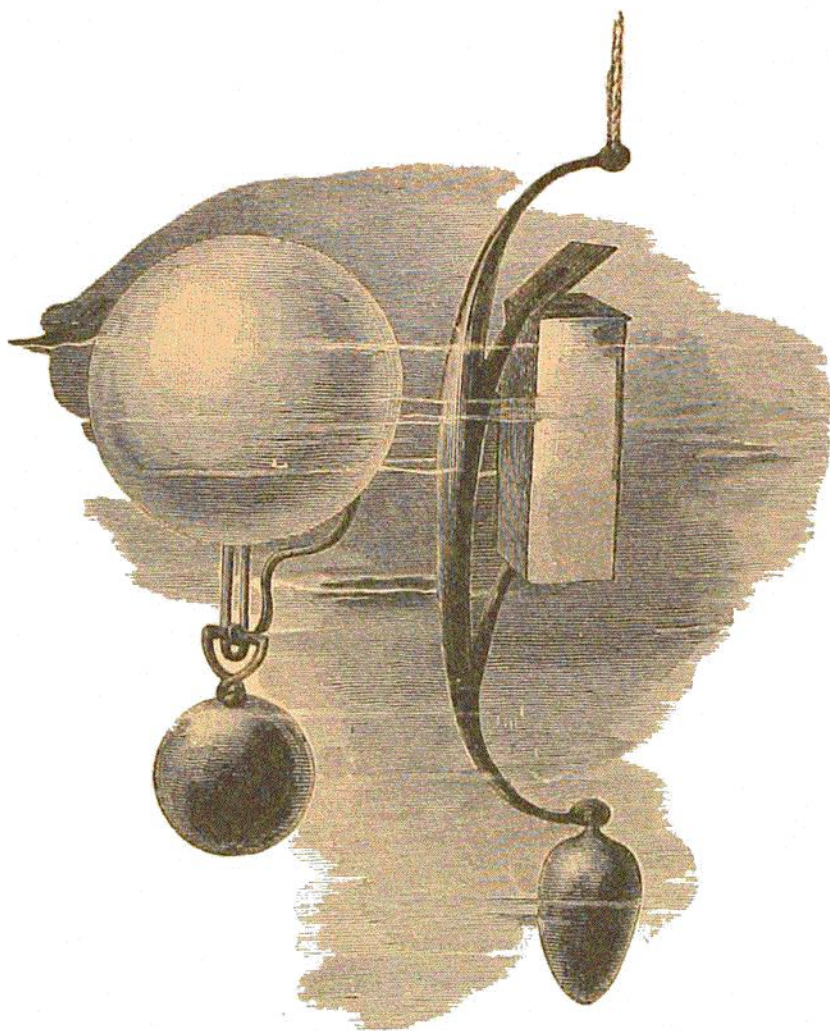


the depth and steepness of the sounds between the Faroe Islands, the great depth at which the seaward extension of the fjords in Iceland cut the marine shelf, the submergence of shell banks between Iceland and Jan Mayen referred to by Nansen, all point to the same conclusion. In all probability there was either land connection with Greenland during the glacial period, or a confluent ice barrier which prevented the Gulf Stream from flowing into the Polar basin and deflected it towards the south.

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HOOKE'S SOUNDING MACHINE AND WATER-BOTTLE, 1667.
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