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PROSPEROUS YEAR.

Nova Scotia Fisheries and Other Pursuits Boomed in 1905

The Halifax Chronicle has published a special New Year's number devoted mostly to story of prosperity of Nova Scotia during the year 1905. In the column of annual wealth the figure shows that the value of the Nova Scotia fisheries for the year was $9,000,000. The edition contains many special articles of various industries of the Provinces, going into many of them at great length. The fisheries come in for a very large share of attention, as do the dogfish reduction plants and the great great number of bait freezers that have been erected during the year. A comprehensive table of fish prices for the past 20 years shows that last year holds the record for high prices on dry fish and herring. Canso and Lunenburg and other big fishing centres all report prosperous years in their fisheries although the catch of bait at some places was small, while at Canso it was extra good. Eighteen bait freezers were built during the year and the dogfish plants were run overtime. All in all it was a big year for Nova Scotia.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, via Boston.
Sch. Fanny Belle Atwood, via Boston, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, via Boston.
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, via Boston.
Sch. Mary E. Silveira, via Boston.
Sch. Maud F. Silva, via Boston.
Sch. Mary Cabral, via Boston.
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, via Boston.
Sch. Rita A. Viator, via Boston.
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, via Boston.

Today's Fish Market.

These prices are based on the last known sales.

Salt handline Georges codfish, $5.25 per cwt. for large, $4.25 for medium.
Salt trawl Georges codfish, $5 for large, 00 for medium.
Salt hake, $1.75
Salt haddock, $1.75.
Salt cusk, $2.50.
Fresh haddock, $1.20.
Salt trawl bank codfish, $4.50 for large, $4.00 for medium, $2.75 for snappers.
Fresh halibut, 12 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. for gray.
Fresh pollock, 70 cts. per cwt.
Newfoundland salt herring, in bulk, $4.50 per bbl.
Newfoundland salt herring, barrelled, $5.75 per bbl.

Boston.

No arrivals today. Several vessels left over from yesterday are taking out.

Haddock $1.50 to $3.15, large cod $2 50 to $5, market cod $1.50 to $3, hake $2 to $4, pollock $2 50.

Herring Notes.

Sch. Britannia with 650 barrels of frozen herring and sch. Slantly with 400 barrels arrived at Halifax Tuesday from Bay of Islands, N. F.

Trawl Caught in Sunken Wreck

The beam trawler Spray, which arrived at Boston from her second trip with an ordinary fare, fished on Georges bank. Capt. Malone reports bad weather on the trip and also that the trawl was caught in a sunken wreck and that this caused considerable delay. The machinery and gear are now working much more smoothly and under favorable conditions he hopes for larger fares hereafter.

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FOR HIS GOOD WORK.

Vessel Owners Assure Mr. Alexander of Their Appreciation.

Mr. A. B. Alexander, of the United States Bureau of Fisheries, assistant in charge of the divisions of statistics and methods of the fisheries, but who since last August has been on the United States Fish Commission sch. Grampus at Newfoundland, studying the migration of mackerel in those waters, and has also represented the United States at Bay of Islands through the herring fishery dispute of the fall and winter, returned to Washington yesterday afternoon, after spending a week here, following his return from his long and delicate mission.

Since he returned, Mr. Alexander has given freely of his time to talks with local vessel owners and has given much information regarding the state of the herring fishery at Bay of Islands this season and how the vessels have been doing. As to the matters pertaining to the fishery trouble with Newfoundland and what has been done in regard to the same, Mr. Alexander has been very discreet and vouchsafed but little, preferring that it come from the state department, to whom he has made frequent reports.

Enough has been learned here from time to time, however, to show that he has been the right man in the right place, and through his tact and diplomacy has prevented any friction and accomplished a great deal for our vessel owners, skippers and fishermen. He has been most cordially treated since he came home, and left for Washington with the personal assurances from the various vessel owners of their appreciation of the good work he had accomplished in such a quiet and unostentatious manner.

It is understood that later the reports of Mr. Alexander or the vital points of them may be embodied in a government report, and if so it will be valuable and highly interesting document and be read with interest.

Fine Record.

Sch. Teresa and Alice of Boston, Capt. George Perry, has made a fine record in the past ten days. This craft is one of the shore fishing fleet and has made three trips in ten days fishing on Middle Bank and landing 56,000 pounds of fresh fish on which the fine stock of $60 to a man was made.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

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Sch Elsie F. Rowe, shore.

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Fresh halibut, 12 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. for gray.
Fresh pollock, 70 cts. per cwt.
Newfoundland salt herring, in bulk, $4.50 per bbl.
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Boston.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, 40,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 5000 hake.
Haddock, $2 50.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Margaret was at Cans on Wednesday.

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Herring Notes.

The British sch. Ida M. Clark, from Bay of Islands with a cargo of salt herring for Boston which put in here for harbor yesterday afternoon, sailed this morning.

A despatch to the Boston Fish Bureau from Bay Islands, N. F., yesterday says that every vessel that went to Bay of Islands is about sure to secure a load of herring and get away before the ice comes. The weather has been remarkably favorable for fishing and practically no ice formed. The despatch also says that all the Canadian vessels have loaded and are waiting a chance to sail, as are also schs. A. M. Nicholson and Atalanta. The remainder of the fleet will will finish getting cargoes early next week.

Sch. Parthia arrived at this port this morning from Bay of Islands with a cargo of salt herring.

Sch. Edward A. Rich, Capt. Archibald Devine, arrived home from a herring trip to the Maine coast this morning, with 250 barrels of frozen herring. The vessels has been as far to the eastward as Bar Harbor and found fish very scarce.

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HERRING NEWS.

British Vessel Here Today with Frozen Cargo.

Many Nets Lost at Bay of Islands in Recent Storm.

The British sch. Jennie May arrived at this port this morning from Bay of Islands, N. F., with a full cargo of frozen herring. The vessel was chartered by D. B. Smith & Co., and the cargo has been sold by them to New York parties and the vessel will sail for there to discharge.

The Western Star of last Wednesday says: "The herring fishery is still being actively prosecuted, although the results are not as successful as desired. Several days last week herring were very plentiful in the bottom of the Goose Arm, and some boats cleared as much as one hundred and thirty dollars in a day and a half by freezing their fish. Most of the Americans intend abandoning the voyage next week, by which time they expect to have all their vessels loaded. The local craft taking cargoes to Halifax and elsewhere most all got clear before the end of the year, so as to avoid payment of light dues. Most of the Bay St. George men have given up the fishery and gone home. The late storms played havoc with the nets, and as a result a great deal of gear was destroyed by the gales and by the owners of nets whose gear was fouled with that of other fishermen."

The Humber Arm froze over a week ago Friday, but the high wind on Saturday broke up the ice and drove it out the bay.

Recent dispatches from Bay of Islands state that the Humber is again frozen over and that communication with the fleet in the North and Middle Arms is difficult.

LOST ANCHORS AND CABLE.

Sch. Louisa Polleys Encountered Gale on Banks.

Sch. Louisa Polleys of this port, one of the Grorges handline fleet, put in at Shelburne, N. S., a few days ago, with cable and two anchors gone and other damage. Her captain reported encountering a heavy gale on the banks recently, the vessel parting her cable twice. She had 10,000 pounds of salt cod on board and will return to this port.