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"'Tis not in mortals to have triumph success,
But we'll do more, Sempiternus!
We'll deserve it."

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INTRODUCTION.

THE record of Polar discovery teems with romantic stories of adventure, the relation of which is most useful as a means of preserving an interest among us in the exploration of the unknown parts of our globe, and of arousing that spirit of emulation which, in the years that are gone, built up the greatness of our country. Richard Hakluyt wrote "the prose epic of the British nation." He preserved, for future generations, a record of the mighty deeds of gallant adventurers which would otherwise have been forgotten. He set an example which, fortunately for our country, has been followed, century after century, by many diligent compilers. Their labours are most valuable, for they spread and make popular a branch of knowledge than which none is more important.

"Across Greenland's Ice-Fields" is a volume which well serves this useful purpose. The author has

selected those heart-stirring narratives for her theme which relate the difficulties and perils attendant on the exploration of the Inland Ice of Greenland. Miss Douglas conducts her readers over those trackless wastes of snow and ice, in the footsteps of Norden-skiöld, of Nansen, and of Peary; and certainly those who begin the journey with her will, in continuing it to the end, derive no small amount of pleasure and instruction.

CLEMENTS R. MARKHAM,

President of the Royal Geographical Society.

NOTE BY THE AUTHOR.

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