

Jan. 11.

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 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.

Portland Fish Notes.

Sch. Senator Saulsbury of Gloucester was here Sunday with 5000 pounds of fresh halibut, and 12,000 pounds of salt cod. The other fish arrivals were:

Schs. Fanny Reed, with 3000 lbs. fish; Wesley Sinnett, 3000; Mary A. Osier, 2000.

Sloops Gladys Simmons, with 4000 lbs. fish; Crusader, 1800; Minerva, 1500; Defender, 1000; Nellie G, York, Independent.

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Haddock Fleet Stocks.

Sch. Fannie E. Prescott, Capt. Thomas Downey, stocked \$1450 on her haddock trip at Boston yesterday.

Sch. Cynthia, Capt. Geoffery Thomas, stocked \$1700 on her haddock fare landed at T wharf yesterday. Capt. Thomas has been doing extra well since seining time and is leading the off shore fleet.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Kineo and Mooween, bound on fresh halibut trips arrived at Canso, N. S., Saturday last and cleared for the fishing ground.

Halibut Stock.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, Capt. Christopher Gibbs, stocked \$2050 on her recent halibut trip, the crew sharing \$41.80.

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Portland Fish News.

Fish and lobsters came in goodly quantities here Monday. Vessels that brought the former were the Wesley Sinnett with 13,000, the Katie Palmer with 4000, the Eva and Mildred with 8000, the Fanny Reed with 2500, the Defender with 1000, the Pantoozet with 4000. The lobster arrivals were the Blanche and Ida with 1000 for J. W. Trefethen; the Edith M. Thompson with a big fare for H. P. Brown, the sloop Naaman with 1000 for N. F. Trefethen.

Repairs Nearly Completed.

The repairs on the revenue cutter Androscoggin have been completed and she will soon leave Boston for Portland to take up her regular station. The big ice-breaking cutter has been absent some time, but she has been not been much missed for there has been no ice that needed her attention. However, the worst of the winter is yet to come and there will be plenty of opportunity for her to work before spring comes.

Small Catch of Groundfish in Maine.

Speaking of the Maine catch of groundfish last year, James Donohue, commissioner of sea and shore fisheries, regrets that it has been the smallest in years, mainly due to the low price of hake, which made fishing for that species unprofitable. As the market has been pretty well cleaned up, the prospects look good for ground fishing for the coming season.

New Lunenburg, N. S., Schooner.

The new schooner for Capt. E. Spindler was launched Saturday afternoon from the yard of Smith & Rhuland. She promises to be a flyer and has all recent and up-to-date fittings. Fifteen vessels are being built in Lunenburg county this winter, the most at any one time in several years.

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HERRING SEASON NEAR ITS CLOSE

Early Next Week Will Witness Loading of Last of Fleet.

Sch. Harry A. Nickerson Will Make Quickest Trip On Record.

Advices received here yesterday show that several of the herring fleet at Bay of Islands, N. F., have completed loading with salt and frozen stock and sailed for home and also that herring are holding on in the Middle Arm with good frost, and this week or early next week may witness practically the loading of the fleet. No ice has yet been reported in the gulf and the vessel owners are in high hopes that the fleet will load and get away before the ice comes down to close the bay.

There are many who believe that it is going to be a very open winter at Newfoundland, as far as northern ice coming down, and sch. Indiana, which arrived home here a few days ago with a cargo of salt herring, is now fitting away for another trip, which is about the latest a craft ever started to go to Bay of Islands for herring.

A St. John's N. F., despatch of last night says: "More than a fortnight later than usual, the American herring fishery will finish at the close of this week. After the generally unseasonable mild weather which has enabled the fishing fleet to continue operations so much later than usual, wintry conditions are setting in and will force the vessels out in a few days. It is believed the totals of the fisheries will be much above the average."

The vessels now at the bay loading are schs. Fannie A. Smith, Alice R. Lawson, Athlete, James A. Garfield, Blanche, Lena and Maud, Oregon, Saladin, Arkona, Arbutus, Oriole, Avalon and Claudia of this port and schs. A. V. S. Woodruff, T. M. Nicholson, Elizabeth N. and Lizzie Griffin of Bucksport.

It is pretty positive that there are now no foreign vessels loading at the bay for the American market. There are no Nova Scotia craft there at all and but two Newfoundland vessels, both of which are slated for the Halifax market.

Last night's despatches state that the remaining vessels are loading in the North Arm and that frost and herring continue. The Humber is frozen over and the gasoline boats cannot get back and forth from the Arm to Birchy Cove.

Ten Herring Cargoes on the Way Home.

Late advices to the various firms show that at least ten vessels are on the way home with herring cargoes. Sch. Hiram Lowell of Bucksport, Me., is coming with salt herring, sch. S. P. Willard has a fare of salted goods and a cabin load of frozen herring, and sch. George Parker also has a full salted load. Sch. Corsair is bringing salt herring and sch. Gossip has mostly salt herring with some frozen. Sch. Tattler has a big cargo, fully 2000 barrels, about two-thirds of which are salt and the rest frozen. Sch. Essex has partly salt and part frozen and sch. Aloha has about half and half of salt and frozen. Sch. Smuggler ought to be pretty handy to port with a cargo of nearly all salt and 60,000 pounds of frozen stock. All

the above mentioned crafts are on the way.

Sch. Veda M. McKown has been loaded some time with salt herring, but Capt. Norman Ross has been using her in conjunction with the Davis fleet in towing, bringing lumber, etc., and has also assisted other firms' vessels about.

A dispatch to the Boston Fish Bureau last evening from Bay of Islands, N. F., states that schs. Essex, Aloha, Tattler, Gossip and George Parker had loaded and sailed for home. There was good frost and herring in the Middle Arm. The Humber was full of ice, so that gasoline boats could not navigate it, and consequently news from the Arms was coming in slowly at Birchy Cove.

Sch. Ellen L. Maxner with frozen herring from Lunenburg, N. S., cleared from Liverpool, N. S., for Boston, on Saturday, where she is reported to have put in with loss of mainboom and mainsail.

Sch. Juniata sailed from Lunenburg, N. S., on Saturday with a cargo of frozen herring.

They Made Quickest Herring Trip on Record.

This morning the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company received a message from Capt. Joseph V. Bonia, stating that he had loaded sch. Harry A. Nickerson with a full cargo of frozen herring at Bonne Bay, and that she is on the way home. As the craft did not sail from here until December 28, being the last of the fleet to go from this port, the chances in favor of her making the quickest herring trip on record are very bright indeed.

Capt. Bonia's work with the Gorton-Pew fleet at Newfoundland this season is very brilliant and speaks volumes for his tireless energy, efficiency and thorough knowledge of the business, the West coast people and conditions there. That he has done a grand hustle is shown by the fact that all the big fleet of the Gorton-Pew concern are home and discharged or loaded and on the way but three, and these will probably finish up this week.

Capt. Bonia has always shown his worth in past herring seasons, and the season now drawing to a close is no exception.

Newfoundland Government Officials Extend Courtesies.

Inspector O'Relley and Capt. English of the Newfoundland government cruiser Fiona, which has been at the bay all the season, proved themselves friends indeed yesterday. Many messages were sent from here by the vessel owners to their skippers, way up in North Arm. The Humber is frozen over, so that the messages could not be delivered. When these gentlemen learned the situation, they quickly sent ashore at Birchy Cove, got the messages from the telegraphic office, then got the Fiona under way and headed her for the North Arm, with the result that the skippers had the owners' words before night. It was a kindly, thoughtful act, and appreciated, especially as the messages were of very great importance.

BOSTON FLEET HAS GOOD FARES.

Sch. Benj. F. Phillips Arrived After Prolonged Trip.

A good sized fleet of market boats and about all of them with nice paying fares, are at T wharf this morning, 17 of them in all, together with two off shores. The principal interest at the dock centered in the arrival of sch. Benjamin F. Phillips which shot up to the wharf about 8 o'clock. The vessel had been out longer than some of the wharf folks thought she should have been and some concern was expressed for her safety. The craft is all right, but had simply been up against hard weather.

The off shore sch. Morning-Star sold her small fare yesterday afternoon, but sch. Onato held on for this morning's market and made 10 cents on her haddock by so doing.

The fares of the market boats ranged from 8000 to 21,000 pounds, the latter fine catch going to the credit of sch. Angie B. Watson, whose captain is doing a great hustle. Others with good catches are schs. Victor and Ethan, Olive F. Hutchins, Clara G. Silva, Mary E. Cooney, Emily Cooney, Elizabeth W. Nunan and Gladys and Nellie. The headline pollocker Catherine D. Enos has a splendid trip 20,000 pounds.

Although it was cold the northwest wind blowing at Cape Cod Tuesday was not strong enough to interfere with fishing, and the dories and other small boats that run out a short distance from the shore to fish were able to get good quantities of cod.

From these and the other shore fishermen the market received quite a quantity of fish.

The shad from Florida, which were quoted for sale Tuesday arrived Wednesday morning, and proved even better than the dealers expected. The fish are large, and average above four pounds in weight, 18 of them weighing 76 pounds. The dealers expect to have shad for sale now regularly, as the season opens up quickly further north, and the Carolinas are heard from soon after shad appear in Florida.

The fishermen in the provinces have taken seriously to fishing for smelts, and large lots are coming from them. Yesterday morning 200 boxes were received from St. John, and more are expected today.

The receipts in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Onato, 40,000 haddock, 5000 cod, Sch. Morning Star, 15,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 4000 hake.
Sch. Victor and Ethan, 14,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake.
Sch. Emily Sears, 5000 pollock.
Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 10,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake, 2000 pollock.
Sch. M. Madeleine, 8000 cod.
Sch. Hortense, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 500 hake, 5000 pollock.
Sch. Hope, 6000 haddock, 1500 cod, 500 hake.
Sch. Benjamin F. Phillips.
Sch. Clara G. Silva, 12,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, 20,000 pollock.
Sch. Angie B. Watson, 12,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 3000 hake, 1000 cusk, 3000 pollock.
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 12,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Emily Cooney, 10,000 haddock, 800 cod, 500 hake, 500 pollock.
Sch. Valentinna, 1300 haddock, 2200 cod, 800 cusk, 700 pollock.
Sch. Esther Gray, 1000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1500 pollock.
Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 10,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake.
Sch. Athena, 7000 haddock, 2000 cod, 500 hake.
Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 14,000 haddock, 3000 cod.
Haddock, \$2.35 to \$3.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$3 to \$5; market cod, \$2.50 to \$3; hake, \$2.50 to \$5; cusk, \$3.50; pollock, \$2 to \$2.50.

TWO POLLOCKERS YESTERDAY.

Only Fishing Arrivals For Past 24 Hours.

The vessels came along slowly, but really very few are due from off shore. Some 10 of the herring fleet are on the way and will come straggling in during the next 10 days, in all probability. Some few of them should be here before the week is out.

This morning there are no arrivals here except three vessels down from Boston, with no fish.

Yesterday afternoon the steam netters Nomad and Quoddy came in, the former with 4000 pounds and the latter with 6000 pounds, both mostly pollock.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Steamer Nomad, shore, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Steamer Quoddy, shore, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Rob Roy, via Boston.
Sch. Cynthia, via Boston.
Sch. Morning Star, via Boston.
Sch. Mary Emerson, shore.
Sch. N. A. Rowe, shore.
Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, shore.
Sch. Lydia, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Rex, haddocking.
Sch. Mary DeCosta, shore.
Sch. Clara G. Silva, Boston.
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.
Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.
Sch. Edith Silveira, shore.
Sch. Mattie D. Brundage, shore.
Sch. Mary B. Greer, shore.
Sch. Minerva, shore.
Sch. Seaconnet, shore.
Sch. Ellen C. Burke, shore.
Sch. Actor, shore.
Sch. Ralph Russell, pollocking.
Sch. Agnes V. Gleason, Georges.

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Trawl salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.
Large salt headline Georges cod, large, \$3.75; mediums, \$3.25.
Dory headline 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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Has Salt Herring.

Sch. Ellen L. Maxner, bound for Boston from Bay of Islands, via Lunenburg, N. S., has a cargo of salt herring instead of frozen herring as was previously reported.

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THE BIGGEST FISH.

What is thought to be the biggest striped bass ever caught was landed at San Antonio, Cal., December 18, by C. R. Bond. The fish weighed 55 pounds, was 49 1-2 inches in length and 38 1-2 inches in girth.

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Herring Vessels at North Sydney.

Schs. Essex and Corsair from Bay of Islands, N. F., for this port, were at North Sydney Sunday last.

MOSTLY FROM MARKET BOATS.

Fair Amount of Fish at Boston Today.

There is a fair amount of fresh fish at T wharf today and practically the whole of it is from the market boats, as none of the big off-shore vessels are in. Despite this, there is an apparent softening of prices, which indicates that trade is not too good.

Some of the shore fleet have fine trips, but the dealers are evidently expecting that the off-shore vessels will pile in between now and Monday and load them up and therefore \$3.00 is the banner price for haddock and large cod. Hake hold pretty good and pollock are at \$2.00 but there is an evident weakness to the market which bodes no great prospect for the craft arriving the rest of this week.

The receipts in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, 5000 cod.
Sch. Stranger, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 500 hake, 2000 cusk.
Sch. Nettie, 400 haddock, 1200 cod.
Sch. Mary C. Santos, 16,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 4000 hake.
Sch. Minerva, 5000 haddock, 3000 cod, 1500 hake, 2000 pollock.
Sch. Edith Silveira, 2000 haddock, 1000 cod.
Sch. Mattie Brundage, 2000 haddock, 8000 cod, 1500 pollock.
Sch. Mary DeCosta, 4500 haddock, 3000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Evelyn M. Thompson, 14,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 3000 hake, 1500 pollock.
Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 pollock, 300 halibut.
Sch. Motor, 9000 haddock, 1500 cod.
Sch. Mabel Bryson, 7000 cod.
Sch. Manomet, 8000 haddock, 2000 cod, 6000 pollock.
Sch. Rebecca, 6000 haddock, 3000 cod, 6000 pollock.
Sch. Maxwell, 1000 cod, 2000 pollock.
Sch. Little Fannie, 9000 haddock, 1000 cod, 500 pollock.
Sch. Tecumseh, 3000 haddock, 2000 cod.
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 8000 haddock, 500 cod.
Sch. Genesta, 3500 haddock, 1700 cod, 1000 hake, 4500 pollock.
Sch. Galatea, 12,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 4000 hake.
Sch. Louis C. Totman, 7000 cod.
Sch. Lillian, 10,000 haddock, 200 cod, 200 hake.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, 5500 haddock, 100 cod, 1200 pollock.
Sch. Ida M. Silva, 4000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 pollock.
Haddock, \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$3; market cod, \$2.50 to \$3; hake, \$2.50 to \$4; pollock, \$2; halibut, 38c per lb.

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STEAM NETTERS MADE TRIPS.

Cargo of Salt Herring Also Arrived Here.

The steam netters made their daily trip yesterday and got in about dark with fair catches, but this morning there are no arrivals.

The British sch. Juniata, which has been looked for for several days, came along before nightfall, from Bay of Islands, N. F., with a cargo of salt herring. It is reported that the cargo is sold to L. A. Treat of Boston and that it will be smoked here, although this latter is denied here.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Br. sch. Juniata, Bay of Islands, N. F., 900 bbls. salt herring, 300 bbls. pickled herring.
Steamer Nomad, shore, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
Steamer Quoddy, shore, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Ellen C. Burke, shore.