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THE DIGESTIBILITY OF FISH. The fish has a good friend in Dr. Franklin W. White, who in his second lecture recently at the Harvard Medical School, pointed out the nutriment value of the finny tribe as food. He said that fish, as a general rule, is more digestible than meat. Salmon has three times as much nourishment as cod, but herring gives more nourishment for the money than any other animal food. Surely a strong endorsement for the good old herring. The relative nourishment of fish was shown by the order of this enumeration: Eels, salmon, herring, halibut, mackerel, cod and haddock. By this table it would appear that the eel, although slimy and disagreeable as it may appear to some in its natural stages, takes no back seat as good food.

So far as the relative digestibility of different meats is concerned, Dr. White ranged them in this order: Sweetbreads, chicken, beef, mutton, veal and pork.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Flirt, La Have Bank, 120,000 lbs. fresh fish, 2100 lbs. halibut.
Sch. Alert, via Boston.

Today's Fish Market.

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

Rips salt cod, \$4.25 per cwt. for large, \$3.25 for medium, and \$2.25 for snappers.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.50 per cwt., medium do., \$1.62 1-2. Large eastern cod, \$2.25, medium do., \$1.50.

Market price fresh large Rips cod, \$2.50 per cwt., medium do., \$1.80.

Market price, salt bank cod, \$4 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for medium.

Boston.

- Sch. Margaret Dillon, 13,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 2000 hake.
- Sch. North Star, 1800 haddock, 300 cod.
- Sloop Active, 700 cod.
- Steamer Ida, 1000 haddock, 400 cod.
- Sch. Teresa and Alice, 8000 haddock, 1000 cod.
- Sch. W. W. Sennett, 3000 haddock, 5000 cod, 3000 cusk.
- Sch. Genesta, 12,000 haddock, 4000 cod.
- Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 10,000 haddock, 1500 cod.
- Sch. Ignatius Enos, 4500 cod.
- Sch. Dixie, 3000 cod.
- Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 26,000 cod.
- Haddock, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.50; market cod, \$1.50 to \$1.75.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Capt. John McInnis has sch. Aloha all ready for a salt pollock seining trip. This fleet this year will comprise four vessels, schs. Tattler, Maxine Elliott and Hattie A. Heckman having already sailed.

Sch. Ernestine arrived at Boothbay Harbor yesterday.

Sch. Alert, which is going to the Magdalen islands on a herring trip, came down from Boston yesterday, having finished her fitting out there.

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Sch. Patrician Ships Small Lot of Fresh Mackerel.

Sch. Patrician, Capt. Wesley Farmer, of this port, is in at Lewis, Delaware Breakwater, today and shipping 500 fresh medium mackerel and 300 fresh large mackerel to Fulton Market, N. Y.

French Bankers at North Sydney, C. B., for Bait.

The first French banker of the season arrived at North Sydney, C. B., for bait and supplies. She reports about a dozen more French bankers on the way there from St. Pierre, Miquelon.

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DOG FISH HORDES.

Now Bothering Trawlers on the Off Shore Banks.

One on Every Hook the Experience of Some Fishermen.

The first of our summer visitors have arrived and the great majority of our hard working population are disgusted thereat. And well they may be, for the summer visitors are not the kind that paint and draw or boat, or sit on the rocks at East Gloucester; neither are they of the breed that scorch along in automobiles or crowd the Main street stores for souvenirs of old Cape Ann; oh, no, not that kind at all, not the kind that brings money here and leaves it, but the kind that takes good dollars right out of the city and its people—the hated, detested, despised and ravenous marauder of the seas—the dogfish.

Yes, the dogfish is here and has his numerous family all with him, with apparently a goodly addition since last year, to help along its cause of destroying fish and fishing gear. Ask any of the fishermen in the trawlers which have arrived during the past week, and they will tell you that they have met his dogfishship in his summer home already this season.

Evidently the cold, stormy weather, which has kept everything back this season, has had no effect on the dogfish, but if anything, has hurried him along, as his reported appearance this year, along about April 20, is quite a bit ahead of his usual schedule. It is bad enough to know that he does come, but it is a great deal worse to know that he has put in an appearance ahead of time and that his unwelcome presence therefore has to be borne so much longer.

Vessels from the northern part of Georges bank report meeting the dogfish there two weeks ago, and the same report comes from the vessels which have been fishing on Brown's bank, and even to the eastward on Le Have bank. Some of the vessels report some destruction of gear and that lots of fish on the trawls were found to have been bitten and partly gone, only the heads hanging to the hooks when hauled up. Others report that on some of the lines set, they hauled back a dogfish on every hook.

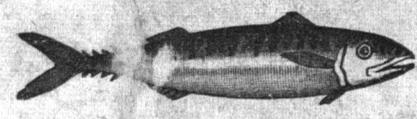
As the fish are now reported they form a regular cordon of the outer fishing banks along the whole coast, from Cape Cod to east of Cape Sable. Here they will wax strong and grow fat, and then probably, as they usually do, head in shore and scatter their hordes all along the coast, devouring mackerel, herring and other summer school fish.

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TWO MORE TRIPS.

Fulton Market Pays Fine Prices for Fish There Today.

Schs. Veda McKown and Ralph L. Hall in With Trips.



Two more mackerel trips of are at Fulton market today, the gasoline auxiliary sch. Veda M. McKown, Capt. Norman Ross, being there with 15,000 fresh medium mackerel, selling at 12 cents each and sch. Ralph L. Hall, Capt. Frank H. Hall, with 4000 large mackerel, selling at 30 cents each.

This is the third trip for both vessels, and at the prevailing prices, both vessels will make a fine stock, when the size of the trips are considered.

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Herring Strike In.

Herring have struck plentifully in North Sydney, C. B., harbor and the local fishermen are making good catches.

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FOUND GOOD FISHING.

First Newfoundland Spring Salt Banker Arrived Home.

The Newfoundland salt banker Lewis A., Capt. Shaw, arrived at Burin, N. F., about two weeks ago, being the first to arrive of the craft fishing in the Gulf. She fished off Rose Blanche, N. F., with salted squid and brought in 300 quintals. The arrival is much earlier than the first Newfoundland banker arrived last season, in fact over a month earlier, as in 1906 the first of the Gulf bankers came in the later part of May.

Capt. Shaw reported good fishing at Rose Blanche, and states that the rest of the fleet which he left there were well fished. He will now take another baiting and try to get around Cape Ray so that he can fish off Bay St. George where good fishing is expected.

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SALT BANKER ASHORE.

Sch. Sceptre Pulled Off and Not Much Damaged.

Sch. Sceptre of this port, Capt. William Larkin, one of the salt bank fleet, was towed into Canso, N. S., yesterday, in a disabled condition, having been ashore on Middle Ground shoal in entering that port.

The vessel was beating in when the accident occurred but was quickly pulled off by two tugs. She is but slightly damaged, is not leaking, and will repair at Canso.

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Boston.

- Sch. Galena, 300 haddock, 700 cod, 100 pollock.
- Sch. Emily Sears, 9500 haddock.
- Sch. Eva Avina, 3000 cod.
- Sch. Valentina, 1000 haddock, 4000 cod.
- Sch. Minerva, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake.
- Sch. Mystery, 10,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 4000 hake, 4000 cusk.
- Haddock, \$1.50 to \$3 per cwt.; cod, \$3 to \$3.25; hake, \$1.50 to \$3.

New York.

- Sch. Veda M. McKown, 15,000 fresh medium mackerel.
- Sch. Ralph L. Hall, 4000 large fresh mackerel.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Athlete was at Canso, N. S., Wednesday.

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An Old Whaler.

Capt. William H. Allen, a veteran whaler, died a few days ago near New London, Conn., aged eighty-one. To him belonged the honor of having made the most successful voyage on record in the annals of the whaling industry. This was in 1863, when in command of the ship Onward, of New Bedford, he cruised in the Eastern, Yellow, Japan and Okhotsk Seas and off the California coast. On this voyage he captured 134 whales, the catch netting 6873 barrels of oil and 62,000 pounds of whalebone. This cargo sold for \$417,000, of which Capt. Allen's share was \$39,836. The voyage covered three years.—Cleveland Leader.

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NO MACKEREL TODAY.

Fleet Evidently Having Worst Kind of Weather.

Not One of Netting Fleet Yet Heard From with Fish.

Up to 10 o'clock this forenoon, there had been no arrival of mackerel fares at Fulton market, New York. Without a doubt the fleet is experiencing about the worst weather out south for many springs.

It is time now to hear of the always looked for spurt off New York, and if the fish get by there without the fleet having a chance at them, the jig will be about up, as far as the seiners southern season is concerned.

Last year the first netter was heard from at New York, April 27. Thus far not a netter has landed a fare, and this is what makes the vessel owners think that the weather has been so very bad, for they claim, had there been any chance at all, some of these little vessels would have been heard from.

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MARKETS COD ADVANCE.

Lane & Smith Buy Fare of Sch. E. C. Hussey.

Salt Rips cod took an advance this morning, when the fare of sch. E. C. Hussey, Capt. Clifford Hopkins, was put on the market and after some bidding was secured by Lane & Smith at \$4.50 per hundred weight for large, \$3.75 for medium, \$2.50 for snappers and \$2 for shack.

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Sch. Dictator, Peak, 135,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. E. C. Hussey, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Grace Otis, 20,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Kineo, Georges, 10,000 lbs. halibut, 35,000 lbs. fresh cod, 20,000 lbs. salt cod.

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Boston.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 22,000 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 10,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Annie Perry, 20,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Alcina, 19,000 cod.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, 9000 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. J. F. McMorro, 600 haddock, 600 cod.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 3000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Jessie Costa, 500 haddock, 4500 cod, 1000 hake, 500 halibut.

Sch. John M. Keen, 6500 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 1500 haddock, 1000 cod.

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Sch. Mary C. Santos, 20,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Mattie Brundage, 20,000 cod.
Sch. Emily Cooney, 4500 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Olympia, 600 haddock, 1500 cod.
Sch. Galatea, 15,000 cod.

Sch. Thomas Brundage, 14,000 cod. -
Sch. Frances Whalen, 20,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 17,000 hake, 15,000 cusk, 1000 halibut.

Haddock, \$2.25 to \$3.85 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.60; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2; hake, \$2 to \$3.50.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Meteor, Capt. Alex Haines of this port, arrived at New Bedford Friday, from the Cape de Verde islands, with a load of passengers.

Steamer Lydia F. has arrived home from a pollock seining trip to the Maine coast, with no fish. Capt. Sadler reports bad weather and fish scarce. He spoke sch. Eg-lantine with 3000 pounds of pollock.

Schs. Georgie Campbell and Georgianna were at Canso on Thursday, and sch. Blanche and Sceptre on Friday.

Several American bankers were at Louis-burg, C. B., last Thursday, among them sch. Elector, with 140,000 pounds of salt cod, and sch. Titania.

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A MYSTERY OF THE SEA.

The Puzzling Beeswax of the Beaches of Oregon.

Of all the secrets held by the flotsam and jetsam of many years none is stranger than that of the beeswax of the Oregon beaches. Long before the white man came to the great north-west by ship or prairie schooner vessels from the orient had skirted the coast. Bits of wreckage have told the story of Chinese junks gone to pieces on the shore, but the most curious evidence of this eastern traffic has been found on the Oregon coast south of the Columbia river. Mr. Clarke gives an account of this treasure trove in his "Pioneer Days."

When Lewis and Clark made their famous expedition they learned that the native Indians of Oregon had for many years found lumps of beeswax on the sandy shores.

Beeswax is practically indestructible in water, but these pieces had pounded in the surf until they were black and battered almost beyond recognition.

In 1814 one Henry, engaged in the fur trade, wrote an account of finding masses of this wax. The pieces were scattered over a wide stretch of coast and were now covered, now uncovered, by the blowing sand. Some of the lumps were softened into all shapes and sizes by the heat of the sun and bleached nearly white. Others were square and stamped with strange characters.

In 1895 a Mr. Howell, walking on the beach, saw something exposed in the sand. It proved to be the corner of some large squares of beeswax weighing several tons. Many smaller blocks were also found, all bearing the stamped letters "I H S." Besides the squares of wax, quantities of large candles were discovered. In looking up the matter it was learned that as far back as records ran these tapers had been found with the wax on the shore.

Of course the explanation may be that some oriental ship bearing church supplies for a mission farther south went to pieces on the Oregon coast many, many years ago, but what would a ship bound for Mexico or South America be doing so far north, and what use could any mission have for such an enormous quantity of wax?

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IRISH MACKEREL FISHERY.

Started April 20! with Irregular Fishing Along Shore.

A letter from the Times correspondent at Dingle, Ireland, states that the mackerel fishing on that coast started on April 20, with irregular fishing of mixed size and quality. At Valentia and Diddle the fishing has been almost nothing, while at Kinsale and Baltimore it has been fair.

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SPRANG ALEAK IN STORM.

Former Gloucester Craft Nearly Lost Crossing the Atlantic.

Sch. Mystery of Carbonear, N. F., formerly of this port, and a well known and staunch salt banker, came near being lost recently while on the passage across the ocean from Carbonear for Oporto, Spain, with large cargo of dried fish.

When in latitude 44.30 north and longitude 43.40 west she encountered a regular hurricane, accompanied by snow. The craft sprang aleak and the crew kept at the pumps until they were well nigh exhausted.

To save the vessel, 300 quintals of fish were thrown overboard and this lightened her enough to bring the leak above the surface of the water. The water continued to come in all the way across until her destination was reached, but the pumps, which were kept going every day, kept her free.

FOR FISHERY PROTECTION.

H. M. S Brilliant Ordered to the Coast of Newfoundland.

The British cruiser Brilliant is expected at Halifax, N. S., in a few days and will then sail to take up the fisheries protection work on the coast of Newfoundland, which duty has been done by some British ship of war for several years.

COMING HERE FOR WORK.

Number of Young Newfoundlanders Left Island Recently.

A number of young Newfoundland fishermen left the island colony recently, some of them intending to come here and to other New England ports to engage in fishing, while others had their minds made up to seek work in the shipyards.

HERE TO FIT VESSEL.

Sch. Emma W. Brown Will Soon Sail for Newfoundland.

Capt. C. Hann and his crew of Newfoundland men are at this port from St. John's, N. F., to fit out sch. Emma W. Brown of Boston, which he bought last fall and which has since been laid up at this port. The vessel will engage in the Labrador cod fishery under command of Capt. Hann.

Where the Icebergs Come From.

Almost all of the icebergs seen in the North Atlantic during June are products of the coast of Labrador, formed from the ice field that had filled the indentations of that coast the previous winter. July's icebergs come from farther north, in the vicinity of Baffin Land, those of August come from still farther north, and though fewer in number than those of the earlier summer are larger individually. From the coast of Labrador may be seen an endless procession of these ice mountains coming out of the north, and taking their way majestically southward until they lose their being in the warmer waters and climate of the South Atlantic.—Marine Journal.

Poor Newfoundland Sealing Season.

The sealing season just closed at Newfoundland was much below that of last year so far as the total catch of seals was concerned. Twenty-three steamers were engaged and encountered unusually severe ice and weather conditions. Several were hung up for weeks in the ice and two are even yet stuck in the ice floes of the Gulf. The catch is estimated at 240,000 against 348,000 last year.

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Fishing in Salem Harbor.

Cod and haddock are being caught in Salem harbor in goodly numbers. Several large catches were made Saturday. The old fishermen say that this is unusually early for good fishing so close to shore.

Good Trip.

Sch. Dictator, Capt. Horace Wilde, which arrived at this port yesterday from the Peak, had a fine fare of 125,000 pounds of fresh fish, mostly cod.

Halibut Sale.

The fare of sch. Kineo sold to the American Halibut Co. at 9 cents per pound for white and 6 cents for gray.