

to have the appearance of cream. Another dish soon followed, the principal article of which was also salmon-roe, with a large proportion of gooseberries, and an herb that appeared like sorrel. Having been regaled with these delicacies, for such they were considered by that hospitable spirit which provided them, we laid ourselves down to rest, with no other canopy than the sky, but I never enjoyed a more sound and refreshing rest, though I had a board for my bed, and a billet for my pillow."

These people indulge an extreme superstition respecting their fish, as it is apparently their only animal food. Flesh they never taste; and one of their dogs having picked and swallowed part of a bone which we had left, was beaten by his master till he had disgorged it. One of Mr. Mackenzie's people having thrown a bone of the deer in the river, a native who had observed the circumstance immediately dived and brought it up, and having consigned it to the fire, instantly proceeded to wash his polluted hands.

*Of their Treatment of the Sick.*

"At an early hour this morning," says Sir A. Mackenzie, "I was visited by the chief, in company with his son. The former complained of a pain in the breast; to relieve his suffering, I gave him a few drops of Turlington's balsam, on a piece of sugar. When he had taken my medicine, he requested me to follow him, and conducted me to a shed, where several people were assembled round a sick man, who was another of his sons. They immediately uncovered him, and shewed me a violent ulcer in the small of his back, in the foulest state that can be imagined. One of his knees was afflicted in the same manner. This unhappy man was reduced to a skeleton, and from his appearance was drawing near to an end of his pains. They requested