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My dear Father,

It has occurred to me that while in Boston you might possibly have time to see at the Public Library there or elsewhere a book on arctic which I have been unable to consult & which may contain something to add to maps. This is Sydney's Summer Search for Sir J. Franklin. What it might afford some hints on is the West Side of Smith's Sound & Entrance to Jones Sound. Any notes from it on the Greenland Coast or East Side of Smith's Sound are superseded by later & better facts; but part of the W. Coast south of Juddens' reef in D. J. G. S. (Vol. 34.) has not been landed on by others & Sydney may give something. Should you have time to look up the book & should you find anything showing a clue to the rocks in it or in a possible appendix to it

I should like either quotations of passages or
 Synopses of them with reference to page, & full
 title of the work itself. Please do not, however,
 make this any charge on your time as it is
 not likely to be of much service & possibly of none.

Hays' Open Polar Sea is another work which
 I have not seen & there may be a part. appendic to
 it.

Whoever tells me that it is a mistake
 about Nielsen's death as he has received a
 letter from him the other day! so much for
 Cable news.

Wishing you all a very happy New Year

Yours
 George

George
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