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IMPORTANT DECISION.

Affecting Men Fishing in Newfoundland Vessels.

The Harbor Grace, N. F., Standard of March 16 has the text of a fishery decision of great importance as follows:

The Supreme Court full Bench in December last on an appeal from the Placentia, N F., Magistrate's decision declared that "a shareman who leaves his master's service before the termination of the fishing season, cannot recover wages up to the date of his so leaving."

In thus deciding, the court reversed the decision of the magistrate.

In delivering judgment, Justice Emerson said:

"The respondent (Brothers) was a shareman with the appellant (Dunphy) at the codfishery. He was hired on verbal agreement as a fisherman on board his vessel, according to the custom of the fishery, and to receive as wages a share of the fish caught. On September 8 before the end of the fishery, he deserted without valid reason. Magistrate O'Reilly decided he was entitled to receive his share of fish (valued at $85.58) up to the date of his desertion, "unless and until his master could prove that he had been damaged and had suffered loss by reason of the plaintiff leaving his service."

As before stated the court unanimously reversed the magistrate's decision.

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FIRST TO START.

Sch. M. H. Perkins Fitting For Rips Fishing.

Capt. Fred Goodwin has commenced today to fit out sch. M. H. Perkins for Rips fishing, which is the earliest start to be made by any of those who intend to prosecue this fishing. Capt. Goodwin has just returned from Wood's Harbor, N. S., where he has been sojourning the past two months.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Mary F. Curtis, Georges, 75,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, via Boston.

Sch. Mocanam, via Boston, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Today's Fish Market.

These prices are based on the last known sales.

Salt handline Georges codfish, $4.50 per cwt. for large, $3.50 for medium.

Salt trawl Georges codfish, $4.50 for large, 3.50 for medium.

Salt hake, $1.00.

Salt haddock, $1.50.

Salt cusk, $2.25.

Salt trawl bank codfish, $3.50 for large, $3.00 for medium.

Newfoundland frozen herring for bait, $3.00 per cwt.

Shore frozen herring, for bait, $2.50 per cwt.

Splitting prices of fresh fish: Large Eastern cod, $1.75; medium do., $1.25; large Western cod, $2.12 1-2; medium do., $1.50; haddock, 85 cts.; cusk, $1.25; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 65 cts.

Fresh halibut, 8 cts. per lb. for white and 5 cts. for gray.

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Boston.

Sch. Lucania, 65,000 haddock, 55,000 cod.

Sch. Onato, 90,000 haddock, 60,000 cod.

Sch. Ellen F. Gleason, 50,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Esther Gray, 3000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Francis P. Mosquito, 55,000 haddock, 60,000 cod, and sailed for Gloucester.

Sch. Muriel, sailed for Gloucester.

Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 10,000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Emilie Enos, 35,000 haddock, 4000 cod.

Sch. Julia Costa, 5000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., 55,000 haddock, 32,000 cod.

Haddock, $1 to $2.30; no sales of cod. Market very dull and almost everything will come to Gloucester.

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ANOTHER FISHING INDUSTRY.

James G. Tarr & Bro. Corporation Commences Business at Rocky Neck.

Things are surely coming Gloucester's way from an industrial standpoint, for following closely on the good news of the removal of the Boston Maritime Company to this port comes the welcome information that the James G. Tarr & Bro. Corporation have commenced active operations at its finely appointed plant on Rocky Neck.

The company has recently been incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts with a capital of $150,000, and will engage in the fishing business in all its branches which is demanded by the trade both in this country and abroad.

The plant of the concern is one of the largest and best adapted for the business in the city, being equipped with many spacious buildings and includes the fine wharf property necessary to conduct the enterprise.

The officers of the corporation are as follows: President, James G. Tarr; vice president and manager, Benjamin N. Tarr; treasurer, Frank R. Walker.

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Big Fleet of Steamers in Pacific Halibut Fishery.

There will be some eight steamers running out of Vancouver, B. C., and from the halibut fishing grounds this season. It is said that without a doubt this year will be the greatest on record in the history of the trade on the Pacific coast. There will be several new steamers added to the fleet, which will ship their fares from Vancouver.

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SAILED LAST WEEK.

Gloucester Fishermen Now After Cod on the Pacific.

The three masted fishing sch. Joseph Ross of Anacortes, Washington, having on board a number of Gloucester fishermen, sailed for the codfishing grounds of the northern Pacific on Thursday of last week. The other vessel in which the rest of the party of Gloucester fishermen will go was delayed, waiting for salt, but is supposed to have sailed by this time.

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Cargo Going Into Freezer.

The cargo of frozen herring of the British sch. LaTooka is being put in the freezer of the Gloucester Cold Storage Co.

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TALK OVER FISHERIES.

Earl Gray To Visit Washington the Present Week.

CONG. GARDNER WILL SEE HIM.

Will Discuss Differences Between United States and England.

A. Maurice Low, the Washington correspondent of the Boston Globe, has the following important dispatch in the columns of that paper this morning, referring to the visit to Washington of Earl Gray, Governor General of Canada, and the efforts which will be made to secure a settlement of all the differences now outstanding between the United States and Great Britain. Most of the differences concern Canada and the United States, but the most important is with Newfoundland. In some of the Canadian and also the important one with Newfoundland, Gloucester and the fishing interest of New England are greatly concerned.

The despatch is very plain spoken and reads as follows:

Earl Grey, the governor general of Canada will be in Washington the end of this week, and will spend an evening with the president.

He is coming to Washington to discuss with Sir Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador, Secretary Root and the president informally the effort which Secretary Root is now making to secure a settlement of all the outstanding differences between the United States and Great Britain.

These contentiou questions are many, and principally range from the payment of claims to the intricate construction of treaty rights.

Most of the questions concern Canada, but one of the most important is with Newfoundland. To mention Newfoundland is, of course, to bring up the old fisheries question, which is another way of saying that Gloucester has a vital interest in any agreement that may be reached.

For the sake of peace and the promotion of friendly relations between Great Britain and the United States, it is to be hoped that satisfactory arrangement can be reached, otherwise there is imminent danger of serious friction between Newfoundland and the United States next summer.

The Gloucester fishermen, according to the most reliable authority, have determined that next year they will attempt to seine herring in the Bay of Islands. They claim the right to do this under the terms of the treaty, which gives them the privilege to fish there and enjoy the rights in common in the fisheries with British subjects. But the Newfoundlanders object to the use of seines, as tending practically to exterminate the herring, and there is a well expressed belief by many authorities that if seines are used in two or three years there will be no more herring to be seined.

If the Gloucester fishermen attempt to use seines there is a strong belief in the minds of a great many men familiar with local conditions and the temper of the Newfoundlanders that serious trouble will result The nets will be destroyed, or at least an effort will be made to destroy them.