Southern Journey 1912-13.

Hut Point October 29. 1912

Arrived this afternoon at the Old Discovery Hut. We left Cape Evans at 11 hrs and did the journey in 5 1/2 hrs. The surface was very good and the mules went very well. Glorious sunshine the whole way, but a slight southerly made marching comfortable. Here is everything spruce. Cherry returned from Corner Camp on the 27 - being out only three days. He had lovely weather the whole time. Lappy cut his foot and was riding on the sledge coming home though he protested strongly. He wanted to pull - We have pitched our tent outside and will sleep there to night. Temp + 1.5°. Elsie's birthday to-day

Oct 30th

The fine weather continues - and we will push off after dinner to-night. I am glad to get off - this Hut Point stay does not make our clean clothes any good. Re-packed our sledges this morning and are now turned in for a couple of hours. Temp last night - 7° Fah.

Oct 31

On the wealth again. We are now camped 6 miles S 69 E of Safety Camp - having made good 12 miles to night. The ponies are, of course tired & sweating as they have been they feel the cold. The temperature is about -10° Fah. At lunch temp. was down to -17°5 Sell is pulling very well - and is very keen to get ahead. Unfortunately he sweats a lot and gets very cold when settled down on picketing line. However - it can't be helped and I think the sweating business will get better by time. The surface was very good for pulling but - of course - as the usual Barrier Surface - a bit soft. Coming up on the Barrier Khan Sahib put his 4 legs into the Tide crack crevass. We had to pull him out. It has been hazy all night and very gloomy to the Souther. Bar. is falling. We left Hut Point about ten and arrived here at half past 3. We will have a long day in bag

Morning or rather Eve.

Started snowing at 7 this morning - & the ponies had a bit of a rough time. Fortunately it