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Sch. Grampus at St. John's N. F.
The American Government's schooner Grampus, Capt. Hansen, two days from St. Pierre, put into port this morning, Aug. 15. On board are Messrs. Alexander and Dunlop, who are on a scientific quest and have for some time past been cruising along the Atlantic seaboard, their main object being to discover if possible the home of the mackerel. They touched here for their mail and will continue their voyage tomorrow. She will remain on our coast for some time acquiring data respecting fish. Mr. Alexander, one of the chiefs of the fish commission, is in charge, and Mr. Dunlop is secretary. The Grampus was here twenty years ago in charge of Capt. Collins, and was then on a cruise in quest of the great auk's eggs.—St. John's, N. F., Herald.

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Sch. Sea Fox, 17,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 2000 pollock.
Sch. Mary C. Santos, 25,000 haddock, 33,000 cod, 2000 hake, 8000 pollock.
Sch. Louisa R. Sylva, 10,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 2000 pollock.
Sch. Julia Costa, 25,000 haddock, 19,000 cod.
Sch. Regina, 55,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 2000 hake.
Haddock, \$1.25; large cod, \$2.80 to \$3; market cod, \$1.75; hake, \$2 to \$3; pollock, \$1; swordfish, 11 cts.

Mackerel Notes.

Sch. Seaconnet was at Boston yesterday from Georges with 31 bbls. salt mackerel.
Nestor Thurlow landed 250 mackerel at Newburyport yesterday.

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In the words of the Montreal Gazette, "The French idea has humanity behind it." We hope that all maritime nations will soon join hands and agree upon something in the line of restricting steamers to a certain line of travel or regulating their rate of speed in fog or stormy weather. The hardy fisherman is worthy of this protection from the governments of the world and he should have it.

Fine Bank Fare.

Sch. Flirt, Capt. Alfred Green, arrived this morning from a salt bank trip with a splendid fare of 250,000 pounds of salt cod. As the Flirt was one of the last of the salt bank fleet to start, her trip is a fine one and as much of the fare is late caught, it is a very desirable one for the owners of the vessel, Messrs. David B. Smith & Co. Capt. Green is a young man, but one who since he has been going skipper has made for himself a splendid reputation as a master mariner of judgment and ability.

Wisconsin and Borax.

Chicago handlers of salt cod somewhat forehandedly circularized their customers that the sale of codfish treated in any way with borax was no longer permitted by law in the state of Wisconsin. While it is true that the legislature passed such a law to take effect January next, it is absurd to unnecessarily harass trade merely to gratify natural resentment. A way out of the difficulty will be found. If necessary, an export cure can be used, and a lot of codfish can be sold in Wisconsin before the law goes into effect.—New York Fishing Gazette.

STEAMSHIP ROUTES ACROSS THE GRAND BANK.

It is noticed that the French government is making an attempt to have all the maritime nations agree upon and fix regular steamship routes across the Grand Bank. This move is a grand one in the cause of humanity and life saving.

The dangers of fishing on the Grand Bank, other than that of being run down in the fog by ocean steamers, are well known to all who live in places from which vessels sail which go to this spot for their season's fishing and to earn a precarious livelihood. The dangers from the terrible gales, going astray in the fog, overturning the dories, etc., are enough without living in constant dread of being run down and sunk and sending all hands to bottom by one of the swift-moving ocean liners as she ploughs her way along at terrific speed through clear and foggy weather.

It is high time that something was done. It is time that some protection should be afforded the common trawler, so, that in spite of the always present dangers of his calling, he could at least turn in at night without the frightful and ever present nightmare of a giant steamship plunging relentlessly toward him.

This steamship danger is not an imaginary one and every year with its losses of life contains upon its deadly roll the names of heroic, hardworking men, who, in the pursuit of their arduous calling, have been sent to their doom without the chance to save themselves, because ocean steamers must make time in fair or foul weather in order to beat a competitive line.

None but those who live in fishing places, such as this, can realize what this steamship danger amounts to. None but they can so well remember, time after time, seeing in their paper the all too often repeated head line "Given Up With All Hands." All too often they know what it means. Sometimes there has been no gale, not enough wind to disturb a dory, and yet these staunch crafts have gone from port, have never been heard from and have not been near land.

There is only one conclusion and it is a fixed one; one from which there is no dissension—that the craft has been run down, perhaps, or probably, in the fog and that is all there is to the tale; yet lives have been snuffed out, good honest hard working lives, strong, sturdy men with families depending on them. Nothing is ever heard of it and yet every man and woman in that fishing place will say, "Well another craft run down by an ocean steamer" And who shall say that this is not so? It is the reasonable, logical conclusion and worthy of all acceptance.

Bait.

Two vessels baited at Provincetown with squid on Monday. Quite a body of squid struck in there Sunday but late reports from there say that they have now struck off.
Medium sized herring bait is reported on the Maine coast and claims for mackerel throw bait can be secured at Boothbay Harbor.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Volant, Rips, 50,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Sheffeyld, Rips, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Orinoco, Western Bank, 50,000 lbs. salt fish, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Reliance, Block Island, 7 bbls. large salt mackerel, 40 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.
Sch. Norma, Georges, 5 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.
Sch. Arcadia, seining.
Sch. A. M. Nicholson, seining.

Today's Fish Market.

Board of Trade prices for salt and fresh fish:
Salt fish, handline Georges cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for medium; trawl Georges cod, \$4.25 for large, \$3.50 for medium; trawl Bank cod, \$3.62 1-2 for large, \$3.37 1-2 for medium; hake, \$1.25; pollock, \$1.25; haddock, \$1.75; large cusk, \$2.50.
Georges, Channel and Cashes large fresh codfish, \$2.25; medium do., \$1.75; all other large fresh codfish \$2.00; medium do., \$1.02 1-2; Georges, Channel and Cashes fresh haddock, \$1.00; all other fresh haddock, 90 cts.; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 75 cts.
Rips cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for mediums and \$2.25 for snappers.
Outside sales fresh hake, \$1.05.
Fresh halibut, 9 cts. per lb. for white and 6 1-2 cents for gray.
Large salt mackerel, \$20 per bbl.
Salt tinker mackerel, \$14 and \$15 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Joseph P. Johnson, 18,000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 8000 pollock.
Sch. Thomas Brundage, 500 haddock, 18,000 cod, 7000 pollock.
Sch. Galatea, 1000 haddock, 19,000 cod.
Sch. Stranger, 55 swordfish.
Sch. Olivia Sears, 1000 pollock, 5 swordfish.
Sch. Fanny W. Freeman, 20,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Gov. Russell, 20,000 haddock, 18,000 9000 hake.
Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 50,000 haddock.

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BIG HAULS OF TINKERS.

Two Seiners at Boston To-day with Fresh Fares.

SCH. MARY E. HARTY HAS 40,000.

Sch. Ralph Russell Salted Good Catch on Tuesday.

Sch. Mary E. Harty, Capt. Charles H. Harty, arrived at Boston this morning with a big fare of 40,000 fresh tinker mackerel which sold at 3 1-2 cents each. Sch. Annie M. Parker, Capt. Joseph Graham, also arrived there this morning with 17,000 fresh tinker mackerel, which sold for four cents each. It is reported that the fares were taken on Middle Bank.

Sch. Ralph Russell, Capt. Owen Whitten, which sailed from here seining Tuesday morning, struck good fishing soon after leaving port, for late that afternoon, on about the western part of Jeffries Bank, she made a set and got a haul of 100 barrels of tinker mackerel, which were salted. Some of the boats which were near helped the crew with the seine and one of them put in at Rockport with a few barrels of the mackerel on board and brought the news. Last evening the fishing steamer Water Witch, Capt. Sargent, put in at Rockport and the captain reported that the haul of the Russell was 100 barrels and also that she got another small haul yesterday.

Sch. Spencator, Capt. William Corkum, stocked \$3000 on her recent seining trip, the crew sharing \$70.

IN DOUBLE QUICK TIME.

Sch. Tacoma But Four Weeks on Bacalieu Trip.

HAS A LARGE FINE FARE.

Encountered Many Icebergs but No Field Ice.

After an absence of only four weeks, sch. Tacoma, Capt. Adelbert Nickerson, arrived home from the far northern bank of Bacalieu last evening with a splendid fare of 60,000 pounds of fresh halibut. This is one of the quickest halibut trips ever made to this icy, northern fishing ground.

In speaking of the trip, Capt. Nickerson said that he caught his fare in latitude 54 north, and did not see another vessel during all the trip. He reports that the great bodies of field ice, which in former years have been so noticeable by their presence on that ground and which are always a source of much menace and danger to men and vessel, were on this trip noticeable by their absence, but on the other hand he never before, in all his Arctic experience, saw so many icebergs. Capt. Nickerson says that they are so plenty that 100 could be counted at one time and they seemed as thick as to be really as bad if not worse than the field ice.

During the trip, which was caught right in among these big icebergs, the weather remained fine up to the last day, but on the three following days, while the craft was scudding for home, a severe storm was encountered.

As the vessel fished at anchor, and all the fish were caught on night sets, the danger in securing this fine fare can be readily imagined. Two of the dories had the outer ends of their trawls up against big bergs and had part of them hauled, when with a noise like the discharge of a hundred broadsides, and which Capt. Nickerson says one would almost think could be heard way here in Gloucester, accompanied by a perceptible tremor, the great mountain of ice split in twain and fell in opposite directions into the sea, throwing out an immense wave when threatened to engulf everything in its reach.

Fortunately the roar gave the men in the two dories warning, and they quickly put their dories head on to the onrushing tidal wave and by hard bucking at the oars managed to keep their boats head to it and saved them from capsizing.

Capt. Nickerson says that after the bergs fell over and disappeared for a second beneath the water, they bobbed up again, and their height out of water appeared to be greater even than that of the original berg.

On the last set, the men went early to haul and while they were gone a big berg came moving along against the wind and menaced the vessel, threatening to ride right over her from astern. Capt. Nickerson quickly set the flag in the rigging for the crew to return, so as to have all hands on board and heave up out of the way of the monster, or cut the cable if it became necessary. Fortunately the men had their trawls nearly in and brought them with them as they came.

It was breezing up fast and everything portended a storm, and as the berg steadily approached the cable was hove in and the anchor broke out and the vessel moved ahead and out of the way of the menacing mountain of ice. As the gale increased Capt. Nickerson decided not to wait until it abated to do any more fishing, but started for home with his fine fare. The storm lasted for three days, but the Tacoma came along in good shape through it.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Tacoma, Bacalieu Bank, 60,000 lbs fresh halibut.
Sch. Monarch, seining, 2 bbls. fresh tinker mackerel.
Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, shore.
Sch. Kineo, Georges, 25,000 lbs. halibut, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Electric Flash, seining, 7000 fresh tinker mackerel.
Sch. Matchless, Western Bank, 110,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Today's Fish Market.

Board of Trade prices for salt and fresh fish:

Salt fish, handline Georges cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for medium; trawl Georges cod, \$4.25 for large, \$3.50 for medium; trawl Bank cod, \$3.62 1-2 for large \$3.37 1-2 for medium; hake, \$1.25; pollock \$1.25; haddock, \$1.75; large cusk, \$2.50.

Georges, Channel and Cashes large fresh codfish, \$2.25; medium do., \$1.75; all other large fresh codfish \$2.00; medium do, \$1.60 1-2; Georges, Channel and Cashes fresh haddock, \$1.00; all other fresh haddock, 90 cts.; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 75 cts.

Rips cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for mediums and \$2.25 for snappers.

Outside sales fresh hake, \$1.05.

Fresh halibut, 9 cts. per lb. for white and 1-2 cents for gray.

Large salt mackerel, \$20 per bbl.

Salt tinker mackerel, \$14 and \$15 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Mary E. Harty, 10,000 fresh tinker mackerel.

Sch. Annie Parker, 15,000 fresh tinker mackerel.

Sch. Mary Edith, 13 swordfish.

Sch. Ida M. Silva, 29 swordfish.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, 18,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Yankee, 12,000 haddock, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Mary Stone, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Dido, 14,000 haddock, 18,000 cod, 3000 pollock.

Haddock, \$1.25 to \$1.50; large cod, \$2.50; market cod, \$1.60; pollock, \$1; hake, \$1.50 to \$2.50; mackerel, 3 1-2 cts. to 4 cts.; swordfish, 11 cts.

Mackerel Sale.

Fred. L. Davis bought the mackerel fare of sch. Reliance, the tinkers selling for \$14 per barrel and the No. 1 shore fish for \$17.50 per barrel.

August 25

SCH. EMERALD IN AGAIN.

Has Another Trip of Tinkers at Boston Today.

Sch. Emerald, Capt. Albert Greenlaw, is at Boston again today with another fare of fresh tinker mackerel, this time having 11,000 in count. She was in Tuesday with a fare of 18,000 of the same kind of fish. Capt. Greenlaw is certainly doing a grand hustle and has landed some big fares this season, his stock in this little craft being far ahead of what many of the large, up-to-date seiners have done. He is a skipper of judgment and ability and is generally heard from at the end of the season with a nice stock to his credit.

The fare of fresh tinkers of sch. Electric Flash sold here this morning at three cents each to Frank Stevens.

DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Nourmahal, Georges, 58 bbls. salt mackerel.
Sch. Mary E. Harty, via Boston.
Sch. Emerald, via Boston.
Sch. William Walker, Provincetown, 300 qtls. cured pollock.
Sch. Masconomo, Georges, 6000 lbs. halibut, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish, 12,000 lbs. salt fish.
Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell, seining.

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Georges, Channel and Cashes large fresh codfish, \$2.25; medium do., \$1.75; all other large fresh codfish \$2.00; medium do, \$1.62 1-2; Georges, Channel and Cashes fresh haddock, \$1.00; all other fresh haddock, 90 cts.; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 75 cts.

Rips cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for mediums and \$2.25 for snappers.

Outside sales fresh hake, \$1.05.

Fresh halibut, 9 cts. per lb. for white and 6 1-2 cents for gray.

Large salt mackerel, \$20 per bbl.

Salt tinker mackerel, \$14 and \$15 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Evelyn L. Smith, 23,000 haddock, 9000 cod.

Sch. Zephyr, 1500 haddock, 15,000 cod, 1500 pollock.

Sch. Two Forty, 2000 haddock, 16,000 cod, 1500 pollock.

Sch. Nettie Franklin, 25,000 haddock, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Maud M. Story, 15,000 haddock, 21,000 cod, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Alice S. Hawkes, 700 haddock, 17,000 cod, 7000 pollock.

Sch. Frances Silva, 10,000 haddock, 21,000 cod, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Flora J. Seaa, 15,000 haddock, 9000 cod.

Sch. Brazanza, 2000 haddock, 17,000 cod, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Sachem, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Estelle M. Nunan, 34 swordfish.

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 12,000 tinker mackerel.

Haddock, \$1.25; large cod, \$2.40; market cod, \$1.60 to \$1.65; pollock, 80 cts; swordfish, 10 cts; mackerel, 4 1-2 cts.

AUTHORITIES SUSPICIOUS.

Think American Bankers Bait at Bay Bulls, N. F.

Say These Craft Now Often Go to That Port.

The St. John's Herald of August 18 says: "Another American banker, the Elector, put into Bay Bulls on Wednesday evening and sailed yesterday morning. This is now done so frequently that the authorities are beginning to think that bait is obtained by these craft in some way, or that they are getting it themselves."