

in some measure recovered, I removed d him to my own cabin and attended on him as much as my duty would permit. I never saw a more interesting creature: ; his eyes have generally an expression of wildereness, and even madness, but there are moments when -, if anyone performs an act of kindness towards s him or does him any of the most trifling service, his whole countenance lights is lighted-up, as it were, with a beam of benevolence and sweetness that I never saw equalled. —But he is generally melancholy and despairing-dispairing, and sometimes he gnashes his teeth, as if impatient of the weight wait-of woes that oppresses him.

When my guest was a little recovered I had great trouble to keep off f the men, who wished to ask him a thousand questions; but I would not allow him to be tormented by their idle idel-curiosity when he was- in a state of body and mind whose restoration evidently depended upon entire repose. Once however, the Lieutenant-lieutenant asked why he had come so far upon the ice in so strange a vehicle.

His countenance instantly assumed an aspect of the deepest gloom and he replied, , "To~~to~~ seek one who fled from me."

"And did the man whom you pursued travel in the same fashion?"

"Yes."

"Then I fancy we have seen him, for the day before we picked you up we saw some dogs drawing a sledge, —with a man in it, across the ice."~~-~~

This aroused the stranger's~~s~~ attention, and he asked a multitude of questions concerning the route e which the demandemand, as he called him, had pursued. Soon after, when he was alone es with me, he said, "—I have, doubtless, excited your curiosity, as well as that of these good people ,~~s-~~ but you are to o considerate to make inquiries."