Family PROCELLARIDÆ.

This truly oceanic family is but feebly represented in the British seas, six or seven species being all that we enumerate; whereas with those frequenting the waters of the other parts of the globe they amount to double that number.

Genus Procellaria.

Frequents the British seas generally. Breeds on the island of St. Kilda in countless multitudes.

Genus Puffinus.

Three or four birds of this form frequent the seas of the British Islands, two of which have been figured, and there can be no doubt as to the propriety of so doing; but I may state that there are others occasionally found here which are not well understood, or have not been properly worked out. Having myself collected these birds round the entire globe, I could not fail to remark the vast number of species I met with. In my 'Birds of Australia' forty species are either figured or enumerated, and I feel assured that the list may be greatly added to on a closer research than I could give of the seas I had at that time (1838–41) the opportunity of traversing.

A bird which almost yearly visits the seas of the Land's End.

MANX SHEARWATER.

GREAT SHEARWATER.

Breeds commonly on one or more of the Scilly Islands; and, as it is also found here in winter, it may be considered a resident species.

Genus Æstrelata.

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Capped Petrel.

Has once been taken in England.