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**Boston.**

Sch. Mary A. Gleason, 24,000 pollock.  
 Sch. Ellen C. Burke, 33,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 3000 hake, 10,000 cusk.  
 Sch. M. Madeleine, 6000 cod.  
 Sch. Sheffeyld, 5000 pollock.  
 Sch. Viking, 2000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.  
 Sch. Winnifred, 6500 haddock, 2500 cod, 5000 hake.  
 Sch. Margaret Dillon, 3000 haddock, 500 cod, 11,000 hake.  
 Sch. Manomet, 3500 haddock, 500 cod, 3000 hake.  
 Sch. Mabel Bryson, 9000 cod.  
 Steamer Spray, 19,000 haddock, 3000 cod.  
 Sch. Yankee, 8500 cod.  
 Sch. Tecumseh, 4000 cod.  
 Sch. Joseph H. Cromwell, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.  
 Sch. Susan and Mary, 30,000 haddock, 5000 cod.  
 Haddock, \$3 to \$6 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 to \$5; market cod, \$3 to \$3.50; hake \$2 to \$5; pollock, \$2.50.

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surely have mentioned it. The figures regarding vessels sailed are known here to be wrong, for up to Monday, at least 25 American crafts are known to have sailed, while, as far as known, 17 is the outside figure on British crafts loaded and sailed. As for the fishermen leaving for home, no mention of the same has been made by the skippers in their despatches.

A St. John's, N. F., despatch to the Associated Press, in speaking of the work of the United States tug Potomac, in releasing the vessels from the ice at Bay of Islands, recently says:

"The commander of the Potomac made no discrimination in the nationality of the vessel. He then towed them safe to safe anchorage. The skippers of all the vessels are highly appreciative of this act, and praise the commander of the Potomac willingly."

A Washington, D. C., despatch of Monday says:

"The state department expects that negotiations for the conclusion of a permanent treaty with Great Britain to replace the existing modus vivendi relative to the Newfoundland fisheries will be issued very soon. Knowing that he was to be relieved of his duties at Washington, Sir Mortimer Durand, as far back as last summer, intimated that it would be inexpedient for him to undertake to do more than effect a temporary arrangement of the difficulties and therefore the negotiations for a permanent treaty were deferred until the new ambassador arrived here."

Beside the British vessels which are now bound to this port and Boston with cargoes of salt herring, the following American vessels are bound home here: Sch. A. M. Nicholson, Nourmahal, Harry A. Nickerson, Lucinda I. Lowell, Ralph L. Hall, Lena and Mand and two others. Most of them have been on the way over a week and may be looked for now at any time.

Herring are in great demand and there is no prospect of over-production. Indeed the only fear is that there will not be a large enough supply. In the face of present conditions and prospects, careful observers of the herring business say there will be not nearly enough to meet the demand. This, they fear, will be especially true of frozen herring.

A despatch received here this morning from Bay of Islands, N. F., states that the weather has been mild for a week and that there are very few herring except what are under the ice.

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**DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.**

**Today's Arrivals and Receipts.**

Sch. Effie M. Prior, Cashes, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Schs. Sheffeyld, shore.  
 Sch. Esther Gray, shore.  
 Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, via Boston.

**Today's Fish Market.**

These prices are based on the last known sales.

Eastern "halibut" codfish, \$4.37 1-2 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for small.

Fresh herring \$1.50 per bbl.  
 Salt dory handline bank cod, \$4.75 per cwt. for large and \$3.75 for medium.

Bank halibut, 14 cts. per lb. for white and 12 cts. for gray.

Splitting prices of fresh fish; Large Eastern cod, \$1.75; medium do., \$1.25; large Western cod, \$2.62 1-2; medium do., \$1.37 1-2; haddock, \$1.00; cusk, \$1.75; hake, \$1.40; pollock, 95 cts.

Salt handline Georges codfish, \$5.00 per cwt. for large, \$4.00 for medium.

Salt Trawl Georges codfish, \$5.00 for large \$3.50 for medium.

Salt hake, \$2.00.

Salt haddock, \$2.00.

Salt cusk, \$2.25.

Salt pollock, \$1.75.

Salt trawl bank codfish, \$4.25 to \$4.50 for large, \$3.37 1-2 to \$3.50 for medium and \$2.00 for snappers.

Round pollock, \$1.00 per cwt.

Shore salt herring, \$1.75 per bbl. clear of the barrel.

**Boston.**

Sch. Buema, 4000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Shepherd King, 11,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Juno, 30,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 1500 hake, 16,000 cusk.

Sch. Priscilla, 9500 cod.

Sch. Terra Nova, 40,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 8000 hake, 8000 cusk.

Sch. Manhasset, 7000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 18,000 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Morning Star, 47,000 haddock, 30,000 7000 hake.

Haddock, \$3.50 to \$4 per cwt.; large cod, \$5 to \$5.50; market cod, \$3; hake, \$2.50 to \$4.50; cusk, \$2.

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**HERRING UNDER ICE.**

**Depressing Conditions Now at Bay of Islands, N. F.**

**SEVERAL CRAFTS ON THE WAY.**

**New Treaty May Soon Replace Present Modus Vivendi.**

The herring situation at Bay of Islands, N. F., just at present is quite a problem. The weather up to Monday night continued mild. Herring were believed to be quite plentiful, but they had gone way up under what ice was left in the Arms and were very hard to get at. Many of the captains are getting ready to fish through the ice, as they have done some seasons before. This method is slow and the catches are not large, but it is better than laying and taking no fish.

Telegrams received Monday from farther up the coast report no ice yet at Anticosti, which is indeed good news, as it shows that the fleet is in no immediate danger of being caught and held in the Bay until next spring by the presence of the gulf ice pack outside.

A St. John's N. F., despatch of Monday says:

"Inspector O'Reilly telegraphed the fisheries department from Bay of Islands today that a furious hurricane, accompanied by rain, has raged for the past 77 hours. The conditions of the herring fishing are unchanged; the ice in the inlets is partly broken, but fishing is impossible. Of a total of 60 American vessels on the grounds, only 17 have sailed. Seventeen Canadians and local vessels also have left. The men employed on board these latter vessels for the fishing have returned to their homes."

Several despatches were received here Monday from American captains and nothing was said of any storm or hurricane, and had it been of any severity, some of them would

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Since the purchase of Alaska in 1867, the United States has received as revenue from the lease of the sealing privilege on the Pribiloff Islands, more than nine million dollars, or two million more than we paid for the territory. The trade in skins on the Pribiloffs by Americans since the purchase of Alaska exceeds fifty million dollars in value. During the winter of 1905-6 the department of commerce and labor captured 456 blue and 11 white foxes on the St. George Island.

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**LONG, HARD DRAG.**

**But Sch. Cavalier Got Good Trip Just the Same.**

Sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert B. Porper, arrived this morning, having been gone almost nine weeks on a halibut trip. Almost from the very start the craft ran up against bad weather wherever she went to set her trawls, gale following gale in quick succession, and when a storm was not going, it was so rough and blowy that for a week or more at a time it was impossible to put a dory over the side.

Capt. Porper, as usual, stuck to it, and took advantage of every possible chance to fish. He took a second baiting at Port Hawkesbury, C. B., and about three weeks ago, went to Quero bank, where he met several of the halibut fleet. All reported bad weather and fish scarce.

By hard drilling some halibut and fresh cod were dug up, and these, added to quite a lot of salted codfish secured on the first baiting, gave the craft a good trip, despite adverse conditions, and she came home. The craft has 40,000 pounds of salt cod, 25,000 pounds of fresh cod and about 12,000 pounds of halibut.