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Boston.

Sch. Morning Star, 1000 cod.
Sch. Laura Enos, 1000 cod.
Sch. Two Sisters. 3000 cod.
Sch. Georgianna, 35,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 12,000 cusk.
Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, 5000 haddock, 4000 cod. 9000 hake.
Sch. Mary E. Silvieri, 7000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake.
Sch. Julietta, 2500 haddock, 1000 cod, 1200 hake.
Str. Ida, 2500 cod.
Sch. Marguerite, 6500 cod.
Sch. Esther Gray, 6000 cod.
Sch. Emerald, 4000 haddock, 2000 cod.
Sch. Priscilla, 8000 cod.
Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, 2000 haddock, 6000 cod.
Sch. Mildred Robinson, 30,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 10,000 cusk.
Sch. Wm. A. Morse, 3500 cod.
Sch. Fame, 40,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.
Sch. Mildred V. Nunan.
Haddock, $2 to $2.75; large cod, $3.30 to $3.50; market cod, $1.65 to $1.75, cusk, $1.50; hake, $2 to $4.50; pollock, $2.50.

January 9"

LARGE FLEET BOUND HOME

Crafts at Bay of Islands Have Done Well Recently.

Zero Weather on Sunday and Frost Again Yesterday.

Recent advices from Bay of Islands, N. F., are of a most satisfactory nature. On Sunday, herring were in fair numbers and the fleet was favored with zero weather. On Monday the weather was mild, but yesterday there was a good frost again and herring in goodly quantity.

All the vessels worked their scaffolds to the limit and late despatches yesterday indicate that a large number of the fleet are now loaded and have sailed or are ready to sail. It is believed here that there are now but few vessels which have not taken loads. There are some not quite loaded at present, but these, with good cold weather and if the herring hold out, will probably finish in a few days. The only drawback is the variableness of the weather, which of late has been frosty one day and mild the next.

The news of the success of the fleet in securing frozen loads so quickly was received with much satisfaction more especially as not many days ago, the continued mildness of the weather made it look as though the chances of securing many loads of frozen herring were very slim.

While several of the vessels now on the way home have full loads of frozen herring, others have partly salt and partly frozen, and still others have all salt herring. It is the general opinion here, based on the recent telegraphic advices that a large fleet is now bound home.

A special despatch to the Times this forenoon from one of our well known skippers who is in charge of two fleets at Bay of Islands, N. F., dated this morning, says, "Left the Arm yesterday. Herring scarce. Weather mild today."

The fact that the weather has set in mild again and that herring are scarce will delay many of the vessels that are partly loaded and only need a little more frost and herring to finish up.

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JAPAN BUYS ISLANDS?

Montreal, Jan. 9.—The French-Canadian newspaper La Presse announces that the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon will be sold by France to Japan. The paper's authority for the statement is "a distinguished Italian who is now visiting Canada."

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POTOMAC GOING BACK.

Will Return to Bay of Islands and Stay with Fleet.

Will Leave North Sydney, C. B., for There This Morning.

The United States government tug Potomac, which has been at Bay of Islands, N. F., this season with our herring fleet, and which three times thus far has cut the crafts out of the ice in the arms of the bay, will go back there and remain with the fleet until the season closes.

Last week she left Bay of Islands, N. F., for home and put in at Louisburg, C. B., and then went to North Sydney, C. B. As previously stated in the Times, her arrival there caused much surprise to the vessel owners here, who had been given to understand that she was to stay at Bay of Islands until the herring season was over.

The matter was immediately taken up again with the authorities at Washington and evidently with success, for a despatch from North Sydney, C. B. says:

"Lieut. Hinds, commander of the United States naval tug Potomac, received instructions from Washington tonight to proceed to Bay of Islands, N. F., and cut out a number of fishing vessels which are frozen in the ice there. The Potomac leaves early tomorrow morning."

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. M. Madeleine, via Boston, 25,000 lbs. fresh cod.
Sch. Pythian, via Boston.
Sch. Manomet, via Boston.
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, via Boston.
Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, shore.
Sch. Emily Sears, shore.
Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, shore.
Sch. Hope, shore.

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Bank halibut, 10 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. for gray.

Spliting prices of fresh fish; Large Eastern cod, $2.87 1-2: medium do., $1.75; large Western, cod $2.87 1-2; medium do., $1.75; haddock, $1.00; cusk, $1.75; hake, $1.40; pollock, 95 cts.

Salt handline Georges codfish, $5.25 per cwt. for large, $4.25 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.
Newfoundland salt herring, $4.25 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, 4000 haddock, 1500 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Olive F. Hutchings, 6000 haddock, 2000 cod, 4000 hake.
Sch. N. A. Rowe, 9000 cod.
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Orinoco, 30,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.
Sch. Tecumseh, 19,000 cod.
Sch. George E. Lane, Jr., 17,000 cod.
Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 9000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake, 2000 cusk.
Sch. Valentinna, 1000 haddock, 10,000 cod.
Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 9000 haddock. 2000 cod, 2000 hake.
Sch. Minerva, 5000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod, 500 hake.
Sch. Mary Emerson, 4500 pollock.
Sch. George H. Lubee, 12,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 12,000 hake.
Sch. Ida M. Silva, 5000 haddock, 8000 cod, 3000 hake, 2000 pollock.
Haddock, $1.65 to $2.50 per cwt.; large cod, $2.75; market cod, $1.75; hake, $1.25 to $3; pollock, $3.25; cusk, $1.50.

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LOOKING FOR MORE TROUBLE

Claim American Skippers Charge Natives for Gear.

THREATS TO SEIZE VESSELS.

Newfoundland Officials Look Upon Action as Trading.

A despatch from St. John's, N. F., dated yesterday says;

"The herring fishery appeal case was partly argued before the supreme court yesterday. The court adjourned until 3 o'clock next Monday afternoon to allow counsel for the appellants to file the agreement under whtch the two men in question had joined the American vessels. Counsel contended that as servants hired by American fishermen these men enjoy the same immunity from the local laws as Americans.

"The herring fishery at Bay of Islands is now drawing to a close. The American vessels are trying to charge the colonial fishermen with the cost of the nets and other gear supplied them to fish for said vessels, the men to retain this gear. The colonial government is threatening to seize the American vessels for trading within colonial waters if they persist in making those collections, alleging that so to do would constitute trading, and the American vessels under existing treaties have no right to engage in trade."

The British sch. Alma Nelson, under charter to Capt. Almon D. Mallock, from Bay of Islands, with a cargo of frozen herring, bound for New York, was at Vineyard Haven yesterday.

Sch. Colonial, with a cargo of partly frozen herring, bound home from Bay of Islands, N. F., was at North Sydney, C. B., yesterday.

A telegram received here yesterday from a point on the Gulf of St. Lawrence states that there is no ice at Anticosti.

A quantity of ice is still reported in Belle Isle Straits. It had swept down on the northeast coast, but the mild weather and change of wind drove it off and for over a week none has been seen. Seals were reported on the ice when it blocked the shore.

The British sch. Mary A. Duff arrived at Boston this morning with a cargo of salt herring from Bay of Islands.

Sch. Patrician, Capt. C. Wesley Farmer, arrived this morning with 1700 barre's of salt herring, one of the largest cargoes of the season. The Patrician made a fine passage home, but iced up considerably off here yesterday and last night in the heavy northwester.

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ON CAPE SHORE

British Herring Sch. Britannia Probably Total Loss.

Sch. Helen M. Doughty in Bad Position on Doughty Point.

The British sch. Britannia, from Bay of Islands, N. F., for Boston, with a cargo of salt herring, is ashore at Haddock Shoal, near Lunenburg, N. S., and it is thought she will be a total loss. Her crew are safe.

The Britannia has had hard luck since she left Lark Harbor. In the gulf of St. Lawrence she encountered a series of severe gales and finally reached St. Pierre, damaged and with her sails badly torn. From there she made over on the Cape Shore, and when off Halifax met more bad weather and was forced into Halifax for harbor. She sailed from there Tuesday morning, but another gale springing up, she headed for Lunenburg harbor and was making that port when the accident happened.

The Britannia was 90 tons register, built at Lunenburg in 1893, and was owned by by Capt. Pettipas of Bay of Islands.

A wrecking tug, with divers, has been sent to the scene of the wreck to try and float her, but it is feared that she is a total loss.

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LUNENBURG AROUSED.

Proposed French Steam Trawling Deemed a Menace

Imperial Government and Ottawa To Be Memorialized.

Holding that the operations in North Atlantic waters of French steam trawl fishing vessels are a menace and threaten to harm the fishing industry of Nova Scotia, the fishing interests of Lunenburg, the largest fishing port of Nova Scotia, have taken a decided stand, and are endeavoring to have the imperial government of Great Britain take action in the matter.

At the call of Mayor Morash, a public meeting was held at Lunenburg yesterday which was attended by merchants and fishing skippers from all parts of Lunenburg county. The unanimous opinion of the meeting was that something should be done to oppose the menace of steam trawling to hand trawl fishing.

A committee of ten, five fish merchants and an equal number of skippers, was appointed to draw up a memorial to the dominion government. A delegation of three will present the memorial to the government at Ottawa, requesting the dominion authorities to plead the cause of the Nova Scotia fishermen before the imperial government.

MODUS VIVENDI ABROGATION.

Will Be Demanded When Newfoundland Legislature Meets.

A despatch from St. John's, N. F., says that the Colonial legislature will meet January 31 and it is expected that both houses will protest strongly against the imperial attitude on the fisheries question and will demand abrogation of the recently enacted *modus* vivendi.

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Sch. Ella M. Doughty Ashore.

During yesterday's heavy northwester the Portland fishing sch. Ella M. Doughty, Capt. Warren A. Doughty, was forced ashore on Doughty's Point, Long Island, Casco Bay. She is in a dangerous position, but it is thought she may be saved.

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BIG BUSINESS DEAL MADE.

Cunningham & Thompson Buy Oakes & Foster Plant.

WHARF, VESSELS, LAND, ETC.

Increase in Firm's Business Cause of Purchase.

Another deal of considerable magnitude in the fish and vessel business of this city was consummated yesterday, when the firm of Cunningham & Thompson, one of the largest producers and shippers of fish in the country, bought the entire plant of Oakes & Foster on Commercial street, adjoining their own extensive property.

The latter firm is an old one, having been established about 1865 by Capt. Peter D. Smith, now of Andover, and the late Fitz E. Oakes, and for several years has been conducted by Mr. Howard H. Oakes, a son of one of the founders. It comprises a good-sized wharf on Harbor Cove, a flake yard near by facing on Commercial street on the easterly side, and a two and a half story buildng containing storage rooms, store and office, on the westerly side of Commercial street, alongside of the large buildng of Cunningham & Thompson which was almost destroyed by fire a few weeks ago. Two fish houses on the wharf are also included in the purchase.

The deal includes the purchase of this entire property, besides the flakes and all the accompanying paraphernalia of the fish and vessel business. It also includes the three vessels of the firm, schs. S. P. Willard, William H. Rider and Rebecca Bartlett, the two former being fine crafts and making a substantial addition to the firm's already large fleet. Briefly stated, the deal includes the purchase of the whole business of Oakes & Foster as it stands today.

The acquisition of this property will give Cunningham & Thompson the complete control of the water front on the westerly side of the Harbor Cove side, from the wharf of William A. King to that of Stanwood & Co., and also gives it a connected frontage on Commercial street on the easterly side, from Mr. King's building to that of Mr. Stanwood. On the opposite side of the street it also gives them an increased frontage just where they want it. On the whole it is a considerable addition to an already very extensive property and business.

The deal was made necessary by the increase in the already very large business of the concern. More room and more vessels were needed to meet the demands of the firm's trade and so, in its customary business like manner, this enterprising firm very quietly bought the whole concern which has been its nearest neighbor for so many years.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

Board of Trade Re-elects Old Board of Directors

Interesting Report Made by Several Officers.

Mr. John J. Pew, chairman of the fisheries committee, made the following report:

The duties of this committee have been lighter this year than usual, 12 meetings having been held in comparison with 24 during the year of 1905. The first meeting was held January 22 and the last one June 11. Prices have varied throughout the year, as warranted by market conditions.

We note with gratification, that in the United States statistics for 1905 of first receipts of Gloucester and Boston, from the New England fishing vessels, that 75 per cent. of the 200,000,000 pounds were caught on fishing grounds off the United States coast, principally those of New England.

It has been often said in some quarters that New England fishermen were dependent to a great degree on the fishing grounds of Canada. These statistics refute such a statement.

The United States fishery statistics of New England not only show 75 per cent. of the 1905 catch as taken in United States waters, but also those of previous years to the purport as far as any record has been kept by the government.

In closing Mr. Pew referred to the speech of Mr. Eugene N. Foss in this city some time ago when that gentleman seriously advised shifting our lease of fishing operations to some place in Nova Scotia and have fast steamers to bring the catches here and to Boston. He believed Mr. Foss was sincere but that he, as in the case with the general run of people, did not realize that 75 per cent. of our great catch was taken on banks off our own coast, west of the 66th parallel of longitude.

He called attention to the great catches year after year for two centuries or more from these same banks, also to the catch in 1905 of 17,000,000 pounds of pollock, right in sight of the houses of Gloucester. He also spoke of herring being taken from the ocean at the rate of 3,000,000,000 fish per year and still showed no sgns of diminution.

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Sch. Dixie, shore.
Sch. Mina Swim, shore.
Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, shore.
Sch. George H. Lubee, via Boston.
Sch. Valentinna, shore.
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.
Sch. Ida M. Silva, shore.
Sch. Eita A. Viator, shore.
Sch. Patrician, Bay of Islands, N. F., 1700 bbls. salt herring.

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Salt haddock, $2.00.
Salt cusk, $2.25.
Salt pollock, $1.75.
Newfoundland salt herring, $4.25 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Diana, 3000 cod.
Sch. Eva Avina, 1500 haddock, 400 cod.
Sch. Sylvia M. Nunan, 7000 haddock, 1000 cod, 4000 hake, 3000 cusk.
Sch. Flirt, 40,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.
Sch. Regina, 40,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.
Sch. Terra Nova, 40,000 haddock, 45,000 cod.
Sch. Lillian, 30,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 1000 halibut.
Br. sch. Mary A. Duff, 1500 bbls. salt herring.

Haddock, $2 to $3.10 per cwt.; large cod, $2.90 to $3.50, market cod, $2 to $3; hake, $2.25 to $3.50.

PORT OF GLOUCESTER.

ARRIVED TODAY.

Sch. Newell B. Hawes, Boston for Ipswich.
Sch. Edward S. Eveleth, Boston for Ipswich.
Sch. Reporter, Boston for Ipswich.

January 11"

BADLY ICED UP.

Two Schooners Arrive This Forenoon from Off Shore.

Both sch. Patrician, which arrived this morning from Bay of Islands, N. F., and sch. Mary F. Curtis, which came in this noon from La Have Bank with a haddock trip, report very cold and heavy weather off this coast last night and both were badly iced up.

Capt. Farmer of sch. Patrician says the wind was the heaviest he had experienced for a long time. It was also bitter cold, and coming to windward the flying spray covered everything with an icy mail. Bowsprit, rigging, hull and deck were completely incased and some of the sails were also stiff as boards. During the heaviest of the blow the jib was blown away.

The men of the Curtis report a similar experience and she was iced fully as much, if not more than the Patrician. The ice on deck was many inches in thickness and the nests of dories could not be seen beneath their icy coverings. Forward, her knightheads and bowsprit had tons of icy weight. She was a veritable floating iceberg.