The Wandering Albatross, so solitary and aloof for most of its life, is an ardent bird, and courting continues, no less fervently, whilst the nest is being prepared and even after the egg is laid.

William Jameson, 1958

Wandering albatrosses ‘sky-pointing’

South Georgia will be remembered as journey’s end for a great British explorer, Sir Ernest Shackleton; and that alone is enough to ensure it of a place in history.

Duncan Carse, 1953

Unveiling the headstone on Shackleton’s grave, 1928

The only membership organisation for the island of South Georgia
If you were to take a giant carving-knife, slice along beneath one of the highest mountain ridges of Switzerland, just where the huge glaciers tumble into the valley below, and then drop your slice of mountain, dripping with sugar-icing, into the sea, I think you would get a fair idea of the place. For it is long and narrow, and everywhere the snow-covered mountains rise straight from the water, reaching, near the centre of the island, to a height of over 9,000 feet. Seen from afar on an early spring day, South Georgia is a breath-taking sight and one not easily forgotten.

Niall Rankin, 1946