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**Bay of Islands, N. F., Notes.**

The Western Star of Wednesday says: "Capt. John Hackett left on October 2, en route to Gloucester to take charge of the American sch. Dora A. Lawson for the winter herring fishery. Jack expects to have her here by the 15 inst. If so, you may look for the Dora A. Lawson being the first to leave the Bay with a cargo of herring this fall. "Fairly good fishing is to be had now, if we could get the weather favorable enough to go on the grounds. Herring of a large size are now on the fishing ground in large quantities."

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**Found Squid Plentiful.**

Sch. Etta Mildred, Capt. John Swim, called at Clark's Harbor, N. S., Thursday from fishing on Brown's Bank. She had found some fish and squid appeared to be plentiful. Enough of them were "jigged" for one baiting.

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**GONE TO VIRGIN ROCKS.**

**Capt. Thomas Benham Saw Dory and Deck Handliners.**  
Capt. Thomas Benham of sch. Maixne Elliott reports the deck handliners Norma and Arcadia on Middle Ground, recently. They were picking up some fish. He also reports that the dory handliners Aloha and Tatler have gone to Virgin Rocks, to complete their fares, and spoke sch. Alice R. Lawson on Middle Ground recently. Capt. Benham reports fish rather scarce but some squid when he left Middle Ground a few days ago.

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**Halibut Sale.**

The fare of sch. Gladiator sold to the New England Fish Co. at 10 and 7 cents per pound for white and gray.

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**DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.**

**Today's Arrivals and Receipts.**

- Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, via Boston, 18,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Walter P. Goulart, via Boston, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Paragon, Quero, 14,000 lbs. halibut, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish, 10,000 lbs. salt fish.
- Sch. Maxine Elliott, Quero, dory handlining, 270,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. John Hays Hammond, Western bank, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish, 30,000 lbs. salt cod, 3000 lbs. halibut.
- Sch. Estelle S. Nunan, shore, 2000 lbs. pollock.
- Sch. Gladys and Sabra, shore, 1000 lbs. pollock.
- Sch. Oliver F. Kilham, shore, 3000 lbs. pollock.
- Sch. Patriot, shore, 3000 lbs. pollock.
- Sch. Thalia, shore, 4000 lbs. pollock.
- Sch. James R. Clark, shore, 4000 lbs. pollock.
- Sch. Marguerite Haskins, shore, 27,000 lbs. pollock.
- Sch. Ralph Russell, shore, 5000 lbs. pollock.
- Sch. Grace Darling, pollocking.
- Sch. Georgianna, pollocking.
- Boats, 50 bbls. fresh herring.
- Sch. E. C. Hussey, Rips, 38,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. James A. Garfield, shore.
- Sch. Lafayette, shore.
- Sch. Mary E. Cooney, via Boston.
- Sch. Mettacommet, shore.
- Sch. Aspinet, via Boston.
- Sch. Juniata, via Boston.
- Sch. Pythian, shore.

**Today's Fish Market.**

- Round pollock, 65 cts. per cwt.; gutted 70 cents.
- Salt Rips, cod, large, \$4.25, mediums, \$3.25; snapper \$2.
- Salt Georges cod, large \$4.25, mediums, \$3.25.
- Salt bank dory handline cod, \$4 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for mediums.
- Bank halibut 10 cts. per lb. for white and 7 cts. for gray.
- Filthead halibut, 7 1-4 cents per lb.

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Salt pollock, \$1.50; salt haddock, \$1.50. Salt mackerel, \$20 per bbl. North Bay salt mackerel, \$22 per bbl. Eastern salt shack trip cod, \$3.50 per cwt. for large and \$3 for markets. Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$2.20; mediums, \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.90; medium, \$1.50; cusk, \$1.60 to \$1.65; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 70 cts. Salt trawl bank cod, large, \$3.62 1-2 per cwt., medium, \$3.12 1-2c.

**Boston.**

- Sch. James and Esther, 4000 pollock.
  - Sch. Matiana, 10,000 haddock, 2500 cod.
  - Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 10,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 18,000 hake.
  - Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 5000 haddock, 8000 cod, 70,000 hake, 10,000 cusk.
  - Sch. Grace Otis, 22,000 cod.
  - Sch. Robert and Arthur, 33,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 6000 hake.
  - Sch. Rose Dorothea, 7000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 20,000 hake.
  - Sch. Maud F. Silva, 20,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.
  - Sch. Geo. E. Lane, Jr., 10,000 pollock.
  - Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 6000 pollock.
  - Sch. Dictator.
  - Sch. Emily Sears, 10,000 pollock.
  - Sch. Thomas Brundage, 3000 pollock.
  - Sch. Tecumseh, 5000 haddock, 3500 cod, 2500 hake.
  - Sch. George H. Lube, 2000 haddock, 4000 cod, 10,000 hake.
  - Sch. Lucania, 50,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 8000 hake, 1 swordfish.
  - Sch. Catherine Burke, 10,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 20,000 hake.
  - Sch. Frances Whalen, 15,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 18,000 hake.
  - Sch. Stranger, 2000 haddock, 500 cod, 30,000 hake.
  - Sch. Susan and Mary, 60,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 5000 hake.
  - Sch. Helen B. Thomas.
  - Sch. Victor and Ethan, 11,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 22,000 hake.
  - Athena, 10,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 18,000 hake.
  - Sch. Olga, 35,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 20,000 hake.
  - Sch. Viking, 800 haddock, 1000 cod, 75,000 hake.
  - Sch. Yankee, 2000 haddock, 2000 cod, 20,000 hake.
  - Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, 5000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 17,000 hake.
  - Sch. Squanto, 10,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 5000 hake.
  - Sch. Galatea, 5000 pollock.
  - Sch. Valentina, 8000 pollock.
  - Sch. Mary A. Gleason, 10,000 pollock.
  - Sch. Emily Cooney, 8000 haddock, 3000 cod, 20,000 hake.
- Haddock, \$2.75 to \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.50; market, \$2.50 to \$3; hake, 40 cts. to \$1; pollock, \$2.

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**ENORMOUS CATCH.**

**One Steam Trawler Took 11,000 Quintals in Three Months.**

**Is Probably Record Catch of Cod in These Waters.**

The North Sydney Herald says: "Eleven thousand quintals of fish in three months is the record catch of the French steam trawler Nordeaper, which sailed from this port Saturday for France. This is a record that no other vessel can boast of in these waters, and one which will no doubt cause the fishing world to stand up and take notice. Estimated in dollars the owners of the French steamer will realize something like \$60,000, a rather paying investment for her owner. All of which goes to show that the statements of our American and Nova Scotia steam trawlers will soon kill codfishing on Quero are based on fact."

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**MAINE'S LOBSTER CATCH.**

**Commissioner Donahue Says It Will Be Largest for 20 Years.**

James Donahue, of Rockland, Me., state commissioner of fisheries, states that the present lobster season will be the best for 20 years in that state. He says that more than half the lobster catchers of the state have united to protect the lobster and aid in its propagation by replacing in the water all crustaceans below the legal length.

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**FOR THE WELFARE OF NEW ENGLAND.**

The coming conference of governors of the New England states at Boston, promises to be an event which shall be, as one of the speakers at the preliminary meeting last Saturday said, "for the welfare of New England."

At this preliminary meeting the governor of every New England state was present and ambitious plans for the coming conference at the Hub were laid out, adopted and then made public. The official statement is to the effect that the conference will last three days and will have for its object the promotion of New England's interests and the preservation of New England resources.

Besides the governors, there will be in attendance at the conference, the lieutenant governors and attorney generals of each state, also the presidents of state senates, speakers of state assemblies, the national senators and representatives of each state and a number of distinguished citizens in all walks of life.

The first day will be devoted to papers and discussion on tree planting, both forest and fruit bearing trees. The protection of lobsters, clams and other shell fish will be the subject for the second day's discussion and the construction and maintenance of highways with the possibility of uniform regulation and taxation of automobiles will take up the third day.

Especially is Gloucester interested in the doings of the second and third days. Anything that pertains to protection of lobsters and clams is of vital interest to her. As it is now, every coastal state in New England has a different lobster law and there is no pulling together at all for the preservation of this crustacean. Some of these state lobster laws differ so radically that all cannot be right and it is to be hoped that out of this conference much good and some uniform law may come.

Also is Gloucester interested in all that pertains to good roads and the regulation and taxation of automobiles. No part of New England is so extensively visited by automobiles in the summer time as is Gloucester and Cape Ann, and perhaps it can well be said that nothing hereabouts is more in need of regulation than this same matter of automobiles. It is probable that a uniform tax will be one of the measures discussed.

The coming conference cannot help being productive of much good and the doings of the second and third day sessions will be watched with much interest hereabouts.

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**Halibut Sale.**

The fare of sch. Paragon sold to the American Halibut Co. at 10 and 7 cents per lb. for white and gray.

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**Few Arrivals of Fish Today.**

There are few arrivals of fish today both here and at Boston. The trips here are mostly vessels down from Boston with hake to split. At Boston are only five haddock and two pollock trips. The market is good and pollock touched \$3.00 per hundred weight, the highest price of the season.

**A Monster Mackerel.**

Matthews & Scott of Queensport, N. S., under date of Wednesday last, writes the Times that they received the day before, the largest mackerel ever caught in that vicinity and now have it in cold storage. It was well shaped and perfect in every respect and weighed seven and one-half pounds.

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**DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.**

**Today's Arrivals and Receipts.**

Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, via Boston, 80,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Stranger, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Olga, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Viking, via Boston, 65,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Yankee, via Boston, 14,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Dorothy, shore, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Ida S. Brooks, via Boston, 14,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Rozella, Southwest Harbor, Maine, 650 quintals cured fish.

**Today's Fish Market.**

Round pollock, 65 cts. per cwt.; gutted 70 cents.  
 Salt Rips, cod, large, \$4.25, mediums, \$3.25; snapper \$2.  
 Salt Georges cod, large \$4.25, mediums, \$3.25.  
 Salt bank dory handline cod, \$4 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for mediums.  
 Bank halibut, 10 cts. per lb. for white and 7 cts. for gray.  
 Flitched halibut, 7 1-4 cents per lb.  
 Salt pollock, \$1.50; salt haddock, \$1.50.  
 Salt mackerel, \$20 per bbl.  
 North Bay salt mackerel; \$22 per bbl.  
 Eastern salt shack trip cod, \$3.50 per cwt. for large and \$3 for markets.  
 Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$2.20; mediums, \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.90; medium, \$1.50; cusk, \$1.60 to \$1.65; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 70 cts.  
 Salt trawl bank cod, large, \$3.62 1-2 per cwt., medium, \$3.12 1-2c.

**Boston.**

Sch. Mary Edith, 10,000 haddock, 15,000 cod.  
 Sch. Georgianna, 50,000 haddock, 16,000 cod.  
 Sch. Elmer E. Gray, 40,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 1 swordfish.  
 Sch. Minerva, 3000 pollock.  
 Str. Spray, 24,000 haddock, 1000 cod 1000 hake.  
 Sch. Marsala, 3500 pollock.  
 Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 2500 haddock, 2000 cod, 10,000 hake.  
 Haddock, \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$5 50; market, \$3; pollock, \$2.65 to \$3.

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**Rips Cod Sale.**

The fare of sch. E. C. Hussey sold to Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co., at \$4 per hundred weight for large and \$3.10 for mediums.

**Dory Handline Cod Sale.**

The fare of sch. Monitor of Provincetown sold to Cunningham & Thompson.

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**Steam Trawler Wren Doing Well.**

The Nova Scotia beam-trawler Wren is said to have made some good takes off Port Hood lately. At one set the dogfish almost destroyed the net, which was replaced by a spare one.

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**FRENCH BANKER DISMASTED.**

**Sch. Grand Master Towed to St. Pierre by French Hospital Ship.**

And still another report comes from St. Pierre telling of the loss by fierce winds of another of the fishing fleet of the colony. This time the victim is the sch. Grandmaster, which was fitted out at St. Pierre last year, and was on her third trip to Quero when she was caught in the hurricane of a week ago and dismasted.

The captain and crew battled bravely with the elements and succeeded in keeping their helpless craft afloat, when after enduring much suffering the friendly sail of the "white angel of mercy," the French hospital ship Francois d'Estrees, hove in sight, and after rendering kindly aid to the suffering men, towed the mastless victim to the French colony.

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**MR. PEW'S ADDRESS.**

**Before International Fisheries Congress at Washington.**

**Cited Danger of Steam Trawlers to Handline Fisheries.**

At the recent International Fisheries Congress at Washington, at which Mr. John J. Pew, president of the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co., attended as delegate from the Board of Trade of this city, many questions of vital interest to the fisheries of the world were discussed and a large number of papers on various fishery subjects were submitted by fish authorities all over the world.

One of the most important questions under discussion at the congress was the need of international action to restrict the scope and work of the so called steam beam and other trawlers. On this point, Mr. Pew was one of the speakers and read the following paper, which was the sixth on any subject to be read after the convening of the Congress. Mr. Pew said:

Having been interested in the fisheries from boyhood, and having had many generations of my ancestors engaged in the same business, as a delegate from the largest fishing port in the United States, I feel compelled to bring this matter before this body.

It is the question of beam trawling as now pursued. Several steam trawlers equipped with beam trawls have already been operating on the Banks off the coast of New England, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. This method of fishing is looked upon with great alarm and anxiety generally by all the experienced fishermen of New England and Canada as far as I am informed.

Not as I believe on account of any spirit of jealousy, or on account of any temporary success that any of the beam trawlers may have achieved in the above mentioned waters. But on account of the catching of so many small fish which after being taken are found too small for use and then thrown back into the sea; destroying thousands upon thousands of fish which in a few years if left alone would grow larger and assist in keeping up a continual supply of a catchable and profitable fish for commercial use.

Allow me here to cite an interview with a captain of a Gloucester vessel by a reporter of one of our Gloucester papers. Knowing this captain as I do, I can speak for his reliability and experience in regard to the deep sea fisheries.

Capt. Geel says the greatest menace to the fishery on Quero bank is the fleet of steam trawlers which have been sweeping over it this season. No one is more qualified to speak than this captain, regarding bank fishing; he says that the damage these crafts are doing may not be apparent right away, but if continued will surely play out the bank as a place for the usual method of fishing.

Said he, "Why you just imagine it. They sweep over the shoal spots steadily, dragging and hauling and setting, that great trawl, day and night, working two gangs. Now they do not save any fish under 22 inches in length. They dump the contents of the trawl on deck, pick out the fish over this length, then open the big ports in the bulwarks and dump all the rest of the catch, dead of course, back into the sea. I don't know what we can do about it, but you can take my word for it, it means the beginning of the end for the dory handliners on Quero if something is not done soon."

Also allow me to cite an extract from a Boston paper of Sept. 11, in regard to steam trawlers.

"Halifax N. S. Sept. 11. Fishing by means of steam trawlers within the bays and harbors or within the three-mile limit of Canada has been prohibited by an order in council passed by the Canadian government against the operation of trawlers, one of which the Wren, recently arrived from Scotland, was fishing out of Canso, N. S., manned by a crew of North Sea fishermen. This method of fishing is largely used in the North Sea and as a beginning had been made to introduce it in the waters of Canada, the government has taken prompt action to stop it. It is so destructive that the above order had to be made to prevent the extermination or serious diminution of the fish supply."

In New England there is only one steam trawler engaged in the beam trawl fishing, and I am informed it is the opinion of those that are interested in this vessel that this method is considered destructive to small fish, and harmful to the best interest of the New England future.

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I do not feel like going into a long argument about this method of fishing but wish to call your attention to this matter and appeal to you whether it is not time for you to consider it in all of its bearings, and take some action which will result in a speedy investigation of the whole matter, that will tend to some regulation or restriction by your respective governments and be the means of saving millions of small fish from extermination, the loss of which would diminish the catch in the coming years and result in serious losses to all persons engaged in the fisheries.

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**SAILED AT NOON.**

**Gresham, with Mr. Alexander on Board Off for Newfoundland.**

The United States revenue cutter Gresham, Capt. Perry, with Mr. A. B. Alexander on board, as representative of the state department, sailed from here this noon for Bay of Islands, N. F., to observe the progress of the herring fishery and the doings of the American fleet and others, in those waters the coming season.

The craft will go first to St. John's, N. F., where an official call will be made on Gov. McGregor and premier Bond, after which the craft will go immediately to Bay of Islands, where she will remain until November 15, when she will return to take up her patrol of the New England coast. Mr. Alexander, however, will remain with the herring fleet at Bay of Islands until the close of the season.

**BEACHED CRAFT TO SAVE HER.**

**New Pacific Halibut Schooner Run Down By Big Steamer.**

The halibut sch. Ida May of Tacoma, was run down in a heavy fog recently by the steamer Princess Victoria, and was so badly damaged that she had to be beached to keep her from sinking. The Ida May was a gasoline vessel, thoroughly modern in every respect, and was bound home on her maiden voyage, having on board a catch of 30,000 fish. This will be a total loss and it is estimated that the damage to the craft will amount to \$4000.

**Schooner Crushed in the Ice.**

The schooner Iva, Capt. F. Lindquist, was crushed in the ice off the Alaskan coast recently. Her crew reached Seattle the other day.

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**Today's Arrivals and Receipts.**

Sch. J. J. Flaherty, Quero, 320,000 lbs. salt cod.  
 Sch. Dorothy, shore, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Rose Standish, shore, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Sch. Marsala, via Boston.  
 Sch. Victor and Ethan, shore.  
 Sch. Helen B. Thomas, shore, 16,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
 Boats, 200 bbls fresh herring.

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 Salt Georges cod, large \$4.25, mediums, \$3.25.  
 Salt bank dory handline cod, \$3.75 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for mediums.  
 Bank halibut 10 cts. per lb. for white and 7 cts. for gray.  
 Salt pollock, \$1.50; salt haddock, \$1.50.  
 North Bay salt mackerel, \$22 per bbl.  
 Eastern salt shack trip cod, \$3.25 per cwt. for large and \$3 for markets.  
 Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$2.20; mediums, \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.90; medium, \$1.50; cusk, \$1.60 to \$1.65; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 70 cts.  
 Salt trawl bank cod, large, \$3.62 1-2 per cwt., medium, \$3.12 1-2c.

**Boston.**

Sch. Thos. S. Gorton, 10,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 13,000 hake.  
 Sch. Wm. A. Morse, 7000 haddock 4000 cod, 18,000 hake.  
 Sch. Flora J. Sears, 8000 haddock, 1500 cod, 20,000 hake.  
 Sch. Mary C. Santos, 5000 haddock, 9000 cod, 15,000 hake, 2000 pollock.  
 Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 1000 haddock, 500 cod, 7000 hake.