DOLPHIN RECORD

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The skull and two vertebrae of the Bottle-nosed Dolphin, Tursiops truncatus (Montagu, 182 1) were found on the beach at La Fillette, north coast of Trinidad, on the 5th August, 1974. The specimens were identified by Dr. P. J. H. van Bree of the Zoological Museum, Amsterdam, who states that the animal was an old specimen (viz. loss of teeth in the mandibles and filled in alveoli) but not very large. Although the occurrence of T. truncatus is "to be expected in the coastal waters of Trinidad , the skull is the first proof of its occurrence here. The specimens are housed in the University Museum, UWI cat . no. 809.