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### SEINERS STORMBOUND.

#### Many of Mackerel Fleet Harbor at Portland and Portsmouth.

#### One Vessel Reports Seeing Fish But Too Rough To Set.

Over half the seining fleet is on the Maine coast in search of mackerel schools there, but today most of them are stormbound at Portsmouth and Portland harbors.

Sch. Constellation, Avalon, Arthur Binney, Alert, Albert Geiger Colonial, Dixie, Esperanto, Elva L. Spurling, Grayling, Lucania, Marguerite Haskins, Mary T. Fallon, Mary E. Hart, Mary F. Curtis, Mary A. Osler, Saladin and Shenandoah were at Portsmouth yesterday for harbor.

A special from Portland this noon states that 36 of the mackerel seining fleet were at that port today for harbor, having put in there yesterday and during the night. One of the skippers sends word that they saw some schools of fish on the way there, but that the weather was nasty and there was no chance to get a set.

### OVER \$24,000.

#### Capt Wallace Parsons Has Made Big Record This Summer.

#### His Crew in Sch. Ingomar Have Shared Over \$562.

Sch. Ingomar, Capt. Wallace Parsons, has made a notable record in the mackerel seining fishery this season. On her last trip the vessel stocked \$3578.15, the crew sharing \$82.53. This brings Capt. Parsons' stock for the season thus far up to the splendid total of \$24,035.71, while his crew have made the fine share of \$562.66. This is certainly great work and puts Capt. Parsons second in the annual high line race. The vessel will sail again as soon as the weather favors.

Capt. Parsons has always done well and is recognized as one of the leading seining skippers of the fleet, and his many friends will hear with much pleasure of his good work this season. Besides doing so well, he also had the honor this spring of landing the first mackerel trip of the season at New York.

### Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut, 9 cts. per lb. for white and 6 cts. for gray.  
Market price large western cod to split, \$2.25 per cwt., medium do., \$1.55.  
Large eastern cod, \$2.25, medium do., \$1.50  
Market price fresh large Rips cod, \$2.25 per cwt., medium do., \$1.55.  
Market price, salt bank cod, \$4 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for medium.  
Market price salt Rips cod, \$4.12 1-2 cwt. for large, \$3.12 1-2 medium, \$2.50 for snappers and \$2 for haddock and \$1.50 for pollock  
Fresh round pollock, 80c per cwt.  
Market price fresh hake, \$1.30 per cwt.  
Large fresh mackerel, 20 1-2 cts. each.  
Fresh medium mackerel 12 cts. each.  
Market price fresh cusk, \$1.75 per cwt.  
Dressed fresh pollock, 85 cts. per cwt.  
Fresh whiting, 50c per bbl.  
Salt mackerel, large, \$20.50 per bbl. for rimmed and \$19 to \$20 per bbl. for plain; medium, \$17 per bbl. for rimmed and \$15 to \$17.50 per bbl. for plain; small, \$12 to \$15 per bbl.

### Boston.

Sch. Louisa R. Sylva, 8000 haddock, 35,000 cod, 6000 pollock.  
Sch. Viking, 57 swordfish.  
Sloop Morning Star, 500 cod, 1500 pollock.  
Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, 41 swordfish.  
Sch. Annie and Jennie, 1000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 6500 pollock, 500 halibut.  
Sch. Matchless, 30,000 cod.  
Sch. Robert and Arthur, 25,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 4000 hake.  
Sch. Sarah, 3000 cod, 2000 pollock.  
Sch. Klondike, 1000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Ramona, 7000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 4000 pollock.  
Sch. Rose Dorothea, 4000 haddock, 25,000 cod.  
Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, 40,000 haddock, 40,000 cod, 5000 hake, 6000 cusk, 1000 halibut.  
Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, 35,000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Mettacomet, 8000 haddock, 2000 hake.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 15,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 2 swordfish.  
Haddock, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.60; market cod, \$1.50; hake, \$2; cusk, \$1.75; pollock, \$1.75; swordfish, 13 cts. per lb.; halibut, 12 and 9 cts. per lb.

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### FINE HALIBUT FARE.

#### Sch. Cavalier Brings 65,000 Pounds from Bacalieu Bank.

#### Capt. Porper Reports No Ice and Remarkable Fine Weather.

Sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert Porper, arrived last evening from Bacalieu Bank. As usual she has a big fare, 60,000 or 65,000 pounds of halibut.

The schooner fished on Bacalieu bank far to the northward, around latitude 54. The crew were favored by remarkably fine and clear weather, had just enough wind to work the vessel around the dories, and, strange to say, saw no ice, which is most unusual, as generally fares caught on this ground in that latitude are secured while icebergs and ice floes are about vessel and dories.

Capt. Porper and his men say that in all their years of fishing in this far northern locality they never saw such fine weather as has prevailed on the trip just completed and the one preceding it.

No vessels were seen throughout the entire trip. The fare sold to the New England Fish Co. at 9 cents per pound for white and 6 cents per pound for gray.

### New Fishing Steamer.

The new fishing steamer Mary, recently purchased by Capt. Sorenson of Boston, for the fishing business in Boston Bay, reached Central wharf yesterday from New York. Many of the friends of Capt. Sorenson and others interested, visited the steamer during the day and expressed their approval on the new craft.

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### OFF ON WHALING CRUISE.

New Bedford, Mass., Sept. 5.—Schooner Margaret, a Gloucester-built fishing boat of 130 tons, of which Erastus Church is captain and James W. Buddington first mate, sailed today for Cape Horn, on a seven months' whaling cruise. Church and Buddington are two of the last of the old whaling captains and have lived in retirement for several years.

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### OFF MOUNT DESERT.

#### Mackerel Have Struck In Says Telegram at Portland.

A letter to the Times from its Portland correspondent states that the report that mackerel had struck off Mount Desert was confirmed yesterday by a telegram received yesterday by Capt. Solomon Jacobs of sch. A. M. Nicholson, which is at Portland for harbor along with fleet of 30 mackerel catchers.

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### DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, Maine coast, 100,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Lawrence Murdock, Georges, 30,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Cavalier, Bacalieu Bank, 185,000 lbs. halibut.  
Sch. Mina Swim, Rips, 40,000 lbs. fresh cod, 12,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Mertis H. Perry, via Boston, 26,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Thalia, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Belna P. Domingoes, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Fish Hawk, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. E. C. Hussey, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Gertrude, via Boston, 38,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. James R. Clark, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Emily Sears, via Boston, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Boyd and Leeds, via Boston, 28,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Stranger, shore.  
Sch. Mary A. Gleason, via Boston.  
Sloop Ignatius Enos, shore.

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### BEGAN NEW OPERATIONS.

#### Atlantic Maritime Co. Took Out Sch. Mina Swim's Fare.

The Atlantic Maritime Co., which recently bought the wharf on Rogers street fronting on Harbor Cove and improved it with the idea of doing a general fish business, has started in, for yesterday the concern was taking out the fare of salt and fresh codfish of sch. Mina Swim, one of the vessels of its own fleet. In the future the company will actively participate in the business and trips will be taken in regularly.

The starting in of a new concern like this is a good thing, as it means work for so many more people and injects a new factor into the buying of fares and shipping of fish.

### TOOK LOTS OF SQUID.

#### Many Brought to St. Pierre from Banks for Salting.

A number of French bankers have returned to St. Pierre of late with good catches. Several have brought back large quantities of squid taken on the Banks, which have been salted for the fall fishery. Squid are so plentiful at St. Pierre harbor that they are being sold at 15 cents per hundred. It looks as if the Frenchmen will not be scarce of bait for some time.

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### MACKEREL AT TRINITY.

#### Newfoundland Fishermen Take Some There First Time in Years.

A St. John's, N. F., despatch of August 27 says: "Some mackerel were taken this season at Trinity near St. John's, the first that have been taken for many years. There are also some indications that the large Labrador herring after an absence of a great many years are coming back to the coast. The fishermen believe that these catches mark the beginning of a change for the better in the Newfoundland fisheries."

### U. S. NEED NOT FEAR.

#### Through Arbitration of Newfoundland Herring Trouble.

In an editorial on "Fishery Arbitration," the Boston Advertiser of recent date says: "The failure of the Blaine-Bond and of the Hay-Bond reciprocity treaties by our own senate aggravated the hostile Newfoundland attitude, and though that attitude has almost constantly been confined to officialdom, the Newfoundland fishermen inclining toward friendliness with the Americans, it has been impossible to adjust the official differences. The United States need not fear the adjustment of the matter through arbitration. In the meantime the modus vivendi of last season will hold."

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**AGREEMENT REACHED.**

**New Modus Vivendi Terms Will Soon Be Made Public.**

**Sir Robert Bond's Substitute Is Evidently Thrown Over.**

A despatch from London yesterday says: "Negotiations for a renewal of the Newfoundland fisheries modus vivendi have practically been concluded, and a new agreement, covering the present season, probably will be signed within a few days.

"The delay was caused by repeated proposals of the Newfoundland premier, Sir Robert Bond, of a substitute for the modus vivendi, to which the American and British officials have given every consideration.

"The matter, it is said, has now been disposed of and an agreement has been reached to renew the modus vivendi with some modifications.

"The most important change relates to Sunday fishing, a prohibition of which, it is understood, the United States has agreed to."

It would seem from the reading of this despatch that Sir Robert Bond's frantic endeavors to replace the modus vivendi by an arrangement of his own making, which would have been along altogether different lines from the modus and appear in the nature of a concession from him to the American fleet, but which was really a well laid plan to entrap the United States into an agreement which would have been injurious to her rights under the treaty and also put quite a damper on the fishery at Bay of Islands this coming season, have been without avail.

That the last year's modus would be amended was expected by all here. As to the Sunday fishing prohibition, this was done last season, the American fishermen agreeing to refrain, even though it was not called for in the modus, and they had no idea of fishing Sundays this coming season.

While the exact provisions of the new modus are not yet known, it is believed here that they will not be radically different from those of last year's agreement. It is thought here that the American vessels will be allowed to ship Newfoundland fishermen as they were last season, but that the use of purse seines will be prohibited. Just what other changes are to be made are beyond conjecture, but these would seem to be the two principal points.

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**BIGGEST FOR YEARS.**

**Sch. Annie M. Parker Home with 375,000 Pounds Salt Cod.**

Sch. Annie M. Parker, Capt. Angus Hines, came up the harbor in tow this afternoon with the biggest fare of fish that has been brought to this port for many years.

The vessel has been engaged in the salt bank dory handline fishery and left late in the season, getting away in May, but her fare is hailed for 375,000 pounds of salt cod, which is certainly a more than fine fare and will result in an enormous stock, as well a big return for each and every man on board.

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**LARGE STOCK.**

**Sch. Paragon Gets \$3600 as Result of Two Weeks Trip.**

Sch. Paragon, Capt. William Hermon, stocked \$3600 as the result of her recent two weeks halibut trip, the crew making the splendid share of \$117 per man. On her previous trip the Paragon was gone but 11 days, stocking \$3991 and the crew sharing \$127. Thus the vessel in 26 days has made the remarkable stock of \$7591 and the crew have shared \$244, which is probably the record in this branch of fishery, especially for such short trips.

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**Want a Fishery Board.**

The movement to establish a fishery board for the Atlantic Provinces received a decided impetus at a meeting of the Maritime Board of Trade at St. Johns, N. B., on August 22, and a resolution endorsing the plan was passed unanimously.

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**Struck Squid on Brown's Bank.**

Capt. William Gould of sch. Lawrence Murdock which arrived from a Georges landline trip this morning, reports squid on Brown's bank and that he caught most of his fare on these great codfish enticers.

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**Monster Haddock.**

A Lunenburg N. S., shore fisherman caught a huge haddock off Cross Island which equals the big haddock taken by Clarence Cox, of Clark's Harbor, a short time ago. The haddock measured three feet one inch in length, girthed twenty inches and weighed twelve and a quarter pounds.

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- Sch. Ida S. Brooks via Boston.
- Sch. Annie and Jennie, via Boston.

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Fresh round pollock, 80c per cwt.

Market price fresh hake, \$1.30 per cwt.

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Fresh whiting, 50c per bbl.

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**Boston.**

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake, 500 pollock.

Sch. Buema, 16,000 haddock, 3900 cod, 2500 hake.

Sch. Etta B., 3500 cod, 200 hake, 300 pollock.

Haddock, \$2.75 per cwt.; cod, \$3; hake, \$2 to \$2.50; pollock, \$1.50.

**Fishing Fleet Movements.**

Schs. Senator Gardner, George Parker and Gladiator were at Louisburg, C. B., Monday, and cleared.

**Mackerel Notes.**

Nagle & Co. of Boston received 30 barrels of mackerel from Port Clyde, Me., this morning. The fish were taken off here by the boats.

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**MACKEREL AT MONHEGAN.**

**Shore Fishermen There Made Good Hauls Yesterday.**

**Two Seiners Got Catches of Tinkers on Middle Bank.**

The mackerel fleet have landed during the past week 990 bbls. salt mackerel. No fresh mackerel of any account have been landed. The fleet have gone to the eastward to the coast of Maine, but have had bad weather most of the week. Thirty-six sail were at Portland for a harbor on Wednesday. A few mackerel are being caught in the South on hook as well as in nets and shipped fresh. The corresponding week last year the mackerel fleet landed 445 bbls. salt and 148 bbls. fresh mackerel which were caught on Middle Bank. Sales were made at \$30 per bbl. for large, \$24 for medium and \$12 for tinkers.

A telegram to the Times from the Nelson Bait & Ice Co. of Boothbay Harbor, Me., states that 42 barrels of mackerel, taken at Monhegan yesterday, were shipped by that concern last night.

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A letter to one of our largest concerns from its Portland correspondent this morning states that 5000 pounds of fresh mackerel came to that port yesterday from Monhegan and 6000 pounds also taken at Monhegan were shipped from another port. The letter says that the fish were taken by the boat fishermen of Monhegan in small shore seines. The fish are very handsome ones, going from two to three pounds each.

The little sch. Reliance, Capt. John Nelson, which went out only yesterday forenoon, came back again last night. She struck mackerel on Middle Bank and made a set, getting 3500 in count. A few were large, about 250 mediums and the rest tinkers which would go about 225 fish to a barrel. The fare sold to the Gloucester Fresh Fish Co.

"The catch of salt mackerel by the New England fleet is about 28,500 barrels, against 8414 barrels last year at this time and 28,353 barrels in 1905 at this date.

The imports of new salt mackerel at Boston to date are 7274 barrels, against 15,470 barrels last year at this time.

The catch of fresh mackerel to date is about 51,000 barrels, against 32,000 barrels at this time last year and 55,000 barrels to date in 1905. The imports of fresh mackerel to date at Boston are 4986 barrels, against 15,295 barrels at this time last year.

The foreign receipts this week comprise 297 barrels from Canada and 200 barrels from Ireland.

Sch. Moweena was at Portland Thursday with 200 fresh mackerel in count.

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**SHIPPING COMMISSIONER.**

**No Fees Allowed Official on Fishermen's Shipping Papers.**

**Law May Be Changed To Include Men Shipping on Shares.**

It is understood that there is a movement on foot to abolish the office of United States shipping commissioner in this city. The office is at present held by Mr. Roderick McDonald, the well known Duncan street outfitter, and in fact Mr. McDonald was the first man to hold the office in this city.

The position is no sinecure, as there is a great deal of clerical work and detail which requires care and attention, and the records which are kept by the commissioner are of inestimable value, being on a par in a measure with the vital statistics which are kept at City hall. Three or four copies of every shipping paper are made out for the benefit of all concerned, one of which, of course, goes to the government, and in addition the commissioner keeps a record of each man who ships, and since Mr. McDonald has held the position he has accumulated a record of more than 11,000 fishermen.

It seems that the work of the shipping commissioner passes through four distinct departments at Washington. Mr. McDonald has been to Washington in regard to the matter and plainly told the officials what he knew regarding his position and the duties thereof. It seems that the fees of the commissioner are paid by the government, but the law makes no provision for paying fees of the shipping enlistment of men who ship on vessels on the shares. Sailors who ship for wages come under this head, but those who engage on the cooperative plan are beyond the provision of the law.

Mr. McDonald has a great deal to do on these papers and says he will continue to do them for the fishermen for a while, but he cannot be expected to give his time all the time. The records of the fishery enlistments are important. It is quite probable that instead of having the office abolished, the law will be changed so that fishermen will come under its provisions.

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**THE GRESHAM SAILS.**

**Off for Newfoundland at 3 O'clock This Afternoon.**

The revenue cutter Gresham, Capt. Perry, with Mr. A. B. Alexander, representing the state department on board, sailed on her mission to Bay of Islands, Newfoundland, at 3 o'clock this afternoon.