



# Smithsonian Institution Archives

## Records, *circa* 1877-1948

by Smithsonian Institution Archives

Smithsonian Institution Archives  
Washington, D.C.  
Contact us at [osiaref@si.edu](mailto:osiaref@si.edu)  
<http://siarchives.si.edu>

# Table of Contents

Collection Overview.....	1
Administrative Information .....	1
Historical Note.....	1
Descriptive Entry.....	2
Names and Subject Terms .....	2
Container Listing.....	3
Series 1: ORIGINAL LOGBOOKS FOR BUREAU OF FISHERIES VESSELS, CIRCA 1877-1925. (SEE ALSO SERIES 9).....	3
Series 2: TRANSCRIBED RECORDS FOR BUREAU OF FISHERIES VESSELS, CIRCA 1883-1916.....	6
Series 3: MATERIAL CONCERNING ACCESSIONS, TRANSMITTALS, SHIP STATIONS AND EXPOSITIONS, 1900, 1903, 1911-1948.....	9
Series 4: LETTERS OF TRANSMITTAL AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT, 1889, 1894, 1896-1915.....	10
Series 5: NOTES, LISTS, PRINTS, AND REPORTS CONCERNING SCIENTIFIC WORK, 1882-1883, 1890-1891, 1901, 1911-1914.....	11
Series 6: LOGBOOKS, NOTES, AND CORRESPONDENCE CONCERNING OYSTER SURVEYS, 1888, 1897-1898.....	12
Series 7: MUSSEL ACCESSION BOOKS, CIRCA 1899-1912.....	13
Series 8: DISTRIBUTION RECORDS, 1882-1887. (SEE ALSO SERIES 10).....	14
Series 9: ORIGINAL LOGBOOKS FOR BUREAU OF FISHERIES VESSELS, CIRCA 1877-1925. (SEE ALSO SERIES 1).....	15
Series 10: DISTRIBUTION RECORDS, 1882-1887. (SEE ALSO SERIES 8).....	16
Series 11: MICROFILM COPIES OF LOGBOOKS, TAG RECORDS, AND CATALOGUES.....	17

## Collection Overview

Repository:	Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., <i>osiaref@si.edu</i>
Creator:	United States, Bureau of Fisheries
Title:	Records
Dates:	<i>circa</i> 1877-1948
Quantity:	4 linear meters and 5 microfilm reels.

---

## Administrative Information

### Preferred Citation

Smithsonian Institution Archives, Record Unit 7184, United States, Bureau of Fisheries, Records

---

## Historical Note

In the early 1870's, a fierce debate raged within the fishing industry of New England concerning the supply of food fishes in coastal waters. The use of efficient traps for the large-scale capture of fish was blamed for an alarming decline in the catch, especially by those who depended on traditional fishing methods. In some states, the controversy was carried to the legislature but, though endlessly debated, little action was taken.

The dispute soon caught the attention of Spencer F. Baird, Assistant Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution. Baird had already begun to nurture a growing interest in the rapidly expanding field of marine biology by summer field trips to Wood's Hole, Massachusetts, when the fisheries controversy arose. The debate provided Baird with an opportunity to show that science could make a real contribution to the solution of a problem of economic importance as well as to generate an immense amount of basic scientific data on marine life.

Authorization and appropriations for the United States Commission of Fish and Fisheries were passed by Congress in 1871 and Baird was appointed the first Commissioner. The congressional mandate was broader than Baird had originally sought. The Commission was not limited to investigations on the New England coast and no time limit was placed on its existence. This lack of specificity greatly aided the Commission's later expansion.

For the first nine years of the Commission's existence, it relied on other executive agencies, particularly the Revenue Service and the Navy for vessels with which to conduct dredging and cruising operations. In 1880, construction was completed on the first Commission vessel, the Fish Hawk, and in 1883, the Albatross began operations. Most of the Fish Hawk's operations were on the Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico coasts, while the Albatross ranged as far as the Pacific coast, Bering Sea, and Japan. Other Fish Commission vessels included the Grampus, Halcyon, Danglede, and Yvonne.

The original duties of the Commission were eventually extended to include fish culture, further studies of fisheries and fishery industries, and studies in fresh-water and marine biology. The Commission became part of the Department of Commerce and Labor in 1903 and its name was changed to the Bureau of Fisheries. In 1939, the Bureau was transferred to the Department of the Interior, and in 1940 was merged with the Bureau of Biological Survey to form the Fish and Wildlife Service.

The U. S. Fish Commission and its successors have always maintained close ties with the Smithsonian and the United States National Museum. Baird was Assistant Secretary and Secretary of the Smithsonian while serving as Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries, and often assigned Smithsonian people to Fish Commission duties. In a number of cases, there was considerable overlap between Commission and Smithsonian work. A number of Commission staff, including Tarleton Hoffman Bean and Barton Warren Evermann, served as honorary curators for the Museum's Division of Fishes. The Museum has also served as depository for specimens collected by the Fish Commission and its successors.

---

## Descriptive Entry

These papers include original logbooks for the Fish Commission vessels Albatross, Fish Hawk, Grampus, Halcyon, Yvonne, and Danglade containing hydrographic and dredging data; transcribed records of some of that data; accession records, transmittal records, lists, and correspondence concerning specimens taken by the Commission; material concerning expositions in which the Commission participated; material concerning the scientific work of the Commission; material on oyster surveys conducted by the Commission; records relating to the distribution of fishes carried out as part of the Commission's fish propagation work; and microfilm copies of some logbooks, tag records, and catalogues.

---

## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Ichthyology  
Invertebrate zoology.

Names:

Bureau of Fisheries. Bird and Mammal Laboratories.  
Bureau of Fisheries. Bureau of Biological Survey.  
Fish and Wildlife Service. Alaska King Crab Investigation, Fish and Wildlife Service.  
Fish and Wildlife Service. Bird and Mammal Laboratories.  
Fish and Wildlife Service. Branch of Wildlife Research, Fish and Wildlife Service.  
Fish and Wildlife Service. Bureau of Biological Survey.  
Fish and Wildlife Service. Bureau of Fisheries.  
Fish and Wildlife Service. United States Fish Commission.  
United States Department of Commerce. Bureau of Fisheries.  
United States Department of Interior. Bureau of Fisheries.  
United States Fish Commission  
United States. Bureau of Fisheries.  
United States. Bureau of Fisheries.

---

## Container Listing

### Series 1: ORIGINAL LOGBOOKS FOR BUREAU OF FISHERIES VESSELS, CIRCA 1877-1925. (SEE ALSO SERIES 9).

These logbooks were kept for the Bureau vessels Albatross, Fish Hawk, Grampus, Halcyon, Danglede, and Yvonne, and for the apparently non-Bureau vessels Halcyon (Lookout) and Edwin C. Doliver. The books are arranged in the order listed above and by station number thereunder.

#### Box 1

Folders 1-14 Original logbooks of the Albatross covering station numbers D2311-D2858 and H562-H1480; covering the period January 5, 1885-August 27, 1888. Data recorded include station number, date, machine, turns, correction, depth, shot or lead, bottom, bottom temperature, number of thermometer, correction, corrected temperature, air temperature, surface temperature, drift, trawl or dredge, sounding wire readings, dredge rope readings, serial temperatures, and general remarks.

#### Box 2

Folders 1-14 Original logbooks of the Albatross covering station numbers D2859-D3302 and H1481-H2445; covering the period August 27, 1888-July 21, 1890. Data recorded is of same type as that in logbooks listed above.

#### Box 3

Folders 1-6 Original logbooks of the Albatross covering station numbers D3303-D3476 and H2446-H2751; covering the period July 21, 1890-April 18, 1892. Data recorded is of same type as that in logbooks listed above.

#### Box 4

Folders 1-31 Original logbooks of the Albatross covering station numbers D3477-D3694 and H3182-H4011, as well as AA1-AA249 and cable survey #98-cable survey #535; covering the period October 18, 1891-February 21, 1900. Data recorded is of same type as that in logbooks listed above.

#### Box 5

Folders 1-28 Original logbooks of the Albatross covering station numbers D3695-D4245 and H4012-H4762; covering the period May 4, 1900-July 11, 1903. Data taken from surveys done in Japanese, Alaskan, Hawaiian waters. Data recorded is of same type as that in logbooks listed above.

#### Box 6

Folders 1-33 Original logbooks of the Albatross covering station numbers D4246-D5303 and H4763-H4914; covering the period July 11, 1903-August 9, 1908. Data recorded is of same type as that in logbooks listed above.

#### Box 7

Folders 1-29 Original logbooks of the Albatross covering station numbers D5304-D5849 and H4923-H5660; covering the period August 9, 1908-August 31, 1914. Data recorded is of same type as that in logbooks listed above.

Box 8

Folders 1-30 Original logbooks of the Albatross covering station numbers H5661-H6934; covering the period August 31, 1914-August 22, 1916. Data recorded is of same type as that in logbooks listed above.

Box 9

Folders 1-23 Original logbooks of the Albatross covering station numbers H6935-H7793 and C20001-C20130; covering the period August 22, 1916-May 19, 1920. Data recorded is of same type as that in logbooks listed above.

Folders 24-30 Original logbooks of the Fish Hawk covering station numbers 770-1073; covering the period August 6, 1880-March 11, 1882. Data recorded include instrument used; number of observation; date; locality; bearings; time of day; time of tide; state of sky; temperatures of air, water surface, bottom; depth; nature of bottom; wind direction and force; commanding officer; observer; and general remarks concerning catch of fish and other marine life.

Box 10

Folders 1-31 Original logbooks of Fish Hawk covering station numbers 814-7545; covering the period August 18, 1880-August 11, 1903. Data recorded is of same type as that listed above.

Box 11

Folders 1-29 Original logbooks of the Fish Hawk covering station numbers 7595-8449; covering the period September 1, 1903-January 28, 1916. Data recorded is of same type as that listed above.

Box 12

Folders 1-30 Logbooks of the Fish Hawk covering stations 8197-9726; covering the period August 1, 1914-December 19, 1925. Data recorded is of same type as that listed above.

Box 13

Logbook of the steamer Halcyon (Lookout), March 8, 1877-December 9, 1877. Data recorded is temperature and barometric pressure. No location given. Also log entries from an unidentified vessel, 1878-1879.

Original logbooks of the Grampus (logbooks are mislabeled as "Halcyon") covering stations 10001-10629; covering the period June 9, 1912-August 29, 1921.

Journal of a Voyage from Gloucester to the Banks and Return, George W. Scott, cook, USFC schooner Edwin C. Doliver, 1879.

Original logbook of the Dangle covering station numbers 51-78 and 1E-18E and the period March 1917. Data recorded include station number, date, hour, locality, depth, nature of bottom, wind direction and force, sea, sky, water temperature, currents, color of water, and notes.

Original logbook of the Yvonne covering station numbers 1-6 and A-E and the period August 1924. Data recorded include station number, date, hour, position, locality, depth, nature of bottom, wind direction and force, sea, sky, surface temperature, and nets used.

*[Return to Table of Contents](#)*

## Series 2: TRANSCRIBED RECORDS FOR BUREAU OF FISHERIES VESSELS, CIRCA 1883-1916.

These volumes contain apparently transcribed records of data, taken from the logbooks of the Albatross, Fish Hawk, and Grampus. In some cases, the information given fills gaps in the run of original logbooks in Series 1, but in most cases, the data is duplicated.

### Box 14

Folder 1 Unlabelled record book containing transcribed records for operations of the Albatross from 1886-1904. First section of book covers stations H869-H3777 and D2629-D3680 and includes data on station number, date, depth, latitude, longitude and depth. Second section covers stations AA-1 - AA-249, H3778-H4503, D3681-D4566, and includes data on station number; date; time; position; depth; bottom; air, surface and bottom temperature; appliances used; depth and length of trial; time coming up; and remarks.

Folder 2 Record book labeled "Dredging Record, Steamer Albatross, November 1887- , Station 2750- " containing transcribed records for operations of the Albatross from 1887-1891, covering station numbers D2750-D3437. Data recorded include station number; date; hour; position; air, surface and water temperatures; depth; bottom; apparatus; vessel and locality.

Folder 3 Record book labeled "Str. Albatross, Specific Gravity Records, 1883-1887, Atlantic Ocean" containing transcribed data. Data recorded include section on specimens of sea water giving date, latitude, longitude, station, depth of sea, depth at which water was taken, temperature, thermometer. Second section gives specific gravity data including date, latitude, longitude, station, depth of sea, depth at which water was taken, temperature, specific gravity, temperature by attached thermometer and specific gravity reduced to 60 degrees (?).

Folder 4 Record book labeled "Surface-net towing Record, No. 1 to 62 (2750-3366) 1887-1891, Albatross" giving data for operations of the Albatross from 1887-1889 and 1891. Data recorded include station number, date, time out, time in, latitude, longitude, sky, sea, barometer, air and surface temperatures, equipment used and list of specimens collected. Not all stations have data for all these categories.

Folder 5 List of tin-tag numbers for the Eastern Pacific Expedition of the Albatross, 1904-1905. Data given include tag number, locality and date. Also, included is a list of contents of boxes and barrels numbered 1 to 15. Numbers 4621-4724.

Folder 6 Notebook containing transcribed records of Albatross covering station numbers D4303-D4564 and D4757-D5100 and the period 1904, 1906 and 1908. Data recorded include date, time, station number, depth and remarks.



Folder 7 Meteorological records of the Northwestern Pacific Cruise of the Albatross, 1906. Data given include station number, date, time of day, barometer, air and surface temperatures, density of surface water, general weather conditions, clouds, wind, state of sea, life noted in or upon surface, and remarks. Bears note "Compiled from original records of cruise: L. M. Tongue, General Assistant, Fisheries Str. Albatross." Numbers D4757-D5095.

Folder 8 Tin-tag records for the Northwestern Pacific Cruise of the Albatross, 1906. Data given include tag number, locality, date and rough identification. Numbers 4764-5087.

Folder 9 "Dredging and Hydrographic Records of the U. S. Fisheries Steamer Albatross during the Lower California Expedition, Spring of 1911." Data given include station number; position; chart; date; time of day; depth; character of bottom; air, surface and bottom temperatures; surface and bottom density; apparatus; depth and duration of trial; direction and distance of drift and remarks. Numbers D5673-D5699; H4938-H4953.

Folder 10 List of tin-tags used in the Biological Survey of San Francisco Bay, California, 1912-1913. Data given include tag number, station or locality, date, species, length, apparatus and collector. Albatross numbers D5703-D5848; H5302.

Folder 11 Record book labeled "Dredging Record, Steamer Fish Hawk, 1498-1638, 7676-7786" containing transcribed records for operations of the Fish Hawk in Vineyard and Long Island Sounds, Buzzards Bay and vicinity. Station numbers 1498-1638 cover the period July-October 1890; numbers 7676-7786 cover July-August 1905. Data records include station numbers; date; time; position; air, surface and bottom temperatures; depth; nature of the bottom; appliances used and locality. Data for 7676-7786 are also recorded in the Fish Hawk Log books in this record unit.

Folder 12 Unlabeled record book containing logs for the Fish Hawk covering station numbers 1685-1808 and the period September-October 1892, in Long Island Sound. Data recorded include station number, date, depth, specific gravity, temperatures, equipment used, and notes on specimens taken.

Folder 13 Record book labeled "Temperature and Density Observations by Steamer Fish Hawk" containing transcribed records for operations of the Fish Hawk from January-May 1895 off the coast of Virginia. Data records include date, time, location, air temperature, barometric readings, water temperature, density, tide and wind.

Folder 14 Unlabeled record book containing logs for the Fish Hawk and Grampus. The Fish Hawk log covers station numbers 7928-7999, 8197-8249 and 8264-8306 for August-October 1913, July-September 1914 and July-August 1915, respectively. The Grampus log covers station numbers 10424-10434 for November-December 1916. All of these logs deal with voyages to the North Carolina coast for the investigation of fishery possibilities. [pages 151-152 missing]

Folder 15 Record book labeled "Schr. Grampus, Summer Cruise of 1914. Stations and Hydrographic data. H. B. Bigelow, W. W. Welsh," containing transcribed records of the Grampus for station numbers 10213-10264 for July-August 1914 off the coasts of New England. Data recorded include: station number; date; time; latitude and longitude; depth; weather; temperature readings including depth, thermometer number, centigrade and corrections; whether water samples were taken; records of operation including description of nets, depth, time out, speed and remarks and general notes on each station.

Folder 16 Notebook labeled "Dredging Record, Tangier Sound, Va., 1891," containing data collected by the Fish Hawk. Data given include station number; date; time of day; tide; locality, exact position; depth; nature of bottom; dredging instrument; drift direction and distance; air, surface, depth and bottom temperatures and thermometers used; bottom and surface density; barometer; sky; wind force and direction; commanding officer and observer. Numbers 1A-3A.

Folder 17 Notebook labeled "Fish Hawk, Plankton System No. 1, Density Observation Book, Buzzards Bay, Sept. 1894." Data given include station number; date; time; tide; locality; exact position; depth; nature of bottom; instrument used; air temperature; surface, depth and bottom densities and temperatures; number of salinometer; barometer reading; sky; wind direction and force; commanding officer and observer.

Folder 18 Notebook labeled "Daily Record of Hydrographic Work, U. S. F. C. St. Fish Hawk, Lieut. Franklin Swift, U. S. N. Commanding." Data given include date; number of volume, soundings, angles and miles; observers; recorder and leadsman or poleman. November 1895-March 1896.

Folder 19 Sheet labeled "Dredging and Hydrographic Records of the U. S. Fisheries Steamer Fish Hawk." Data given include station number, position, date, time, depth and character of bottom. 1913. Numbers 7942-7999.

*Return to Table of Contents*

## Series 3: MATERIAL CONCERNING ACCESSIONS, TRANSMITTALS, SHIP STATIONS AND EXPOSITIONS, 1900, 1903, 1911-1948.

### Box 14

Folder 20 List of series of fishes retained by the Fish Commission, mostly California and Gulf of California, 1894.

Folder 21 Correspondence of Barton A. Bean with Barton Warren Evermann and Edmund Lee Goldsborough of the Fish Commission concerning Hawaiian fish types of Oliver Peebles Jenkins. 1903.

Folder 22 List of stations of Albatross, Fish Hawk and Grampus for which more data are desired. 1886-1917.

Folder 23 Material concerning the Paris Exposition of 1900. Tarleton Hoffman Bean was in charge of the Fish Commission exhibit and Director of the United States Department of Forestry and Fisheries. Includes invitation to Thanksgiving Day Luncheon, correspondence, advertisements for official medals, material concerning shipping, list of exhibitors, requests for admission and space at the exposition, handbook for the Hamburg-American steamship line and exhibitors badges or tickets.

### Box 15

Folder 1 Shipping record for Berlin International Fisheries Exposition of 1880 and London Fisheries Exposition of 1883.

*[Return to Table of Contents](#)*

## Series 4: LETTERS OF TRANSMITTAL AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT, 1889, 1894, 1896-1915.

This series includes incoming and outgoing correspondence of the United States Fish Commission and its successor agency, the Bureau of Fisheries, concerning the transmittal of specimens to institutions and scientists, particularly the United States National Museum. It also includes incoming correspondence concerning acknowledgment of these transmittals and other matters.

### Box 15

Folder 2 Correspondence, 1889, 1894, 1896-1899.

Folders 3-18 Letters of transmittal and acknowledgment, 1889, 1894,  
1896-1899, 1900-1910

### Box 16

Folders 1-7 Letters of transmittal and acknowledgment, 1911-1915

*[Return to Table of Contents](#)*

## Series 5: NOTES, LISTS, PRINTS, AND REPORTS CONCERNING SCIENTIFIC WORK, 1882-1883, 1890-1891, 1901, 1911-1914.

### Box 16

Folder 8 Record book labeled "Color Notes on Hawaiian Fishes." Data recorded include number, species, where taken and description of coloring. Most taken from Honolulu market. June-August 1901. No author given. Indexed by species.

Folder 9 Record book labeled "Log, Fishes taken at Beaufort, N. C., June-September 1912, kept by Lewis Radcliffe, Wm. J. Crozier and Selig Hecht, Bureau of Fisheries Laboratory." Data recorded include date, notes on weather and conditions, place where caught, manner of capture, name of specimen, sex, measurements, stomach contents and remarks. Indexed by species.

Folder 10 Record book labeled "Log, Record of fishes taken in Beaufort region during 1913. Marine Biological Laboratory, U. S. Bureau of Fisheries, Beaufort, N. C." Data recorded include date, location, collector, species, measurements, remarks, some photographs and notes concerning fish trade. Indexed by species. January-November 1913, May-August 1914.

Folder 11 Handwritten log labeled "A Record of Field Notes and Observations on the habits of the Shad and other fishes of the Chesapeake Basin," 1911-1912. Possibly by Lewis Radcliffe.

Folder 12 "Annotated List of Fishes Collected in North and South Carolina, Winter and Spring of 1890-91," by William Converse Kendall.

Folder 13 Two notebooks containing data on work done at Woods Hole, Massachusetts in the summer 1882. Observations covered are numbered 1078-1155. Data recorded include instrument used, number of observation, date, locality, bearings, time of day, depth, nature of bottom and notes on catch. Compiled by P. Parker and Randolph H. Miner.

Folder 14 Notebook labeled "Vol. 1, Department of Fishes, Woods Hole, 1883," containing list of specimens with data.

Folder 15 "List of Fishes Collected and Observed in North and South Carolina by the Steamer Fish Hawk, During the Winter of 1890-91" by William Converse Kendall.

[Digital Content](#)

Folder 16 "Report on the Work of the Fish-Hawk at Beaufort, N. C., August 25 to October 19, 1913, with some additional notes on commercial fishing," by Lewis Radcliffe.

Folder 17 Prints illustrating fishing activities and work of the Fish Commission. Appear to have been prepared for a Fish Commission publication. Undated, unidentified.

*Return to Table of Contents*

## Series 6: LOGBOOKS, NOTES, AND CORRESPONDENCE CONCERNING OYSTER SURVEYS, 1888, 1897-1898.

### Box 16

Folders 18-20 Logbooks of the Fish Hawk, labeled "Oyster Investigation, Narragansett Bay and Long Island Sound, 1888," containing records of observations. Data recorded include number of observation, date, locality, bearings, time of day, sky, air temperature, surface and bottom temperature, depth temperature, depth, nature of bottom surface density, depth and bottom densities and commanding officer. Station numbers 1-235.

Folder 21 Notebook labeled "Record of Density and Temperature of Water" containing hydrographic data and remarks concerning the Louisiana oyster beds, January-March 1897. Data recorded include date, time, surface and bottom densities and temperatures and tide gauge.

Folder 22 Correspondence and records concerning the 1897-1898 Louisiana oyster survey. Includes sheet containing diatom count; notes and statistics on specific localities; analysis of Louisiana House Bill Number 112 concerning the oyster industry; views of an oysterman on the industry, dated February 5, 1898 and correspondence concerning the results of the survey, 1898.

### Box 17

Folder 1 Notebook of hydrographic data, apparently from Louisiana Oyster survey. Data recorded include location, date, station number, surface and bottom densities and temperatures, depth and nature of bottom. February 1898.

Folder 2 Two notebooks containing journal of oyster survey, author unknown. Dated February 2-March 15, 1898.

Folder 3 Notebook containing replies to questions asked to oysterman. Replies are numbered, apparently referring to question numbers, but no list of questions is given. Undated. Author unknown.

*[Return to Table of Contents](#)*

## Series 7: MUSSEL ACCESSION BOOKS, CIRCA 1899-1912.

These books were apparently kept by the Bureau of Fisheries to record specimens of mussels which were collected in connection with Bureau investigations. A number of investigations on freshwater mussels and the pearl button industry were conducted by the Bureau during this period. The specimens were apparently then sent to the United States National Museum along with these records documenting the collections.

The dates given are collection dates. The books are arranged in numerical order by tag number. Most of the collecting dates range from 1905 to 1912, but earlier and later dates are occasionally found. Some of the volumes are indexed by the rivers in which collections were made.

### Box 17

Folders 4-11 Mussel accession books, containing tag numbers 1-19544.  
1899-1912.

*[Return to Table of Contents](#)*

## Series 8: DISTRIBUTION RECORDS, 1882-1887. (SEE ALSO SERIES 10).

Contain records relating to the distribution of fishes carried out as part of the Fish Commission's activities in fish propagation. Data recorded include recipient, date sent, types of fish sent, how transported, and request number.

### Box 17

Folders 12-14 Numbers 1-4040.

### Box 18

Folders 1-4 Distribution record book, numbers 4041-10571, December 1882 to June 1887.

*[Return to Table of Contents](#)*



## Series 9: ORIGINAL LOGBOOKS FOR BUREAU OF FISHERIES VESSELS, CIRCA 1877-1925. (SEE ALSO SERIES 1).

### Box 19

Folder 1 Logbooks of the Albatross covering stations AA1-A249 (August 26-1899-February 21, 1900) and D3695-D5672 (December 30, 1909); and H4012-H4937

Folder 2 Logbooks of the Albatross covering station numbers D5700-D5849 and H4966-H5350 (January 30, 1912-July 23, 1913)

### Box 20

Folder 1 Logbooks of the Albatross covering stations H5366-H6408 (April 29, 1914-September 19, 1915)

Folder 2 Logbooks of the Albatross covering stations D4567-D5913 and H4805-H5771 (October 6, 1904-March 6, 1914)

*[Return to Table of Contents](#)*

## Series 10: DISTRIBUTION RECORDS, 1882-1887. (SEE ALSO SERIES 8).

Contain records relating to the distribution of fishes carried out as part of the Fish Commission's activities in fish propagation. Data recorded include recipient, date sent, types of fish sent, how transported, and request number.

### Box 21

Two oversize ledgers (bound but no covers) recording accessions to, and transmissions from, the U.S. National Museum, 1911-1948. Many were received from the Bureau of Fisheries, Fish and Wildlife Service. Others came from various sources. Accession numbers 631-1436; Transmittal numbers 1-528.

*[Return to Table of Contents](#)*

## Series 11: MICROFILM COPIES OF LOGBOOKS, TAG RECORDS, AND CATALOGUES.

If the original records are not located in this record unit, their location is noted.

**Microfilm Reel 1** Original Log Books of the U. S. S. "Fish Hawk", United States Fish Commission, Station Records, Records of Station Numbers. In many cases, copies of log books were also filmed on this reel. These logbooks are marked as such below.

- 1) Station numbers 770-814
- 2) Station numbers 815-858
- 3) Station numbers 814-857 (copy)
- 4) Station numbers 858-901
- 5) Station numbers 859-902 (copy)
- 6) Station numbers 903-916 (copy)
- 7) Station numbers 917-960 (copy)
- 8) Station numbers 917-960
- 9) Station numbers 961-1028
- 10) Station numbers 961-1029 (copy)
- 11) Station numbers 1029-1049
- 12) Station numbers 1030-1073 (copy)
- 13) Station numbers 1050-1077
- 14) Station numbers 1078-1121
- 15) Station numbers 1074-1122 (copy)
- 16) Station numbers 1122-1155
- 17) Station numbers 1123-1155 (copy)

Typewritten record of Fish Hawk data, 1883-1922. Data recorded include station number; bearings; chart; date; time of day; depth; character of bottom; air, surface and water temperatures; salinity and apparatus used. The original binder containing this record is located in the Cataloging Room Safe in the Division of Fishes.

**Microfilm Reel 2** Original Log Books of the U. S. S. "Fish Hawk", United States Fish Commission, Station Records.

- 1) Station numbers 9570-9614
- 2) Station numbers 9615-9665
- 3) Station numbers 9666-9710, 1BB-6BB

4) Station numbers 9711-9726 Original Log Books of the U. S. S. "Grampus," United States Fish Commission, Record of Station Numbers.

- 1) Numbers 5050-5098
- 2) Numbers 5099-5124
- 3) Numbers 10057-10106
- 4) Numbers 10107-10156
- 5) Numbers 10213-10264
- 6) Numbers 10266-10314
- 7) Numbers 10315-10339
- 8) Numbers 10340-10390
- 9) Numbers 10391-10439
- 10) Numbers 10440-10487

Original Log Books of the U. S. S. "Halcyon," United States Fish Commission, Station Records.

- 1) Target reads "Numbers 10614-10629" but subsequent film is of Numbers 10002-10040.
- 2) Numbers 10041-10089
- 3) Numbers 10090-10106, 10157, 10213-10241
- 4) Numbers 10242-10293
- 5) Numbers 10294-10315, 10488-10511
- 6) Numbers 10512-10562
- 7) Numbers 10563-10613
- 8) Numbers 10614-10629

Original Log Books of the U. S. S. "Fish Hawk," United States Fish Commission, Station Records, 9523-9569.

**Microfilm Reel 3** Original Log Books of the U. S. S. "Gannet," United States Fish Commission, Records of Station Numbers, G1-G69. The original logbooks are located in the Cataloging Room Safe in the Division of Fishes.

**Microfilm Reel 4** Linen tag numbers (= P numbers) Translated into Dredge Numbers or Localities, "Albatross" Philippine Cruise, 1907-1910. The original record books are located in the Cataloging Room Safe in the Division of Fishes.

Volume 1 Numbers 1-9244

Volume 2 Numbers 9245-18484

Volume 3 Numbers 18485-24376

Volume 4 Numbers D5643-D5672

Original Tag Record, Division of Inquiry, United States Bureau of Fisheries. Volume 1, Numbers 1-9021, 1888-1892. Original record book located in Cataloging Room Safe, Division of Fishes.

Target for next segment reads "Original Log Books of the U. S. S. Gannet." Actually contains United States Bureau of Fisheries Tag Record 2, Numbers 1-5900. Labelled 1894-1910 but covers 1895-1911. Front of volume contains notes on fishes collected in Montana and Wyoming, 1891. Original volume is located in Cataloging Room Safe, Division of Fishes.

Original Tag Record, Division of Inquiry, United States Bureau of Fisheries, Volume 3, circa 1903- 1937. Also includes following inserted items.

1) Record of Stations Made by Fisheries Steamer "Fish Hawk" in Investigating Laboratory Site on the South and West Coasts of Florida, December 18, 1912 to January 18, 1913.

2) Tin Tag Records, Northwestern Pacific Cruise to the "Albatross", 1906.

3) List of Fishes and other Specimens Tin-Tagged on Alaska Salmon Investigation Expedition, United States Fish Commission steamer "Albatross", 1903; also list of Salmonidae for study.

4) Catalogue of Tagged Specimen of Puerto Rican Fishes and other Vertebrates: 1898-1899.

5) Record of Field Tags and Fish Collections Sent Out: 1891-1902.

6) Memorandum of Fishes taken by the Steamer "Albatross" at Stations 2581-2591, 1885.

7) U. S. F. str. "Albatross," October 27, 1919 to December 13, 1919. Journal or log entries.

The original volume, including insertions is located in the Cataloging Room Safe, Division of Fishes.

**Microfilm Reel 5** Original Field Data, United States Fish Commission Steamer "Albatross," Tin Tag Records. circa 1884-1913. The original volumes are located in the Cataloging Room Safe, Division of Fishes.

Volume 1

Numbers 1-3388

Numbers 8863-9399

Numbers A450-A1301

Volume 2

Numbers 3389-5199

Numbers A401-A449

Numbers 5249-8862

The third segment is a duplication of Volume 2. Additional data is located in the original volume in the Division of Fishes.

Catalogue of Hawaiian Fishes, n.d.; Catalogue of specimens of Fishes from the Philippine Islands exhibited at Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis, Missouri in 1904 by the Philippine Commission;

Tag numbers of Hawaiian Fishes, 1901. These three catalogs are located in the same volume, the original of which is located in the Cataloging Room Safe, Division of Fishes.

**Microfilm Reel 6** List of hauls, "Albatross." Dredging stations D2183-D2310, 1884. Fish lists, "Albatross," 1884, 1887-1888, 1890-1891, 1894-1895.

Miscellaneous volume containing: a) List of "Albatross" fishes collected prior to December 30, 1890, and sent to Washington labeled with tin tags only; b) Steamer "Albatross" stations, 1893-1895; c) List of Fishes in tank-box, from C. H. Gilbert, Bering Sea, 1896; list of Hawaiian fish, n.d.

List of stations and fish collected on the Northwest Pacific Cruise of the "Albatross," 1906.

Laboratory journal, Philippine Islands Cruise of the "Albatross," volume 1, October 23, 1907 - August 13, 1908, dredging stations D5098-D5304.

**Microfilm Reel 7** Laboratory journal, Philippine Islands Cruise of the "Albatross," volume 2, October 24, 1908 - March 20, 1909, dredging stations D5411-D5642.

Map of stations on Philippine Islands Cruise of the "Albatross," 1907-1910.

*[Return to Table of Contents](#)*