

XX.—IN THE COLD COUNTRIES OF THE NORTH.

Do-min'ion. | au-ro'-ra. | rein'-deer.

1. NORTH of the United States, there is a country much colder than ours. It, also, extends from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean: and it stretches northward to the shores of still another ocean, called the *Arctic*. This country, formerly called *British America*, is now named the *Dominion of Canada*.

2. The larger part of this cold region is one great



A Reindeer.

forest, reaching nearly to the shores of the Arctic Ocean. In it are wild animals of many different kinds,—the wolf, bear, reindeer, moose, musk ox, and others.

3. Almost the only people in all this great forest are Indians, who spend their time in hunting and fishing. Here

and there, by the side of some of the large lakes and rivers, are a few white men, who live there in order to hunt the wild animals for their furs, or to buy furs and skins from the Indian hunters. Some of the furs are sold to the people of Canada, but many are sent away to other cold countries. In all this forest country, during half the year or more, the ground is covered with snow and ice, and the rivers and lakes are frozen over.