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### DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

#### To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sdn. Mary T. Fallon, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Dawson City, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Evelyn Smith, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Tacoma, Gulf St. Lawrence, 45,000 lbs. halibut.  
 Sch. Annie Wesley, Georges, 42,000 lbs. cod.

#### To-day's Market.

Board of Trade prices: large handline Georges cod, \$3.50 per cwt., medium do., \$2.50; large trawl Georges, \$3.25; medium do., \$2.25; handline cod from deck, caught east of Cape Sable \$3.25; medium do., \$2.25; large trawl bank cod, \$2.50; medium do., \$2; large dory handline cod, \$2.75; medium do., \$2.25

Board of Trade splitting prices of fresh fish, large cod, \$1.65; medium do., \$1.25; cusk, \$1.25; haddock, .75; hake, 80 cts; pollock 50 cts.; large Peak cod, \$1.20; medium do., \$1.00; large Banquero cod, \$1.20; medium do., \$1.00.

Outside sales of splitting fish, large cod, \$1.60; market, \$1.15; cusk, \$1.15; haddock, 65 cts.; hake, 80 cts.

Bank halibut, 6 cents per pound for white and 4 cents for gray.

Rips cod, \$3.25 per cwt. for large, \$2.30 for mediums, \$1.25 for snappers.

#### Boston

Sch. William A. Morse, 4000 haddock, 5000 cod.  
 Sch. Mattie Brundage, 15,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 500 hake.  
 Sch. Mary Edith, 1400 haddock, 2000 cod.  
 Sch. James R. Clark, 15,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 2000 pollock.  
 Sch. Clara M. Littlefield, 15,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 5000 hake.  
 Sch. Viking, 8000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
 Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 4000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
 Sch. Margie and Hattie, 20,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 16,000 cusk.  
 Sch. Klondike, 300 haddock, 1600 cod.  
 Sch. Annie and Jennie, 4000 haddock, 10,000 cod.  
 Sch. Mertis H. Perry, 9000 haddock, 5000 cod.  
 Sch. Louis and Rosie, 22,000 haddock, 15,000 cod.  
 Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 5000 haddock, 5000 cod.

### MACKEREL AT NEW YORK.

Sch. Lena and Maud Has 250 Barrels Fresh Mackerel



Sch. Lena and Maud, Capt. Joseph E. Graham, is at New York today with 250 barrels fresh mackerel. Several netters are there with fares aggregating 225 barrels.

Sch. Minerva was at New York yesterday with 40 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Talisman, Capt. Benj. McGray, is at Newport today with 75 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Vera, Capt. William Corkum, is also there with 60 barrels fresh mackerel and sch. Hiram Lowell, Capt. John F. Vautier is there with 75 barrels.

Fresh mackerel at New York and Newport are bringing 12 and 9 cents each for large and mediums.

250 barrels of fresh mackerel were received at Boston, from Newport today.

#### Fishing with a Jug Line.

An interesting method of catching fish is in vogue on the lower Mississippi river. The operator secures as many empty gal on jugs as he can and corks them tightly. Then he fastens the jugs to a strong line at intervals of about 10 feet. To the jug line are attached numerous short fish lines about 10 feet long at the end of which are the usual lead sinkers and baited hooks. This done the outfit is put in the water, and, taking one end of the jug line, he rows into the middle of the stream. The jugs float down stream taking the baited lines along, and thus several hundred feet of river are fished at one time. When a jug goes down the boatman rows to the place and pulls in the fish. The river fishermen frequently floats several miles in this manner, or until he has caught a good boat load.—New York Fishing Gazette.

Thursday, May 8.

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#### To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Edwin B. Holmes, Georges, 40,000 lbs. cod.  
 Sch. Robin Hood, Peak, 140,000 lbs. cod.  
 Sch. Miranda, Quero Bank, 5000 lbs. halibut.

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#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Tacoma, halibuting.  
 Sch. Preceptor, halibuting.  
 Sch. Vigilant, shacking.

#### Boston

Sch. Julia Costa, 5000 haddock, 5000 cod, 5000 hake.  
 Sch. Rose Standish, 4000 haddock, 20,000 cod.  
 Sch. Bertha M. Bailey, 300 haddock, 10,000 cod.  
 Sch. Oceanus, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
 Sch. Two Sisters, 1000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
 Sch. M. Madeleine, 2000 haddock, 26,000 cod.  
 Sch. Sylvia M. Nunan, 14,000 haddock, 700 cod.  
 Haddock, \$3.25 to \$3.75; large cod, \$1.65 to \$1.75; market cod, \$1.50 to \$2.50; hake \$1.

#### Second Bank Trip.

Sch. Robin Hood, Capt. Patrick Shea, arrived from the Peak this forenoon with a fine fare 140,000 pounds of salt cod. This is the second salt bank fare to arrive this season. It is Capt. Shea's first trip as skipper and he has started in well.

Friday, May 9.

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Sch. W. H. Moody, Brown's Bank, 8000 lbs. cod, 5000 lbs. halibut.  
 Sch. Olga, Brown's Bank, 4000 lbs. fresh cod, 30,000 lbs. hake, 15,000 lbs. cusk.  
 Sch. Sheffeyld, Rips, 40,000 lbs. cod.  
 Sch. Mist, Rips, 45,000 lbs. cod.  
 Sch. Rigel, Peak, 100,000 lbs. cod, 50,000 lbs. fresh cod.  
 Sch. John M. Plummer, seining.

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#### Boston

Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 2500 haddock, 500 cod.  
 Sch. Mary G. Powers, 25,000 haddock, 25,000 cod.  
 Sch. Mary A. Whalen, 20,000 haddock, 35,000 cod, 15,000 cusk.  
 Sch. Scud, 1000 cod.  
 Sch. Samoset, 400 haddock, 400 cod.  
 Sch. Bessie, 300 haddock, 600 cod.  
 Sch. Clara R. Harwood, 7000 haddock, 1200 cod.  
 Sch. Evelyn L. Smith, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
 Sch. Rienzi, 10,000 haddock, 45,000 cod, 3000 hake, 300 cusk.  
 Sch. Joseph W. Cromwell, 10,000 haddock, 1500 cod.  
 Sch. Arrow, 3000 haddock, 22,000 cod.  
 Haddock, \$1.10 to \$2.50; large cod, \$1.60; market cod, \$1.50; hake, \$1.50; pollock, \$1.50.

#### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Ralph E. Eaton was at Provincetown on Wednesday for bait. She hauled for 16,000 lbs. cod and 1500 lbs. halibut.

Schs. Edward Trevo and Hattie L. Trank were at Pubnico, N. S., last Saturday.

Sch. Emma of Portland is at this port to fit for seining.

Schs. Henry M. Stanley and Blanche were at Canso on Tuesday for bait.

Sch. John M. Plummer of the mackerel fleet is at this port from Newport to ship three men for seining.

### NORE MACKEREL AT NEWPORT.

Six Trips Landed There This Morning.

Six trips of mackerel were landed this morning at Newport as follows: Sch. Norumbega 55 barrels, sch. Bertha and Pearl 40 barrels, sch. Monarch 35 barrels, sch. Bessie M. Devine 42 barrels, sch. Susie B., 20 barrels, sch. Smuggler 25 barrels.

## A SERIOUS MATTER.

### Worms Are Honey-Combing Newfoundland Banking Fleet.

#### New Vessels Have Been Found in Leaky Condition.

The fishing fleet of Newfoundland is having an unpleasant experience with worms that are playing havoc with the vessels. The St. John's Herald of May 2 has the following on the subject:

"A serious matter is now affecting our banking fleet and requires immediate investigation by the fisheries department. New vessels launched only a twelve months ago and planked with birch or juniper have been found leaky, in fact so bad that it would be dangerous to prosecute the bank fishery. On placing these vessels on the slips the plank on the water line was found honey-combed and worms seven inches long with bill like a squid were taken out by the score. This is a new thing for our banking fleet and the insects found were never known in the cold waters of the banks before. The fishermen are of opinion that these worms are driven in by the alteration of the Gulf stream current, which has undoubtedly been changed, and passes over the banks, bringing with it a variety of new insects, such as these. This is a serious matter, it is not confined to individual cases, but the whole fleet has been made to suffer by these insects just about the water line. The only wood that appears to withstand the inroads of these insects is beech, and if present conditions on the banks continue, the banking fleet will have to be coppered to prevent disaster."

## MACKEREL SCARCE.

### Several Seiners and Netters Secure Fares.

A dispatch to the TIMES reports the following netters at New York this morning: Sch. W. B. Keen, 2000 fresh mackerel; sch. Massasoit, 1500; sch. Mabel Leavitt, 1500; sloop Laura Reed, 1500; sch. Reporter, 1200.

Sch. Eliza Ellen of this port had 3000 fresh mackerel at New York yesterday and sloop Vesta had 2300 fresh mackerel.

Steamer Alice M. Jacobs with 80 barrels fresh mackerel and sch. Nettie Franklin with 50 barrels were at New London yesterday afternoon.

At Newport the wind is blowing a gale and quite a number of the seining fleet are in for harbor.

Gasoline auxiliary sch. Natalie B. Nickerson of Boothbay is at Newport this morning with 50 barrels of fresh mackerel.

The Pubnico Point, N. S., trap is being put down in hopes of a good run of mackerel this spring.

There is every indication for a banner year for Gloucester. We have certainly made a good commencement on the mackerel fishery, the early fleet meeting with good catches and proving beyond doubt that large bodies of these nimble fish are on this coast. This being a fact beyond any doubt the fleet will use every effort to bring them into port, where they will be far better appreciated by the folks on shore than by having them stay off in their native element.

Other branches of the fisheries are being prosecuted with commendable vigor, and our hustling skippers will spare no efforts to obtain good fares. What we mostly need is the establishment of the fresh fish business here on a permanent basis, and in all probability there will be strenuous efforts made to accomplish this purpose another season. The business is greatly needed here as has been repeatedly referred to in these columns.

The granite business seems to be under a cloud here on Cape Ann, a strike being in progress, and many of the workmen have secured work elsewhere. It is hoped, however, that a compromise may be made, and this important branch of industry once more resume its former activity and the merry sound of the drill and hammer continue their lively music on the Cape.

In the way of summer visitors it is said that there are signs of a most favorable season. Already the hotels have booked large numbers and nearly every cottage has been engaged. This will give an impetus to business which will be thoroughly appreciated. Take it all in all, the outlook is quite satisfactory, and what is needed is to brace up and help keep the business ball moving.

## TO FIT FOR CAPE SHORE.

### Two Seiners Now Home and Others Are Coming.

#### FEW FISH SEEN FOR A WEEK.

#### Most of the Fleet at Block Island for Harbor.

Sch. Navahoe, Capt. Martin Welch, arrived from a most successful southern mackerel season during the night and will immediately fit for the Cape Shore. Capt. Welch has rolled up a fine stock as a starter for the season and carried off the honor of landing the first mackerel fare at New York this year.

He reports that the fleet ran into mackerel as soon as they got on the southern grounds this year. The fish, however, were wild, and not until the dark nights

came on were any fish taken. He took his first fare off Body Island and his second off Hog Island, near Cape Charles. The fish were the wildest he ever saw out south and it was next to impossible to stop them. After landing his second trip, he went back to the southward and with many others continued bauging away at the wild schools. It was then that the fleet to the northward off Sandy Hook lightship were making their big hauls, where the fish were in such big schools and so easy to catch.

Several in the southern fleet had been figuring for this spurt off New York, but thought as in the previous years that May would be plenty early to be there. About that time some of them went north and formed the fleet and had just about time to get in one trip before the spurt, which came unexpectedly early, was over.

After leaving the grounds of Sandy Hook lightship the fleet seemed to lose run of the body of the fish, and with the exception to the two big fares which steamer Alice M. Jacobs and sch. Natalie B. Nickerson took off Shinnecock a few days later, no fish of any account have been seen or caught.

The Navahoe left the fleet off Shinnecock yesterday and made a magnificent passage home. It was blowing fresh when the Navahoe started, and Capt. Welch thought that most of the fleet would run for harbor.

Many of the skippers are at a loss to account for the disappearance of the mackerel. The last school taken, that by sch. Natalie B. Nickerson, was caught off Montauk, and Capt. Lewis reports that they were going to the eastward as fast as his men could row a seine boat.

Capt. Welch says that there will be quite a fleet go to the Cape Shore, as many of the skippers are talking that way. Among the vessels who will go are schs. Navahoe, Priscilla Smith, Kentucky, Scythia and Grayling.

Sch. Priscilla Smith, Capt. William J. Corkum, arrived from a successful southern seining season this morning, and will now fit for the Cape Shore. Capt. Corkum has done well out south and made a fine starter for a nice season's work.

A special to the TIMES from its regular Block Island correspondent reports steamer Alice M. Jacobs and about fifty other seiners their since yesterday for harbor, the wind blowing heavily from the northwest.

A special to the TIMES from New York reports the following netters there this morning with fares:

Sch. Minerva, 3000 fresh mackerel; steamer Quartette, 1200; sch. Lydia, 400; sch. Bernie and Bessie, 600; sch. Etta B., 300; sch. Fitz A. Oakes, 700.

The fare of the gasoline auxiliary sch. Natalie B. Nickerson at Newport yesterday brought 18 cents each for large and 15 cents each for medium at Boston today.