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EDITOR'S PREFACE.



IF any apology were needed for the production of this little book, one might be found in the fact that the interest of mankind is just now centred in that mysterious Soudan country which is herein treated of. The very title of the work will probably secure for it an attentive perusal from many thousands of sympathetic English men and women who were so indescribably shocked last year to hear of the terrible ending of Hicks Pasha's expedition. The author, like many another officer on active service, found moments now and then in which, amidst the turmoil of a camp, he could give the public at home an account of the impressions made upon him during the passing hour. In the following pages will be found sundry reprints of interesting communications made to various journals, under such circumstances, which in spite of the inconvenience of occasional repetition, the editor

has thought it well to incorporate with the central narrative.

The accident that Colonel Colborne is at the present time in Egypt with the expedition of Lord Wolseley, while the editor to whose hands the task of 'seeing the book through the press' has been confided is in London, must be the excuse for all shortcomings. A compiler not being able to confer with his principal when any little ambiguity may arise easily falls into error. This is mentioned so that the reader may know that the errors in the present book are not to be put down to the author's account, but to that of

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