

Tropical Fish Off Nova Scotia: Ottawa, Jan. 6 (CP) -- Strange fish have been turning up in the nets of Canada's east coast fishermen.

The Fisheries Department said today that one of its research vessels, the Investigator 2, had taken 22 specimens of blue hake from Newfoundland waters last summer for the first time in history.

Also, the Department added in a statement, fishermen had found among their cod and redfish catches such rare types as the deep sea eel, the dollarfish, lantern fishes, viper fishes, grenadiers and spiny eels.

Farther south, off the coast of Nova Scotia, some types of tropical fish have appeared. These include the white shark and tarpon, which seldom before have ventured so far north.

The Department said discovery of these tropical specimens coincides with reports of higher temperatures in the north Atlantic and the fact that large catches of cod are now being made regularly far to the north in the Davis Strait, off Greenland.

Exploratory work carried out by the Investigator 2 showed excellent supplies of cod on the Hamilton Inlet bank off southern Labrador, a region fished extensively by European vessels but as yet not at all by Newfoundland trawlers. This bank also yielded good catches of American plaice, the report said.

Various methods of fishing also were tested by the Investigator 2. The famed dory fishing of the past is all but extinct, the statement said, and its place has been taken by the schooner system.

Duke Of Edinburgh's B.C. Visit: Vancouver, Jan. 6 (CP) -- The Duke of Edinburgh will arrive in British Columbia from London Aug. 1 for an eight-day visit that will include at least four appearances at the British Empire Games.

Details of the itinerary were announced by Stan Smith, chairman of the games which open here July 31. The Duke will begin the visit with a formal call on Government officials at Victoria Aug. 1 and will inspect the naval base at Esquimalt the following day.

Across Canada: The first professional stock company established in its own theatre in Toronto in more than two decades held its opening performance Tuesday night. The Murray and Donald Davis company presented Gordon Daviot's Richard of Bordeaux at the Crest Theatre.... The 95th running of the Queen's Plate will be held Saturday, June 12, it was announced by the Ontario Jockey Club. It is the latest date in history the 1 1/8-mile classic has been held.... Mr. Gordon Osler of Winnipeg, president of Western Pipelines Ltd., said today his company is anxious to co-operate in an amalgamation of competing plans for a trans-Canada natural gas pipeline from Alberta. Mr. Osler was conferring Wednesday with Mr. Howe.