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In 1868 M. F. Thioly, a Geneva dentist and first president of the Geneva section of the Swiss Alpine Club, made the ascent of the Matterhorn and, as was his custom when reaching the summit of a peak, took off the highest stone slab, about 12in. long and 10in. wide, in the presence of his guides, and obtained from the Commune of Zermatt a certificate that this was the real top of Matterhorn.

Representatives of the Swiss Ministries of Interior and Justice will shortly debate with the responsible cantonal authorities as to the future measures to be taken.

There is one unforgettable moment in the life of the Englishman who travels in Europe — the moment when, for the first time he sees the