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Sch. Mattakesett, 4000 cod, 20,000 hake, 15,000 cusk.  
 Sch. Alice, 3500 haddock, 8000 cod, 5000 hake, 7000 cusk.  
 Sch. Harvester, 12,000 haddock, 16,000 cod.  
 Sch. Fanny Belle Atwood, 20,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.  
 Sch. Margaret Dillon, 500 haddock, 1000 cod, 15,000 hake, 12,000 cusk.  
 Sch. Angie B. Watson, 2000 haddock, 6000 cod, 13,000 hake, 4000 cusk.  
 Sch. Emilia Enos, 5000 haddock, 8000 cod.  
 Sch. Torpedo, 900 haddock, 400 cod.  
 Sch. James and Esther, 25,000 cod.  
 Sch. Clara G. Silva, 10,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 2000 pollock.  
 Sch. Appomattox, 20,000 cod.  
 Haddock, \$2.10 to \$2.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$2; market cod, \$1.25 to \$1.50; hake, 60 cts. to \$1.

**Will Repair at Boston.**

The three-masted schooner Henry Withington, Capt. Davis, which was nearly wrecked on the north side of Halibut point a few days ago while on her way from Boston to Bay View to load jetty stone, will be towed to Boston, and hauled out on Green's railway, Chelsea, for examination and repairs. The vessel's shoe and keel are gone, the base of her rudder is knocked off and she is seriously damaged.

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**MORE GOOD MACKEREL FARES IN.**

**Both Seiners and Netters Secure Some Satisfactory Hauls.**

**Fish Covering Large Territory and in Good Body.**

Four more seiners with mackerel fares have arrived at Fulton Market, New York, since last report and one at Newport, R. I. All have mostly medium fish, with some bloaters mixed in. The mediums are pretty large themselves. Recent reports from the skippers of the vessels there yesterday would tend to show that the prospect out south is good for a nice catch and that there is some body to the fish, which are covering quite a large extent of fishing ground.

Several of the vessels which went out yesterday will go to the southward to have a look, taking a chance on a week out there and then going to the Cape shore and figuring on then being in time for the schools expected there. Should they strike good fishing out south, however, many of them will stay there and give up going to the Cape Shore at all this season.

**Seiners at New York.**

The arrivals reported at New York are as follows:  
 Sch. Mary E. Harty, Capt. Rueben Cameron, 16,000 fresh large and medium mackerel.  
 Sch. Arthur Binney, Capt. Maurice Whalen, 12,000 fresh large and medium mackerel.  
 Sch. Nellie Dixon, Capt. James Ellis, 12,000 fresh large and medium mackerel.  
 Sch. Terra Nova, Capt. John Hickey, 6000 fresh large and medium mackerel.

**Netters at New York.**

Sch. Lillian, 6000 large fresh mackerel.  
 Sloop Leah C., 4000 large fresh mackerel.  
 Sch. Jennie H. Gilbert, 4000 large fresh mackerel.  
 Sch. Julietta, 3000 large fresh mackerel.  
 Sch. Crustacean, 450 large fresh mackerel.  
 Sch. John M. Keen, 600 large fresh mackerel.

**Seiners at Newport.**

Sch. Georgia, Capt. Frank Cahoon, 30,000 fresh medium mackerel.

**Netters at Newport.**

The following netters were at Newport Monday:  
 Sch. Uncle Sam, 700 large fresh mackerel.  
 Sch. Elsie, 450 large fresh mackerel.  
 Sch. Gracie Smith, 150 large fresh mackerel.  
 Sch. Alice, 150 large fresh mackerel.  
**Netters at New Bedford.**  
 The following netters were at New Bedford Sunday and Monday, up to 3 o'clock of the latter day:  
 Sloop Braganza, 1 1-2 barrels.  
 Sch. Lizzie Foster, three barrels.

Sloop Perseverance, one barrel.  
 Sloop Nancy, three barrels.  
 Sloop Dart, six barrels.  
 Sloop Lincoln, one barrel.  
 Sloop Active, one barrel.  
 Sloop Hornet, one barrel.  
 Sloop Muriel, 2 1-2 barrels.  
 Sloop Jessie, six barrels.  
 Sloop Rattler, two barrels.  
 Sloop Torpedo, two barrels.  
 Sloop A. Emerson, 3 1-2 barrels.  
 Sch. Olive May, 10 barrels.  
 Sloop Sarah Smith, three barrels.  
 Sloop M. T. Rackett, one barrel.

**Notes from the Fleet.**

The fares of schs. Arthur Binney, Nellie Dixon and Terra Nova were taken in the same place that sch. Mary E. Harty got her fare Saturday and Sunday night, 80 miles southeast by east, one-half east, from Scotland lightship. Capt. Cameron of the Harty reports that sch. Olga took fish at the same time he did.

The netting fleet still continues to do well, most of the craft arriving having big fares, thus bearing out the prediction made some time ago that it looked like a netters' spring out south.

One of the finest fares thus far this season was that brought in at Newport, R. I., yesterday afternoon by the new knockabout sch. Georgia, Capt. Frank Cahoon, which landed, for her maiden trip, 30,000 fresh mackerel, about all mediums. The craft has been out from here only 11 days and thus has made a big start.

Since Monday morning, there have been landed at New York and Newport, R. I., about 283,000 fresh mackerel in count, or about 3600 barrels, the value of which, at a conservative estimate, is about \$43,000 and perhaps a little better.

Fresh mackerel at New York yesterday sold at 20 cents each for large and 15 cents for mediums. Today they are bringing 18 cents each for large and 14 cents each for mediums.

Yesterday the weather out around Newport and vicinity was foggy and the seiners Monarch, Fannie E. Prescott and Clintonia were in there for harbor.

**Will Tow to Cape Cod.**

Sch. Oriole, Capt. Charles H. Harty, fitted out yesterday afternoon, and as Capt. Harty wants to lose no time in getting out to where the fish are out south, he engaged the services of the tug Eveleth and went out this morning. The tug will tow the vessel to Cape Cod and perhaps farther, if the wind continues light and ahead.

Capt. William Bissert of sch. Electric Flash has certainly done a hustle. The craft came in here from south yesterday morning, and Capt. Bissert heard of the good news of the seiners in at New York and Newport he and his crew made things smoke, with the result that the craft was refitted complete and sailed again yesterday afternoon.

The down east steamer Elthier is here to fit for south mackerel netting.

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**GOOD CALL FOR HADDOCK.**

**No Demand for Other Fish in Boston Market.**

Haddock is about all the ground fish that is worth anything at T wharf, Boston, this morning, being in light receipt. There are 13 vessels in with plenty of hake and cusk, two of them being from off shore, and the rest from shore.

Sch. Joseph P. Johnson has 80,000 pounds, and sch. Mary Edith, 55,000 pounds, and sch. Seaconnet 40,000 pounds, about all hake and cusk, and will bring the bulk of their catches here for the splitters.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, Capt. Frank Cooney, still continues to dig up the haddock from one of his private spots, having 25,000 pounds of these fish out of a fare of 30,000 pounds. Other good fares are schs. Belbina P. Domingoes 22,000 pounds, sch. Warren M. Goodspeed 20,000 pounds, sch. Joseph P. Johnson 21,000 pounds. The rest of the fares are small.

Haddock, at the opening of the market, sold at from \$2.60 to \$2.65; large cod \$2.50, market cod \$1.50, few hake going at 75 cents and pollock at \$1.

On the Yarmouth steamer at Boston yesterday morning there were 352 crates of lobsters and 10 boxes of salmon. Seventy barrels of shad came by steamer from Maine.

**TWO MEN BARELY ESCAPED.**

**Anchor from Sch. Matiana Landed on Deck of Sch. Robert and Arthur.**

As a result of a peculiar accident at T wharf Sunday, Carl Messner and William Sullivan, two of the crew of the fishing sch. Robert and Arthur had a narrow escape from serious injury.

The schooner came up the harbor Sunday afternoon, and the strong easterly breeze drove her along at a high rate of speed, which was not slackened to any great extent when she swung into the basin between T wharf and Commercial wharf. The stern line had been sent ashore, but this had little effect in checking her progress and she brushed past the other schooners lying near the end of the long pier.

One of these vessels was sch. Matiana. Her starboard anchor was hanging over the bow and the on-rushing schooner was caught by this. The fluke of the iron mud hook stove a hole in the deck house, and Messner and Sullivan were caught by the anchor, but with remarkable agility, the two fishermen jumped into the air and escaped injury. The anchor was torn from its fastenings on the Matiana and lay on the Robert and Arthur's deck. The latter vessel was finally stopped and made fast to the pier. Then a dozen men lifted the anchor and carried it back to the Matiana.

**North Sydney, C. B., Fishing Notes.**

The French steam trawler Ambrose Pare, Hubert, arrived at North Sydney, Thursday from the banks with 9000 fish on board. The Pare is the first of the French trawlers to come there this season. She left Fecamp, France, a month ago and on reaching this side of the Atlantic put into St. Pierre to land a sick man. From St. Pierre she went to the banks where she fished for two days, when her coal supply became so low that she was obliged to come to this port to replenish her bunkers. She returned to the banks Saturday morning.

Good catches of herring have been made at St. Ann's during the past two days and several of the fishing vessels now in port will likely go there for bait. There was a fleet of over twenty fishing vessels at South Bay, Ingonish, yesterday for bait.

The Newfoundland fishing sch. Sentinel, Capt. Rose, from Mizzen bank, arrived in port Friday evening for bait. She has 250 quintals of fish on board.

Schs. Mary Smith, Capt. Courage, from Quero, with 200 quintals and Stella, Capt. Cluett, from the same place, with 200 quintals, arrived in port Thursday evening for bait and supplies.

**Two Newfoundland Fishermen Lost**

The Newfoundland fishing sch. Cora arrived at North Sydney, C. B., Thursday evening, and reported the loss of two of her crew, Theodore Downey and George Osmond, both of Grand Bank, off Scatterie, on Monday. The men left the schooner to take in trawls and shortly after setting out a dense fog came on. After searching for some time, the men were unable to locate their vessel. They then set out for Scatterie, but encountered the ice and they were unable to make any headway, and were forced to remain in their dory until noon next day, when they were picked up by the French fishing schooner Dictator, which brought them to North Sydney, Friday morning. The Cora has on board 250 quintals of fish and the Dictator 150 quintals.

**Labor Saving Car.**

A new receptacle for handling fish at the Fisherman cold storage wharf at Provincetown has recently been built. It consists of a box arrangement capable of holding from 15 to 20 barrels of fish, the top of which comes flush with the wharf flooring. The cars coming up the wharf can be working a lever deposit their loads into the new box arrangement, where a series of new piping throws a large quantity of water on the fish, thoroughly washing them before they are turned into the two barrel car that starts them for the receiving room of the freezer. It promises to be an easy and quick way of handling the fish in warm weather when every minute counts in getting the fish under cover.

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**THE CALL TO ICHTHYOPHAGY.**

Although fish is the very finest form of diet, we only eat twelve million hundred weight of it per annum, and merely spend a meagre £7,000,000 upon it. Wake up, England!—London Weekly Dispatch.

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**Good Herring Season.**

That the herring season now drawing to a close at Taunton has been the best there in years, is the opinion of all the herring men operating along the river. During the past week, which was an exceptionally favorable one for the industry, tens of thousands of herring were swept in at the different weirs, and in several instances a few sweeps of the seines served to bring in thousands of the shiny fish. At Shallow Water, which is one of the best fishing grounds along the streams, the catches were the largest made in any year, and the dealers are jubilant.

**Brought Party to Boston.**

Capt. Manuel Costa of the Provincetown sch. Jessie Costa, gave 50 of his townspeople a sail from Provincetown to Boston last Saturday to allow them to attend the celebration of the feast of St. Michael at Lawrence Sunday. Monday morning they again took the schooner, sailing from T wharf at 10 o'clock for their homes. Capt. Costa was not able to go to Lawrence himself on account of ill-health.

**Newburyport Fish Arrivals.**

The market here was dull Monday and no fish were shipped to Boston. The Gasoline boat Alice, with 7000 pounds, went to Gloucester with her fare and Capt. Walter King's boat, which had 4000 pounds, went up to Haverhill to market.

**Bound Home with Salt Herring.**

Sch. Miranda is bound home from Bay of Islands, N. F., with a fare of salt herring for the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co.

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**GOOD OUTLOOK ON MAINE COAST.**

**Season Will Be One of the Best for Catching Schooling Fish.**

According to advices, from Bath, the present season will be one of the best for the catching of schooling fish along the Maine coast and inland waters. The unusually strong freshets this spring have been sending volumes of fresh water into the sea, with the result that the spawning fish, alewives, shad and salmon, in their pilgrimages along the coast seeking fresh water, have met it far out to sea and thus great numbers are attracted inland.

While the freshets and high north-west winds have delayed the work of planting weirs the fishermen expect to be amply repaid for their patience and extra labor, as the fish are now very plentiful and are bringing good prices in the market.

Many large catches, especially of shad are being made by the coast and river fishermen, 3400 and 2400 shad having been caught in some of the weirs in one night. Most of the shad, especially the roe variety, are being shipped to New York and Boston markets, where they are bringing fancy prices. A recent consignment of roe shad to New York was sold at 84 cents each.

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**DOG FISH VORACIOUS.**

**Have Driven Fishermen from Usual Grounds Off Cape Cod.**

Dogfish have appeared on the shore fishing grounds, to add to the troubles of the fishermen. The first big schools have begun to attack the fish about Cape Cod, some proving so voracious that fishermen have been driven from their usual fishing places. Capt. John Watson of sch. Elva L. Spurling was fishing south of Cape Cod when the dogfish came, and they did so much damage to his trawls and cleaned the fish from them so thoroughly that he went to Fippanies bank, where he secured his trip of fish, which he landed at Boston yesterday.

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**LOBSTER LAW UNCHANGED.**

**Bill Providing or New System of Measuring Killed.**

The bill providing a new system of measuring lobsters and to prohibit the sale of lobsters except in the shell has been killed in the House.

Lobster laws will stand as they are for another year and the commission on fish and game will have to try again to get back what it lost when it consented to the lowering of the legal length of lobsters from 10 1-2 inch to 9 1-2 inches.

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**French Herring Industry.**

The French Revue Maritime contains some information on the fishing in the season 1906-07, from which it appears that the salt herring industry employed 110 vessels, those at Boulogne comprising fifty-three luggers, twenty steamers and two luggers with auxiliary power. The steamers are rapidly increasing in numbers. The season lasts from the end of June to the end of October or beginning of November. The catch amounted to 27,938 metric tons (of 1000 kilogrammes), the value being 7,344,089 francs, the Boulogne share amounting to 5,448,366 francs. Then the fresh herring fishery from the end of October to the end of January yielded 22,450 metric tons, valued at 6,209,026 francs, Boulogne's share being what it was in 1901.

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**Today's Receipts.**

- Sch. Galatea, via Boston, 18,000 lbs fresh fish.
- Sch. Margaret Dillon, via Boston 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Olympia, Rips, 40,000 lbs. salt cod, 1800 lbs. halibut.
- Sch. Winnifred, Rips, 25,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Flora J. Sears, via Boston.
- Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, via Boston.
- Steamer Ethier, via Portland.
- Gasoline boat Alice, Ipswich bay, via Newburyport, 7000 lbs. pollock.

**Vessels Sailed.**

- Sch. Electric Flash, seining.
- Sch. Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., seining.
- Sch. Mooanam, seining.
- Sch. Oriole, seining.
- Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, pollock seining.
- Sch. Wm. H. Rider, Georges.
- Sch. Walter P. Goulart, haddocking.
- Sch. Veda M. McKown, south, seining.

**Today's Fish Market.**

- Salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50 per cwt.; medium do., \$3; snapper do., \$1.75.
- Bank halibut 8 1-2 cents per pound for white and 6 1-2 cents per pound for gray.
- Salt pollock, \$1 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1; salt hake, \$1.
- Large "halibut" cod, salt, \$3 per cwt.; medium do., \$2.50; snapper do., \$1.50.
- Large "Drift" Georges cod, salt, \$3.12 1-2 per cwt.; medium do., \$2.75; snapper do., \$1.75.
- Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$1.65 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.40; Eastern cod, large, \$1.55; medium do., \$1.30; cusk, \$1.50; for large, \$1.10 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, 60c; hake, 60c.
- Trawl bank cod, large, \$2.75 per cwt.; medium, \$2.50, snappers, \$1.50
- Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.
- Round pollock, 50c per cwt.

**PORT OF GLOUCESTER.**

**Arrived Today.**

- Br. sch. Scylla, Halifax, N. S., for Salem, for orders.
- Sch. Edward S. Eveleth, Boston for Ipswich.
- Steamer Gardner, New York, for Maine port.
- Steam yacht Lilla B., Boston.
- Sch. Abbie Ingalls, Calais for Bridgeport.
- Sch. Ruth Robinson.
- Sch. E. Ascularius, Calais for New York.

**Harbor Notes.**

- Sch. Motor is on Parkhurst's railways to install a gasoline engine.
- Sch. Dixie is hauled out on Wonsor's blocks for scrubbing.

**Boston Arrivals.**

- Sch. John J. Fallon, 2000 haddock, 5000 cod, 63,000 hake, 70,000 cusk.
- Sch. Joseph P. Johnson, 8000 haddock, 13,000 cod.
- Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, 35,000 pollock.
- Sch. Mary Edith, 8000 cod, 37,000 hake, 10,000 cusk.
- Sch. Emily Sears, 500 haddock, 5000 cod.
- Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 30,000 haddock, 5000 cod.
- Sch. Charles A. Dyer, 1000 haddock, 4000 cod.
- Sch. Bulah Maud, 600 haddock, 800 cod, 300 hake.
- Sch. Lena May, 2300 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake.
- Sch. Seaconnet, 3000 cod, 30,000 hake, 7000 cusk.
- Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 12,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 4000 hake.
- Sch. Rose Dorothea, 10,000 haddock, 5000 cod.
- Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 12,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.
- Haddock, \$2.60 to \$2.65 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.50; market cod, \$1.50; hake, 75 cts.; pollock, \$1.

**Portland Fishing Arrivals.**

- Saturday—Schs. Bernie and Bessie and Kate L. Palmer.
- Sunday—Sch. Watauga, 5000 pounds mixed fish, sch. Island Gem, 2000 pounds mixed fish.

**Fish Protection in Maine.**

The first efforts to protect fish or game in American were made by Maine in 1843, when a law was passed requiring the governor of that state to appoint fish commissioners. In 1862 these commissioners were put in control of moose and deer. This is really the beginning of the warden system in the United States, and Maine was the pioneer in game and fish protection. To this day Maine is well supplied with game, and that game pays the people of the state (an estimate on good authority) about \$13,000,000 annually. The evolution which has taken place, looking to fish and game protection in the New England states, especially, has been slowly going on for fifty years, but in the west and south, so lavishly endowed by nature with game and fish, that protection dates back to a very recent origin.

**Receipts Light at This Port.**

The fishing arrivals at this port today are light. Sch. Olympia, Capt. Edward Nickerson, from a salt drifting trip, has a good fare, 40,000 pounds of salt cod, and sch. Winnifred from the same fishing, has 25,000 pounds of salt cod. Sch. Galatea, from fresh drifting, is here from Boston, with 18,000 pounds of fresh cod, and sch. Margaret Dillon with 20,000 pounds of hake and cusk, both fares going to the splitters.

**Sold to the New England.**

Sch. John Hays Hammond, Capt. Lemuel E. Spinney of this port, arrived at Portland yesterday with 30,000 pounds of halibut. The fare was too big for the Portland dealers to handle and was sold to the New England Fish Co. at 8 1/2 cents per pound for white and 6 1/2 cents per pound for gray, and the vessel will probably go to Boston to take out.

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**TURING OUT MANY SEINE BOATS.**

**Allen B. Gifford Has Had a Very Busy Winter in This Line.**

A busy place is the big boat building plant of Allen B. Gifford, in the large structure formerly occupied for 25 years by Higgins & Gifford, in the same line of business, on Parker street, East Gloucester. When the Times man dropped in with the question "Built any launches this winter?" he got the reply, "No, but we have been drove up on seine boats, yawl boats, etc."

And the shop looked it, for there were seine boats everywhere, in all stages of construction. Mr. Gifford has just completed two strongly constructed 16-foot yawl boats for the Rockport Granite Company.

In his storage sheds and buildings Mr. Gifford has stored and cared for over the winter, no less than 135 boats of all kinds and description and just now is at work, repairing and re-fitting many of them and putting quite a number in readiness to slip down the ways and go into commission. Repair work is being done on the 30-foot yawl owned by Mr. Strong of New York, on the 28-foot sloop of Capt. Thomas of this city, also on the 25 foot launch of Mr. Copp of Beverly and the 27 foot launch of Col. Hedges, who summers at Eastern Point. He is also overhauling the 35-foot sloop yacht owned by Representative Melvin Haskell. The big 40-foot launch of Gorton-Pew Fisheries

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**CODFISH LEATHER.**

**Newfoundlander Has Been Experimenting With It Lately.**

Following the recent tanning of codfish leather in Peabody, for experimental purposes, a report from Newfoundland becomes of interest. John Clouston, of Newfoundland, has for some time been experimenting with codfish skins, and he has succeeded in making leather of them. He claims that his codfish leather is desirable for the manufacture of purses, bags and pocketbooks, and for lining boots and shoes, and for a number of other purposes for which light leather is commonly used. Newfoundland has a great supply of fish skin, and Mr. Clouston believes that he can make codfish leather and profitably market it.