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# LARGE FLEET OF ARRIVALS.

## Fishermen Coming in for Gloucester Day.

Twenty-three vessels have arrived here since last report and the chances are that several more will come in around Eastern Point before the day is over. The firms are looking for quite a bunch of arrivals the next few days, on account of the Gloucester Day celebration next Wednesday.

Four seiners have arrived, two with no fish and two with 30 barrels each of large salted mackerel.

Down from Boston with fares of haddock, cod and hake, to split, all having new fresh goods, are six vessels with fares of from 10,000 to 90,000 pounds.

Sch. Mattie D. Brundage, which landed her halibut at Boston came down with a few salt cod. From a short dory handling codfishing trip to Quero bank, sch. Norma, Capt. Colin C. Nickerson brings a fine fare, 150,000 pounds of salt cod.

Sch. Smuggler, one of the trawl salt bankers, came in this morning with a good trip of 250,000 pounds of salt cod. This leaves but three of the first trip salt bank trawlers yet to come, schs. Blanche, Claudia and Bohemia.

Sch. Winnifred, from a salt Rips trip has a good catch, 60,000 pounds of salt cod.

Two halibuters, schs. Niagara and Vanessa, are home with small fares. The former shipped home 12,000 pounds of halibut from a port on the Cape Shore and the latter has been gone quite a while, having refitted.

Other receipts were sch. Lillian, from Matinicus with cured fish for the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co., sch. Belbino P. Domingoes from shacking with 90,000 pounds, steamer Mystery with 15 barrels whiting and steamers Emma and Bessie A. with 60 barrels bluebacks each.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

### Today's Receipts.

Sch. Smuggler, salt banking, 250,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Steamer Bryda F., shore, 60 bbls. fresh porgies.  
Sch. Gov. Russell, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., seining.  
Sch. Emily Sears, via Boston, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Norma, Quero Bank, dory handling, 150,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Vanessa, Quero Bank, 5000 lbs. halibut, 7000 lbs. flitched halibut, 15,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Gladiator, seining.  
Sch. Winnifred, Rips, 60,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Mattie D. Brundage, via Boston, 4000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Constellation, seining.  
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, via Boston, 45,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, via Boston, 55,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Mary DeCosta, via Boston, 90,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Elizabeth W. Numan, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Lena and Maud, Rips, 31 bbls. salt mackerel.  
Sch. Evelyn L. Thompson, Rips, 30 bbls. salt mackerel.  
Sch. Lillian, Matinicus, Me., cured fish.  
Sch. Niagara, Quero bank, 16,000 lbs. halibut, 3000 lbs. salt cod.  
Steamer Mystery, shore, 15 bbls. fresh whiting.  
Steamer Herbert and Emma, shore, 60 bbls. bluebacks.  
Sch. Belgina P. Domingoes, 90,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Steamer Bessie A., shore, 60 bbls. bluebacks.  
Sch. Judique, via Boston.

### Vessels Sailed

Sch. Mattie Winship, Georges.  
Sch. James A. Garfield, Georges.  
Sch. Elizabeth W. Numan, haddocking.  
Sch. Appomattox, Rips.  
Sch. Marsala, Georges.

### Today's Fish Market.

Cape North salt cod, large, \$3; mediums, \$2.75.  
Cape North fresh cod, large, \$1.55; mediums, \$1.40.  
Outside sales fresh western cod, large, \$2; market, \$1.65; haddock, 65c. and 67 1-2c.  
Outside sales fresh eastern cod, large, \$1.70; mediums, \$1.50.  
Outside sales salt Rips cod, \$3.60

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per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for mediums.

Outside sales trawl bank salt cod, large, \$2.87 1-2; mediums, \$2.62 1-2; snappers, \$1.50.

Salt dory handline codfish, large, \$3.25; mediums, \$3.

Outside sales of round pollock, 60c. per cwt.

Fresh halibut, 9 1-4 cts. per lb. for white and 7 cts. per lb. for gray.

Fresh large mackerel, 23 cts. each. Fresh medium mackerel, 16 cts. each.

Salt shore mackerel, unrimmed \$18, rimmed \$24 per bbl.

Salt bullsseys, \$7.87 1-2 per bbl.

Board of Trade prices:  
Large drift Georges cod, \$3.40 per cwt.; medium cod, \$3.10.

Large halibut cod, \$3 per cwt.; medium cod, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.75.

Splitting price for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.70; medium cod, \$1.50; cusk, \$1.60 for large, \$1.20 for medium, and 50 cts. for snappers; haddock, 60c.; hake, 60c.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$2.87 1-2 per cwt.; medium, \$2.62 1-2; snappers, \$1.50.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium snappers, \$1.

Salt pollock, \$1 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1; salt hake, \$1.

Round pollock, 50c per cwt.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Senator Saulsbury was at Canso, N. S., on Tuesday.

Schs. Smuggler and Lottie G. Merchant were at Liverpool, N. S., on Tuesday.

Sch. Theodore Roosevelt was at Louisburg, C. B., on Tuesday, and cleared for the fishing ground.

Sch. Elector was at Shelburne, N. S., on Monday and cleared.

Sch. Loran B. Snow arrived Monday at Yarmouth, N. S., with 20,500 pounds of halibut and 20,000 pounds of cod and cusk, which were sold to W. A. Killam. The Viola on Monday landed 8000 pounds of halibut and cod for shipment.

Sch. Theodore Roosevelt arrived at Louisburg, C. B., on Tuesday from the fishing ground and cleared to return.

Sch. Senator Saulsbury arrived at Canso, N. S., on Tuesday.

Sch. Lottie G. Merchant was at Liverpool, N. S., on Tuesday last.

Sch. Elector arrived at Shelburne, N. S., Tuesday last and cleared.

Sch. Aloha has hauled out of seining and Capt. John McInnis will now fit her for a salt bank dory handline codfishing trip.

Sch. James A. Garfield has fitted for a Georges handline trip under command of Capt. Antone Cabral.

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### Halibut Sales.

The fresh halibut fare of sch. Niagara sold to the New England Fish Co., at 9 1-4 cents per pound for white and 7 cents for gray.

### Fishing Facts and Fancies.

During June, pickled herring to the value of \$25,946 was imported at New York; mackerel, \$16,576; pickled salmon, \$16,945; cod, \$3303; sardines, \$101,132; lobsters, \$3546; other fish, \$162,000.

How many realize that if all the lobsters annually pulled out of the sea and eaten were consolidated in one big lobster it would make a monster that could pull down the Brooklyn Bridge as easily as a child wrecks a toy house?

Darling, Pa., fishermen who are more familiar with the theory than the practice of fishing went to Anglesea last week, and when they returned, proudly exhibited to their friends their catch of "flounders." Investigation showed that they had 17 skates, 31 sea robins and two tiny bass and one weakfish.

A trout weighing 21 pounds was captured in Lake Placid, N. Y., a few days ago, by Samuel J. Koenig, Secretary of State. The capture was effected only after a long struggle, during which the boat was overturned and he was thrown into the water. The secretary, who pluckily clung to the line, met with the mishap when the fish darted beneath the boat. The water at that point was not very deep, and Mr. Koenig managed to get to shore and land his prize. He will have it mounted. It measures two feet.

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### Portland Fish Notes.

The fishing schooner Robert and Carr came in Wednesday from a fishing cruise which proved very unsuccessful. The skipper reports that the shad fishery, in which he had good luck the first of the season, is now very poor. He also reports that the buoys on Gooseberry island ledge and the Cedar Ledge point buoy, Cundy harbor, are both missing.

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### Canadian Wireless Marine Service.

The extent to which wireless telegraphy is utilized in connection with the Canadian government's marine signal service is perhaps not generally appreciated. It has come to be one of the most important adjuncts to the system of aids to navigation maintained by the marine department.

There are over 20 wireless stations in Canada, of which five are situated on the Pacific coast. The latter will shortly be increased by two or three.

During 1908 there were received and sent from the wireless stations 13,549 private messages from and to steamer, 13,326 signal service messages, and 38,532 messages between government steamers and light stations.

Sable Island has to its credit the largest number of wireless messages handled during the year, namely, 8118 private, and 5000 official communications. Lying in the route of navigation, Sable Island earned the significant sobriquet of the "Graveyard of the Atlantic," its dread expanse of surf-beaten shoals being strewn with the wrecks of many ships.

Last year, however, no wreck or casualty of any kind occurred. This unusual immunity from disaster is attributable probably to the use of the wireless in communicating warning signals to passing ships.

### Squid All Along Shore.

There appears to be a lot of squid showing at present all along shore. At Provincetown they are plenty and lots have even been jigged right off the wharves. At Matinicus, on the Maine coast, there also appears to be lots of them, and the water off Salt Island is alive with them. Besides this they are reported on the western end of the Cape Shore and on Western and Quero banks.

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### Nova Scotia Fishermen for Vancouver.

"Last week witnessed a whole exodus from Clark's Harbor," says the Clark's Harbor, N. S., Coast Guard, which bodes no good for the place or persons inveigled away. Stinson, the strike-breaker in the pay of the New England concern in the Pacific, succeeded in bagging his game. He got 15 fishermen, all young men, several of them married, to leave here for Vancouver on Thursday. They were Chainie Swim, Maynard Goodwin, Frank Cole, Harris Nickerson, Arthur Nickerson, Charles Lowe, Morrell Swim, Smith Messenger, Jr., George Penney, George Nickerson, William Nickerson, Jodah Osborne, Oscar Nickerson, Alex. Phillips, Jr., and William Crooks. Stinson says he will return for 20 more. No worse epidemic can strike a community."

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# SMALL MACKEREL OFF NANTUCKET

Two of Seining Fleet  
at Boston and One  
With Large Fish.

Tinker Mackerel Striking  
in All Along  
the Coast.

That there is evidently a considerable body to the small mackerel in the vicinity of Nantucket and Vineyard Sound is shown by the continued catches of these kind of fish by the vessels of the seining fleet. Yesterday two of the fleet were at Boston with good fares of them and this morning finds two more there with these small fish trips, also one craft with large mackerel.

At this port this morning are only two arrivals in the seining line, schs. Cynthia and Grayling, each with no fish.

A letter to the Times from Portland this morning states that tinker mackerel have struck in along the Maine coast as far east as Matinicus and are being taken in the traps, from 1000 to 1500 fish to a trap. A few of the fish are also taking the jig, something that has not happened on the Maine coast. How long the body of fish is at present uncertain but the prospect looks good at the present time.

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**Seiners at Boston.**

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 18,000 small fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Annie Greenlaw, 15,000 small fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Hattie A. Heckman, 2000 large fresh mackerel.

**Mackerel Catch of the Season.**

The following table gives the catch of salt and fresh mackerel to date this year by the New England fleet and to date also for the past five years:

	Salt Mackerel.	Fresh Mackerel.
	Bbls.	Bbls.
1909, .....	13,248	41,165
1908, .....	16,538	44,705
1907, .....	13,808	44,388
1906, .....	5,523	26,088
1905, .....	25,769	50,195
1904, .....	23,046	42,528

The following table gives the imports of new salt and fresh mackerel at Boston to date this year and to date also for several seasons past:

	Salt Mackerel.	Fresh Mackerel.
	Bbls.	Bbls.
1909, .....	3,718	5,987
1908, .....	8,879	5,202
1907, .....	2,826	4,953
1906, .....	9,344	14,629
1905, .....	7,055	
1904, .....	1,358	

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**FIVE ARRIVALS AT BOSTON.**

**Three Seiners, One Swordfish and One Rips Trip.**

T wharf has a dull closing for the week today, but five vessels arriving since last report, all of these coming in yesterday afternoon excepting two.

Three of the vessels are seiners, schs. Thomas J. Carroll, Hattie A. Heckman and Annie Greenlaw being the lucky crafts. There is one trip of swordfish in and one fresh Rips fisherman completes the tale.

For the week ending July 29, there were 70 arrivals with 2,171,000 pounds of fresh ground fish at Boston against 55 arrivals with 1,938,400 pounds for the corresponding week of 1908.

On the arrival at T wharf yesterday of sch. Annie Perry, her skipper, Capt. Manuel Ehos, found the sad news awaiting him that his mother had died at her home in Provincetown, and that the funeral was delayed for his arrival.

While sch. Boyd and Leeds was coming through the narrows in Boston harbor, shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, she stood in too close to the gas buoy, and finally fetched up on the easterly end of George's Island, where she remained less than half an hour, and was subsequently pulled afloat undamaged by the tug Sadie Ross.

The receipts in detail are as follows:

**Boston Arrivals.**

Sch. Annie Greenlaw, 14,000 small fresh mackerel, 38 bbls. salt bullseyes  
Sch. Hattie A. Heckman, 1900 large fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 18,000 small fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 1200 haddock, 22,000 cod, 1000 pollock.  
Sch. Lydia, 28 swordfish.  
Haddock, \$2.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.20; market cod, \$2; swordfish, 8½c per lb.; large fresh mackerel, 23c each; small fresh mackerel, 5c each.

**Nova Scotia Fish Movements.**

Digby—Hake plenty; cod fair; haddock and herring scarce.  
Port La Tour—100 barrels herring in trap at West Baccaro; bait obtainable at this station.  
Sand Point—Cod and herring fair.  
Lockeport—Cod plenty; herring in traps and nets.  
Liverpool—Cod, herring and squid fair; American vessel Gladys and Sabra seeking bait.  
Lunenburg—Cod fair.  
Musquodoboit—Cod and haddock fair; herring scarce.  
Salmon River—Cod, salmon and trout fair.  
Isaac's Harbor—Cod and salmon fair; from 4 to 10 barrels herring per boat.  
Port Malcom—Herring very plenty.  
Main-a-dieu—Cod plenty; halibut fair; haddock, herring and mackerel scarce.  
Port Hood—Haddock and hake fair, cod and herring scarce.  
L'Ardoise—Herring fair.  
Louisburg—Cod and haddock fair; herring scarce.  
Cheticamp—Cod plenty; squid fair; salmon scarce.  
Miminegash—Cod and hake fair; no herring.

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**GLOUCESTER ARRIVALS FEW.**

**One Cod, One Halibut and Four With Bluebacks.**

Contrary to expectations, arrivals here since last report have been few. Two seiners are home with no fish, and one of the fresh halibut fleet came in yesterday afternoon with a good catch.

Sch. Yakima Capt. Robert Wharton, has been gone quite a while, but has 15,000 pounds of flitched halibut to show for the first part of his trip, in addition to 30,000 pounds of fresh halibut and 2000 pounds of salt cod. The craft is from Bacalieu bank and had a very moderate chance along being 13 days from the bank.

Sch. Rebecca, from Western bank, drifting, has a nice fare of 60,000 pounds of salt fish, steamer Bryda F., had 60 barrels of porgies and sch. Selina came from Portland, where she landed her halibut, with some salt cod and fresh fish.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are as follows:

**Today's Receipts.**

Sch. Selma, via Portland, 10,000 lbs. salt cod, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Yakima, Bacalieu Bank, 30,000 lbs. halibut, 15,000 lbs. flitched halibut, 2000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Rebecca, Rips, 60,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Steamer Bryda F., shore, 60 bbls. fresh bluebacks.  
Steamer Independence II., shore, 60 bbls. bluebacks.  
Steamer Marchant, shore, 80 bbls. bluebacks.  
Steamer Lydia F., shore, 70 bbls. bluebacks.  
Sch. Cynthia, seining.  
Sch. Grayling, seining.

**Vessels Sailed.**

Sch. Evelyn L. Thompson, seining.  
Sch. Judique, seining.  
Sch. Gladiator, seining.  
Sch. Clintonia, North Bay seining.  
Sch. Speculator, seining.  
Sch. Emily Sears, haddocking.  
Sch. Paragon, halibuting.  
Fish Commission sch. Grampus, cruising.

**Today's Fish Market.**

Cape North salt cod, large, \$3; mediums, \$2.75.  
Cape North fresh cod, large, \$1.55; mediums, \$1.40.  
Outside sales fresh western cod, large, \$2; market, \$1.65; haddock, 65c. and 67 1-2c.  
Outside sales fresh eastern cod, large, \$1.70; mediums, \$1.50.  
Outside sales salt Rips cod, \$3.60 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for mediums.  
Outside sales trawl bank salt cod, large, \$2.87 1-2; mediums, \$2.62 1-2; snappers, \$1.50.  
Salt dory handline codfish, large, \$3.25; mediums, \$3.  
Outside sales of round pollock, 60c. per cwt.  
Fresh halibut, 9 1-4 cts. per lb. for white and 7 cts. per lb. for gray.  
Fresh large mackerel, 23 cts. each.  
Fresh medium mackerel, 16 cts. each.  
Salt shore mackerel, unrimmed \$18, rimmed \$24 per bbl.  
Salt bullseyes, \$7.87 1-2 per bbl.  
Board of Trade prices:  
Large drift Georges cod, \$3.40 per cwt.; medium cod, \$3.10.  
Large halibut cod, \$3 per cwt.; medium cod, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.75.  
Splitting price for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.70; medium cod, \$1.50; cusk, \$1.60 for large, \$1.20 for medium, and 50 cts. for snappers; haddock, 60c.; hake, 60c.  
Trawl bank cod, large, \$2.87 1-2 per cwt.; medium, \$2.62 1-2; snappers, \$1.50.  
Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium snappers, \$1.  
Salt pollock, \$1 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1; salt hake, \$1.  
Round pollock, 50c per cwt.

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**Fishing Fleet Movements.**

Sch. Gladys and Sabra was at Liverpool, N. S., on Wednesday.  
Sch. Olga was at Shelburne, N. S., Wednesday.  
Sch. Raymah of Boston sailed from Lunenburg, N. S., on Tuesday after taking ice and bait.  
Capt. Robert Wharton reports speaking schs. Cavalier, Atalanta, Thomas A. Cromwell, Margaret, Henry M. Stanley, S. P. Willard and Essex on Bacalieu and the Funks recently. Fish were scarce and the fitchers as well as the freshers were doing poorly. The fitchers were only getting from 4000 to 5000 pounds to a set and had to shift berths frequently. The highest reported of the fitchers had 40,000 pounds.  
Sch. Evelyn Thompson has abandoned the mackerel seining fishery, and will now fit for market fishing.

**Portland Fish Notes.**

Sch. Selma of Boston, which arrived in port Thursday from Brown's bank, had one of the largest trips of halibut brought in for several years, weighing over 25,000 pounds, which sold here at 9 cents for white and 7 cents for gray. In addition she had on board 15,000 pounds of fresh fish, and 10,000 pounds of salt cod, which will be taken to Gloucester.

The United States fish commission steamer Gannet came into port Thursday from a cruise to the westward, where she had been gathering seed lobsters. She made stops at Cape Porpoise, Wells Beach, Biddeford Pool and several other places, getting a few at each stop, amounting to 550 in all, and while here Capt. Greenleaf received a despatch saying that 1000 more were in keeping at Rockland, awaiting his arrival there, all of which will be taken to the Boothbay hatchery today. While on this cruise, 1,000,000 little lobsters were dropped overboard in Casco bay.

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**FINE FARE OF MACKEREL.**

**Sch. Victor Strikes Good Market in Boston.**

Sch. Victor, Capt. John W. McFarland, is at Boston this morning from Georges with a fine fare of fresh mackerel. This is most encouraging, as it shows that there is a body of fish on that bank, and this is one of the things the vessel owners and fishermen have been earnestly hoping for. Capt. McFarland reports many shark in the mackerel school.

Sch. Victor has 15,000 large mackerel selling for the fine price of 15 cents each, which means a stock of over \$3000 for the craft. Capt. McFarland has been doing extra well since Cape Shore time and is rolling up a fine stock. He has brought several fine fish fares from the Rips to the Boston market recently and has always struck a big price.

Sch. Benjamin A. Smith, Capt. Solomon Jacobs, came in Saturday night with 62 barrels of salt bullseyes, and sch. Annie Greenlaw, which landed a fare of fresh small ones at Boston Saturday, brought down 38 barrels of salt bullseyes. Sch. Effie M. Prior came in with no fish.

Steamer Bessie M. Dugan is at Boston today with 10,000 fresh small mackerel, selling at 6 cents each.

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**No Lobster Famine Feared.**

Fish Commissioner Bowers says that the supply of lobsters is to be maintained. The commission has just finished hatching out 170,000,000 lobster eggs and the young fry are being distributed at the rate of three to five million a day. They are being deposited in the waters of the Maine coast. "I see no reason for the apprehension which exists," said Commissioner Bowers, "regarding the possibility of the exhaustion of the lobster supply. More lobsters were caught last year than in any season for the last 20 years. I take no stock in the scare stories that the lobster is to meet the fate of the terrapin."