

1871. Captain Mack sailed into the sea of Kara, and examined the Novaia Zemlaia coast for 500 miles. Early in September he reached a point in lat. $75^{\circ} 25' N.$, and long. $82^{\circ} 30'$; no ice was in sight.

1871. Two Russian expeditions despatched to explore the northern coast of Asia.

1869-71. Mr. Lamont made three voyages to the North—in 1869, 1870, and 1871.

1872-73. Swedish expedition under Professor Nordenskiöld, of three ships, the *Polhem* and two others. Compelled to winter in Spitzbergen, and returned in August 1873.

1872. Lieutenants Payer and Weyprecht sail in a small private ship, and reach König Karl Land; they find an open sea in lat. 78° .

1872. Captain Jansen, in a vessel of only twenty-six tons, visits the so-called Wiche's Land; climbs a lofty hill, from which he saw open water to the east and north-east; anchored in lat. $79^{\circ} 8' N.$

1873. Overland expedition, under M. Tschekanowski, to survey the coast of Arctic Siberia.

1873. Mr. Leigh Smith's expedition in the *Diana*; discovers that North Cape is an island, and not, as previously supposed, a peninsular promontory.

1875. British Arctic expedition, under Captains Nares and Stephenson, in the *Alert* and *Discovery*; sails for Smith Sound, to proceed from thence towards the North Pole.

1875. Swedish expedition, under Professor Nordenskiöld, for exploration of the coast of Arctic Siberia.

1875. Private expedition, fitted out by Lady Franklin, to follow the route of the *Alert* and *Discovery*.

1876. Return of Captains Nares and Stephenson; having ascertained that the Smith Sound route is impracticable.

1876. Voyage of the *Pandora*, Captain Allen Young, to communicate with the Arctic ships, *Alert* and *Discovery*.