

## REVIEW.

“PRELIMINARY REPORT ON A COLLECTION OF MEDUSÆ FROM THE COAST OF BRITISH COLUMBIA AND ALASKA,” by Louis Murbach and Cresswell Shearer. *Annals & Mag. Nat. Hist.*, 7th series, Vol. 9, No. 49, pp. 71-73. Jan., 1902.

In the summer of 1900 Cresswell Shearer, Esq., accompanied by Prof. MacBride of McGill University, in a trip along the coast of British Columbia, and collected a number of species of Medusæ, to which additions were made by Prof. Kincaid of Seattle. The list of species identified include the following :—

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| 1. <i>Codonium apiculum</i> , sp. n.    | 9. <i>Hippocrene Mertensii</i> .          |
| 2. <i>Turris brevicornis</i> , sp. n.   | 10. <i>Thaumantias cellularia</i> .       |
| 3. <i>Gonionemus Agassizii</i> , sp. n. | 11. <i>Probosciodactyla brevicirata</i> . |
| 4.     " <i>vertens</i> , sp. n.        | 12. <i>Phialidium languidum</i> .         |
| 5. <i>Polyorchis inuta</i> , sp. n.     | 13. <i>P. gregarium</i> .                 |
| 6. <i>Mesonema victoria</i> , sp. n.    | 14. <i>Muggiæa Kochii</i> , one of the    |
| 7. <i>Syndictyon angulatum</i> .        | <i>SIPHONOPHORA</i>                       |
| 8. <i>Dipurena dolichogaster</i> .      |   |

Four additional species are recorded from the same coast, but with some doubt as to identity owing to the imperfect mode of preservation of the material examined. These include :

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| <i>a. Sarsia eximia.</i>   | <i>b. S. rosaria.</i>       |
| <i>c. Atollia Bairdii.</i> | <i>d. Obelia polystyla.</i> |

The descriptions of the five new species are then given. This paper opens up a most interesting field of research in the invertebrate fauna of the west coast.

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