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The medical officers who have accompanied those Arctic expeditions which have so greatly glorified the name of English seamen and honoured English enterprise, have always been distinguished for the intelligent contributions, embodying the results of the voyages, which they have offered to the literary and scientific world. Among the most distinguished of Arctic medical officers is Dr. King, whose published works have attested equally his zealous devotion to the great Arctic question and his intimate acquaintance with the geographical and meteorological relations of this *terra incognita*.

When the continued absence of the Franklin party first excited the fears of English seamen, and became the subject of comment among the *savans*, Dr. King discussed with great minuteness and ingenuity the probability of The Expedition having taken one of the several routes open to them, and maintained that they must evidently have taken the route towards