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pieces for distribution to those around her. I also re-
marked that the two sexes took their meal apart, the
men on the ice, the women sitting in their boats. At
midnight they all left us, so exhausted by their day's ex-
ertions, that they were quite unable either to scream or
laugh. The men paddled slowly away, and the women
rowed off with half their party asleep. A few went
only to a piece of floating ice astern, where they lay
down for the night, while the others made their way
to the shore, which was about eight miles distant.

During the whole time these people remained, they
appeared to place the most implicit confidence in the
honesty of our men, and when the canoes were hauled
up on the ice they left them unprotected, and wander-
ed about, without any fear that the iron or other arti-
cles which they contained should be stolen from them.
Some of our people took the canoes and paddled about,
to the great amusement of their owners, who feared
no damage being done to them.

During the time our people lay off in the boats,
they afforded much diversion, by calling the Newfound-
land dog to them, and making him fetch and carry.
This animal had at first caused some alarm by running
playfully after the children, and pulling their tails, but
the dread soon wore off. My black cat was considered
far more formidable animal, and I could persuade no
one to touch it.

A few instances of dishonesty occurred where iron
was neglected in view; but it is scarcely to be wonder-
ed that such a temptation should prove irresistible:
had small golden bars been thrown in the streets of
London, how would they have fared?

In drawing out this long account of one visit, my
prolixity may be excused, when I state, that it is
merely intended to amuse my own fire-side circle; yet,
plumorous as it is, I have withheld any account of the
nature, and general appearance of the people; or any
description of their boats and instruments, being certain
of seeing more of them. In the mean time, however,
may not be uninteresting to quote the brief but ac-