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### DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

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

Sch. Fanny E. Prescott, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Ellen C. Burke, via Boston, 45,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Ellen F. Gleason, via Boston.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Shenandoah, south, seining.  
Sch. Electric Flash, south, seining.  
Sch. Mary E. Harty, south, seining.  
Sch. Harvard, south, seining.  
Sch. George Parker, south, seining.  
Sch. Jennie B. Hodgdon, haddocking.  
Sch. Moonan, haddocking.  
Sch. Kineo, haddocking.

#### Today's Fish Market.

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Salt fish, handline Georges cod, \$5.00 per cwt. for large, \$4.00 for medium; trawl Georges cod, \$4.25 for large, \$3.25 for medium; trawl Bank cod, \$4.00 for large, \$3.50 for medium; hake, \$1.25; pollock, \$1.25; haddock, \$1.75; large cusk, \$2.50.

Fresh fish, large cod, \$2.50; medium cod, \$2.00; all cod caught to the eastward of La-Have bank, \$2.25, medium \$1.75; cusk, \$1.75; Eastern haddock, \$1.25; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, 70c; snapper codfish, 60 cts.; snapper cusk, 60 cts.

Outside sales salt Georges cod, \$5.50 per cwt. for large and \$5.00 for mediums.

#### Boston.

Sch. Agawan, 2500 cod.  
Sch. Albert Geiger, 12,000 haddock, 8000 cod.  
Sch. Estelle M. Nunan, 9000 haddock, 9000 cod.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 10,000 haddock, 500 cod.  
Sch. Margaret, 25,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 4000 cusk.  
Sch. Etta Mildred, 18,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 4000 hake, 4000 cusk.  
Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, 9000 haddock, 400 cod.  
Sch. Monitor, 30,000 haddock, 5500 cod, 400 pollock.  
Sch. Mary G. Santos, 15,000 haddock, 500 cod.  
Haddock, \$2.50 to \$3.50; large cod, \$4 to \$4.50; market cod, \$2.25 to \$2.50; hake, \$2 to \$3.50.

### SCHOOL OF WHALES

#### Seen Off Provincetown and Indicate Presence of Herring.

Provincetown harbor is ice free at last, the floe having been swept south and out of sight, and fishermen, risking loss of property from a chance return of the ice, are rushing anchor nets into the sea in their eagerness to secure fat hauls of herring for which fancy prices are assured in this period of bait scarcity.

A large number of whales, two of the right whale variety, appeared in the bay last week, remaining two or three days before turning seaward. Another and larger herd of finbacks has arrived and is scouring the bay. As the finback is supposed to keep itself accurately informed as to the whereabouts of herring schools, this whale presence is taken as indicative of the arrival of herring.

#### Odds Not with Newfoundland.

The Boston Post this morning has the following editorial:

"The Newfoundland government has added a new industry to Massachusetts. Last week word came that it had taken measures to deprive American fishermen of the right to buy bait in colonial waters. Yesterday it was announced that Boston and Gloucester capital would form a cold storage company for the purpose of distributing refrigerated bait.

"The fight between the Newfoundland government and the American fishermen will be watched with interest. It looks as if the odds would not be with the Newfoundlanders.

"It will perhaps be bad for the fishermen not to be able to buy bait in colonial waters. But will it not be worse for the bait catchers not to be able to sell?"

"Suppose, too, the government concludes some fine day to change its mind, only to discover that the fishermen can supply themselves with cheap bait elsewhere?"

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Sch. Monitor, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Speculator, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Alcina, shore, via Boston.  
Sch. Illinois, via Boston.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Diana, south, seining.

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Fresh fish, large cod, \$2.50; medium cod, \$2.00; all cod caught to the eastward of La-Have bank, \$2.25, medium \$1.75; cusk, \$1.75; Eastern haddock, \$1.25; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, 70c; snapper codfish, 60 cts.; snapper cusk, 60 cts.

#### Boston.

Sch. Valentina, 3500 haddock, 1500 cod.  
Sch. Galatea, 700 haddock, 300 cod.  
Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 1200 haddock, 500 cod.  
Sch. Rapidan, 9000 haddock, 1500 cod.  
Sch. Juanita, 4500 haddock, 1500 cod.  
Sch. Stranger, 10,000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Two Forty, 500 haddock, 5500 cod.  
Sch. Priscilla, 2000 haddock, 3000 cod.  
Sch. Seacoquet, 13,000 haddock, 1500 cod.  
Haddock, \$2 to \$3; large cod, \$1 to \$1.50; market cod, \$2.25 to \$2.50.

### SCHOOL OF WHALES.

#### Disporting Themselves Off Breakwater This Afternoon.

#### Novel Sight Witnessed by Many Wharf Habitues.

The habitues of the water front were treated to a novel sight this afternoon, when looking toward the outer harbor and over near the breakwater, they espied a school of whales blowing and sporting about and evidently enjoying themselves.

There were several in the school and they could be plainly seen as they came up to blow and played about and dove. They are probably part of the school which has been seen the past few days off Provincetown and are supposed generally to indicate the presence of herring.

#### Big Stock.

Sch. Emily Cooney, Capt. Patrick J. Murphy, engaged in the shore market fishery, changed her tactics last trip and went off shore, with the result that she brought in the big fare of 76,000 pounds of fresh fish at Boston yesterday, on which the fine stock of \$2600 was made, the crew profiting to the extent of \$75 each. The trip occupied but five days. Capt. Murphy is one of those quiet fellows who goes along season after season, always rolling up a big stock. He is part owner of the craft he commands and is well known as one of the hustlers of the fleet.

### IMPORTANT TREASURY RULING

#### Imported Frozen Halibut Dutiable at One Cent Per Pound.

According to a recent ruling of the treasury department "frozen halibut" and by implication all other fresh fish subjected to natural refrigeration "retaining their natural juices and flavor without the aid of antiseptics or desiccation and in condition for immediate use" are dutiable as and for fresh fish at the rate of one cent per pound, and not as and for fish "otherwise prepared for preservation" at three fourths of one cent per pound according to former decision of the appraisers' board.

The ruling is taken at the instance of the auditor to the department on certain entries made at the subport of Richford, collection district of Burlington, Vt., and is of peculiar interest at the present time by reason of the sharp competition that has developed relative to the marketing of Pacific coast halibut in the east. It is said that further developments are even now pending regarding same.

### POOR SEAL FISHERY.

St. Johns, March 29.—Steamer Eagle, the first ship of the sealing fleet which sailed March 13, returned last night fully laden, having 33,000 seals. She reports eight steamers loaded with 56,000 seals. Eleven other steamers are unreported. The figures indicate a poor fishery, the outlook being the least satisfactory in many years.

### NOT REGARDED SERIOUSLY.

#### Says Washington Despatch of Newfoundland Retaliation.

#### Would Have To Forbid Her People To Sell Bait.

A special despatch to the Boston Transcript from "Lincoln," its regular Washington correspondent, and published in its last evening's paper states that Newfoundland's threatened retaliation because of the failure of the reciprocity is not regarded there as likely to prove serious. To carry it out she would have to forbid her subjects to sell something and in parts of that poverty stricken island this would be a severe blow to the inhabitants. The Maine and Massachusetts fishermen who came to Washington during the pendency of the treaty to discuss its terms did not regard a continuance of the bait privileges in the treaty as of enough value to justify any considerable sacrifice on their part. While they thought it reasonably convenient, they asserted that they could, through present-day refrigerating devices, get along without it.

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Harbor Notes.

The steamer Frostberg is at this port from Philadelphia today with a cargo of coal for F. D. Bennett.

The dismantled schooner Onato of Boston is having her new spars stepped at Burnham's shears today.

The new schooner Arthur James is being fitted for a southern sealing trip under command of Capt. Archibald Devine.

Sch. Monitor will now fit for south seining under command of Capt. Benj. A. Spurling.

Capt. Wesley Farmer is fitting the new sch. Patrician for south seining.

Several of the Rips fishing fleet are being made ready for their annual cod fishing season, among them schs. Alice S. Hawkes, Jubilee and Sheffeyld.

Needs of Cape Cod.

The joint committee on harbors and public lands of the legislature went down to the Cape on the morning train yesterday to look over several localities for the improvement of which the Cape members are endeavoring to secure appropriations.

The legislators took the afternoon train from Harwich, where they will look over Wychmere harbor, Herring river and the proposed Bass river canal route today, and then go to Hyannis to ascertain the need of East bay, West bay and Cotuit and Osterville harbors, returning to Boston tomorrow.

A ball was given in West Harwich last evening in honor of the visit of the legislature. In the party are Representatives McIntire of this city and Oxner of Essex.

Fish Out of Water.

Many people think that fish when taken out of water die because air has a fatal effect on them. The real reason, however, is that their delicate gill filaments or membranes become dry and stick together, so that no air can pass between them. Thus they lose the power to imbibe necessary oxygen, and the circulation of their blood stops. The painful gasping of a fish out of water is nature's effort to free the passage through the filaments.

Poor Seal Fishery Indicated.

Steamer Eagle, the first ship of the sealing fleet which sailed March 13, has returned to St. John's, N. F., fully laden, having 23,000 seals. She reports the Kit loaded with 11,000 seals, the Ranger with 15,000, the Labrador with 14,300, the Virginia Lake with 6500, the Grand Lake with 5000, the Nimrod with 2590, the Neptune with 1700, and the Aurora with 600. The figures indicate a poor fishery, the outlook being the least satisfactory in many years.

SCHOOLS FOR FISHERMEN.

Belgium Has Four Institutions for Fishing Instruction.

There are now in Belgium four schools for the instruction of fishermen. The pupils are taught how to read weather charts, how to make the best use of currents, what the bottom of the sea is like, how to make their own nets, how to manage a boat in a storm, how to use the latest inventions in the line of fishing apparatus, etc. There are about 250 pupils in these schools.

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NO LICENSES FOR BANKERS.

So Telegraphs Capt. McInnis to Owners of Sch. Aloha.

WAS AT CHANNEL TUESDAY.

Report of Newfoundland's Action Confirmed.

The hitherto unconfirmed report that the Newfoundland government had decided not to grant the permission to purchase bait licenses to American fishing vessels was confirmed this morning by a dispatch received by Canningham & Thompson from Capt. John McInnis of the salt banker Aloha of this port.

The Aloha was at Channel, N. F., on Tuesday and the captain's message, though laconic, still tells the whole story. The dispatch is characteristic of the man, it simply said, "No license."

Capt. McInnis has at once taken such action as will tend to make him not dependent of securing bait at Newfoundland.

BIG GASOLINE AUXILIARY.

Important Addition to Boston's Off Shore Fleet.

Will Cost \$25,000 When She is Ready for Sea.

The Boston Maritime Fishing Company has contracted with Arthur D. Story of Essex for the building of a large gasoline auxiliary fishing schooner to be used in the Channel and Georges haddock fishery. The new craft is to be a large one, probably between 130 to 140 tons gross, and it is understood that when she is ready for sea she will represent an outlay of \$25,000. The plans for the new craft are all made and work on her will soon be commenced.

The building of this large auxiliary powered craft to engage in the off shore haddock fishery marks a departure in this branch of the fishing business, as all the gasolines at present in this fleet engage in seining in summer and go to Newfoundland in winter, the only exception being one shore boat equipped with a gasoline engine and engaged in the market shore fishery.

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Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Flirt, salt banking. Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell, shacking. Sch. Illinois, haddocking. Sch. Titania, haddocking. Sch. Emily Cooney, shore. Sch. Edna Wallace Hopper, south, seining. Sch. A. M. Nicholson, south, seining. Sch. Lena and Maud, south, seining. Sch. Willie L. Swift, Bucksport, Me.

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Boston.

Sch. Rose Starfish, 11,000 cod. Sch. Massasoit, 9000 haddock, 3,000 cod.

Sch. Thomas W. Brundage, 500 haddock, 3500 cod.

Sch. Marshall L. Adams, 30,000 haddock, 11,000 cod.

Sch. Mertis H. Perry, 12,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Ida M. Silva, 1000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Sylvia M. Nunan, 2000 haddock, 300 cod, 1000 hake, 1000 cusk.

Sch. Theresa and Alice, 2000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Mary Cabral, 5000 haddock, 600 cod.

Sch. Richard Wainwright, 48,000 haddock, 18,000 cod.

Sch. Louisa R. Silva, 8000 haddock, 1000 cod, 30,000 hake.

Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, 6000 hake, 4000 cusk.

Sch. Viola, 5000 haddock 1000 cod.

Sch. Mary J. Ward, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Jessie P., 1600 haddock, 600 cod.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 300 haddock, 600 cod, 5000 hake, 2000 cusk.

Sch. Selma, 65,000 haddock, 22,000 cod.

Sch. Motor, 10,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. Emerald, 7000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, 2000 haddock, 500 cod, 500 cod.

Sch. Dorothy, 17,000 haddock, 200 cod, 400 cusk.

Sch. John M. Keen, 200 haddock, 300 cod, 1000 hake.

Haddock, \$1.50 to \$2.50; large cod, \$3 to \$4; market cod, \$2.25 to \$2.50; hake, \$1.50 to \$2.50; cusk, \$1.75.

Portland fishermen are commencing to think of going south, seining. Sch. Maud S. will probably be the first to get away, and the vessel now being overhauled.

Sch. Mineola of Portland is fitting for a southern netting trip.