

the end of the longest line we fastened the large tow-net just described.

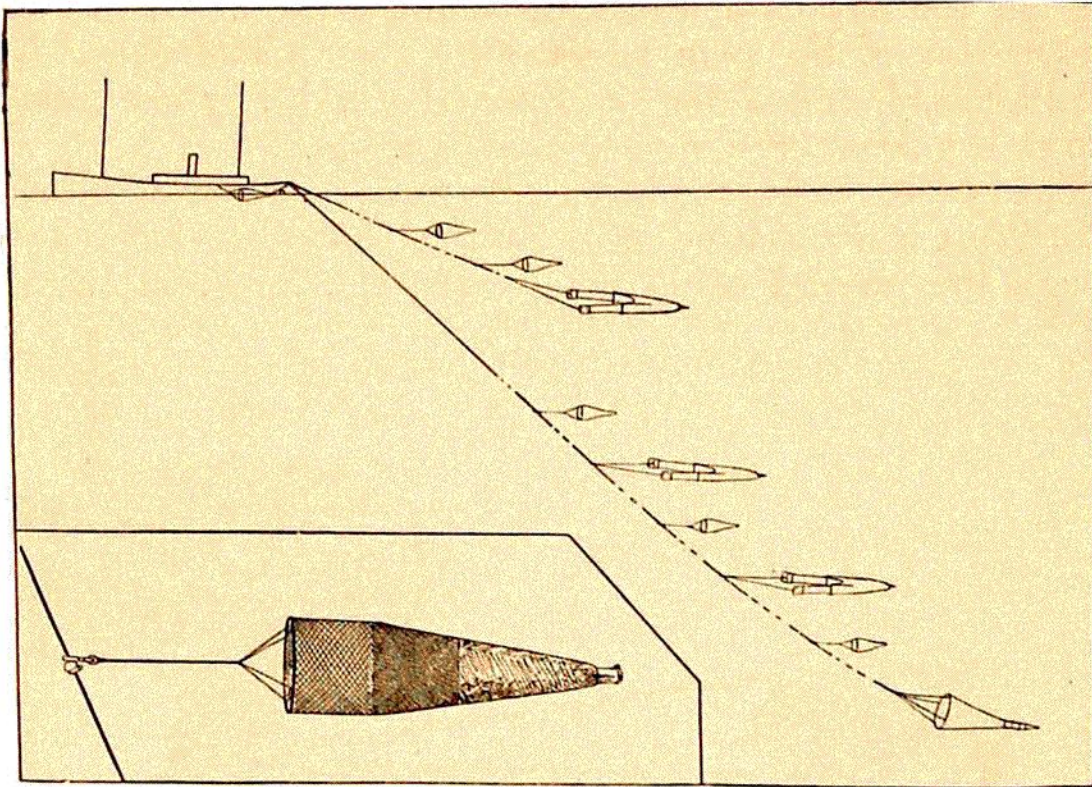


FIG. 32.—THE "MICHAEL SARS" TOWING TEN NETS AND PELAGIC TRAWLS.
(Surface net not shown.)

A difficulty which arose when organising this system was that the cord by which a tow-net or trawl is attached to the wire becomes easily entangled, in which case the appliance is rolled round the wire or else torn off. To avoid this we screwed a brass knob (Fig. 33) on the wire and

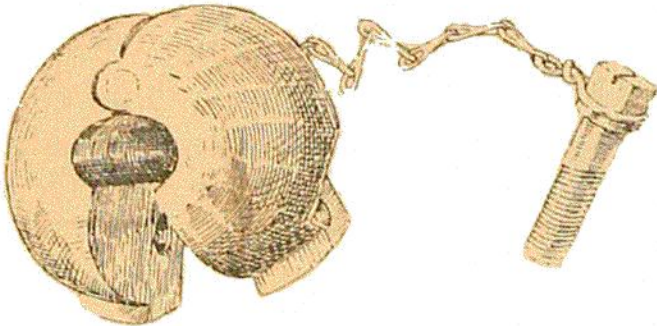


FIG. 33.—BRASS KNOB FOR TOW-NETS.

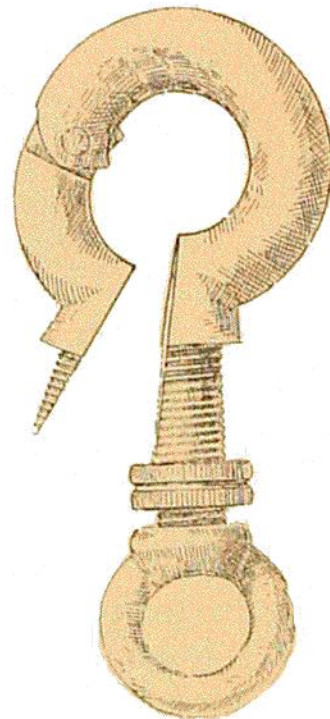


FIG. 34.—BRASS RING FOR TOW-NETS.

fastened the tow-net to a brass ring, which could be threaded on above the knob (Fig. 34). The appliance is thus kept from sliding down the wire, and is free to move in any direction (see also Fig. 32). This method of working enables one to operate as many appliances as