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Polar humidity! Here we say, "It's not the heat, it's the humidity." In polar regions they say, "It's not the cold, it's the humidity." Due to the very low temperatures, the absolute amount of water vapor mixed with the air is very little, but that little causes much discomfort. Cameras and theodolites are left outside, because if they were brought indoors moisture would form on their insides, necessitating their being dried in an oven. The moisture from the body also causes trouble by its condensing and then freezing. Several pairs of socks are worn, then an inner sole of felt, and below that a layer of special grass which absorbs the moisture and keeps the feet dry.