

neighbouring islands, remarkably equable. It is never very warm, never very cold. In the middle of winter, during Ross's stay there, the thermometer rarely fell below freezing point, and the snow never lay on the lower land more than two or three days. The whalers told us that it was very rarely that ice formed which would bear; and Sir J. D. Hooker speaks of breaking ice on the Christmas Harbour Lake only two inches thick, and taking from under it *Limosella* in full flower.

During our stay, the highest reading of the thermometer was 59° F., and the lowest 39°·5 F.: the mean about 43° or 44°: this in the middle of summer, or rather slightly past the middle. The bane of the place consists in the constantly-occurring sudden storms of wind, one of which made us drag our anchor at Betsy Cove, and might easily have sent the ship against the rocks, and two of which kept us tediously beating about off the land on two occasions, when we were making from one point to another.

For a complete list of the birds of Kerguelen's Land, see R. Bowdler Sharpe, F.L.S., F.Z.S. "Trans. of Venus Expedition, Zoology of Kerguelen's Land. Birds." From this paper the names of birds given above are taken.

For the Crustacea, see E. J. Meirs, F.L.S., F.Z.S., Trans. Venus Expedition. Ibid.

For the Terrestrial Annelida, see E. Ray Lankester, F.R.S. Ibid.

See "Further Contributions to the Natural History of Kerguelen's Island," by J. H. Kidder, M.D. "Bull. U.S. National Mus.," No. 3, 1876, II. For a nearly complete list of the fauna and of the literature of the Zoology of Kerguelen's Land, see Dr. Th. Studer, "Die Fauna von Kerguelen's Land." Troschels Archiv. 1879. 1<sup>stes</sup>. Hft. s. 104.

See also, for an account of the island, "Narrative of the Wreck of the 'Favourite' on the Island of Desolation; Detailing the Adventures, Sufferings and Privations of John Munn; an Historical Account of the Island and its Whale and Sea Fisheries." Edited by W. B. Clarke, M.D. London, 1850.