

Lieutenant's Journal August 10.

— wore Ship, the north Shore from N. E. to N.N.W. the nearest Distance four or five Leagues—the north Shore bearing from N. b. E. to E. b. N. kept as near the Shore as we could to see if there were any Openings or Passages in the Land—— continued sailing in sight of the main Land of the north Shore, quite from *Cape Hope*. Halled off to deepen our Water——I find by coasting along shore of the *Welcome* from the *Frozen Straits* to this Place (the Head Land in Latitude $63^{\circ} 20'$) that it is the main Land, though there are several small Islands and deep Bays. This Head Land, and the other in 64° Latitude, make a deep Bay. In our Passage out, we did not see the Bottom of it, as we have done since, and by keeping close in shore, we have seen several black Whales.

Affidavit of T. Towns.

The Captain had the Discovery at heart above all things; for he seem'd overjoy'd at every thing that seemed to promise it, and kept a constant Look out and Examination of all Shores, keeping sometimes eight and forty Hours upon Deck, at a time which must be very fatiguing in those Parts to a Man in his bad State of Health.

Affidavit of Ulrich Von Sobriek.

All the way between *Brook Coddam* and *Cape Dobbs*, they were sure of the main Land, and were never above three or four Leagues off the Land, except in one or two Places, where meeting with shoal Water, they laid to in the Night-time, that they might not pass any Place unseen, and stood in shore in the Day. Off the Head Land in Latitude $63^{\circ} 20'$, they were not two Leagues from Shore.

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