TO SEEK SOLUTION OF SALMON MYSTERY

Protection Cruiser Kestrel Takes Prof. Prince to West Coast

(From Friday's Daily.) Prof. Prince, chairman of the fisheries commission, left on the steamer Kestrel yesterday afternoon to engage in deep sea dredging and other fisheries investigations of a scientific nature in the vicinity of the Vancouver Island coast and expects to make some discoveries about what has hitherto been one of the most baffling mysteries of the Pacific coast fisheries—the movements of the salmon. The conditions of the various runs of salmon may be ascertained and some idea gleaned as to when and where the sal-mon go after they leave the spawning grounds to return long afterwards to

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What becomes of the salmon after the fish leaves the rivers has never been determined On various occasions young salmon turned out from hatcheries have been marked for the purpose of showing that they returned to the rivers where they were spawned. R. D. Hume, a pioneer canneryman, of Rogue river, Oregon, states that some young salmon marked by him returned four years later weighing from 20 to 35 pounds.

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These things have been shown, but the mystery of the salmon which has hitherto baffied observers, is what becomes of the salmon is the time intervening from when it goes to sea and returns to the river. Where do they spend the intervening time between the grilse stage and that when they return as adult salmon? That is the mystery which may be solved wholly, or in part, by the scientific work in which Prof. Prince will engage on board the fishery protection cruiser Kestrel. Some experts have said that the habitat of the salmon is the sea not far from the mouth of the river where they are hatched, but in the case of the sockeye hatched on the Fraser the habitat of these fish must be at least several hundred miles away from the river as the run has been traced from the open Pacific up the straits and across the Gulf of Georgia to the Fraser river. One cannery man in giving his reasons for stating that the habitat of the salmon is the sea contiguous to the river where the fish was hatched said the rapid growth of the salmon is not promoted by violent exercise, and to attain it, food must be abundant and easily obtainable, and nowhere is food found in such abundance as at the mouths of the Pacific coast salmon streams, for to them in their regular seasons come herring, smelt, sardines and other small fish in

in half a mile of the ocean. This was in December, and the following April he began taking them again, and although not quite healed from the bruises received in the ripening ponds they were fat and plump. There was no possible chance for a mistake, as the salmon were carefully marked. During the season he caught nearly all that had been returned to the sea after being used as spawners. Mr. Hume argues that if a salmon were turned out in December, sick and sore, hardly able to propel itself, and returned four months later plump and fat, it would seem conclusive evidence that no great journey had been acthat no great journey had been ac-complished during the intervening

time.

The deep sea dredging operations of Prof. Prince will, of course, not be confined to ascertaining information with regard to salmon life. He expects to be able to gain information with regard to salmon life. He expects with regard to deep sea fisheries and fish life generally in British Columbia waters.

FINDS NEW FISH OFF VANCOUVER ISLAND

Species of Mackerel Has Been Discovered by Inspector Taylor

E. G. Taylor, Dominion fishery inspector, who has been visiting some of the salmon traps on the island coast contiguous to Victoria, found a new species of fish, not noticed previously in this vicinity at the Gordon trap of J. H. Todd & Sons, near Sooke. The fish is of the mackerel species. Some specimens are being 'secured for the federal fisheries inspector by the trapmen 'and it is probable that some gelatine casts will be made for the museum.

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Mr. Taylor says that preparations are being commenced for the herring fishery at Nanaimo, which is expected to be very successful this season. He says the arrival of Mr. Cowle and the Scotch herring girls who came to Nanaimo some seasons ago to instruct the local fishermen with regard to the packing of herring did much to aid the industry, which is growing considerably. Large consignments are sent yearly to the Orient and to other growing markets.

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