

tween Digges' Islands and the Main, he found the shore thence to the south, and a vast sea before him ; into these unknown waters he boldly ventured, and, steering south, entered Michaelmas Bay. Sometime after continuing this route, he was involved in a labyrinth of islands,—extricating himself from these, he finally reached the south-western shore of that great interior sea, to which his name has been so justly given, and on the 1st of November, he hauled his ship aground, and in ten days thereafter was frozen in. The murmurs and mutinous conduct of the crew, which in the latter part of the voyage had been with difficulty suppressed by their able leader, now for a while subsided ; vast flocks of partridges, migrating south, afforded them an abundance of wholesome and nutritious food ; to these succeeded water fowl in immense number and variety, but more wary than their predecessors, these were not so readily taken, and the pressure of famine was at length upon them.—Hudson, with a forecast which his ignorant crew were unable or determined not to understand, doled out the remainder of the ship's stores with a careful penury, which Green ascribed to other motives,—this man thus increased the prevailing discontents, and acquired the good will of the seamen ; still the evil increased—to abate their suffering, they greedily devoured whatsoever they could obtain that was edible. By the able conduct of Hudson, though with much suffering, they contrived to reach the Spring, and awhile, taking fish in large quantities, their health and strength were alike restored. At length Hudson prepared to return—with tears he distributed the remaining stock of provision that he had so carefully husbanded—it was but sufficient for fourteen days. When, therefore, they had gotten out of sight of land, the fear of want seems to have led the crew, instigated by Green, to determine, by reducing the number of mouths, to increase their supplies ; yet somewhat there must have been, other than this, to palliate the conduct of the mutineers, since not only were they not punished, but two of them, Bylot and Prickete, sailed with Sir Thos. Bulton, two years after, and Bylot in 1615, commanded the Discovery, having the more celebrated Baffin, (who wrote a history of his voyage,) as mate.

On the 21st of June, 1610, then after binding themselves by oath to prosecute their purposes, they seized on Hudson, and lowered him into a boat alongside, into which they afterwards thrust nine others, being the number of sick at the time ; a fowling piece, some powder and shot, a little meal, and an iron pot, were given too ; the tow rope was then cut, and the boat cast loose among the drifting ice. Doubtless these unfortunates soon perished ; thus, the great discoverer, sleeps in the bosom of that sea he first opened to mankind. The mutinous crew, who had selfishly doomed their gallant leader, were not long without punishment,—on one of Digges' Islands, Green fell, in