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PRELIMINARY NOTE ON NEW SPECIES OF SPONGES FROM THE QUEBEC GROUP AT LITTLE MÉTIS.

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Little Métis Bay presents a good section of rocks of the Quebec Group, including sandstones, slates and conglomerates similar to those which characterise this series of beds along the south shore of the St. Lawrence. These beds have afforded a species of Retiolites, allied to or identical with R. ensiformis of Hall', worm-burrows of various forms, including a spiral form similar to Arenicolites spiralis, and radiating markings of the kind elsewhere known as Astropolithon. A small species of Obolella also occurs, resembling O. Ida of Billings. In the conglomerates are limestone boulders, holding fragments of Trilobites of the genus Solenopleura and other fossils; but these seem to be of Middle Cambrian age, or considerably older than the beds in which they occur.

There can be no doubt, from the stratigraphical position

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Identified by Prof. Lapworth.