

and such was the extreme avidity with which they immediately seized upon any meat put overboard to thaw or soak for the sake of freshness, that Captain Lyon to-day sent me a goose to look at, belonging to the officers of the Hecla, that had been thus deposited within their reach only eight and forty hours, and from which they had eaten every ounce of meat, leaving only a skeleton most delicately cleaned. Our men had before remarked that their meat suffered unusual loss of substance by soaking, but did not know to what cause to attribute the deficiency. We took advantage, however, of the hunger of these depredators to procure complete skeletons of small animals, for preservation as anatomical specimens, enclosing them in a net or bag with holes, to which the shrimps could have access, but which prevented the loss of any of the limbs, should the cartilage of the joints be eaten. For want of this latter precaution some specimens were at first rendered imperfect."

This account of the voracity of the Arctic Amphipoda tallies with what is said by Holbøll, 1842, Sutherland, 1852, and Goës, 1865.

1824. SABINE, E.

A supplement to the Appendix of Captain Parry's Voyage for the discovery of a north-west passage, in the years 1819-20. Containing the zoological and botanical notices. London, MDCCCXXIV. Marine Invertebrate Animals, by Captain Edward Sabine. pp. ccxix-ccxxxix.

The zoological part of this work had already appeared in 1821 without any variation from the present edition except in the numbering of the pages; thus, for example, in a list of synonyms, "*Gammarus loricatus*, Sabine, Appendix to Capt. Parry's Voyage of Discovery, p. 58, 1821," and "*Gammarus loricatus*, Sabine, Supplement to the Appendix of Captain Parry's Voyage, p. ccxxxi. 1824," are practically one and the same reference. See Note on Sabine, 1821.

1828. ROSS, J. C.

In Narrative of an attempt to reach the North Pole, in boats fitted for the purpose, and attached to his Majesty's ship Hecla, in the year MDCCCXXVII., under the command of Captain William Edward Parry, R.N., F.R.S. London, MDCCCXXVIII. Appendix. Zoology. By Lieutenant (*now Commander*) James Clark Ross, R.N., F.L.S.

Under the heading "Marine invertebrate animals," the following notices of Amphipoda are given on pages 203-205.

"9. CAPRELLA SCOLOPENDROIDES.

"Caprella Scolopendroides. *Lam.* v. p. 174. *App. to Parry's Third Voyage*, p. 118.

"*Gammarus* Quadrilobatus. *Zool. Dan.* iii. p. 58, Plate 114, fig. 11, 12, Female.

"*Squilla* Quadrilobata. *Zool. Dan.* ii. p. 21, Plate 56, fig. 4, 5, 6, Male.

"*Squilla* Lobata. *Fabr. Faun. Groenl.* p. 248.

"The specimens of this species, which were taken in a net to the northward of Low Island, are of a size intermediate between those figured by Müller and those obtained, during Captain Parry's Third Voyage, at Port Bowen. The spines along the back were hardly visible without the aid of a microscope; and the second pair of legs are inserted in the anterior part of the second segment of the body, and not in the centre of it, as in the plates referred to.