afforded over all, though the bulwarks were some protection. A smooth place under the lea of the vessel toward the shore was favorable for the passengers getting off. Having started with Mrs Hasty on a plank--he started--swimming behind & pushing her before & they landed about 11 o’clock without any assistance for He complained of a sore chest produced by the sea throwing the plank against him. This was a heroic exploit, and proves a strength & courage which few at this distance can appreciate. They completed [about] the 1st eight that got ashore. He staid on shore till the vessel went to pieces and was the last of the crew to leave it the spot. (He said that) the fishermen had not courage enough to launch the lifeboat--that they might have launched it without risk of life, he had seen a whale boat launched a in as rougher sea. If it had been the as [ ]
coast of England they would all have been saved. The men sat for an hour or two on the side of the boat, now doing nothing, but now & then picking up a hat that came ashore. He was at this time the only one of the crew on the shore. / They did not be-