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The animal may be considered as an unusually large one, and the weight enormous. I have met with at two instances of larger bears having been killed, and they were by Barentz's crew at Cherrie Island.

Our prize was very fat, his colour a yellowish white, and the hair covered with a kind of sticky oil, which gave it a shining appearance, and made the hands feel very clammy after touching it. On opening the body most noisome effluvia filled the whole ship. The smell was very pungent, and quite different from any other I had ever experienced. The heart continued to beat on being taken out, although the animal had been three hours dead. Our seamen ate it without experiencing any of those bad effects which old northern navigators attribute to bear's flesh, which made a crew of Barentz' people "so sick that we expected they would have died, and their skins peeled off from head to foot." Having procured a large tub of blubber from the bear, the carcass was thrown overboard, and the two first wairuses we had seen, soon after made their appearance near us, probably attracted by the smell.

We continued beset all this day and night at about six miles from the Savage Islands. In the afternoon loud shouting was heard, and we knew that the Eskimaux were coming off to us, although we could not see them amongst the loose ice near the shore. A number of people were at length observed paddling along a lane of water which led to the Fury, and others were seen carrying their canoes over pieces of ice, and then launching them again. The nearer our visitors approached, the more vehement were their cries of joy and salutation. The loud "Hä, hä," resounded from all quarters; for our people again repeated it, to encourage the natives.

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