second gig. At 2.10 P.M. hove up dredge containing some pumice-stones, and stood in to within 1½ miles of the west side of Tristan da Cunha. At 3.50 P.M. sounded in 550 fathoms, Hard Ground (Station 135G). Put dredge over a third time, and veered 700 fathoms. At 5.45 P.M. the dredge was hauled on board containing several specimens. At this time the ship was close to the island, and for a moment the clouds, which had veiled the summit for the last few days, opened and revealed the whole island of Tristan da Cunha from its base to its snow-clad peak; a sketch of the same was obtained. At 6.15 P.M. made all plain sail and proceeded towards the Cape, with a favourable breeze from the N.W. Temperature of air at noon, 51°·8; mean for the day, 51°·6. Temperature of water:—

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The following species are recorded in the Zoological Reports from the vicinity of the Tristan da Cunha Islands; as it is almost impossible to give a separate list for each dredging, the various Stations are here combined, the depth given in the Reports being indicated:—

Animals from Tristan da Cunha.

Keratosa (Poléjaeff, Zool. pt. 31).

Coscinoderma altum, n.sp. One specimen (75 fathoms); obtained at no other locality.

Monaxonida (Ridley and Dendy, Zool. pt. 59).

Rhizochalina singaporensis (Carter) (?). Fragment (360 fathoms); obtained at no other locality by the Challenger. Recorded from Singapore and Torres Strait.

Gelliodes licheniformis (Lamarck). One specimen (60 fathoms?); obtained at no other locality by the Challenger.

Iophon pattersoni (Bowerbank). Numerous fragments (off Nightingale Island, depth not given); obtained also at Stations 308 and 311, 175 and 245 fathoms. Recorded from British Islands and Magellan Strait.

Agelas mauritianus (Carter). One specimen (60 fathoms?); obtained at no other locality by the Challenger. Recorded from Mauritius.

Axinella erecta (Carter). Eight specimens (90 to 150 fathoms); obtained also at Stations 145, 147, and 148, 310 to 1600 fathoms. Recorded from North Atlantic.

(?) paradoxa, n.sp. One specimen (90 fathoms); obtained at no other locality.