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 Salt pollock, \$1 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1; salt hake, \$1.  
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**Portland Fish Notes.**

The fishing steamer Carrie and Mildred, which had been out of commission for a couple of days, owing to an accident to her machinery, started out for the fishing grounds early Saturday morning, and on pulling in her nets, which had been out since Thursday, the crew were surprised to find in them the dead body of a shark, which measured about six feet in length, and weighed nearly 500 pounds. The shark is to be shipped to Boston, where it will be placed on exhibition.

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# BOSTON FISH SUPPLY SMALL

## Although Quite a Number of Vessels Are In.

There is not a very large supply of fish at T wharf today, although there is quite a number of vessels in. Three of the off shore fleet and 18 of the market boats comprise the fleet in, and 49,000 pounds is the largest fare in the lot, this being the amount in sch. Raymah. Prices are good.

New haddock sold at from \$3 to \$3.35, and large cod brought \$4 to \$4.50. Hake still hold up big, large shores being quoted at \$6. Cusk were \$2.70 and pollock \$2.60.

Of the market boats, schs. Sadie M. Nunan has a large M. Nunan has a big catch, 24,000 pounds, and will fare well, as will schs. Motor, Genesta, Clara G. Silva, Manomet and Margaret Dillon, which have from 10,000 to 19,000 pounds each. It looks like a good market all the week, although if the expected fleet of big fellows get in from the southwest part of Georges the latter part of the week, haddock will probably take a drop.

The last shipment of live lobsters from Nova Scotia was not large. The main reason for it was the fact that the steamer sailed for Boston on Saturday night, January 1, which is a legal, as well as a church holiday throughout Canada, and the fishermen did not do much work. There were, however, 155 crates, averaging in weight from 140 to 200 pounds, 19 barrels and one box of lobsters received.

For the week ending Friday, there were 49 arrivals at Boston, with 616,900 pounds of fresh fish, against 70 arrivals with 1,338,400 pounds for the corresponding week last year.

The receipts in detail are:

**Boston Arrivals.**

Sch. Maxwell, 1100 haddock, 1500 cod, 1500 pollock.  
 Sch. Mattie Brundage, 3600 haddock, 400 cod, 300 hake.  
 Sch. Margaret Dillon, 8000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1000 hake, 1000 cusk.  
 Sch. Manomet, 9000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake, 7000 pollock.  
 Sch. Minerva, 4000 haddock, 2000 cod, Sch. Nettie, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 300 pollock.  
 Sch. W. H. Clement, 3500 cod, Sch. Terra Nova, 24,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 3000 cusk.  
 Sch. Flora J. Sears, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2500 pollock.  
 Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 4500 haddock, 1300 cod, 1000 hake.

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Sch. Raymah, 40,000 haddock, 9000 cod.  
 Sch. Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., 27,000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
 Sch. Edith Silveira, 6000 haddock, 1500 cod, 1000 hake.  
 Sch. Clara G. Silva, 12,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.  
 Sch. Annie and Jennie 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 500 hake.  
 Sch. Lillian, 3500 haddock, 2300 cod.  
 Sch. Motor, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 4000 pollock.  
 Sch. Leo, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
 Sch. Genesta, 12,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 4000 hake.  
 Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod, 500 hake.  
 Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 13,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 5000 hake, 3000 pollock.  
 Haddock, \$3 to \$3.35 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 to \$4.50; market cod, \$2.75 to \$3.50; hake, \$2.50 to \$6; cusk, \$2.75; pollock, \$2.60.

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# VESSELS WERE BADLY ICED UP.

## Boston Fleet Showed Effect of Wind and Cold.

Boston's fish story this morning is a short one, as far as arrivals are concerned and the quartette in have only a few fish altogether. Every craft reaching the dock since yesterday morning is badly iced up, showing that the northwester was a fierce one in both blow and cold.

Sch. Frances Whalen from off shore, had a fair trip and the market fisherman Aspinet was the lucky producer of a great fare, 28,000 pounds, which means good money all around. The other market boats in, schs. Ethel B. Penney and Washakie, had fair trips. The market was good.

Among the vessels which reached T wharf yesterday, all iced up, sch. Galatea, Capt. Boudreau, seemed to have suffered the most. From the waterline to half way up the masts she was blanketed in ice, and her jib and jumbo were so swollen by the ice that when she got to T wharf the men could not furl them, and they hung half set. The deck was carpeted with thick salt water ice from bow to stern.

It was a bitter trip for the helmsman of the sch. Genesta, for the wheel was incased in ice and his shoes were frozen to the deck.

Old sailors, hardened to cold weather, declared that yesterday was one of the worst days they ever passed through. All the vessels looked as though they had been to the region of the North Pole. Oilskin clothing was worn by even those who were not working, but stood about in the sun.

Vessels of fishermen arriving during the late afternoon were covered with even more ice than those that came in earlier.

In a day or two the Provincetown fleet will be ready to start out again. All the craft have been overhauled, repainted and some of them have their sails on, but it is doubtful if they start until good weather comes again.

The receipts in detail are:

**Boston Arrivals.**

Sch. Frances Whalen.  
 Sch. Aspinet, 12,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 6000 hake, 3000 cusk, 1000 pollock.  
 Sch. Ethel B. Penney, 3000 haddock, 4000 cod, 500 hake, 4000 pollock.  
 Sch. Washakie, 4000 haddock, 1500 cod, 1000 hake, 1000 cusk, 4000 pollock.  
 Haddock, \$4.25 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.25; market cod, \$3.50; hake, \$3.10 to \$3.50; pollock, \$2.75 to \$3; cusk \$2.75.

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**Danish Fisheries.**

The number of fishermen employed last year in the Danish fisheries was 17,659, an increase of 225 over 1907. Of the total number, 2611 were employed on the west coast, 11,749 in the waters within the Scaw, and 3299 in the Limfjord. The capital sunk in the vessels and boats was 10,324,000 kroners; the value of the gear was estimated to be 6,556,600 kroners, both showing increases on the previous year.

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# SEARS ADRIFT FOR 40 HOURS,

## Sold His Fish For \$11 After Being Rescued.

Nathaniel J. Sears, one of the crew who got astray from sch. Washakie on Jeffries last Saturday and was rescued 40 hours later by sch. Edmund F. Black, was landed at Portland instead of at Rockland as previously stated. Throughout all his rough, lonesome experience, he hung onto the trawls and fish he had in his dory and sold them for \$11 at Portland, Monday.

Speaking of his experience, Sears said:

"We began to fish off Jeffries and with the rest I went out in my dory to set my trawls. This was at 9 o'clock Saturday morning. I put in the day and after getting about 700 pounds of fish, set my sail for the place I had left the schooner. When I got there, there wasn't a sign of a vessel anywhere. I knew that I had been left behind, so the only thing for me to do was to make for Cape Elizabeth. I could tell by the looks of the sky that the wind was southwest, so I laid my course accordingly, and headed for the Cape. I made pretty good time, but when I got near land, I struck a head wind and so had to take to the oars.

### Believed He Would Be Picked Up and Did Not Worry.

"It was pretty bad on the water Saturday night and frequently waves washed over the dory, but I did not take in much. What was the use of worrying? I knew that I would be picked up, knew it just as well as I am sitting here, so I kept at my oars and sure enough, I was taken on board by the Black."

In speaking of picking up Sears, Capt. William Black of the Edmund Black, said:

"We were off Cape Elizabeth Monday morning. I was below and John Morton was on the lookout. We were running under our power, and so making considerable noise, but Morton heard Sears when he called out and answered him. We soon had the man on board and brought him into Portland. There was part of a moon and as it was not long before daylight we had no trouble in seeing him."

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**Portland Fish Notes.**

The Portland fishing fleet, after a short stay on the banks came into port Monday and brought in a goodly amount of sea food. The principal arrivals were: Hockomock, 12,000; Defender, 1200; Lochinvar, 16,000; Fanny Reed, 4000; Laconia, 3000; Gladys, 1500. The small boats also brought in several thousand fish. Other vessels which came in, but did not bring fares were the Edmund B. Black, Albert W. Black, Lizzie May, Mary E. Sinnett, Katie L. Palmer and Eva and Mildred.

**New York Fish Imports.**

Imports of fish at the port of New York for November were as follows: Lobsters, 13,457 lbs., valued at \$3,333; fresh fish, 14,641 lbs., valued at \$3,342; cod, 358,466 lbs., valued at \$18,624; fish in oil, \$234,126; herring, 4,603,560 lbs., valued at \$186,351; mackerel, 1,466,712 lbs., valued at \$91,379; all other, \$87,851.

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**Another Big Haddock Stock.**

Sch. Cynthia, Capt. Geoffery Thomas, stocked \$1700 as the result of her recent haddock trip. Capt. Thomas has been doing big since last seining time, and has rolled up one of the best stocks in the haddock fleet thus far this season.

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## LUNENBURG FISHING SEASON.

Best for Decade With Only One Loss of Life.

The year 1909 will go down into Lunenburg, N. S., history as the best year in the first decade of the 20th century in the fishing business. The catch was a large one, the prices were good, no vessels were lost while engaged in the fishing business and the only regrettable feature was the drowning of one man. Quick sales were found for almost all the catch, and the fishermen have secured the benefits of their labor several weeks earlier than in former years. One of the largest dealers in town says that there is only about 7,000 quintals on hand unsold at present as compared with from 60,000 to 80,000 other years. He was at a loss how to account for it except that the shortage in Labrador and northern Newfoundland might have had something to do with it. Another reason was that at the opening of the season it was thought the catch would be a light one, which would no doubt influence an early demand. The total fleet engaged during the year consisted of 161 vessels, the majority of which were owned in Lunenburg. Not only were line fish plentiful, but herring appeared on the coast in large numbers early in the season and remained late, in fact some were being taken on Christmas day. They sold at fair prices. The prices for cured fish are about one dollar in excess of last year, but they are a little less than in 1907, when the catch was only about half that of this year. Prospects are excellent for the coming season; about 10 new vessels will be added to the fleet owned in the town and several others in the county.

During the year only one vessel met with disaster during the fishing season, and that was but a partial loss. This vessel was the Montana, which struck a shoal off the Thrum Cap, in Halifax Harbor. One man only was lost, Fraser Greek, one of the crew of sch. Gladys C. Smith, who was drowned by the upsetting of a dory in May. Four fishing vessels were built during the year, the Hawanee, the Revenue, Frank H. Adams and John B. Young.

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## ONE ARRIVAL WITH POLLOCK.

### Market Boats Which Went Out Yesterday Returned.

The only fishing arrival at this port today is sch. Emily Sears, which came in shortly before noon with 7000 pounds of pollock, although some of the off-shore fleet were looked for. Some of the shore boats ran off yesterday, but came back again this morning, as there was no chance to do any fishing.

The boats which came in yesterday afternoon, having gone out the afternoon before, looked like small icebergs as they came up the harbor, being iced up from waterline to high above the shear poles. Schs. Rebecca and Hope looked as though they had just come from inside the Arctic circle.

This noon sch. Indiana was towed down from Boston with her cargo of salt herring, with which she arrived at the latter port a few days ago from Bay of Islands, N. F.

The arrivals in detail are as follows:

#### Today's Arrivals.

Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, shore.  
Sch. Hope, shore.  
Sch. Rebecca, shore.  
Sch. Indiana, via Boston.  
Sch. Rebecca, shore.  
Sch. Flora S. Nickerson, shore.  
Sch. Emily Sears, shore, 7000 pounds pollock.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Juno, halibuting.  
Sch. Lillian, haddocking.  
Sch. Kineo, halibuting.  
Sch. Seaconnet, shore.  
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, shore.  
Sch. Gladys and Nellie, shore.  
Sch. Rose Standish, shore.  
Sch. Maud S. Silva, shore.  
Sch. Joseph H. Cromwell, shore.

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## Today's Fish Market.

Fresh halibut, 14 cts. per lb. for white and 11 cts. per lb. for gray.

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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## FEW HERRING AT FORTUNE BAY.

### Cargo of Frozen Fish From Maine at Boston.

Reliable advices from Connaigie Bay, N. F., state that there are no herring there and also that there are but few herring at Fortune Bay, and what there are are about the same run as the Bonne Bay fish.

#### Brought Frozen Herring From Maine.

A little 60-foot auxiliary schooner with the name Hazel Leah on her bow was an object of curiosity at Boston yesterday morning. The little schooner arrived there Tuesday night well coated with ice, and with her deck, which was protected only by a two-inch rail against the water, thickly covered with ice and everything on deck obscured. The schooner had come from Castine, Me., with a cargo of 40,000 pounds of frozen herring, consigned to John Nagle & Co., for bait. Capt. Stewart and the two men who form his crew left Castine last Thursday, and ran up here through the storms, assisted by the auxiliary engine, by the aid of which he was able to make six knots an hour. The craft was in this port Monday night for harbor.

#### News From the Herring Fleet.

Schs. Hazel R. Hines and Corsair are on the way home from Bay of Islands with cargoes of salt herring.

Sch. James A. Garfield arrived at Louisburg, C. B., Monday, bound for Bay of Islands, N. F.

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## BOSTON FISH MARKET DULL

### Although But Ten Arrivals Are In Port.

Although there are but few arrivals at T wharf this morning, the market there is dull and there is no life to the demand for fish. Haddock opened at from \$2.65 to \$3 and large cod at \$3 and \$4. Pollock held at \$2.50 and hake started in at \$2 to \$4.

The steam trawler Spray has another of her good trips, 65,000 pounds, all haddock and 15,000 pounds of them are scrod.

Sch. Esperanto, from the eastward, has 55,000 pounds and sch. Gladys and Nellie, from her maiden trip, has a nice catch, 18,000 pounds. Sch. Mary T. Fallon of the market fleet, has an unusually big catch, 35,000 pounds, mostly haddock. The other shore boat have fair catches.

The dock had its first lot of shore frozen herring this morning when the little sch. Hazel Leah, from Castine,

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Me., brought up 40,000 pounds for John Nagle & Co. They will sell for bait.

The receipts in detail are:

#### Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Florida, 1000 haddock, 9000 cod.  
Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 8500 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Metamora, 7000 haddock, 7000 cod, 2000 hake, 2000 cusk, 3000 pollock.  
Steamer Spray, 65,000 haddock 1000 cod.

Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 30,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Esperanto, 35,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 6000 cusk, 4000 pollock.

Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 7000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake, 7000 pollock.

Sch. Rose Standish, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, 7000 haddock, 1500 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Hazel Leah, Maine coast, frozen herring.

Haddock, \$2.65 to \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$3 to \$4; market cod, \$2.75 to \$3.50; hake, \$2 to \$4; pollock, \$2.50.

#### Steamer Spray Badly Iced Up.

Presenting a ghostly appearance, the steam trawler Spray made her way into the T wharf basin yesterday afternoon, weighted down by hundreds of tons of ice. She met the rough nor'wester in the bay, and spray dashed high above her superstructure, encrusting the funnel with ice. The sides and decks were covered to the depth of several inches. Even the boats were frozen solidly, and in the event of it becoming necessary to use them hurriedly, the crew would have received a serious setback.

#### Getting Mackerel at Florida.

Fishermen at West Palm Beach, Fla., have been making some big hauls of mackerel. One catch last week consisted of 60,000 pounds. W. C. Crocker and Wilson Godfrey of the Indian River and Lake Worth Fish Co. at Fort Pierce, are at West Palm Beach, taking charge of the mackerel.

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## FISH ARRIVALS STILL SCARCE.

### Salt Herring Fare of Sch. Indiana On the Market.

Dull music still continues here in the fish line, the arrivals being few and not large. It is the usual mid-winter dullness, however, and is expected.

There were no arrivals this morning, but yesterday afternoon sloop Diana landed 1000 weight of haddock at the Fort. Toward evening sch. Etta Mildred came in from an eastern deck handline trip with a nice catch, 40,000 pounds of salt cod and 5000 pounds of fresh cod. Bad weather and the hard usage the craft received put her out of a big fare in a short time.

Sch. Indiana, which brought her fare of salt herring down from Boston, will put the trip on the market here. The cargo was sold to Boston to arrive, but there was a disagreement on price, so Capt. Malloch clapped his hatches on and came here to dispose of the trip.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

#### Today's Receipts.

Sloop Diana, shore, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Etta Mildred, eastern deck handlining, 40,000 lbs. salt cod, 5000 lbs. fresh cod.

Sch. Joseph H. Cromwell, shore.

Sch. Ralph Russell, shore.

Sch. Flavilla, shore.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, shore.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.

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