
A Book to Enjoy

This volume is the third in a series on mountains for which Professor Roderick Peattie is acting as editor. In this instance he has contributed a foreword telling of his early enjoyment of mountain climbing in southwestern Colorado near the mining camp of Curay. By a lucky turn of fate he met Dr. Atwood on this jaunt. "I learned far more from Wallace Atwood on that trip than I did in his classroom," Peattie says and thus sets the whole atmosphere of the book, namely, to take the reader out into the field in company with a distinguished teacher who can be the serious field worker and have fun camping also. The chapters are alternately camping and geology. Nine of the National Park areas are treated in one chapter. In another, spiced with miner's yarns, a number of the famous Western mining centers are covered. Indians, ranchmen, farmers, tourists, camp trails and saddle horses all enliven the human picture. The stories of volcanoes, of how mountains rise and are worn down, the nature of core rocks and other topics present the vast geological panorama in the remaining chapters. Illustrations are of two sorts. Photographs and numerous handsome pen sketches by Eugene Kingman. This is just the book for a present to an enthusiastic traveler.—*A. E. Waller.*

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