

# THREE SALT HERRING CARGOES HERE.

## Sch. J. J. Flaherty Brings Largest Load of the Season.

Three of the Newfoundland salt herring fleet are at this port this morning, from Bonne Bay with the much-wanted herring for the smokers. All the crafts had hard, head wind passages home, experiencing no tremendously heavy gales but just a steady strong blow from the gulf to Eastern Point. Latest advices from Bonne Bay and Bay of Islands show no change in the poor situation. There was an extra little spurt at Bonne Bay but it soon petered out, one craft getting enough to finish up her load out of it.

### All the Vessels Had Bad Weather on Passage Home.

All the vessels had bad weather, the Hall running into a gale off Scatteri in which her jumbo stay was carried away and she had to put in at North Sydney, C. B., to repair, delaying her four days. Schs. J. J. Flaherty and Judique pounded along through all the bad weather and met with no mishaps. Capt Gourley Anderson of sch. Judique has been only eight days on the way, with a dead head wind every inch of the voyage, a very creditable performance. The skipper reports that since coming out of Bonne Bay, until last night, the mainsail was not set once for the trip, the craft coming along under bank sail and bucking the strong steady westerly every minute. Under these conditions the craft has made a good passage.

Capt. Marr of sch. J. J. Flaherty reports also, rough weather, no especially heavy gales, but heavy winds and dead ahead, all the way home.

### Sch. Oregon Bound Home.

Sch. Oregon is bound home from Bonne Bay, N. F., with a cargo of salt herring.

Sch. J. J. Flaherty brings the largest load of the season thus far, having 1800 barrels of salt bulk herring and 70 barrels of pickled goods. Schs. Judique and Ralph L. Hall, the other two crafts to come along, have 1325 and 1620 barrels respectively.

The fare of salt herring of sch. Judique is sold to the local smokers to be divided.

The fare of salt herring of sch. Ralph L. Hall is sold to Boston parties and the craft will go there to discharge.

Contrary to expectation, it is no fish day outside, and most of the shore boats are putting back for harbor. Some fished yesterday and did not go to Boston, and three of them which came in here, schs. Ida M. Silva, Tecumseh and Mary DeCosta, landed their fares here, selling to Neal & Cooney.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

- Sch. Harvard, eastern deck handlining, 85,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Steamer Quoddy, shore, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Steamer Nomad, shore, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Ida M. Silva, shore, 7500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Mary DeCosta, shore, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Tecumseh, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Mary B. Greer, via Boston.
- Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, via Boston.
- Sch. Catherine D. Enos, via Boston.
- Sch. Annie and Jennie, via Boston.
- Sch. Yankee, via Boston.
- Sch. Ellen C. Burke, shore.
- Sch. Rita A. Viator, via Boston.
- Sch. Ida S. Brooks, via Boston.
- Sch. Emily Sears, via Boston.
- Sch. Walter P. Goulart, via Boston.
- Sch. Edith Silveira, via Boston.

### Vessels Sailed.

- Br. sch. Strathcona, Fortune Bay, N. F.
- Sch. Alice R. Lawson, Newfoundland frozen herring trip.
- Sch. Lucania, haddocking.
- Sch. Mary DeCosta, shore.
- Sch. Clara G. Silva, shore.
- Sch. Rebecca, shore.
- Sch. Motor, shore.
- Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.
- Sch. Manomet, shore.
- Sch. Stranger, shore.
- Sch. Matiana, shore.
- Sch. Minerva, shore.
- Sch. Rose Standish, shore.
- Sch. Ethel B. Penney, Boston.
- Sch. Actor, Boston.
- Sch. Appomattox, shore.
- Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.
- Sch. Cynthia, haddocking.
- Sch. James A. Garfield, Newfoundland herring trip.

### Today's Fish Market.

- Bank halibut 12c per lb.
- 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; mediums, \$3.25.
- Dory handline salt cod, large, \$3.25; medium, \$3.
- Eastern drift salt cod, large, \$3.25 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, \$1.40; cusk, \$1.65 for large, \$1.20 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, 65 cts.; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, 60 cts.

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### Tug Portland Floated.

The tug Portland was brought into York harbor late Tuesday night, after being floated at high tide by the tug M. Mitchell Davis of Portsmouth and the wrecking lighters Trilby and Charles Lawrence of Boston.

The Portland struck on Stone's rock, just outside of Portsmouth, December 10, and sank after being pulled off. It is planned to drag her high on the beach here to make temporary repairs. She is owned by the Central wharf towboat company of Portland, Me.

### Portland Fish Notes.

Fish receipts continue liberal and the dealers are now enabled to fill all out of town orders, something they could hardly do last week. The Tuesday arrivals were: Schs. Edmund F. Black, with 7000 lbs. fish; Kate L. Palmer, 4000; Marion Turner, 20,000; Mineola, 9000; Bernie and Bessie, 3000; Fanny Hayden, 3000.

# DENNETT WILL CLOSE BUSINESS.

## Lack of Fresh Fish Receipts at This Port Obliges Him to Retire.

## With His Father Has Been In Business For Many Years.

Owing to the lack of fresh fish supply at this port, William E. Dennett, who has conducted a fresh fish establishment at the Fort for many years, succeeding his father, who was also in the same business at the same point for a long term of years, has decided to close his place of business on the last day of this year.

fish did not come, and with no stock to work on, there was nothing to do but close up. He dealt in shore fish, such as the little shore and market boats caught, but very few of them came here now, about all going to Boston. He said that he would probably sell his fixtures, scales and working outfit to Neal & Cooney, the new concern, which had recently started in at the Port.

Mr. Dennett said this morning that he hated to do it; he had hung on a long while, hoping that conditions would be better, but the fact was the

Mr. Dennett is an expert fresh fish man, and will probably soon locate in what he considers a more advantageous place for carrying on his business.

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### Had Long and Hard Trip.

Sch. Vanessa, Capt. Valentine O'Neil, which arrived at Boston yesterday morning, had a long and hard trip. The vessel was out in all the recent stormy weather, and was unable to fish for days. To add to the troubles one of the men became ill, and the vessel ran into Liscomb harbor to put him ashore for hospital treatment. Before he was removed, however, he improved, and remained on board, but a couple of days were lost in making harbor and getting back to the fishing grounds, where the weather was again too bad to permit of fishing.

### Fresh Halibut Stock.

Sch. Mooween, Capt. Daniel McDonald, stocked \$2500 on her recent fresh halibut trip, the crew sharing \$62.50.

### Good Price for Nova Scotia Lobsters.

The lobsters which came to Boston Monday on the Yarmouth steamer sold quickly. Most of them were sold at \$18 a crate of 140 pounds, but some of the dealers who were short paid as high as \$20 a crate. The next shipment, should it be as large as expected, will bring the price down lower. The peculiar restrictions on lobsters at Halifax make the dealers fear that the first shipment from there will not be large. A line is drawn from headland to headland at the harbor there, and no lobsters can be taken within the line until about January 6. This does not affect other places in the vicinity, however, and it is hoped that some will come from these towns.

# FLEET ARE ALL SHORE BOATS.

## Fares at Boston Run Small and Prices Are Good.

Thirteen of the shore boats were at T wharf this morning. None of the off shore big crafts put in appearance. The fares mostly run small, but the prices are unexpectedly good. Haddock brought \$3.50, and large cod the same, with large hake at \$3 and pollock at \$1.50 to \$1.75.

Sch. Manomet, with 27,000 pounds, has the banner fare, and schs. Warren M. Goodspeed and Helen B. Thomas have good catches. The other boats have from 2000 to 9000 pounds.

The receipts in detail are:

### Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Motor, 1700 haddock, 400 cod, 200 hake.

Sch. Matiana, 3500 haddock, 500 cod, 3000 hake, 500 pollock.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 8000 haddock, 4000 cod, 2000 hake, 1500 cusk.

Sch. Cherokee, 3000 cod.

Steamer Jeffery, 2000 cod.

Sch. Stranger, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake, 1200 pollock.

Sch. Genesta, 7500 haddock, 2000 cod, 3500 cusk.

Sch. Teresa and Alice, 4000 haddock, 700 cod, 1000 cusk, 800 pollock.

Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 10,000 haddock, 200 cod, 500 hake.

Sch. Emily Cooney, 7000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Hope, 4000 haddock, 500 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Manomet, 6000 haddock, 4000 cod, 10,000 hake, 3000 cusk, 4000 pollock.

Haddock, \$3.40 to \$3.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.50; market cod, \$2.25 to \$2.50; hake, \$1.50 to \$3; cusk, \$1.25; pollock, \$1.50 to \$1.75.

### The Salt Fish Situation.

The Fishing Gazette says of the salt fish situation:

"There is a fair jobbing demand for the different varieties of salt fish, but no particular animation in the trade. 'Seasonably quiet' describes the situation.

"Mackerel prices are steady. Herring are moving somewhat slowly, with the expectation of the Newfoundland fish, for which a good demand is reported, with quotations slightly higher than last week. Better fishing is now the rule in the far Northern waters. The limited stocks which have reached the New York market have been quickly absorbed.

"A leading exporter reports the market for salt fish as continuing firm, under a good demand and advancing prices. There are no indications at present of how much further it will go. After the first of the year a better view of the situation should be possible."

### Pacific Fishermen Obligated to Get Bait from Canada.

American deep sea fishers of the Pacific coast after halibut and cod, at this time of the year are forced to look to Canada to supply the bait. During the spring, herring, which forms the bait used in fishing for halibut, can be had in Puget Sound waters, but at this season of the year the herring schools move to Canadian waters. Shiploads of the bait now are coming to Bellingham. At Puget Sound the herring are transferred to the boats engaged in the fishing business, and the enterprise is not stopped by reason of the unavailability of the local supply. The halibut fishing crews pay the import duty.

### READY TO AID WRECKS.

Canadian Cruiser Curley in Winter Quarters at Halifax.

The Canadian cruiser Canada, Capt. C. T. Knowlton, is now hauled in to the dockyard, Halifax, for the winter, though if she is needed for work during that season she will be always ready.

The equipment of the dockyard includes two complete life saving outfits for use in case of ship wreck and these outfits are on carriages, and very complete including hawsers, lines, rockets, signals and a variety of paraphernalia of use in communicating with craft in trouble which cannot be reached in boats or from the land, because of rough sea or dangerous surroundings, and rescuing those on board.

The idea is that in case of word being received of shipwreck along the shore with possibility of loss of life, the cruiser can be manned immediately, the life saving apparatus taken on board and headed for the location of the wreck, which she will approach as near as possible and then by use of the rockets get a line on board the vessel in danger and by the aid of the apparatus take off the crew or others in danger of losing their lives. As the cruiser travels 17 knots she can cover distance rapidly on rescue work, and her powerful searchlight would be a great aid to such work at night. With a crew of 58 all told she is pretty well manned.

### Nova Scotia Fish Conditions and Prices.

The Halifax Chronicle's weekly resume of Nova Scotia fishing conditions and trade says:

"Owing to the unprecedented continuance of stormy weather the arrivals of fresh fish have been reduced to a minimum, with a corresponding increase in price for new caught fish for the Advent trade.

"The want of supply has materially decreased the volume of shipments to the Canadian markets particularly in finnan haddies.

"All shippers of smoked fish are two or three weeks behind their orders which will naturally assist in using up any surplus offering during the holiday season.

"Fancy boneless cod strips are scarce and higher and while the quantity going forward has been the usual amount, a considerable portion has been refused as 'fancy' owing to dampness due to the unfavorable weather.

"The catch of herring off the coast of Lunenburg has been limited and irregular.

"Some catches have been reported from Yarmouth County.

"Mixed herring are reported in considerable quantity in Fortune Bay which can be taken in seines. There is, however, a Newfoundland fishing regulation which says that 'herring taken in seines must be hauled or landed at once.'

"This regulation, coupled with the absence of keen frost has prevented anything being done with herring at Fortune Bay.

"The advance sale of oysters for the Christmas trade is large and will probably increase during the next week.

"The local market for ground fish is unsettled, owing to the fact that one dealer is paying market prices for cullage for filleting purposes."

# BOTH FRESH AND SALT FISH TRIPS.

## Arrivals at This Port More Numerous Today.

There is considerable doing in the way of arrivals at this port this morning, three of the herring fleet coming along, together with one of the eastern haddockers, an eastern deckhandliner and two or three of the market boats. A number of the shore boats did not go out this morning, and it looks as though fishing operations among the most of the market fleet were suspended until after Christmas.

The three herring catchers are schs. Ralph L. Hall, J. J. Flaherty and Judique. Sch. Ingomar from Western Bank, haddocking, has 35,000 pounds of fresh fish, mostly haddock, selling to the Gloucester Fresh Fish Company. Sch. Mary A. Gleason, deck handling, also from the eastward, has 40,000 pounds of salt cod. Down at the Fort, sch. Leo and sloop Diana are taking out their fares at Neal & Cooney's. The steam netter Nomad came in yesterday afternoon with 1500 pounds of fresh fish.

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Sch. Judique, Bonne Bay, N. F., 1200 bbls. salt herring, 125 bbls. pickled herring.

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Sch. Actor, via Boston.

Sch. Catherine D. Enos, via Boston.

Sch. Mary Edith, via Boston.

Sch. Almelda, via Boston.

Sch. Valentinna, via Boston.

Sch. Pauline, via Boston.

Sch. Evelyn M. Thompson, via Boston.

Sch. Ralph Russell, via Boston.

Sch. John J. Fallon, via Boston.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, shore.

Sch. Joseph H. Cromwell, shore.

Sch. Seaconnet, via Boston.

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### New Vessel Ready for Fishing.

The new knockabout schooner Gladys and Nellie, which was built for Capt. Frank Watts, formerly of sch. Seaconnet, is expected at T wharf, Boston, today to fit out for fishing.

### From the Herring Fleet.

The Lunenburg, N. S., schs. J. B. Young and Adam Zinck cleared from that port Monday last for Fortune Bay, N. F.