

EGEDE TENDING THE SICK.

PREFACE.

L ITTLE is said about the Arctic regions in the history of Christian Missions. And yet I am bold enough to think that a perusal of these pages will justify the statement that in the neighbourhood of the North Pole there has been as patient and heroic endeavour in the cause of the Cross as in the fiery zone of the Equator. The workers have been fewer and undistinguished, but they were men singularly free from ostentation, content to keep pegging away at the work as it lay ready to