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1,700,000 LBS. OF FRESH FISH.

Banner Day of the Season at T Wharf.

This is the banner fish day of the season at Boston this morning. The wharf is simply an island surrounded by an ocean of fish and the overflow is tied up at adjoining wharves, also over to East Boston and at anchor in the stream.

In all there are 55 vessels in, 15 being off shores, one a British herring vessel and 39 market boats. In all there are nearly 1,700,000 pounds of fish in the whole fleet in, the heaviest single morning receipts of the whole season. Prices of course rule low, as is to be expected and lots of fish were unsold, in fact many vessels cannot get anywhere near the wharf.

The 15 off-shore vessels have over a million pounds of fish between them and nearly half of the fish are cod. Sch. Manhasset, Capt. William Harding, has the largest fare, 125,000 pounds, indeed it is the largest fare brought in this whole season by a vessel of the haddock fleet. Sch. Slade Gorton, Capt. George E. Heckman and sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, Capt. John Atwood, each have 100,000 pounds of cod and haddock. Schs. Lillian, Josie and Phebe, Thomas A. Cromwell and Mildred Robinson have from 70,000 to 80,000 pounds each. The other off-shores have from 30,000 to 60,000 pounds each.

The fares of the market boats average about 13,000 pounds each and this for two days fishing, showing that fish are getting somewhat scarce along the shore grounds. The little sch. Freedom was full and running over, even having fish on deck. Her haul was 15,000 pounds of codfish.

Of the shore boats, sch. Helen B. Thomas has the largest fare, 28,000 pounds. Others with good trips are sch. Warren M. Goodspeed 20,000 pounds, sch. Flora J. Sears, 26,000 pounds, sch. Elva L. Spurling 18,000 pounds, sch. Annie Perry 19,000 pounds, sch. Aspinet 23,000 pounds, sch. Mary T. Fallon 19,000 pounds, sch. Manomet 22,000 pounds, sch. Catherine D. Enos 17,000 pounds, sch. Washakie 16,000 pounds, sch. Athena 24,000 pounds.

The herring craft is the British sch. J. B. Young of Lunenburg, N. S., from Fortune Bay, N. F. She has frozen herring.

Shore haddock brought \$2.50 to \$2.75 and shore large cod \$3, with markets at \$2, hake went at from \$2.50 to \$3.50, pollock \$2.50 and cusk \$2. Off-shore haddock sold at \$1.80, off-shore large cod \$2.25 and markets \$1.50, the latter figure being 10c below splitting price here. Many trips are unsold and lots of vessels will not be able even to get near the wharf until tomorrow to take out their trips.

The receipts in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Moanam, 33,000 haddock, 23,000 cod, 1000 pollock.
Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, 30,000 haddock, 19,000 cod.
Sch. Louisa R. Sylva, 20,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 1000 hake, 2000 cusk.
Sch. Mary C. Santos, 34,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 1000 hake, 1000 cusk.
Sch. Josie and Phebe, 2000 haddock, 3000 cod, 50,000 hake, 15,000 cusk.
Sch. Lillian, 30,000 haddock, 50,000 cod.
Sch. Manhasset, 60,000 haddock, 65,000 cod.
Sch. Flora S. Nickerson, 25,000 haddock, 25,000 cod.
Sch. Thomas A. Cromwell, 50,000 haddock, 30,000 cod.
Sch. Romance
Sch. Mildred Robinson, 40,000 haddock, 37,000 cod.
Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, 60,000 haddock, 40,000 cod.
Sch. Slade Gorton, 30,000 haddock, 70,000 cod.
Sch. Terra Nova, 34,000 haddock, 28,000 cod.
Sch. Jessie Costa, 15,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 10,000 hake, 5000 pollock.
Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 15,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 10,000 hake.
Sch. Annie Perry, 12,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 4000 pollock.
Sch. Alice, 2000 haddock, 500 cod, 2000 hake.
Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 17,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake, 1000 pollock.
Sch. Mattie D. Brundage.
Sch. Flora J. Sears, 20,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 3000 hake.

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Sch. Nettie Franklin, 7000 haddock, 3500 cod, 5000 pollock.
Sch. Ellen C. Burke, 11,000 haddock, 800 cod, 3500 hake.
Sch. Hortense, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Edith Silveria, 10,000 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake.
Sch. Stranger, 2500 haddock, 1500 cod, 8000 hake.
Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 10,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 7000 hake.
Sch. Priscilla, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 pollock.
Sch. Blanche F. Irving, 7000 haddock, 1000 cod.
Sch. Aspinet, 4000 haddock, 4000 cod, 15,000 hake.
Sch. Seacomet, 6000 haddock, 800 cod, 4000 hake.
Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 8000 haddock, 2000 cod, 6000 hake, 3000 pollock.
Sch. Ida M. Silva.
Sch. Azorean, 1200 cod.
Sch. N. A. Rowe, 1500 cod.
Sch. Washakie, 11,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Freedom, 15,000 cod.
Sch. Valentina, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1500 hake, 1500 cusk.
Sch. Athena, 23,000 haddock, 1000 cod.
Sch. Little Fanny.
Sch. Esther Gray, 2500 haddock, 3500 cod.
Sch. Rose Standish, 4000 haddock, 1500 cod, 1500 hake, 1500 pollock.
Sch. Maud F. Silva, 7000 haddock,

2000 cod.
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 6500 haddock, 1500 cod, 3000 pollock.
Sch. Emily Cooney, 6000 haddock, 1500 cod, 1000 hake, 1000 cusk, 4000 pollock.
Sch. Emily Sears.
Sch. Massasoit, 200 haddock, 3000 cod.
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, 1800 haddock, 15,000 cod, 500 pollock.
Sch. Sarah, 3000 cod.
Sch. Juliette, 1500 haddock, 2500 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. William H. Clement, 5000 cod.
Sch. Lydia.
Sch. Hobo, 6000 cod.
Sch. Manomet, 8000 haddock, 4000 cod, 5000 hake, 2500 cusk, 2500 pollock.
Br. sch. J. B. Young, frozen herring.
Off-shore haddock, \$1.80 per cwt.; off-shore large cod, \$2.25; off-shore market cod, \$1.50; shore haddock, \$2.50 to \$2.75; shore large cod, \$3; shore market cod, \$2; hake, \$2.50 to \$3.50; pollock, \$2.50; cusk, \$2.

HALIBUT WEEK AT PORTLAND.

Receipts Aggregating 110,000 Pounds,
Largest for Many Years.

Says the Portland Press of Saturday: "This has been halibut week in Portland. Up to last night there had been received 110,000 pounds on five trips, the largest for any one week this season and probably for many seasons. The great influx in halibut had its effect on the price, for while the first few pounds received commanded 13 and 15 cents a pound, this had dropped to 8 cents for gray and 10 cents for white yesterday.

"Another trip was brought into port yesterday which made the big total given above. This arrived on the Gloucester schooner Colonial, Capt. Isaac Merchant, and amounted to 20,000 pounds. The Colonial had been fishing on Quero and Capt. Merchant reported that he had had a rough time through the gales had not been particularly severe. He had spent nearly five weeks outside, and the greater part of that time there were stiff winds. Capt. Merchant reported that a fleet of about 15 vessels are still on Quero.

"Over a hundred thousand pounds of fish in a week could not be taken care of in the Portland market alone. There have been other places supplied and the J. W. Trefethen Co., who purchased every pound of halibut brought in, has sent large quantities to all points through the state and as far as New York. Whether or not the demand will keep up in the other cities will depend upon the fate of about 300,000 pounds of halibut now reported to be on the way to Boston from the Pacific, but delayed because of accidents on the railroads. If this should fail to arrive, there will be a demand for every pound that can be shipped from Portland, whether here now or coming later."

SECURING COD EGGS.

U. S. Fish Commission Steamer Gannet Has Begun Season's Work.

The United States fish commission steamer Gannet arrived at Portland from the Boothbay hatchery Friday on her first trip this season in search of cod eggs. About 2,000,000 eggs were secured from the fleet of fishermen off Cape Elizabeth Friday morning and the steamer went out again to get a further supply. This is only a preliminary trip on the part of the Gannet as she is not yet fully

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equipped for business, but on her next trip up she will have a full crew on board and from that time on until next fall, will do a considerably larger business than ever before in securing cod, flounder and lobster eggs for propagation at the hatchery, although no attempt will be made to gather lobster eggs until next month. Considerable improvement has been made during the winter on the buildings and equipment at the hatchery and everything now is in first class condition.

Portland Fish Notes.

The local fishing fleet started out bright and early Friday morning for the cod grounds and with the fine weather prevailing it is probable they will all be in Monday morning with good fares. A big call for fish is reported at all the leading ports, the high prices on meats causing many people to cultivate the fish habit.

The fishing schooner Carrie and Mildred, which has been laid up at Central wharf for the past two weeks with machinery damaged, has completed repairs and will start out in a few days in the fish business, operating the Atwood patent seine.

One trip of ground fish was brought here Friday, that on the Cape Porpoise schooner Sadie Nunan which discharged her fare of 7000 pounds at Central wharf.

Between 500 and 600 barrels of salt clams formed the cargo of the schooner Lillian which came into port Friday on her way to Gloucester from Sargentville. Capt. Norwood is one of many of the skippers along the Maine coast engaged in supplying other states with bait from Maine. His cargo of salt clams weighed in the neighborhood of 50 tons and is but a small part of the immense amount used by the fishermen in Massachusetts, the greater part of which comes from Maine.

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Big Fresh Fish Stock.

Sch. Fannie E. Prescott, Capt. Thos. Downey, stocked \$1980 as the result of her recent quick cod and haddock trip to Georges, the crew sharing \$52.65 clear. The big fare, 100,000 pounds, mostly codfish, was handled yesterday here by the Gloucester Fresh Fish Company.

Canadian Fish Merger.

The final arrangements in connection with the Canadian fresh fish merger were completed Thursday. The new concern will be known as the "Maritime Fish Corporation, Limited," with the head office at Montreal, and branch offices at Canso, Halifax, Digby, and other points on the Atlantic coast.

Alewives at Edgartown.

Alewives have begun to run at Edgartown. The first of the season were taken last Wednesday and since then some have been caught every day, although in small numbers.

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Talk About Pollocking!

David Gautenbein, at Tetonka Lake, Waterville, Minn., with 1800 feet of seine and a crew of seven men, hauled in 100 tons of buffalo at one time. The fish were unusually large, one of them weighing 47-2 pounds. The day's work netted Mr. Gautenbein \$7200. The haul would have been larger if the seine had not come in contact with some snags. Last year Mr. Gautenbein had 60,000 pounds of fish in one haul.

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Shipped Halibut to Boston.

Sch. Teazer of this port, which was at Liverpool, N. S., last week shipped 6000 pounds of halibut to Boston.

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Southern Fishery Notes.

The first Spanish mackerel captured at Galveston, Tex., was taken on Washington's birthday. It weighed one and one-half pounds.

A strange looking fish was captured at Galveston a few days ago. Captain Andrew Norstum, who has been a fisherman since he was big enough to walk, declared it to be of the "thrasher" family. They are to be found off the Gulf of Mexico and about the Cape of Good Hope. The Galveston specimen was much larger than those usually caught. The fish has no skin and lives on the bottom of the sea, where it crawls instead of swimming.

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MARKET BOATS HAVE POOR DAY.

Offshore Fleet Will Take Advantage of Westerly Breeze.

"Nothing doing in the fish line," is the story here this morning. A few of the shore boats are in and sch. Claudia is home from New York, after discharging her cargo of frozen herring, with a load of coal.

The wind is very heavy to the westward, and it is no fish day for the market boats, so what few are here will hug the wharves. Many of the offshore fleet will, however, take advantage of the fine chance of a big run off.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts

- Sch. Little Fanny, via Boston.
- Sch. Mary E. Cooney, via Boston.
- Sch. Mettacommet, shore.
- Sch. Waldo L. Stream, via Portland.
- Sch. Thalia, shore.
- Sch. Hortense, via Boston.
- Steamer Ocean View, cod egg collecting.
- Sch. Yankee, shore.
- Sch. Nokomis, shore.
- Sch. Lillian, shore.
- Steamer Nomad, shore.
- Steamer Quoddy, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Margie Smith, pollock seining.
- Sch. Belhina P. Domingoes, shore.
- Sch. Elmer E. Gray, pollock seining.
- Sch. Electric Flash, pollock seining.
- Sch. Marsala, Georges.
- Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell, salt banking.
- Sch. Senator Gardner, salt banking.

Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut 10c per lb. for white, and 8c for gray.
 Georges halibut, 10c per lb., for white and 8c for gray.
 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, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.00.
 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, \$1.25 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1.25; salt hake, \$1.25.
 Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.60; medium cod, \$1.40; cusk, \$1.60 for large, \$1.20 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, round 65 cts., dressed 70 cts.

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Want Uniform Lobster Law.

At a recent meeting of the North American Fish and Game Protective Association the laws relating to the marketing of undersized lobsters were discussed and it was resolved that the association should endeavor to secure a common law in the states requiring all lobsters sold to be more than nine inches long, shell measure. Speaking on the lobster question, O. H. Wilson said: "The time has come when the states that do not raise certain sea foods should respect the laws of the states that do." As an example he cited the case of Vermont, an inland state, where lobsters varying from five to seven inches in length are openly sold in the markets.

Portland Fish Notes.

The following crafts arrived Saturday and Sunday:
 Schs. Katie L. Palmer, with 4000 lbs. fish; Geo. H. Lube, 7000; Albert W. Black, 4000; Eva and Mildred, 9000; Albert D. Willard, 3000; Fanny Hayden, 7000; Fanny Reed, 3000; Mary E. Sennett, 3000.
 Sloops Defender, with 3000 lbs. fish; Minerva, 2500.
 Sch. Harvard, Georges banks, with 7000 lbs. halibut, 7000 lbs. mixed fish and 25,000 lbs. salt cod.
 Schs. Edmund F. Black, with 6000 lbs. fish; Hockomock, 2000; Bernie and Bessie, 3000; sloops Crusader, 5000; Rough Rider, 5000.

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NO NEW ARRIVALS AT BOSTON TODAY

Yesterday's Fish Receipts Close Upon 2,000,000 Lbs.

There are no new arrivals at T wharf this morning, but during yesterday forenoon a few more came in and these with some who were overlooked in the big crush, numbered 10 and brought the total number of the Monday morning arrivals up to 65 and swelled the total amount of fish in to close to the 2,000,000 pound mark. About 20 vessels, most of them off shores were unable to sell yesterday, as they could not get anywhere near the wharf to take out, and this morning faced another drop in price, with the prospect of some cod going to split.

The basins at the wharf are still congested and if all of them get a dock berth today they will be lucky as the heavy westerly is holding the big fleet of market boats at the pier.

Off shore haddock dropped to \$1.65 and cod came down to the splitting figures, \$2 for large and \$1.60 for markets. Shore haddock were in demand at \$3.35 and large cod at \$2.50. Pollock were \$2.75.

The dealers are now looking for another bunch of off-shore vessels by Thursday or Friday and if they do reach in by that time the week's receipts will be the largest of the season.

The receipts in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

- Sch. Harmony, 11,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 1000 hake, 5000 pollock.
 - Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 60,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 8000 hake.
 - Sch. Motor, 3000 haddock, 1500 cod, 1000 cusk, 3000 pollock.
 - Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 7000 haddock, 2500 cod, 2000 pollock.
 - Sch. Rebecca, 12,000 haddock, 2100 cod, 600 hake.
 - Sch. Little Fanny, 2500 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake, 1500 pollock.
 - Sch. Mary B. Greer, 4000 haddock, 2800 cod, 1500 hake, 4000 cusk, 2000 pollock.
 - Sch. Muriel, 50,000 haddock, 30,000 cod.
 - Sch. Mildred V. Nunan.
 - Sch. Arbitrator, 16,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 4000 hake, 4000 pollock.
- Off-shore haddock, \$1.65 per cwt.; off-shore large cod, \$2; off-shore market cod, \$1.60; shore haddock, \$3.35; shore large cod, \$2.50; shore market cod, \$1.50; pollock, \$2.75.

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NEW CRAFT LAUNCHED TODAY

Sch. Harriet Christened With Wine by Miss Schwartz.

The new knockabout fishing sch. Harriet was launched at high water this forenoon, from the yard of her builder, John Bishop, on Vincent street. Quite a number were present to see the craft take her initial dip. The new vessel will engage in the market fishery under command of Capt. Ralph Silva of this city.

Capt. Silva is quite popular and a large number of his friends, as well as friends of the other owners of the craft were on hand to see the launching. Just as the craft was starting on her journey down the ways, Miss Harriet Schwartz, for whom the new craft is named, broke a bottle of wine over the bow as she said, "I christen thee Harriet."

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Halibut Sale.

The fare of fresh halibut of sch. John Hays Hammond was sold to the American Halibut Company at 9 1-2 cents for white and 8 3-4 cents for gray.

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SOLD LESS THAN SPLITTING PRICES

Cod a Drug at T Wharf This Morning.

T wharf don't want anything but haddock and pollock this morning, and mighty little of these. Cod are going begging and what few are being taken out to market are bringing less than splitting price. It looks as though quite a lot would go to Gloucester to the splitters. Prices on everything are low. Off shore haddock are bringing \$1.75 and shore haddock are up to \$3.25.

Of the 13 vessels at T wharf, six are off shore with fares ranging from 58,000 to 90,000 pounds each, sch. John J. Fallon being high with the latter amount.

Of the boats sch. Cherokee is the top liner with 9000 pounds of new cod, and so dull is the market that she will have to bring them here to split. The other market boats have from 3000 to 7000 pounds each.

The receipts in detail are as follows:

Boston Arrivals.

- Sch. Cherokee, 9000 cod.
 - Sch. M. Madeleine, 500 haddock, 3000 cod.
 - Sch. Dixie, 1000 haddock, 2500 cod, 1000 cusk, 1000 pollock.
 - Sloop Morning Star, 1800 cod.
 - Sch. Morning Star, 43,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 4000 pollock, 500 halibut.
 - Sch. Onas, 42,000 haddock, 45,000 cod.
 - Sch. Robert and Arthur, 18,000 haddock, 40,000 cod.
 - Sch. Hobo, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.
 - Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, 50,000 haddock, 30,000 cod.
 - Sch. Lucania, 12,000 haddock, 60,000 cod.
 - Sch. John J. Fallon, 60,000 haddock, 30,000 cod.
 - Sch. Nettie, 200 haddock, 2500 cod.
 - Sch. Emilia Enos, 1000 haddock, 3500 cod, 2500 pollock.
- Off-shore haddock, \$1.75 to \$1.80 per cwt.; off-shore large cod, \$1.75 to \$1.80; off-shore market cod, \$1.40; shore haddock, \$3.25; hake, \$1 to \$2; pollock, \$1.75; halibut 16c per lb.

Portland Fish Notes.

Monday was a record breaker in the history of the fresh fish business at this port, the receipts amounting to the enormous aggregate of over 200,000 pounds of mixed fish. The fish docks at Central and Commercial wharves were the scenes of great activity, and the dealers were kept busy until a late hour Monday night in taking care of the big fares which came pouring in from all directions. The largest fare was brought in by the Boston schooner Vanessa, which landed over 60,000 pounds of mixed fish, while nearly the entire Portland fishing fleet were in mostly with good fares. As a result of the large receipts prices have taken quite a tumble, all kinds of fish being quoted lower.

So much fish was there brought in that the crews of the various vessels were all day discharging, and the buyers were almost lost in the flood. Some trips may have escaped notice, but as near as could be learned the following fares were brought into port and discharged: Albert D. Willard, 5000 mixed fish; Katie L. Palmer, 5000 mixed fish; Edmund T. Black, 14,000 mixed fish; Eva and Mildred, 9000 mixed fish; Vanessa, 55,000 mixed fish; Jennie Gilbert, 13,000 pollock; Robert and Carr, 13,000 mixed fish; Angie B. Watson, 13,000 mixed fish; Hockomock, 6000 mixed fish; Bernie and Bessie, 3000 mixed fish; Lochinvar, 14,000 mixed fish; Harvard, 7000 halibut, 3000 fresh cod, 25,000 salt cod; Grayling, 6000 halibut, 20,000 salt cod; Waldo L. Stream, 12,000 halibut; Olive F. Hutchins, 15,000 pollock; Alice G., 12,000 pollock; Lizzie May, 3500 mixed fish; Watauga, 2000 mixed fish; 260,500 pounds.

That entry of 12,000 pounds of pollock for the Alice G., does not look very significant, but there is a story connected with her. Sunday morning the little sloop, in command of Capt. Elmore Gilliam, set out from Orr's Island. There were five other men aboard of her. It was 9 o'clock when she left her berth and at 12 o'clock she had returned with her 12,000 pounds in her hold. When she came up to Portland Monday morning the pollock were taken out, the six men secured \$175 for their pains, and they had not been out of sight of their homes. The pollock had been found schooling and they were easily gathered in with the seine.