

A Rare Fish

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This odd-looking fish has the distinction of being the first of its kind taken in Saskatchewan. The fisherman was Emil Quinn of Yorkton who caught it in the White Sand river east of Canora, early in September.

Dr. D. S. Rawson, head of the biology department at the University of Saskatchewan, said that judging from the photo the specimen is one of the catfishes, probably the Black Bullhead "*Ameiurus nebulosus*." Dr. Rawson is hoping Mr. Quinn, or another fisherman, will catch a similar specimen and preserve it in 10 percent formalin so as to be sure of the specific identification.

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lake. Difficulties with the Indians seem to have begun in earnest during MacDonal'd's administration and he may not have fully recorded the misfortunes. There is some evidence to presume the fort was destroyed and the inmates massacred.

About two years after the Hudson's Bay Company entered the picture and built in the same area as the North West Company, both parties agreed to move to a new site and live in harmony.

Only the first part of the agreement was carried out. A field of lodged grain, when the site was visited last fall, showed the outline of the North West Company fort where cannon were aimed at their rivals. The Hudson's Bay Company fort was eventually burned in the absence of the owners. It has vanish-

ed completely and thought to have been washed into the river.

Arthur Kelly of Welby reported recently that correspondence from the provincial and federal authorities indicated steps be taken to establish the site of Fort Esperance. He said if present plans mature a 25 acre park will be established and a cairn in the form of a fort chimney with a commemorative plaque built.

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are any special crumbs around they are taken out immediately to add variety to their diet of rolled oats, bread crumbs, and pieces of fat. Cake crumbs seem to be the general favorite but with a couple of Downy Woodpeckers and the Chickadees feeding continually during daylight hours the choice crumbs are soon gone.