

Through the kindness of Dr. W. C. McIntosh, of Perth, an eminent authority on this group, the marine worms of the St. Lawrence are in a fair way of being worked up. The whole of the specimens dredged during the last three summers, filling about 200 bottles, have been forwarded to him.

In the April No. of the *Annals of Natural History*, Dr. McIntosh has published the result of his studies on those Canadian specimens which belong to the first six families in the classification proposed by Malmgren. The general results are that 19 species have been determined, of which six are new to science. These latter have been described and figured in the *Journal* previously mentioned.

With the assistance of Mr. S. I. Smith, of Yale College, who has identified most of the Amphipods and the more critical among the Decapods, most of the crustaceans recently collected have been determined. 56 species have been added to our local lists, several of which are Norwegian forms, not hitherto met with on the American coast. One of these is a curious new generic type collected in the deep sea mud, and described in a recent number of the *American Journal of Science and Arts*. The few fishes collected at great depths, some of them of great interest, and including about 10 species, have been studied and labelled.

Extensive exchanges have been made with Professors Verrill and S. I. Smith, and in this way about 120 species collected in dredgings under the auspices of the U. S. Fish Commission, have been obtained. All of these are carefully named. The whole series has been put into a fresh set of bottles, and re-labelled.

The new case for alcoholic preparations mentioned by the Chairman of Council now contains 250 species of N. American marine invertebrates, each in a separate bottle labelled with the proper locality and name of the object it contains. In addition to this, there are about 150 bottles (or jars) full of various marine animals dredged in the Gulf, which have yet to be studied. Before leaving this topic, it may be as well to mention that an article giving a condensed account of the zoological results of last summers investigations has been published in *Silliman's Journal* for March last, and that a more detailed account of the observations made, has been submitted as a report to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries for the Dominion Government. This is now in type and will shortly be issued. The subject has