

the tables of the several observations, and the memorandum relating to the charts in the Appendix. With the hope of making the charts in some degree interesting to the geologist, as well as to the seaman and geographer, I have inserted in them a brief notice of the geological character of the lands we had an opportunity of examining; and some pains have been taken to deduce and delineate, from the numerous Esquimaux sketches, such parts of the coast as those people are acquainted with, but to which our own efforts have not hitherto enabled us to obtain access. It having been suggested that the delineation of ice upon a chart gives it a confused appearance, while it conveys the idea of a fixed rather than of a constantly moving body, it has now been altogether omitted, except in one or two instances, where the description given of its position in the Narrative may by this means be illustrated and explained.

The sketches of lands were principally made by Mr. Bushnan, such views being selected by myself as appeared most striking, or best calculated to elucidate the descriptions given of the coast. Some were, however, taken by Captain Lyon, to whom the Public is indebted for all the other drawings of every description. Of the merit of these interesting performances it would be presumptuous in me to offer an opinion; but I cannot deny myself the pleasure of bearing testimony to the obliging readiness with which Captain Lyon has always attended to my suggestions on this subject, as well as to the eagerness and assiduity with which he seized on every opportunity of exercising his pencil, which so monotonous and unpicturesque a voyage presented. The drawings were soon after our arrival put into the hands of Mr. Edward Finden, with whose abilities as an artist the Public is already well acquainted; it is hoped that the manner in which they