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11.—RESULTS OF EXPLORATIONS IN WESTERN CANADA AND THE NORTH-WESTERN UNITED STATES.

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INTRODUCTION.

During August and part of Soptember, 1892, I made a series of collections of fishes between Winnipeg and Vancouver in Canada, and between Umatilla, Oregon, and Poplar, Montana, in the United States. Collections were made at 25 different places distributed as follows: 5 stations in the basin of the Red River of the North, I in the basin of Lake Manitoba, 6 in the Saskatchewan basin, 7 in the Columbia basin, 4 in the Fraser basin, and 2 in the Missouri basin. I thus collected material for a comparison of the fish faunas of the streams flowing into Hudson Bay and into the Gulf of Mexico on the Atlantic slope, and into Paget Sound and into the Columbia on the Pacific slope. The conclusions based on my observations are, of course, merely tentative, for many other species will probably be found in the streams examined.

Nineteen stops were made in Canada along a line which runs nearly west from Winnipeg, i.e., along the Canadian Pacific railway. On the Atlantic slope Lootlected from an elevation of 700 feet at Winnipeg to an elevation of 4,500 feet at Banff, in the Rocky Mountains Park, and on the Pacific slope from an elevation of 4,050 feet at Field to 300 feet at Umatilla on the Columbia system, and from 1,900 feet at Griffin Lake to tide water at Mission in the Fraser system.

The streams on the Atlantic side in Canada belong to one river system, since the Red River and the Saskatchewan are united in Lake Winnipeg and there is a direct communication between the Qu'Appelle River and the Saskatchewan.* I was informed that a similar relation exists between the headwaters of the Saskatchewan and the Milk River, thus connecting the Winnipeg system with the Mississippi system. The connection is said to lie in a marshy meadow to the west of the Cypress Hills; and should this be a fact, the Mississippi, Saskatchewan, and Columbia twould form one gigantic water system similar to that formed by the Orinoco, Amazon, and La Plata, with the difference that the Pacific slope is included in the North American system. The great similarity of the fauna of the Saskatchewan to that of the Missouri lends

^{*} H. Youle Hind, Canadian Red River and Assiniboine and Saskatchewan Expedition (London, 1860), p. 355; "We soon found a pond from which we observed water flowing to the Saskatchewan and the Assiniboine. The pend is fed by a number of springs and small streams, a feet or two bread, issning from the sand hills at right angles to the valley."

t For a full and interesting account of the connection between the headwaters of Snake River and the Yellowstone, see Evermann, Report of the Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries respecting the establishment of fish-cultural stations in the Rocky Mountain region and Gulf States, p. 22, 1892.

color to the claimed connection between these two systems. The connection between the Missouri and the Columbia has scarcely affected the distribution of fishes.

The region from Winnipeg to Calgary is very much like any section in the United States from the Mississippi to the Rockies. The slope for the most part is imperceptible and the country is level or slightly rolling. A large part is prairie, the rest is covered with low shrubs. The rivers have usually worn a narrow valley below the general surface, and their banks are nearly always quite abrupt and very muddy. From Calgary the ascent is rapid and the streams become mountain torrents.

On the Pacific slope the streams are all swift, and from Field to the Columbia the descent is very rapid. The Columbia is navigable from Golden up, but below Golden there are many rapids. This river makes a long preschoe bend towards the north, and when the railway strikes it again at Revelston the river is 1,000 feet lower and again navigable.

I received much valuable information and many courtesies from Mr. McQueen, inspector of fisheries for Manitoba; from Mr. W. Hill, of Winnipeg; Mr. Amedée E. Forget, of the Canadian Indian department; Capt. Harper, of the Canadian mounted police, and Mr. G. A. Stewart, superintendent of the Rocky Mountains Park of Canada.

Finally, I must acknowledge my indebtedness to Dr. Albert Günther, of the British Museum, at whose suggestion and expense the explorations were undertaken.

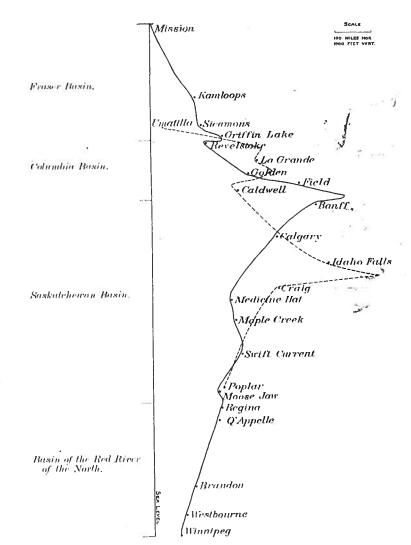
STATIONS WHERE COLLECTIONS WERE MADE.

In the following list I give the names of the places visited by me in their regular succession, the name of the river examined, the system to which it belongs, and, as far as I have been able to determine, the elevation of each locality. All the elevations of Canadian points have been taken from the levels of the Canadian Pacific Railroad. Plate 5 illustrates the relation of these stations to each other.

| Station. | Elevation. | Stream. | River system. |
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| Canada, Atlantic slope; Winning Westbourne Brandon Qu Appelle Regina Mooso Jaw Chaplia Swift Current Maple Greek Modfeine Hat Galgar Banif | *780 1, 150 *1, 700 1, 875 1, 725 2, 400 (7) 3, 800 2, 150 2, 200 | Red River of the North. White Mud. Assimborne QW'Appelle Lacawana Creek Moose Jaw Old Wives Lake Swift Current Maple Creek Saskatchewan How and Fibew How and Fibew How and Vermillion | Manitoha Lake Red River. Do. Do. Do. Saskatchewan. Do. Do. |
| Canada, Pacific slope; Field Golden Revelstoke Griffin Lako Steumons Kandrops Mission | 4, 050 2, 550 1, 475 1, 900 1, 300 1, 158 | Ricking Horse Kicking Horse and Columbia Columbia Griffin Lake Thompson River Firser | Columbia. Do. Do. Fracer. |
| Juited States: Umatilia La Grande Caldwell Idahe Palls Craig Poplar | 300 2,786 2,372 4,712 13,438 11,060 | Umatilla Creek and Columbia Grand Roude | Columbia. Do. Do. Missouri. Do. |

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RELATIVE LONGITUDINAL AND ALTITUDINAL POSITIONS OF THE POINTS WHERE COLLECTIONS WERE MADE

The continuous line represents the Canadian points. The river basins to which these points belong are indicated beneath the sendevel line. The broken line connects the United States points. All those west of the highest point belong to the Columbia Basin; all those to the right belong to the Missouri Basin.

UNITED STATES.

The region about Umatilla is a rolling prairie. The banks of the Columbia River are sandy and gravelly. The Umatilla River is small and empties into the Columbia. About its month is an estuary with a soft may be be be be better and with from 2 to 3 feet depth of water. The mud and some waterweeds usually filled the net so that it was difficult to pick out the fish, especially as it was necessary to collect after dark. The most important discovery of the season was made at this point. Columbia transmontana shows in a striking way the modification of the fins of the Pacific slope fishes. In this case it has found expression in the strong spines at the origin of the anal and the dorsal fins.

The Grand Ronde River is a tributary of the Snake. At La Grande it is a small stream with a few deep holes. It is dammed near the town for milling purposes, is full of angular pieces of lava, and seining is almost impossible. Below the dam large numbers of Annocates were found dead.

About Caldwell the country is a level plateau, treeless except along the river banks. The Boise River, which is a swift stream about 100 feet or less in width, is dammed at various places to divert the water into irrigating ditches. There are level stretches in the river, alternating with swift riffles.

At Idaho Falls the Snake River has worn a narrow gorge through the lava, and is a flerce torrent in which seining was out of the question. Fortunately a small stream has been diverted for a mill, and in this I obtained probably a complete series of the fishes of this region. The country is still a level valley with mountain ranges at a distance on either side.

Soon after leaving Idaho Falls the continental divide is crossed. The first station at which I made collections was Craig, Mont., on the Missouri. This river is here about 150 feet, wide, a clear, cold, rapid stream with gravel bottom and full of Coregonus williamsoni and Platygobio gravilis. Fishing was conflued chiefly to the slough formed at the mouth of a small creek entering from the eastern side.

At Poplar the Missouri is a swift, muddy stream, probably 200 yards or more wide. Poplar River is also muddy and partakes of the nature of the prairie streams near Winnipeg; that is, its banks are composed of soft mud. It seemed nowhere over 5 feet deep, and in many places it was only a foot deep.

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NOTES ON THE FISHES COLLECTED.

1. Ammoordes tridentatus (Gairdner). This species ascends the rivers to spawn. At La Grande the Grand Ronde, a small stream 5 or 6 yards wide, is domined for milling purposes. Just below the dam a large number of this species were noticed in all stages of decay. Some had evidently died the preceding night. The overies of those taken at this place were large, but the eggs were quite small. Whether the "cels" had spawned and died, or whether the specimens were left stranded. I am unable to state. All the specimens were about 1800 mm. long. At Caldwell I secured a large number of the young of this species. The largest of these measured 60 mm. In their habits the young very much resemble Branchinstona. They burrow in the sand near the margin of the stream. If they are disturbed they will come out of the sand a few centimeters from the place of disturbance. The small ones were produced by throwing the sand on the banks, whereupon they would squirm out and equil by secured.

2. Acipenser sturio Linuaus. This species is common at Winnipeg and in the lakes to the north.

I precured a single specimen 96 num. long. It has the upper part of the shout black, a black spot on the sides above the posterior third of pecterals, and another below the dorsal; 5

narrower dusky band connects these and extends to the tip of the fail,

3. Noturus flavus Rafinesque. A number of specimens of this species (150 to 250 mm. long) were obtained with book and line at night in the Missouri River at Craig, Mont. This seems to be the most western record for any members of the Silaridae. They were reported to me at Medicine Hat, but I did not procure any specimens at that place. Prof. Evermann reports none in his explorations in Montana and Wyoming. It has hitherto been supposed that the members of this family do not ascend to the mountains. None have been found indigenous to the Pacific slope. In the larger specimens the two maxillary barbels reach the bage of the pectorals. There is uniformly a white spot on the back just at the base of and behind the last dorsal ray.

4. Iotalurus punotatus Rafinesque. Winnipeg. Exceedingly abundant in the Red River, where it is caught in great numbers, especially at night. It frequently reaches a length of about 750 mm. It was reported to me at Brandon, but it cannot be abundant at that place, since none were said to have been caught there since 1883. A cattlish was also called to my attention.

at Medicine Hat, but from the description it must be a Noturus.

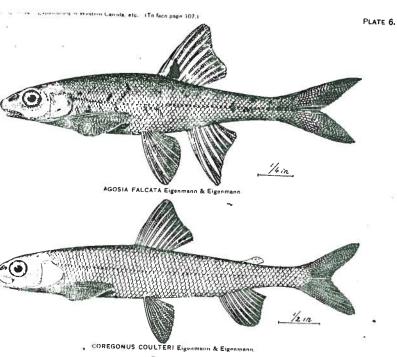
5. Ictiobus cyprinella (Cuvier & Valenciennes). Winnipeg. Two specimens, the largest 760 mm.

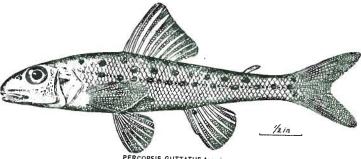
 Carpiodes velifer (Rafinesque). Winnipeg. Brandon, Medicine Hat, Poplar. I can detect no differences between the specimens from Winnipeg and some taken in the Ohio River at Gincinnati.

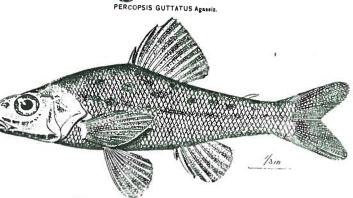
7. Pantosteus jordani Evermann.

(Pantostens columbianus Eigenmann & Eigenmann, Am. Nat., Feb., 1893.)

8. Catostomus catostomus (Forster). Winnipeg, Swift Current, Medicine Hat, Calgary, Banff, Golden, and Revelstoke. Ascends streams to spawn. Is said to be very abundant at Winnipeg during the winter. Only a single specimen, the first of the senson, was taken during my stay. As will be seen from the above localities, the species extends across the Rockies. A specimen of catostomus 290 mm. long, from Golden, on the Columbia River, differs in only a few minor details from a specimen of Catostomus acatostomus of about the same size, the origin of which is not known. A series of larger specimens will probably show perfect intergradation. In the Golden specimen the eye is more anterior than in the other; and this feature changes all the proportions of the head. The size of the eye is the same in both; (§ in the length of the head, 2 in the posterbilal pertion in the Golden specimen (24-3 in the other), about 2§ in the smout (34); middle of head behind anterior margin of pupil (at anterior







COLUMBIA TRANSMONTANA Eigenmann & Eigenmann.

margin of eye); depth of head greater than length of smout plus eye (depth of head less than snout plus eye); scales of breast obscure, imbedded forward (scales of breast regularly imbricated, not imbedded); margins of lower fins all well rounded, all of them shorter than in typical catostomus (margins of lower fins all more angular, some of the rays being longer than others). Distance of end of superciliary mucous canal from transverse nuchal canal twice as great as in the typical form. Such differences would be considered of no value for purposes of classification in specimens from the same river system, and indeed I am not able to find any tangible differences between specimens 190 mm, long from the Columbia at Revelstoke and the Bow at Calgary or the Swift Current. The larger specimen has the back and sides quite dark, centers of the scales toward the belly white; helly entirely white. A reddish band along the lateral line. The young from all localities are mottled gray,

9. Catostomus griseus (Girard). Swift Current, Medicine Hat, Craig. One specimen, 116 mm. long, was taken at Swift Current. Candal as long as head, 4t in the length. D. H. 104. Sides to ventral surface dark-grayish, variously mottled. Lower surfaces, white. A number of sperimens were taken at Modicine Hat, the largest 90 mm. long. These smaller specimens can readily be distinguished from C. calostomus of the same size by their much larger mouth, which very much resembles that of Pantosteus. The jaws are provided with horny or cartilaginous sheaths, making the resemblance to Puntosteus still greater.

10. Catostomus macrocheilus Girard. Sicamous, Kamloops, Umatilla, La Grande, Caldwell, and Idaho Falls. I saw a species of this genus in Griffin Lake, but was unable to secure it. In all probability it was C. macrocheilus, since this species was obtained a few miles further west, at the month of the outlet of this lake. The largest specimen was obtained at La Grande, and measured 380 mm. It is quite dark to below the lateral line, where, from a line from just above the upper lip to the lower part of the caudal, the color abruptly changes to white. The pectorals, ventrals, and part of the anal are dusky, and a dusky bar extends upward from the hase of the pectoral. The local variation in dersal rays is well marked. Aside from the two undivided rays at the beginning of the fin the rays are as follows:

| Locality. | Dorsal rays. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| TARALLEY. | 116 | 124 | 184 | 14 | 164 | 165 | | | | | | | |
| Sicamons | | 1 | ι | 3 | | | | | | | | | |
| Kamloops | | | 2 | 3 | | | | | | | | | |
| La tirande | | ***** | 1 !! | 84 | 8 | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Caldwell. | | 2 | 2 | - 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Caldwell | | | 3 | - 3 | ***** | | | | | | | | |
| Idaho Fulla | 1 1 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |

These last specimens approach Catostomus ardens,

- 11. Catostomus commersont (Lacépède). Winnipeg, Westbourne, Qu'Appelle, Regina, Moose Jaw, Swift Current, Maple Creek, Medicine Hat, Calgary, Poplar. Very abundant everywhere.
- 12. Moxostoma aureolum (Le Sueur). Winnipeg, Westbourne, Brandon, Poplar. Lower fins, and especially the caudal, red. D. 14 to 16. Specimens 210 mm., from Winnipeg, have the head 5 in the length.
- 13. Moxostoma anisurum Rafinesque. Winnipeg, Brandon. This species is much less abundant at Winnipeg than the preceding. The specimens measure from 90 to 285 mm. Head, 31 to 4. D. 164 or 174, counting all the rays. A. 84. Upper caudal lobe little longer than lower in the largest specimen. The largest specimen differs little from one obtained at Toledo, Ohio. Scales, 6-39 to 43-5. Color lighter than in the preceding species, no red on the fins.
- 14. Hybognathus placita Girard. Abundant at Poplar, but not seen elsewhere.
- 15. Acrocheilus alutaceus Agassiz & Pickering. Umatilla, Caldwell.
- 16 Pimephales promelas Rafinesque. Winnipeg, Westbourne, Brandon, Qu'Appelle, Regina, Swift Current, Maple Creek, Medicine Hat. Very abundant everywhere, especially so at-Regina and Swift Current; least so at Qu'Appelle.

17 Notropis jordani Eigenmann & Eigenmann.

Notropis albeolus E. & E., Am. Nat., Feb., 1893; not N. albeolus Jurdan=N. megalops. A single specimen, 73 mm, lung, obtained at Medicine Hat. This species is most closely

related to N. maculatus and N. heterodon. In color it differs strikingly from the latter, agreeing in this respect with maculatus, except that it lacks a caudal spot and is less profisely spotted. The lateral line is much less complete than in heterolepis, and better developed than in magniatus. Hend, 4; depth, 43; D. 94; A. 84; scales, 4-35-4; 15 scales before the dorsal; teeth, 4-4, 1, 2. Two of the teeth feebly booked, the two others with narrow imperfect grinding surfaces. The teath on the right side are evidently abnormal, being arranged in three rows. Elongate compressed, more slender than heterotepis. Head much as in heterotepis, less convexabove. Jaws equal; mouth oblique, the premaxillary on the level or lower margin of the pupil. Maxillary extending to anterior margin of orbit. Snout pointed, not decurved. Eye 35 in head, 11 in interorbital. Fins all small; origin of the dorsal over veneral, equidistant from base of middle candal rays and nares, highest ray extending a little post end of the last ray when the flu is depressed, equal to head less snort; anal similar to down, its highest ray equal to snout and eye; ventral equal to highest anal ray; pectorals longer, equal to field less opercle. Scales closely imbricated, the exposed edges little higher than long. Lateral line decurved, the tubes developed on less than 10 scales (some of those of the middle of the body are removed). General color silvery, no distinct markings. Ventral surface entirely white, a plumbeous lateral band overlaid with silvery. A dark vertebral line from occiput to candal. Sides with a few dark specks, dorsal surface more densely specked, the margins of the scales darker.

18. Notropis heterolepis Eigenmann & Eigenmann. A specimen, 35 mm. long, taken at Qu'Appelle. This species is evidently closely related to N. heterodon, N. anogenus, etc. It differs from them strikingly in having tubes developed in but one or two scales of the lateral line, while all the scales along the lateral line on eneside and all but one or two on the other are deeply notched on their posterior margins. Head 4; depth, 41; D. 91; scales, 5-35-4; 15 scales in front of dorsal. Teeth feeble, 4-1; grinding surface well developed on three teeth. Head subcontact, little compressed, the snout rounded, little obtuse; the lower jaw included. Month little oblique, the premaxillary below the level of the lower margin of pupil. Maxillary almost reaching eye. Eye large, 1 in suout, 34 in head, 14 in interorbital. Dorsal inserted equidistant from base of upper caudal rays and anterior margin of eye, behind the last ay of the ventrals. Tips of the first rays much projecting beyond tips of last when depressed, the longest ray about equal to head less shout. Anal similar to dorsal, the longest ray about 13 in head; ventrals reaching vent, equal to highest and ray; pectorals equal to length of head less opercles. Scales loosely imbricated, almost imbedded in front of the dorsal. Scales along the median line (lateral line) with a deep notch near the middle of the posterior margins, the line nearly straight. A few black specks along base of anal; a dark line along lower margin of tail from anal to caudal. A dark band from tip of snout along the sides to the candal; on the tail the band coincides in position with the scales of the lateral line. On the body it is placed a little higher. A conspicuous black curved line at the base of each scale of the lateral line. All the scales above the lateral band dotted with black. A narrow vertebral line from occiput to dorsal, a broad dusky band on the back between the dorsal and caudal, between which and the lateral band is a lighter band. Scales of the back with dark margins. Series of minute black dots along each ray of the dorsal, anal, and outer portion of pectoral; the dersal and caudal quite dusky.

19. Notropis (Minnilus) reticulatus Eigenmann & Eigenmann. Brandon, Qu'Appelle. This species is closely related to N. spectranculus. fretensis, nitidus, and topeka, and may prove identical with one or the other. It approaches nearest N. fretensis and topeka. From the former it differs chiefly in the larger scales in front of the dorsal, and from the latter in the naked breast. Head, 4; depth, 4-41; D. 91 or 104 (1 or 11, 81); A. 91 (11, 71); scales, 4 or 5-31-3 or 4; 12-14 scales in front of the dorsal; teeth, 4-4, hooked, with evident grinding surface. Head pointed, broad above and slightly convex. Suout decurved, pointed, the lower jaw included. Mouth oblique, the premaxillary on a level with the lower margin of the pupil or somewhat lower.

^{*}A larger series of specimens collected by Mr. A.J. Woolman in the headwaters of the Red River make it probable that this species is N. deliciosus.

Maxillary reaching front of orbit. Eye large, considerably longer than shout, 3 in head. greater than interorbital. Origin of dorsal over ventrals, equidistant from tip of snout and from base of upper candal rays; longest ray scarcely extending beyond tip of last when depressed. Anal low, the longest ray not extending past tip of last ray when the fin is depressed, equal to snort and eye. Vontrals reaching vent, slightly longer than the highest anal ray. Pectorals little longer than head less opercie. Scales closely imbricated, the exposed edges considerably deeper than long in the largest specimens. Lateral line decurved, complete. Breast naked (scaled in N. topska). A dark streak from anal to caudal, lower parts otherwise plain. A dark vertobral line, a plumbeous band along the sides, a faint spot at the base of the candal about as large as the pupil. A series of spots along each side of the lateral line. Upper parts of sides and the back profusely spotted, the edges of the scales black, giving the whole part a reticulated appearance. The specimens from Qu'Appelle are darker than those from Brandon.

20. Notropis deliciosus (Girard). Three specimens of this species were taken at Winnings.

21. Notropis megalops (Rafinesque). A number of specimens of this species were obtained at Brandon. None were seen elsewhere,

22. Notropis scopiferus Eigenmann & Eigenmann. This species is evidently closely related to N. Inciodus, from which it differs in the scaling and in having a conspicuous jet-black spot about as large as the pupil at the base of the candal fin. Numerous specimens were obtained at Winnipeg, Braudon, Fort Qu'Appelle, and Medicine Hat. The species is most abundant at Fort Qu'Appelle, where the largest specimens (112 mm.) were obtained. Head, 4-44 (longest in young); depth, 41; 1). 91; A. 101 (the first two rays minute, unsegmented, and unbranched); scales, 6-36 to 42-4; 14 to 18 scales in front of the dersal; teeth, 2, 4-4, 2; grinding surface very narrow, on two teeth. Compressed fusiform, the dorsal and ventral outlines about equally arched; highest point of back at first dorsal ray. Head heavy, compressed, fiat above; snout blunt, much decurved. Mouth small, little oblique; the premaxillary below the level of the lower margin of the pupil; maxillary extending to anterior margin of eye. Eye large, longer than snout, 3 in head, little less than luterorbital width. Origin of dorsal about equidistant from tip of snout and base of candal; the highest ray extending much beyond tip of last when the fin is depressed, equal to the length of the head; caudal deeply forked, the lobes equal, longer than head. Anal similar to dorsal, but much lower, the highest ray about equal to the head less the snout; ventrals below the dorsal, reaching vent; pectorals about equal to the highest anal ray. Scales closely imbricated, but not notably deeper than long. Lateral line complete, and each scale with a well-developed tube. The line evenly and gently decurved to above origin of anal. All specimens, from the smallest (about 25 mm. long) to the largest, have a conspicuous black spot at the base of The middle candal rays, a silvery lateral band, its dorsal margin distinct, its lower margin not distinct. Color otherwise variable; those from muddy water (Red River at Winnipeg) are bright silvery with very little dusky, the chromatopheres being not less numerous, but contracted. The other extreme is found in the clear water of the Qu'Appelle. In these specimens there is a conspicuous vertebral band, and all the scales above the lateral line are most profusely dotted with black, the dots being largest at the margins of the scales. Top of head and upper parts of its sides similarly dotted. Dorsal, candal, and upper parts of pectorals dusky. Specimens from Little Traverse Bay, Lake Michigan, seem to represent a variety of the species above described; the snort is more slender, the eye perceptibly smaller, and the caudal pedancie more slender. The difference is more marked in young examples, the form being much more slender than in scopiferus and the candal spot notably smaller.

23. Notropis jejunus (Forbes). This species was found to be abundant at Winnipeg, Brandon, and Medicine Hat. The teeth are quite variable, being in different specimens 4-4; 1, 4-4, 2; and 2, 4-4, 2; otherwise there is little or no variation. It is not unlikely that some of the species

described as having teeth 4-1, or 1, 4-4, 2 are identical with this species.

24. Notropis atherinoides (Rafnesque). Winnipeg, Medicine Hat, Poplar. The specimens from Winnipeg are slightly deeper than those from other localities, and all of the northern specimens have slightly larger eyes and correspondingly shorter snow!

25. Rhinichthys dulcis (Girard). Swift Current, very abundant; Medicine Hat, few; Calgary, few; origin of dorsal equidistant from nostril and base of middle candal rays. Banff, common in Bow River. One specimen has very much larger fins than the others, the pectoral quite reaching the anal. Also in hot sulphur springs, Band, very abundant. Poplar, one specimen. Craig, abundant.

26. Agosia nubila (Girard). Idaho Falls, abundant.

27. Agosia falcata Bigonmann & Eigenmann. Abundant in the Boise River at Caldwell, Idaho; two specimens from Umatilla. In the following description the statements and figures given in parentheses refer to A. nahila. Head, 39-41 (41-41); depth, 44-54 (T-41); D. 114 (84-114); A. , 94 (74-94). Scales, 53-60 (59-67). Teeth, 1, 1-4, 1 on2. Elongate, alender, head longer than tuf nubila. Byo much larger than in nubila, about 14 in snout, 34-44 in head in larger specimens. The head being longer the proportional numbers do not differ from those of unbila. Scales much larger than in nubila, about 10 above the lateral line (11 in nubila). Dorad usually inserted directly over the origin of the ventrals, the fin large, its anterior rays prolonged. Origin of dorsal equidistant from base of middle candal rays and from narcs. Candal deoply forked, the lobes acute, 3, to 3; in the length. Anal very obliquely truncate, the anterior rays very high, 41-47 (5-54) in the length. Ventrals always more posterior in position than in nubita, about equidistant from base of middle candal rays and from nares, their tips extending to or past middle of base of anal, 44-5 (5-6) in the length (reaching to vent, very rarely to origin of anal). Pectorals not reaching ventrals. A dark band forward from eye; dark, lateral band scarcely evident; silvery below; sides and back with numerous, irregular, well-defined blotches. Anal and sometimes ventrals with a dusky spot near base in front. Dorsal and caudal faintly mottled; crimson spots on mandible, axil of ventrals, and along base of anal. (Pfate &.)

28. Agosia falcata shuswap Eigenmann & Eigenmann. This variety seems well established by four specimens from Shushwap Lake at Sicamous. It is not at all improbable, however, that intergradations will be found. The specimens differ constantly in the more posterior position of the dorsal and ventrals; otherwise there is no difference of any note. Head, 81-41; depth, 4-42; D. 101-111; A. 91. Scales, 10-55-8. Teeth, 1, 4-4, 2 in two specimens; 2, 4-4, 1 in another; and 2, 4-4, 0 in the fourth. Head pointed, the snout scarcely projecting beyond the mouth. Eye large, equidistant from tip of snont and from upper angle of gillopening, the orbit about equal to the smout, 34-34 in the head. Dorsal inserted disagtly over origin of ventrals, equidistant from base of middle caudal rays and from posterior half of eye. Its first two developed rays clongate, the margin of the fin strongly concave. Highest dorsal ray equal to distance from tip of snout to upper angle of opercie. Caudal long, deeply forked, the lobes finely pointed, the middle rays half as long as the lobes, at least as long as the head. Structure of anal similar to that of dorsal. Ventrals inserted equidistant between base of middle candal rays and posterior half of eye, pointed, extending to middle of base of anal, equal to head less opercle. Pectorals less pointed than the other fins, as long as head or a little shorter. Light brown with numerous well-defined blotches, a dark band from tip of snout to base of candal. All the fins with dark points along the rays collected in places, giving the fius a faintly mottled appearance.

29. Hybopsis storerianus (Kirtland). A number of small specimens from Winnipag are probably to

be referred to this species.

30. Conceins dissimilis (Girard). Very abundant at Swift Current, Medicine Hat, Calgary, Poplar. The specimens from Medicine Hat and from Poplar are quite light in color. Those from Calgary and from Swift Current are darker, the lateral band being well defined. Scales along

31. Platygobio gracilis (Richardson). Craig. Poplar, Brandon, Medicine Hat. This species is extremely abundant in the Missouri River at Craig, and in its tributary, Poplar Creek. A number were obtained with book and line in the main stream of Craig, where the current is too swift for seining. In the slough at the same place none were seen. One was obtained at Brandon, and I was told that it is abundant at that place. Their projecting snout and frosted silvery color make them a striking species. The largest obtained measures 20 mm. There is a dusky vertebral hand and a brown lateral one.

32. Mylocheilus caurinus (Richardson). Mission, Kamloops, Sicamous, Revelstoke, Golden, and

33. Ptychocheilus oregonensis (Richardson). Kamloops, Sicamons, Umatilla, La Grande, and Caldwell. Teeth usually 2, 4-4, 2. Dorsal with nine well-developed rays (1, 94).

Leucisous and Richardsonius. The genus Richardsonius was proposed by Givard in 1856. It was said to bear some resemblance to Squalius, from which it could "be distinguished by the smooth edge of the dental ridge and the long anal, together with the peculiar position of the latter in reference to the dorsal. The dorsal is also much deeper than long, which is not the the case in Squallas." Species discovered since Girard's description was written have shown that no such differences between Squalius (Leuciscus) and Richardsonius exist. Dr. Glinther classed the only two species of the genus Richardsonius with his Abramis, characterized by the elongate anal and compressed ventral ridge behind the ventrals. Jordan and Gilbert also separated the genus Richardsonius from Lenciscus, etc., on the basis of the compressed ventral ridge and clongate anal. I have examined a very large series of specimens and find that the ventral ridge is very variable, especially with age, and is of no worth whatever to separate Richardsonins even subgenerically from Leucisens. In one specimen, which might have served Girard's artist when he drew R. balteatus, there is the merest vestige of a ventral ridge. The ridge seems best developed in specimens about medium size (75 mm.). The characters selected to separate the species of the old genus Richardsonius from each other seem no more fortunate. Neither the teeth nor the scales are of any value whatever in this respect. The anal fin is by no means an absolute guide, as will be seen later. In fact, I have been unable to detect a single character which will always separate the two forms, each of which is variable in the

extreme. All those species of Louciscus with increased number of anal rays, montanus, hydrophlox, gilli, balteatus, and lateralis may be classed under the subgeneric name Richardsonius. I find in examining 41 specimens of Louciscus montanus, collected by Jordan at Provo, that in some the ventral ridge is much more developed than in typical specimens of Richardsonius.

34. Leucisons atrarius (Girard). This species is quite abundant in the Snake River at Idaho Falls. It readily takes the book. The lateral line is not developed until late in life; in specimens 2 inches long the pores are formed on but few scales.

35. Leuciscus hydrophlox (Cope). Abundant in the Snake River at Idaho Falls. The anal rays in a number of specimens examined vary from 121 to 141. Two specimens have 121 rays, fourteen have 134, and four have 144. The dorsal rays vary from 104 to 114, and the scales of the lateral line from 51 to 58. There is present a slight median keel behind the ventrals. These specimens agree very closely with specimens of L. montanus collected by Jordan at Provo, Utah, except that a larger percentage have 13 and 14 anal rays, and a smaller percentage have 12 rays.

36. Lenoiscus balteatus (Richardson).

Cyprinus (Abramis) balteatus Richardson, Fauna Bor. Amer., 111, 301, 1836; Storer, Synopsis Fish. N. A., 160, 1846.

Richardsonius balteatus Girard, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila., VIII, 1856, 202; id., U. S. P. R. R. Exp. & Surveys, x. 278, pl. Lx, figs. 1-4, 1859 (Fort Dalles, Oreg., Fort Vancouver, Oreg. †); Bean, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus. 1882, 93 (Garrison Creek, Wash.); Jordan & Gilbert, Syn. Fish. N. A., 251, 1882 (Columbia River and northward); Jordan, Cat. Fisb. N. A., 33, 1885.

Abramis (Blicca) balteaius Gilnther, Cat. Fish. Brit. Mns., VII, 309, 1868.

The anal rays are: 28 with 124; 12 with 134; 1 with 144.

Of this species I obtained two unquestionable specimens at Kamloops. There is a distinct median ridge behind the ventrals, and the anal has 204 and 224 (II, 184-204) rays. Teeth, 2, 5-4, 2. At Mission this species is abundant, the largest individuals measuring 140 mm. In the larger specimens the postventral keel is very variable and frequently not at all distinguishable; it is best developed in medium-sized specimens (80 mm.). The teeth are usually 2, 5-4, 2, when normally developed. Of these, the anterior tooth on the left is thicker and shorter than the others, dagger-shaped, and remote from them. I have made detailed counts and measurements of over 20 specimens, and have counted the rays of all the rest. The anal rays are as follows: 164 in two specimens; 174 in seven; 184 in thirteen; 194 in twenty five; 201 in eighteen; 214 in eight; 224 in two; 234 in two; 244 in two. The usual number, then, is 19% or 204. The dorsal varies from 114-134. I have found no coordination of variations whatever. Each character varies independently. The scales vary from 11 to 13-53 to 63-5 to 7. According to the Mission specimens the normal number of anal rays is 194 or 204, and the variation is three or four rays in both directions.

The following table gives the measurements and some other variations found among the specimens of Leuciscus balteatus from Mission:

| | Remarks. | Sex. | Position of doreal. | Depth. | Touth.* | Scales. | Anal. | Dor- | Length in mm. | No. |
|---|---------------------------------|------|---------------------|--|------------|-----------|-------|------|---------------|-------|
| | Keel scarcely evident. | ç | (f) | 37 | Language . | 12-59-0 | 184 | 134 | 140 | 1 |
| | Median keel scarcely ovident. | å l | (4) | 31 | 12.5-4.1 | 11-53-5 | 216 | 124 | 120 | 9 |
| | Median keel moderate. | ž | di | 31 | 2.5-4.2 | 12-60-6 | 19 | 131 | 110 | 3 |
| | Median keel well developed. | ð | iii) | 31 | 2.5-4.2 | 12-58 6 | 203 | 128 | 105 | 4 |
| | Keel typical. | 8 | (i) | 31 | 2, 4-4, 2 | 11-57-6 | 195 | 125 | 100 | ř. |
| | Keel miderate. | 3 | 135 | 31 | 2,5-4.2 | 12 60-6 | 181 | 125 | 102 | 6 |
| | Keel ovident. | og o | | 33 | 2 4-3, 1 | 12-57-5 | 201 | 171 | 91 | 7 |
| ė | Kerl distinct. | | 86 | 3.00 3.00 3.00 3.00 3.00 3.00 3.00 3.00 | 2.5-4.1 | 12-58-0 | 104 | 111 | 92 | 6 7 8 |
| | Keel well developed. 7 | | l db | 31 | 2, 5-4, 2 | 12-61-6 | 191 | 125 | 88 | 9 |
| | Keel typical. | oo o | (2) | 31 | 2.5-4.1 | 12-63-6 | 214 | 12 | 92 | 10 |
| | Keel well developed. | 8 | (5) | 23 | 2.5-4.2 | 11-62-6 | 201 | 121 | 102 | 11 |
| | Keel moderate. | 8 | 35 | 25 | 1.5-4.2 | 13 59-6 | 201 | 121 | 87 | 12 |
| | Keel well developed. | 8 | (0) | 21 | 2.5-4.1 | 11-59-7 | 201 | 124 | 86 | 13 |
| | Keel no more than in imputanus. | 8 | (1) | 31 31 31 31 | 2.5-4.1 | 12-61-7 | 201 | 124 | 83 | 14 |
| | Keel distinct. | 8 | 8 | 81 | 2.5-4.1 | 12-61-6 | 194 | 111 | 80 | 15 |
| | | å | 100 | 0.5 | 2.5-4.2 | | | | | |
| - | Keel noderate. | d. | GD (| | | 13 50 7 | 181 | 12 | 95 90 | 16 |
| | | | | 3 | 2.5-1.2 | 13-58-7 | | 12 | | 17 |
| | Keel typical. | ď | (0) | 31 | 2.5 4.2 | 11-60-7 | 174 | 111 | 80 | 18 |
| | Keel well developed. | , | (f) | 33 | 2.5-4.2 | 57 | 174 | 12 | 77 | 19 |
| | | | (§) () | 3 | 2, 5-3 2 | 13-01-7 | 16 | 12 | 87 | 20 |
| | Keel moderate. | Q. | (0) | 3 | 2.5-4.2 | 12 58-7 | 22 | 12 | 81 | 21 |
| | Do | ģ | (0) | 31 | 2.5-1 | 61 | 21 | 13 | 80 | 22 |
| | Do. | | ******** | | 2,5-4.2 | ********* | 10 | 114 | 74 | 23 |
| | Kool evident. | | 1 | 31 | 2, 5-4, 2 | | 245 | 13 | 60 | 24 |
| | 200 Feb. 20 | | | Accesses. | | | 244 | 13 | 68 | 25 |
| | 100 | | | | ***** | | 234 | 125 | 64 | 26 |

I have frequently observed that the largest individuals among the minnows usually have abnormal numbers of teech. Equidistant from base of middle caudal rays and a point above middle of pupil.

Autorior tonds of main row on left suite is large, dagger-shaped, and remote from the others, and points inward. Equidistant from base of middle caudal rays and upper angle of prospercie.

Equidistant from base of middle caudal rays and past-rior margin of eye.

Besides the above there are four with 174 anal rays; eleven with 184; twenty with 184; eleven with 201; five with 211; one with 221; one with 231. The largest humber of specimens with increased anal rays were small individuals, about 70 mm. long .----

37. Leuciscus balteatus lateralis (Girard). The specimens of this subspecies from the different localities will be considered separately.

1. Sicamous. A number of the specimens contain large parasitic worms. Eight specimens examined show the following measurements:

| No. | Longth. | Dorsal. | Annl. | Scales. | Teoth. | Position of dorsal. | Depth. |
|-----|----------|---------|-------|---------|------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| | mm. | 401 | | | | | |
| 1 | 82 92 | 124 | 194 | 11-60-6 | 2, 4-3, 1 2, 6-4, 2 | Keel indistinct (*) | |
| 2 | | 124 | | | | Red thustinet () | 31 |
| 8 | 90 | 124 | 145 | 14-62-7 | 2.5-4,2 | j (7) | 3.8 |
| - 4 | 87 | 124 | 175 | 12 60-5 | 2, 5-4 | | 4 |
| - 5 | 85 | 124 | 101 | 10-02-5 | 2. 6-5. 3 | (:) | 43 |
| 6 | 80 | 125 | 184 | 11-60-6 | 2.5-4.1 | 1 145 | 43 |
| 7 | 85 | 12 | 16% | 11-59-5 | 2.5-4.2 | 1 76 | 1 4 |
| Ŕ | 77 | 125 | 173 | 11-61 | 2, 5-4, 1 | l iii | - ā1 |

* Equidistant from base of middle candal rays and upper angle of preopercis. I Equidistant from base of middle candal rays and a point above middle of pupil. Equidistant from base of middle candal rays and occiput.

The total number of specimens collected at Sicamons was 58. They have the following number of anal rays: 1 has 141; 3 have 151; 13 have 161; 28 have 171; 8 have 181; 5 have 191. These specimens are a little more robust than those from Mission and are certainly more elongate, the depth in a number of them being 31-41 in the length. They are more coarsely and profusely punctate. There is a conspicuous black lateral band, above which there is in some specimens a narrow light line, above which there is another darker shade. The ventral keel is moderately developed. In all the normal pharyngeals examined the teeth in the main row were 5-4. In one case the teeth are 2, 5-5, 3 which may be a case of reversion. This is unquestionably the species figured by Girard as R. lateralis. The average size of the specimens is smaller than that of ballcatus,

- 2. Specimens from Griffin Lake, also undoubtedly lateralis, are similar to those from Sicamons in color and proportions, being probably slightly more compressed and deeper. Many specimens of this genus are bright scarlet on the sides. There were taken in Griffin Lake 14 specimens with anal rays as follows: 3 with 141; 7 with 151; 3 with 161; 1 with 171; 75 mm. or less in length. The teeth in the main row are in all but one doubtful case, 5-4.
- 3. Two specimens from Kamloops have the keel moderately developed, the teeth 2, 5-4. 2 and 2, 5-3, 2; the anal rays, 174 and 184.
 - 1. One specimen from Reveletoke has teeth 2, 5-4, 1; anal, 154; depth 4 in length.
- 5. Golden. The position of the dorsal fin does not vary materially in any of the specimens enumerated above, nor in balleatus. In all the specimens examined this fin was equidistant from base of middle caudal and from a point from above the middle of the eye to nearly the occiput. At Golden I obtained a number of specimens in which there is very great variation in this point. The dorsal is equidistant from base of middle candal rays and from posterior margin of the eye in one extreme and from behind the occiput in the other. The specimens living in a milky river instead of a clear lake, as those at Sicamons, are much lighter and more uniform in color. The average number of anal rays is less than in the Sicamons specimens, as may be seen from the following table:

Measurement of specimens from the Columbia River at Golden, British Columbia.

| ٩o. | Length. | Dorsal. | Anal. | Scales. | Teeth. | Depth. | Head. | Position of dorsal. | Sex. | Remarks |
|---|---|--|---|--|--|---|--|---------------------|------------|---|
| 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 10 17 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 | 115 104 103 103 105 92 91 85 85 85 87 77 77 72 67 67 | 124 114 114 112 114 114 114 114 114 114 | 15 to | 12-63-6 10-61-7 10-55-5 12-59-7 56 57 | 2, 5-4, 1 2, 5-4, 1 2, 5-4, 2 2, 4-5, 2 1, 5-4, 1 2, 4-8, 2 | 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 | \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ | 1 2.0 | 0+0+0+120+ | Keol nil. Keol evident. Jo. Jo. Keol well marked. Keol well developed. Keol well developed. Keol owell developed. Keol evident Keol evident Keol evident Keol evident Keol well developed. Keol well developed. Keol moderate Keol devident Keol ovident. Keol ovident. |

Bouldistant from base of middle candal rays and occiput (beginning of scaled region).
 Dorsal nearer base of middle candal rays than occiput.

Equilistant from base of middle caudal rays and upper sugle of prospercie. Sequidistant from base of middle caudal rays and posterior margin of eye.

The dorsal in this lot has one or two spines.

Twenty-three specimens takenat La Grande, in the Grand Ronde River, vary from 32 to 108 mm. in length. Two have anal rays 141; six have 151; eleven, 161; four, 171. Depth, 33-4; teeth in one specimen examined, 2, 5-4, 2; general color dark, markings well defined.

Thirty-three specimens from Roise River at Caldwell show the greatest variation in anal rays without any great specialization in one number. They are as follows: one with 141; two with 151; six with 161; seven with 171; eight with 181; seven with 191; two with 201; and one with 214. These specimens are rather flat and deep (depth 34 to 34), approaching L. ballcalus in this respect as well as in the number of anal rays. They are rather pale in color with the markings not distinct. Some of these specimens may belong more properly to ballcatus, but I am not able to detect any differences save those mentioned. The ventral keel in most of these specimens is no more evident than in specimens of L. montanus.

Of nine specimens from Umatilla, Oreg., two have the anal rays 174, four have 184, and three, 201.

38. Hiodon alosoides (Rafinesque). Gold eye. Poplar, abundant; D. 114 or 124, counting all rays; lateral line about 60; depth, 31 to 34. This species is very abundant in the Red River at Winnipog; the largest specimen seen measured 370 mm.; head, 44-5 in largest specimens (41-14 in smaller, 230 mm.); depth about 3; D. 111; A. 31-37; lateral line, 61. This species is here dried for the market; also taken at Brandon and reported to me at Medicine Hat.

39. Hiodon tergisus Le Sueur. Winnipeg, Brandon. 40. Coregoins williamsoni Girard. This species is extremely abundant in the Missouri River at Craig. It was also taken at Idaho Falls in the Snake River, at La Grande in the Grand Roude:

at Goldon, Revelstoke, and Umatilla in the Columbia River; at Caldwell in the Boise River; at Calgary and Banff in the Bow River, where it is called grayling, and at Sicamous in Shushwap Lake. There are minute differences between the specimens taken at different

places, but I am unable to distinguish specific characters to separate them.

41. Coregonus coulter! Eigenmann & Eigenmann. Many specimens, the largest measuring 195 num. from the Kicking Horse, at Field, British Columbia; one specimen from Golden. Head, 41-5; depth, 44-54; D. 101-114; A. 12-13; scales 7, 60-63, 7 (to ventrals). Form rather boary, little elevated, the snout broad, very blunt and decurved; greatest depth of head equals its length less the opercie. Month low, the snout but little projecting, maxillary reaching eye in largest specimen, further in the snuller ones. Eye equals snout, 4 in-itend. Supplemental bone a crescout. Gill-rakers much as in williamsoni. Dorsals and anal aborter and higher than in williamsoni. Scales large, dull silvery; the spots of the young notes conspicuous as in those of williamsoni. Length of largest specimen to origin of dorsal, 68 mm. "(Plate 6.)

42. Oncorhynchus tschawytscha Walbaum. Golden, 11 specimons, the largest 120 mm. Revelstoke, a large number of specimens, the largest 120 mm. La Grande, I specimen. Mission, the

largest 95 mm. Kamloops, 1 specimen.

- 43. Salmo mykiss Walbaum. Calgary, Bauff, Griffin Lake, Sicamons, Kamloops, Idaho Falls, and Craig! The specimens from Calgary and Banff resemble very closely specimens in the collections of the Indiana University from the Rio Grande at Del Norte, Colorado. In one of the Rio Grando specimens I count 181 rows of scales; Dr. Jordan counted 155,to 160 in those he examined. In one of the Calgary specimens I find 156 rows. In the shape of the head and in color the specimens from Calgary and Banff are almost exact reproductions of the Rio Grande specimens. I therefore see no reason why the two should go under different names. The question of the number of species of trout does not appear settled as yet, nor is it probable that it will be until all the tront are caught. Specimens from Kamloops dim from those from Calgary in having slightly larger spots. Those from Griffin Lake have still larger and more numerous spots.
- 44. Thymallus signifer ontariensis Valenciennes. A single specimen, 212 mm. long; D. 21; A. 12; scales, 91. Craig, Montana. This specimen differs from the specimens obtained by Jordan in the Madison River and at Horsethief Springs, in the larger scales, being in this respect identical with the typical signifer, and in having the black spots extend quite to below the soft dorsal fin. The color of the dorsal is as described by Jordan.
- 45. Salvelinus namayoush (Walbaum). Calgary, Bauff, Devils Lake, Golden, and Revelstoke. A species of Salvelinus, probably to be referred to this species, reaches a large size, a meter and more in Devils Lake, in the Canadian Rocky Mountains Park. A photograph of one of these larger individuals shows it to be everywhere profusely spotted on head, sides, and back. The spots are slightly larger on lower parts of sides. Those of the head do not differ from those of the body. The dorsal, caudal, and to some extent the anal, ventrals, and pectorals, are also profusely spotted. The largest specimen obtained measures about 435 mm. The spots are much less numerous than in the photograph and those of the head show a tendency to unite, leaving a dark reticulation as a background. Dorsal, soft dorsal, and caudal well spotted; anal and inner surfaces of ventrals and pectorals also spotted. The anal margined in front and above with white. In this larger specimen the teeth of shaft of vomer are well developed.

In the Bow, into which Devils Lake has an outlet, and in the Elbow there are numerous small trout which are considered distinct from those in the lake. The largest of those obtained at Banff measured 300 mm, in length, the rest from Calgary are all smaller. In this largest specimen and in all the smaller ones no teeth are developed on the shaft of the vomer. In a specimen about 300 mm, long, from Lake Michigan, the shaft of the vomer has well-developed teeth. This would lead color to the popular belief that those of the river are different from those of the lake. The river specimens have smaller and much fewer spots, the dorsals and candal and inner surface of pectorals are dusky without indications of spots; there are few or no spots on the head. A specimen 165 mm, long has these characters still more empha-

^{*} Bull, U.S. Fish Com., 1x, 50, pl. vitt, fig. 7.

sized. There seems to be nothing about these specimens that may not be taken as characters of the young. Other specimens from the Columbia at Golden and at Revelstoke show no differences from those from Calgary and Bauff. A large head in the University's collections from 20 miles east of New Westminster, B. C., has teeth on the shaft of the vomer and is S. namaycush (Walbaum).

46. Percopsis guttatus Agassiz. Winnipeg, Brandon, Regina, Swift Current, Medicine Hat. This species is abundant in almost all streams from Winningg to Medicine Hat. They are more numerous and larger in the cool, clear streams. The genera of Percepsida may be distingnished as follows: (Plate 6.)

s. Dorsal, with two feeble, slender, unbranched rays; anal, with a single similar ray; scales most strongly ctonoid on caudal peduncle; posterior margin of preopercle entire or with feeble

as. Dorsal and anal each with two very strong spines; scales most strongly ctenoid on anterior part of body; posterior margin of preopercie with a few short but strong spines; form heavy,

47. Columbia transmontana Eigenmann & Eigenmann. Umatilla. (Plate 6.)

Columbia transmontana Eigenmann & Eigenmann, Science, 1892, 233 (Umatilla, Oregon).

Head, 31-31 (3 in the young); depth, 31-31 (4 in the young); D. 11, 91; A. 11, 61; scales, 7 to 9-44 to 46-7. Body comparatively deep, dorsal profile more arched than the ventral, making an angle at the origin of the dorsal fin; sides compressed, caudal peduncle most so. Head short and chubby, eye equal to snout, about 34 in the head. First dorsal spine about equal to the pupil, second spine one-half length of head, recurved and very deeply grooved behind. Anal spines somewhat lower than the dorsal spines; ventrals reaching past vent. Nape, with the exception of occipital spine, scaled. Translacent in life. Color, generally smutty. Side with three rows of more or less oblong blackish spots, the middle and superior rows most noticeable. Back with a series of similar spots, one being more conspicuous at beginning and end of first dorsal. Dorsal mottled, caudal barred. Head smutty, a blue black spot on middle of opercla; a narrow, silvery, lateral band. Young translucent, with well-defined dark spots.

48. Lucius lucius Linneus. Winnipeg, Brandon, Westhourne, Moose Jaw, Swift Current, Medicine Hat. This species is common throughout the North and is one of the most prominent game fishes. Usually called pike, the name pickerel being applied to the two species of Stizostedion. 49. Pygosteus pungitius Linnieus. This species was obtained in the clear waters of the Qu'Appelle

River. It was not noticed elsewhere.

50. Eucalia inconstans Kirtland. Qu'Appelle, Regina, Swift Current, Maple Creek, Calgary, Poplar. This species is very abundant at Regina just below the dam.

51. Etheostoma güntheri Eigenmann & Eigenmann.

Etheostoma güntkeri Eigenmann & Eigenmann, Am. Nat. 962, 1892. Winnipeg; Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Types: Three specimens 50, 50, and 60 nm. long, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Three specimens from near Cedar Rapids, Iowa, collected by Seth E. Meck.

Premaxillaries not protractile; gill-membranes scarcely connected; ventral line with the median scales enlarged; lateral line complete; palate with well-developed teeth; dorsal spines, 10; preopercie entire; nape and breast, except the median line, naked; cheeks and opercies each with about three series of large ctenoid scales. This species is very closely related to E. aspro, from which it differs in the uniform size of the scales on the cheeks and on the opercles, etc. Head, 34; depth, 64; D. x-13 or 14; A. II, 94-114; scales, 5-52 to 54-5. Form of E. aspro; mouth moderate, the maxillary not extending beyond anterior margin of eye, about 3 in head; eye, 31 in head; cheeks with about 25 large, strongly ctenoid scales; opercle with similar scales; gill-membranes much more connected than in E. aspro, the connection not extending back beyond middle of cheeks. Onter series of teeth considerably enlarged in each jaw. Dorsal spines slender and high, slightly more than snout and eye in length; soft dorsal shorter and lower than the spinous. First anal spine but little longer than second; pectoral equals head less opercular spine; ventrals but little shorter than pectorals. Breast naked, a few scales along its median line, mid-ventral line naked, the scales when present probably little if any larger than those of the sides; nape naked, as in E. aspro.

Translucent in life; a dark stripe down and another down and forward from eyes. A black spot on humeral region. Sides with about eight dark spots, which are narrow, on anterior part of body, further apart and larger on tail; only the last three extending above the lateral line; ventral surface plain; back tossellated, but much less regularly and distinctly than in E. aspro. Spinous dursal with a black spot between the first two or three spines and another between the bases of the last three. The remainder of the fin, as well as the soft dorsal, regularly dotted; caudal faintly barred, a black spot at its base, the remaining tins plain.

A fourth specimen from Winnipeg may belong to the same species, but it is provably an immature specimen of E. aspro. It is but 19 mm. long. It has D. ix-11; A.11.7; scales about 46. Premaxillary not protractile; gill-membranes united to below middle of cheeks; nape, cheeks, and opercles naked; breast and ventral line naked. A black stripe forward from eye, not below it; a series of ten black spots along the sides; a series of six larger ones on the back; a black band through middle of spinous dorsal; about three oblique hands on soit dorsal and on the caudal. A black spot on base of caudal. No distinguishable ateral line.

The three specimens from Iowa differ in no essentials from the Winnipeg pecimens. In the smallest (40 mm.) the blotches of the sides are larger and fewer in number and there are rather broad dorsal blotches, intermediate in position to the lateral ones.

52. Etheostoma aspro (Cope & Jordan). Four small specimens of this species were taken at Winnipeg and a number at Brandon, the largest of which is 70 mm. long. These do not differ in any essentials from specimens collected by Prof. S. E. Meek in Iowa.

53. Etheostoma nigrum Rafinesque. Specimens of this species taken at Westbourne, a tributary of Lake Winnipeg, in the Assiniboine at Brandon, and in the Qu'Appelle do not differ from specimens collected in Indiana and Iowa. I was informed by a half-breed that this species was very abundant in some small streams north of Qu'Appelle. The same information was given me by others at Brandon.

54. Etheostoma iowæ Jordan & Meck. Abundant at Swift Current. This is a very beautifully colored darter in life. The male has the base of the spinous dersal dark blue, above which is a rusty band and then a narrower dark margin. A bright light-green spot above pectoral. Sides with about nine dark-green spots, the interspaces silvery with rusty and with green spots. Fins of the female nearly plain, the rusty spots of the sides wanting. In the alcoholic meetmens the patterns of color are seen to be very varying. In smaller specimens there are about nine quite regular bands; in larger specimens the sides become much mettled by the addition of dark spots in the interspaces. Frequently there are eight or nine quadrate spots on the back. In one specimen there is a dark band along the sides from the to the tail. The candal is always more or less conspicuously barred, the soft dorsal less so, and the lower fins including the pectorals are plain. The lateral line is usually developed on more scales than in E. quappelle.

55. Etheostoma quappelle Eigenmann & Eigenmann.

Etheostoma quappelle Eigenmann & Eigenmann, Am. Nat. 963, 1892. Qu'Appelle.

Fort Qu'Appelle. A single specimen, 43 mm. This is the northernmost point at which darters have as yet been taken. Premaxillaries not protractile; gill-membranes scarcely connected; ventral line with the median scales not enlarged; lateral line straight, developed on 19 scales; palate without teeth; dorsal spines, 9; and fin considerably smaller than soft dorsal; humeral region without black process; cheeks with a few small scales just below and behind eyes; opercle with a few scales on its upper angle. This species is closely related to E. joves and E. jessie, differing in the radial formula, scales, etc. In shape it approaches very nearly E. iowa, being much slenderer than jessia. Head, 4; depth, 54; D. IX-9; A. 11, 64. Scales, 3-53-7; lateral line developed on 19 scales. Form similar to E. iowa, its dorsal profile notably less arched, its head lower and less compressed, more truly conic. Snout rather blunt, the maxillary extending to anterior margin of pupil, about 3 in head. Eye moderate, 34 in head. Teeth in very narrow bands, the outer series cularged. Cheeks with about 10 small cycloid scales bordering the lower posterior portion of orbit; opercles with a few scales. Dorsal spines rather short and stiff, the highest equal to shout and orbit. Second dorsal shorter than first, base of anal much shorter than base of second dorsal, not equal to spont and eye. Pectoral and yentrals about equal in length, about equal to head less opercle. Nape and broast naked; mid-ventral line with small scales. General color dusky, the markings much less conspicuous than in inece. A dark shade downward from eye, another forward; a black spot behind eye; a dusky region on opercle and on shoulders. Sides with about 8 dark blue bars, alternating with rusty bars, the margins of these ill defined. No blotches on back. Basal half of spinous dorsal black, the remainder hyaline. Soft dorsal and caudal barred, anal and ventrals hyaline, perforals dusky.

56. Perca flavescens Mitchill. Abundant at Fort Qu'Appelle; Brandon.

- 57. Stizostedion vitreum (Mitchill). Winnipeg, Moose Jaw, Fort Qu'Appelle. A single specimen from Moose Jaw has the sides and upper parts all quite dark with few yellow spots in streaks. Spinous dursal dusky with the usual black spots. Soft dorsal, caudal, and pectoral colored like the sides; anal and ventrals yellow with many dark spots. D. xv-3, 21.
- 58. Stizostedion canadense griseum DeKay. Winnipeg, Brandon, Poplar.

59. Aplodinotus grunniens Rafinesque. Winnipeg, abundant.

60. Cottus asper (Richardson). Mission, Sicamous, Kamloops, Griffin Lake, and Umntilla. Very abundant in the Frasor system from tidewater to an altitude of 1,900 feet. This species varies greatly in color in different localities. At Mission I obtained a number in the turbid water of the Frasor. These are gray with the usual dark markings; I obtained two specimens from a little brook of clear water which were very much darker, the gray remaining as but narrow streaks and spots among the general ground color of plack both on the sides and fins.

61. Cottus bairdi punotulatus Gill. Craig, Montana,

62. Cottus rhotheus (R. Smith). Two fine specimens of this species, 120 mm long, and a number of smaller ones were obtained at La Grande. Lateral line complete. D. vii or viii, 17; A. 121 or 13;. Soft dorsal aduate behind, the membrane extending to near caudal. Color of largest specimens: soft dorsal with oblique bars, most marked on the rays; caudal with about three large bars. The species is quite common at Idaho Falls.

63. Cottus philonips Eigenmann & Eigenmann.

Cottus philonips Eigenmann & Eigenmann, Am, Nat. 963, 1892. Field.

Seventeen specimens of a Cottas were taken in the loy waters of the Kicking Horse at Field, B. C. Hend, shout 48-4 in head. D. VIII or IX-16 to 18; A. II, 13; V. I, 4. Pectoral reaching anal or past vent oven in largest specimens. Anal equidistant from tip of smout and base of candal or nearer tip of smout. Ashygray with blackish blotches. No well-defined crossbars except sometimes near the tail. Frequently a dusky blotch on anterior part of spinous dorsal and another near its posterior end; the fin sometimes wholly dusky, margined with white. Pectorals, soft dorsal, and caudal more or less barred.

64. Cottus onychus Eigenmann & Eigenmann.

Cottus onychus Eigenmann & Eigenmann, Am. Nat., 963, 1892. Calgary.

A single specimen 82 mm. long from Calgary. This species is evidently closely related to C. politoris (J. & G.), from which it differs chiefly in having many prickles. Head, 3‡, depth, 5‡; D. VIII, 17; A. 13; ventrals, 1, 4; pectorals, 13. Teeth on vomer, none on pulatines. Width of head equals its length to end of preopercular spine, its depth 2 in its length. Preoperce with an upturned claw-like spine, below which are two others, much smaller, the anterior one having its point turned downward and forward. Eye 1‡ in snout, ‡ in interrobital, 5 in head. Maxillary not reaching orbit. Sides above the lateral line, which is complete, with stiff prickles from below first spine to below the last dorsal ray; prickles below the lateral line confined to the abdominal part of the sides. Dorsals connected by a low membrane, the rays much higher than the spines, 3‡ in head. Pectorals reaching past vent, its rays not branched. A dusky spot on breast just behind auterior end of gill-slits; ventral surface, including the ventrals, otherwise plain. Anal with a few dusky specks on its rays; other fins barrod; sides and upper surfaces clive with darker spots. Three dark bands below soft dorsal; a dark band just in front of the caudid.

65. Lota lota maculosa (LeSucur). Winnipeg, Craig. Abundant at Winnipeg. A single specimen was taken in the Missouri with hook and line. This species was reported to me at Calgary, where it is said to ascend the streams south of Calgary in great numbers. A species of "ling" was also reported to me at Goldon and again at Sleamous. From the description given it must be closely related to the species under consideration. It is said to reach a length of 1.50 m. At Sleamous they had this species for damer just before I arrived, which is the marset I came to securing it on the Pacific slope.

Table showing the distribution of the different species collected.

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Interrogation marks in the table signify that the species are probably found at the localities indicated, but were not taken by me

^{*}I have recently received a specimen from this place through Mr. Green. It is identical with the Atlantic slope form,

9. Atherinide.

OBSERVATIONS ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SPECIES OBTAINED AND THE RELATION OF THE DIFFERENT RIVER FAUNÆ EXAMINED TO EACH OTHER,

Six of the sixty-five species obtained are found on both the east and west slope of the continent, Pantosteus jordani, Coregonus williamsoni, Salmo mykiss, Catostomus catostomus, Salvelinus namayoush, Lota maculosa. (Rhinichthys dulcis is recorded from the Pacific Slope. I obtained none.)

Forty-two species were found in the Winnipeg system. They are:

| Acipenser sturio. | Notropis megalops. | F | Lucius lucius. |
|------------------------|------------------------|-----|---------------------------------|
| letalurus punctatus. | Notropis scopiforus. | Ì | Pygosteus pungitius. |
| Ictiobus cyprinella. | Notropis jejunus. | ŀ | Eucalia inconstans. |
| Carpiodes velifer. | Notropis atherinoides. | | Etheostoma glintheri. |
| Catostomns catostomus. | Rhinichthys dulcis. | - 1 | Etheostoma aspro. |
| Catostomus griseus. | Hybopsis storerianus. | - 1 | Etheostoma nigrum. |
| Catostomus commersoni. | Conesins dissimilis. | - | Etheostoma iowa. |
| Moxostoma aureolum. | Platygobio gracilis. | | Etheostoma quappelle. |
| Moxostoma anisarum. | Hiodon alosoides. | Į | Perca flavescens. |
| Pimephales promelas. | Hiodon tergisus. | N | Stizostedion canadense griseum. |
| Notropis jordani. | Coregonus williamsoni. | į | Stizostedion vitreum, |
| Notropis heterolopis. | Salmo mykiss. | - 1 | Aplodinotus grunnieus. |
| Notropis reticulatus. | Salvelinus namayensh. | - | Cottus ouychus. |
| Notropis deliciosus. | Percopsis guttatus. | | Lota lota maculosa. |
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Eight of these species were found in the Saskatchewan and not in the Red River. They are:

| Catostonue griseus. | Conesius dissimilis. | Etheostoma lowe |
|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Notropis jordani. | Coregonus williamsoni. | Cottus onychus. |
| Rhinichthys duleis | Salmo mykiga | 1 |

Sixteen species were taken in the Red River of the North and not in the Saskatchewan. Many of these will probably be found in the Saskatchewan when its lower waters are examined:

| Acipenser sturio. | Notropia deliciosus. | Etheostoma aspro. |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Ictiobus cyprinella. | Notropis megalops. | Etheostoma nigrum. |
| Moxostoma aureolum. | Hybopsis storerianus. | Etheostown quappelle. |
| Moxostoma anisarum. | Pygostens pungitius. | Perca flavescens. |
| Notropis heterolepis. | Etheostoma glintheri. | Aplodinotus grunniens. |
| Notropis reticulatus. | | |

The seventeen species taken in the Missouri are as follows

| The seventeen species | caken in the anssour are | as monowa: |
|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Noturus flavus.* | Notropis atherinoides. | Thymallus signifer outariensis." |
| Carpindes velifer. | Rhinichthys dulcis. | Encalia inconstans. |
| Catostomus griseus. | Couesius dissimilis. | Stizostedion canadense griseum. |
| Catostomus commersoni. | Platygobio gracilis. | Cottus bairdi punctulatus." |
| Moxostoma aureolum. | Hiodon alosoides. | Lota lota maculosa, |
| Hybognathus placita. * | Coregonus williamsoni. | l |

Of these, but two species (Rhinichthys dulcis and Platygobio gracilis) are found both at Poplar and at Craig. Thirteen of the species taken in the Missouri are found in the Saskatchewan basin.

The species of the Saskatchewan, with the exception of the new species, have all been taken in the Mississippi basin. The Saskatchewan basin, therefore, can not be separated from the Mississippi basin by any positive characters.

The families of the Mississippi basin not yet found in the Saskatchewan basin are:

5. Amblyopside.

1. Lepisosteida.

| 2. Amiidae. | 6. Cyprinodollada. | in. Aparenonation. | | |
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| 3. Clupeide. | 7. Umbride. | 11. Serranide. | | |
| 4. Dorosomide. | | | | |
| Twenty two specimens | were taken in the Columbia. | They are: | | |
| Ammocrates tridentatus. Catostomus catostomus, Catostomus macrocheilus, Pantosteus jordani, Acrocheilus alutaceus. Agosia nubila, Agosia falcata. | Ptychocheilus oregonensis. Lenciscus atrarius. Lenciscus hydrophlox. Lenciscus baltoatus lateralis. Coregonus williansoni. Coregonus coulteri. Salmo mykiss. | Salvelinus namayensh. Oncorhynchus tsohawymons. Columbia transyoutans. Cottus rappr. Cottus rhothous. Cottus philoids. Lota lota maguless. | | |
| Mylocheilus caurinus. | | , | | |
| The ten species taken in | ı the Fraser system are: | | | |
| Catostonius macrocheilus. Agosia, falcata shuswap. Mylocheilus caurinus. | Leuciscus bulteatus. Leuciscus bulteatus lateralis Coregonus williamsoni. | Salmo mykiss. Oncorhynchus tschuwytscha. Cottus asper | | |
| Direct - Latter answered | | | | |

But one variety, Agosia falcata shaswap, was found in the Frasca flast was not also found in the Columbia. (Leuciscus balleatus has been taken by others in the Columbia system.)

Several species of Oncorhynchus and Acipenser are known from the Columbia and from the Fraser which are not included in these numbers.

STRUCTURAL PECULIARITIES OF THE FRESH-WATER FISHES OF THE PACIFIC SLOPE.

Almost every family of fishes having representatives in the fresh waters of both the Atlantic and the Pacific slopes has one or more of its Pacific slope representatives modified in one or the other of two directions: There is either a larger number of rays or spines in one or more of the fins, or some of the rays have become modified into spines. The largest number of either dorsal or anal rays is almost always found in some Pacific slope species, and the range of variation is always greater in the Pacific slope species than in the Atlantic slope species of the same family, although the number of species is usually less. In most cases the differences are just perceptible, and, were it not for the consensus of differences in all groups they would stand for nothing. The most marked differences are found in those fishes which are generically distinct from their Atlantic slope relatives. In several cases these modifications themselves, aside from all others, are of generic importance, as in the genera Archophites, Meda, Lepidomeda, Columbia, and the subgenus Richardsonius.

The modifications of the same set of organs being practically of the same neture, are unquestionably due to one definite cause. What that cause is 1 am at present unable to say. A comparatively short swift water course, as most of the Pacific rivers have, suggests itself at once, but, as will be seen under the head of "Local

^{*} Not found in the Winnipeg system.

The Petromyzontide and Centrarchide were not secured by me, but Mr. A. J. Woelman found these families in the headwaters of the Red River system.

GENERAL SUMMARY OF THE RESULTS.

The fish finus of the whole region traversed is poor in comparison with that of the streams of the Ohio Valley. I obtained in all but 65 species, about 20 per cent of which were new to science. They belong to 14 families and 37 genera. In the Winnipeg system, i. a., in the whole region drained by the tributaries of Lake Winnipeg, only 3 of the 10 families characterizing the Nearctic region were obtained, and the Pacific Slope contains only two.

The following notable additions to the knowledge of the North American fauna were made by these explorations:

- 1. A species of Pantosteus (P. columbianus P. jordani of the Missouri) discovered on the Pacific Slope.
 - 2. Noturus flurus found at the base of the Rockies at Craig, Mont.
 - 3. Four new species of Notropis added to the east Canadian fauna.
 - 4. Two new species of Agosia added to the l'acide fanna.
- 5. A new species of whitefish (Coregonus coulteri) discovered in the Rocky Mountain streams of a restricted region in British Columbia.
- 6. The family of Percopside found to have a representative on the Pacific Slope in the new genus Columbia.
 - 7. Several species of Etheostoma found in Canada, among them two new species.
 - 8. One new Cottus (C. onychus) added to the fauna of the Saskatchewan.
 - 9. A new Cottus (C. philonips) discovered in the Kicking Horse at Field.
- 10. A species of \hat{Lota} reported both in the Columbia and the Fraser. A specimen since secured from the Columbia.
- 11. It was discovered that the fins of the fishes of the Pacific Slope vary from the fins of fishes of the Atlantic Slope in definite directions.
- 12. The extent of variation between the species of any given family of fishes on the Pacific coast was found to be greater than that between the species of the same family on the Atlantic Slope.
- 13. Richardsonius was proved to be a subgenus of Louciscus. Its species were found to vary directly with the locality. Each locality examined has a variety which in the aggregate differs from the viriety of every other locality.

Note. —Since this paper has been put in type Drs. Jordan and Evermann have placed the proofs of the Fishes of North America in my hands, and I have adopted all the changes in noneuclature suggested by them up to Cyprinide. Dr. Jordan has also made many suggestions regarding the chapter on "Structural Peculiarities," etc., p. 123. I have not been able to give these suggestions the attention they merit, but they will receive due consideration in a more detailed study of this subject.

12.—NOTES ON THE FISHES OF WESTERN IOWA AND EASTERN NEBRASKA.

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During the years of 1889 and 1890 I made some explorations of the streams of Iowa. The results were published in the Bulletin of the II. S. Fish commission for 1890, pages 217 to 248. A few collections from western lows were not inclided in the above-named paper. In 1891 Prof. P. B. Burnet, Cotner University, Lincoln, Nebr., and myself collected in a few localities in castern Nebraska.

In 1892 and again in 1893, while making investigations for the selection of a site for a fish-cultural station in lown, Prof. Evermann made some observations upon the fishes at the places visited by him. The present paper is based upon these various small collections, and may be considered as supplementing my "Report upon the Fishes of Jowa," already mentioned.

Collections were made under the direction of the U. S. Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries in 1890 in Little Sioux River and Mill Creek (one of its tributaries), and in Storm Lake, Spirit Lake, and Floyd River; and in 1891 at the following points in eastern Nebraska: Salt Creek near Lincoln, Platte and Elkhorn rivers at Fremont, and Blue River at Crete.

Prof. Evermann's notes are chiefly upon fishes observed by him at Aires, Water-loo, and Spirit Lake.

All the streams in western lown are short and of small size. Those north have more or less sandy bottoms, while those in the southwestern part of the State are very muddy. The country is decidedly prairie and more rolling in the northwest.

Spirit Lake.—This lake is in Dickinson County, Iowa, in the northwestern part of the State. The Minnesota State line crosses the extreme northern part of the lake. The greatest length and width are each about 4 miles and the total area 10 to 12 square miles. The southern half is from I to 1½ miles wide from east to west. This portion of Iowa is, of course, a glaciated region, and the shores and bottom of Spirit Lake are composed of drift material. The shores are low and gently sloping, as a rule, and are made up of clay, sand, and fine and coarse gravel. No marl was noticed, and but little marshy shore was seen. No trustworthy information as to the depth of this lake could be obtained, but it is probably not greater than 100 feet. The water is clear and cold. There is not a great deal of vegetation in the lake, but patches of Algae, Myriophyllum, and Chara were seen in places. Several species of Unionidae are found in considerable numbers, and crawfish and frogs are abundant.

Spirit Lake is one of a group of lakes in Dickinson County. At the northwest corner of Spirit Lake, and separated from it by only a few rods, in some cases only a few feet, are Grover, Little Spirit, Hottes, Sunken, and Marble lakes. All of these are small, but of considerable importance as furnishing large quantities of food-fishes.