

ly 27°7 north lat., and 41° 37 west long., on the meridian of Washington.

was beginning to rise above the horizon.

were standing together on the poop

said Lieutenant Bronsfield at last

minutes past one in the morning) Lieutenant Bronsfield was preparing to leave the watch and return to his cabin, when his attention was attracted by a distant hissing noise. His comrades and himself first thought that this hissing was caused by the letting off of steam ; but lifting their heads, they found that the noise was produced in the highest regions of the air. They had not time to question each other before the hissing ly there appeared to their dazzled eyes an enormous meteor, ignited by the rapidity of its course and its friction

ed close to the stem, and buried itself in the waves with a deafening roar



appeared, half dressed, and rushing on to the forecastle-deck, whither all the officers had hurried, exclaimed, "With your permission, gentlemen, what has

the projectile of the Gun Club. As to

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