THE ARCTIC EXPEDITION OF 1885, AND LIEUTENANT PEARY'S WORK.

The North Greenland Expedition of 1895, s.s. Kite, the primary object of which was to bring Lieutenant Peary and his companions back to the United States, left St. Johns, N. F., on the 11th of July. At this time the members of the party were Mr. Emil Diebitsch, Dr. J. E. Walsh, Mr. Theo. Boutilier and the writer. A little later we were joined by Prof. L. L. Dyche, who had preceded us to the coast of Greenland. The chief scientific work undertaken by members of the party was the collection of birds and mammals by Prof. Dyche, and the study of glacial geology by the writer.

After brief stops at Holstenberg, Godhavn, Jakobshavn, Atanikerdluk and Dalrymple Island, Inglefield Gulf, or perhaps more properly Whale Sound, was reached on the morning of the 31st of July. To this point, but little floe-ice had been encountered, even Melville Bay being essentially free from it along the line of our route. In Inglefield Gulf, twenty-five miles or so from Mr. Peary's headquarters, the ice stopped further progress. From the natives who soon boarded the Kite from the settlement of Karnah, it was learned that Mr. Peary had returned from his journey across the inland ice, and that he, together with Messrs. Lee and Henson, was now at the lodge at the head of Bowdoin Bay. After an unsuccessful attempt to reach the