

III. ROBIN (*Merula Migratoria*).—While snow-shoeing in the vicinity of Billings's Bridge on the 2nd of January, Mr. C. H. Young saw a robin flitting about near a running stream. Having identified the bird he continued his way; but on the following day in order to convince sceptical members of the Club he shot it. It proved to be a young male bird in fair condition. One of the legs, however, had a swelling at the first joint and was quite stiff, which may have detained him here when his fellows went south.

BERMUDA: LIFE BENEATH THE WATERS.*

There is probably no part of the globe in which a greater variety or more excellent quality of fish abounds, than in the waters bordering the shores of Bermuda. It is asserted that as many as 168 varieties have been observed there, most conspicuous amongst which for its beauty is the "Angel Fish," of a cerulean blue, peculiar shape, and at the same time esteemed as a table delicacy, tho' to a naturalist the idea of eating so beautiful a creature would be akin to cooking a Bird of Paradise. The "Yellow Tail" is pale azure on the back and pearly white below, with broad bands of yellow along each side. The "Spotted Snapper" also carries these yellow bands, but its body is white, fins rosy pink with an oval patch of black on each flank, whilst another variety has yellow fins and scarlet spots. The "Red Snapper," "Bream," "Grunt," "Rockfish," "Mullet," "Porgie," "Gruper," "Sennet," "Hogfish," "Amberfish," besides many others, are daily to be seen as the fishing-boats come in, and are well worthy of notice.

The large Aquarium on the Battery in New York City possesses numerous specimens of Bermuda fish, and there is every reason to hope that before long a Biological station may be established on the Bermudas similar to the institution now in operation at Wood's Hole Massachusetts, the joint action of which embracing as it would either side of the waters of the

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