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It extends from lat. 50. to 63. N. and from long. 51. to 79. W. It is nearly of a triangular form. We have no knowledge at all of its inland parts, and but an imperfect one of its coasts. The extreme poverty and brutal fierceness of the people dwelling near the sea-shore, with the very pinching coldness of the climate, have deterred the Europeans from making any settlements there. This country is inhabited by a fierce and savage people, called *ESKIMAUX*, which see.

Not long ago a new sea or streight was discovered on the western side of this land from Hudson's bay. But whether it be only a gulph, or communicates with Hudson's bay, or the North sea, is a point not yet ascertained. All that we find from the best maps, is, that the entrance into that sea lies between lat. 58. and 59. N. But Charlevoix's map of Hudson's bay has not this new sea.

TERRA FIRMA, a kingdom of South America. It begins northwards at the river of Darien, and stretching itself along by Nombre de Dios, Bocas de Toro, Bahia del Almirante, is terminated westward by the river de los Dorados in the North sea. Towards the South sea, beginning on the western part, it extends from Punta Gorda in Costa Rica, by Punta de Mariatos, Morro de Puercos, to the gulph of Darien, whence it continues southward along the coast, by Puerto de Pinas and Morro Quemado, to the bay of St. Bonaventura. Its length from E. to W. is 180 leagues; but if measured along the coast, it exceeds 230; and its breadth from N. to S. is the same with that of the isthmus, including