

10th November, 1876.

Sir,

I have laid before my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty your despatch of the 14th July (received only on the 4th instant), and your further despatch of the 1st instant in which you report your proceedings since leaving Kudlisceet, Waigatz on the 15th July.

2. My Lords have observed with much satisfaction that the mission entrusted to you of communicating with the depôts of the Arctic ships at the entrance of Smith Sound has been successfully accomplished, and I am to express to you their obligations for the readiness with which you undertook the service, and the able manner in which it was carried out.

3. Their Lordships have given instructions that the good service in the "Pandora" of Lieutenant C. R. Arbuthnot and Navigating Sub-Lieutenant G. Pirie be noted in favour of those officers.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

ROBERT HALL.

Captain Allen Young.