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Motor Fishing Boats.

In speaking of the vast increase in the use of motor boats in all lines of fishing, the London Fish Trades Gazette, one of the greatest fish papers in the world, says that it has been sometimes supposed that the noise of the motors might frighten away the fish, but the best proof that this is groundless, is the fact that the sardine fishers of France are now equipping themselves with motor boats. The sardine is a very shy fish, but the motor boats are making a big success of it.

At Yarmouth, Lomestoft and other Scotch ports, as well as the Irish coast lots of the fishing boats are now being equipped with auxiliary power.

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FISH ARRIVALS STILL SCARCE.

High Prices at Boston Will Insure Good Stock.

There are only six arrivals at T wharf, Boston, today, three of these arriving late yesterday afternoon. All are off shore craft, except sch. Rose Standish, which came in during the port, breaking her main boom in the heavy winds off the mouth of the harbor.

Sch. Romance, Capt. William J. Corkum, was one of those which came in yesterday afternoon, and she had a big fare 78,000 pounds of fresh fish, with 1000 pounds of halibut to top off with. The vessel has been out less than two weeks and cannot ha/ many old fish, so with the prevailing big prices there is another big stock coming to her. Capt. Corkum sold his new haddock yesterday afternoon, at $3.25 per hundred weight.

He has made a splendid record since he hauled sch. Romance out of seining and fitted for haddocking last September and by many is considered high line of the fleet to date. Certa'n it is that very few, if any, are up to him. Since starting out last fall, he has made but one small trip and even this was a paying one. He also has the biggest single haddock trip stock of the winter to his credit. He has guaged the market well and has very generally managed to strike the market when good prices prevail.

Others of the off shores in are sch. Fannie E. Prescott, Capt. Thomas Downey, with a nice fare, 52,000 pounds of fresh fish and 1200 pounds of halibut, sch. Venessa, Capt. Val O'Neil, with 38,000 pounds of fresh fish and 500 pounds of halibut; sch. Lillian, Capt. C. Clarence Malone, with a good fare, 57,000 pounds of fresh fish and 500 pounds of halibut and sch. Quannapowit with 36,000 pounds of fresh fish, 30,000 pounds of which are hake.

Prices are away up, haddock bringing from $1.50 for old fish to $3.75 for live stock. Large cod are worth $5.50 to $6.50, hake from $3 to $5.50, and cusk $2.25, pollock $3 to $4.25 and halibut from 15 to 18 cents per pound.

At this rate all of the vessels up there, although some of them have been out quite a while, and have some old fish, will pull out all right and make something out of it.

At this port, also, are two fine trips, sch. Waldo L. Stream, Capt. Frank Stream, coming in last evening from the Gully with 25,000 pounds of fresh halibut and a few fresh and salt fish and sch. Senator, Capt. George Marr, also from the Gully, and also having 25,000 pounds of halibut. Both crafts will make fine stocks.

The Stream has been out quite a while and put in at Halifax about twoweeks ago to refit, at the same time shipping home 15,000 weight of halibut. Capt. Stream then went to the Gully and recently a few days of good weather gave a chance for some good full sets and this morning's fare is the result.

Sch. Senator has been gone only 23 days, Capt. Marr going from here direct to the Gully, striking bad weather at first but recently having the same good chance reported by Capt. Stream. Both vessels will get good stocks.

Most of the market boats are tied up here and at T wharf. They did not get out yesterday and last evening's severe storm gave them no chance to poke out last night. This morning when the wind hauled to the westward, it blew hard and as it will be no fish day they remained at the wharves. Several will remain in now until after Thursday as their skippers have planned to attend the Master Mariners banquet.

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Todays' Receipts.

Sch. Waldo L. Stream, the Gully 25,000 lbs. halibut, 2000 lbs. salt cod 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Senator, the Gully, 25,000 lbs halibut, 300 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Pontiac, shore.

Sch. Minerva, shore.

Sch. Mary A. Whalen, via Boston.

Sch. Mooween, via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Rose Standish, shore.

Sch. Harmony, haddocking.

Sch. Mina Swin, Georges handlining.

Sch. Massachusetts, halibuting.

Today's Fish Market.

Salt Georges cod, large, $3.50; mediums, $3.00.

Bank halibut, 11 cts. per lb. for white and 9 cts. for gray.

Salt pollock, $1; salt haddock, $1; salt hake, $1.

Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large $1.65; medimus, $1.37-1-2; Eastern cod, large $1.65; medium, $1.37 1-2; cusk, $1.60 for large, $1 for medium and 50 cts. for snappers; haddock, 60 cts.; hake, 60 cts.; pollock, 60 cts.

Trawl bank cod, large, $3.25; medium, $2.75; snappers, $1.50.

Salt cusk, large, $2.50; mediums, $2; snappers, $1.

Shore frozen herring, for bait, $2.00 to $2.50 per cwt.

Newfoundland frozen herring, for bait, $2.50 to $3.00 per cwt.

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Rose Standish, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Romance, 45,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 8000 cusk 7000 pollock, 1000 halibut.

Sch. Fannie E. Prescott, 32,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 2000 hake, 6000 cusk, 1200 halibut.

Sch. uonnapowit, 2000 haddock, 2000 (30,000 hake, 2000 cusk.

Sch. nessa, 2000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 12,000 hake, 10,000 cusk, 1000 pollock, 500 halibut.

Sch. Lillian, 45,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 2000 hake, 500 halibut.

Haddock, $5.50 to $6.50; market cod, $3 to $3.50; hake, $3 to $6.50; pollock, $3 to $4.25; cusk, $2.25; halibut, 15 to 18 cents per pound.

Portland Arrivals.

Arrived Monday:

Sch. Eva and Mildred, 12,000 pounds fresh fish.

Sch. Lochinvar, 10,000 pounds fresh fish.

Sch. George H. Lubee, 600 pounds fresh fish.

Sch. Margie Turner, 6000 pounds fresh fish.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Selma, was at Liverpool, N. S., Saturday last and cleared for the fishing grounds.

Sch. Boyd and Leeds will fit for Georges handlining under command of Capt. Morrissey.

Capt. Nathaniel Greenleaf will fit sch. Mattie D. Brundage for Georges handlining.

Sch. Arethusa will probably haul out on the ways this week preparatory to fitting for salt banking.

Capt. George Marr of sch. Senator reports speaking schs. Dictator and Preceptor in the Gully recently.

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MET HARD WEATHER.

Sch. Monitor at St. Pierre with Bobstay Gone and Dories Smashed.

Sch. Monitor, Capt. John McKay, which sailed from here January 25 on a halibut trip, must have struck up against some very hard weather, as she put in at St. Pierre, Miquelon, a few days ago with her bobstay carried away and several dories smashed. Evidently the craft must have been hit by a heavy sea.

Living Fish By Railway.

The problem of conveying fish for long distances to remote markets, has been solved by German enterprise, and th trade has grown to considerable importance. For some time, fresh-water fish have been sent in casks of water from various points to the large cities, and are much preferred to fish transported on ice. Living sea fish are transported to some extent in salt water tanks.

A newer and cheaper method of transportation, but adapted only to fluvial routes, is by a specially devised river craft, consisting of scows some 65 feet long and 16 feet wide. In the bottom and sides of the scow, and also in the inner partitions, cracks are left open, so that there is a continuous circulation of water from the river, while the buoyancy of the craft is sufficient to sustain a small cabin for the crew.

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FISH PRICES STILL WAY UP.

One Good Fare at This Port and Several at Boston.

There is only one fishing arrival at this port this morning, sch. Benjamin A. Smith, Capt. James Goodwin, from La Have banks, with a fine fare, 70,000 pounds of fresh fish and 1000 pounds of halibut. Evidently Capt. Goodwin had his mind set on going to the Master Mariners banquet, so he hustled his trip through in just a week, getting a big fare.

Capt. Goodwin reports fishing two days and a half on Little La Have bank and found quite a bunch of fish. He could not have used much bait, as he is only going to take 2000 pounds this time. Prices are good and Capt. Goodwin will make a big stock and share.

At Boston this morning is sch. Thomas G. Gorton, Capt. William H. Thomas, with a fine fare 67,000 pounds of fresh fish. This craft and the Smith went out together and fished together, so Capt. Thomas is home in time to dine and dance with his brother skippers and the crew will have a fine check to take down.

The steam trawler Spray reached T wharf yesterday afternoon with another good fare, 58,000 pounds of fresh fish, and sch. Mary A. Whalen is there this morning with 45,000 pounds The market boat Mildred V. Nunan has a good trip, 18,000 pounds and the sloop Sarah with 1300 pounds of cod, completes the list up there today.

Prices are way up, haddock bringing from $3 to $4 per hundred weight, cod $3.50 to $5, hake $3 to $5, cusk $2 to $4, and pollock $5.

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GOOD STOCKS AND SHARES.

Made This Week in Halibut and Haddock Fisheries.

Several fine stocks and shares have been made this week in the halibut and haddock fishery, and a number of vessels have made a tip-top start for a fine year's work.

Sch. Mooween, Capt. Daniel McDonald, stocked $2400 as the result of her recent brief halibut trip, the crew sharing $57. On her previous trip a stock of $4200 and share of $107 was made, so that the craft has stocked $6600 since the first of the new year, while the crew has shared $164, certainly fine pay for six weeks' work.

Sch. Waldo L. Stream, Capt. Frank Stream, stocked $3454 as the result of her redent halibut trip, the crew sharing $95. Capt. Stream has made a fine start on the new year.

Sch. Senator, Capt. George Marr, stocked $2460 on her recent 23 days halibut trip, the crew sharing $55.75.

Sch. Romance, Capt. William Corkum, stocked $2014 as the result of her short haddock trip landed at Boston yesterday, which strengthened his grip on the high line haddocker pennant to date.

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Today's Receipts.

Sch. Benjamin A. Smith, La Have Bank,, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish, 1000 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Romance, via Boston.

Sch. Susan and Mary via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, haddocking.

Sch. Romance, haddocking.

Sch. Walter P. Goulart, haddocking.

Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, haddocking.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, haddocking.

Sch. Emily Sears, haddocking.

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Sch. Rita Viator, haddocking.
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, haddocking.
Sch. Maud S. Silva, haddocking.
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, haddocking.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, haddocking.
Sch. Emily Cooney, haddocking.
Sch. Edith Silveira, haddocking.
Sch. Flora J. Sears, haddocking.
Sch. Minerva, haddocking.
Sch. Pontiac, haddocking.
Sch. Tecumseh, haddocking.
Sch. Hortense, haddocking.
Sch. Washakie, haddocking.
Sch. Valentinna, haddocking.
Sch. Massasoit, haddocking.
Sch. Wm. H. Rider, Georges.
Sch. Ella G. King, Georges.
Sch. Senator Salisbury, Georges.

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Trawl bank cod, large, $3.25; medium, $2.75; snappers, $1.50.

Salt cusk, large, $2.50; mediums, $2; snappers, $1.

Shore frozen herring, for bait, $2.00 to $2.50 per cwt.

Newfoundland frozen herring, for bait, $2.50 to $3.00 per cwt.

Boston.

Sch. Sarah, 1300 cod.

Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, 55,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.

Sch. Mary A. Whalen, 20,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 8000 hake, 2000 cusk.

Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, 10,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake, 4000 cusk.

Steamer Spray, 55,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Haddock, $3 to $4 per cwt.; large cod, $4.50 to $5; market cod, $3.50 to $4; hake, $3 to $5; cusk, $2 to $4; pollock, $5.

Portland Arrivals.

Arrived Monday:

Sch. Angie B. Watson, 11,000 pounds fresh fish.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Arethusa is on the Rocky Neck railways.

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MAY APPEAL TO THE VOTERS.

Bond's Supporters in Newfoundland Pass Resolution.

Declaring that an honorable satisfactory solution of the deadlock in prospect at the opening of the Newfoundland Legislature will be impossible without an appeal to the electorate, the parliamentary supporters of Premier Bond, numbering 18, published a resolution today.

The resolution pledges the unswerving loyalty of the signers to the support of the government and asserts that the business welfare of the colony will be best conserved by an appeal to the constituencies at the earliest practicable date.

The resolution further declares that the signers will stand behind Premier Bond should he find it necessary to resign in order to secure this end.

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REPORT AGAINST TORCHING.

The legislative committee on fisheries and game has reported a bill to prohibit the taking of fish by artificial light in the waters of Lynn harbor or any of its tributaries.

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CABLES DAMAGED BY TRAWLERS.

Modern Fishing Apparatus Responsible for Many Breaks.

Causes Much Greator Destructio n Than Hooks And Lines.

As we all know, cables have occasionally to be grappled and pulled to the surface for repairs, or in wartime for destruction; but it appears that modern deep-sea fishing catches them oftener than is good for them. Hundreds of breaks yearly are caused by the huge and heavy apparatus of the modern deep-sea fisher, whose trawls drag the sea bottom for fish and not seldom bring up a stray telegraph cable, much to its detriment. The cable companies want legislative protection for their lines, and the fishermen want payment for damage to their apparatus. Says the Paris Cosmos:

During recent years methods of deep-sea fishing have been revolutionized; the modest trawls once operated by fishing boats have now become huge machines towed by steamers. These trawlers, which originated in England, have multiplied to a remarkable degree, and France now has a fleet of them. After experimenting on our own coasts with wonderful success from the standpoint of the size of the catch—but perhaps less from that of the conservation of the marine fauna, they have extended the field of their exploits. First they tried the coast of Iceland; this year they have invaded the banks of Newfoundland, superseding altogether, or almost, the old method of fishing with lines.

Although the inventors of these boats are to be praised for their enterprise, some inconvenience has resulted. The heavy trawl catches on telegraphic cables that lie on the sea bosom; it breaks them, and very often, when the trawl brings them to the surface the fishermen, being unable to disentangle them, and seeing nothing else to do, cut them, thus solving the problem in the fabled, and somewhat brutal way of Alexander the Great.

The long-line hooks of the Newfoundlanders could never cause such a disaster. As they were not dragged along the bottom they rarely caught on the cables. If by chance they did so the cable came off victorious in the encounter; a hook was lost, and that was all. The anchors of the fishermen are not nearly so dangerous, for only by extraordinary chance could one be dropped immediately over a cable.

The English steam trawlers are equally destructive; they dig huge furrows in the sea bottom in all directions, and could hardly escape meeting cables; they often break them to the great detriment of international communication of the revenues of the operating companies. In three months the American Commercial Cable Company spent $105,000 to mend breaks thus caused.

In the month of May last the breaks were of daily occurrence in one or another of the 13 cables now joining America to the old world and these breaks were in the open sea 40 miles from the coast, in waters frequented by the fishermen. The cable companies are now demanding laws to keep fishermen away from the waters through which their cables pass; but the fishermen, on their part are objecting to these as obstacles that encumber the bed of the ocean and cause continual damage to their fishing apparatus. Every advance has its reverse side.—Literary Digest.

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SHELL FISHERS COME TO AGREEMENT.

Most Important Action Takem by Any Shore Town in the State.

The dove of peace has at last spread its wings and strife no longer exists between the Wellfleet oystermen and quahaugers. For years these two classes of shell-fishermen have striven bitterly for the control of Wellfleet harbor to the detriment of their mutual interests.

The oyster industry roughly stands for capital and is operated by the leasing of grants in the town-waters while the quahaug fishery represents labor and stands for free fishing interests.

For years the quahaugers realizing that their natural fisheries were reclining, have wished that either the oyster industry be driven out and the whole bay be thrown open to quahauging, or that their industry be put on an equal basis by the giving of qauhaug grants, so that they could raise and grow this extremely profitable shell fish.

By the unanimous vote of the largest and most enthusiastic town meetings ever held in Wellfleet the citizens have empowered the selectmen to issue licenses for the joint cultivation of oysters, quahaugs, and clams.

By so doing every quahauger will now be able to have a

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for the profitable rasing of quahaugs and clams, which will be more valuable to him then a most fertile farm.

The oystermen also receive their leases for the cultivation of oysters, and both parties are now satisfied and will work for the upbuilding of both industries.

The legislation is one of the most important steps ever made by the people of any sea-coast town in the commonwealth. The quahaug fishery has so declined that the people wholly dependent upon it for a living have had in recent years hard work to earn a livelihood. The last year has been especially a hard one, and unless some immediate action was taken over 100 families would have had to leave the town or starve.

Whereas by the action by the town each inhabitant will be able to get it snug little income that will be ample for his needs and be able to lay away some for a future rainy day.

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TWO HALIBUT TRIPS ARRIVE.

Good Stocks Sure as No Cut Was Made in Prices.

Two fine halibut trips are in today, sch. Tacoma, Capt. Adelbert Nickerson from Grand Bank, with 40,000 pounds of halibut and sch. Kineo, Capt. John Stream, from Quero, with 22,000 pounds of halibut

The latter craft has been out just a month and Capt. Stream reports it one of the hardest trips he ever made, as far as bad weather is concerned.

Sch. Tacoma has not been long gone and everybody is pleased that Capt. "Del" has a big trip. The quiet big fellow has been up against hard luck, but his good judgment, born of long experience, has asserted itself this time and he is home with a big fare to the delight of all.

To make things better, the price was not cut, 11 cents being paid for white fish and 9 cents for gray, which means that he and his men will profit well.

The fare of sch. Tacoma went to the New England Fish Co. and that of sch. Kineo went to the American Halibut Co.

Captain Nickerson reports seeing no vessels.