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**Today's Receipts.**  
 Sch. Lillian, via Boston, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Appomattix, shore.  
 Sch. Pythian, shore.  
 Sch. Ethel B. Penney, shore.  
 Sch. Stranger, shore.  
 Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, shore.  
 Sch. Julietta, shore.  
 Sch. Reliance, shore.  
 Sch. Helen B. Thomas, shore.  
 Sch. Evelyn L. Thompson, shore.  
 Sch. Manomet, shore.  
 Sch. Washakie, shore.

**Today's Fish Market.**  
 Ground pollock, 55 cts per cwt.; gutted, 60 cents.  
 Salt George cod, large \$4.00, mediums, \$3.00.  
 Bank halibut 11 cts. per lb for white and 8 cts for gray.  
 Salt pollock, \$1.50; salt haddock, \$1.50.  
 Eastern salt shack trip cod, \$3.25 per cwt. for large and \$3 for markets.  
 Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large \$1.75; mediums, \$1.37½; Eastern cod, large \$1.75; medium \$1.37½; cusk, \$1.60 to \$1.65; haddock, 80 cts; hake, 75 cts; pollock, 70 cts.  
 Eastern deck headline cod, \$4.00 for large and \$3.00 for medium.

**Boston.**  
 Sch. Rex, 45,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.  
 Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
 Sch. Richard, 35,000 haddock, 5000 cod.  
 Sch. Lucania, 30,000 haddock, 25,000 cod.  
 Sch. Francis J. O'Hara, 30,000 haddock, 18,000 cod.  
 Sch. Benj. F. Phillips, 20,000 haddock, 15,000 cod.  
 Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 4000 haddock, 1200 cod, 2500 hake.  
 Haddock \$2 to \$2.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.50; market cod, \$1.59 to \$2; hake, 75 cts to \$2.

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**Fishing Fleet Movements.**  
 Capt. Adelbert Nickerson of sch. Tacoma reports speaking sch. Cavalier on Quero bank recently. The latter craft afterward went to the eastward.

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## HERRING REPORT.

### More Favorable News Received from Bay of Islands.

Last night's news from the herring fleet at Bay of Islands, N. F., was considerably more encouraging than any for some time past. There is now a good frost and the fishing is reported good. Beside this three vessels are loaded, or finishing up loads of frozen herring and are expected to soon be on the way home.

With the frost reported good and herring running better it is fair to presume that all the vessels at the Bay for frozen herring got in a good day's work and should the frost and herring continue, will not take many days to load.

A dispatch to the Boston Fish Bureau names schs. Harry A. Nickerson, Fannie A. Smith and Lena and Maud as the vessels that have finished loading and ready to sail on the first chance.

The frost is what all the skippers have been anxiously awaiting for quite a spell and it is safe to say that all had their scaffolds full of herring, awaiting its advent.

### MET HARD WEATHER.

#### Incoming Fishing Vessels Considerably Iced Up.

Sch. Mary F. Curtis, Capt. Henry W. Curtis, which arrived yesterday afternoon with a small fresh fish fare, has been to the Cape Shore and Western bank and has been up against hard weather from the start, also finding fish scarce. The craft has been out quite a while.

All the off shore vessels arriving at Boston yesterday were considerably iced up and all reported rough weather all the way in from Western bank.

Sch. Rex, Capt. John Grady, was struck by one heavy sea, which swept across the deck, smashing several dories. In going up Boston harbor the craft grounded on the Lower Middle but was soon pulled clear by one of the Ross tugs.

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Maine's sardine pack for the season of 1908 fell short 22 per cent from the amount allotted by the Maine Mercantile Company, which is in control of 95 per cent of the business. This was said to be due to differences with the fishermen during the early part of the season.

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# REPORT NOT YET VERIFIED.

## Agreement With England Limited to Issues To Be Presented.

### Premier Bond Tried To Keep Certain Matters From The Hague.

A Washington dispatch to one of the Boston papers recently was to the effect that Secretary Root and Ambassador Bryce had arrived at an understanding or agreement with regard to certain claims between this country and Great Britain, one of the more important of which was with reference to our rights on the treaty coast of Newfoundland under the treaty of 1818. The Times learns from the best of authority that the report of such an agreement has not yet been verified.

If it is true however, it simply means that an agreement has been reached with regard to the framing of issues to be presented to The Hague.

It appears that Premier Bond of Newfoundland has been endeavoring to have certain matters of grave importance to this country left out when the matter of the Treaty of 1818, and the consequent troubles with his island are brought before The Hague, this coming spring, but notwithstanding his efforts, it is generally supposed that this agreement between Mr. Root and Ambassador Bryce includes these propositions.

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## FLEET IN PORT.

### No Fish Arrivals Here or at Boston Since Friday.

It does not very often happen that both Boston and this port are bare of arrivals at the same time, but such is the case today, there being no arrivals of vessels with fish at either port since yesterday afternoon.

As it is the last day of the week and T wharf dealers have been buying light all the week on account of poor trade they are not at all disturbed by reason of the temporary famine.

At this port, the dealers are not anxious for fish, in fact none are needed, except salt herring, haddock for smoking, or fresh halibut, so the clean slate today is causing no uneasiness, indeed it is rather more pleasing than otherwise.

Although it looks like a good fish day outside, the market boat fleet finds itself in port today, and some of the skippers are doing some tall chafing thereat.

The fleet was all in port yesterday and last evening's outlook promised anything but a fish day today, so the boats stayed in. Everything pointed to a cold east wind with snow squalls and no chance to set trawls, so they remained at the wharves and most of the crews went home. This morning it moderated, the sun came out bright and in place of the expected wind, a flat calm prevails, so calm that a vessel could not work out of the harbor. It is next to impossible to dope out the weather from one day to another this winter and the skippers are about tired of trying it.

### No Fresh Herring Arrivals.

For the first time in many days there are no fresh herring here this morning. The weather looked bad last night, and as the boat men knew they could not get in over Ipswich bar, they did not go over today, so as to be back tomorrow morning.

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### GOING INTO HADDOCK FISHING.

The brig sch. Elizabeth Silsbee, which hauled out yesterday on Burnham's railways, had her propeller taken off and will continue winter haddocking under sail power alone. Capt. John Lawrie remains in command.

### MACKEREL NOTES.

The imports of new salt mackerel at Boston are 39,024 barrels against 20,983 barrels at this time last year.

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## WITH GOOD TRIP.

### Capt. Goodwin Sold Fare to Gloucester Fresh Fish Co.

Back to his first and best favorite, the Gloucester Fresh Fish Company came Capt. James D. Goodwin, in sch. Benjamin A. Smith, yesterday afternoon, with one of the finest fares of the whole winter season. The captain calls the weight 100,000 pounds; some of the crew say that 20,000 pounds can be safely added.

The vessel has been gone but a few days and struck fine fishing on Western Bank, having 90,000 pounds or more of haddock in the trip, and haddock are about the only fish in demand at present.

Capt. Goodwin has been running to Boston about all winter, but he evidently thinks pretty well of the Gloucester Fresh Fish Company, for he brings to Manager Livingstone his biggest and best trip of the season.

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### TODAY'S RECEIPTS.

Sch. Benj. A. Smith, Western Bank, 100,000 lbs fresh fish.

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### Boston.

No arrivals today.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Georgianna is fitting for winter haddocking under command of Capt. Nelson Thorburn.

Schs. Francis V. Silva, Mary C. Santos, Nettie Franklin, and one or two others of the Provincetown trawling fleet are practically ready to begin the season's work and will start on their first trip for the year within a few days.