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PLENTY OF FISH AT BOSTON

Another Million Pounds Arrived at That Port.

Boston has all the fish the T wharf dealers want this morning. In the 27 trips in are cod, haddock, hake and pollock in goodly amounts, over a million pounds in all, the majority of the fares being over 40,000 pounds. The prices are low, but trade is reported brisk, and but few fish will go to the splitters.

There are three fares of swordfish in, and one of them, sch. Rose Standish, has an unusually big catch for this time of the year, 73 fish. The craft fished to the eastward, and in some of the fish the crew found squid. These latter they took and used for bait, and with the handlines actually caught 10,000 pounds of codfish. Some of the market boats that fished on Georges also had from 2 to 14 swordfish.

Of the groundfish fares, sch. Lucania, Capt. Martin Welch, has the largest trip, 100,000 pounds of haddock and cod. Schs. Mary A. Whalen, Richard J. Nunan, Belbina P. Domingoes, Edith Silveira, Flora J. Sears, Sadie M. Nunan and Clara G. Silva also have fine fares.

The receipts in detail are as follows:

Boston Arrivals.

Steamer Spray, 38,000 haddock, 1500 cod.

Sch. Louise R. Silva, 8000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Yankee, 20,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Matchless, 6000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 16,000 pollock.

Sch. Philip P. Manta, 7000 haddock, 33,000 cod.

Sch. Lucania, 40,000 haddock, 50,000 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Viking 2000 haddock, 22,000 cod.

Sch. Mary A. Whalen, 15,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 18,000 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Matiana, 30,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 10,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 45,000 hake.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 30,000 haddock, 60,000 cod.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 20,000 haddock, 14,000 cod.

Sch. Edith Silveira, 30,000 haddock, 50,000 cod, 4 swordfish.

Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, 1500 haddock, 100 cod.

Sch. Mary B. Greer, 10,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 2 swordfish.

Sch. Athena, 23,000 haddock, 22,000 cod.

Sch. Motor, 35 swordfish.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, 32 swordfish.

Sch. Mary Edith, 10,000 haddock, 40,000 cod.

Sch. Catherine D. Enos, 1000 cod, 4000 pollock, 6 swordfish.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 20,000 haddock, 40,000 cod, 10,000 hake, 2 swordfish.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 16,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 6000 pollock, 8 swordfish.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, 20,000 haddock, 40,000 cod, 5000 pollock, 14 swordfish.

Sch. Eva Avina, 500 haddock, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Rose Standish, 73 swordfish, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Teresa and Alice, 10,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 9000 haddock, 6000 cod, 6000 pollock.

Haddock, $1.50 to $2.10 per cwt.; large cod, $2.60 to $3; market cod, $1.75 to $2; hake, $1 to $2.50; pollock, $1.60 to $1.75; swordfish, 12 cts. per lb.

Fishing Facts and Fancies.

Jefferson Nichols of Butler, Mo., whose house was inundated by a flood in the Cynges river, caught a bushel of fish in his dining room, where they were carried by the rising waters.

While gathering lilies from a rowboat on a pond at Winsted, Conn. Miss Mary Valley of Milerton, N. Y., lost a ring set with three opals. William McAuliffe, while fishing in the same waters a few days afterwards, caught a bass, and found the ring lodged in the fish's throat.

Fisheries products valued at $1,685,680, exclusive of $584,218 worth of oysters taken up by Connecticut oystermen were secured in the state of Rhode Island in the year ending Dec. 31, 1908, according to the preliminary report issued by E. Lana Durand, director of the bureau of the census, department of commerce and labor, just announced. The statistics shown in this report are confined to the fishing industry proper and do not include canneries or wholesale fish dealers.

In the final report, which will shortly be forthcoming, an analysis of the totals and statistics of other phases of the industry will be included. The report shows that there are 565 independent fishermen in Rhode Island, as contrasted to 805 wage earning fishermen, a fact of interest in view of the recent and present disputes concerning the rights of the independent fishermen of the commonwealth.

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MILLION POUNDS OF FISH.

Many Trips of Salt and Fresh Cod at This Port.

The fine landings of codfish which have marked the arrivals at this port for the past month still continue and this morning there are many big trips in, all the crafts being from Western bank and Quero bank, the receipts aggregating over a million pounds of cod, salt and fresh.

The banner trip is that of sch. Ella M. Goodwin, Capt. James D. Goodwin, home from a dory handline trip to Quero bank, with a catch which is testing the carrying capacity of the vessel. She looked as deep as a sand barge as she worked up the harbor yesterday and it is safe to say that Capt. Goodwin has all of the 320,000 pounds he hails for and more too.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, Capt. Albert Larkin, came in yesterday from a shacking trip to Quero with a big fare, 45,000 lbs. salt cod and 125,000 lbs. of fresh cod, and sch. Romance, Capt. William Corkum, from the same kind of a voyage, has a whole load for his craft, 50,000 pounds of salt cod and 150,000 lbs. of fresh cod. Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, also from the eastward, shacking, has 90,000 lbs. of salt cod.

Four of the Rips or drift fleet, which have been fishing to the eastward are home, sch. Winnifred, Capt. Murray Larkin, having 100,000 pounds of salt cod, one of the largest fares in this line this season. Schs. Rebecca, Thomas Brundage and Galatea are the others and they have between 40,000 and 50,000 pounds each of salt cod. Besides the fishing craft in this morning, the receipts are still farther swelled by the arrival, from Maine ports of three vessels with cargoes of cured fish.

Sch. Henry M. Stanley, one of the northern flitched halibut fleet came in during the night, being the third of the fleet to arrive thus far this season. She hails for 70,000 pounds of flitched halibut and 40,000 pounds of salt cod.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are as follows:

Today's Receipts.

Sch. Ella M. Goodwin, Quero Bank, 320,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Henry M. Stanley, Bacalieu Bank, 70,000 lbs. flitched halibut, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, Quero Bank, 45,000 lbs. salt cod, 125,000 lbs. fresh cod.

Sch. Rebecca, eastern drifting, 50,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Thomas Brundage, eastern drifting, 45,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Galatea, eastern drifting, 45,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, Quero Bank, 90,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. John B. Morris, Bass Harbor, Me., cured fish.

Sch. Sadie Kimball, Southwest Harbor, Me., cured fish.

Sch. S. L. Foster, Matinicus, Me., cured fish.

Sch. Romance, Quero Bank, 50,000 lbs. salt cod, 150,000 lbs. fresh cod.

Sch. Saladin, seining.

Sch. Winnifred, eastern drifting, 100,000 lbs. salt cod.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Mary F. Curtis, shacking.
Sch. Volant, Rips.
Sch. Florida, shore.
Sch. Jennie H. Gilbert, shore.
Sch. Rita A. Viator, Boston.
Sch. Emerald, shore.
Sch. Reliance, shore.
Sch. Little Fanny, shore.
Sch. N. A. Rowe, shore.
Sch. Esther Gray, shore.
Sloop Sarah, shore.
Sch. Esperanto, haddocking.
Sch. Dictator, halibuting.

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Today's Fish Market.

Cape North salt cod, large, $3; mediums, $2.75.

Outside sales fresh western cod, large, $2; market, $1.65; haddock, 65c and 67½c.

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.

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

Outside sales of round pollock, 60c per cwt.

Banks halibut, 11 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts for gray.

Flitched halibut, 8 1-4 cts. per lb.

Salt bullseyes, $9.50 per bbl.

Salt large mackerel, late caught, rimmed, $30 per bbl.

Salt small mackerel, $20 per bbl.

Small fresh mackerel, 9c each.

Board of Trade prices:

Large drift Georges cod, $3.60 per cwt.; medium cod, $3.25.

Large halibut cod, $3 per cwt.; medium cod, $2.75; snappers, $1.50.

Trawl salt Georges cod, large, $3.50; mediums, $3.

Large salt handline Georges cod, large $3.75, medium $3.25.

Dory handline salt cod, large, $3.25; medium, $3.

Eastern drift salt cod, large $3.37½ per cwt., medium $3.

Trawl bank cod, large, $3 per cwt.; medium, $2.75; snappers, $1.50.

Salt cusk, large, $2.50 per cwt.; medium, $2; snappers, $1.

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

Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, $2 per cwt.; medium do., $1.65; Eastern cod, large, $1.70; medium cod, $1.50; cusk, $1.65 for large, $1.20 for medium, and 50c for snappers; haddock, 65 cts.; hake, 70 cts.; pollock, 60 cts.

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FISH CAME LONG DISTANCE.

Had Hook in Jaw Similar to Those Used by French Bank Fishermen.

One of the crew of sch. Hortense, on the recent fresh fishing trip of the craft to Georges, hauled up on his trawl, a codfish, which had evidently travelled quite a distance. The fish was not like the large headed ones usually found on Georges, but was shortheaded, and in its jaw was caught a hook with a piece of line attached. The hook was not such as the shackers or market fishermen use, but resembled more the hooks used by the Portuguese and French trawlers on Quero Bank and Grand Bank. Evidently the fish had roamed far from his usual haunts after having been hooked and got clear.

SCH. BENJ. A. SMITH FLOATED.

Went Ashore Outside the Jetties at Nantucket Friday Night.

The gasoline auxiliary sch. Benjamin A. Smith, Capt. Solomon Jacobs, which went ashore outside the jetties at Nantucket Friday night, was floated at high tide Saturday evening by the revenue cutter Acushnet and the tug Nottingham.

As the schooner went ashore on a sandy bottom and the weather was moderate with a smooth sea she sustained no injury and will continue on her fishing cruise.

Nova Scotia Fish Movements.

Digby—Hake plenty; cod, haddock and herring fair.

Port La Tour—Herring fair.

Sand Point Herring plenty; cod scarce.

Lockeport—Herring very plenty; cod scarce.

Lunenburg—Cod fair; few herring reported.

Spry Bay—Cod and herring fair.

Salmon River—Herring plenty; cod, haddock and mackerel fair.

Isaac's Harbor—Cod and herring fair.

Whitehead—Herring fair.

Queensport—Haddock fair; cod scarce; no herring.

West Arichat—Cod and herring fair.

Descousse—Mackerel reported hooking freely.

Louisburg—Cod and haddock plenty; herring scarce.

Main-a-Dieu—Cod fair; haddock, herring and halibut scarce.

Cheticamp—Cod, haddock and squid fair.

Mabou—Cod, hake, herring and squid, fair.

Port Hood—Herring fair; dogfish plenty.

Miminegash—Herring fair; cod and hake, scarce.

Grand Manan, North Channel—Hake very plenty.

Grand Manan—Big Duck Island—Herring reported in traps.

Escuminac Point—Cod and mackerel fair.

Gascons—Herring plenty; cod and squid fair.

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LARGE RAFTS OF MACKEREL SEEN TO THE SOUTHWARD.

Capts. Forbes and Jacobs Report Seeing Many Schools on the Rips.

Maine GasolineBoat Made Big Haul Off Monhegan.

A postal card from Capt. Charles N. Forbes of sch. Thomas J. Carroll tells of a monstrous body of small mackerel, which has struck in from Sankaty Head to Rose and Crown Shoal, and north to Round shoal lightship, and west to Great Point. The news is certainly of a startling nature, but can be accepted as wholly a fact, as Capt. Forbes is not given to exaggeration.

Capt. Forbes wrote the letter to notify the seiners in port here if there were any, of what a lot of fish there were out there, and get them to come out and have a try at them.

In his postal, which was dated at Hyannis Saturday night, Capt. Forbes says:

"Just a little mackerel news, witnessed by Capt. Sol. Jacobs and myself. Since last Tuesday morning, anywhere from Sankaty Head to the Rose and Crown shoal, north to Round Shoal lightship, and west to Great Point, the likes of mackerel schooling I never witnessed before in my life. Capt. Jacobs will tell you the same, for he was there with us, and he told me he never before saw such a sight.

"The whole space between the points mentioned has been and was until dark last night a living mass of small mackerel, and they have been running very wild, and hard to catch. The schools are of monstrous size, and we have stopped none yet.

Capt. Jacobs has burst his seine twice, having it full of fish, when it tore by dragging over or hanging up on bottom. I thought the Gloucester people would like to know about these fish. There were no vessels in sight, or on the ground, except Capt. Jacobs and our vessel."

Capt. Solomon Jacobs of sch. Benjamin A. Smith also wrote to the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co. in regard to these great mackerel schools seen by Capt. Forbes and himself. He said, in his letter, that not in 20 years had he seen so many mackerel as he had seen on the grounds described above. It was something remarkable, nothing but great schools all the time, and in whatever direction one would look. He also said that once he had the seine full of fish and hung up on bottom, and lost all, and another time, with the seine full from end to end, the tide took them across one of the bars and messed things up so that he did not save a fish.

The receipt of this news has stirred up the mackerel buyers and vessel owners, and also some of the skippers, and it may be that some of the crafts now in port may go out that way. The news is from authentic sources and is not to be doubted, and it is hoped that some of the craft may get out there soon and that some hauls may be made.

money secured would equal a winter's work and the dividend paid by the catch will stand as a record for a few hours' work.

The fare of the steamer Florence and Mildred, couuted out 7700 fresh mackerel.

Steamer Elthier was at Portland yesterday and her captain reported going around a good school of small mackerel in the vicinity of Tamplan Rock, but burst the seine and lost the fish.

The captain of the Florence and Mildred reports that he counted five or six good schools after he made his fine haul. He thinks the fish came in from broad off shore.

Some of the boats which are fishing with nets down Monhegan way are taking the same kind of fish as comprised the school taken by steamer Florence and Mildred.

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BLAMES THE CHEMICALS.

Old Time Mackerel Fishermen Say They Kill the Mackerel Food.

Sch. Nellie Dixon, Capt. James Ellis, of Boston, one of the few mackerel seiners now in commission, arrived here this morning after an unsuccessful cruise along the Maine coast.

The Dixon has some old-time fishermen in her crew, and one, who said he had fished winter and summer 23 years, was certain he could explain why mackerel have forsaken that part of the New England coast.

"It's the blamed pulp mills that have sprung up in Maine that causes all the trouble and makes us fishermen poor as blind eels," he said, with vehemence. "I can recall when the fish were so thick inside Monhegan and Seguin that a schooner couldn't get nowhere when butting into the schools.

"Why, once I was in a little boat from Gloucester down by Seguin and a school showed dead ahead. We ran into them, and the mackerel were so thick that hundreds of them were scooped up by the slot in the centreboard case and were dumped aboard like alewives shooting a dam. Mackerel are no fools. They like clean, fresh water, and skurry out of a locality where the rivers pour pollution into the ocean.

"It's chemicals that make all the bother for the seiners and send them on long cruises south and into the gulf of St. Lawrence, away north. Mackerel live on little fish no bigger than your finger nail, and this fry is never more at home than when swimming in warm waters of rivers or sheltered bays.

"Chemicals kill the fry deader'n door nails, and when the mackerel find no food in a certain locality, of course they seek pastures new, so to speak. We used to make great hauls down east, but now the seiners give the rocky headlands a wide berth and keep right along toward Nova Scotia. Of course it's too bad, but what are we going to do to remedy matters?

"I'm told the chemicals come from refuse dumped into streams on which the pulp mills are located. Before the pulp mills were built, everybody in Maine who had a boat went mack'rellin', and the fish were cheap as skates in the market during the height of the run. Once in a while now they get a few on local grounds, but these catches are few and far between.

"Some people say dogfish drove the mackerel out of the bays and rivers of Maine, but I beg to differ. Dogfish are not so plentiful this season, and the mackerel don't return to their old haunts. That's proof to me that it's chemicals from the mills, and not dogfish, that drives the mackerel away and prevents their coming back again. Mackerel always swim near the surface, and, unlike other species, seldom get down to the bottom, and I'm told the chemicals float like oil, going and coming with the tides.

"Word has come to T wharf that the mackerel are now schooling off the coast in big bodies. That's all very well, but just wait till them mackerel get a sniff of the chemicals and find no fry on which to feed. Out to sea they'll whisk, as if somebody had fired dynamite under them, and the next you'll know the schools will rise hundreds of miles away. Mackerel can't be fooled more than once, for they are a wise and high-toned fish.

FROM THE NORTH BAY FLEET.

Shipping Commissioner McDonald Talked with Skippers at Souris.

United States Shipping Commissioner Roderick McDonald of this city, who has just returned from a visit to Prince Edward Island, brings his usual clear and concise account of the mackerel conditions thereabouts.

He was at Souris, P. E. I., a week ago yesterday and saw and talked with about 10 of the skippers of the American seiners which were harbored there on that day, Labor Day. All of the vessels had some fish, just how much they did not state, but said that on the whole they did not consider the prospect quite as good as last year. They said they could find mackerel all over the bay but they did not seem to bite well.

While at Charlottetown, Commissioner McDonald talked with a man who had just come up from Rustico and who reported that mackerel had struck in there solid only a few days before. They did not bite well, but the people made catches by fastening a hook to a stick and gaffing them, thus showing how plentiful they were.

Mr. McDonald saw some mackerel and said they were in fine order, fat as butter and white, and went about 180 to a salted barrel. There also appeared to be quite a body of small mackerel around the island, fish which sold for eight cents each in the markets there and probably were about number threes.

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Mr. McDonald said also that there was quite a bunch of mackerel salted at Rustico.

A letter from Capt. Norman A. Ross of sch. Veda M. McKown states that it is hard to raise fish on the hook in North bay, but that in a blind set around the vessel, with no fish showing, he took three barrels. He reports that the fish there were very late in spawning this year, and that the Magdalen catch was very small, only about 3000 barrels.

A fleet of Gloucester mackerel seiners were at North Sydney, C. B., Friday, and sailed Saturday morning for the fishing grounds. The fleet comprised schs. Clintonia, Victor, Arthur James, Good Luck and Emily Cooney.

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FISH TOOK DROP AT T WHARF.

Glut of Yesterday Caused Low Prices Today.

After the glut of yesterday in the cod and haddock line, the 15 fares of groundfish at T wharf, Boston, today are more than enough for the dealers, with the result that haddock at the start sold as low as $1.50 per hundred weight and other fish in proportion.

There were not many large trips, sch. Catherine and Ellen with 90,000 pounds being high boat. Schs. Terra Nova, Mary C. Santos, Robert and Arthur, Elizabeth W. Nunan and Maud F. Silva each had good trips.

The scene in the fish exchange yesterday morning, when the first fish was offered for sale, was exciting. Buyers and dealers were there together and bid on the fish, and as soon as the cards were made up the men on the vessels were put to work getting the fish out.

Between the large number of handcarts pressed into service and the unusual number of wagons going up and down the north side of the wharf there were frequent blocks that those in charge were kept busy in straightening out. Visitors made things worse, as they were not prepared to jump out of the way of the men, and were continually getting into situations where they would block things for a time.

Of the mackerel received at T wharf yesterday morning 60 barrels were sent up from Portland, which were taken on the coast of Maine. Some of them came from Monhegan island, where on Saturday night the fishermen found mackerel schooling, and took 140 barrels of large ones. Most of the rest of the mackerel came from the provinces.

The receipts this morning in detail are as follows:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Terra Nova, 35,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 15,000 hake.

Sch. Appomattox, 3500 haddock, 22,000 cod.

Sch. Mettacomet, 500 haddock, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Lydia, 1000 haddock, 700 hake.

Sch. Reliance, 6000 pollock.

Sch. Seaconnet, 14,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 12,000 hake.

Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 20,000 haddock, 4000 cod.

Sch. Mary C. Santos, 15,000 haddock, 17,000 cod, 25,000 pollock.

Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 22,00 haddock, 48,000 cod, 8000 hake, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Genesta, 15,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Robert and Arthur, 27,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. George E. Lane, Jr., 2000 haddock, 20,000 cod.

Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 12,000 haddock, 35,000 cod, 10,000 pollock, 9 swordfish.

Sch. Rose Cabral, 11,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 300 hake.

Sch. Maud F. Silva, 15,000 haddock, 50,000 cod, 12,000 pollock, 12 swordfish.

Haddock, $1.50 to $2.75 per cwt.; large cod, $2.75 to $3.50; market cod, $1.65 to $2; hake, $1 to $2; pollock, $1.75 to $2; swordfish 12 to 13¼ cts. per lb.

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Had Small Fare.

The steam trawler Wren arrived at Halifax on Monday with a fare 10,000 pounds of codfish, haddock and soles. This steamer has been chartered by the Halifax Cold Storage Co., for the balance of the season and her total catch will be landed at that port. This trawler will not be permitted to fish inside the three mile limit.

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Large Halibut.

Capt. Silva of the schooner Clara G. Silva brought in at T wharf yesterday one of the largest halibut ever seen at T wharf. The fish, Capt. Silva estimated, weights 400 pounds, and those who saw it agreed that it was one of the largest fish they had ever seen at the wharf. The halibut was taken on a trawl line with an ordinary cod hook while the Clara G. Silva was fishing on the Georges. Joseph Miria was the fortunate man to get the fish. He was hauling in his trawl and found the big halibut caught on one of the hooks. He had a severe struggle to land the fish in his dory after hauling it to the surface. The fish was sound and fat and sold for a good price.

Harpooned Big Swordfish.

Sch. Jessie Gertrude, Capt. Mosher, on Friday of last week when off Sand Point, N. S., harpooned and captured a swordfish weighing 328 lbs. She was bound from Canso to Hawkesbury, C. B., at the time. The fish was sold to the Halifax Cold Storage Co., on arrival here, and a sum realized sufficient to pay her ship charges. Capt. Mosher caught the largest swordfish landed at Canso this season—some weeks ago—it weighed over 600 lbs. The Halifax Cold Storage Co. shipped from Hawkesbury to Boston via the Plant Line during the past two weeks over 17,000 pounds of swordfish.

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Swordfish Caught in Net.

When Capt. Hans Peterson went to haul his nets off Point Edward, C. B., Saturday morning, he found one of them almost torn to tatters, but wound around a good sized swordfish. Hitching the monster to his steam launch Sea Mew, he towed it to Vooght's dock, where it was an object of interest to a large number of people.

Salt Cod Fare Sold.

The fare of dory handline salt cod of sch. Ella M. Goodwin sold to Davis Bros. at $3.25 per cwt. for large, and $3 for mediums.

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LIABILITIES OVER $20,000.

Gardner & Parsons File Petition in Brankruptcy.

William H. Gardner and William Parsons, trading as Gardner & Parsons, fish dealers, Gloucester, have filed a petition in bankruptcy at the United States district court. Their schedules disclose liabilities of $20,750.79, practically all of which is unsecured.

Elizabeth Leighton $3500, H. P. Dennen $1092, Gloucester Mutual Fishing Insurance Company $3070, all of Gloucester, are the principal creditors. Assets are scheduled at $1,449, consisting chiefly of the value of shares in various vessels.

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SPLITTERS WILL REAP BENEFIT.

Fish Overflow From T Wharf Brought Here For Disposal.

Quite a bunch of fresh cod and haddock for the splitters is the bulk of the fish receipts here today. Six vessels came down, with all the way from 20,000 to 60,000 pounds each, all the fish being new goods.

The crafts here from Boston are schs. Lucania, Clara G. Silva, Belbina P. Domingoes, Edith Silveira, Mary Edith and Flora J. Sears, and all of them took out quite a bit of fish at T wharf, at fair prices, before heading down this way.

Sch. Grace Otis, one of the drift salt cod fleet, arrived yesterday afternoon with a nice catch, 50,000 pounds of salt cod.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Receipts.

Sch. Lucania, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, via Boston, 40,000 lbs, fresh fish.

Sch. Mary Edith, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Edith Silveria, via Boston, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, via Boston, 35,000 lbs. fresh fish.

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Sch. Grace Otis, eastern drifting, 50,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Nellie Dixon, seining.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, via Boston.

Sch. Catherine D. Enos, via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Lafayette, shore.

Sch. Miranda, dory handlining.

Sch. Massasoit, shore.

Sch. Parthia, North Bay, seining.

Sch. Colonial, dory handlining.

Sch. Harmony, deck handlining.

Sch. Gladiator, deck handlining.

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Outside sales salt Rips cod, $3.60 per cwt. for large and $3.25 for mediums.

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

Outside sales of round pollock, 60c per cwt.

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Filtched halibut, 8 1-4 cts. per lb.

Salt bullseyes, $9.50 per bbl.

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Salt small mackerel, $20 per bbl.

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Large halibut cod, $3 per cwt.; medium cod, $2.75; snappers, $1.50.

Trawl salt Georges cod, large, $3.50; mediums, $3.

Large salt handline Georges cod, large $3.75, medium $3.25.

Dory handline salt cod, large, $3.25; medium, $3.

Eastern drift salt cod, large $3.37½ per cwt., medium $3.

Trawl bank cod, large, $3 per cwt.; medium, $2.75; snappers, $1.50.

Salt cusk, large, $2.50 per cwt.; medium, $2; snappers, $1.

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

Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, $2 per cwt.; medium do., $1.65; Eastern cod, large, $1.70; medium cod, $1.50; cusk, $1.65 for large, $1.20 for medium, and 50c for snappers; haddock, 65 cts.; hake, 70 cts.; pollock, 60 cts.

Harbor Notes.

Sch. Mary T. Fallon is here from Boston to fit for haddocking, and is on the Rocky Neck railways.

Sch. Nellie Dixon will take salt and barrels for a mackerel trip to North bay.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

The following American vessels were at Louisburg, C. B., Friday:

Sch. Eglantine, 40,000 pounds salt cod.

Sch. Olympia, 25,000 pounds salt cod.

Sch. Edward A. Rich, 30,000 pounds salt cod.

Sch. Ramona, 30,000 pounds salt cod.

Sch. Good Luck, 18,000 pounds salt cod.

Sch. Norma, 50,000 pounds salt cod.

Stocked $1900 in Swordfishing in Three Weeks.

Winding up a most successful season, the swordfishing schooner Rose Standish, Capt. James O'Neal, came into T wharf yesterday with 73 fish, a most remarkable trip for so late in the year. For the three weeks work, Capt. O'Neal stocked $1900, which gives each member $111.50 as his share. Capt. Charles O'Neal in the Valentina, at present highliner in the swordfishery for the season, is a brother to the skipper of the Standish.

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Foreign Fisheries Notes.

The Iceland trawlers are doing well. The large Faksebugt boats fished, especially in the winter, on the banks west of the Western Isles, where they filled up with cod (20,000 to 40,000 large cod) in a fortnight. At the spawning time the cod are so crowded on this bank that one of the Reykjavik trawlers in April filled his net "full" in eight minutes.

It is proposed to the magistrates of Berlin that facilities be given for the sale of fresh fish on Sundays, instead of having it kept over until Monday.

One of the best codfishing seasons ever experienced has just been closed by the Finmark cod fishery, according to Consul Felix S. S. Johnson, of Bergen, Norway. Sardine canning has also become one of the leading industries of Norway, giving employment to thousands of men, women and children.

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THE MONHEGAN MACKEREL HAUL

Causing Much Speculation Among Buyers and Vessel Owners.

Best Paying Catch of Season Considering Time Employed.

There is considerable speculation on the part of vessel owners and mackerel buyers as to whether the catches made recently at Monhegan were only a flash in the pan, or whether they betoken the presence of a body of fish. Some claim that the recent big haul there was made with a drag seine and close on the rocks, but others point out that sch. Lena and Maud with a deep purse seine made a good catch there a few days before, and did not take bottom or tear up.

Sch. George E. Lane, Jr., at Boston yesterday, brought in word that she had met with several fair-sized schools of mackerel last Friday and again on Saturday on the Rips.

News from two seiners on the Rips and known to be on a big body of fish is hoped for, but as it is known that the fish are very wild, and the spot a hard one to fish in, some doubt is expressed as to the results, although it is admitted if the seine could be set and go clear of the bottom, there is a grand good chance of a haul which would mean thousands of dollars for the lucky craft making it.

Capt. Charles H. Harty will fit sch. Oriole for a mackerel trip on the shore.

The unlooked for catch of sch. Florence and Mildred off Monhegan on Sunday was the topic of conversation among the Portland fish dealers on Monday and yesterday. About $1900 was secured in an hour's time by three men and two boys, which is probably the best paying catch for the time employed in the mackerel fishery this season, and but for the bursting of the seine; the crew say they would have made about $3000 more. After the mackerel in the school found themselves enmeshed they struggled viciously to escape and the seine was not strong enough to hold them. Enough to completely fill 150 barrels escaped and every one of them was worth 25 cents.

The story of the catch was retold many times and it caused considerable discussion. Men who know something about the habits of the fish incline to the belief that more of them will be seen. In discussing the matter, C. Newton Trefethen, of the J. W. Trefethen Co., said: "It looks to me as if there are many mackerel along the coast. Last week reports were received to the effect that a number of schools of small ones had been seen and Sunday we heard from Capt. Davis. All of his fish were of good size, most of them weighing between three and four pounds. None of the netters stationed outside had any great luck Sunday night but it is thought that they will meet with success. Much depends on the weather conditions and if we get a good moon and clear weather it is probable that a number of catches will be reported. While fair weather was once regarded as essential to successful mackerel fishing this has since been exploded and good catches have been made during foggy weather."

Reports were current at Portland Monday that mackerel had been schooling along the Maine coast in several locations, but no definite information had come to hand last night.

The steamer Elthier, which arrived at Portland Monday had a hard luck story to tell. While off Pumpkin Rock near Boothbay, on Saturday, he got his seine around a big school which he estimated at over 200 barrels of mackerel, with a few bluebacks mixed in, and had the catch almost on board when he dragged over a lobster trap, tearing his seine for 10 fathoms, and every fish escaped. The steamer came in Monday to refit and started out again Tuesday morning.

Eight thousand mackerel were taken by the Liverpool Fish Company at Liverpool, N. S., on Monday night.