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STATION 203.

Temperature of water at surface, 85°.0. Depth, 20 fathoms; deposit, Mud, Sand, and Shells.

At 4 a.m. got up steam. At 5.40 a.m. weighed anchor and proceeded through Ilo-Ilo Strait. Position of ship at noon off Tomontou Point in channel between Negros and Panay Islands. At 4.30 p.m. stopped in channel between Tagubanhan Island and Anauayan Island, and obtained three hauls with the trawl in depths of 12 to 20 fathoms, many specimens being procured. At 5.40 p.m. anchored in 9\frac{3}{4} fathoms, Ananayan Island due south, Tagubauhan Island due north. In the evening incessant lightning, some thunder, and heavy rain showers.

Animals from Trawl.

The following species are recorded in the Zoological Reports from the trawl at this Station:—

KERATOSA (Poléjaeff, Zool. pt. 31).

Cacospongia collectrix (Schulze). One specimen; obtained also at Station 233A, 8 to 50 fathoms. Recorded from Dalmatia.

Monaxonida (Ridley and Dendy, Zool. pt. 59).

Halichondria (?) sp. One specimen.

Tetractinellida (Sollas, Zool. pt. 63).

Myriastra toxodonta, n.g., n.sp. One specimen; obtained at no other locality.

ALCYONARIA (Wright and Studer, Zool. pt. 64).

Echinomuricea indomalaccensis, Ridley. One specimen; obtained at no other locality by the Challenger. Recorded from Torres Strait and Hong Kong.

Spongodes dendrophyta, n.sp. One specimen; obtained at no other locality.

PENNATULIDA (Kölliker, Zool. pt. 2).

Pennatula sulcata, n.sp. One specimen; obtained at no other locality.

Scytalium tentaculatum, n.sp. Four specimens; obtained at no other locality.

ACTINIARIA (Hertwig, Zool. pt. 73).

Sphenopus pedunculatus, n.sp. Three specimens; obtained at no other locality.

HYDROIDA (Allman, Zool. pt. 70).

Idia pristis, Lamouroux. Obtained also at Bahia.