951. By looking at photos and maps in RGS at end of 1950

- and early 1951 I found evidence of new route up Everest. The 1951 Autumn Recce party was a direct result - Also the work in Phys. labs at M.R.S. Hampstead which solved "problem" of "last thousand feet" on Everest, was done by Pugh and myself - but mostly Pugh in early 1951, prior to Recce & Shipton's acceptance of leadership."

134. Tilman, H. W. Nepal Himalaya. *Cambridge University Press, 1952.* **£125**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth, d.j., slightly chipped.

135. Houston, Charles. 'Towards Everest, 1950.' An article in *The Himalayan Journal*, vol. XVII, pp. 9-18. *Oxford at the Clarendon Press, 1952.* **£45**

8vo. pp. [viii, ads.], 185, [4, ads.]; numerous photo. illustrations and maps, some folding, some relating to Houston's article; some red staining to top and bottom of text block, else very good in original printed wrappers.

S & B p. 111, 114 & 110. Houston's account of the expedition, with Tilman, to assess a southern route to Everest. This volume also contains 'The Reconnaissance of Mount Everest, 1951' By W.H. Murray and 'Mount Everest: It's Name and Height' by B.L. Gulatee.

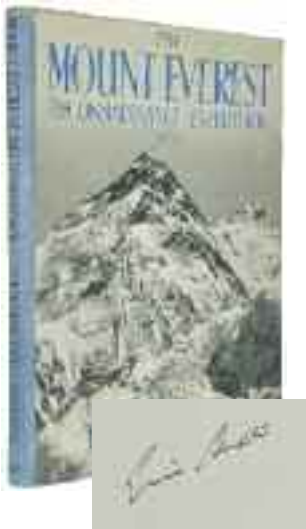


136. Shipton, Eric. *The Mount Everest Reconnaissance Expedition 1951.* London: Hodder and Stoughton, [1952]. **£1,000**

First edition. 4to. pp. 128; numerous b & w photo. illu. s.; very good in the original cloth, faded to foot of spine, in original d.j., which is chipped with loss and slightly browned to edges. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, Nov. 1954, to flyleaf, and signed on half-title by expedition members Michael Ward, Tom Bourdillon, Eric Shipton, E. P. Hillary, and also by George Lowe to the half-title.

Neate S60; Yakushi S213a; Perret 4047; S & B S24; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 37. Following Tilman's 1950 expedition, an official reconnaissance was made with Shipton as leader; Edmund Hillary and Michael Ward were also members of the expedition. They established that access could be gained through the Khumbu Glacier ice fall to the Western Cwm, a vital link in the route to the summit.

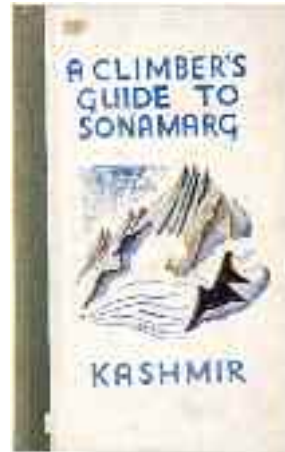
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137. Shipton, Eric. *The Mount Everest Reconnaissance Expedition 1951.* London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1952. **£450**

Another copy of the first edition, spotting to fore-edge, in the original cloth, d.j., which is slightly frayed. Clipped signature to title-page of expedition member Ed Hillary, ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with, loosely inserted, two offprints of articles by Ward concerning the Yeti footprints found during the 1951 expedition.

138. Shipton, Eric. *The Mount Everest Reconnaissance Expedition 1951.* London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1952. **£375**

Another copy of the first edition, light embrowning to endpapers, previous owner's inscription to front endpaper, else very good in the original cloth, slightly discoloured to fore-edges of boards, in original d.j., which is slightly chipped. Signed by expedition leader and author Eric Shipton to the title-page.

139. [Everest 1951.] The Times. *Mount Everest Reconnaissance Expedition 1951 Special Supplement.* The Times Publishing Company, December 1951. **£95**

First edition. Large 4to. pp. 16; 16 photo. illu. s., 2 sketch maps; creased where sometime folded, minor fraying to spine, very good in original self-wrappers.

S & B p. 117; not in other bibliographies. A special supplement to *The Times* newspaper with text largely by Shipton concerning the 1951 Reconnaissance.

140. [Noyce, C. W. F.] *A Climber's Guide to Sonamarg Kashmir.* Delhi: Himalayan Club, [1945]. **£150**

First edition. 8vo. pp. [i, pictorial title-page], [iv], v, 51; photo. illu. s., one folding map; very good in the original cloth-backed pictorial boards, slight wear. A presentation copy to "M P Ward from Himalaya Club Calcutta", with a note by Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate Q817; Yakushi H199. Ward's note reads: "Given to me in Dec 1951 after the Everest Reconnaissance from Nepal."

141. Ward, Michael. 'The 1951 Everest Reconnaissance.' Reprinted from the *London Hospital Gazette*, April 1952. **£100**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 36-39; 2 plates of photo. illu. s., one sketch map; very good in self-wrappers. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

Ward, who masterminded the 1951 Everest Reconnaissance, was training at the time in the London Hospital. He contributed this article concerning the expedition to the Hospital's paper, and received this rare offprinted version.

142. Ward, Michael. 'The Great Angharkay: A Tribute.' An article in *The Alpine Journal*, vol. 101 No. 345, pp. 182-6, 1996. **£35**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xiii, 370; photo. illu. s., sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j.. Signed by Michael Ward to his article, and by Michael Westmacott to his 'Valedictory Address' (p. 1).

The Sherpa Angharkay took part in Everest expedition of the 1930s, and with Shipton and Ward in 1951. He also accompanied the French on their successful ascent of Annapurna in 1950.

143. Ward, M. P. & P. K. Clark. 'Everest, 1951: cartographic and photographic evidence of a new route from Nepal.' Offprint from *The Geographical Journal*, vol. 158, no.1, March 1992. **£150**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 47-56; 7 illu. s.; fine in original wrappers. Signed by Michael Ward and E. P. Hillary to the upper wrapper.

S & B p. 118. This article details the cartographic and photographic information found by Ward in the archives of the Royal Geographical Society. These findings indicated a new route up the hitherto unexplored Nepalese side of Everest. Initially ignored by the Alpine Club and the RGS, the discovery formed the basis for the Autumn Reconnaissance party in 1951 led by Shipton, of which Ward and Hillary were members.



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144. Sale, Richard. Mapping the Himalayas: Michael Ward and the Pundit Heritage. *Carreg Publishing*, 2009. **£225**

Subscribers' edition, limited to 50 copies, signed by the author and with a loosely inserted offprint by Michael Ward signed by him. 8vo (246 x 189mm). Text vol: pp. 208; 16pp. colour photo. illustrs., b & w illustrs.; Map case: 44 maps of all the Pundit journeys, the first time they have ever been collected together, as well as maps illustrating the debate over whether the Tibet Tsangpo river became India's Brahmaputra or Burma's Irawaddy (a debate which led to several Pundit journeys); maps of the Everest region and northern Bhutan based on Michael Ward's survey work are also included; all housed in a purpose-made card slipcase. Text vol. and map case housed in purpose-made cloth slipcase.

This book, begun by Michael Ward (of the 1951 and 1953 Everest expeditions) and completed by Richard Sale, describes the journeys made by the Pundits - natives of the Himalayan region employed by the Survey of India to operate in the Himalayan kingdoms closed to Europeans. Ward undertook survey work during the 1951 Everest reconnaissance, and *Mapping the Himalayas* also draws extensively on his expedition diary, reproducing from it sketch maps that Ward produced on this occasion. Remarkably, Ward used Pundit surveying techniques - step counting, compass bearings, and the like - in 1964 and 1965 when on two visits for medical reasons to the King of Bhutan. His party was given permission to visit the remote Lunana region of Bhutan, little surveyed, and Ward's Pundit-style survey of part of the region formed the basis for a map that appeared in *The Geographical Journal* in December, 1966.

145. Sale, Richard. Mapping the Himalayas: Michael Ward and the Pundit Heritage. *Carreg Publishing*, 2009. **£125**

Another copy, Author's edition, signed by Richard Sale. Limited to 50 copies. Housed in a cloth slipcase.

146. Sale, Richard. Mapping the Himalayas: Michael Ward and the Pundit Heritage. *Carreg Publishing*, 2009. **£45**

Softback version, first edition. The text volume and map case are both housed in a card slipcase.

147. Finch, G. I. 'Man at High Altitudes.' An offprint from the Royal Institution of Great Britain, Weekly Evening Meeting, Friday, June 6, 1952. **£75**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 13; 4 photo. illustrs. of Everest and oxygen equipment, very good in self-wrappers, with RI receipt to Michael Ward, 1963, loosely inserted. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

Finch lectured at the Royal Institution on the physiological aspects of the ascent of Everest. On display during the lecture were a scale model of Everest, and photographs lent by the RGS and Finch himself.



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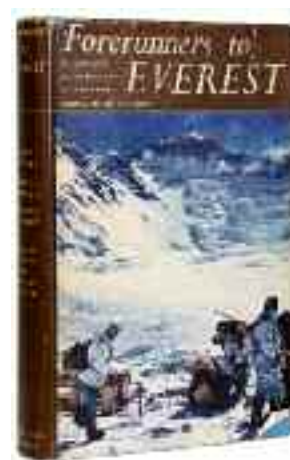
148. Finch, G. I. 'Man at High Altitudes.' An offprint from the Royal Institution of Great Britain, Weekly Evening Meeting, Friday, June 6, 1952. **£25**

Another copy, very good, not signed.

149. Dittert, Rene et al. Forerunners to Everest. The Story of the Two Swiss Expeditions of 1952. *London: George Allen & Unwin Ltd.*, [1954]. **£95**

First English edition. 8vo. pp. 256; col. frontis., b & w photo. illustrs., sketch maps; VG in original cloth, d.j. which is also slightly frayed with internal tape repairs. Loosely inserted card dated 16 of Dec 1992 from André Roch to Michael Ward. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate D32; Yakushi C87b; S & B D18; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 38. The Swiss expeditions in the year prior to the first ascent of Everest saw Tenzing and Lambert attain a height of 28,200 before having to turn back. André Roch was a member of the spring expedition, and helped pioneer the route which was used successfully by the British in 1953.



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150. Roch, André. Everest 1952. Préface du Lieutenant-Général E.-F. Norton. Introduction du chef de l'expédition Dr. Ed. Wyss-Dunant. Geneva/Paris: Jeheber, 1952. **£300**

First edition. 4to. pp. 110; numerous coloured and b & w photo. illu., 2 sketch maps; very good in the original wrappers with pictorial d.j., which is somewhat frayed. Inscribed to flyleaf "A Marianne Pidoux Cordial hommage R. Dittert Rouen 19-III-1953" and signed beneath by expedition members André Roch, Jean-Jacques Asper & E. Hofstetter. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Yakushi R143a; Perret 3733; S & B R16. A pictorial record of the first Swiss Everest expedition of 1952 led by Wyss-Dunant.

151. Roch, André. Everest 1952. Préface du Lieutenant-Général E.-F. Norton. Introduction du chef de l'expédition Dr. Ed. Wyss-Dunant. Geneva/Paris: Jeheber, 1952. **£200**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original pictorial wrappers, rubbed and bumped on spine. George Lowe's copy. Inscribed to flyleaf "En souvenir d'une aventure extraordinaire, le benjamin de l'expédition Suisse à l'Everest 1952 J.-J. Asper" and signed to title-page by expedition members J.-J. Asper, E. Hofstetter and A. Lombard.

152. Roch, André. Everest 1952. Préface du Lieutenant-Général E.-F. Norton. Introduction du chef de l'expédition Dr. Ed. Wyss-Dunant. Geneva/Paris: Jeheber, 1952. **£1,500**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original pictorial wrappers, rubbed and bumped on spine. Inscribed to "Guido Tonella Amicale souvenir R. Lambert", and signed beneath the inscription by Tenzing, and by expedition members Aubert, Hofstetter, Flory, Asper.

An extremely rare copy of the book, being inscribed by Lambert and signed by Tenzing, who together during the 1952 Swiss Everest expeditions climbed to 8600m, the highest point reached to that time. Guido Tonella was an Italian guide.

153. Swiss Foundation for Alpine Research. Everest. Ein Bildbericht der Schweizerischen Stiftung für Alpine Forschungen. Büchergilde Gutenberg Zürich, [1953]. **£125**

First edition. 4to. pp. xvi, 144; numerous photo. illu., sketch map to text; minor wear to extremities, fading to cloth of spine, else a very good copy in the original cloth, d.j., which is frayed and worn. Ownership inscription of George Lowe ("W. G. Lowe Sunnybank Hastings 1954") to front pastedown, and signed by Swiss expedition members A. Lombard, E. Hofstetter and J.-J. Asper ("En souvenir d'une aventure extraordinaire, le benjamin de l'expédition Suisse à l'Everest 1952").

Yakushi S122a; S & B S63. A pictorial record of the Swiss 1952 Everest expeditions, with an Introduction by Othmar Gurtner. An English edition appeared the following year (see next item).

154. Swiss Foundation for Alpine Research. Everest. The Swiss Everest Expeditions. London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1954 **£150**

First English edition. 4to. pp. [iv], xv, [4], 144, [4]; numerous photo. illu. inc. many coloured, 5 sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, gilt, in d.j., which is worn with loss and sellotape repairs. Inscribed to half-title "To Michael Ward with best wishes André Roch 1991", with two signed notes from Roch to Ward loosely inserted. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to half-title.

Neate S206; Yakushi S122c; S & B S63. A pictorial record of the Swiss 1952 Everest expeditions, in which André Roch participated.

155. Lambert, Raymond. 'Everest Automne 1952.' An article in *Alpinisme, Revue du Groupe de Haute Montagne*, 28 année, no. 104, pp. 206-211, Summer 1953. **£25**

4to. pp. [viii, ads.], 203-240, [ii, ads.]; photo. illu.; very good in the original pictorial wrappers, slightly frayed. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

Lambert, a member of the Swiss expeditions to Everest in the spring and autumn of 1952, here describes his failed attempt. His article is prefaced by a brief note from Lucien Devies announcing the successful ascent of Everest by Hillary and Tenzing.

156. Roch, André. 'The Swiss Everest Expedition-Spring, 1952.' An article in *The Alpine Journal*, vol. 59 no. 286, pp. 1-9, 1953. **£25**

8vo. Original wrappers. [vi, ads.], 102; coloured frontis., photo. illu., map; very good in original wrappers.

S & B p. 116.

157. Wyss-Dunant, Ed. 'Le shock d'acclimatation. Observations à l'Himalaya.' Offprint from *Bulletins et Mémoires de la Société médicale des Hôpitaux de Paris*, nos. 19-20, 1953. **£75**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 33; diags.; very good in self-wrappers. Inscribed to upper cover "Hommage de l'auteur". Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to front wrapper.

Wyss-Dunant led the 1952 Swiss Everest expedition, during which Lambert and Tenzing climbed to within 300m of the summit. His article considers the effects of acclimatisation on high ascents, underlining the need to avoid prolonged stays at high altitude (Wyss-Dunant later coined the term 'lethal zone', or death zone, in this context).

158. [Everest 1953.] The Times. Challenge to Mount Everest. Supplement. *The Times Publishing Company*, May 5, 1953. **£95**

First edition. Large 4to. pp. viii; photo. illu., 1 sketch map; creased where sometime folded, some age-toning, good in original self-wrappers, slightly frayed. Signed to the front wrapper by Jan Morris.

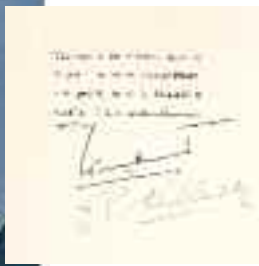
S & B p. 117; not in other bibliographies. A special supplement to *The Times* newspaper, issued prior to the successful attempt on the summit. James Morris was *The Times* correspondent with the 1953 Everest expedition.



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159. Hunt, John. *The Ascent of Everest*. London: Hodder & Stoughton, [1953].

£5,000



One of 20 copies specially bound, and signed by John Hunt and E. P. Hillary. 8vo. pp. xx, 300; coloured and b & w illu-
strs., illu-
strs. to text; very good in original crushed blue half morocco by Sangorski & Sutcliffe, raised bands to spine,
t.e.g., spotting to boards, slight fading of spine, else a handsome copy. Engraved bookplate of H. C. Drayton.

Not in the usual bibliographies. The existence of this limited edition of Hunt's famous account of the first ascent of
Everest has escaped the attention of all bibliographers, and some members of the expedition themselves did not know
of it. Twenty copies of the ordinary edition were bound specially by the noted London firm Sangorski & Sutcliffe,
with a limitation leaf signed by Hunt and Hillary placed at front. Most likely the twenty
recipients of these copies had contributed substantially to the expedition, and H. C. Drayton
(1901-1966), the previous owner of this copy, may have assisted with finances. Drayton,
a financier and book collector, sat on the board of several financial bodies, including Midland
Bank, one of the firms listed at the end of Hunt's book as having provided funding

160. Hunt, John. *The Ascent of Everest*. Hodder & Stoughton, 1953.

£2,750

First trade edition. 8vo. pp. xx, 300; coloured and b & w illu-
strs., illu-
strs. to text; very good in the original cloth,
in original d.j., with is chipped. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to half-title. Signed on flyleaf by
expedition members Hunt, Gregory, Lowe, Hillary, Pugh, Ward, Bourdillon, Westmacott, Wylie, Evans,
Band, Tenzing, Noyce, and Stobart, and with label signed by W. H. Murray (Everest 1951) pasted in. Loosely
inserted are an expedition compliment slip presenting the book and signed by R. W. Lloyd, letters to Ward
from Hamish Nicol and A. K. Rawlinson (Everest 1953 reserves), and a Christmas card from N. Gombu,
Ward's Sherpa in 1953, in the original envelope.

Neate H135; Yakushi H269a; Perret 2304; S & B H31.



161. Hunt, John. *The Ascent of Everest*. Hodder & Stoughton,
1953.

£2,250

Another copy of the first trade edition, very good in the original
cloth, in original d.j., with minor marginal tears. Ownership
inscription of Michael Ward to half-title. Signed on flyleaf by
expedition members Hunt, Gregory, Westmacott, Wylie, Lowe,
Band, Noyce, Ward, Evans, Bourdillon, Hillary, Pugh, Stobart, and
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162. Hunt, John. *The Ascent of Everest*. Hodder & Stoughton, 1953.

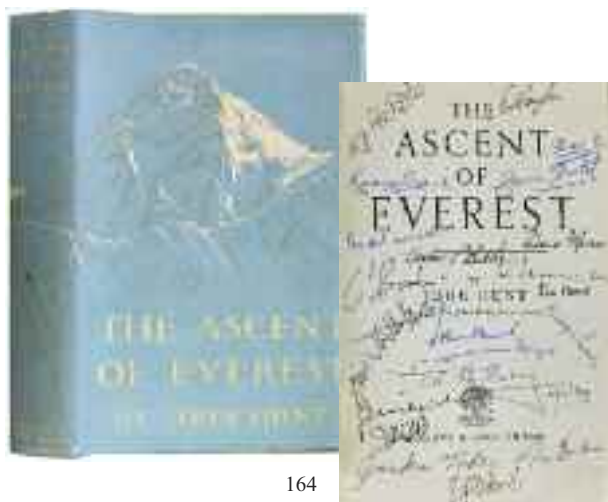
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chipped and soiled. George Lowe's copy. Signed on flyleaf by expedition members Hunt, Gregory,
Bourdillon, Wylie, Lowe, Ward, Band, Westmacott, Noyce, Pugh, Hillary, Stobart, Evans, and Jan
Morris, and with a loosely inserted slip of paper signed by Tenzing.

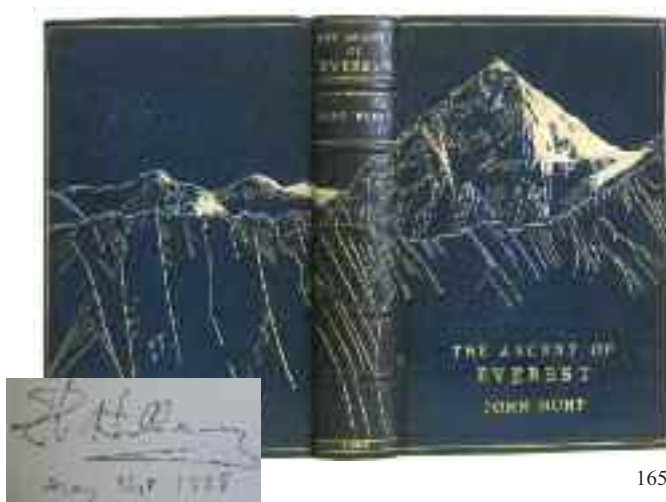


163. Hunt, John. *The Ascent of Everest.* Hodder & Stoughton, 1953. **£2,000**

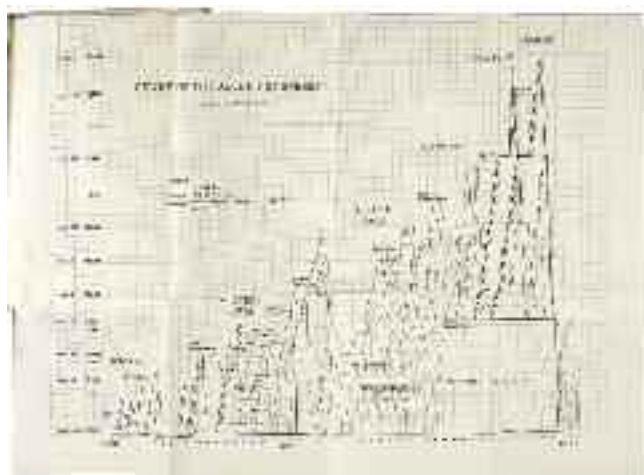
Another copy of the first trade edition, very good in the original cloth, in original d.j., which is chipped and soiled. Inscribed on flyleaf "To George Lowe from Geoffrey Davies 12 November 1953", and signed to half-title by expedition members Hunt, Ward, Gregory, Hillary, Lowe, Westmacott, Bourdillon, Wylie, Stobart, Pugh, James Morris, Band, Noyce, and Evans, and with a loosely inserted Tenzing Norgay Sherpa business card for Lindblad Travel signed by Tenzing.



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165. Hunt, John. *The Ascent of Everest.* Hodder & Stoughton, 1953. **£750**

Another copy of the first trade edition, very good in near-contemporary full crushed morocco by "J. S.", 1954, tooled with image of Everest reprised from the original dust-jacket design for the book by W. Heaton-Cooper, slightly darkened on spine, a handsome copy, with a tipped-in note signed by Ed Hillary.

A finely bound copy of Hunt's account of the first ascent.

166. Hunt, John. *The Ascent of Everest.* Hodder & Stoughton, 1954. **£75**

Fourth impression. 8vo. Original cloth gilt in d.j., pp. xx, 300; coloured and b & w illusts., illusts. to text; folding 'Chart of the Ascent of Everest'; very good in the original cloth, in original d.j., which is chipped and soiled.

The fourth impression of Hunt's account of Hillary and Tenzing's first ascent of Everest was published six months after the first appearance of the book. Unlike previous editions, this impression includes, for the first time, a folding chart showing the various heights attained by different members of the expedition (though not all copies of the fourth impression that we have seen include the chart).

164. Hunt, John. *The Ascent of Everest.* Hodder & Stoughton, 1953. **£1,950**

Another copy of the first trade edition, very good in the original cloth gilt, d.j. Signed in June, 1954, by Wilfred Noyce, with a presentation label from John Hunt tipped in to the half-title, signed again by the author to the title-page, and additionally signed by Ed Hillary, George Band, George Lowe, Michael Ward, Jan Morris, Chris Bonington, Babu Chiri Sherpa, Jim Whittaker, Tom Hornbein, Reinhold Messner, Junko Tabei, Laurie Skreslet, Rebecca Stephens, Carlos Buhler, Krzysztof Wielicki, Sharon Wood, Stephen Venables.

The account of the first ascent of Everest, signed by many Everest climbers.



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167. Hunt, John. *The Conquest of Everest ... With a Chapter on the Final Assault by Edmund Hillary.* New York: E. P. Dutton & Company, Inc., 1954. **£4,000**

First US edition. 8vo. pp. xx, 300; coloured and b & w photo. illu., sketch maps; very good in the original two-tone cloth, in d.j., which is faded on spine and slightly chipped. An advance presentation copy from the publisher's president, inscribed to flyleaf "For George Lowe With friendly greetings from the American Publisher sincerely Elliott B. Macrae New York Dec. 29, 1953. To be published January 25, 1954"; subsequently signed at the 25th Anniversary of the first ascent to front blanks by expedition members Westmacott, Band, Jan Morris, Ward, Lowe, Pugh, Hunt, Wylie, Hillary, Gregory, Stobart, John Jackson, N.E. Odell (1924 & 1935), W. R. Smith-Windham (1933 & 1936), Jack Longland (Everest 1933), Jim Gavin (1938), Ronald Faux (Everest 1976/78), Joe Brown, and others, and with a slip of paper signed by Tenzing loosely inserted.

A unique copy. This advance copy of the American first edition of Hunt's account of the ascent of Everest was presented to George Lowe, who subsequently took it to the 25th anniversary celebrations at Pen-y-Gwryd in Wales, where it was signed by members of the 1953 and previous expeditions. Loosely inserted are a flyer for the book, and a 7pp. part manuscript, part typescript account of Lowe's role in securing the Lhotse face section of the ascent.

168. Hunt, John. *The Conquest of Everest ... With a Chapter on the Final Assault by Edmund Hillary.* New York: E. P. Dutton & Company, Inc., 1954. **£450**

Another copy of the first US edition, very good in the original two-tone cloth, in d.j., which is faded on spine and slightly frayed with internal sellotape repairs. An advance presentation copy from the publisher's president, inscribed to flyleaf "For Michael Ward With cordial greetings from the American Publisher sincerely Elliott B. Macrae New York Dec. 29, 1953. To be published January 25, 1954". Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Advance copies of the American first edition of Hunt's account of the ascent of Everest were sent to expedition members by Dutton's president, Elliot B. Macrae.

169. Hunt, John. *The Ascent of Everest.* London, Sydney, Auckland: Hodder & Stoughton, 1993. **£1,250**

40th Anniversary limited edition, copy number 5 of 500 signed copies. 8vo. pp. xvi, 280; coloured and b & w photo. illu., maps; fine in the original half calf, gilt, contained in the blue cloth slipcase as issued. George Lowe's copy.

Hunt's book was reissued on the 40th Anniversary of the first ascent of Everest, in a limited edition of 500 copies signed by 1953 Expedition members, this copy signed by John Hunt, Charles Evans, George Band, George Lowe, Charles Wylie, Michael Ward, Edmund Hillary, Alfred Gregory, Michael Westmacott & Griffith Pugh.

170. Hunt, John. *The Ascent of Everest.* London, Sydney, Auckland: Hodder & Stoughton, 1993. **£1,295**

Another copy of the 40th Anniversary limited edition, copy number 6 of 500 signed copies. Fine condition. Michael Ward's copy.

This copy is signed by 1953 Expedition members: John Hunt, Charles Evans, Griffiths Pugh, George Band, Charles Wylie, Alfred Gregory, Michael Westmacott, George Lowe, Michael Ward, Edmund Hillary, Jan Morris & Gumbu (Ward's Sherpa).

171. Hunt, John. *The Ascent of Everest.* London: Hodder & Stoughton, [2002]. **£35**

Fiftieth Anniversary Edition. 8vo. pp. xviii, 280; coloured and b & w illu., illu. to text; fine in original cloth, in d.j. and slipcase. Loosely inserted postcard from Charles Clarke presenting the book. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

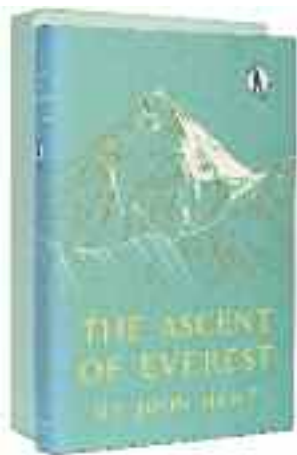
This seems to be an early version of the 50th anniversary edition of Hunt's book - all other copies that we have seen include a leaf at front with facsimile signatures of the expedition members, seemingly not ever bound into this copy.



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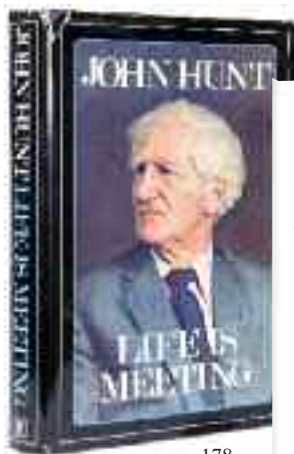
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172. Hunt, John. *The Ascent of Everest.* London: Hodder & Stoughton, [2002]. **£35**

Fiftieth Anniversary Edition. 8vo. pp. xviii, 280; coloured and b & w illusts., illusts. to text, leaf at front with facsimile signatures of expedition team; very good in original cloth, in d.j., which is faded on spine, and slipcase. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

173. Hunt, John. *Our Everest Adventure.* The pictorial history from Kathmandu to the summit. Leicester: Brockhampton Press, 1954. **£350**

First edition. Medium 4to. pp. 128; b & w photo. illusts.; light spotting, else very good in the original boards printed with map, in d.j., which is frayed and sunned on spine. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, Aug. 1954, to flyleaf, and signed by John Hunt, E. P. Hillary and Jan Morris.

Neate H138; Yakushi H271; Perret 2305; Salkeld & Boyle H32. A pictorial record of the first ascent of Everest, George Lowe's copy, signed by the leader of the expedition, by the first man to summit Everest, and by *The Times* correspondent with the expedition.

174. Hunt, John. *Our Everest Adventure.* The pictorial history from Kathmandu to the summit. Leicester: Brockhampton Press, 1954. **£95**

Another copy of the first edition, light spotting, else very good in the original boards printed with map, in d.j., which is rubbed and chipped. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

175. Hunt, John & Edmund Hillary. 'The Ascent of Mount Everest.' An article in *The Geographical Journal*, vol. CXIX part 4, December 1953, pp. 385-399. **£45**

8vo. pp. x, 385-528, [vi]; 5 plates of illusts. and two sketch maps to Hunt's article, illusts. and maps to other papers in this issue; creasing to lower margins, else very good in the original printed wrappers.

The text of the illustrated lecture by Hunt, Hillary, and other expedition members at the Royal Festival Hall, 2 November, 1953.

176. Hunt, John & Edmund Hillary. 'Triumph on Everest.' An article in *The National Geographic Magazine*, vol. CVI, no. 1, pp. 1-64, July 1954. **£75**

8vo. pp. [xii, ads.], 152, [viii, ads.]; photo. illusts., sketch maps; very good in the original printed wrappers, slight wear to spine. Ownership inscriptions of Michael Ward to front cover.

S & B p. 111. Hunt describes the preparation and staging of the attempt on Everest, and Hillary 'The Conquest'.

177. Hunt, John & Mike Westmacott. 'L'expédition 1953 à Everest.' An article in *Alpinisme, Revue du Groupe de Haute Montagne*, 28 année, no. 105, pp. 242-259, Autumn 1953. **£35**

4to. pp. viii (ads.), 241-284, ix-xii (ads.); photo. illusts.; very good in the original pictorial wrappers, slightly frayed. Ownership inscriptions of Michael Ward to front cover and first leaf of text.

An account of the successful 1953 ascent of Everest.

178. Hunt, John. *Life is Meeting.* London: Hodder and Stoughton, [1978]. **£250**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 286; photo. illusts., 11 sketch maps; slight wear to d.j., a very good copy in the original cloth, d.j., which is frayed. A presentation copy to George Lowe from Hunt, inscribed to the title-page "For George - Everest, E. Greenland, Pamirs, Pindus, and much else besides, John", and with a postcard from Hunt to Lowe loosely inserted.

Neate H136; Yakushi H272; S & B H33; not in Perret. Lord Hunt of Llanfair Waterdine led the successful 1953 ascent of Everest. His autobiography devotes one chapter to the subject, others describe his explorations and climbs in the Alps, the Karakoram, and his military career.

179. Hunt, John. *Life is Meeting.* London: Hodder and Stoughton, [1978]. **£100**

Another copy of the first edition, slight wear to d.j., a very good copy in the original cloth, d.j., which is frayed. A presentation copy from Hunt "For Jena, with love, and thanks for all your help in coping with my "meetings", John 2.10.84".



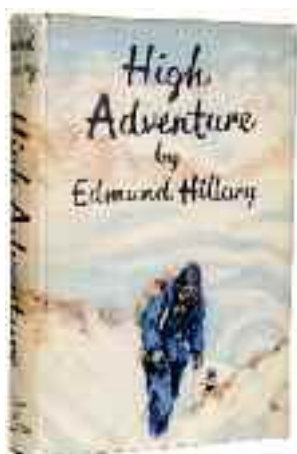
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180. Hillary, Edmund. *High Adventure*. London: Hodder & Stoughton, [1955].

£2,000

First edition. 8vo. pp. 225; coloured frontis., b & w photo. illustrs.; browning to endpapers, else very good in original cloth, d.j., which is frayed to extremities. George Lowe's copy with his ownership inscription to flyleaf, signed to half-title by Hillary, Evans and Lowe, additionally signed to the title by Hillary, signed to the verso of the title by the four dedicatees Harry Ayres, Eric Shipton, John Hunt and George Lowe, and signed to verso of dedication by Gregory, Westmacott, Band and Wylie.

Neate H81; Yakushi (3rd ed.) H316a; Perret 2257; Salkeld & Boyle H15. Hillary devotes his autobiography to accounts of the Everest reconnaissance in 1951, and of his successful first ascent in 1953. This unique copy gathers the signatures of members of the 1953 expedition, of the 1951 expedition leader Eric Shipton, and of Hillary and Lowe's climbing instructor Harry Ayres.



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181. Hillary, Edmund. *High Adventure*. London: Hodder & Stoughton, [1955].

£350

Another copy of the first edition, browning to endpapers, else very good in original cloth, d.j., which is frayed to extremities, bumped to outer corner of rear board. George Lowe's copy with his ownership inscription to flyleaf, signed to title by Hillary, and additionally signed by Lowe on the dedication.

182. Hillary, Edmund. *High Adventure*. London: Hodder & Stoughton, [1955].

£250

Another copy of the first edition, very good in original cloth, d.j., which is frayed with sellotape repairs to head and tail of spine. Signed by Hillary to the half-title, "E. P. Hillary". Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

183. Hillary, Edmund. *High Adventure*. London: Hodder & Stoughton, [1955].

£250

Another copy of the first edition, very good in original cloth, d.j., which has minor wear to extremities. Signed by Hillary to the flyleaf. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with two pencilled annotations to text.

Ward's two notes correct remarks by Hillary, one relating to Hunt's carefully planned scheme of acclimatisation - Ward has written "Griff

[Pugh]" above. The second, written against Hillary's words "I think there was general satisfaction except perhaps for poor Mike Ward, who had been asked to act as reserve. He was finding the responsibilities of being a medical officer an unhappy restriction on his climbing activities", reads "not true".

184. Hillary, Edmund. An unused dustjacket for *High Adventure*. New York: E. P. Dutton & Company, Inc., ?1955

£25

An unused dust-jacket, 8.5 x 21" (22 x 53cm), staple marks to corners, folded three times, else in very good condition.

This dust-jacket for the US edition of Hillary's autobiography was possibly issued with a promotional pack for the book.

185. [Hillary, Edmund.] Moon, Kenneth. *Man of Everest. The Story of Sir Edmund Hillary*. London: Lutterworth Press, [1962]

£75

First edition. 8vo. pp. 96; port. frontis., one double-page sketch map of Everest; near-fine in the original cloth, d.j. which is rubbed. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, 1962, to flyleaf.

Neate M135; Yakushi M235; S & B M45. A biography of Hillary's achievements on Everest and in the Antarctic, written for children.



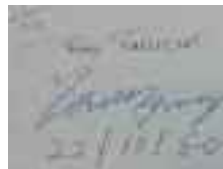
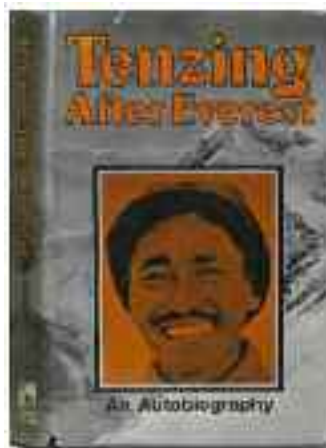
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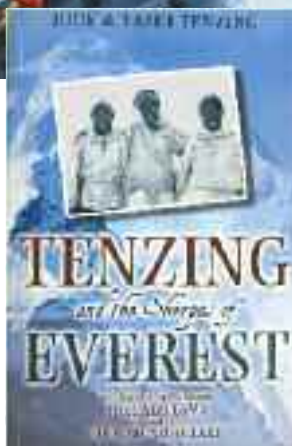
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186. Tenzing Norgay. Man of Everest. The Autobiography of Tenzing told to James Ramsey Ullman. *George Harrap & Co. Ltd.*, [1955]. **£350**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 320; 4 coloured plates, photo. illu., 2 sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j. which is worn with slight loss, slightly sunned to cloth at foot of spine. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, 1955, to flyleaf, loosely inserted slip of paper signed by Tenzing with Lowe's annotation "I collected this signature from Tenzing when I visited Lhasa, Tibet, Sept. 1981. Tenzing was there receiving weekly groups of travellers with Lindblad Tours", newspaper obituary notices for Tenzing also loosely inserted.

Neate U05; Yakushi U15a; Perret 4563; S & B T06. Tenzing joined his first Himalayan expedition in 1935, Shipton's Everest expedition. 18 years later he stepped with Hillary onto the summit of Everest, the first men to do so. His autobiography was published in the USA as *Tiger of the Snows*.

187. Tenzing Norgay. Man of Everest. The Autobiography of Tenzing told to James Ramsey Ullman. *George Harrap & Co. Ltd.*, [1955]. **£400**

Another copy, good in the original cloth, rubbed, in original d.j. which is worn with loss, slightly sunned to cloth at foot of spine, loosely inserted original photograph of Tenzing with an unidentified man, signed by Tenzing to the image.

188. Tenzing Norgay. Man of Everest. The Autobiography of Tenzing told to James Ramsey Ullman. *George Harrap & Co. Ltd.*, [1955]. **£50**

Second impression. 8vo. pp. 320; 4 coloured plates, photo. illu., 2 sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j. which is worn with slight loss, slightly sunned to cloth at foot of spine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

189. Tenzing Norgay. After Everest. An Autobiography ... as told to Malcom Barnes. *London: George Allen & Unwin Ltd*, [1977]. **£475**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 184; coloured and b & w photo. illu.; very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is a little sunned on spine. Signed and dated by Tenzing to the flyleaf 7/6/77.

Neate T18; Yakushi T30a; Perret 4221; S & B T07. Tenzing tells of his life in the twenty years since he and Edmund Hillary made the first ascent of Everest.

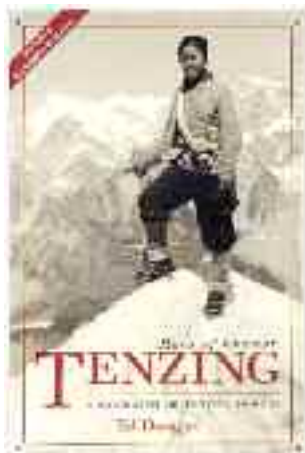
190. Tenzing Norgay. After Everest. An Autobiography ... as told to Malcom Barnes. *New Delhi: Vikas*, [1977]. **£500**

First Indian edition. 8vo. pp. 184; illu.; very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is frayed with loss. Inscribed by Tenzing to Nan Tallichet with, loosely inserted, three original photographs of Tenzing with Nan Tallichet and others in China.

Neate T18; Yakushi T30a; Perret 4221; S & B T07.

191. Tenzing, Judi and Tashi. Tenzing and the Sherpas of Everest. *HarperCollins*, 2001. **£150**

First paperback edition. 8vo. pp. xxvi, 211, [2, ads.]; illu.; fine in the original card wrappers. Warmly inscribed from the authors to John Amatt of the Canadian Everest Expedition 1982, with a loosely inserted flyer for the 50th anniversary of the Lambert-Tenzing attempt in 1952, signed by Tashi Tenzing, Reinhold Messner, Peter Habeler, and Stephen Venables. Tashi Tenzing is the grandson of Tenzing Norgay.



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192. [Tenzing.] Ed Douglas. Hero of Everest Tenzing. A Biography of Tenzing Norgay. *Washington, D.C.: National Geographical Adventure Press, [2003].* **£35**

First printing (Advance Reader's Edition). 8vo. pp. xiii, 296; very good in the original card wrappers. Loosely inserted letter dated 14 April 2003 from George Band presenting the book to Ward - "I enjoyed it very much." Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to front blank.

A well-written biography of Tenzing.

193. [Tenzing.] Ed Douglas. Hero of Everest Tenzing. A Biography of Tenzing Norgay. *Washington, D.C.: National Geographical Adventure Press, [2003].* **£30**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xx, 300; fine in original cloth, d.j. Signed by Ed Douglas and Tashi Tenzing.

194. Evans, Charles. Eye on Everest. A Sketch book from the Great Everest Expedition. *London: Dennis Dobson, [1955].* **£300**

First edition. 4to. pp. 123; illusts. from the author's sketches throughout; very clean in the original cloth, d.j., which has some spotting, and a few chips to the spine. A presentation copy, inscribed to flyleaf beneath an original sketch by Evans "Come again to Wales ... To George [Lowe] from Charles July 27 1955".

Neate E26; Yakushi E61; Perret 1534; Salkeld & Boyle E07. Evans' humorous sketch-book of the 1953 Everest expedition offers a lighter view of the undertaking. Copies inscribed by the author were often personalised with the addition of an original sketch by him, as in this case.

195. Evans, Charles. Eye on Everest. A Sketch book from the Great Everest Expedition. *London: Dennis Dobson, [1955].* **£30**

Another copy of the first edition, very clean in the original cloth, d.j., which has some spotting, and a few chips to the spine.

196. Gregory, Alfred. The Picture of Everest. A book of full-colour reproductions of photographs of the Everest scene ... With an introduction by Sir John Hunt. *London: Hodder & Stoughton, [1954].* **£1,000**

First edition, in the deluxe binding. Small 4to. pp. [96]; numerous full-page colour photo. illusts., logistical chart of ascent on rear-endpaper; very good in the original gilt-decorated cream parchment boards, thick card d.j., which is faded on spine, staining from d.j. to fore-edge of front board. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, Oct. 1954, to flyleaf, and signed to part-title by expedition members Gregory, Ward, Lowe, Band, Westmacott, Evans, Wylie, Noyce, James Morris, Hunt, Bourdillon, Pugh, and Hillary.

Neate G62; Yakushi G127; Perret 2048; S & B G14. Gregory was the official photographer on the 1953 Everest expedition, and this book collects selected images by him and other members (five by George Lowe).

197. Gregory, Alfred. The Picture of Everest. A book of full-colour reproductions of photographs of the Everest scene ... With an introduction by Sir John Hunt. *London: Hodder & Stoughton, [1954].* **£250**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original gilt-decorated cream parchment boards, in d.j. which is faded on spine and price-clipped. George Lowe's copy. Signed at end of Introduction by Gregory, and to part-title by expedition members Lowe and Band.

198. Gregory, Alfred. The Picture of Everest. A book of full-colour reproductions of photographs of the Everest scene ... With an introduction by Sir John Hunt. *London: Hodder & Stoughton, [1954].* **£175**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original gilt-decorated cream parchment boards, in thick card d.j., which is faded on spine and split along lower fore-edge or rear board, bumped to lower outer corners. Inscribed by George Lowe to his sister Betty on the flyleaf for Christmas 1954, with an accompanying letter, and signed by George Lowe and George Band on part-title.

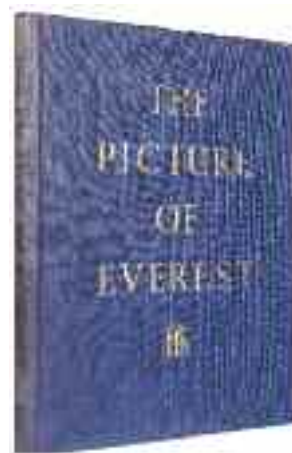
199. Gregory, Alfred. The Picture of Everest. A book of full-colour reproductions of photographs of the Everest scene ... With an introduction by Sir John Hunt. *London: Hodder & Stoughton, [1954].* **£75**

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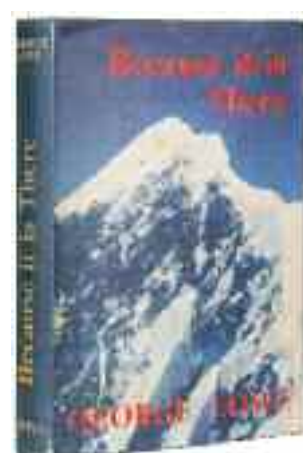
200. Lowe, George. Because it is There. *London: Cassell, 1959.* **£150**

First edition. 8vo. pp. viii, 216; 25 illusts.; very good in the original cloth, d.j., which has a small tear to head of upper joint and is faded to spine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, and with a letter from Lowe to Ward loosely inserted.

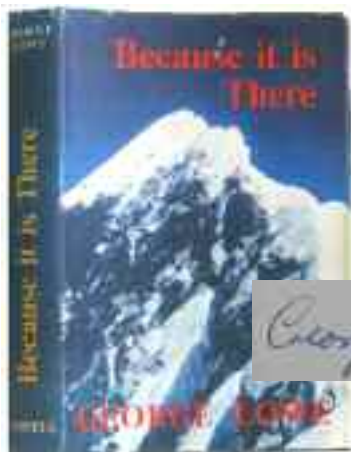
Neate L52; Yakushi L141a; S & B L13; Spence 723; Renard 939. Lowe was a member of the 1953 Everest expedition, and pioneered the route up the Lhotse Face. He subsequently went to the Antarctic with the Trans-Antarctic Expedition under Fuchs.



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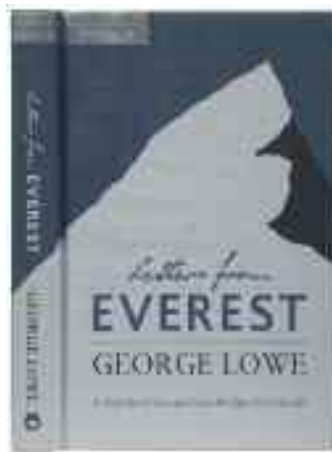


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201. Lowe, George. *Because it is There.* London: Cassell, 1959. £150

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is chipped to extremities. Signed by George Lowe.

202. Lowe, George. *Letters from Everest.* Edited and Introduced by Huw Lewis-Jones. Foreword by Jan Morris. Afterword by Peter Hillary. Silverbear, [2013]. £12

First edition. Small 8vo. pp. 176; illu. ; new in original pictorial boards.

George Lowe (1924-2013) played a vital part in the ascent of Everest, carving out a route up the Lhotse face to the South Col, from where Hillary and Tenzing made their ascent. During his time on the expedition, Lowe sent letters to his sister Betty, communicating his news of progress and other comments and observations. Published here for the first time, they offer an intimate insight into the first ascent of Everest.

203. Lowe, George. *Letters from Everest.* Edited and Introduced by Huw Lewis-Jones. Foreword by Jan Morris. Afterword by Peter Hillary. Silverbear, [2013]. £250

Limited edition, one of 60 copies. Small 8vo. pp. 176; illu. ; new in original pictorial boards, in purpose-made slipcase.

This limited edition version of Lowe's book is signed by the editor and contributors Jan Morris and Peter Hillary. The endpapers feature an illustration of Everest by Julian Cooper, son of William Heaton Cooper who conceived the dust-jacket design for John Hunt's *The Ascent of Everest*. The limited edition is additionally illustrated with a portrait reprinted from Ed Hillary's photograph of George Lowe at Base Camp in 1953, and a tipped-in section of the sleeping bag that Lowe used on Everest.

204. Morris, James. *Coronation Everest.* London: Faber and Faber, 1958. £350

First edition. 8vo. pp. 146; 8 illustrations from photographs, 3 sketch maps; near-fine in the original cloth, in pictorial dust-wrapper. Signed by George Lowe, George Band, Ed Hillary, Mike Westmacott, and Jan Morris.

Neate M147; Yakushi M256; Perret 3108; S & B M48. James Morris went to Everest as Special Correspondent of *The Times*. He reported on the ascent which coincided with the eve of Queen Elizabeth II's Coronation.

205. Morris, James. *Coronation Everest.* London: Faber and Faber, 1958. £150

Another copy of the first edition, fine in the original cloth, in pictorial dust-wrapper. Signed to the title-page by Jan Morris.

206. Morris, James. *Coronation Everest.* London: Faber and Faber, 1958. £150

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth, in pictorial dust-wrapper, which is very frayed, and stained to foot of rear panel. George Lowe's copy. Signed to verso of half-title by Mike Westmacott.

207. Morris, Jan. *Conundrum.* London: Faber, 1974.

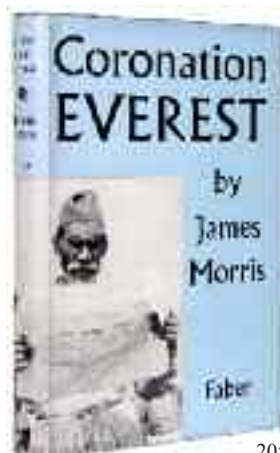
First edition. 8vo. pp. 160; very good in original cloth, d.j. Signed by the author to the title-page.

Neate M148; S & B M49. Jan Morris' autobiography contains a chapter about the 1953 Everest expedition.

208. Izzard, Ralph. *The Innocent on Everest.* London: Hodder and Stoughton, [1954]. £75

First edition. 8vo. pp. 256; photo. illu. ; some heavy foxing, good in the original cloth gilt, d.j., which is worn with loss. George Lowe's copy, signed by him twice to verso of title-page.

Neate I22; Yakushi I34; S & B I08; not in Perret. Izzard, a reporter for the *Daily Mail*, made an unofficial journey from Kathmandu for a scoop on the 1953 Everest expedition. He made contact with the expedition at the forward reconnaissance camp on the Khumbu glacier, a little ahead of the main party, before returning with his photographs and reports.



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209. Noyce, Wilfrid. South Col. One Man's Adventure on the Ascent of Everest, 1953. London: William Heinemann Ltd., 1954. **£1,850**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xx, 303; 4 coloured plates, b & w illu. from drawings and photos., 5 sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, in original d.j., which is slightly chipped to extremities. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, Nov. 1954, to half-title, with beneath it an inscription from the author "Gratefully for your companionship and for the feats which made this book possible Wilfrid Noyce Nov. 1954", and signed to the dedication leaf by expedition members Lowe, Westmacott, Wylie, Ward, Evans (smudged), Noyce, Gregory, Band, James Morris, Hunt, Pugh, Bourdillon, Hillary.

Neate N40; Yakushi N71a; Perret 3224; Salkeld & Boyle N18; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 40. Noyce's account of his ascent of Everest's South Col, by which he prepared the way for the successful first ascent, has been described as "One of the best personal accounts of an Everest Expedition" (Neate).



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210. Noyce, Wilfrid. South Col. One Man's Adventure on the Ascent of Everest, 1953. William Heinemann Ltd., 1954. **£450**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth, in original d.j., which is frayed with loss to foot of spine (now sunned). George Lowe's copy. Inscribed by the author to "Susan Hunt. Specially, in the hope it may while some hours away and trust you are not now tired with the subject Rosemary & Wilf", and additionally signed by Noyce to the title-page.

Susan Hunt was the daughter of John Hunt, and George Lowe's first wife.

211. Noyce, Wilfrid. South Col. One Man's Adventure on the Ascent of Everest, 1953. William Heinemann Ltd., 1954. **£275**

Another copy of the first edition, near-fine in the original cloth, in original d.j. Loosely inserted letter from Noyce to Ward, dated 29/12/52. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to half-title.

The letter by Noyce accompanying this copy forwards to Ward suggestions from "The Prof (Pigon)" for anti-leech formula described in Tilman's *Nepal Himalaya*, and other treatments used on the French Annapurna expedition, and adds "I must apologise for writing all this, as you doubtless have it all at your finger-tips and are plagued with suggestions anyway ... Looking forward to seeing you in the decompression chamber and after - Yours Wilfred".

212. Noyce, Wilfrid. South Col. One Man's Adventure on the Ascent of Everest, 1953. William Heinemann Ltd., 1954. **£150**

Another copy of the first edition, good in the original cloth, split in cloth at head of spine, in original d.j., which is very worn and with sellotape repairs. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to half-title and title, with note by him to dedication leaf.

Ward's note reads: "I climbed a lot with Wilf Noyce in the UK Alps & on Everest. According to Livia Gollancz, when Menlove Edwards' biography [*Samson*, published 1961] was written & publication was held up for some years until Lady Noyce (Wilf's mother died) [sic] This is because Menlove & Wilf had had a homosexual relationship."

213. Noyce, Wilfrid. South Col. One Man's Adventure on the Ascent of Everest, 1953. William Heinemann Ltd., 1954. **£250**

Another copy of the first edition, somewhat shaken in original cloth, creased and slightly soiled on spine, in d.j., which is slightly chipped. Inscribed by the author to the title-page "Good wishes Wilfrid Noyce".



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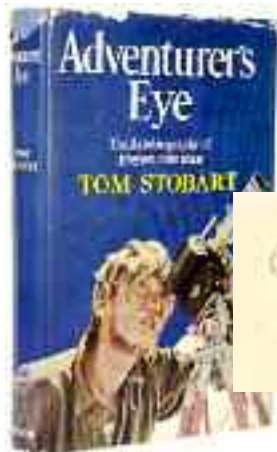
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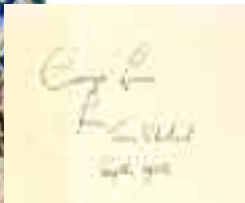
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214. Noyce, Wilfred. 'Mount Everest Diary.' An article in *Encounter*, Vol. II, no. 1, January 1954, pp. 5-8. **£20**

First edition. 4to. pp. 80; 4 photo. illu. relating to Noyce's article; very good in the original card wrappers, slightly browned on spine.

Noyce's prefatory note reads: "These extracts come from a journal written on the march and on the mountain, in the spring and early summer of 1953. The poems were composed at the places described, and may be the "highest" yet to have been written".

215. Noyce, Wilfrid and Richard Taylor. *Everest Is Climbed.* [Penguin Books Ltd, Harmondsworth, Middlesex, 1954.] **£35**

First edition. Oblong 8vo. pp. 32; coloured and b & w illu. throughout, sketch maps; good in the original pictorial wrappers, slight rusting to staples, chipping to extremities, rear wrapper torn with some loss. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

Neate N36; Yakushi N70; S & B N19; not in Perret. A Puffin Picture book for children, with text by Noyce and illustrations by Taylor.

216. Pugh, L. G. C. E. 'Scientific Aspects of the Expedition to Mount Everest, 1953.' Reprinted from *The Geographical Journal*, Vol. CXX Part 2, June 1954. **£150**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 183-192; very good in original printed wrappers. Signed by the author to front wrapper. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to front wrapper.

S & B p. 115. Pugh was the expedition physiologist. His work on high altitude physiology was a contributing factor to the successful ascent of 1953.

217. [Pugh, L. G. C., et al.] 'A discussion on The physiology of man at high altitudes under the leadership of Sir Bryan Matthews, F.R.S.' [Offprint from] *Proceedings of the Royal Society*, B, vol. 143, 1954, pp. 1-42. **£95**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 42; diags., photo. illu.; self-wrappers, staples slightly rusted. Signed by George Lowe, Jan. 1955, to first leaf.

A discussion with contributions by, among others, Griff Pugh (of the Cho Oyu 1952 and Everest 1953 expeditions), Raymond Greene (Everest 1933), Michael Ward and Tom Bourdillon (both of Everest 1951 & 1953).

218. Pugh, L. G. C. E. 'Resting Ventilation and Alveolar Air on Mount Everest: with Remarks on the Relation of Barometric Pressure to Altitude in Mountains.' Reprinted from the *Journal of Physiology*, 1957, Vol. 135, no. 3, p. 590-610. **£75**

First separate edition. 8vo. Very good in the original printed wrappers. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to front wrapper.

S & B p. 115. Technical results from the 1953 Everest expedition.

219. Pugh, L. G. C. E. 'Muscular Exercise on Mount Everest.' Reprinted from the *Journal of Physiology*, 1958, Vol. 141, no. 2, pp. 233-261. **£150**

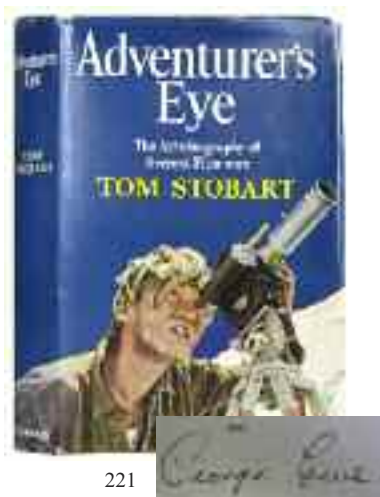
First separate edition. 8vo. diags.; very good in self-wrappers. Signed by Griff Pugh to the front leaf. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to front leaf.

A presentation of findings from the 1953 Everest expedition. In the final paragraphs, Pugh suggests it is unlikely that Everest will be climbed without supplementary oxygen.

220. Stobart, Tom. *Adventurer's Eye. The Autobiography of Everest Film-man Tom Stobart.* London: Odhams Press Ltd., [1958]. **£350**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 256; frontispiece, numerous illustrations from photographs; a very good copy in original cloth, in pictorial d.j., which is frayed with loss to head of spine. A presentation copy, inscribed to the flyleaf "George Lowe from Tom Stobart Sept. 1958" and again to the title-page "To George Best wishes Tom", and with a loosely inserted letter from Eiley Nickell at Odhams Press, enclosing the book and inviting George Lowe to a private showing of the film 'The Conquest of Everest', to be introduced by Stobart.

Neate S169; Yakushi S360a; S & B S52. The autobiography of Stobart, who joined expeditions to the Antarctic and Africa; he climbed in the Himalayas on Nanda Kot and Nun Kun before being invited to join the 1953 Everest expedition.



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221. Stobart, Tom. *Adventurer's Eye. The Autobiography of Everest Film-man Tom Stobart.* London: Odhams Press Ltd., [1958]. **£125**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in original cloth, in pictorial d.j., which is slightly chipped. Signed by George Lowe and Charles Wylie to their portraits in the book.

222. [Summerhayes, David & Jeremy Thomas.] *Christopher Summerhayes Soldier, Levant Consul & Diplomat.* N.p. [privately printed], [1998]. **£50**

First edition. 8vo. pp. [iv], 135; photo. illu.; fine in the original cloth, gilt. George Lowe's copy. Signed by the author David Summerhayes to the flyleaf, and with a loosely inserted letter from him presenting the book to George Lowe.

A biography of Summerhayes, who assisted the 1953 Everest Expedition in his capacity as ambassador to Nepal based in Kathmandu.

223. [Summerhayes, David & Jeremy Thomas.] *Christopher Summerhayes Soldier, Levant Consul & Diplomat.* N.p. [privately printed], [1998]. **£50**

Another copy of the first edition, fine in the original cloth, gilt, with a loosely inserted letter from author David Summerhayes presenting the book to Michael Ward. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

224. Ward, Michael. *In This Short Span. A Mountaineering Memoir.* London: Gollancz, 1972. **£150**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 304; photo. illu., 3 sketch maps, map endpapers; very good in the original cloth, in d.j., bumped to upper corners, d.j. slightly soiled. George Lowe's copy, with a typed letter from Michael Ward to George Lowe loosely inserted.

Neate W19; Yakushi W30; S & B W04; not in Perret. Ward, by training a doctor, organised the 1951 Everest Reconnaissance expedition and was subsequently selected for the 1953 expedition. The present autobiographical memoir relates details of these expeditions, as well as others to Amadablam and Makalu. Ward's work on high-altitude physiology proved important to these and other expeditions. The book concludes with an account of Ward's medical and survey work in Bhutan, with a history and bibliography of the country.

225. Ward, Michael. *In This Short Span. A Mountaineering Memoir.* London: Gollancz, 1972. **£125**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is slightly rubbed. A presentation copy from Ward to his son Mark, additionally signed to the title-page.

226. Ward, Michael. 'The first ascent of Mount Everest.' Reprinted from the *British Medical Journal*, 29th May 1993, vol. 306, pp. 1455-1458. **£75**

4to. Very good as issued in self-wrappers, folded. Inscribed to George Lowe with best wishes Michael Ward.

A brief article providing background to, and an overview of, the first ascent.

227. Ward, Michael. 'The first ascent of Mount Everest.' Reprinted from the *British Medical Journal*, 29th May 1993, vol. 306, pp. 1455-1458. **£50**

Another copy, fine. Signed by Michael Ward.

228. Ward, Michael. 'The first ascent of Mount Everest, 1953: the solution of the problem of the last thousand feet.' Offprint from *Journal of Wilderness Medicine*, vol. 4, 1993. **£50**

First separate edition. 8vo. Disbound as issued; pp. 312-8; fine, signed by the author to the first page.

229. Ward, Michael P. 'Everest 1953, First Ascent: A Clinical Record.' [Offprinted from] *High Altitude Medicine & Biology*, volume 4 part 1, Spring 2003. **£125**

4to. pp. 27-37; fine, stapled as issued in self-wrappers. Signed by Michael Ward and E. P. Hillary.

During the 1953 expedition, Ward kept notes relating to the members' physiological condition both before and after climbs. The information is published for the first time in the present article, which has been signed both by the author and by Ed Hillary, who made the first ascent of Everest.

230. Ward, Michael P. 'Everest 1953, First Ascent: A Clinical Record.' [Offprinted from] *High Altitude Medicine & Biology*, volume 4 part 1, Spring 2003. **£50**

Another copy, fine. Signed by author Michael Ward.

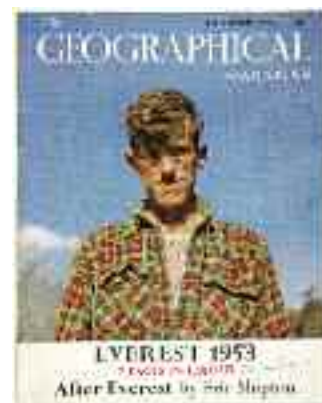
231. [Everest 1953.] 'Everest 1953' and 'After Everest by Eric Shipton', two articles in an issue of *The Geographical Magazine*, October 1953. **£50**

8vo. pp. viii, 291-350, ix-xxiv [articles at pp. 298-308 & 329-331]; illu. and sketch maps inc. 4pp. sepia photo. illu. to Shipton's article; very good in the original pictorial wrappers with portrait of Hillary to upper wrapper, slightly rubbed. Signed by George Lowe to the upper cover.

A feature article on the successful Everest expedition, with photographs by Gregory and Wylie. Shipton's article discusses which of the big peaks will be in contention following the ascent of Everest.



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232. [Everest 1953.] 'Everest 1953' and 'After Everest by Eric Shipton', two articles in an issue of *The Geographical Magazine*, October 1953. **£50**

Another copy, very good in the original pictorial wrappers, slight wear to spine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

233. [Everest 1953.] 'Everest 1953' and 'After Everest by Eric Shipton', two articles in an issue of *The Geographical Magazine*, October 1953. **£25**

Another copy, very good in the original pictorial wrappers, slight fraying to extremities. Not signed.

234. [Everest 1953.] A series of articles in *The Alpine Journal*, vol. LIX No. 287, November 1953 & No. 288, May 1954. **£175**

First editions. Together two original issues. 8vo. pp. xii, 103-234 & viii, [235]-368; photo. illu. inc. some folding; very good in the original printed wrappers. Signed by George Lowe, Michael Ward, Michael Westmacott and Charles Wylie beneath their names on p. 106 of the first issue.

S & B p. 111. These issues of the *AJ* print six articles relating to the first ascent of Everest: 'Narrative of the Expedition' by John Hunt and Michael Westmacott; Sir John Hunt's Diary; and 'The First Ascent of the South Peak' by R. C. Evans; and in the second issue 'The Last Lap' by Hillary, 'The Closed Circuit Oxygen Apparatus' by R. B. Bourdillon et al., and 'The Oxygen Apparatus in action' by T. D. Bourdillon. The first volume is signed by four of the expedition members.

235. [Everest 1953.] Alpine Journal. 'Everest, 1953.' A series of articles contained in the complete issue for November 1953, no. 287, vol. 59. London: *The Alpine Club*, 1953 **£50**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xii, 103-234; photo. illu. inc. some extending; embrowning at front and rear, else very good in the original printed wrappers, slightly chipped and browned. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to upper wrapper.

S & B p. 111. This issue of the *Journal* celebrates the first ascent of Everest. T. Graham Brown's opening editorial (pp. 103-6) is followed by Hunt and Westmacott's 'Narrative of the Expedition' (pp. 107-22), 'Sir John Hunt's Diary' (pp. 123-72) and Evans' 'The First Ascent of the South Peak' (pp. 173-8). This issue also carries a notice concerning the successful first ascent of Nanga Parbat by Hermann Buhl.

236. [Everest 1953.] Alpine Journal. 'Everest, 1953.' A series of articles contained in the complete issue for November 1953, no. 287, vol. 59. London: *The Alpine Club*, 1953. **£25**

Another copy, very good in the original printed wrappers, slightly worn to foot of spine. Not signed.

237. [Everest 1953.] Appalachia. Two editorial notes concerning the 1953 Everest expedition in two issues of the magazine, N.S. Vol. XIX, nos. 116 & 117, June and December 1953. *Brattleboro, Vermont: Appalachian Mountain Club*, 1953. **£25**

8vo. pp. [xvi], 305-464 & [xvi], 465-616; illu. relating to other articles in these issues; very good in the original card wrappers, bumped, minor wear to extremities.

The first issue carries a small note concerning the 1953 Everest expedition (p. 406), and a slightly longer mention of the post-monsoon Swiss expedition of 1952. The second issue carries a 3pp. notice 'Mt. Everest Conquered', with details of the ascent and the expedition members. It follows this with a paragraph on the failed Russian attempt on Everest in December 1952, during which six men died in an avalanche.

238. [Everest 1953.] 'Everest, 1953.' An article in *The Himalayan Journal*, vol. 18, pp. 7-66. *Oxford at the Clarendon Press*, 1954. **£50**

8vo. [8, ads.], 193, 4 ads; numerous photo. illu. and maps, some folding, some relating to the Everest article, very good in original wrappers, neatly repaired, ownership signature to verso of front wrapper.

A collection of 9 articles by Charles Wylie, George Lowe, Wilfred Noyce, R.C. Evans, Edmund Hillary, James Morris, L. G. C. E. Pugh, J. O. M. Roberts, and N. D. Jayal.

239. [Everest 1953.] The Times. The First Ascent of Mount Everest Supplement. *The Times Publishing Company*, July 1953. **£150**

First edition. Folio. pp. 32; 37 photo. illu., 3 sketch maps; creased where sometime folded, good in self-wrappers, very frayed to front wrapper with loss to image of Tenzing, subsequent tape repairs. Signed to the front wrapper by George Band, Mike Westmacott and Jan Morris.

S & B p. 117; not in other bibliographies. A special supplement to *The Times* newspaper, with contributions by Hunt, Hillary, and The Times Special Correspondent James Morris. The rear cover advertises the book of the expedition as John Hunt's *The Conquest of Everest*; in the event, this was the book's US title, the English version appearing as *The Ascent of Everest*.

240. [Everest 1953.] The Times. The First Ascent of Mount Everest Supplement. *The Times Publishing Company*, July 1953. **£125**

Another copy, creased where sometime folded, very good in self-wrappers. Signed to the front wrapper by George Lowe and George Band.

241. [Everest 1953.] The Times. Everest Colour Supplement 1953. *The Times Publishing Company*, September 1953. **£50**

First edition. Large 4to. pp. [22]; 22 coloured and 27 b & w photo. illu., 1 sketch map; some creasing, good in the original coloured wrappers, chipped to margins of wrappers. Signed by Jan Morris.

S & B p. 117; not in other bibliographies. A special supplement to *The Times* newspaper with text largely by the paper's Special Correspondent, James Morris.



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242. [Everest 1953.] 'Everest!!' A single-word headline on the front page of the *Daily Sketch and Daily Graphic*, with a column-length article on the rear page, Tuesday, June 2, 1953. **£25**

An entire issue of the newspaper, 4to. pp. 20; numerous illu. relating to other articles; some age-toning, else very good.

This 'Coronation Souvenir' of the *Daily Sketch* features a front-page image of Queen Elizabeth II's coronation dress. News of the ascent of Everest comes in the form of a large headline at the top of the front page, and details on the back page of the ascent by "Mr Edmund P. Hillary, 34-year-old beekeeper from New Zealand, and Tensing Bhutia, 39-year-old leader of the Sherpa guides and veteran of more Everest attempts than any man on earth". News of the ascent of Everest was first made in *The Times* newspaper, also on 2 June 1953 (the newspaper had exclusive rights on news from the expedition); presumably the announcement in the *Daily Graphic* was published later in the day.

243. [Everest 1953.] Ascent of Everest 1953. *N.p.*, n.d. [1953]. **£495**

First edition. 4to. pp. [20, including wrappers]; 8 photo. illu., route map inside front wrapper, ads. to final 5pp.; minor soiling covers, else very good in the original pictorial wrappers. Signed to the team picture on p. 7 by E. P. Hillary, George Lowe and George Band.

Not in the usual bibliographies. On its return to Britain, members of the successful Everest expedition under John Hunt appeared before the Queen and a large audience at the Royal Festival Hall. The event, a Gala Premier Lecture held jointly by the R.G.S. and the Alpine Club, took place on Tuesday 15th September 1953, at 8pm. This a programme for that event contains a foreword by Prince Philip, an introduction by the Presidents of the Alpine Club and the R.G.S., and text by Wilfrid Noyce. Signed copies are uncommon.

247. [Everest 1953. Ephemera.] A photograph of a boy scout, dressed in a papier-mâché model of Everest. N.d. c. 1953. **£3,000**

A b&w photograph, approx. 73 x 125mm., mounted on stiff card; slight wear to corners of mount, adhesion to verso where sometime contained in an album, else very good. Signed to the mount by members of the 1953 Everest expedition: Hillary, Tenzing (both actual and rubber stamp), Hunt, Lowe, Gregory, Stobart, Band, Westmacott, Pugh, Wylie, Ward, Bourdillon, Noyce.

A unique image, probably dating from soon after the expedition members reached London following the ascent of Everest. The model of Everest - which flies a Union Jack from the summit and a card with a portrait of Hillary and the words "Beats Everest" - may have been constructed by boy scouts. The absence of the signature of Charles Evans suggests an early date- Evans remained in the Himalayas to conduct survey work.



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244. [Everest 1953.] Ascent of Everest 1953. n.p., n.d. [1953]. **£25**

Another copy, very good in the original pictorial wrappers.

245. [Everest 1953. Ephemera.] Estelle Craig's World Adventure Tours proudly present the personal appearance of Sir Edmund Hillary Geo. Lowe and Dr. Charles Evans. An Illustrated Talk. Wednesday, February 24th at 8:30 p.m. Massey Hall. N.p. [?Toronto], n.d. [1954]. **£75**

8vo. pp. [12]; very good in the original pictorial wrappers, slightly soiled.

A lecture programme for the talk given by expedition members at the Massey Hall, Toronto in February, 1954. It includes advertisements for Hunt's book of the expedition, and for the film 'The Conquest of Everest.'

246. [Everest 1953. Lecture ticket.] World Adventure Tours and McGill University present Sir Edmund Hillary George Lowe and Dr. Charles Evans in "The Conquest of Mt. Everest". *N.p.*, n.d. [1954]. **£60**

A lecture ticket, approx. 96 x 64mm., printed to one side only, inkstamped to upper right corner, in very good condition. Signed at foot by lecturer and expedition member George Lowe.

The lecture took place at the Sir Arthur Currie Memorial Gymnasium at McGill University in Montreal, Canada.



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248. [Hillary, Edmund and George Lowe.] A photograph of Hillary and Lowe shortly after Hillary's knighthood on their return from Everest, July 1953. **£150**

A b & w contact print, approx. 8 x 6" (206 x 52mm), Paul Popper Ltd. inkstamp to verso, VG, signed to the image by Lowe and Hillary (signature indistinct). George Lowe's copy.

This photograph shows the two Everesters en route to a reception in Hillary's honour on the evening of 17 July, 1953, when he had received his knighthood.

249. [Lowe, George.] A photograph album, titled to the front cover "Presented to Mr. George Lowe as a souvenir of his visit to Singapore City Hall on Wednesday, 9th September, 1953". **£500**

An oblong 8vo rexine album with the Singapore coat of arms in gilt to upper board, containing 22 photographs of various sizes on 20 leaves with tissue-guards, each annotated by hand beneath; the images in very good condition, boards of the album bowed.

This album was presented to George Lowe as a record of the visit he and Edmund Hillary, with Lady Hillary, made to Singapore in September, 1953. The two men lectured at the Odeon theatre to an audience of 1620 school children on the 8th September, and the album records this and other aspects of their visit.

250. [Lowe, George.] Two photographs taken during the Swiss Everest expeditions of 1952, with routes marked by Lowe and others to the images and annotations by Lowe to the versos showing his work during the 1953 Everest expedition. **£250**

Two b & photos., approx. 5 x 4" (120 x 100mm) and 5 x 3" (130 x 85, slightly creased).

George Lowe's work during the 1953 Everest expedition included preparation of the route from the head of the Western Cwm up the Lhotse Face towards South Col. These two Swiss photographs from 1952 are marked by Lowe to show his work, indicated by dotted lines and descriptions ("Rope", "Fall", "Camp VII"). Lowe also annotated the verso of each: 'A Swiss photograph of the Lhotse Face (taken 1952) from which I planned my work on the Face from 6th>20th May 1953. The indelible pencil shows where Chevalley went in the autumn (these marks were put by him when he gave Charles E. the photographs in Zurich ...'; and "Another Swiss photo with Chevalley's route above Camp VII marked. The lift from VII to the traverse (marked Cord fixé) is a good 1000 ft. ... It was a far tougher proposition than anyone guessed."



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251. [Tenzing Norgay.] 'Tenzing Norgay.' Darjeeling Photo Store, n.d. c. 1959. **£20**

A b & w gloss full-length photographic portrait of Tenzing, postally used (India 20 N.P. stamps with postmark 10.10.59), somewhat creased and soiled, good.

A note on the back to the addressee reads "Tenzing lives here and works at a nearby college".

252. [Everest 1953.] 'From A "Kodachrome" Transparency'. Copyright Himalayan Committee, n.d. c. 1954. **£125**

6 coloured photographic cards, approx. 5 x 3 1/2, printed to one side only, each uncaptioned but with copyright and process details above and below the image, in fine condition. George Lowe's set.

This rare set of images from the 1953 expedition remains something of an enigma. They show scenes during the approach to and ascent of Everest, including a view taken at altitude (though not from the top). The images may derive from the transparencies found in more recent times in the RGS archives, which were otherwise never reproduced.

253. [Everest 1953.] 'From A "Kodachrome" Transparency'. Copyright Himalayan Committee, n.d. c. 1954. **£125**

Another set, fine. Michael Ward's set.

254. [Noyce, Wilfrid.] Notes for use with the Filmstrip The Ascent of Everest. Filmstrip no. 6154 [so titled to upper wrapper]. Educational Productions Limited, n.d. c. 1955. **£250**

First and only edition. 8vo. pp. 12; small section of tape to last page of text, else very good in the original printed wrappers.

Not in the usual bibliographies. This booklet, printed to accompany the filmstrip of the title, contains descriptions of 40 "frames" selected and described, according to the first page of text, by Noyce. These show scenes during the approach to and ascent of Everest, the famous summit photograph of Tenzing, and then scenes from the descent. Both the film and the booklet were produced with the co-operation of the RGS and the Alpine Club, yet we can find no other copy of the booklet in institutional holdings (Worldcat, KVK, Copac).

255. [Noyce, Wilfrid.] Notes for use with the Filmstrip Through Nepal to Everest. Filmstrip no. 6155 [so titled to upper wrapper]. Educational Productions Limited, n.d. c. 1955. **£250**

First and only edition. 8vo. pp. 16; very good in the original printed wrappers.

Not in the usual bibliographies. As with the preceding item, this booklet contains Noyce's selection and description of 49 frames of a filmstrip, beginning with "Packing at Bhdgaon" and culminating in "Tenzing on Top". Again, we can find no copies in institutional holdings.



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256. [Everest 1953.] Luncheon to The Members of the 1953 Everest Expedition by The Directors of Benjamin Edgington (Silver & Edgington, Limited) Tuesday, 20th October, 1953. Hyde Park Hotel, Knightsbridge S.W.1. N.p. [London], n.d. c. 1953. £1,500

A printed menu, 8vo. pp. [6] inc. loosely inserted printed leaf, slightly soiled, else VG. George Lowe's copy, with his MS note to front "This was a wonderful dinner & must have cost our tentmakers a pretty penny. They also gave a silver engraved cigarette box", and signed to second page by expedition members George Lowe, John Hunt, E. P. Hillary, Charles Wylie, M. H. Westmacott, Michel Ward, G. Pugh, Tom Stobart, G. C. Band, and additionally signed by Eric Shipton (twice), J. H. Emlyn Jones (reserve climber), L. P. Kirwan (Director RGS), E. S. Herbert (Alpine Club President), R. W. Lloyd (Treasurer of the Himalayan Committee), John Cordingley (Air Vice-Marshal), nine representatives of Silver & Edgington, and four others.

The firm Benjamin Edgington were suppliers to the 1953 expedition of "Tents, tarpaulins, sleeping-bags, marker flags" (Hunt *The Ascent of Everest* p. 285). In the autumn of 1953, the firm hosted this luncheon for the successful team members, though Tenzing, Charles Evans, Wilfrid Noyce, and Alfred Gregory were not in London to be able to enjoy the lavish meal. George Lowe kept his copy of the menu, and had it signed by almost all those present (only Tom Bourdillon and the RGS President J. M. Wordie failed to sign it). As Lowe writes in his note on the menu, expedition members were also presented with a silver cigarette box - see the following item.

257. [Ward, Michael Phelps, 1925-2005.] An Elizabeth II silver cigarette box presented to Michael Ward by the expedition suppliers Benjamin Edgington in commemoration of the first ascent of Everest, 1953. £2,750

Oblong, approx. 4.5 x 6.5 x 1.5" (112 x 168 x 44mm), cedar wood lining, hinged cover with shaped thumbpiece, engine-turned border to cover, the centre showing a mountain scene with a tent pitched below Mount Everest and beneath it the engraved presentation inscription "PRESENTED TO DR. M. P. WARD, TO COMMEMORATE THE HISTORIC CONQUEST OF MOUNT EVEREST BY THE 1953 BRITISH EXPEDITION, BY THE DIRECTORS OF BENJAMIN EDGINGTON (SILVER & EDGINGTON LTD.)", somewhat marked and tarnished, else in very good condition.

This is the presentation silver cigarette box given to Michael Ward at the luncheon on 20th October, 1953, given by Benjamin Edgington. It was sold by the family at Christie's in September, 2008



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258. [Everest 1953. Ration Pack.] Mount Everest Expedition 1953. Vac Pac. £5,000

A ration pack used during the expedition, approx. 7.5 x 9.5 x 2" (194 x 240 x 50mm), still sealed in tinfoil wrapping, printed label to one face with beneath it a typed label with list of contents ("THIS PACKAGE INCLUDES:- COFFEE, LEMONADE POWDER, MINT BAR"), slight wear, with accompanying note signed by George Lowe providing a provenance.

A rare survival of the 1953 Everest expedition. Very careful provision was made in the expedition planning for rations, with different foods being allocated for three different "phases" (full details are given in Appendix VI of Hunt's *The Ascent of Everest*). The final "Assault" phase pack consisted of "one man's ration for one day. Considerable economy of weight and bulk was achieved by vacuum packing" (Hunt, p. 264; Appendix IX of Hunt's book identifies Wilts United Dairies Ltd. as responsible for "Vacuum packing of Assault rations", p. 285). Lowe's note included with the food pack reads: "Everest 1953 Food-pack for high altitude use (that's above 21,000 ft.) Sufficient for 2 persons for 2/3 days. This is the first use of vacuum packing (which was invented after the '39-45 war). The contents varied - & the front label shows the "extras" to the basic high sugar - with quick-cook porridge & other staple food. I don't want this pack opened - It was collected by me & carried down from advanced-base (21,000ft.) as a souvenir. I don't think anyone else did so & I've had it for 50 years (or nearly 50!) George Lowe May 2002."



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261. Lowe, George. 'Presentation of the Cullum Medal to the Thyangboche Monastery.' A note in the *Geographical Review*, published by the American Geographical Society of New York, vol. XLV, no. 2, April 1955, p. 245. **£20**

First edition. 8vo. pp. [ii], 151-308; two photo. illustrs. relating to Lowe's article, other illustrs. and sketch maps relating to other articles in this issue; good in the original printed wrappers, slightly worn. George Lowe's copy, with an annotation by him to the front cover: "See Page 245 This arrived from America to-day & I'm sending it on in case you think it fun G."

In the wake of the successful ascent of Everest in 1953, the American Geographical Society awarded its Cullum Medal to the Thyanboche Monastery in Nepal in recognition of the contributions made by the Sherpas on the expedition. The medal was carried to Nepal, and presented to the lama by Charles Evans and George Lowe, whose letter to the American Geographical Society, with accompanying photographs from the presentation, is here reproduced.

262. [Newspaper cuttings.] Three albums of newspaper cuttings labelled "Everest Reconnaissance 1951" and "1953. The British Expedition to Everest" (2 albums), with loosely inserted additional cuttings collected by George Lowe. **£300**

3 albums, spiral-bound, of 16, 18 and 14 leaves respectively, most leaves with contemporary newspaper cuttings from British newspapers, with loosely inserted the front page from June 2, 1953 issue of the *News Chronicle* with headline "The Crowning Glory: Everest is Climbed"; and additionally with a loosely inserted collection of approx. 50 cuttings from George Lowe, relating to Everest, his book *Because It Is There*, obituaries of Everest climbers, and Ed Hillary.

A unique collection, gathered from British and some overseas newspapers, providing excellent contemporary information about the 1951 and 1953 Everest expeditions before, during and after the events. The Lowe material includes obituaries for 1953 members Hunt, Pugh, Ward, Westmacott and Wylie, as well as for Jimmy Roberts (1953 reserve climber, the cutting sent to Lowe from George Band) and J. M. L. Gavin (Everest 1936).

263. [Bourdillon, Tom.] The Order of Service for the memorial mass to Tom Bourdillon and Dick Viney held at St. Mary's Aylesbury, 15th September, 1956. **£75**

8vo. 4pp.; horizontal crease where folded, else very good. George Lowe's copy.

Thomas Duncan Bourdillon (1924-1936) joined the 1951 Everest Reconnaissance and also accompanied the 1952 Cho Oyu expedition. He trained as a physicist and with his father developed the closed-circuit oxygen apparatus used on the 1953 Everest expedition. On the 26th May, 1953, Bourdillon with Charles Evans made the first and unsuccessful attempt on Everest's summit. Three years later, on July 29th 1956, Bourdillon and his climbing partner Dick Viney were killed on the ascent of the East Buttress of the Jäghorn in the Bernese Oberland.

259. [Everest 1953 ephemera.] Indian Posts and Telegraphs. *N.p.* [*New Delhi*], n.d. [1953]. **£20**

An oblong 8vo booklet containing two India Postage stamps (2AS and 14AS), slightly soiled, with, loosely inserted, a First Day Cover envelope with a b & w illustrs. of Tenzing on the summit of Everest, a 2AS Indian Postage stamp, and Bombay cancel dated 2-X-53. George Lowe's copy.

260. [Everest 1953.] The Companion. News of the Companion Book Club. [*Odhams Press Ltd, London*], 1954-6. **£75**

A small, broken run of leaflets advertising books for the Companion Book Club, each approx. 4 1/2 x 7", each 6pp. or 8pp. folded gatefold or in four, July 1955 leaflet with portion excised, the remainder in very good condition.

The Companion Book Club allowed its members the opportunity to buy newly published books at only part of the ordinary retail price. It advertised books of the month, and featured certain books on a semi-permanent basis as introductory offers for new members. The present collection of advertising leaflets for the club comprises issues for June, August, November and December 1954, January-April, and June-September, 1954, and March-May 1956. The first leaflet here (June 1954) announces the bookclub edition of Hunt's *Ascent of Everest*; November 1954 reports that the club has chosen the book as its December book of the month, and it duly features in the December issue. Each of these issues features Everest images on the front cover. The remaining issues for 1955 print readers' comments on the book, until March 1956 announces Hillary's *High Adventure* as a book club title. The coverage given by the Companion Book Club to the Everest books attests to the popular interest in the subject and the ongoing sales of the book.



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264. [Noyce, Wilfrid.] Wilf Noyce Dinner Snow's Hotel 2nd. Feb. 1960. **£450**

A menu, approx. 5 x 8" (130 x 205mm), typed to one side only within a printed decorative border, creased where folded. George Lowe's copy, with his pencilled note to verso "Dinner for Wilfrid organised by Alf Bridge". Signed to the verso by Noyce (twice), E. P. Hillary, Charles Warren, Tom Brocklebank, Tony Dummett, David Cox, Griff Pugh, Chris Briggs (of Pen-y-Gwryd), Alf. Bridge, Wynford Vaughan-Thomas, Michael Westmacott, and others.

A. W. Bridge - "Alf" - helped develop the oxygen equipment for the 1953 Everest expedition. The present menu records the dinner he arranged for Wilfrid Noyce, attended by several prominent Everest climbers, but we have been unable to ascertain the occasion for which the dinner was given.

265. [Everest 1953. 25th Anniversary.] The 25th Anniversary of the First Ascent of Mount Everest Commemorative. A First Day Cover signed by Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay. *Franklin Mint*, 1978. **£375**

A pictorial first day cover, with two Nepalese stamps, Namche Bazar cancel dated 29-5-1978, signed to lower left by Tenzing and Hillary, inset silver commemorative medallion, contained as issued in a clear sleeve within a plastic wallet together with the accompanying letter from the Franklin Mint representative Franklin Philatelic Limited and a card printed to one side with a description of the first ascent of Everest.

Hillary and Tenzing made the first ascent of Everest on the morning of 29th May, 1953. Twenty-five years later, the Nepalese postal service worked with the Franklin Mint to produce this commemorative first day cover, cancelled at the Namche Bazar post office on the same day.

266. [Everest 1953. 25th Anniversary.] The Conquest of Mount Everest. 25th Anniversary 1953-1978. Full Postal Validity. *N.p.*, n.d. ?1978. **£375**

A single sheet, approx. 136 x 90mm., printed to one side only with a Machin-style 9p postage mark to upper right corner, and a design incorporating small vignette of Everest to left centre, signed above the vignette by Tenzing and below by John Hunt.

An unusual Everest item commemorating the 25th anniversary of the first ascent by Tenzing and Edmund Hillary. Singer and Gould (*A Catalog of Himalayan Mountaineering Correspondence*, 2nd ed., p. 64) refer to this item as a "British prestamped card with cachet".

267. [Everest 1953. 25th Anniversary.] A sheet of paper, headed "First Ascent of Everest 25th Anniversary", with signatures of Ed Hillary, John Hunt, George Lowe, and Noel E. Odell. **£150**

Approx. 7 x 9 (180 x 230mm), horizontal creases where folded, else good. George Lowe's copy.

A nice piece of ephemera, signed by the leader of the 1953 Expedition, the two New Zealanders Hillary and Lowe, and Noel Odell, of the 1924 Everest expedition and the last man to see Mallory and Irvine alive.

268. [Everest 1953. 35th Anniversary.] 35th Everest Reunion. [1988]. **£150**

A menu, approx. 5 x 8.5 (128 x 216mm), slightly soiled. Signed to the verso by George Lowe and 16 wives. George Lowe's copy.



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269. [Everest 1953. 40th Anniversary.] A series of articles in *The Alpine Journal*, vol. 98 No. 342, 1993. **£95**

First edition. 8vo. pp. x, 363; photo. illusts., sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j.. Signed by George Lowe, Michael Ward, Michael Westmacott and Charles Wylie.

This issue commemorated the 40th anniversary of the first ascent of Everest. Members of the expedition contributed their own articles to the volume, and each of the signatures appears at the first page of their respective articles.

270. [Everest 1953. 40th Anniversary.] A series of articles in *The Alpine Journal*, vol. 99 No. 343, 1994. **£50**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xiv, 367; photo. illusts., sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j.. Signed by Michael Ward, Michael Westmacott, John Barry, Sandy Scott, and Peter Earl.

More 40th Anniversary articles, signed by Westmacott; Ward signed to his article 'The Exploration and Mapping of Everest'; and by Barry, Scott and Earl on the notice of their 40th Anniversary Everest Expedition.



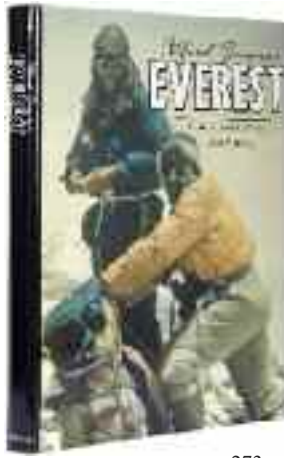
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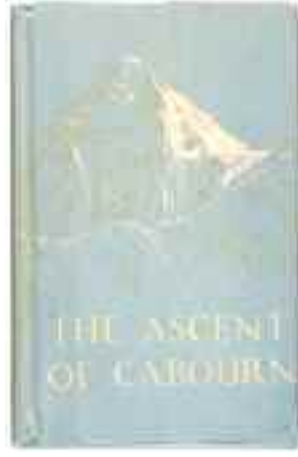
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271. Gregory, Alfred. Alfred Gregory's Everest. With a Foreword by Jan Morris. London: Constable, [1993]. **£750**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 183; numerous b & w photo. illu-
strs.; very good in the original cloth, d.j. George Lowe's copy. Signed by those present on 29th May, 1993, at Pen-y-Gwryd: Ed Hillary, John Hunt, Michael Ward, Mike Westmacott, George Lowe, Jan Morris, George Band, Charles Wylie, John Jackson, Alfred Gregory, and their wives and associates to the preliminary leaves.

S & B G15. A selection of Gregory's photographs of the 1953 Everest expedition, some not previously published, issued to mark the 40th anniversary of the first ascent.

272. Gregory, Alfred. Alfred Gregory's Everest. With a Foreword by Jan Morris. London: Constable, [1993]. **£145**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth, d.j., which has a small closed tear to upper cover. Signed by Alfred Gregory to the half title, and by Jan Morris to the title-page.

273. Gregory, Alfred. Alfred Gregory's Everest. With a Foreword by Jan Morris. London: Constable, [1993]. **£75**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by Jan Morris to the title-page.

274. Gregory, Alfred. Two letters from Gregory on his own headed notepaper to Jean Jones, 22 June, 1993, and 5 June, 1995. **£50**

Together two items, both 4to and 1p., folded, else very good.

Gregory's first letter was sent accompanying a book (not present here), and he also chats about his travels. In the later letter, Gregory writes "Certainly quite bit publicity has come out recently about the RGS suddenly finding a lot of my colour transparencies lost over the last 40 years. I am not surprised, knowing how they carry on at the RGS".

275. [Everest 1953. 50th Anniversary.] Endeavour on Everest. Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the first ascent of Mount Everest... Thursday 29th May 2003. [Mount Everest Foundation, 2003] **£50**

First edition. 4to. pp. 32; illu-
strs.; as new in original card wrappers. Signed by George Lowe to his portrait.

A programme issued for the Royal Gala Performance at the Odeon, Leicester Square, 29th May, 2003, with biographies and portraits of the expedition members, and memoirs by Band, Westmacott, Lowe, Wylie, Ward, and Gregory.

276. Royal Geographical Society. Everest 1953-2003. Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the First Ascent [An issue of *Geographical*, the magazine of the Royal Geographical Society, vol. 75 no. 5, May 2003]. **£95**

8vo. pp. 178; photo. illu-
strs.; very good in the original wrappers, creased to upper cover. Signed by Ed Hillary to the upper cover. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

This entire issue of *Geographical* devotes itself to the first ascent, with articles by, among other, Peter Gillman, Ed Douglas, Audrey Salkeld, Charles Clarke, and Rebecca Stephens in conversation with Ed Hillary.

77. Hillary, Sir Edmund. 'My Story.' An article in the *National Geographic Magazine*, vol. 203, no. 5, May 2003, pp. 38-41. Washington: National Geographic Society, 2003. **£125**

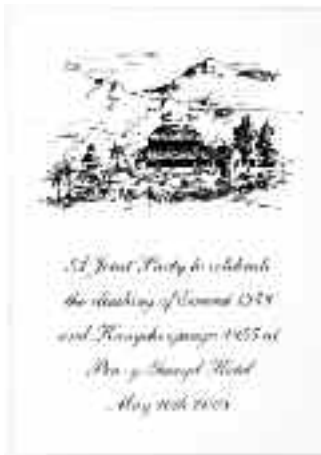
First edition. 8vo. pp. [48], 126, [10, ads.]; numerous photo. illu-
strs., large folding map supplement Everest 50 loosely inserted as issued; very good in the original wrappers, slightly creased. Signed by Ed Hillary and by Michael Ward to upper cover and a second time to the loose map.

This issue of the *National Geographic* celebrates the 50th anniversary of the first ascent of Everest, with articles by and about Hillary, the history of Everest expeditions, the Sherpas, high altitude physiology, and others.

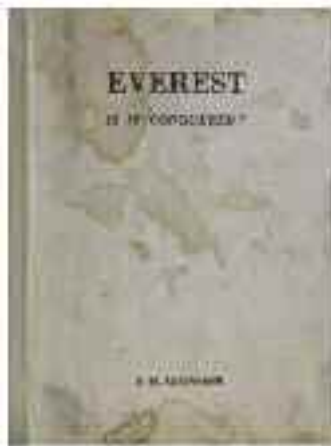
278. Cabourn, Nigel. The Ascent of Cabourn. Norfolk & Goode, n.d. [2003]. **£20**

Small 8vo. pp. [53]; ports. of the 1953 Everest team, colour illu-
strs. of clothing; very good in original laminated boards, in original d.j. with Heaton Cooper design for Hunt's *The Ascent of Everest*, d.j. 'aged' as issued. George Lowe's copy.

Nigel Cabourn, a British clothing designer, published the present booklet "to launch the new Nigel Cabourn Collection and celebrate Sir Edmund Hillary's achievement of being the first man to climb to the top of Everest. Fifty years on from this day, 29th May 1953, Nigel Cabourn has created a collection of clothes to commemorate [sic] this magnificent feat of human endeavour. The clothes within this book are designed with the same attention to detail as the clothes used in Hillary's expedition using British cloth and manufacturers" (from preliminary matter).



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279. [Everest 1953. 55th Anniversary.] A Joint Party to celebrate the climbing of Everest 1953 and Kangchenjunga 1955 at Pen-y-Gwryd Hotel May 10th 2008. **£35**

8vo. 4pp., menu printed to p. 3, original photograph of Hillary and Hunt at Pen-y-Gwryd facing, slightly soiled. George Lowe's copy.

Pen-y-Gwryd, the hotel in Snowdonia in Wales, was used as a training headquarters by the 1953 Everest team prior to its successful expedition, and the hotel became the venue for many subsequent reunions. In recent years, Everest celebrations were combined with those for the first ascent of Kangchenjunga - three climbers had taken part in both expeditions.

280. Goswami, S. M. Everest Is It Conquered? [*Calcutta: Indian Press*], n.d. c. 1954. **£350**

First edition. 8vo. pp. [i, title], xvii, 122 + errata slip; 2 illu. s.; very good in the original wrappers, which are stained and worn.

Neate G39; Yakushi G94; S & B G09. A scarce book that disputes the success of the 1953 Everest expedition. Goswami cites the British Conservative government's rancour at the loss of the Indian Empire, together with a desire to usher in the new reign of Elizabeth II with news of the ascent, as motivating a hoax. The bulk of the book offers analyses of the published accounts and of newspaper reports to substantiate these claims.

281. Bryant, L. V. (Dan). New Zealanders and Everest ... With a Foreword by Sir Edmund Hillary. *Wellington: A.H. & A.W. Reed*, [1953]. **£275**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 48; 20 photo. illu. s., one sketch map; very good in the original printed wrappers, slightly rubbed. A presentation copy from the author, inscribed inside upper wrapper "To George [Lowe] - with all best wishes for continued success in the mountains and in life & with high hopes that Makalu, or Kangchenjunga, or K2, will fall to your efforts, from Dan Bryant 15-9-53", and signed to the title-page by George Lowe, Ed Hillary, and Ed Cotter (member with Hillary and Lowe of the 1951 New Zealand Himalayan Expedition).

Neate B201; Yakushi B284; S & B B46; not in Perret. Bryant had accompanied Shipton on the 1935 Everest reconnaissance. The present work discusses the contribution of New Zealanders to mountaineering, notably on Everest, with Hillary's successful ascent. Bryant devotes a chapter to the 1935 reconnaissance.

282. Bryant, L. V. (Dan). New Zealanders and Everest ... With a Foreword by Sir Edmund Hillary. *Wellington: A.H. & A.W. Reed*, [1953]. **£175**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original printed wrappers, slightly rubbed. Signed to the title-page by Ed Hillary. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to title-page.

283. Bryant, L. V. (Dan). New Zealanders and Everest ... With a Foreword by Sir Edmund Hillary. *Wellington: A.H. & A.W. Reed*, [1953]. **£150**

Reprint. 8vo. pp. 48; 20 photo. illu. s., one sketch map; very good in the original printed wrappers, rubbed. Signed to the front cover by E. P. Hillary. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to title-page.

A reprint made in December 1953 of the September first edition. The contents appear to be unchanged, but the rear wrapper has been reset with new information regarding the funds raised by the book.

284. Murray, W. H. The Story of Everest. *London: J. M. Dent and Sons*, [1953]. **£275**

First edition. 8vo. pp. ix, 193; photo. illu. s., sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, in d.j., which is frayed with internal sellotape repairs. A presentation copy, inscribed "For Mark Ward from Bill Murray", and with Michael Ward's note to flyleaf "Given by Bill Murray to my son Mark". Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate M188; Yakushi M288a; Perret 3163; S & B M57. Murray, a member of the 1951 Everest Reconnaissance, wrote this history of Everest 1921-52 shortly before the British attempt in 1953. The closing pages discuss the likelihood of British success in 1953.

285. Murray, W. H. The Story of Everest. *London: J. M. Dent and Sons*, 1953. **£125**

Second edition (same year as the first). 8vo. pp. ix, 195; photo. illu. s., sketch maps; spotting at front and rear, else very good in the original cloth, in second impression d.j., which is foxed and slightly frayed at edges. Ownership inscription of George Lowe to flyleaf.



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286. Murray, W. H. *The Story of Everest.* London: *J. M. Dent and Sons*, [1953]. **£175**

Third edition. 8vo. pp. ix, 198; photo. illu. s., sketch maps; near-fine in the original cloth, in d.j., which is slightly chipped, wraparound to d.j. announcing the British first ascent. Loosely inserted postcard from Murray to Ward. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to half-title.

Murray's history of Everest first appeared in April 1953, but was reprinted, and then issued in a third edition with a brief account of the first ascent. The wraparound on this book announces the successful ascent ("The British at the Summit!"). Murray's postcard, dated 11 Oct 90, thanks Ward "for the Everest map, which I'm glad to have & find most interesting for its new place-names - So many changes!".

287. Murray, W. H. *The Story of Everest.* London: *J. M. Dent and Sons*, [November, 1953]. **£125**

Fourth reprint. 8vo. pp. ix, 218; photo. illu. s., sketch maps; slight spotting, else very good in the original cloth, in d.j., which is slightly chipped. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with his note "This has the account of the first ascent".

Murray's history of Everest first appeared in April 1953, but was reprinted in May, July, and August of the same year. This reprint from November 1953 contains a new chapter on the first ascent.

288. Murray, W. H. *The Story of Everest.* London: *J. M. Dent & Sons Ltd.*, [1954]. **£30**

Fifth edition (sixth impression). 8vo. pp. ix, 230; numerous photo. illu. s., maps; fine in the original cloth and price-clipped d.j., laminated.

Murray's history of Everest first appeared in 1953, a month before the first ascent. Murray subsequently revised it, and it went through several further revisions until the present one, which includes an appendix on the "Abominable Snow-man" and refers to the expedition planned for 1954 to investigate the matter.

289. [Jayal, Narendra Dhar (1926-58).] Nandu Jayal and Indian Mountaineering. A Tribute to Major Narendra Dhar Jayal. *N.p.*, n.d. c. 1961. **£175**

First edition. 8vo. pp. [vii], 134; 5 photo. plates; browning to prelims., upper outer corners bumped, else very good in the original cloth, and d.j., which is rubbed and chipped.

Neate J22: "Articles by Jayal and his friends ... Jayal visited the Alps and participated in a number of Himalayan climbs from 1946 onwards. In 1954 he became the first principal of the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute. He died of pulmonary oedema on Cho Oyu" (Neate). It includes a chapter on the aerial photography of Everest shortly after the first ascent in 1953.

290. Morin, Micheline. *Everest From the First Attempt to the Final Victory.* London: *George Harrap & Co. Ltd.*, [1955]. **£35**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 205; coloured and b & w illu. s. from drawings, sketch maps; some foxing at front and rear, else very good in the original cloth, in d.j. which is frayed to extremities. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, 2004, to half-title.

Neate M144; Yakushi M251a; S & B M46. A history for young readers.

291. Lunn, Sir Arnold. 'Remarks on Everest.' An article in *Swiss Foundation for Alpine Research*, Vol 1, Nr. 2 pp. 96-97, 1954. **£20**

8vo. Original wrappers [4 ads], 67-128, 2 (ads.); very good in original wrappers.

Sold with nos. 1 & 3 of this first volume of the journal. The rear wrapper of each issue includes a Rolex advertisement for the "Rolex Oyster Perpetual" watch on Everest.

292. Odell, N. E. 'Reflections on Everest.' [Reprinted from the *Canadian Alpine Journal*, 1954.] **£150**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 56-64; good in the original wrappers, soiled. A presentation copy from Odell to "Tom Stobart With admiration for your contribution to the Everest finale, & the best of wishes. From Noel E. Odell". Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to front wrapper, with a loosely inserted letter from Odell to Ward, 3. IV.1977.

Odell, member of the 1924 Everest expedition, considers the history of attempts on Everest in light of physiological research. Odell presented this offprint to Tom Stobart, photographer with the 1953 Everest expedition. The letter with this copy discusses the London screening of a film recording the Chinese ascent of Everest in 1976, in which Odell reports to Ward doubts expressed by Wyn Harris concerning the authenticity of parts of the film.

293. Gulatee, B. L. *The Height of Mount Everest. A New Determination (1952-1954).* *N.p. [New Delhi]: Published by Order of the Surveyor General of India*, 1954. **£250**

First edition. 8vo. pp. [i, title-page], iii, 23; 1 photo. plate, 6 charts (mostly folding); very good in original printed wrappers, spotted, slight wear to head of spine, previous owner's name to upper wrapper. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

S & B G23. Survey of India Technical Paper No. 8. Gulatee's exceptionally uncommon paper established a new basis for determining the height of Everest, arriving at a figure of 29,028 feet (with an error margin of 10 feet). The paper appeared also in the *Himalayan Journal* (see following item). Michael Ward discussed Gulatee's findings in the context of more recent determinations in his article 'The Height of Mount Everest' (*Alpine Journal* vol. 100, 1995, pp. 30-33).



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294. Gulatee, B. L. 'The Height of Mt. Everest. A New Determination (1952-54).' An article in *The Himalayan Journal*, vol. 19, pp. 174-175. Oxford at the Clarendon Press, 1955-56. **£50**

8vo. [6, ads.], 216, 4 ads; numerous photo. illustrations and maps, some folding, very good in original wrappers, neatly repaired.

S & B p. 110. Gulatee's article, reproduced from its first appearance as the Survey of India Technical Paper (see previous item).

295. Graaff-Hunter, J. 'Various determinations over a century of the height of Mount Everest.' Reprinted from *The Geographical Journal*, vol. CXXI Part I, March 1955. **£50**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 21-6; very good in the original printed wrappers. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

S & B p. 110. A survey of work by Puissant, Burrard and Gulatee.

296. [Ephemera.] A bone china thimble by Sutherland China commemorating the first ascent of Everest in 1953 by Hillary & Tenzing. *N.p.*, n.d. c. ?1950s. **£40**

Bone china, approx. 1" high x 7/8" diameter (25 x 23mm), coloured scene of Hillary and Tenzing on the summit, lettered beneath "1953 Sir Edmund Hillary & Tenzing Norgay Sherpa Climbed Everest", two bands of gilt above and beneath the image, capped with a faux diamond, in fine condition.

A souvenir thimble issued to commemorate the first ascent.

297. [Everest. Game.] Climbing Everest. A New Family Game. Bournemouth, England: G. J. Hayter & Co. Ltd., n.d. c. 1954. **£250**

A coloured lithographic board game in two sections, approx. 45 x 30cm., folding and contained in the original box, coloured image of mountaineers ascending Everest pasted as issued to lid, rules in English pasted inside lid, complete with six counters and a die; some wear to box, some juvenile ink marks to picture of lid, else in good condition.

Giocchi delle Montagne Inv. 26. This board game was manufactured following the successful ascent in May, 1953, and the rules are prefaced with a summary of the ascent, and a quotation by the Duke of Edinburgh taken from Hunt's official account of the expedition, *The Ascent of Everest*.

298. [Everest. Game.] Everest. A Game of Skill for the Family. Aldon Industries Incorporated, n.d. c. 1950s. **£125**

A dexterity game, in the form of a mountain with a spiralling groove, and a steel ball, encased in a plastic dome, mounted on card with title and illu., instructions to verso; some wear to card, a few dents to the plastic dome, but still in working order.

Giocchi delle Montagne Inv. 205. This Everest dexterity game has a printed scoring scale on the verso, with the highest accolade - "Explorer" - going to those who can make it to the top in 10 seconds, "Guide" for those in 20 seconds, "Amateur" for those who sometimes make it, and "Tenderfoot" for those who "Just can't make it!". The illustrations feature a mastachioed climber with snow-goggles and oxygen equipment. Though presumably issued in large quantities, and priced 40c, this is nonetheless only the second example of the game that we have seen, and can find no information relating to its manufacture.

299. [Everest. Game.] Mt. Everest. Samuel Gabriel Sons and Co., New York, USA, n.d. [1955]. **£250**

A coloured lithographic board game, folding so as to form a three-dimensional pyramid, base approx. 32cm square, height approx. 27cm., with four plastic coloured mountaineers and accompanying magnets, one die, an 8pp. illustrated booklet of Everest history and rules, all contained as issued in the original box, lid with printed coloured image of mountaineers ascending Everest and children playing the game, box size approx. 56.5 x 31 x 3.5 cm., in very good condition.

Giocchi delle Montagne Inv. 51. A nicely produced game, using magnets to attach the playing pieces to the 'mountain'. The booklet contains photographic images of Everest.



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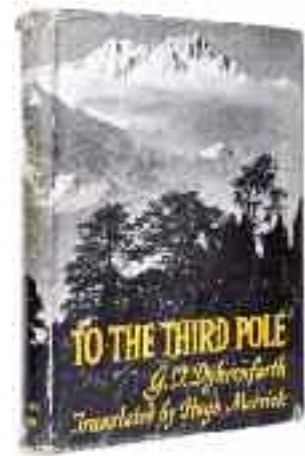
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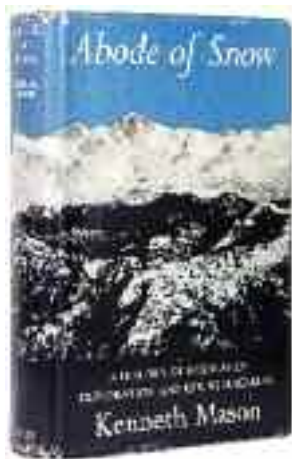
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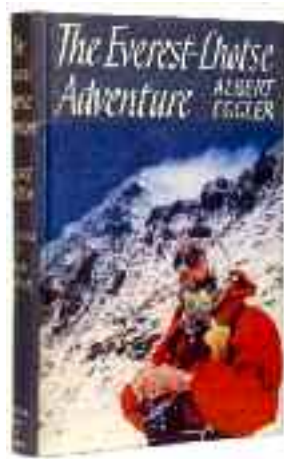
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303. Mason, Kenneth. *Abode of Snow. A History of Himalayan Exploration and Mountaineering.* London: Rupert Hart-Davis, 1955. **£95**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xi, 372; photo. illustrs., 16 sketch maps; very clean in the original cloth, d.j., which is chipped to extremities. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, dated 1956, to flyleaf.

Neate M62; Yakushi M105a; Perret 2857; S & B M18. Mason spent 25 years with the Survey of India, later becoming editor of the *Himalayan Journal*. Neate describes the present work as "the most authoritative one volume reference source on the historical and geographical background to the entire Himalayan range, with a remarkably concise and comprehensive history of Himalayan Exploration". There are numerous references to Everest.

304. Egger, Albert. *The Everest-Lhotse Adventure...Translated by Hugh Merrick.* George Allen & Unwin Ltd., [1957]. **£95**

First English edition. 8vo. pp. 224, [2, ads.]; coloured frontis., b & w photo. illustrs., 2 sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is slightly rubbed. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate E11; Yakushi E18b; Perret 1289; S & B E01. The third Swiss Everest in 1956, which resulted in the successful ascent of both Everest itself and Lhotse, the first ascent of this peak.

305. Egger, Albert. 'The Swiss Expedition to Everest and Lhotse, 1956.' An article in *The Himalayan Journal*, vol. 20, pp. 3-10. Oxford at the Clarendon Press, 1957. **£25**

8vo. [iv, ads.], 176, [4, ads.]; numerous photo. illustrations and maps, some folding, some relating to Egger's article; very good in original wrappers, somewhat bumped to extremities.

S & B p. 108. This volume also includes another article, 'Everest: Annual Reunions.'

306. Hunt, Sir John. 'The Swiss on Everest and Lhotse.' Reprinted from *The Geographical Journal*, vol. CXXIII Part 4, December 1957. **£25**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 521-2; very good in the original printed wrappers, RGS logo stamped to upper cover. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

A review of Egger's *The Everest-Lhotse Adventure*.

300. Kurz, Marcel, et al. *The Mountain World 1953 [-1968/9].* London: George Allen & Unwin, 1953-1970. **£350**

First editions. 10 vols. Large 8vo. numerous illustrs., sketch maps; occasional spotting or foxing, else very good in the original cloth, d.j.s. George Lowe's copies, the first volume inscribed to "George Lowe my companion on Everest in abiding admiration of his great part in our wonderful adventure John Hunt, Weir Cottage, Knighton, Cymru, 27th September, 1953".

Neate j78; Yakushi S112-121; S & B S62. This is a complete set of the journal, which ran for 10 volumes with articles relating to the major mountaineering expeditions of the year. The first volume includes accounts of the Swiss attempts on Everest, followed in the 1954 volume by details of the successful ascent in 1953. The first volume of the set is presented by the leader of the successful expedition, John Hunt, to expedition member George Lowe.

301. Kurz, Marcel, et al. *The Mountain World 1953 [-1968/9].* London: George Allen & Unwin, 1953-1970. **£350**

First editions. 10 vols. Large 8vo. numerous illustrs., sketch maps; occasional spotting or foxing, else very good in the original cloth, d.j.s, which are slightly chipped, sellotape adhesion to fold-ins of volume I. Michael Ward's copies, the first volume signed by André Roch. Ownership inscriptions of Michael Ward to flyleaves.

André Roch was a member of the 1952 Swiss Everest expedition.

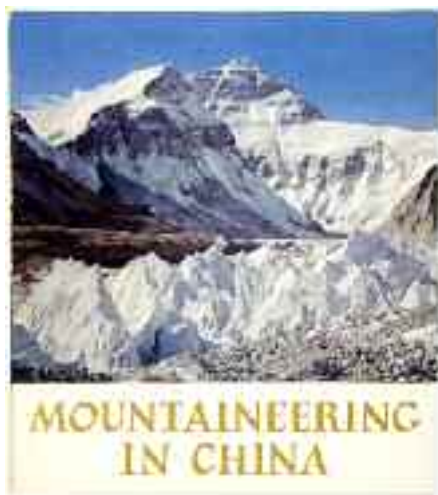
302. Dyhrenfurth, G.O. *To the Third Pole. The History of the High Himalaya.* London: Werner Laurie, 1955. **£95**

First English edition. Square 8vo. pp. xxxix, 233; b&w photo. illustrs., sketch maps to text; very good in the original d.j., which is frayed to extremities. Ownership inscription of George Lowe, 1955, to flyleaf.

Neate D64; Yakushi D204b; S & B D31. A history of attempts on the 8000m Himalayan peaks written by the German-Swiss leader of the 1930 international Kanchenjunga expedition. The first two chapters cover Everest.



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307. Kurz, Marcel. *Chronique Himalayenne. L'âge d'or 1940-1955* [Vol. II: Supplément]. Zürich: *Fondation Suisse pour Explorations Alpine*, 1959 & 1963. **£375**

First edition, limited to 600 copies. Small Royal 8vo. 2 vols. pp. x, 441 & viii, [443-559]; 87 plates, 24 sketch maps, one perspective diagram, map endpapers; very good in the original beige cloth, gilt, mottling to cloth of vol. I, in original d.j.s, a little creased, slight loss to one corner of d.j. to vol. I. Presentation copy of vol. I from the SSAF to R. H. Phillimore with his ownership inscription to half-title, SSAF card with typed message "en hommage et avec nos remerciements" pasted beneath. Ownership inscriptions of Michael Ward at front of each, with note to vol. II.

Yakushi K165a & 166; Perret 2485; S & B K36 & 37. An indispensable work of reference, recording the various yearly ascents and expeditions made in the Himalaya, with bibliographies and excellent illustrations. The *Supplément* fills in some gaps and extends the chronology to 1956. Several sections are devoted to the Everest Expeditions of 1951, 1952, 1953 and 1956. The first volume (and possibly both) belonged to R. H. Phillimore of the Survey of India, author of the important *Historical Records of the Survey of India* (5 vols., Dehra Dun, 1945-1962).

308. [China.] *Mountaineering in China.* Compiled by the People's Physical Culture Publishing House. *Foreign Languages Press, Peking*, 1965. **£150**

First edition. 4to. pp. [95]; coloured and b & w illu. throughout; corners bumped, else very good in the original card wrappers and d.j., which is slightly rubbed. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to upper wrapper.

Neate C42; Yakushi C91; S & B C14. "Photo-album of Chinese mountaineering activities on Minya Konka, Mount Everest, Amne Machin, Shisha Pangma, and etc." (Yakushi). The images purport to include the Chinese ascent of Everest in 1960.

309. [Everest. Game.] *Everest. A New Exciting Game of Skill for 2 Players.* *Potters Bar, England: J & L. Randall Ltd.*, 1961. **£350**

A large folding coloured playboard depicting two sides of a mountain, each face with 15 white plastic ledges and 10 white plastic spikes, wooden holder, when constructed surmounted by a white plastic summit, 6 plastic climbers roped together with cotton, two poles with accompanying metal rings; slots in the board where inserted into holder now slightly ragged, otherwise in very good condition, contained in the original lidded box with rules in several language to inside and outside, lid of box with coloured illustration of three climbers approaching a summit; a large tear to the upper board where sometime crushed, adhesion marks to ends where taped, else in good condition.

Le MoGiochi delle Montagne Inv. 50 This aim of this game of dexterity is to use the poles and attached metal rings to lift the individual roped-up climbers from ledges to spikes, and thereby to attain the summit. It is fiendishly difficult.



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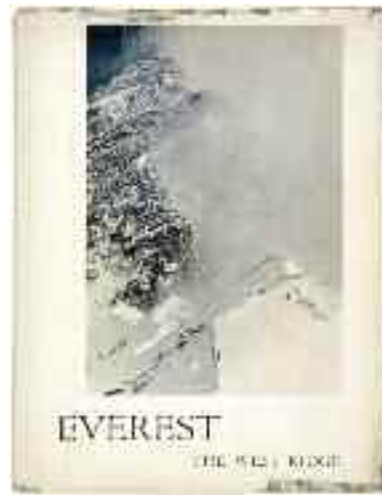
310. [Map.] Royal Geographical Society. *The Mount Everest Region.* Compiled and drawn in the Drawing Office, Royal Geographical Society, G. S. Holland, Chief Draughtsman. Published by the Royal Geographical Society with the assistance of the Mount Everest Foundation. *Printed in England by Cook, Hammond and Kell, Ltd.*, n.d. [1961]. **£475**

Reissue of the 1960 first edition. A large coloured map, scale 1:100 000, image size approx. 29 x 31" (74 x 79 cm.). Signed by Ed Hillary, George Lowe, Tom Hornbein, Reinhold Messner, Krzysztof Wielicki, Sharon Wood, Junko Tabei, Stephen Venables, Kurt Diemberger, Chris Bonington, Laurie Skreslet, Jamie Clarke, Dave Rodney.

A map based on exploratory surveys, photographs, unpublished data and the Survey of India, with heights in feet and metres. The map was the first significantly updated map of Everest following the 1953 ascent, and a description of its production appeared in an article for *The Geographical Journal* (vol. 128, part 1, March 1962, pp. 54-7 - see item 313).



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314. Hornbein, T. F. Everest. The West Ridge ... Photographs from the American Mount Everest Expedition and by its leader, Norman G. Dyhrenfurth. *San Francisco: Sierra Club*, [1965]. **£350**

First edition. Folio. pp. 201; numerous coloured photo. illu. printed on high-quality art paper; very good in the original cloth, gilt, d.j., which is worn with loss to extremities. A presentation copy "To Michael Ward, A fellow searcher for uncertainty in high places. Good wandering, and much admiration. Tom Hornbein, February 27, 1989", with note by Ward beneath, and with a long letter from Hornbein to Ward and a short signed note to him loosely inserted. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to half-title.

Neate H112; Yakushi H240; Perret 2279; S & B H24; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 42. A celebration in pictures of the successful ascent of Everest by the American 1963 expedition via the West Ridge and South Col. The photographs derive from those taken by Hornbein on the expedition, together with others by Dyhrenfurth taken then and on previous expeditions.

315. Hornbein, T. F. Everest. The West Ridge ... Photographs from the American Mount Everest Expedition and by its leader, Norman G. Dyhrenfurth. *San Francisco: Sierra Club*, [1965]. **£350**

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth, gilt, d.j. Signed by Tom Hornbein and Jim Whittaker.

316. Hornbein, T. F. Everest. The West Ridge ... Photographs from the American Mount Everest Expedition and by its leader, Norman G. Dyhrenfurth. *San Francisco: Sierra Club; NY: Ballantine Books*, [1968]. **£150**

Abridged paperback edition. 8vo. pp. 160; numerous coloured photo. illu.; very good in the original card wrappers. Inscribed by the author "To Michael Ward, One of the pioneers who helped make this moment possible, and an inspiration to another thin air addict, fondly, Tom Hornbein, August 28, 1997", with a card from Hornbein to Ward loosely inserted. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

317. Hornbein, Thomas F. Colour Lithographed Plates from Everest The West Ridge. A prospectus (?) for Hornbein's book. *Sierra Club*, 1965 **£150**

Folio. pp. [4], with 8 laminated high colour photographs, each with text to verso, loosely contained as issued in the original printed envelope wrappers.

This seems to be a lavish prospectus for the first edition of Hornbein's book, with price and bibliographic details. We have not traced another copy of this item.

311. [Map.] Royal Geographical Society. The Mount Everest Region. Compiled and drawn in the Drawing Office, Royal Geographical Society, G. S. Holland, Chief Draughtsman. Published by the Royal Geographical Society with the assistance of the Mount Everest Foundation. *Printed in England by Cook, Hammond and Kell, Ltd.*, n.d. [1961]. **£50**

Another copy, with the bookplate of Michael Ward to verso.

312. [Map.] Royal Geographical Society. Mount Everest Region. Compiled and drawn by the Royal Geographical Society, G. S. Holland, Chief Draughtsman. *Printed in England by Cook, Hammond and Kell, Ltd.*, 1975 **£50**

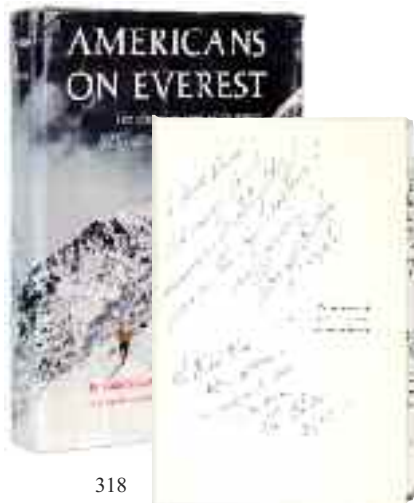
A new edition of the 1960 first issue. A large coloured map, with scale 1:100 000, image size approx. 28 x 32" (71 x 81 cm.). Bookplate of Michael Ward to verso.

A redrawn version of the preceding item, with heights in metres only and information drawn from sources down to 1974.

313. Holland, G. S. & G. R. Crone. 'A New Map of the Mount Everest Region.' Reprinted from *The Geographical Journal*, Vol. CXXVIII Part 1, March 1962. **£35**

First separate edition. 8vo. pp. 54-7; very good in original printed wrappers, RGS logo stamped to upper wrapper. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

A memoir on the map, scale 1 : 100,000, published by the RGS.



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318. Ullman, J. R. *Americans on Everest*. The official account of the ascent led by Norman G. Dyhrenfurth. *Philadelphia and New York: J.B. Lippincott Company, 1964.* £175

First US edition, a year before the first UK edition. 8vo. pp. xxiii, 429; coloured and b & w photo. illustrs., one double-page sketch map; very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is worn at head of spine and upper joint, with internal sellotape repairs. With long inscriptions to Michael Ward from expedition members Barry Bishop and Tom Hornbein. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to half-title.

Neate U01; Yakushi U16a; Perret 4365; S & B U07; Classics in the Literature of Mountaineering 41. The spectacular first American ascent of Everest, warmly inscribed to Ward by Bishop ("With many fond memories of delightful times on the rope together") and Hornbein ("Whose footsteps I was privileged to follow in").

319. Ullman, J. R. *Americans on Everest*. The official account of the ascent led by Norman G. Dyhrenfurth. *Philadelphia and New York: J.B. Lippincott Company, 1964.* £150

Another copy of the first US edition, very good in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by expedition members Jim Whittaker, Tom Hornbein, Barry Prather, and Dick Emerson.

320. Hagen, Toni et al. *Mount Everest. Formation, Population and Exploration of the Everest Region.* *OUP, 1963.* £250

First English edition. 8vo. pp. xiv, 195; 31 photo. illustrs., 24 text figures, map front endpapers, one large folding map in rear pocket; very good in the original cloth, d.j. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to half-title, with long note by him.

Neate H03; Yakushi H15b; Perret 2137; S & B H03. An excellent overview of Everest: Hagen offers a chapter on the geological structure of the massif, Günther-Oskar Dyhrenfurth writes on exploration in the region, Christoph von Fürer-Haimendorf contributes a paper on "The Sherpas of the Khumbu Region" and Erwin Schneider provides an account of the new map of the area that accompanies the book that is one of its main strengths. Ward's note identifies the mountain on the front of the dust-jacket as Amadablam, the first ascent of which he made with Bishop, Gill and Romanes in 1961 (a winter ascent). The note continues: "Unfortunately this book gives no account of the Medical Scientific work that led to the first ascent of Everest in 1953. This was all done by the Medical Research Council Laboratory at Hampstead, London - starting in early 1951. Everest because of the problem of the last thousand feet was always more of a medical than mountaineering problem".

321. Hagen, Toni et al. *Mount Everest. Formation, Population and Exploration of the Everest Region.* *OUP, 1963.* £225

Another copy of the first English edition, very good in the original cloth, d.j. which is faded on spine. Ownership inscription of George Lowe to half-title.

322. [China.] *A Photographic Record of the Mount Jolmo Lungma Scientific Expedition (1966-1968).* *Science Press, Peking, 1974.* £95

First edition. 4to. pp. [v] + 55 leaves of photo. illustrs. inc. one folding + [1, imprint]; 2 double-page maps; Ex-Alpine Club Library with inkstamps to title verso and to imprint, else very good in the original cloth, staining

to foot of spine, in d.j., minor wear at head and tail of spine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate C43; Yakushi C96; S & B C15; not in Perret. A photographic account of the Chinese Scientific Expedition to Mount Everest, conducted in the years 1966-8.

323. [China.] *A Photographic Record of the Mount Jolmo Lungma Scientific Expedition (1966-1968).* *Science Press, Peking, 1977.* £75

1977 edition. 4to. pp. [v] + 55 leaves of photo. illustrs. inc. one folding + [1, imprint]; 2 double-page maps; very good in the original pictorial wrappers, slightly rubbed. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, dated May, 1980, Peking, Chinese Academy of Science, Symposium on Tibet, and with the signatures of 20 members of the Symposium to flyleaf.

This copy was signed by participants at the Tibet Symposium attended by Ward during the preliminary preparations for the Kongur expedition of 1980/81.

324. Shipton, Eric. *That Untravelled World. An Autobiography.* *London: Hodder and Stoughton, [1969].* £45

First edition. 8vo. pp. 286; illustrs., maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is slightly chipped, rear inside panel creased.

Neate S65; Yakushi S216a; S & B S27. Shipton, one of the foremost climbers of the twentieth century, made significant ascents in Africa, the Himalayas and Patagonia. He was a member of several Everest expeditions, and sometime Consul-General in Kashgar.

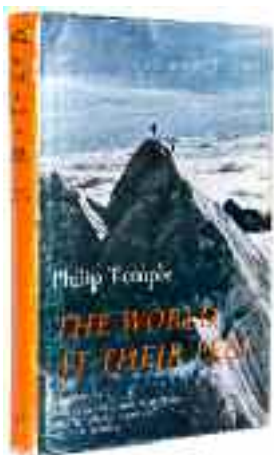
325. Shipton, Eric. *That Untravelled World. An Autobiography.* *London: Hodder and Stoughton, [1970].* £50

Second impression. 8vo. pp. 286; illustrs., maps; Alpine Club Library inkstamp and cancel to prelims., else very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is slightly chipped. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with two notes by him to half-title.

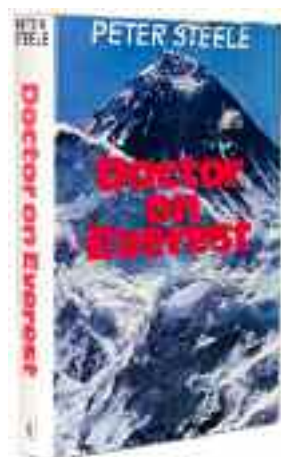
Ward's notes identify the owner of the Shropshire Farm who "gave Eric the job as a Casual Forestry worker" mentioned on p. 216 of the book.



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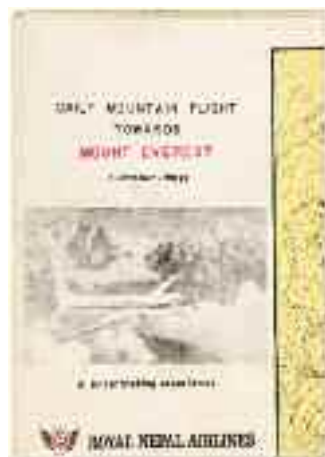
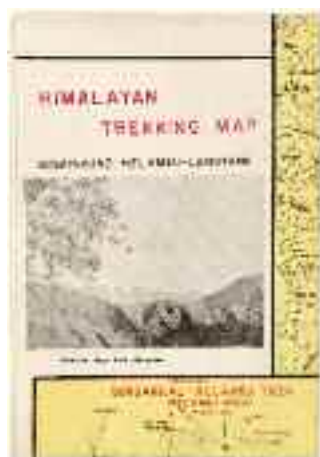
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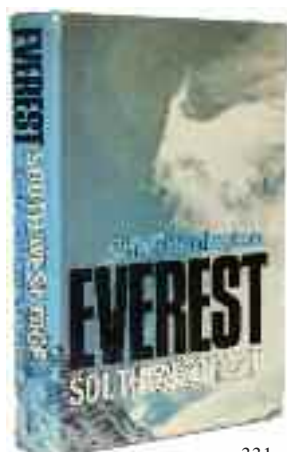
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326. Temple, Philip. *The World at Their Feet. The Story of New Zealand Mountaineers in the Great Ranges of the World.* [Christchurch, New Zealand]: Whitcombe & Tombs Limited, [1969]. **£25**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 250; coloured and b & w photo. illu., 4 sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j., which is rubbed and frayed to extremities. George Lowe's copy, presented to him by his sister 1969/70, with inscription to title-page.

Neate T17 ("Valuable reference book"); *Yakushi T28*; *Perret 4216*; *S & B T05*. Among the members of the successful 1953 Everest expedition were two New Zealanders, Hillary and George Lowe. Temple's book places their achievement in the context of New Zealanders' expertise in mountaineering. He also discusses Shipton's reconnaissances of 1935 and 1951, which included other New Zealanders (Bryant and Riddiford).

327. Cleare, John. 'Thirteen Nations on Mount Everest.' An article in *The Alpine Journal*, vol. 77 No. 321, pp. 9-20, 1972. **£20**

First edition. 8vo. pp. [vi], 301, xi (ads.); photo. illu., sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by Charles Clarke on p. 164.

S & B p. 108. An account of the 1971 International Everest expedition, on which Cleare was cameraman. This volume is signed by Charles Clarke, member of the 1975 British Everest expedition, on the first page of his article, 'The Kishwar Himalaya Expedition 1971'. This volume also carries *In memoriam* notices for George Ingle Finch, of the 1920s Everest expeditions, and A. W. Bridge, who assisted with oxygen research for the 1953 Everest expedition.

328. Steele, Peter. *Doctor on Everest.* London: Hodder and Stoughton, [1972]. **£75**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 222; photographic illu., occasional illu. to text, 3 sketch maps; very good in the original boards, d.j., which is slightly chipped. Inscribed to the title-page "Michael Ward Hero and Mentor Best Wishes Peter Steele", and with the ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate S161; *Yakushi S324a*; *S & B S50*; *not in Perret*. Steele here offers a personal account of the 1971 International Everest Expedition, on which he was one of two medical officers.

329. Whillans, Don and Alick Ormerod. *Don Whillans Portrait of a Mountaineer.* London: Heinemann, [1971]. **£575**

First edition. 8vo. pp. ix, 266; b & w photo. illu.; old price to flyleaf in ink, else very good in the original cloth, d.j. (which is slightly chipped). Signed to the title by Chris Bonington, and loosely containing: a Cordillera Blanca Expedition 1968 postcard signed by Whillans, Dave Bathgate, Brian W. Robertson and Ian MacEacheran; a typed notice for a lecture to be given by Whillans in Winchester on Friday, 3rd November, 1972 about the German Expedition to Everest; and a newspaper clipping from *The Times* for 6.iii.1972 by Ronald Faux on Whillans' 1972 Everest attempt.

Neate W52; *Yakushi W63*. Whillans contributed to technical advances in climbing with Joe Brown and Chris Bonington in the 1950s and 1960s. His autobiography - which couples factual paragraphs by Ormerod interspersed with Whillans' recollections - concludes with his ascent of the south face of Annapurna, with Dougal Haston, in 1970. The loosely inserted Cordillera Blanca expedition postcard relates to his climbs in the Andes, discussed in the book at pp. 250ff. Whillans joined the 1971 International Everest expedition, though his autobiography does not contain details of the expedition.

330. [Map.] Himalayan Trekking Map Gosainkund-Helambu-Langtang. Drawn by Raja Ran Shrestha. Kathmandu: Jore Ganesh Press, n.d. c. 1970s. **£20**

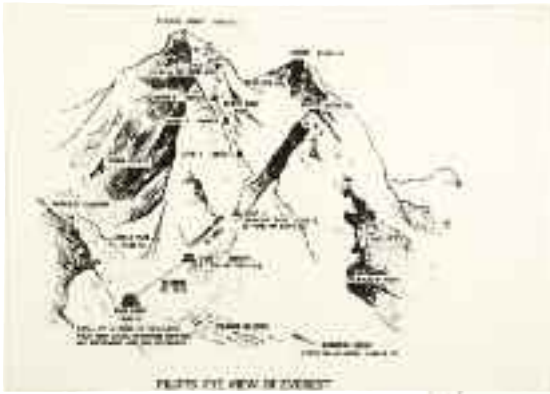
A map, printed in yellow and red on a large sheet (approx. 75 x 50cm), inset map of Sundarjal-Helambu Trek, advertisements to left and right margins, folding into 8vo format.

The map shows the area of the Langtang National Park, with Kathmandu to the south west. An advertisement to the left margin by Royal Nepal Airlines advertises the "Daily Mountain Flight towards Mount Everest" with a photograph of one of its planes above Himalayan peaks.

331. Bonington, Chris. *Everest South West Face.* London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1973. **£75**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 352; numerous coloured photo. illu., sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j., faded on spine. Signed by the author to title. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate B129; *Yakushi B214a*; *Perret 0565*; *S & B B25*. The story of the unsuccessful British 1972 attempt to ascend Everest via the unclimbed South West Face, thwarted by bad weather.



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332. British Everest Expedition 1972. Everest South West Face Autumn 1972. [*Alna Press, Broxborn and Edinburgh*], n.d. c. 1972. **£75**

A prospectus, Square 8vo, 4pp., horizontal crease, else in very good condition, with a larger format inserted plan of the route "Pilots eye view of Everest". From the collection of Michael Thompson, signed by him.

This is a prospectus for the expedition, with an accompanying plan of the suggested route. Michael Thompson participated in several expeditions with Chris Bonington, and although he was involved in the food organisation for this 1972 expedition, he did not accompany it - Kelvin Kent took over provision during the expedition itself.

333. British Everest Expedition 1972. Three TLSs from expedition leader Chris Bonington to Michael Thompson, 3rd May, 8th May and 12 July, 1972, the last on expedition letterhead. **£95**

All 1p., 4to, first letter with two enclosures, each signed "Chris", together with an expedition envelope sent to Thompson with his MS notes to the back. These letters, and the envelope notes by Thompson, all relate to food supplies. The letters mention several enclosures, only two of which are now present.

334. British Everest Expedition 1972. Everest South West Face Autumn 1972. *N.p.*, n.d. [1972]. **£75**

A gatefold brochure, folding to square 8vo, image of Everest to front wrapper, VG, with MS notes by Michael Thompson about food supplies. Signed by Michael Thompson.

A promotional publication issued after the return of the expedition, with a resumé of the climb, and a list of suppliers to the expedition. Thompson's notes were perhaps made in preparation for the 1975 British Everest expedition.

335. British Everest Expedition 1972. An official expedition card used by expedition leader Chris Bonington in correspondence with Michael Thompson, Base Camp 22 Sep 72. **£375**

A folded card, image of South West Face to front, list of team members to back with signatures of Chris Bonington, Nick Estcourt, Mick Burke, Doug Scott, Barney Rosedale, Graham Tiso and Dougal Haston, "British Everest Expedition 1972. Base Camp 1700 feet" inkstamp partially obscuring Haston's signature, Bonington's letter written inside card, contained in the original Expedition envelope addressed to Thompson with four Nepalese stamps, VG.

Bonington used this souvenir card - usually found with the signatures of all expedition members (missing here are James Roberts, Dave Bathgate, Kelvin Kent and Hamish MacInnes) - to write to Thompson: "We think of you every time we plough our way through a delicious meal. A combination of the rations you thought up, Kelvin's oddities and a fantastic cook, & we're living like Lords. Even after the approach March with leeches and rain most of us had put on weight!! ... Very different from Annapurna [1970] ... Everyone on great form & a good relaxed atmosphere."

336. Monzino, Guido. La Spedizione Italiana all'Everest 1973. Con il resoconto scientifico di Paolo Cerretelli. [*Verona*], 1976. **£400**

First edition. Folio. pp. 157, [11]; frontis. and 33 photographic plates, one route map, 2 double-page maps; fine in the original cloth, gilt, small nick to cloth of spine, in original slipcase, with the author's visiting card loosely inserted.

Yakushi M234; S & B M44. The Italian Everest expedition of 1973 was grand in conception: it comprised more than sixty members, and helicopters were used to carry equipment past the Khumbu Icefall. Eight climbers reached the top via the South Col. Monzino's record of the expedition is equally grand: produced on special paper at the Stamperia Valdona in Verona, it features excellent photographic illustrations. Two issues of the book exist, the present version (this copy of which seems to have been presented by Monzino himself), and an extended version with English translation.

337. Deutsche Everest-Lhotse Expedition 1974. A philatelic circular posted from the expedition base at Kathmandu, signed by expedition leader Gerhard Lenser, and contained in the original envelope. **£25**

Postally used with 3 Nepalese stamps and a further Annapurna 1971 stamp, 3 Kathmandu cancels specially commissioned for the expedition, expedition red cachet, in very good condition.

The signed circular explains the provenance of the special expedition cancels.

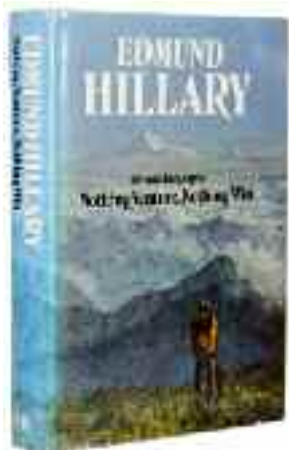


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338. Hillary, Edmund. *Nothing Venture, Nothing Win.* [London:] Hodder and Stoughton, [1975]. **£300**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xii, 15-319; coloured and b & w illusts.; a very good copy in original rexine, in d.j., which is faded on spine. Signed to the title-page by author Ed Hillary and by George Lowe.

Neate H84; Yakushi H188a; Perret 2260; S & B H19. Hillary's first autobiography, *High Adventure*, appeared shortly after his triumph on Everest in 1953. The present version takes the story of Hillary's achievements to the end of the 1960s. Hillary and Lowe took part together in their first expedition to the Himalaya, subsequently joining the successful 1953 Everest expedition and the Commonwealth Trans-Antarctic Expedition 1955-8.

339. Bonington, Chris. *Everest the Hard Way.* London: Hodder & Stoughton, [1976]. **£125**

First edition. Small 4to. pp. 239; numerous coloured photo. illusts, sketch maps; very good copy in the original cloth, d.j. Signed to the title-page by Bonington, Doug Scott, and Michael Thompson, and with the clipped signature of Martin Boysen pasted beneath (slight adhesion damage to frontispiece). Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to title-page.

Neate B130; Yakushi B216a; Perret 0568; S & B B26. Doug Scott and Dougal Haston became the first Britons to climb Everest on this 1975 expedition, via the south west face.

340. Clarke, Charles. *Everest.* [Sackett & Marshall], n.d. [1978]. **£25**

First edition. 4to. pp. 3-62; numerous illusts., many from photos.; very good in the original pictorial boards. Signed by expedition member Michael Thompson.

Neate C70; Yakushi C121a; Perret 1014; S & B C29. Published in the 'Epic Adventure' series. A largely pictorial account of the successful South-West Face ascent of Everest in 1975 for children.

341. Boardman, Peter & Ronnie Richards. 'British Everest expedition SW face 1975.' An article in *The Alpine Journal*, vol. 81 No. 325, pp. 3-15, 1976. **£25**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 278, x (ads.); photo. illusts., sketch maps; very good in the original printed wrappers. Signed by Michael Ward on p. 15.

This volume is signed by Michael Ward, member of the 1951 and 1953 Everest expeditions, to the first page of his article, 'Mountain literature - then and now'.

342. British Everest Expedition 1975. *South West Face.* British Everest Expedition 1975 sponsored by Barclays Bank International. [Designed by Turner Wilks Dandridge Limited], n.d. [1975]. **£75**

8vo. A gatefold prospectus, 6pp., with photo. of Everest and thumbnail portraits of the expedition members, near-fine in self-wrappers, signed by Michael Thompson.

A prospectus for the expedition, with brief details of previous expeditions to Everest, and biographical information about the 1975 expedition members. This, and the following items relating to the expedition, derive from the collection of Michael Thompson, a member of the expedition.

343. British Everest Expedition 1975. *South West Face.* British Everest Expedition 1975 sponsored by Barclays Bank International. [Designed by Turner Wilks Dandridge Limited], n.d. [1975]. **£75**

Later issue? 8vo. A gatefold prospectus, 6pp., with photo. of Everest and thumbnail portraits of the expedition members, near-fine in self-wrappers, signed by Michael Thompson.

A second prospectus for the expedition, adding several new members and their portraits, and designed in a new format.

344. British Everest Expedition 1975. 'Everest South West Face.' *Printed in England*, n.d. [1975]. **£45**

A coloured photographic expedition postcard of Everest, postally unused, signed to verso by Michael Thompson.

This postcard was used to raise funds by the expedition, and other examples were signed by expedition members and sent back from Nepal.

345. British Everest Expedition 1975. A schematic map of the route up Everest to be taken by the expedition. *N.p.*, n.d. ?1975. **£10**

B & w photographic reproduction, approx. 7.5 x 9 (195 x 230mm), slight surface marking, else very good, signed to verso by Michael Thompson.

The proposed route to be followed by the expedition, which shows also the 'dead end' taken during the 1972 expedition.



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346. British Everest Expedition 1975. Newsletter 1 [-14, lacking nos. 11 & 15]. *N.p.*, 8 October 1974-30 December 1975. **£250**

A near-complete run of newsletters from the expedition, photocopied as issued on 1 or two A4 sheets (except issues 8 and 13, 3 sheets), stapled where multi-leaved, small overslip stapled to issue 13. Each signed by Michael Thompson.

A near-complete series of newsletters (a complete set is held among the Chris Bonington papers at the Mountain Heritage Trust), issued to all members of the team and of the Committee of Management (which comprised John Hunt, Jack Longland, Ian McNaught-Davis, Doug Scott, Alan Tritton, and Charles Wylie).

347. British Everest Expedition 1975. Miscellaneous documents relating to food and equipment supplied to the expedition, suppliers, and related. *N.p.*, 1974-1976. **£150**

Approximately 30 items, mostly photocopies on A4 or foolscap sheets, original letters on expedition stationery, or similar, some stapled as issued.

Thompson was the food organiser for the expedition, and he liaised with both suppliers and Mike Cheyney of Mountain Travel in Kathmandu regarding food provision. The group of documents comprises: A postcard from Bonington to Thompson regarding additional rations for Ice Fall Sherpas signed Chris, two TLSs from Equipment Organiser Dave Clark to Thompson with accompanying photocopied expedition equipment list, copy letter regarding food supplies from Thompson to Mike Cheyney, two letters from Cheyney to Thompson re same, Thompson's letter on expedition letterhead to potential suppliers with MS draft, TLS on expedition letterhead from Bonington re suppliers, photocopied letter re supply of Kendal Mint Cake, three sets of lists of suppliers and related, 13 unsent letters of thanks on expedition letterhead with carbon copies, a small group of notes and correspondence between Thompson and Nick Estcourt regarding expenses, two sheets of unused expedition letterhead.

348. British Everest Expedition 1975. Minutes of Meeting *N.p.*, 26 September 1974-21 October [1975]. **£150**

8 sets of minutes photocopied on A4 sheets, each between 3 and 5 leaves, stapled as issued. Signed by Michael Thompson.

This collection of minutes, relating to the organisation and planning of the expedition, derives from meetings of the Committee of Management held at the sponsor Barclays Bank's offices in Pall Mall, and two joint meetings of the Committee and the team members at Beech Hill Hotel, Windermere. The minutes track the development of the expedition down to July, 1975; the final set from October that year was distributed after the return of the expedition.

349. British Everest Expedition 1975. Miscellaneous documents relating to the planning, organisation, and aftermath of the expedition. *N.p.*, 1974-1975. **£150**

Together 18 items, mostly photocopies on A4 or foolscap sheets but with two original letters from Chris Bonington re book proposal and Ron Ward on arrangements following the return of the expedition, one typed itinerary for the Kathmandu-Kunde leg of the expedition, some stapled as issued.

The group comprises: Information sheets (3), Outline Plan on Mountain (2, from 8 May 1975 and 4 July 1975, with details of the "final push" and equipment), Overland Transport Report Number 3, Outline Plan for Packing and Approach, Itinerary Kathmandu-Kunde, unused contract of team membership, Weather Analysis (with two accompanying bar charts),

TLS on expedition letterhead from Ward (expedition International Manager) to Mrs. Thompson detailing plans for the arrival of expedition members in the UK, TLS on expedition letterhead from Bonington to Thompson regarding the expedition book, information sheet on expedition letterhead concerning protocols on lectures and interviews following the expedition's return, Proposals for Expedition lectures, Secondary Lectures to Schools, and three sets of team and committee lists detailing the members and updated information relating to them.

350. British Everest Expedition 1975. Photocopies of articles and correspondence regarding the 'Sherpa debate'. **£50**

Together 8 items, including photocopy of the Royal Anthropological Institute News (RAIN) Comment column which occasioned the debate, photocopies of correspondence between the the RAI director Jonathan Benthall, Anthony Tuke and Alan Tritton of Barclays Bank, John Hunt, Louis Wilson on behalf of Chris Bonington, and Michael Thompson, with notes by Thompson and the draft of his reply, with a covering letter from Tritton to Thompson dated 8 January 1975.

News that Barclays Bank was to sponsor the 1975 expedition led to an editorial Comment from the London-based Royal Anthropological Institute in its November/December 1974 newsletter. It suggested that Western expeditions to the Nepal Himalayas placed an undue burden on the Sherpa population due to the Sherpas' unnecessarily high death-rate during expeditions. The Comment also drew attention to the environmental depletion of the region from expeditionary activities, which further impacted upon the Sherpa population. Thompson, the expedition food organiser and also a professional anthropologist, was asked to respond to these charges (offered here in its draft form), and the resulting letter from him was printed in the March-April issue of RAIN (a printout of the letter is provided).

351. British Everest Expedition 1975. Six telegrams of congratulations from expedition suppliers received at Kathmandu and forwarded to Base Camp. **£250**

Together 6 telegrams, each approx. 8 x 9 (210 x 220mm), each inkstamped Central Telegraph Office Kathmandu with the date, initialled by recipient.

According to a note by Thompson accompanying them, these telegrams were received in Kathmandu and then "carried to Base Camp by our mail runner Tibetan Joe (actually from Mongolia)". The congratulations on the successful ascent of Everest came from food suppliers Tate & Lyle, Wander (Ovaltine), Bassetts (Barratt Nougat), Liptons, John West Foods, and a composite list of suppliers' congratulations forwarded from the expedition's London Office.

352. British Everest Expedition 1975. A miniature ice-axe, presented to Michael Thompson in Delhi on his return from Everest in 1975. [*Indian Ordnance Factories*]. n.d. [1975]. **£350**

An ice-axe, metal with onlaid leather grip, shaft approx. 6 long (145mm), head approx. 4 long (105mm), contained in the original perspex presentation case with metal label ("Presented to British Everest Expedition - 1975 from Indian Ordnance Factories"), certified by Michael Thompson on an Everest South West Face postcard.

Miniature ice-axes were presented to each member of the expedition on its return to Delhi. The leather grip was made, "we were told, from crocodile ("the most tender part")" (from Michael Thompson's certification).



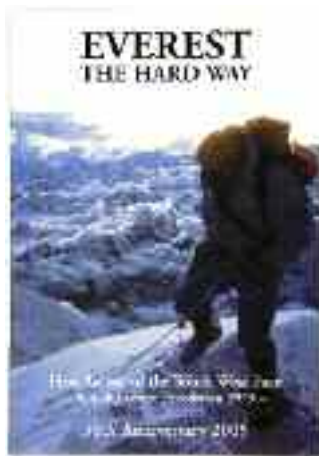
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353. British Everest Expedition 1975. 'Everest.' A special supplement published by *The Times*, Saturday October 25, 1975. **£75**

Folio. pp. 4; photo. illu. slightly browned, else good in self-wrappers, some time folded. Signed on front by Michael Thompson.

A 'Special Report' by Bonington for *The Times*, relating the successful ascent of Everest and with a photograph of Peter Boardman on the summit taken by Sherpa Pertemba. The item also features various advertisements by suppliers to the expedition.

354. British Everest Expedition 1975. 'The Ultimate View.' An article in the *Sunday Times Magazine*, October 26, 1975. **£45**

4to. pp. 96 [article at pp. 44-51]; coloured illu.; slight age-toning, else near-fine. Signed on front by Michael Thompson.

This issue of *The Times* colour supplement contains the first published colour photographs from the expedition.

355. British Everest Expedition 1975. An invitation to the Preview of Everest The Hard Way, the BBC TV film of the expedition. *N.p.*, n.d. [1975]. **£350**

An invitation, approx. 8 x 4" (210 x 100mm), printed to one side only, signed to the reverse by expedition members Peter Boardman, Paul Braithwaite, Chris Bonington, Michael Boysen, Charles Clarkes, Dave Clarke, Nick Estcourt, Doug Scott, Michael Thompson, secretary Louise Wilson, and committee member Jack Longland.

A unique item of ephemera relating to the first screening of the expedition film by Ian Stuart, Mick Burke, and Arthur Chesterman.

356. British Everest Expedition 1975. Everest - The Hard Way. British Everest Expedition 1975 sponsored by Barclays Bank International. [Barclays Bank International Limited, 1975]. **£35**

[Second impression.] 4to. pp. [44]; coloured and b & w illu. to text, portraits of the expedition members at rear, 2 sketch maps; very good in the original printed wrappers. Signed by expedition member Mike Thompson.

S & B B02; not in other bibliographies. A revised version of this souvenir brochure: it corrects the names of Mike Rhodes and Ronnie Richards (attributed to the wrong portraits in the first printing), adds a team photograph at the end of the members' biographies, offers a slightly revised list of tour dates, adds a portrait of Bob Stoodley, overland transport organiser, also adds a key missing from the maps in the first printing, and text relating to transport on the list of suppliers.

357. British Everest Expedition 1975. Everest The Hard Way. First ascent of the South West Face. British Everest Expedition 1975. 30th Anniversary 2005. *N.p.*, n.d. [2005]. **£15**

8vo. pp. [12]; photo. illu., map; fine in original photo. illustrated card wrappers with, loosely inserted, a flyer for the 30th Anniversary lecture at the RGS, and a ticket for the event. Signed by expedition member Mike Thompson.

A nicely illustrated booklet produced for the 30th anniversary of the first British ascent of Everest, hosted at the RGS.

358. [China.] Another Ascent of the World's Highest Peak - Qomolangma. *Foreign Languages Press, Peking*, 1975. **£95**

First edition. Small 4to. pp. [i, title], 120; coloured and b & w photo. illu., one sketch map; very good in the original printed wrappers, faded on spine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to title-page.

Neate C38; Yakushi C97a; S & B C16; not in Perret. An illustrated account of the 1975 Chinese ascent of Everest via the North face.

359. [China.] [Chinese text. Translation: Another Ascent of the World's Highest Peak - Qomolangma.] [*Foreign Languages Press, Peking*], 1975. **£75**

First Chinese language edition. Small 4to. pp. [i, title], 120; coloured and b & w photo. illu., one sketch map; very good in the original printed wrappers, faded on spine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to title-page.



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360. Fleming, John & Ronald Faux. *Soldiers on Everest. The Joint Army Mountaineering Association Royal Nepalese Army Mount Everest Expedition 1976.* London: HMSO, [1977]. **£35**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xvi, 239; illusts.; very good in original card wrappers, rubbed. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to title-page.

Neate F42; Yakushi F72; S & B F16. The ascent of Everest by 'Bronco' Lane and 'Brummie' Stokes.

361. [British Army and Royal Nepalese Army Everest Expedition 1976.] A notice in *The Alpine Journal*, vol. 82 No. 326, p. 239, 1977. **£20**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 276, xii (ads.); photo. illusts., sketch maps; very good in the original printed wrappers. Signed by Tony Streater to the notice.

362. British Army and Royal Nepalese Army Everest Expedition 1976. A set of signed philatelic covers, numbered 1-5, with a second copy of cover no. 3, bearing the signatures of John Hunt, Tony Streater and others from the expedition. **£300**

Five colour printed envelopes, each with a different cachet recording the progress of the expedition, British 6 1/2p stamp with expedition cancel to first cover, Nepali stamps and cancels to remainder, additional cachet to each cover relevant to the signature, small label of the "Philatelic Officer" to each, in very good condition.

This successful joint expedition was led by Tony Streater, and its climax was the successful ascent of Everest by Michael 'Bronco' Lane and John 'Brummie' Stokes. Each cover has been signed by a different member of the team: the first, with a cachet marking the departure of the expedition from the UK, bears the signature of Field Marshal Michael Carver; number two, marking the establishment of base camp, is signed by John Hunt, President of the Army Mountaineering Association; two examples of number three are present, marking the establishment of the advance base camp, and signed by expedition members P. Neame and S. Johnson, and P. Gunson and John Scott; the fourth cover, marking the attainment of South Col, is signed by expedition leader Tony Streater (signature a little weak); and the final cover marks the attainment of the summit, and is signed by submitters Brummie Stokes and Bronco Lane.

363. Ridgeway, Rick. *The Boldest Dream. The Story of Twelve Who Climbed Mount Everest.* NY & London: Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, [1979]. **£80**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xii, 244; illusts., double-page sketch map; very good in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by the author and also by expedition member Arlene Blum.

Neate R32; Yakushi R109a; Perret 3697; S & B R12. In 1976, a group of men and women, some of them with limited climbing experience, set out on the American Bicentennial Everest expedition. Two of their team succeeded in reaching the summit.

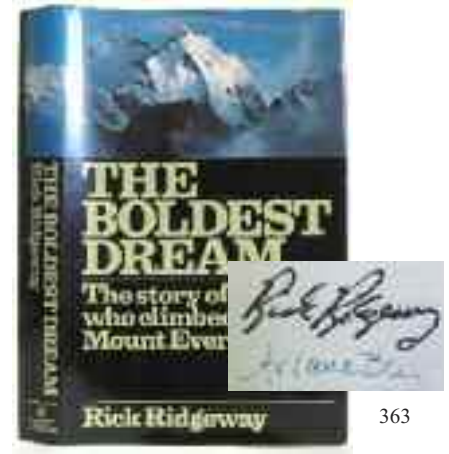
364. Messner, Reinhold. *Everest. Expedition to the Ultimate.* London: Kaye and Ward, [1979]. **£250**

First UK edition. 8vo. pp. 254; photo. illusts., sketch maps; near-fine in the original cloth, d.j., sunned on the spine, with, loosely inserted, a 4pp. flyer for the expedition, a sheet of Michael Ward's letterhead signed by 9 Everest 1978 expedition members including Messner and Habeler, and a letter from the expedition doctor Oswald Oelz. Michael Ward's copy.

Neate M88; Yakushi M169b; S & B M26. Messner's account of the first oxygenless ascent of Everest, made with Peter Habeler.



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365. Habeler, Peter. *The Lonely Victory Mt. Everest '78.* New York: Simon and Schuster, [1979]. **£95**

First US edition. 8vo. pp. 224; coloured and b & w photo. illusts.; very good in the original cloth, price-clipped d.j., which is slightly soiled, small nick to rear of d.j. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate H01; Yakushi H06c; Perret 2131; S & B H01. Translated from the previous year's first German edition by David Heald, this is Habeler's account of his oxygenless ascent of Everest with Reinhold Messner. The US and UK editions were published simultaneously.

366. Habeler, Peter. *Everest: Impossible Victory.* London: Arlington Books, [1979]. **£125**

First UK edition. 8vo. pp. 223; coloured and b & w photo. illusts.; very good in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by Habeler to the title-page.

Neate H01; Yakushi H06b; Perret 2131; S & B H01.

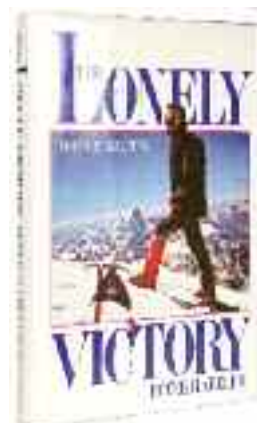
367. Feldman, Tony. *Everest without Oxygen.* London: Macmillan Education, 1990. **£175**

First edition. Large 8vo. pp. 63; illusts.; very good in the original pictorial boards. Signed by Messner and Habeler.

S & B F07. A book for young readers about the 1978 ascent of Everest without oxygen by Messner and Habeler.



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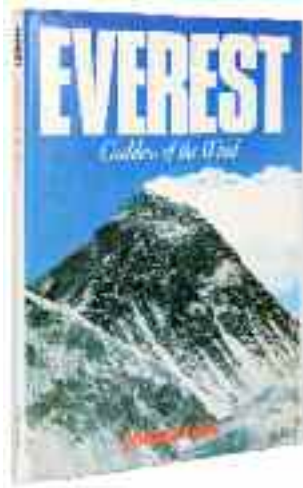
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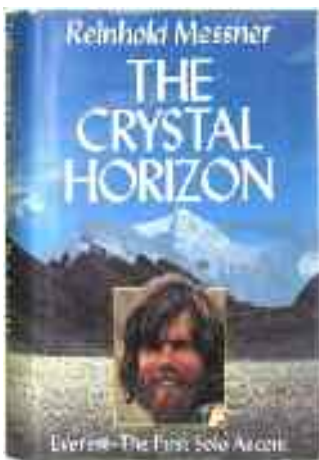
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371. Shackleton, Keith, b. 1923. 'The North Face of Everest. From an oil painting by Keith Shackleton RSMA.' [*Royal Geographical Society*, 1978] **£300**

One of 1000 copies. A large print, approx. 24 x 36", from the original painting by Shackleton, signed by the artist and by Noel Odell, John Noel, John Hunt, Chris Bonington, and Doug Scott.

Keith Shackleton was commissioned to paint this image of Everest's north face to raise funds for the Mount Everest Foundation. The original was destroyed by fire not long after its unveiling in 1978. Copies of the print taken from the painting were signed by two members of the 1920s Everest expeditions, Odell and Noel, by John Hunt, who led the successful 1953 expedition, and by two Everest expedition members of the 1970s and 1980s, Bonington and Scott.

372. Messner, Reinhold. *The Crystal Horizon. Everest - the First Solo Ascent.* Seattle: *The Mountaineers*, 1989. **£95**

First US edition. 8vo. pp. 321; illu., near-fine in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by translator Audrey Salkeld.

Yakushi M172; S & B M27. Messner's 1980 solo climb.

373. [China.] *High Mountain Peaks in China Newly Opened to Foreigners.* The People's Sports Publishing House of China, The Tokyo Shimbun Publishing Bureau of Japan, [1981]. **£95**

First edition. Large 8vo. pp. 45 (English text) + 151 (Chinese text); photo. illu., sketch maps, map endpapers; very good in the original pictorial limp cloth wrappers with silver wraparound. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate C41; S & B C17; not in Yakushi. This publication provides information on eight peaks opened in 1980 to non-Chinese climbers: Everest (Qomolangma), Shishipangma, Mustagh Ata, Kongur, KongurTiubie, Bogda, Gongga, and Anyemaqen. The English text provides details of Chinese expeditions to these mountains. The longer Chinese text is interspersed with excellent photographs of the mountains. Ward led the expedition that made the first ascent of Kongur in 1981.

374. [China.] *High Mountain Peaks in China Newly Opened to Foreigners.* The People's Sports Publishing House of China, 1981. **£65**

Another copy, very good in the original pictorial limp cloth wrappers. Not signed.

375. [Russian mountaineers.] A sheet of Royal Geographical Society letterhead, with heading 'Oct. 19 Russian Mountaineers in UK'. **£95**

Approx. 210 x 297mm., signed by Vladimir Balyberdin (Everest 1982, Kanchenjunga 1989), Leonid Troshchenko (Kanchenjunga 1989), and Evgeny Goloubev, and by British climbers Doug Scott, Michael Ward, Roger Chorley, and one other; leaf slightly chipped to margins.

Balyberdin was the first Russian to climb Everest, which he climbed again in 1991 with Anatoli Boukreev without oxygen. Both he and Leonid Troshchenko (or Trotschenko) took part in the Russian ascent and traverse of Kanchenjunga in 1989.

368. [Everest 1978.] An official expedition postcard, signed by Peter Habeler, Reinhold Messner, and nine expedition members. **£250**

A coloured photographic postcard of Everest, with portraits of the eleven expedition members to the edge and captioned "Everest '78 Oesterreichischer Alpenverein", signed to the verso and with a preprinted address label, Nepal R 1.25 stamp with very indistinct cancel; small pen marks to three of the portraits, else very good.

A souvenir of the first ascent of Everest without oxygen, by Habeler and Messner.

369. Everest without Oxygen '78/Everest 25th Anniversary. A postcard signed by Hillary and Tenzing, Habeler and Messner. *N.p.*, n.d. [1978]. **£500**

A coloured photographic postcard, captioned to front with HTV Cymru Wales logo, signed to verso, Nepal R.4 stamp and commemorative cancel, near-fine condition.

Singer & Gould p. 69. A commemorative postcard to mark the First Ascent 29th May, 1953, and the First Oxygenless Ascent 8th May, 1978.

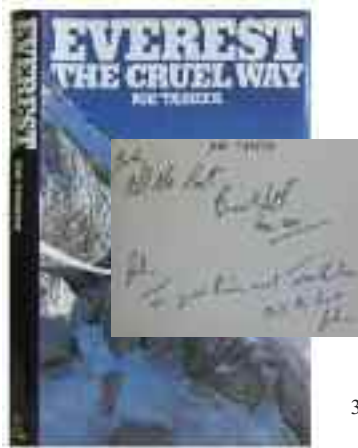
370. Faux, Ronald. *Everest Goddess of the Wind.* Edinburgh: Chambers, [1978]. **£35**

First edition. 4to. pp. [xii], 113; illu., sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate F09; Yakushi F20; S & B F03. A history of attempts on Everest, down to the oxygenless ascent by Habeler and Messner.



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376. Tasker, Joe. *Everest the Cruel Way.* London: Eyre Methuen, [1981]. £350

First edition. 8vo. pp. ix, 166; photo. illu-; slight age-toning, else very good in the original cloth, d.j. with, loosely inserted, a postcard sent to Michael Ward by Alan Rowse and Joe Tasker ("Joe T.") from the British Everest Winter Expedition 80-81 with the words "Best wishes for the New Year. We have reached 21,000 ft so far" (some damage to card). Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, with a note by him beneath.

Neate T04; Yakushi T07; S & B T03. An account of the unsuccessful Everest West ridge attempt by Tasker, Al Rouse and others in 1980-1. Ward's note reads: "Joe Tasker corrected the proofs of this during the ascent of Kongur in 1981. Joe told me that he had written quite a lot of Pete Boardman's "Shining Mountain". In the same way Bill Tilman wrote a certain amount of "Nanda Devi" by Eric Shipton and invented "horizontal oasis in a vertical desert" to describe I think Dibrugheta Alps on the rim of the Sanctuary".

377. Tasker, Joe. *Everest the Cruel Way.* London: Eyre Methuen, [1981]. £250

Another copy of the first edition, very good in the original cloth, d.j. John Amatt's copy (leader of the Canadian Everest Expedition, 1982), inscribed to Amatt on the title-page by Brian Hall and John Porter (both mentioned in the book's acknowledgements), and additionally inscribed by Mike Banks.

378. Unsworth, Walter. *Everest.* London: Allen Lane, [1981]. £50

First edition. 8vo. pp. xiv, 578; very good in the original cloth, d.j., bumped to lower board. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

Neate U21; Yakushi U25; Perret 4373; S & B U11. An evaluation of the successful and failed attempts on the summit discussing the methods, personalities and public response characterizing the various expeditions. With appendices of all the attempts on Everest and lives lost on the mountain, as well as a very good bibliography.

379. Unsworth, Walter. *Everest.* London: Allen Lane, [1981]. £45

Another first edition, d.j. sunned on spine. George Lowe's copy.

380. Unsworth, Walter. *Everest.* Seattle: Cloudcap Books, [1989]. £250

Second revised and enlarged edition. 8vo. xvi, 704; illu-; fine in original cloth, d.j. Signed by Carlos Buhler, George Lowe, Pat Morrow, John Roskelley, Reinhold Messner, Peter Habeler, Krzysztof Wielicki, Jim Whittaker, Conrad Anker.

381. Unsworth, Walter. *Everest. The Oxford Illustrated Press,* [1989]. £45

[Second edition.] 8vo. pp. xvi, 704; illu-; near-fine in the original cloth, d.j. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

382. Unsworth, Walter. *Everest. The Mountaineering History. The Mountaineers/Bâton Wicks,* [2000]. £35

Third edition. 8vo. pp. xvii, 789; illu-; near-fine in the original cloth, d.j., 8pp. Addendum of ascents 1990-1999 tipped in at rear. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

383. Bonington, Chris & Charles Clarke. *Everest. The Unclimbed Ridge.* London: Hodder & Stoughton, [1983]. £95

First edition. 8vo. pp. 132; map endpapers, coloured illustrations, sketch maps, etc.; a very good copy in the original cloth in dust-wrapper, which is slightly faded to spine. Signed to the title-page by Chris Bonington and Charles Clarke, with the Jardine Matheson bookplate to half-title. Loosely inserted is the 1988 large folding map of Everest by the National Geographic Society and the Boston Museum of Science.

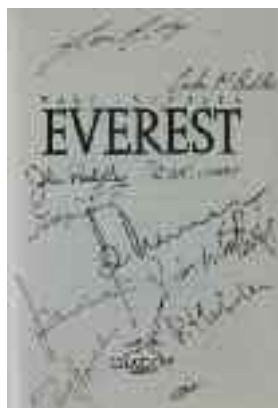
Neate B131; Yakushi B467; Perret 0574; S & B B28. An account of the 1982 attempt on the NE ridge, during which Peter Boardman and Joe Tasker died crossing the Pinnacles. The expedition was sponsored by Jardine Matheson, this being a copy from their collection.

384. [Everest 1982.] *The British Mount Everest Expedition to China.* [Hill and Knowlton Asia Ltd.], n.d. [1981]. £25

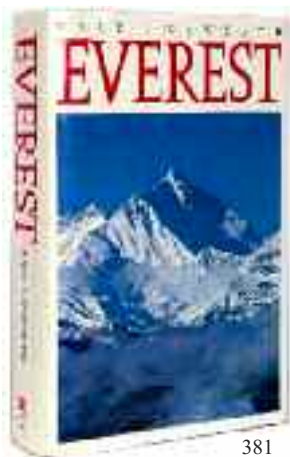
4to. pp. 8; photo. illu-., 3 sketch maps, 6 portrait photographs of the expedition members at rear; very good in the original pictorial card wrappers, minor crease to upper outer corner of rear wrapper.

Not in the relevant bibliographies. A rare promotional brochure published for the expedition sponsors, Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd Hong Kong.

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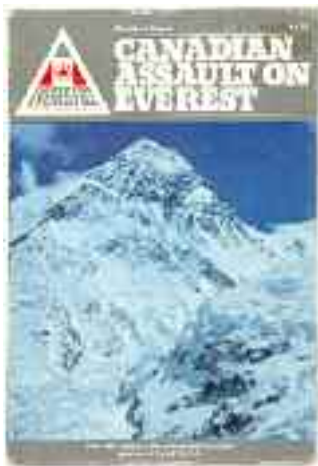
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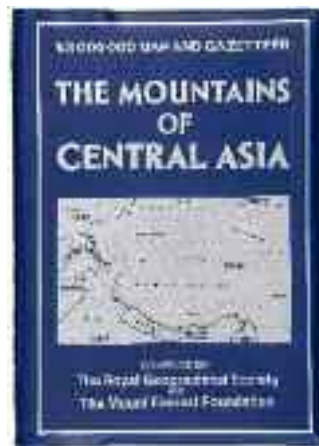
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385. Burgess, Al & Jim Palmer. Everest Canada: the Ultimate Challenge. Toronto: Stoddart, 1983. **£150**

First edition. 8vo. pp. [x], 214; illustrs.; very good in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by Laurie Skreslet, Pat Morrow, and leader John Amatt.

Neate B214; Yakushi 264b; S & B B48. The first Canadian ascent of Everest in 1982 by Laurie Skreslet, followed two days later by Pat Morrow.

386. [Canadian Everest Expedition 1982.] Canadian Assault on Everest. *Reader's Digest*, [1982]. **£25**

A large chart, approx. 40 x 28 (101 x 71cm), printed to one side only and folding into card wrappers, minor wear else very good. Signed by expedition organiser John Amatt to his portrait.

This ephemeral item was issued before the first Canadian ascent in 1982 for fund-raising purposes. It contains images and text relating to the projected expedition, interspersed with spaces for the owner to insert details of the expedition's progress ("Everest Log"). The chart features portraits of the expedition members, which John Amatt has signed.

387. Morrissey, James D. 'The Forgotten Face of Everest. Conquest of the Summit.' An article in *The National Geographic Magazine*, vol. 166, no. 1, pp. 78-89, July 1984. **£25**

8vo. pp. [xviii, ads.], 136, [viii, ads.]; photo. illustrs., sketch maps; near-fine in the original printed wrappers. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

S & B pp. 114 & 111. Morrissey led the successful first ascent of Everest's Kangshung Face in 1983, when six climbers reached the summit. His photo-article is preceded by Andrew Harvard's 'The Forgotten Face of Everest', which describes his reconnaissance of the face prior to the American attempts in 1981 and 1983.

388. Bass, Dick and Frank Wells. Seven Summits. NY: Warner Books, 1986 **£250**

First edition. 8vo. pp. [x], 336; colour illustrs.; very good in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by Junko Tabei (first woman to climb Everest), Reinhold Messner (first to climb without oxygen and solo), Rebecca Stephens (first British woman to climb Everest), Erik Weihenmayer (first blind person to climb Everest), and Rick Ridgeway (American Bicentennial Everest expedition).

S & B B04. The ascent of the highest mountain on each of the seven continents. Bass made several attempts on Everest before his ascent in 1985.

389. Jefferies, Margaret. Sagarmatha Mother of the Universe. The Story of Mt Everest National Park. Auckland, New Zealand: Cobb/Horwood, 1985. **£35**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 192; coloured illustrs., map rear endpaper; very good in original pictorial boards, slightly browned to spine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.35

S & B J12. A guide to the area, with a small section on the climbing history of Everest, and many related photographs.

390. Jefferies, Margaret. Sagarmatha Mother of the Universe. The Story of Mt Everest National Park. Auckland, New Zealand: Cobb/Horwood, 1985. **£15**

Another copy, very good in original pictorial boards, bumped to upper cover. Not signed.

391. RGS and Mount Everest Foundation. The Mountains of Central Asia. 1:3 000 000 Map and Gazetteer. Macmillan London Ltd., [1987]. **£35**

First edition. 8vo. pp. xxvii, 98; very good in card wrappers, contained with large folding map as issued in original plastic wallet. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf, additionally signed by him at end of preface alongside his name, and with a letter from Peter Lloyd loosely inserted.

Not in the usual bibliographies. This useful gazetteer seems to have been the work of Peter Lloyd, of the 1938 Everest expedition, and Michael Ward, who provided the 11pp. Introduction. Lloyd's letter copies a letter from Peter Clark at the RGS relating to the book's sales.

392. [Map.] 'Sagarmatha [in Nepali]. Mount Everest. Qomolangma [in Chinese].' A large folding map issued as a Supplement with *The National Geographic Magazine*, vol. 174, no. 5, November 1988. **£75**

A large folding map, scale 1:50 000, image size approx. 26 x 11 (91.5 x 58.5cm.), with a second map to the verso "High Himalaya. A Computer-Generated Landscape Portrait", folding into a small pamphlet and loosely contained as issued in the magazine, original printed wrappers; pp. 581-768; numerous coloured photographic illustrs.; bumped to extremities, else very good with the map in fine condition. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to first leaf of text.

Yakushi m185; S & B W07. Prepared as a joint research project between the National Geographic Society, the Henry S. Hall jr. Everest Fund of the Museum of Science, Boston, the Nepalese Government and China's National Bureau of Surveying and Mapping, this excellent map was compiled using photographic and similar data taken by aerial survey and satellite tracking. This issue of the magazine includes articles on Everest and the Himalayas, including Bradford Washburn's account (pp. 652-9) of the genesis and realisation of the map.

393. [Map.] 'Sagarmatha [in Nepali]. Mount Everest. Qomolangma [in Chinese].' A large folding map issued as a Supplement with *The National Geographic Magazine*, vol. 174, no. 5, November 1988. **£50**

Another copy of the map, without the issue of *National Geographic*, in fine condition. Signed by Michael Ward.

394. [Map.] 'Sagarmatha [in Nepali]. Mount Everest. Qomolangma [in Chinese].' A large folding map issued as a Supplement with *The National Geographic Magazine*, vol. 174, no. 5, November 1988. **£750**

Another copy of the map, mounted on foamcore, signed by 30+ Everest climbers, including Ed Hillary, George Lowe, Tom Hornbein, Jim Whittaker, Junko Tabei, Peter Habeler, Reinhold Messner, Kurt Diemberger, Barbara and Bradford Washburn, Stephen Venables, Laurie Skreslet, Tashi Tenzing, Carlos Carsolio, Greg Child, John Roskelley, Babu Chiri Sherpa, David Breashears, Eric Simonson, and others.



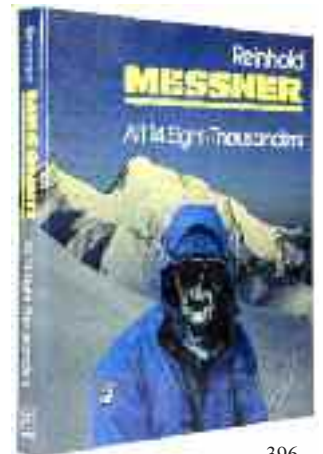
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395. Messner, Reinhold. All 14 Eight-Thousanders. Translated by Audrey Salkeld. *Cloudcap Press*, 1988. **£200**

First US Edition. Small 4to. pp. 248; coloured photo. illu. throughout, sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by Messner, Salkeld, and Krzysztof Wielicki.

Perret 2958; S & B M29. Messner was the first climber to ascend all 14 of the 8000m peaks of the Himalayas. The present work offers a record of his ascents, with retellings of his 1978 oxygenless and 1980 solo ascents of Everest. Wielicki, who has also signed this copy, was the fifth man to complete the ascent of all 8000+ peaks.

396. Messner, Reinhold. All 14 Eight-Thousanders. Translated by Audrey Salkeld. *The Crowood Press*, [1989]. **£35**

Reprint (one year after first ed.). Small 4to. pp. 248; coloured photo. illu. throughout, sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j. a little rubbed and very slightly faded on spine, else near-fine. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

397. Webster, Ed. Snow in the Kingdom: My Storm Years on Everest. *Colorado, Eldorado Springs: Mountain Imagery*, 2000. **£125**

Limited signed edition. 8vo. pp. xv, 580; illu.; fine in original cloth, d.j. Signed by the entire Kangshung Face team - Webster, Pete Athans, Stephen Venables, Paul Teare, Robert Anderson, Norbu Tenzing, Mimi Ziemann, Joe Blackburn and Billy Squier.

The ascent by Stephen Venables of a new route on Everest, via the Southern Buttress on the Kangshung Face.

398. Venables, Stephen. Everest Kangshung Face. [*London: Hodder & Stoughton*], n.d. c. 1989. **£20**

A publisher's promotional pack, containing a cover letter, advance copies of advertisement, a postcard, photocopies of news reports of Venables' ascent, and a dust-jacket for the book, loosely contained as issued in card portfolio with Venables' facsimile signature. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to front of portfolio.

399. Allison, Stacy. Beyond the Limits: A Woman's Triumph on Everest. *Boston: Little, Brown and Company*, 1993. **£20**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 282; illu.; very good in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by the author Stacy Allison.

S & B A000. Allison was the first American woman to climb Everest, in 1988.

400. Patterson, Bruce. Canadians on Everest. *Calgary: Detselig Enterprises*, 1990. **£225**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 239; illu.; very good in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by the author, Laurie Skreslet, Pat Morrow, John Amatt, Sharon Wood, and four other Canadian climbers of Everest.

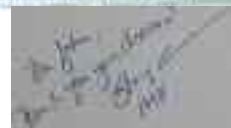
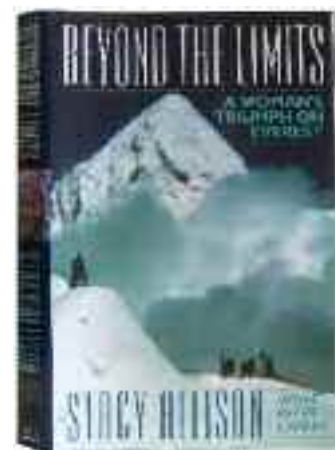
S & B P04; not in Yakushi. An account of Canadians on Everest, from E. O. Wheeler on the 1921 expedition to recent ascents.



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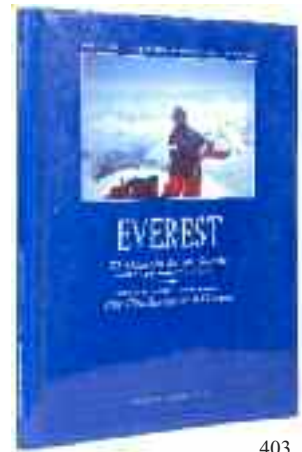
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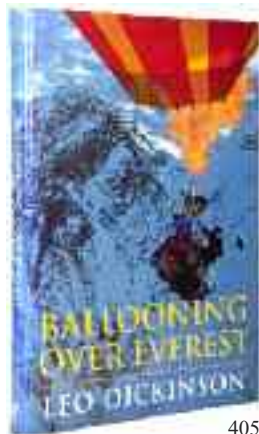
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verso "Everest Area. First Ascents Route Map", scale 1:25 000. A presentation copy "for Michael Ward without whose help this map would have been much more difficult to produce! Brad Washburn." Signed by Michael Ward.

Yakushi m185; S & B W07. A new edition of the map first published with *The National Geographic Magazine* in 1988. The second edition includes, for the first time, the route map with a mini history of first ascents.

403. Jordan, Rodrigo. Everest. El Desafío de un Sueño. Los Primeros Sudamericanos en la Cumbre. The First Southamericans on the Summit. The Challenge of a Dream. [*Santiago de Chile*]: Rodrigo Jordan Fuchs, 1992. **£50**

First edition. 4to. pp. 122; photo. illusts.; near-fine in the original boards, d.j. A presentation copy from the author, inscribed to flyleaf "Thank you deeply for introducing me to the world of Mountains With special affection to George Lowe R J J Rodrigo Jordan March 1993", and with a letter from the author to George Lowe loosely inserted.

S & B J15. A Chilean ascent of Everest via the Kangshung Face.

404. Booth, Pat. Edmund Hillary. The Life of a Legend. [*Auckland, New Zealand*:] Moa Beckett, [1993]. **£125**

First edition. 8vo. pp. 208; illusts.; fine in original cloth, d.j. George Lowe's copy. Signed by Ed Hillary to the title-page.

The journalist Pat Booth wrote this biography of Hillary for the 40th anniversary of the first ascent of Everest.

405. Dickinson, Leo. Ballooning over Everest. *London*: Jonathan Cape, [1993]. **£75**

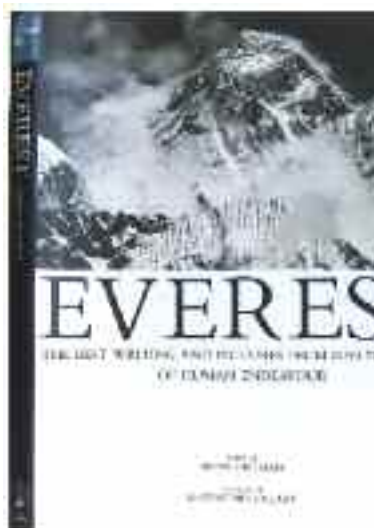
First edition. 8vo. pp. 160; illusts.; very good in the original cloth, d.j., bumped to extremities Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf. *S & B D15.* A successful flight over Everest.

401. Hillary, Sir Edmund. Sir Edmund Hillary's Sagarmatha. [*The Himalayan Trust*, 1991] **£250**

First edition, one of an unstated limited edition. Folio. pp. [212]; coloured illusts. throughout; very good in the original cloth, d.j., slightly bumped. Laid in limitation leaf on handmade paper signed by Hillary, with a loosely inserted postcard from George Lowe acknowledging the sending of the book to Michael Ward. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf. *S & B H21.* A pictorial celebration of the Sherpa people, published to raise funds for the Himalayan Trust.

402. [Map.] 'Sagarmatha [in Nepali]. Mount Everest. Qomolangma [in Chinese].' *Published by the Museum of Science, Boston, and the Swiss Foundation for Alpine Research, Zurich*, 1991. **£125**

Second edition. A large coloured map, scale 1:50 000, image size approx. 73 x 51.5 cm., explanatory text beneath map with a second map to the

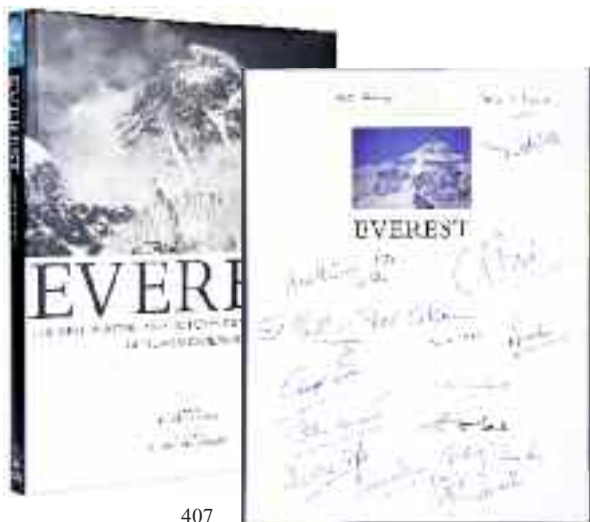


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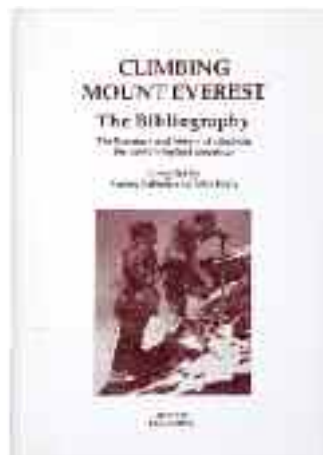
406. Gillman, Peter, ed. Everest. The Best Writing and Pictures from Seventy Years of Human Endeavour. Foreword by Sir Edmund Hillary. *Boston*: Little Brown, 1993. **£950**

First edition. 4to. pp. 208; photo. illusts.; previous owner's blindstamp, else fine in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by 50+ climbers including the editor and his wife Leni Gillman, Ed Hillary, George Band, George Lowe, Jan Morris, Chris Bonington, Maria Coffey, Kurt Diemberger, Tom Hornbein, Charles Houston, Silvo Caro, Göran Kropp, Reinhold Messner, Peter Habeler, Babu Chiri Sherpa, Junko Tabei, Stephen Venables, Jim Whittaker, Krzysztof Wielicki, Conrad Anker, Carlos Buhler, and others.

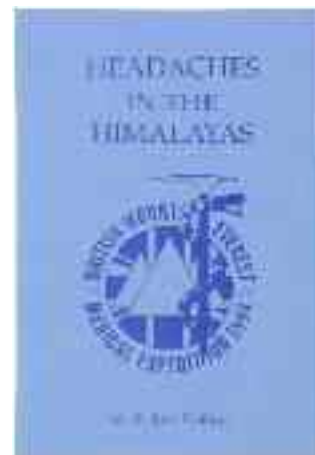
S & B G08. Writings on Everest by the great names associated with the mountain, selected by Gillman.



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407. Gillman, Peter, ed. Everest. The Best Writing and Pictures from Seventy Years of Human Endeavour. Foreword by Sir Edmund Hillary. *Boston: Little Brown, 1993.* £750

Another copy, near-fine. Signed to half-title by the editor and by seven members of the successful 1953 expedition (Hunt, Hillary, Ward, Lowe, Wylie, Westmacott, Band), W. H. Murray (on a label pasted in), Chris Bonington, Alan Hinkes (first Briton to climb all 14 8000+m peaks), Charles Clarke, Stephen Venables, Tony Streater (Kanchenjunga 1955, and later leader of the Joint Army Mountaineering Association Royal Nepalese Army Mount Everest Expedition 1976), Gonbu (1960 Chinese Everest expedition, first Tibetan to ascend the mountain), and Andrzej Zawada (leader of the first winter ascent of Everest). Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to title-page.

408. Salkeld, Audrey & John Boyle. Climbing Mount Everest. The Bibliography. The literature and history of climbing the world's highest mountain. [*Clevedon:*] Sixways Publishing, [1993]. £95

First edition. 8vo. pp. 120; fine in card wrappers, with 4pp. Addenda loosely inserted, and loosely inserted correspondence from the two authors. Ownership inscription of Michael Ward to flyleaf.

An excellent bibliography of the subject, with a section on journal and magazine articles.

409. Ward, Michael. 'The mapping of Everest'. Reprinted from *The Map Collector*, Autumn, 1993. £45

4to. pp. 10-15; 7 illustrations; very good in the original printed wrappers, signed by the author and with his bookplate.

An account of the subject, written specially for the 40th anniversary of the first ascent of Everest, developed from the author's previous article for *The Geographical Journal*.

410. Bonington, Chris & Audrey Salkeld. Great Climbs. A Celebration of World Mountaineering. *London: Mitchell Beazley, 1994.* £500

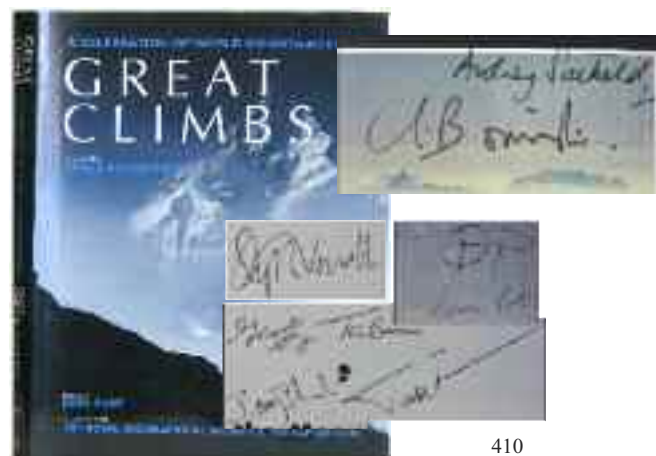
First edition. 4to. pp. 192; illu.:; fine in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by 25 climbers, including Ed Hillary, Reinhold Messner, Peter Habeler, Kurt Diemberger, Chris Bonington, Charles Houston, Barbara and Brad Washburn, Krzysztof Wielicki, Stephen Venables, Mick Fowler, Catherine Destivelle, Simon Yates, and others.

An anthology of world climbing, with personal memoirs by luminaries such as Messner, Diemberger, Bonington, Hillary, Habeler, etc., some with Everest content.

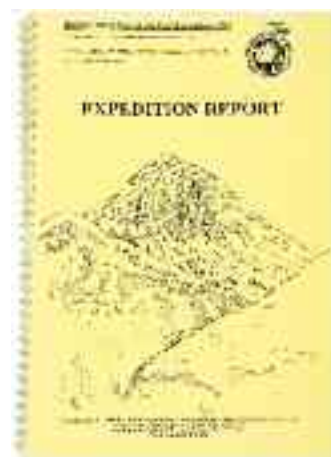
411. [Everest 1994.] Dr. John Nathan. Headaches in the Himalayas. The Diary of an Epic. A Personal Account of the British Mount Everest Medical Expedition 1994. *N.p. [?Croydon], c. 1994.* £25

First edition. 8vo. pp. [88]; illu.:; sketch maps; fine in original card wrappers. George Lowe's copy.

John Nathan was a member of the medical research team on the expedition, which saw two Britons reach the summit (Charles Hornsby and Roddy Kirkwood).



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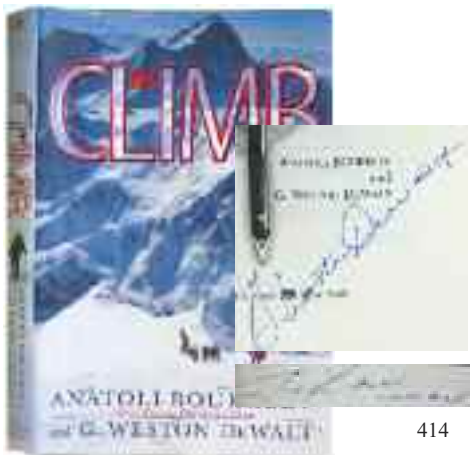
412. [Everest 1994.] British Mount Everest Medical Expedition 1994. Expedition Report. [*Printed by Axis Resources Limited, Harlow, Essex*], n.d. [1995]. £25

4to. pp. [i], 90, [1], photostatted to rectos only; sketch map, illu.:; fine in original ring-bound wrappers. Signed by research advisor Jim Milledge to p. 11 and expedition member John Nathan at p. 39.

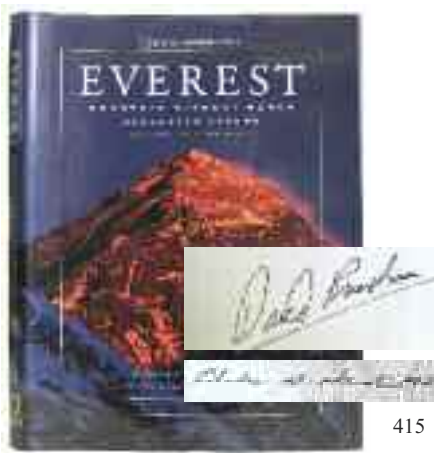
413. Ward, Michael. 'The Height of Mount Everest.' An article in *The Alpine Journal*, vol. 100 No. 344, pp. 30-3, 1995. £45

First edition. 8vo. pp. xii, 372; photo. illu.:; sketch maps; very good in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by Michael Ward, to his article, and by Alan Hinkes, Ed Douglas, and Terry Gifford elsewhere in the volume.

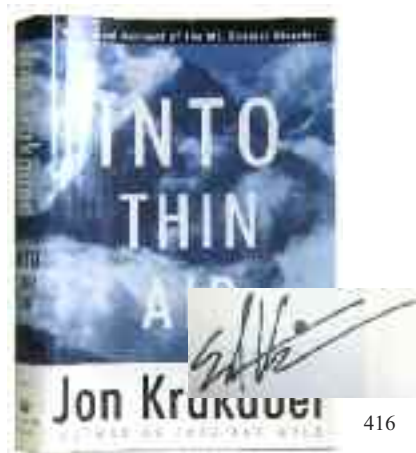
Hinkes's article is 'The North Side of K2', Gifford contributes a poem 'Snow Leopard', and Douglas the article 'Protect and Survive'.



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414. Boukreev, Anatoli & G. Weston DeWalt. *The Climb: Tragic Ambitions on Everest.* New York: St. Martin's Press, 1997. £450

First edition. 8vo. pp. xi, 256; 8 colour photo. illu., sketch maps; fine in original boards, d.j. Signed on title page by both authors.

Boukreev, a Russian climber who had made seven 8000m ascents without oxygen, gained notoriety due to his involvement in the 1996 spring climbing season on Everest. In this season, 12 people died in the single greatest climbing accident on the mountain. Important accounts of the incident were given by Jon Krakauer (*Into Thin Air* - see item 416), and in the present work, a rebuttal of Krakauer's book, by Boukreev. The book was signed by Boukreev and his co-writer at Banff in November 1997, only a month before Boukreev's death on Annapurna.

415. Coburn, Broughton. *Everest Mountain without Mercy.* Ohio: National Geographic Society, 1997. £60

First edition. 4to. pp. 256; illu.; fine in original cloth, d.j. Signed by the author Broughton Coburn, David Breashears, Charles Houston.

Coburn writes about the fatal 1996 Everest expedition led by David Breashears.

416. Krakauer, John. *Into Thin Air. A Personal Account of the Mount Everest Disaster.* Villard, NY, 1997. £75

First edition. 8vo. pp. xx, 293; illu., maps; fine in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by the author and Ed Viesters.

An eye-witness account of the disaster on Everest in May 1996, when a storm broke on the mountain leading to 12 deaths, the highest total of any season.

417. Mantovani, Roberto. *Everest. The History of the Himalayan Giant.* Seattle: The Mountaineers, 1997. £650

First edition. Folio. pp. 140; illu.; fine in original cloth, d.j. Signed by 30+ climbers, including George Lowe, David Breashears, Kurt Diemberger, Charles Houston, Reinhold Messner, Peter Habeler, Tom Hornbein, Eric Simonson, Conrad Anker, Krzysztof Wielicki, Chris Bonington, Jim Whittaker, Carlos Carsolio, and others, and with a tipped-in note by Hillary.

A general account of expeditions to Everest.

418. Simpson, Joe. *Dark Shadows Falling.* London: Jonathan Cape, 1997. £95

First edition. 8vo. pp. 207, [1]; photo. illu., map endpapers; fine in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by Simpson to the title, and further signed by Alan Hinkes and Matt Dickinson at p. 50.

Simpson made a 1996 attempt on Pumori, during which he gained views of the southern approaches to the summit of Everest. Simpson's book uses the death of a climber on Everest in 1992 as a basis for ethical reflections on recent developments in climbing the mountain. Simpson mentions Alan Hinkes and Matt Dickinson on p. 50, the page on which these men have signed the book; Hinkes was the first Briton to climb all 14 8000m peaks.

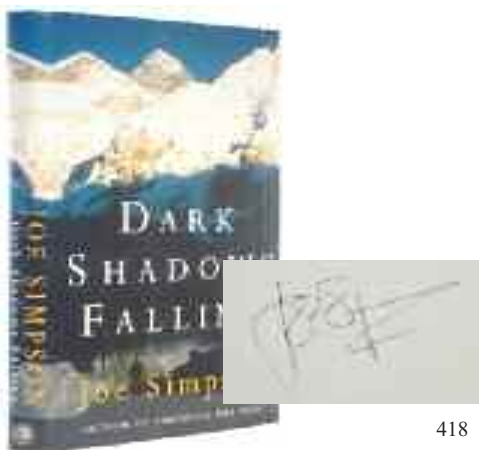
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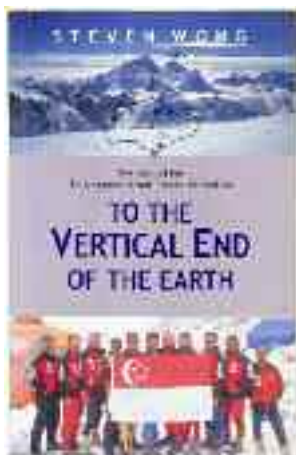
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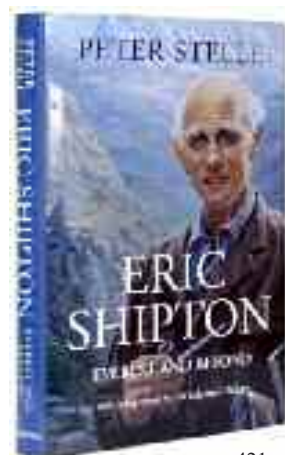
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A surprisingly uncommon book, marking the successful ascent of Everest by two members of the Singaporean team led by David Lim in 1998.

421. Steele, Peter. Eric Shipton. Everest and Beyond. [With a Foreword by Sir Edmund Hillary]. *London: Constable*, [1998]. **£50**

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Hillary's autobiography. Through an oversight on the part of the publisher, a disclaimer on the back of the title-page reads: "All characters in this book are fictitious and any resemblance to actual persons living or dead is purely coincidental".

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First edition. 8vo. pp. 192; illu. s.; fine in the original cloth, d.j. Signed by the authors Conrad Anker and David Roberts.

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427. Hemmleb, Jochen, Larry A. Johnson & Eric R. Simonson. Ghosts of Everest. The authorised story of the search for Mallory and Irvine ... as told to William E. Nothdurft. *Seattle: The Mountaineers*, 1999. **£80**

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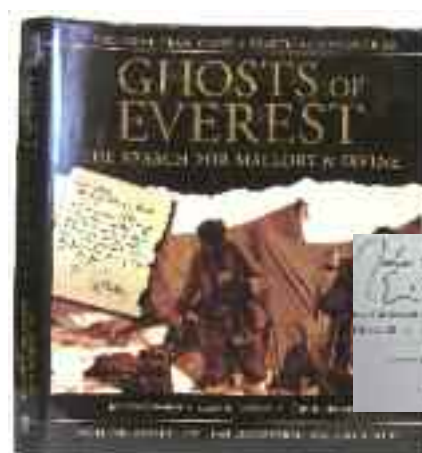
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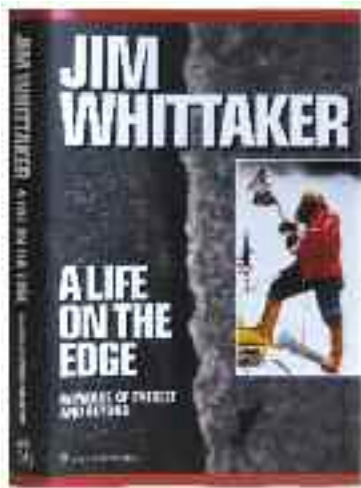
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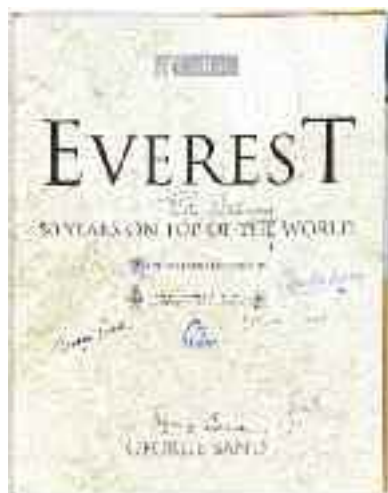
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Memoir by the first American to climb Everest, who also took part in the first US American ascent of K2.

430. McDonald, Bernadette & John Amatt, eds. Voices from the Summit: The World's Great Mountaineers on the Future of Climbing. [*Washington: Adventure Press, 2000.*] **£350**

First edition. 4to. pp. 256; illu. s.; fine in the original cloth, d.j. With the signatures of Tom Hornbein, Reinhold Messner, Bernadette McDonald, Amy Bernard, Barry Blanchard, Chris Rainier, Will Gadd, Ed Douglas, Guy Lacelle, Lynne Hill, Tim Cahill, Greg Child, Tashi Tenzing, Conrad Anker, Aaron Ralston, Ed Viesters, David Roberts, Rick Ridgeway, John Amatt, Krzysztof Wielicki, Wade Davis, and others.

A celebration of 25 years of the Banff Mountain Film Festival, this volume collects thoughts on the subject from such luminaries as Hillary, Messner, Bonington, and others.

431. [Map.] Bradford Washburn, ed. Mount Everest above 7000 meters. *Made by Swissphoto, Zuerich and edited by Bradford Washburn, Founding Director, Museum of Science, Boston, n.d. c. 2000.* **£75**

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432. [Diemberger, Kurt - Poster.] 'Der Hillary Step, die Schlüsselstelle zum Gipfel des Mount Everest (8850m).' *N.p., n.d. c. 2000.* **£45**

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Issued for Der Berg Ruft, Die Alpinismus-Ausstellung im SlazburgerLand, probably in 2000. The poster reproduces Diemberger's photograph of a climber on the Hillary Step near the summit of Everest.

433. Ramsay, Cynthia Russ (text); Anne B. Keiser (photographs). Sir Edmund Hillary & the People of Everest. *Kansas City: Andrews McMeel, 2002.* **£150**

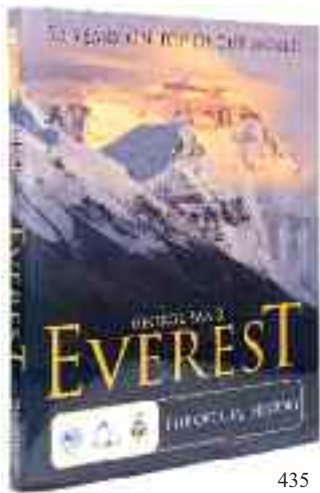
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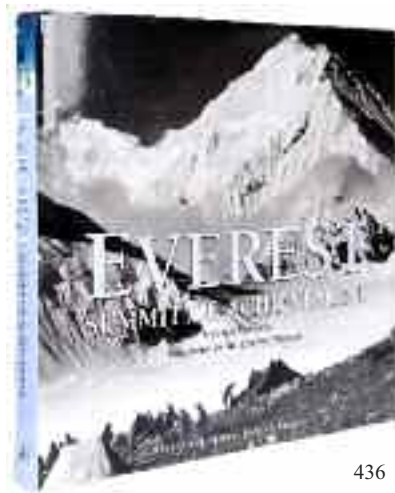
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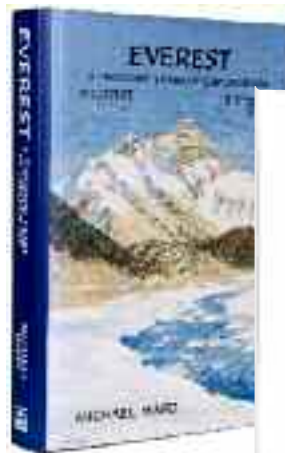
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A well-produced history of Everest expeditions, mainly 1921-1953, illustrated with pictures from the archives of the RGS, many previously unpublished.

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438. Ward, Michael. Everest. A Thousand Years of Exploration. Ernest Press, 2003. **£75**

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439. Sotheran's, booksellers. Everest Chomolungma Sagarmatha. A catalogue of books and ephemera relating to the exploration of the world's highest peak on the 50th anniversary of its first ascent. With a Preface by Michael Ward. Henry Sotheran Limited, 2003. **£50**

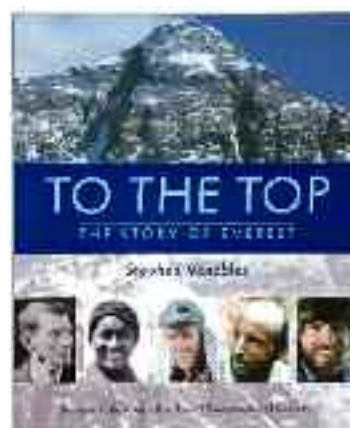
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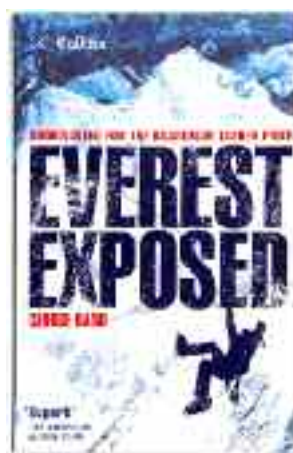
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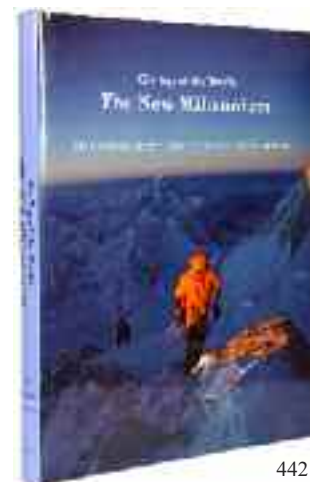
A potted history of attempts on Everest, including the author's 1988 ascent via the Kangshung Face.



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Band, the youngest member of the 1953 Everest expedition, wrote this history of Everest and of the role played in its exploration and ascent by the Mount Everest Foundation.

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An updated and revised version of the author's book of the same name, originally published in 2000. This new version contains details of new climbs made since the original edition, and also incorporates information relating to first ascents on, for instance, K2 that has only come to light in recent years.

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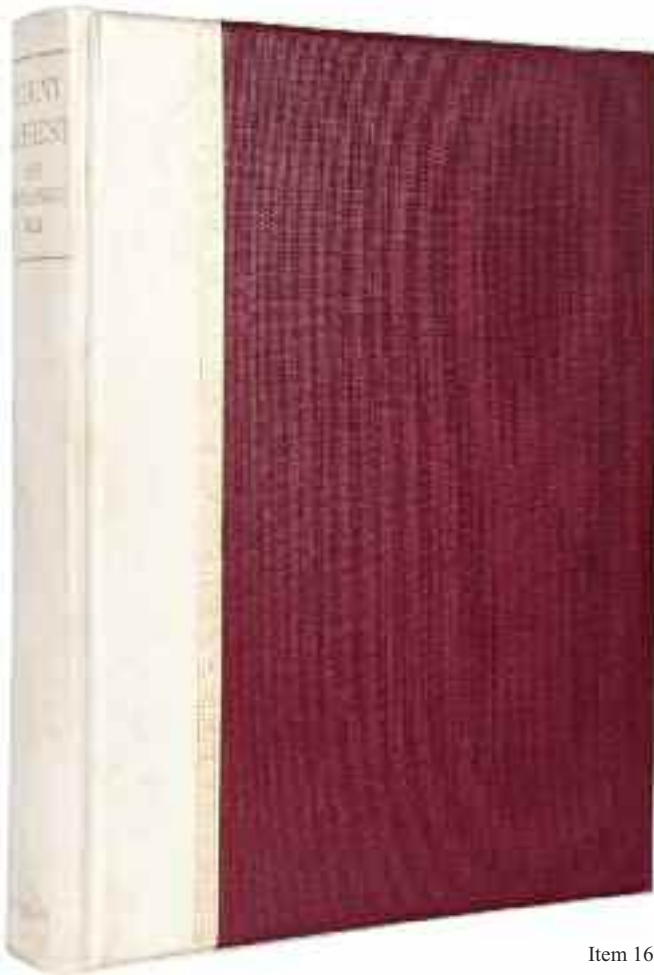
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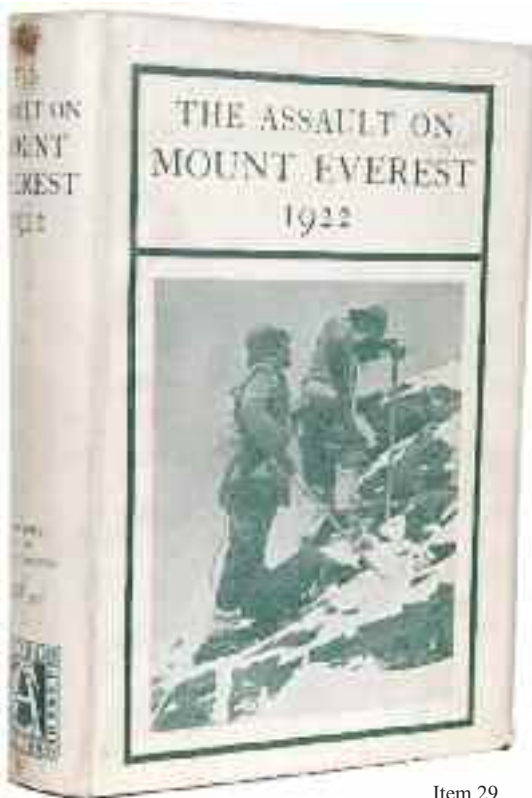


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