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had been of crockery ware. The crown fell on the
 ce, from whence we launched it as soon as possible
 nto the sea, lest, as it was painted with the ship's
 ame, it should, on being driven to sea, give rise to
 ome unpleasant conjectures. Our troubles, even now,
 ere not at an end, for we soon perceived a large berg,
 hich had once before threatened us, coming to the
 hip very rapidly, while any attempt to avoid it would
 ave been of no avail. When at about half a mile dis-
 ant a large fragment was detached, and fell with a loud
 nd, at that time, no very agreeable noise. By 4
 . m. it had passed close astern of us. Its height, we
 upposed, was about 150 feet. In the course of the
 forenoon the ice carried us gradually off the shore, and
 urther from it than the Fury, who was now as far west
 f us as she had been east on the preceding morning.

On the forenoon of the 8th we were carried to the
 ame point as on the 6th, and had, if possible, a nar-
 ower escape. A large floe, to which we were fast,
 ad acquired a rotary motion, and by this means the
 hip and it were exposed by turns to the danger. Mr.
 ife came down from the crow's nest, and very quietly
 old me we should be on shore immediately, as he saw
 he rocks close to us. Our former favouring current,
 owever, again swept us out of danger. In the after-
 noon we joined the Fury, and, making fast to the same
 floe, were both close beset for seven days. During
 his long period we saw two ships under Resolution
 island on the 13th, also beset, and on the 14th, a third
 oined them.

In the forenoon of the 15th we made a little pro-
 gress, but were again beset, and made fast to a small
 berg, under the lee of which was a small space of open
 water, as is generally the case with these bodies; for
 n consequence of their great draught, the floes and
 comparatively light ice soon drive past them, so that a
 hip is sometimes left in clear water whilst hanging on
 o one. This was a remark of Captain Parry in his
 ast voyage, and we had in the present frequently seen
 the same effects from large flees. During the first