

38 min. N. At four the eastermost land in sight bore S. 9 leagues distant, and the East Cape N. 80 deg. W. three leagues. At half past five saw more land bearing S. 77 deg. E. so hauled farther off, our soundings being twelve fathom. At twelve it became squally with showers of sleet, our depth of water being thirteen fathom. In the course of the day we saw great numbers of brown sheerwaters, and some puffins and sea parrots.

The next day (Sept. 1st.) we had open cloudy weather, with slight showers of sleet. At half past two in the morning, we tacked and stood N. E. by E. At six we observed large flocks of birds flying past us, and at eight our soundings were sixteen fathom, with a black sandy bottom, the extremes of the land bearing S. E. by E. and S. W. our distance from shore being between three and four leagues, At four in the afternoon we were within seven miles of the land, which was moderately high and level, and without those