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**NEWBURYPORT FISHERIES.**  
**Capital of \$13,674 Invested In Industry.**  
 According to figures of the Massachusetts bureau of statistics for 1905, \$17,586 is invested in the fishery industry of Newburyport, of which \$13,674 is invested in vessels of all kinds, including 16 vessels, valued at \$8695, 19 boats valued at \$2340, and 98 dories, \$1641, and \$3912 in apparatus. The total value of the products is \$69,061, of which \$15,450 is food fish, including 91,900 pounds of cod, valued at \$2875, 46,600 pounds of eels, \$2800, 8000 pounds of haddock, \$250, \$3725 barrels of herring, \$6350, 17,000 mackerel, \$1450, and 47,000 pounds of pollock, \$1450, \$2121 for fish products, including 1300 bbls. of bait, \$2100, and 8 bbls. livers, \$21, and \$51,490 for shell fish, including 138,994 gallons shucked clams, \$51,474, and 80 lobsters, \$16. The number of persons engaged in the fisheries is 144, and employed on vessels 46, all of which were American residents.

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**LATEST HERRING NEWS.**  
**Cold Snap Is Putting Life Into Demand for Fish.**  
**List of Nova Scotian Fleet at Bay of Islands, N. F.**

The British sch. Harry Lewis arrived at Boston yesterday with 1000 barrels of salt herring.

Sch. Lottie G. Merchant will go to Philadelphia with her cargo of frozen herring.

Sch. Athlete sailed for New York yesterday afternoon with her fare of frozen herring.

Sch. Aloha will probably go to New York with her frozen herring fare.

Sch. Corona is hauled in at Cunningham & Thompson's wharf and that concern is shipping her fare to various points.

Sch. Madonna has one to Boston to take out her salt herring, which were sold there to a Boston concern.

The British schooner which was chartered by Capt. Richard Wadding, was in at a Nova Scotia port a few days ago, bound here with a fare of frozen herring.

The fare of frozen herring of British sch. Uvra is being put in cold storage here.

Sch. Parthia of this port has the next turn to take out at Boston.

The fare of frozen herring of sch. Bohemia has been sold to Boston, to arrive.

Schs. Maxine Elliott and Tattler are still laying here with their frozen herring cargoes, which will be disposed of later.

Sch. Blanche will go to New York with her cargo of frozen herring, in a few days.

The 150 barrels of salt herring of sch. Arcadia sold to Stanwood & Co.

Sch. Priscilla Smith has completed the discharge of her cargo at New York.

This cold weather has brightened the hopes of the dealers and owners of cargoes of frozen herring. The cold weather has made the trade dull, but with good snappy weather and a not large supply, trade is bound to take a jump forward.

Sch. A. E. Whyland is coming along after her recent tough experience in the big gale of January 9 and 10. On Monday she was at Liverpool, N. S.

British sch. Speculator, bound here from Bay of Islands, N. F., with a fare of frozen herring, was at Liverpool, N. S., on Monday.

The Nova Scotia fleet, at Bay of Islands, N. F., this season comprised 26 sail, schs. Laura C. Zwicks, Mary A. Duff, Speculator, Flo F. Mader, Defender, Colonial, Margaret Swartz, Roanoke, Glenwood, Alma Nelson, Yukon, Eva June, Havana, Palatial, Lila B. Hurtle, Mary W. S. Mariner, Ethel, Maderia, Beatrice Mack, Muriel M. Young, Helen Vair, Coronation and Peerless.

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**ANOTHER CRAFT LOST.**  
**Sch. Elizabeth N. Is Ashore at Bay of Islands, N. F.**  
**ENTIRE CREW WERE SAVED.**

**Craft Tossed on Rocky Shore by Giant Ice Floes.**

Another vessel has been added to the list of those lost in the Newfoundland herring fishery this season. A despatch from St. John's, N. F., yesterday says that sch. Elizabeth N., of Bucksport, Me., was driven ashore at Bay of Islands, N. F., yesterday by the ice floe and is likely to be a total loss. Her crew were saved.

The craft is one of the three of the fleet of Capt. Thomas N. Nicholson of Bucksport, which went to Bay of Islands, for herring cargoes and by reason of remaining after all the others had sailed, were caught in the ice there, with no chance of getting out until late in the spring.

The lost craft was a fine vessel, 138.74 tons gross and 102.29 tons net, and built in Essex in 1901.

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**ICE AT NORTH SYDNEY, C. B.**  
**Towboats Cut Channel So Sch. Bohemia Could Sail.**

A despatch from North Sydney, C. B., says there has been quite a lot of ice the harbor there and that the towboat Gladiator cut a channel so that the British sch. Maggie A. and sch. Bohemia of this port loaded with frozen herring, could sail for her destinations.

**May Go to Halifax.**

A despatch from North Sydney, C. B., of last Friday says that as the railways there were being repaired, sch. Saladin would probably have to go to Halifax to haul out.

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**Sch. Saladin Could Not Get on Ways at North Sydney.**

Speaking of the arrival of sch. Saladin at that port a Sydney, C. B., exchange of Monday, in its North Sydney correspondence, says that finding the craft could not get on the ways there, the captain and crew were satisfied to risk the vessel to Gloucester and sailed forthwith. Fifteen minutes afterwards Captain Burton decided otherwise and put back to port. At noon Sunday he made another attempt, but he found the weather too heavy outside and lay in the roads until 8 o'clock Monday morning, when he was to sail again.

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**SCH. YAKIMA STILL ASHORE.**

**Another Attempt Will Be Made Today To Float Her.**

Sch. Yakima of this port is still ashore at Bon Portage, N. S., and was still well up on the beach yesterday. Another attempt will be made to float her today. The crew are coming home, leaving Yarmouth last night, being due to arrive at Boston today.

**PACIFIC HALIBUT WAR.**  
**Now Being Hotly Waged in the Canadian Parliament.**

**Talk of Changing Modus Vivendi Which Would Affect Here.**

As a result of the gradual culmination of trouble regarding the Pacific halibut fishery and its virtual monopoly by an American company at British Columbia ports, the port of Vancouver especially, a fierce battle is now being waged in the Dominion parliament over a question or demand, which may mean considerable to the New England Atlantic fishing interest as well as the Pacific halibut interest although the trouble is apparently all caused by friction on the Pacific coast.

It appears that there are a large number of Canadians who do not like the idea of an American halibut company having what they consider the best end of a great business at one of their own ports. The halibut are landed at Vancouver, and shipped in bond to Boston and New York, under the modus vivendi, thus having to pay no duty.

The Canadians claim that thus a de facto foreign product becomes de jure an American one, and is admitted free to that market, while practically identical products are heavily discriminated against.

The debate began last Friday and is led by McLean of Nova Scotia and Sloan of British Columbia, both Liberal, or "government" members. Their specified demand is "that the modus vivendi, which grants to United States fishing vessels, on payment of \$1.50 per ton, a yearly license to fish within Canadian waters, to procure bait and other supplies, to ship crews and transship their product in bond to their own country, shall be abrogated, entirely and forthwith, and that the monopoly of Canadian privileges and advantages by its own people shall be summed.

The Canadian agitators of the question clam, for the first time, that even free trade

in fish would be no compensation for the surrender of the resources which they claim Canada controls and to which they say, the world must pay tribute.

Hon. Mr. McPherson of Vancouver takes the other side of the question and declares that the western halibut industry referred to is to all intents and purposes already a Canadian one, pointing out that 160 citizens of Vancouver were employed by the company and over \$300,000 was spent by it in that city last year. Further, if these privileges were withdrawn, poaching would be successfully resorted to, despite the proposed new cruiser.

An Ottawa correspondent, speaking in a despatch to a Boston paper, on the subject, says:

"The government, while evidently disposed to temporize a consideration of other international troubles that are already pending, has tentatively yielded to the storm in and out of Parliament to the extent that it practically admits, through Mr. Bradlow, minister of marine and fisheries, a policy of preparation, already pursued for some time, for the early withdrawal or substantial modification of the modus vivendi, these preparations to consist, for instance, in the immediate construction of cruisers of great speed and effectiveness to prevent poaching, especially on the Pacific coast.

"This illustrates the conflict of opinion on both sides of the continent and which may yet preserve the status quo. But the Boston-Pacific halibut business seems to be peculiarly menaced, as its license is now to expire and it is a salient point of attack."

**Maiden Trip.**  
 The new sch. Clara Silva of this port arrived at Boston yesterday from her maiden trip, shore fishing, with a good fare.

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**DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.**

**Today's Arrivals and Receipts.**

Sch. Kernwood, shore.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.

**Today's Fish Market.**

These prices are based on the last known sales.

Eastern "hallbut" codfish, \$5.25 per cwt. for large and \$4.12 1-2 for small.

Splitting 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, \$1.10; cusk, \$1.75; hake, \$1.40; pollock, 95 cts.

Salt headline 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.

Bank halibut, 11 1-2 cts. per lb. for white and 9 cts. for gray.

**Boston.**

Sch. Mary Edith, 4000 haddock, 600 cod, 600 hake.

Sch. Emerald, 5500 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Hope, 1500 haddock, 1000 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Joseph H. Cromwell, 6000 haddock, 2000 hake, 2000 cusk.

Sch. Teresa and Alice, 1000 haddock, 800 cod, 7000 hake, 3000 cusk.

Sch. Emily Sears, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 cusk.

Sch. Mary E. Silveira, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Flavilla, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 500 hake.

Sch. Clara R. Silva, 7000 haddock, 1500 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 7000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 8000 haddock, 500 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 10,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Maud F. Silva, 8000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Emily Cooney, 6500 haddock, 1000 cod.

Haddock, \$4.50; large cod, \$5.50 to \$6; market cod, \$4; hake, \$2.50 to \$5.50; cusk, \$2.

**Fishing Fleet Movements.**

Sch. Ella G. King of this port was at Portland Tuesday for bait.

**Boston.**

Sch. Regina, 38,000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Flirt, 30,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 4000 cusk.

Sch. Catherine G. Howard, 35,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Stranger, 3500 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake.

Sch. Catherine D. Enos, 3000 haddock, 100 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 6000 hake, 3000 cusk.

Sch. Albert Geiger, 1000 haddock, 9000 cod.

Steamer Spray, 70,000 haddock, 400 cod, 900 flounders.

Haddock, \$3.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$5.25 to \$5.50; market cod, \$4; hake, \$3; pollock, \$3.75.

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**CAPT. O'REILLEY MAY COME.**

**Noted Newfoundlander May Visit Here With a Commission.**

The St. John's Herald of January 18 prints the following decision from the supreme court, full bench, in regard to a commission coming here, to take testimony in the case of the government vs. the men arrested from sch. Ralph L. Hall, to make a test case of the practice of our vessels shipping men outside the three mile limit at Bay of Islands. From the decision it would seem that perhaps Capt. O'Reilley of the cutter Fiona, who is well known to so many of our skippers, may come here on or with the commission.

"A written decision, prepared by Justice Johnson and concurred in his confreres, was handed down this morning on the reserved question in the herring fishery appeal, and is as follows:

"Between O'Reilley (respondent) and Crane and Dubois (appellants.) On motion of Mr. Howley, for the appellants (and because counsel for the respondents assented thereto, provided the court had power to grant an order for a commission in a quasi-criminal proceeding) let an order go for the issue of a commission to take evidence for the appellants and for the respondent if he shall join in the commission, in the state of Massachusetts, in the United States of America, with the object of proving the circumstances wherein the appellants (or either of them) in the month of November, 1906, contracted (at a place beyond three miles from the Coast of Newfoundland) to serve as a seaman or otherwise on board or for the sch. Ralph L. Hall, a vessel said to have been registered in or sailing under the flag of the United States of America."

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**HERRING NEWS.**

**Sch. A. E. Whyland Home After Very Hard Passage.**

**Not a Very Large Stock of Frozen Herring in Sight.**

But three of the Newfoundland herring fleet now remain to arrive, schs. J. J. Flaberty, Titania, and Saladin. All these have salt herring.

Sch. A. E. Whyland, Capt. William Publicover, which had such a hard time in the hurricane of January 9 and 10, as previously reported in the Times, arrived at this port yesterday afternoon, making in here in the thickest of the snow storm. The craft iced up badly during the gale and had some of her sails torn, but proved herself a most seaworthy craft and rode it out well with her big cargo, although at times the terrible sea and violence of the wind made the outcome seem very doubtful.

The frozen herring of sch. Madonna, 400 barrels, have been sold to a Mr. O'Brien of Boston, outside of the Boston Herring Co.

Schs. Aloha, Margaret, and Ingomar will go to New York with their frozen herring cargoes, the former going next week.

Last year herring continued to arrive up into the first week in March. This year it looks as if every vessel would be home by the last of the present month, excepting of course the two Bucksport vessels which are supposed to be frozen in.

**HOT SHOT FOR SIR ROBERT BOND.**

The recent utterance from St. John's, N. F., evidently inspired by Sir Robert Bond, or his ministry, together with the despairing wail of Archbishop Howley, in one of the recognized government organs, for all to unite and form a "federal union of the provinces," is being received in some other parts of British North America with a great deal of unconcealed mirth.

These recognize the strait that has driven Newfoundland to humbly get on her knees and sue for help, forgetting very conveniently all the wrongs she has so arbitrarily inflicted on the fishermen of her sister provinces in years gone by, when she figured that she was "the one and only."

Recent events have proved to the pugnacious island colony, much against her will, that, to use the slang expression of the day, "there are others" and along with her St. John's centered howl against the act of the mother country and the present modus vivendi, she views with alarm the coming settlement between Great Britain and these United States of all the existing fishery and territorial differences on this continent.

Feeling and knowing, right at heart, the weakness of her contentions against present American granted treaty rights, she abjectly crawls down from her hitherto self placed high pedestal and begins to look about her for support in the contest she now realizes is so soon to come.

She is beginning to realize that she has played the game against the Americans too strong. She is beginning to see that "divine right" to fishing grounds amounts about as much as "divine right" to the coal fields in this country did a short time ago. In short, she is beginning to realize that a sacred covenant between two great nations amounts to something.

Now, in her dilemma, instead of acting the honorable part and enjoying a prosperity that might come to her fishermen, but not to her band of St. John's wealthy merchants, she looks suppliantly about her for help—for a prop to lean on—for some support to give her strength to still brazen it out to the mother country.

With suppliant glance, she looks toward Canada, that great province she has in the past ignored and bothered. Time and again has Canada proposed confederation and time and again has Newfoundland disdainfully refused. Now the shoe of right and justice, the shoe of international law, the shoe of sacred treaty rights, begins to pinch. The mother country has been patient for many years with the unruly child, but now she is forced to take a hand and there is a rude awakening at St. John's and some other parts of the island. In other words, Newfoundland sees the handwriting on the wall and looks about for support.

That she will get it from Canada does not seem likely at the present writing, as that country understands pretty clearly how things are working and has her own interests to look after.

Referring editorially to Newfoundland's position, the Clark's Harbor, N. S., Coast Guard, one of the strongest champions of the rights and welfare of the fishermen on the whole Atlantic coast, says:

"Here are things easy to understand, but hard to be disputed:

"Newfoundland has often been invited to come into the Canadian confederacy, but has always stiffly declined. She preferred striking a course for herself.

"Now she wants Canada to join her in a crusade against the fish traffic with foreigners. Therefore she says to the Ottawa powers: 'Help us to stand off Yankee baiters and herring buyers, and we'll step into your family circle and rule the waves in spite of Britannia.'

"Such is the bait now thrown out by Newfoundland, only gudgeons will bite at it."

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Sch. Oregon, Bay of Islands, N. F., 675 bbls. frozen herring, 50 bbls. salt herring.

Sch. Margaret, Bay of Islands, N. F., 500 bbls. frozen herring.

Sch. Smuggler, Bay of Islands, N. F., 350 bbls. frozen herring.

Sch. Bohemia, Bay of Islands, N. F., 750 bbls. frozen herring.

Br. sch. Speculator, Bay of Islands, N. F., 500 bbls. frozen herring, 100 bbls. salt herring.

Sch. Maggie and May, Bay of Islands, N. F., 400 bbls. frozen herrsng, 785 bbls. salt herring.

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