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CRUISE REPORT

F.R.S. "CLUPEA"

13th-25th November, 1961

The scientific staff joined "Clupea" at Campbeltown on the evening of the 12th November. Work proceeded uninterruptedly from the 13th to the 22nd, when the ship left the Clyde to carry out a hydrographic survey of Loch Linnhe, and the scientific staff returned to Aberdeen.

Unfortunately the cruise coincided with a marked scarcity of herring in the Clyde and a low level of catches from the commercial ring-net fleet. In spite of extensive echosounding over the area only two "spots" within the depth range of the purse-seine were located. These were successfully ringed by the purse-seine but proved to be caused by sprats.

A total of 1100 herring, purchased from ring-net vessels were tagged with Scottish combination tags. Three of these have, so far, been recaptured.

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30th November, 1961.