

Jakutsk, they change their direction, and turn a little towards the east, passing by the lakes of Jana and Indigirkan, and thus regaining their chosen place of residence.

Some scattered individuals, however, occasionally appear in less cold regions. Schwenckfeld has ranged this bird among those which are to be found in Silesia; and Marsigli has given a drawing of it in his History of the Danube. Brisson describes it after Schwenckfeld, under the name of the *Snow Goose*, which appellation may belong either to the whiteness of the bird, or to the region of ice and snow, which it inhabits from choice.

The hyperborean geese also make excursions to America, regulating themselves always by the quantity of food, and never wandering far from the north. They are seen in innumerable troops at Hudson's Bay; they appear also to frequent the opposite coasts, for Ellis says that he has seen them at Onalaska; but it may be presumed that they are not very numerous. The natives of Hudson's Bay, those of Kamstchatka, and many other people of the north, where rigorous frosts condense, perpetually, the earth, and do not permit it to thaw beyond one foot in depth, heap up, in spacious excavations, thousands of these geese, deprived