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SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith a report on the HISTORY AND METHODS OF THE PRINCIPAL FISHERIES OF THE UNITED STATES.

This report constitutes Section V of the Special Report on the Food Fishes and Fishery Industries of the United States, prepared through the co-operation of the Commission of Fish and Fisheries and the Superintendent of the Tenth Census. Section I, the Natural History of Useful Aquatic Animals; Section II, Geographical Review of the Fisheries and Fishing Communities; Section III, Fishing Grounds; and Section IV, Fishermen, have already been completed.

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