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It is of a moderate height, between four and five miles in circumference, with a steep rocky coast. It is situate in the latitude of 67° 45' north, about three leagues from the continent; and is distinguished in the chart by the appellation of Burney's Island. The inland country about this part abounds with hills, some of which are of consideratible elevation. The land in general was covered with snow, except a few spots on the coast, which still continued to be low, but somewhat less so than further towards the west.

During the two preceding days, the mean height of the mercury in the thermometer had been frequently below the freezing point, and, in general, very little above it; insomuch that the water in the vessels upon deck was often covered with a sheet office. We continued to steer south-southeast, almost in the direction of the coast, till five o'clock in the afternoon, when we saw land bearing south coast. We havied up for it without delay, and, at ten in the evening, being abreast of the eastern land, and doubtful of weathering it, we tacked, and made a board towards the west, till after one the next morning, (Tuesday the 1st of September) when we again made sail to the east. The wind was now very unsettled, continually varying from north to northeast. Between eight and nine, the eastern extremity of the land was at the distance of south, half south; and not long after we could discern the whole coast that lay between them, and a little island as some distance from it.