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under it; we continued to run in with a plain View of the North Main, and saw several small Islands along the Shore, but no Openings or Inlets in the Main, which is a high mountainous continued Land. At seven we discovered the Ships, at a Quarter after ten the Long-boat arrived along Side the *California*.

In our Absence the Ship had taken in more Ballast, filled her Water, and was compleatly prepared for Sea. The sick People were somewhat amended, by their having Rest and fresh Provision; one of the Hands having killed two Deer on the Shore; they had seen several black Whales; and upon a Trial of the Tide, on the the third Day by a Pole set up, it flowed fourteen Feet six Inches, there being then a strong Wind from the Southward.

In the Disappointments in our foregoing Searches we always concluded that we should be made Amends by a Certainty of a Passage in *Wager* Streight: But *Wager* Water being now searched, and no Passage found, no one could then tell what to conclude on, or what Measures were to be next taken; but in a Council held on board the *California*, the Surgeon of the *Dobbs*, and the Draughtsman, questioned to the great Surprize of all who were in the Boats, whether there was not an Opening passed under the North Shore; the Captains expressed themselves satisfied to the contrary, but that there might be no Disputes

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