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FIFTY YEARS AGO

EXTRACTS FROM THE "GAZETTE" FILES

BEACHY HEAD CLIMBERS

At Beachy Head on Wednesday, Mr. E. Aleister Crowley made a way up to Pisgah from the east foot of the Devil's Chimney. The route is very intricate and easily missed, but though difficult in places is comparatively safe.

On Friday, Mr. Gregor Grant (President of the Cuchullin Club) and Mr. Crowley attacked Etheldreda's Pinnacle from the west. Mr. Grant led up a very fine vertical chimney about 50 feet high and containing an immense jammed stone. We proposed to call this after him, Grant's Chimney. On the descent, Mr. Crowley broke fresh ground by descending the Pollux Chimney, the southern of the two on the east face, while Mr. Grant took the Castor Chimney (the north side).

After tea, the Devil's Chimney was attacked. Mr. Crowley leading by the route of a fortnight ago on the Dent Du Voleur. From this point he descended the ridge into the "gash" and cut steps in the Aiguille Du Bois, as the outer pinnacle has been called. The chalk was fairly good and a wild struggle finally landed him on the extreme summit. Thence he returned and aided in fixing the Union Jack on the Dent Du Voleur.