# GLOUCESTER'S IMPORTS.

## Custom House Report of Goods Entered in 1903.

### List Contains Variety from Eggs to Plaster Rock.

The imports at this port for the year 1903 as tabulated by the inspectors at the custom house are as follows:

Trapani salt, 23,967 1-2 tons.
Liverpool salt, 1498 tons.
Plaster rock, 510 tons.
Coal, 367 tons.
Eggs, 384 dozen.
Turnips, 580 bushels.
Apples, 21 1-2 bushels.
Potatoes, 231 bushels.
Furniture, 64 cases.
Wood, 1250 cords.
Vegetables, 10 bushels.
Laths, 200,000.
Lumber, 621,189 square feet.
Spars and piling, 313,879 linear feet.
Turbot, 1800 pounds.
Sounds, 20 barrels.
Halibut, 149,551 pounds.
Codfish, 743,358 pounds.
Eels, 46,000 pounds.
Salmon, 20,000 pounds.
Poles, 15,800 linear feet.
Passengers, 4.
Stowaways, 1.
Salt herring, 42,260 barrels.
Frozen herring, 19,093 barrels.
Irish and Norweigan mackerel, 11,000 barels.
Hens, 5.

New vessels built and measured in the district, 52, the tonnage aggregating 3459 tons.

Jan. 26.

## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU

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

Sch. Hazel Oneita, Georges, 12,000 cod, 3000 halibut.
Sch. Elmer E. Gray, via Boston.
Sch. Storm King, via Boston.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, via Boston.
Sch. Arcadia, via Boston.
Sch. Dictator, via Boston.
Sch. Mattie Brundage, via Boston.
Sch. Metacomet, via Boston.

### Today s Market.

Board of trade prices: Large handline Georges cod, $4.50 per cwt. medium do., $3.75. arge trawl Georges, $4.25; medium do., $3.50; handline cod from deck, caught east of Cape Sable, $4.25; medium do., $3.50; large traw bank cod, $3.75; medium do., $3.37 1-2; large dory handline cod, $4.; medium do., $3.62 1-2.

Board of Trade splitting prices on fresh fish —All cod caught on Le Have Bank and to the westward, large $2.25; medium, $1.70; all cod caught to the eastward of Le Have Bank arge, $2.25; medium, $1.70; snapper cod fish, 40 cts.; cusk, $1.60; snapper cusk, 40 cts haddock, $1.00; hake, $1.10.; pollock, 60 cts.

Outside sale of dory handline cod $4.40 for large and $3.90 for medium.

Bank halibut, 12 cts. per lb. for white and 10 cts. for gray.

Newfoundland salt herring, $4 per bbl.

Outside sales Georges cod, $5 per cwt. for large, $4 for medium.

Georges halibut, 14 cts. per lb.

### Boston.

Sch. Regina, 60,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Mary P. Mosquita, 7000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, 8000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. James S. Steele, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake, 200 pollock.

Sch. Livonia, 3000 haddock, 500 cod, 200 hake. 1000 cusk, 500 pollock.

Sch. Quartette.

Haddock, $1.50 to $2.25; large cod, $3.50 to $4; market cod, $2.50 to $3.50; hake, $2.50; pollock, $2.50.

### Herring Notes.

The Bay of Islands, N. F., Western Star of January 20 has the following herring news:

The last of the herring fishermen from the Arms came in on Monday and those of them who belong to outside places will be leaving for their homes today. Most of the men we talked with seemed quite satisfied with their earnings; but all agree that the season has been a very severe one. Storms and frost made the work hard during the past fortnight, and it was only the more robust fishermen that could continue at the work. All the vessels have got away, most of them with full cargoes of frozen herring. When the correct figures are published it will be found that there were just as many men engaged at the industry, just as much herring caught and just as much money earned by the fishermen as in the best of other years.

The fishermen at Channel have been supplied with a large quantity of frozen herring from Bay of Islands for bait, and when the weather is fine enough to permit fishing some fair catches of cod are secured.

There is not yet any drift ice in sight from Bonne Bay.

## BAD FISHERY SEASON.

St. Johns, Jan. 26.—The total export of codfish from St. Pierre and Miquelon for the year 1903 was only 16,800 pounds, against 66,600,000 pounds the previous year. The season of 1902 was not a particularly successful one. The operation in 1903 of the Newfoundland bait act is believed to have been largely responsible for the poor season at St. Pierre and Miquelon.

## NEW FISHING CONCERN.

### B. B. Crowninshield and Others Incorporated for $100,000.

Among the new corporations which filed papers under the laws of this state last week was the Eastern Fishing Company of Boston, with a capital stock of $100,000. The promotors are B. B. Crowinshield, Matthew Taylor, Sumner H. Foster, L. B. Goodspeed, L. A. Chase.

## SALT HERRING GO UP.

### Last Sales Reported at $4 Per Barrel.

The cargo of salt herring of sch. J. J. Flaherty sold to Shute & Merchant, Fred L. Davis and others, the reported price being $4 per barrel, the highest price for bulk herring this season.

Jan. 27.

## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

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

Sch. J. W. Lufkin, via Boston.
Sch. Oliver F. Kilham, shore.
Sch. Mary Edith, shore.
Sch. Illinois, shore.
Sch. Ida M. Silva, shore.
Sch. John M. Keen, shore.
Sch. Sylvia M. Numan, shore.

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### Boston.

Sch. Tecumseh, 9000 haddock.
Sch. Ellen C. Burke, 30,000 haddock, 2000 cod.
Sch. Elsie F. Rowe, 2000 cod.
Sch. Galatea, 9000 haddock.
Sch. Emily Cooney.
Sch. Pythian, 15,000 haddock, 500 cod.
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 5000 haddock, 1300 cod.
Sch. Metamora.
Sch. Manomet.
Sch. Olivia Domingoes.
Sch. Laura Enos, 3000 cod.
Sch. Two Sisters, 2000 cod.
Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 10,000 haddock.

Haddock, $1.50 to $2.25; large cod, $4 to $4.50; market cod, $2.50 to $3; pollock, $3; hake, $3.50.

### Portland.

Schs. Dreadnaught, Stranger, Almeida and Uncle Joe were at Portland on Monday.

### Herring Notes.

A dispatch to Cunningham & Thompson from Bay of Islands reports that sch. Talisman is frozen in the North Arm.

Sch. Columbia is on the way home from Placentia Bay, N. F.

# PROPOSED NEW LOBSTER LAW.

## Introduced in Legislature by Representative Tarr.

## STATE TO BUY SEED LOBSTERS.

### At Twenty-five Per Cent. Above Market Price.

A bill which will doubtless prove of much interest to thos engaged in the lobster-catching industry of Cape Ann and along the coast was presented in the general court yesterday by Representative Tarr of Rockport, upon his own petition.

The bill proposes legislation to permit the catching of the female lobster with eggs attached by lobster men, and their sale to the state through the commissioners on fisheries and game.

The bill as drawn is practically identical with a law now on the statutes of the state of Maine.

"Under this proposed law," said Mr. Tarr to the TIMES representative, "there is no good reason for the fishermen to remove the eggs and then sell the seed lobsters with the market lobsters, because the state pays 25 per cent. more than the retail market price. On the contrary it will prove remunerative to the lobster-men and be an inducement to hold for the state all of this class of lobsters, there being a ready market at all times."

Almost simultaneously with the introduction of Representative Tarr's bill, was the presenting of a similar petition and bill by Representative Thomas L. Davis of Salem. Both bills were framed after the Maine law, and provide for the same price to be paid by the state. Under the Davis bill the state would appropriate $7000 to be expended the first year, instead of $5000 as proposed by Mr. Tarr.

Both bills were referred to the committee on fisheries and game, and will be given an early hearing.

Following is the draft of the Tarr bill:

Section 1. The commissioners on fisheries