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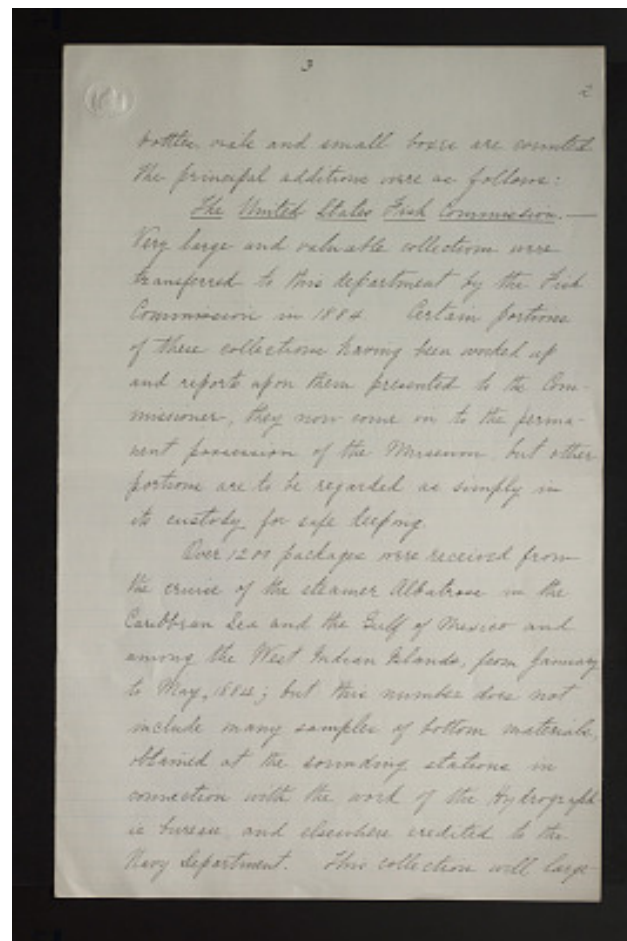
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bottles, vials and small boxes are counted. The principal additions were as follows:

The United States Fish Commission.— Very large and valuable collections were transferred to this department by the Fish Commission in 1884. Certain portions of these collections having been worked up and reports upon them presented to the Commissioner, they now come in to the permanent possession of the Museum, but other portions are to be regarded as simply in its custody for safe keeping.

Over 1200 packages were received from the cruise of the steamer Albatross in the Caribbean Sea and the Gulf of Mexico and among the West Indian Islands, from January to May, 1884; but this number does not include many samples of bottom materials, obtained at the sounding stations in connection with the work of the Hydrographic bureau, and elsewhere credited to the Navy department. This collection will largely



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