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He was the man, of all those who attempted the ascent of the Matterhorn, who most deserved to be the first upon its summit. They cut across the heads of the snow-slopes which descended towards the Furggengletscher, and disappeared round a corner; but shortly afterwards we saw them high up on the face, moving quickly. Some parts were more and others were less easy, but we were not once brought to a halt by any serious impediment, for when an obstruction was met in front it could always be turned to the right or to the left.

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Ce montagnard d'adoption est à l'affût d'histoire et d'anecdotes insolites à partager avec ses lecteurs. The others had arrived, so we went back to the northern end of the ridge.

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The Viso — one hundred miles away — seemed close upon us; the Maritime Alps — one hundred and thirty miles distant — were free from haze. Croz went first, I followed, Hudson came third: Hadow and old Peter were last. A few minutes before the tragic descent.

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We were eight in number — Croz, old Peter and his two sons, Lord F.

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