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MACKEREL TRIPS AT NEWPORT.

Sch. Pontiac Has 2500 Large Fish and Sch. Speculator 800.

Vessels Getting Fancy Price at 25 Cents Per Fish.

Sch. Pontiac, Capt. Enos Nickerson, is certainly right in luck. On Tuesday she was in at Newport, R. I., with 40 barrels of fresh mackerel and today she is there again, this time with 2500 fresh mackerel in count.

Sch. Speculator, Capt. Rufus McKay, is also there with 800 fresh mackerel in count. The Speculator was the second vessel home from the Cape Shore this spring and went back for a second trip but found no fish and left there and went to the southward where she struck them right off.

It is supposed that both craft got their fares in the vicinity of the South Shoal lightship.

The Pontiac, which already has a stock of \$10,000 thus far this season, is in for a good little bit of money on this lot. The fish are selling at the big price of 25 cents each.

Sch. Actor, Capt. Frank Nolan, stocked \$3600 on her south mackerel netting trip, the crew sharing \$289.89.

Sch. Blanche F. Irving, Capt. George Turner, has fitted and sailed on a North Bay mackerel netting trip.

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LIVE FISH AT SPLITTING PRICES

T Wharf Market Completely Demoralized.

Boston has her fill of fresh fish yesterday and today. When the bell rang yesterday morning, the crafts were two and three deep at the wharf, and there was about 800,000 pounds for sale. All day long more vessels kept coming, and this morning there is another fleet in, so that the receipts from yesterday morning to this morning aggregate fully 1,500,000 pounds.

Trade is more than dull and the market continues weak, so that this morning the dealers were offering only splitting prices for cod and haddock, a few haddock bringing 75 cents, and a few large hake at \$1.

Yesterday some of the Boston concerns wanted some fish to split, and the buyers say the fish were wanted at Gloucester also. They report that \$1.90 was offered for large cod, but that the Boston bid of \$1.75 for large and \$1.40 for mediums was taken by the skippers of three or four vessels in preference to coming to Gloucester to land.

Be that as it may, the flurry certainly had the effect of raising the splitting price of codfish for a time at least, for buyers claim today to have commissions to buy at \$1.80 for large and \$1.65 for markets, for Gloucester splitters.

This morning there are 20 trips at T wharf, all the way from 10,000 pounds to 78,000 pounds.

Among the large fares are schs. Mary DeCosta 52,000 pounds, Rose Dorothea 67,000 pounds, Richard 61,000 pounds, Regina 54,000 pounds.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, Capt. Frank Cooney, went back at T wharf yesterday after another quick trip, with a large quantity of fish. On her last trip, Capt. Cooney's vessel stocked \$1500, and each of his men shared \$51, but with this trip, although it is as large as the other, the result will not be as satisfactory to the men.

The knockabout sch. Athena, Capt. Edward Forbes, was also in after a quick trip. Capt. Forbes arrived Tuesday late and sold while prices were good. His men shared \$29.25. This was a little better than on the previous trip, when they shared \$28.

In the last month Capt. Forbes' vessel has stocked \$3400 and his men have shared \$107 each.

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The crack schooner Jessie Costa met with an accident coming up Boston harbor yesterday morning that delayed her an hour. She was coming up in a light wind, and did not answer her helm properly, and ran on the mud flats at Bird Island. She stuck fast and had to wait for high tide to get off, and then it took the full pulling power of two towboats to get her off. She was not injured.

Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, Capt. John Atwood, came in Tuesday night with her foretopmast gone. This is the third foretopmast she has lost within a month or two.

The receipts in detail were as follows:

Boston Arrivals.

- Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 21,000 cod.
 - Sch. Mary DeCosta, 30,000 haddock, 22,000 cod.
 - Sch. Benjamin F. Phillips, 35,000 haddock, 6500 cod, 2000 hake.
 - Sch. Jessie Costa, 10,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 2000 pollock.
 - Sch. Rose Cabral, 1000 haddock, 33,000 cod.
 - Sch. Quonnapowitt, 3500 haddock, 25,000 cod, 18,000 pollock.
 - Sch. Emilia Eros, 4000 haddock, 10,000 cod.
 - Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 25,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.
 - Sch. Rose Dorothea, 17,000 haddock, 50,000 cod.
 - Sch. Victor and Ethan, 18,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 10,000 hake.
 - Sch. Mary Edith, 5000 haddock, 10,000 cod.
 - Sch. Richard, 15,000 haddock, 46,000 cod.
 - Sch. Frances P. Mesquita.
 - Sch. Bessie A., 40 bbls. porgies.
 - Sch. Galatea, 2000 haddock, 10,000 cod.
 - Sch. Washakie, 19,000 haddock, 7000 cod.
 - Sch. Regina, 15,000 haddock, 24,000 cod, 15,000 hake.
 - Sch. Tecumseh, 48 swordfish and 1400 lbs. tile fish.
 - Sch. Alcina, 20,000 cod.
 - Sch. Ethel B. Penney, 10,000 cod.
- Haddock, 75 per cwt.; large cod, \$1.65 to \$1.75; market cod, \$1.40; hake, \$1 to \$1.40; pollock, 50 cts.; tile fish, \$1; swordfish, 14 1-2 cts. per lb.

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SECOND DORY HANDLINER HOME.

Thirteen Fishing Trips at This Port Today.

There is quite a lot of fish here today, some 13 trips of all kinds arriving since yesterday noon. Sch. Annie M. Parker, Capt. Angus Hines, one of the dory handline fleet, is the principal arrival with a fine fare, 240,000 pounds of salt cod, she being the second of the fleet to come home.

Capt. William Marchant's gasoliner came in last night with 6000 pounds of pollock and the steamers Bryda F. and Bessie A. have lots of porgies.

Two of the southern netters, schs. Lil-Sch. M. Madeleine, south, netting, landing fresh mackerel at the Fort.

Sch. Kineo, which had such a fine halibut trip at Boston, towed to this port yesterday afternoon, to land 10,000 pounds of salt cod. Six of the market fleet also came down from Boston with from 20,000 to 50,000 pounds each of fresh fish for the splitters.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are as follows:

Today's Receipts.

- Sch. Annie M. Parker, Quero Bank, dory handlining, 240,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Kineo, via Boston, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Sylvia M. Nunan, via Boston, 45,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sloop Azorean, via Boston, 12,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Maud F. Silva, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Leo, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, via Boston, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Lillian, south, netting, 500 fresh mackerel.
- Lillian and M. Madeleine are home, 300 fresh mackerel.
- Steamer Bessie A., Shore, 40 bbls. porgies.
- Steamer Bryda F., shore, 30 bbls. porgies.
- Steamer Marchant, shore, 6000 lbs. pollock.

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Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Flora J. Sears, haddocking.
- Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, seining.
- Sch. Morning Star, seining.
- Sch. Richard J. Nunan, haddocking.
- Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, haddocking.

Harbor Notes.

- Sch. Mattie D. Brundage is on Parkhurst's railways.
- Sch. Edward S. Eveleth is on Burnham's railways.
- Sloop yacht Odessyus II. is on the Rocky Neck railways.

Halibut Sale.

Sch. Kineo got 11 cents per pound for white and 9 cents per pound for gray at Boston yesterday. The vessel weighed off just a few pounds short of 40,000 pounds of halibut.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Atalanta passed Canso, N. S., bound to Arichat, C. B., on Monday. Capt. John G. Stream of sch. Kineo reports speaking sch. Selma on Brown's Bank.

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MACKEREL FLEET IN BANK OF FOG.

Fish Expected to Show Up on Georges and in

Bay of Fundy.

Fresh Mackerel in Demand and Bringing High Prices.

It still looks dry in the mackerel situation, although Capt. Mallock, of schooner Indiana, who is reported at Boston this morning, reports seeing some wild schools on the Rips. Practically the whole mackerel seining fleet, some 70 or more vessels, are now operating in the vicinity of the South Shoal lightship and the Rips, although it is thought that a few are having a quiet look along the southern edge of Georges.

It is known that the fleet, for the past few days, has been up against a bank of fog, especially around the lightship, and it is hoped that better reports and results will follow the clearing away of this dense bank, although it is only what the skippers all look for about this time, in that region.

Practically the whole of the local southern mackerel netting fleet are now home and all of them are shifting over to swordfishing, thus adding to the already large fleet, which will be the largest in the history of the fishery in the chase of this gamy and dangerous fish.

Fresh mackerel are in big demand and the vessels coming in with small lots cannot come anywhere near supplying the demand. The freezer supply is being drawn on and none of the fleet are now expected until after the Fourth.

Mackerel are showing up quite freely in Casco Bay, several barrels having been brought in at Portland Tuesday which were caught in the traps at Bailey's Island. The most encouraging feature of the catch is the fact that among them were a large proportion of small sized fish, which is looked on by the fishermen as an almost certain sign that large bodies of fish are coming on the coast and will be heard from later.

Capt. Frank Cooney of sch. Mary E. Cooney brought in a story that shows how far luck goes in fishing at T wharf. Last Sunday sch. Grayling, Capt. Joseph Smith, spoke him about 20 miles east of Chatham. An hour later he met a big school of mackerel following in the wake of the Grayling.

Fish Expected in Georges and in Bay of Fundy.

All the interested ones in the mackerel game, for game is must be called, as there is nothing in the fish line which approaches mackerel as a real gamble, are looking for reports from Georges and the farther end of the Bay of Fundy. Regarding the latter ground, there is some hope of some fish showing, if not now, a little later, as the Cape Shore schools struck well to the westward this year, and it may be that some went in that way, and also off Portland, some half sized fish are being taken, and have been, in small lots several weeks.

"Bay of Fundy year" means more to Gloucester than one can explain right off the reel. The fishing ground there is close to home and market, a more ideal place for fishing cannot be mentioned and it means, if the fish are