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Gould in his Invertebra of Massachusetts.

   I dead Specimen in good preservation.

2. Solecurtus gibbus, Spengler—Harbour of St. John's. 
   A few young individuals.

3. Glycimeris siligua, Lam.—Narrows. 4 dead specimens in fair condition.

4. Mya arenaria, Linné—Harbour. Young, common; 
   old ones, rarer.

5. Mya truncata, L.—Harbour. Young, common; 
   old ones, rarer.

6. Thracia truncata, Brown, (myopsis, Beck)— 
   Narrows. 5 young and 1 old dead specimens.

8. **Saxicava rugosa, L.**—Harbour and outer Bays; not scarce.

9. " " var.—Harbour and outer Bays; not scarce.

10. **Mactra solidissima, Chem. v. ovalis, Gould**—Narrows. 1 young specimen.


12. **Axinus (Cryptodon) Gouldii**—Harbour. Rather scarce.

13. **Astarte compressa, Mont.**—Narrows. 2 fine live specimens, rare.

14. " castanea, say—Narrows. 1 valve; and 1 live specimen from the Bank.

15. " crebricostata, Forbes—Narrows. 1 young spec. and 4 valves.


17. **Cardium islandicum, L.**—Harbour. Rather scarce.

18. " fasciatum, Mont.—Narrows. 3 dead specimens.

19. " (aphrodite) gronlandicum, Chm.—Harbour and Narrows, rather scarce, also from the Bank.

20. " (aphrodite) gronlandicum, var. album, V.—1 specimen from the Bank. The valves of this handsome variety are of a pale drab and semitransparent, whilst those of the type are variously and prettily marbled.

21. **Cardita borealis, corr. var. St. Johnensis, Verkr.**—Harbour and Narrows, not common. This variety is distinct from the typical form by a broader and more equilateral shape;
Bays; scarna. 

Rather fine live rare. and i from the I young 4 valves, LIS large; scarce, lead spe-

it is not inflected at the lunule below the umbones, and which the latter do not project, as it is more or less the case with the typus; it is finally much smaller, the largest dead adult valves being scarcely half the size of a typical cardita borealis from neighboring Southern seas. I am inclined to consider it a good species and would retain the name: Cardita St. Johnensis, Verkr.

22. Cardita borealis, var.—Narrows, rare. This var. has the shape of the type but not the wrinkles on its strong radiating ribs, but is smooth and of a lighter colour.

23. Mysilus edulis, L.—Harbour, common.

24. Modiola modiolus, L.—Harbour and outer sea, not scarce.

25. Modiolaria laevigata, Gray—Narrows, 1 valve.


27. Crenella glansula, Totten—“ and Cuckold Cove, scarce.


29. Pecten islandicus, Moll—Narrows and great Bank, abundant.

30. “ tenuicostatus, Mi. & Ad.—Narrows, 1 valve, and fine specimens from the Bay of Fundy.

31. Lima elliptica, Jeffr.—Narrows, 1 valve.

32. “ subauriculata, Mont.—Narrows, 1 valve.

33. Anomia ephippium, L.—Narrows and outer Bays, sparingly and small.
34. *Anomia ephippium*, V. *acculeata*, gme.—Narrows, Valves.


37. " *marmorens*, Fabr.—Narrows and outer sea, plentiful.

38. " " var. *pusulosus*, Verkr.—Narrows; scarce. This variety does not show the rectangular ribs on the shields, which are peculiar to the type, or sometimes very faintly only, but it is covered over with minute pustules, not visible to the naked eye.

39. " " var. *St. Johnensis*, Verkr.—This elegant variety is of a brilliant green color, especially when alive, and in sculpture inclines rather to the preceding variety more than to the type, I obtained but few specimens.

40. *Chiton albus* Mont.—Narrows and outer sea, pretty abundant.

41. *Tectura testudinalis*, Mull—Small in the Narrows; larger at Petty Harbour.

42. *Lepeta caeca*, Mull—Narrows and outer bays, scarce.

43. *Pilidium rubellum*, Fabr. (*Tectura rubella*)—Narrows and outer bays, rather scarce; small.

44. *Puncturella (cemoria) noachina*, L.—Narrows, &c., scarce.


47. *Margarita cinerea*, Couth.—Narrows and outer sea, scarce.


49. " *helicina*, Fabr.—Harbour and Narrows, middling plentiful.

50. " *argentata*, Gould—Harbour and Narrows, not scarce.


53. " *arenaria*, Mi. and Adms.—Harbour, pretty abundant.

54. " *globulus*, fide, Jeffreys—Harbour, scarce.

55. *Lacuna divaricata*, Fabr.—Harbour, in deep water plentiful.

56. " var. quadrifasciata—Harbour, in deep water plentiful.

57. " var. *pellucida*—Petty Harbour, rather scarce; almost transparent.

58. " var.—A small dark litoral variety, Conception Bay.


60. " *obtusata*, L. (? v. palliata, say)—Conception Bay and Petty Harbour. Do not seem to differ from the European specimens of *obtusata*.

61. *Scalaria gronlandica*, Chm.—1 large dead well preserved specimen in
Cuckold Cove, and one fragment, Narrows.

63. *Turretella acicula*, Stimps—Harbour, several dead specimens.
64. *Menesio striatula*, Couth—Narrows, 1 dead specimen.
67. " (amauropsis) islandica, Gmel.—Outer bay, 1 dead specimen.
68. " immaculata, Totten—Narrows, 1 dead specimen.
69. *Bela turricula*, Mont.—Harbour, 2 small specimens, rather stunted.
70. " " var. rosea, say—Harbour, not scarce, fair size.
71. " *Trevelyana Turl.* (v. rosea)—Harbour, 1 good specimen, tinted.
72. " " var. Smithii, Jeffr.—Harbour, not scarce, peculiarly interesting.
73. " violacea, Mi. and Ad.—Harbour, plentiful.
74. " *harpularia*, Couth—Harbour, 1 dead specimen.
75. " *pyramidalis*, Moll—Harbour, 1 fine live specimen.
76. " *Pingeli*, Moll—Harbour, 1 young specimen.
78. *Trichotropis borealis*, Sow. var. *St. Johnensis*, Verkr. —Harbour and Narrows. This fine variety is distinguished from the European type by a larger
size and stronger texture, *strong* bright yellow brown Epidermis, a more projecting outer lip, and is frequently coloured within of a lively brownish yellow. It may be called the handsomest Shell of St. John’s Harbour.

79. *Buccinum undatum*, L.—Harbour and outer Bays, not abundant, a close approach to the European form of the North Sea; also the handsome American typus with golden throat from the Bay of Fundy.


81. “ ” var. B.—Bank. These three are similar to each other, yet not alike; they differ much from the European and American type; having but one specimen of each, I withhold an opinion until more are obtained.

82. “ ” var. C.—

83. “ ” var. D.—

84. “ ” *? nov. spe.*—Bank, (? *perhaps B. sericatum*, Hancock.)

87. *Fusus lyratus, Martyn.*
88. *Natica heros, Say.*
89. " *triseriata, Say.*
90. *Yoldia myalis, Couth.*

These last six species only from the Bay of Fundy, Nova Scotia.

Besides the above Mollusca, I obtained an interesting variety of Crustacea, Tunicata, Ectinoderma, Actinozoa, Boltenia, Annelida, &c., in a great measure from the Bank, and some, especially the Crustacea, also from St. John's Harbour, the Narrows and outer Sea. These are still under investigation, not being my speciality.

Frankfurt, a/M., May, 1877.

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46. *Molleria costulata*, *Moll. var. glabra*, Verkr.—

Harbour, scarce. Instead of the strong ribs of growth of the type, this var. is quite smooth; intermediates have faint ribs.