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To allow transportation to market and loading and unloading of farm products.
 To allow necessary work in care and repair of power plants in factories.

In regard to the fishing in salt water, Representative Nichols of Boston declared it an absurd inconsistency to allow the digging of clams, perhaps for bait, but to prohibit fishing. He declared that no one was disturbed by fishing, it was generally practised throughout the state on Sunday, and that a law which was not enforced and not supported by public sentiment had better be taken from the books.

The amendment allowing the sale of photographic supplies was defeated.
 The amendment offered yesterday to allow fresh water Sunday fishing was defeated.
 Representative Parker of Rockport moved to amend so as to allow the state militia to use its rifle ranges, but this was rejected.
 All Sunday entertainments not of a classical or patriotic nature are forbidden by an amendment passed yesterday afternoon.
 The bill as amended was ordered to a third reading.

The general belief at the state house is that the senate will further amend the bill and that the final result will be a committee of conference, which in the closing days of the session next week will either report a compromise bill which will be adopted by both branches, or else, failing to agree, the whole subject matter of amendment of the present Sunday laws will fall between the two houses.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

- Sch. W. W. Sennett, shore, 25,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Pinta, south, seining.
- Sch. Reliance, shore, 2000 lbs. fresh pollock.
- Sch. Mary Emerson, shore, 500 lbs. fresh pollock.

Today's Fish Market.

Board of Trade fresh fish prices: large western cod, \$2.37 1-2; medium do., \$1.62 1-2; large eastern cod, \$2.12 1-2; medium do., \$1.50; snapper do., 60c; cusk, \$1.62 1-2; snapper do., 50c; haddock, \$1.10; hake, \$1.10; pollock, \$1.

Board of Trade salt fish prices: Large Georges handline cod, \$4.75; medium do., \$3.75; salt haddock, \$2; salt pollock, \$2; salt hake, \$2; salt cusk, \$2.50.

Bank halibut, 11 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. or gray.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.75 per cwt., medium do., \$1.80.

Large eastern cod, \$2.50, medium do., \$1.75

Market price fresh large Rips cod, \$2.75 per cwt., medium do., \$1.80.

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

Market price salt Rips cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for market, \$2.50 for snappers and \$2 for shack.

Fresh round pollock, 90c per cwt.

Market price fresh hake, \$1.40 per cwt.

Large fresh mackerel, 19 cts. each.

Salt medium mackerel, \$13 per bbl.

Salt tinkers, \$5 per bbl.

Market price fresh cusk, \$1.75 per cwt.

Cox's ledge dory handline salt cod, \$4.75 per cwt. for large and \$3.75 for mediums

Dressed fresh pollock, \$1.00 per cwt.

Boston

- Sch. Morning Star, 300 haddock, 1200 cod.
 - Sch. Gov. Russell, 8000 haddock, 22,000 cod, 300 hake, 1000 pollock.
 - Sch. Olympia, 300 haddock, 600 cod, 100 hake.
- Haddock, \$6 per cwt.; large cod, \$6; market cod, \$3; hake, \$2; pollock, \$3.

Mackerel Notes.

Two traps at Yarmouth, N. S., took 35 barrels of mackerel on Monday. This is the first haul of any account on the Cape Shore this season. The traps around Yarmouth and Prospect are reported making hauls daily now.

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Halibut Sale.

The fare of sch. Margaret sold to the American Halibut Co. at 10 1-4 cents per pound for white and 7 cents for gray.

STORM PLAYED HAVOC.

Caused Large Damage Among Lobster Fishermen.

Estimated That 1500 Pots Are Lost Off Cape Ann.

The storms of this week has caused widespread damage among the lobstermen of Cape Ann, in fact there has not been such a severe loss for many years. It is estimated that at least 1500 lobster pots have been lost, being valued on an average of \$2 or more each.

As an illustration of the disaster wrought by the storm, Ex-Water Commissioner Melvin Parsons put out 62 new pots the latter part of the week off Salt Island, and he said this morning that he did not expect to see any of them again. Another party lost 35 pots off Brace's Cove, Eastern Point.

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FRENCH ARE LEAVING.

Newfoundland Bait Act Claimed Injurious to Miquelon.

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

British Consul Woodhouse of Miquelon, who has been promoted to the consulate at the Faroe islands, reports the industrial outlook at St. Pierre is dark, due largely to the Newfoundland bait act which imposes many hardships on the French fishermen. The imports at St. Pierre have declined from \$1,700,000 in 1902 to \$1,081,000 in 1903, and the French fishing fleet of 208 vessels five years ago now consists of but 75 craft. More than 10,000 inhabitants of the French islands have emigrated to Canada and France.

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FIRST FROM THE GULF.

Sch. Margaret Secures Halibut Fare on Labrador Coast.

Sch. Margaret, Capt. Samuel Colson, arrived here this morning from a fresh halibut fare, with a fine trip, 30,000 pounds of halibut and 14,000 pounds of salt cod. The vessel fished on Whittle bank in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, over against Canadian Labrador, and is the first American craft to fish in the gulf this season. She was also the first vessel to bait at the Magdalens, being considerably ahead of the rest of the fleet by reason of going there by way of Channel, N. E.

Capt. Colson found good fishing, but saw only one vessel, sch. Harry A. Nickerson of this port.

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MANY DEALERS INTERESTED.

But Fish Trust Plans Not Yet Made Public.

Plans for the organization of a fish combine in Boston have so far progressed that about half of the dealers in the vicinity of the water frontage are interested in the project. Thus far none of the wholesalers on Atlantic avenue has taken hold of the matter seriously.

Skippers of the fleet that supplies the Boston market are not wholly in sympathy with the movement, their argument being that the combination, if effected as outlined, will be apt to strangle competition and keep prices down.

It is not definitely stated when the promoters of the trust will come into the open with their plans in relation to the consolidation.

VERY SERIOUS COMPLICATION.

Sch. Alert Warned Off by Magdalen Island Officials

SEIZURE WAS THREATENED.

If Capt. Malloch Went Ahead with Preparations To Fish.

Apparently there is no end to fishery troubles and complications and when everything appears quiet and efforts are being made to settle all existing difficulties, a new trouble pops up.

The latest comes from the Magdalen Islands, where, according to a North Sydney, C. B., despatch, Capt. Almon D. Malloch of the fishing sch. Alert of Boston has been warned from the coast and threatened with seizure if he fished on the Magdalen Islands shores.

The Alert, which was formerly the famous yacht of that time, was bought this spring by Capt. Malloch and fitted for fishing. The skipper decided not to go seining, but fitted his vessel for a herring trip to the Magdalen Islands. It is understood to have been his intention to catch his own fish and to that end carried a full equipment of traps, nets and seines beside a seineboat and a large and powerful gasoline launch.

On arriving there herring were found in plenty and preparations were at once made for fishing, so Capt. Malloch at once began to make preparations for lowering his traps. No sooner were her actions noticed than the authorities warned Capt. Malloch his vessel would be seized if he persisted in what the officials claimed was a contravention of the treaty.

The captain remonstrated but to no avail, and when he endeavored to reach his owners in Boston he discovered that the cable was broken. His only course was to proceed to North Sydney, arriving there Tuesday night.

Yesterday several messages were sent to the United States customs officials and Capt. Malloch says he will demand redress of what he maintains was a direct and flagrant violation of the treaty governing shore fishing. He says this is the first time an American fishing vessel has been deprived of this right and he claims the act of the customs authorities at the Magdalens was a direct breach of international law.

The North Sydney despatch terms the act of the Magdalen Islands customs officials as one that will be denounced as an act that will end in international difficulties.

Never before have the rights of Americans to take fish at the Magdalens under the treaty of 1818 been questioned, and those who have made a study of the treaty and the rights given American vessels under its provisions are surprised at the act of the Magdalen Islands officials, claiming there is no ground or precedent for the action.

The matter has already been brought to the attention of the authorities at Washington and future developments will be eagerly watched, as if the Magdalen Islands officials persist in their stand not to allow fishing there by American vessels, the matter will assume a very serious aspect indeed.

While coming up North Sydney, C. B. harbor, the Alert ran into some floating ice and carried away her bobstay.

For some time it has been felt in certain quarters that a vessel going to the Magdalens equipped as is sch. Alert, to catch all her own herring, would meet with trouble at the hands of customs officials there, who have the greatest animosity toward any method of securing fish which lessens the employment of their native fishermen and boats.

It is also known that on this subject there is a wide divergence of opinion between the Magdalen customs officials and the officers of the Canadian cruisers of the fisheries protection service, who have told some of our skippers that they have met, bound there and fitted with a seine to catch their own fish, that they had a right so to do and could not be interfered with or molested.

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SEINERS LEAVE CAPE SHORE.

Fifteen of Them Went to the Southward Tuesday.

SCH. PINTA SPOKE SOME.

Sch. Florida at New York Reports Loss of Her Nets.

Sch. Pinta, Capt. John F. Vantier, arrived home this morning after a fine southern season.

Capt. Vantier will have the rigging of his craft looked after and new sails bent and will return at once to the southern grounds, where he thinks the prospect is still good for some fine trips.

On her southern trip the Pinta made the splendid stock of \$9568.72, on which the crew made the fine share of \$208.50 to a man, which is certainly "going some."

Capt. Vantier has shown that, as in past seasons out south, he is right up in the front rank, there being but one straight sailing vessel ahead of him on stock thus far.

Capt. Vantier reports that yesterday, while coming this way, over the Shoals, he saw the seining schs. Mary E. Harty, Rom ce and Pontiac, and saw one other whom he could not make out. They were bound south from the Cape Shore. He talked with Capt. Cameron of the Harty and Capt. Niekerson of the Pontiac and the latter told him that 15 of the Cape Shore fleet left Shelburne, N. S., on Sunday, bound south, having given up hope of doing anything to the eastward.

The following netters were at New York this morning:

- Sch. Florida, 2300 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Wautauga, 2000 large fresh mackerel.
- The mackerel netting sch. Florida. Capt. Edward A. Procter, of this port, which arrived at New York this morning with 2300 large fresh mackerel, met with a great misfortune during the heavy easterly gale of Sunday morning, losing practically all of her nets and also had her foresail blown away during the height of the gale.

This morning, the sloop Flester arrived at New York, bringing in 75 nets which she had picked up. They belonged to schs. Priscilla and Stranger, which were reported yesterday as losing many of their nets in the heavy blow.

A special to the Times this afternoon reports the arrival at Newport, R. I., of sch. Lottie G. Merchant, Capt. Charles H. Harty, with 30 barrels of large fresh mackerel. The fish were taken last night off Cox's ledge and it was very rough at the time and but few fish showing.

The telegram also states that the weather out there today is bad, the wind blowing hard and it is thick fog.

The following vessels have arrived there today for harbor, coming from the Cape Shore, and more are on the way: Schs. Pontiac, Lucania, Gossip, Effie M. Prior, Mary E. Harty, Romance and others, none of whom have any fish and report having seen none.

The other seiners who made harbor there today were schs. Argo, Talisman, Elizabeth Silsbee and Nourmahal.

Capt. Charles H. Harty of the Merchant, in a telephone chat this noon, says that the weather out there is terrible. He was on the masthead about all last night and it was as cold as winter time.

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- Sch. W. B. Keen, Block Island, 50,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Margaret, Labrador coast, 30,000 lbs. halibut, 14,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.
- Sloop Morning Star, shore.
- Sch. Elta Mildred, pollock seining, 50,000 lbs. fresh dressed pollock.

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Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, 21,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 7000 hake.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 6000 haddock, 3000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, 2500 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Flavilla, 5000 haddock, 7000 cod.

Sch. Gladys and Sabra, 17,000 cod.

Sch. Seacomet, 8000 haddock, 6000 cod.

Sch. William A. Morse, 6000 haddock, 12,000 cod.

Sch. Diana, 2500 haddock, 1200 cod.

Haddock, \$4 to \$5.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.50; market cod, \$3.50 to \$3.75; hake, \$1.75 to \$3; pollock, \$1.75.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Esperanto, Avalon, Fannie E. Prescott, Marguerite Haskins, Parthia, Ralph L. Hall, Arthur James and Patrician were at Halifax, N. S., on Monday.

Sch. Annie Greenlaw, Cynthia, Veda McKown, Speculator, Slade Gorton, Madonna, Corona, Manhasset, Mary L. Curtis, Natalie J. Nelson, Monarch, Hattie M. Graham and Lena and Mand were at Liverpool, N. S., on Monday.

Sch. A. M. Nicholson was at Shelburne, N. S., on Monday.

Mackerel Notes.

Capt. William J. Cotkum of sch. Priscilla Smith, which is high line of the mackerel fleet to date, came home by rail from Newport last evening, his craft having harbored there yesterday on account of the storm.

Sch. Maryland arrived at Fulton market, New York, late yesterday afternoon with 2000 large fresh mackerel. The first telegram received here yesterday gave the craft's fare as 20,000 large fresh mackerel but a corrected dispatch received this morning gave the number as it should have been, 2000.

The Maryland was bought here last fall from William A. King of this port by Chesboro Bros. of Fulton market, and is one of that concern's fleet of bluefishing and weak-fishing crafts, about all the latter now carrying a mackerel seine and being fitted with the Lantz patent purser.

A few lots of fresh mackerel from the Cape Shore traps are due at Boston on the steamer today.

There were quite a lot of netters at New Bedford yesterday with fresh mackerel.

MACKEREL NOTES.

Two traps at Yarmouth, N. S., took 35 barrels of mackerel on Monday. This is the first haul of any account on the Cape Shore this season. The traps around Yarmouth and Prospect are reported making hauls daily now.

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RE-SURVEY OF GEORGES.

Has Been Authorized by U. S. Navy Department.

Gunboat Princetown Has Been Detailed for the Work.

The matter of a new survey of Georges bank, which has been agitated for some time has borne good fruit, for the United States department has now authorized the survey, or rather the resurvey of that great fishing ground, and the gunboat Princetown has been assigned to the task.

The Princetown has for some time been at Magdalena Bay, Lower California, and will come to this coast as soon as possible, to be fitted for the purposes of the survey at one of the eastern navy yards.

It is the intention of the department to have her personnel for the new work consist of the same officers, surveyors and others as are now attached to the Almirante Bay surveying party, which comprises the following: Lieutenant-Commander C. M. Knepper, U. S. N.; Assistant Paymaster G. P. Shamer, U. S. N.; twelve enlisted men (including a hospital steward) and seven civilians.

This information will prove of much interest to many on the Atlantic coast and there is now no doubt that the recharting of the shoals will be accomplished with due diligence and efficiency.

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MANY THOUGHT HER LOST

Netter A. P. Parkhurst Reached New York Today

Many of Lost Nets Picked Up by Other Craft.

A special to the Times this afternoon states that sch. Cherokee, which came in at Fulton dock, New York, this noon, brought in 16 nets belonging to sch. Priscilla, which had been lost by that craft during the heavy gales Sunday morning. Beside these, the Cherokee also brought in 40 of the lost nets of sch. Stranger. Sch. Frank Munroe brought in 31 of the nets of sch. A. C. Newhall, and sch. S. H. Pinkham also brought in 47 nets belonging to the Newhall, so that craft certainly played in great luck, as about all her nets are now accounted for.

The best news of all was the safe arrival of the little netting sch. A. P. Parkhurst, a 12-ton Gloucester-built craft, now owned in Portland, Maine.

This craft had not been seen or heard from since Saturday, the day before the heavy gale. It was known that she was fishing on Saturday night, but after the storm nothing was seen of her and by most of the fleet she was given up as lost. When she came sailing in today, therefore, there was great rejoicing among the other netters in port, most of whom never expected to see her or her crew again.