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### FISH SCIENTISTS AT NANAIMO.

THE following notes were made by Prof. Jordan, one of a party of American scientists who recently investigated the fishing banks in Nanaimo Bay:—

The Albatross has dredged in Nanaimo Bay at a depth of about 40 fathoms and more. It has dredged the halibut bank opposite St. Mary's Mission in 12 to 30 fathoms and in the Straits of Georgia, between, at a depth of 250 fathoms, or more than a quarter of a mile. The life was scanty in all these localities. On the halibut banks was found a complete mass of sponges, with prawns in their cavities. The halibut doubtless on these prawns. Three new specimens of fishes were found, one on the halibut bank, the other in deep water. Neither is large enough to be of value as food. The following species of fishes have been taken about Nanaimo Bay by the Albatross:

I. Share Fishes.—*Oncorhynchus* Kisutch, the silver salmon; *chimaera* colliciei, rat-fish; *squalus* sucklin, dog-fish; *ovithopsetta* sordida, left-handed flounder; *lipidopsetta* bilineata, rough flounder; *sevastodes* melanops, dark brown rock fish; *gastemtern* catophractus, stickle-back; *ammodytes* personatus, sand lance.

II. In Moderate Water.—(Dredged in 20 to 50 fathoms). *Raja* finoculata, barn door skate; *tarandicheltrys*, filamentous, tarandichitrys tennis, radulum asprellus, malacocottus zornurns, rhamphocottus richardsorie (all these are sculpins), *sevastodes* diploproa, *sevastodes* (new series: these two are red rock cod), *xeneretums* tnacanthus, the sea poacher; *ronquitus* jordani, the ronquil; *lyopsetta* exilis, the weak flounder.

III. Deep Sea Fishes.—(Dredged in 200 fathoms). *Bathyagonus* nigipinnis, the black-fin sea poacher; *paroliparis*, new species, the water sea snail; *furcimanus* diaptera, fork-finned wolf eel; *malacocattus* (new species), a soft-bodied sculpin.

The collection of invertebrates, shrimps, prawns, sea urchins, star-fish, sea worms, lamp shells, etc., is very considerable and valuable, including numerous rare forms, some of them perhaps new to science.

### THE BANK OF MONTREAL.

THE Bank of Montreal has issued the following statement of the results of the business of the bank for the year ending April 30th, 1903:—

Balance of profit and loss account 30th April, 1902	\$ 165,856 00
Profits for the year ended 30th April, 1903, after deducting charges of management, and making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts	1,813,483 66
Premiums on new stock	965,468 00
	<u>\$2,944,807 75</u>
Dividend 5 per cent., paid 1st December, 1902	\$600,000 00
Dividend 5 per cent., payable 1st June, 1903	620,000 00
	<u>1,220,000 00</u>
Amount credited to rest account	1,000,000 00
	<u>\$ 724,807 75</u>

### TRADE IN CANADA.

Ottawa, June 13.—The trade returns for the eleven months of the fiscal year ending Wednesday, May 31st, show an increase in the aggregate trade of the Dominion of \$38,371,462. The total trade for that time has now reached