

# THE NATURAL HISTORY OF LABRADOR.

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The following article, entitled "Notes on the Natural History of Labrador," appeared in the 6th volume of the Proceedings of the United States National Museum, published at Washington, D. C., in 1883, and occupying the pages 111 to 137. I am aware of so few additions to the list, excepting among the Birds, that I reprint with but slight revision. The Birds are treated of separately and at length, in my pamphlet "Bird Life in Labrador." The article entitled "List of the Crustacea Dredged on the Coast of Labrador by the Expedition under the Direction of W. A. Stearns, in 1882," occupied pages 218 to 222; the "Review of the Marine Crustacea of Labrador" pages 223 to 232; the "Catalogue of Mollusca and Echinodermata Dredged on the Coast of Labrador by the Expedition under the Direction of Mr. W. A. Stearns, in 1882," pages 236 to 247 of the same volume.

The one hundreds copies furnished me by the Museum were used up in almost immediate distribution. Special calls of late have decided me to reprint, these four articles at least, under one title.

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There has been much contention between the two great powers, France and England, as to who first discovered this great peninsula of Labrador. It was certainly visited by Sebastian Cabot in 1499; and more or less explored by the Portuguese Cortereal, who, it is supposed, named it.