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PRICES KEEP UP AT T WHARF.

Fresh Fish Still Selling at Winter Figures.

It is remarkable how the market keeps up on fresh fish at T wharf. Here it is early in May and today the prices paid would be considered high even for mid-winter. There are 17 vessels at the wharf this morning, all market boats, and the dealers are as hungry for fish as they would be in January. Trade must be good, else the big prices could not be forthcoming.

All the crafts in have fine fares considering their line of fishing and all the fish in sight will be snapped up in no time. The feature fare is that of the pollock seiner Thomas J. Carroll, Capt. Charles Forbes, which haul for 60,000 pounds of these "Boston bay blues." It is reported that Capt. Forbes got his haul on the Rips, a favorite spot for these fish in the spring. None of the fleet have been there as yet, outside possibly of the Carroll, but Capt. Forbes is one of the leaders at this line of fishing and the chances are he thought it was about time for the fish to be there and went, the result backing up his judgment.

From down east sch. Genesta, Capt. Lawrence Budrot, brings 57,000 pounds of fresh fish, 50,000 pounds of which are hake, and as these are wanted at a good figure, he is in for a fine stock.

Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, Capt. George Perry, with 43,000 pounds of fish, has 24,000 pounds of hake in her catch and also a good bit of cod and will make a fine slice of money.

The Provincetowners Harmony and Matchless are on deck with 20,000 pounds each of fine market fish and all the other trips, with few exceptions, range up pretty well.

As to prices, haddock is going at from \$4.50 to \$4.75, with large cod at \$5 and \$5.50, hake from \$1.50 to \$2.25 and pollock at \$2, which means big money for about every fare there.

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, with her 60,000 pounds of pollock is certainly in for a fine stock.

The Provincetown fishing schooner Mary C. Santos, Capt. Manuel Santos, was at T wharf yesterday for the first time since she met with the accident that sent her to this port for repairs. Capt. Santos has not yet been able to ascertain the name of the sailing vessel that ran into him. The accident laid up the craft while fish were running well, and may endanger her chance to the title of high-liner of the Provincetown fleet, which she has held for five years.

The receipts and prices this morning in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Matchless, 20,000 haddock, 1000 cod.
Sch. Emily Sears, 500 haddock, 8000 cod.
Sch. Emerald, 2000 haddock, 700 cod.
Sch. Rose Cabral, 10,000 haddock, 4,000 cod.
Sch. Harmony, 10,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.
Sch. Nettie, 700 haddock, 800 cusk.
Sch. Dixie, 2000 haddock, 2500 cod.
Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, 3000 haddock, 100 cod.
Steamer Mystery, 12,000 pollock.
Steamer Pet, 4000 pollock.
Sch. Genesta, 2000 cod, 50,000 hake, 5000 cusk.
Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 60,000 pollock.
Sch. Thomas Brundage, 15,000 cod.
Sch. Gertrude, 9000 haddock, 8000 cod.
Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 2000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 24,000 hake, 5000 cusk.
Sch. Mary E. Silveira, 6000 haddock, 6000 cod, 2000 hake, 5000 pollock.
Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 20,000 cod.
Sch. Ignatius Enos, 2500 cod.
Haddock, \$4.50 to \$4.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$5 to \$5.50; market cod, \$3 to \$4; hake \$1.50 to \$2.25; cusk, \$1.50; pollock, \$2.

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Will Fit Sch. Philip Manta.

Capt. Manuel Costa, who retired from fishing last fall, could not withstand the call of the water, and Monday left his home in East Boston for Provincetown, where he will fit out sch. Phillip Manta, and add her to the market fleet. Capt. Costa is one of the oldest in years in service among the captains of the Provincetown fleet.

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SALT HERRING CARGO ARRIVES.

Halibut, Cod and Pollock Fares Also in Port.

The fresh halibuters continue to come along. Sch. Juno, Capt. John G. Stream, came in during the night from Georges, having been out but 18 days, with a nice catch, 15,000 pounds of halibut, 20,000 pounds of salt cod and 10,000 pounds of fresh cod.

An arrival of note is sch. James A. Garfield, Capt. James Barry from Bay of Islands, N. F., with a full cargo of barreled salt herring. She has been frozen in at that famous herring place since the ice embargo came down.

Yesterday noon sch. William H. Rider from Georges drifting with a nice fare, 40,000 pounds of salt cod. Capt. Alfred Goodwin, who is commanding the craft, has made his first trip as master and has started in well. Sch. Olympia, Capt. Edward Nickerson, arrived this morning from the same line of fishing with a fare of 40,000 pounds.

The pollockers did not strike them very heavy yesterday, four of them landing fares of from 2000 to 6500 pounds each, at the Fort. The small boats had a good day yesterday, bringing in fine fares, so that the Fort was a miniature T wharf yesterday afternoon.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. James A. Garfield, Bay of Islands, N. F., 700 barrels salt herring.
Sch. Olympia, Georges drifting, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Juno, Georges, halibuting, 15,000 lbs. halibut, 20,000 lbs. salt cod, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Louise R. Sylva, Provincetown.
Sch. Charles A. Dyer, shore, 6500 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Joppaite, shore, 3500 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Bessie A., shore, 2000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Elthier, shore, 5500 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Edith Silveira, shore.

Sch. Rose Standish, shore.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.

Sch. Motor, shore.

Vessels Sailed

Sch. Ellen C. Burke, south seining.

Sch. Volant, Georges, drifting.

Sch. Eglantine, Georges, drifting.

Sch. Mary F. Curtis, shacking.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, shore.

Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut 91-4 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. 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.

Outside sales drift Georges salt cod, \$3.50 per cwt. for large and \$3 for mediums.

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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Heavy Sealing Catch.

With the last of the Newfoundland sealing fleet safe in port at St. John's the year's total catch of seals amounts to 320,000. This is an unusually large catch. The steamer Aurora which was reported as missing, arrived Monday night with a catch of 11,000 seals. The Aurora had been cruising along the coast of northern Labrador, and for that reason was not reported by other vessels.

Herring Plenty at Monomoy.

Herring are now reported plenty at Monomoy. The traps there had 200 barrels yesterday.

The Salt Fish Market.

The Fishing Gazette says of the salt fish market:

"Save for mackerel, for which there has lately been a little better demand, the salt fish trade is slow. Herring in particular are in light request, the Jewish holidays, of course, affecting this line. The Irish spring mackerel fishing has been very poor. According to a New York dealer in these goods, the opening price here will be \$10 to \$11 a barrel. It is a little early for definite news from the Norway fishery.

"Reports from the Southern mackerel fishing indicate that there will be little or no fish salted this season.

"On the Pacific coast a more plentiful supply of halibut has resulted in easier prices.

"Shipments to Porto Rico last week were nearly a thousand tierces. It is reported that there are one or two vessels loading in Nova Scotia for the island. Considering these heavy deliveries, the demand continues fairly good; but it is said no one need be surprised if in the course of 10 days or two weeks an overstocked market and declining prices are again reported.

"Demand in general is fair for this season of the year. Old pollock, haddock and hake are well cleaned up, and first deliveries of new stock will find a good market."

Bait at East Dennis.

Z. H. Baker of East Dennis advises that the traps at Bass Harbor breakwater are now taking 100 barrels of squid daily.

Fresh Halibut Sale.

The fare of fresh halibut of sch. Juno was sold to the American Halibut Company at 91-4 cents per pound for white and 8 cents for gray.

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Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Mystery sailed from Canso, N. S., Saturday.

Sch. Moonam was at Liverpool, N. S., Saturday and cleared.

Sch. Agnes baited at Edgartown and sailed halibuting Monday.

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Kennebec Shad Fisheries Opened.

The shad fisheries on the Kennebec river appear to have opened early, and yesterday morning about 25 barrels of fine shad came up to Boston from places on the river by train. A much larger number is expected by the boat today.

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NEWFOUNDLAND NEWS.

The first whale for the season falls to the Cabot, Captain Bull, which killed a big sulphur bottom, reported to be 105 feet in length, off Point Verde Bank a few mornings ago.

The winter fishery on the West Coast is now over, and all the vessels and boats that were at Rose Blanch have gone home, only the local boats now remaining. These report the fish struck in again, and as plentiful as at any time during the winter, good catches being made daily.

A few days ago a man belonging to

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New Lunenburg Schooner Total Loss.

The splendid new schooner J. B. Young of Lunenburg, N. S., recently ashore at South Point, Magdalen Islands, is now reported a total loss. Advices received Tuesday state that the vessel's hull is buried in the sand and orders have been given to strip the gear from the schooner. The tug Douglas Thomas has given up its efforts to pull the schooner off and returned to North Sydney. Sch. J. B. Young was valued at \$13,000, and was one of the finest schooners that ever sailed out of Lunenburg. She was launched last fall and this was her first trip to the fishing grounds. She was insured for \$3200 in each of the Lunenburg companies, and \$1000 on her outfit in the Marine Insurance Company at LaHave.

Largest Scup Catch of Season.

Newport fishermen were made happy last night by the arrival of fishing steamer Enterprise, William E. Brightman owner, of Newport, who landed three barrels of scup, the largest catch of the season. During the afternoon 603 pounds of scup was landed by the steamers Hattie and George Hudson, most of which went to New York.

WELL KNOWN HERE.

Capt. Barry of Sch. James A. Garfield Was in Halibut Fishery.

Capt. James Barry of sch. James A. Garfield, which arrived here Tuesday night from Bay of Islands, N. F., with a cargo of salt barrelled herring, though he has made his home at Bay of Islands for several years, is quite well known to many of our vessel owners, skippers and fishermen, as he fished out of this port, several years ago for quite a while, generally going fresh halibuting, being with Capt. Robert B. Porper for some time.

Capt. Barry is an active, hustling skipper, thoroughly acquainted with the herring business, and will doubtless enjoy his trip here as he will have a chance to meet some of his old friends.

He says that the Garfield wintered well and came along the homeward passage in fine shape notwithstanding that she was loaded full as she could stick and had 140 barrels on deck.

Portland Fish Notes.

The fishing steamers Carrie and Mildred and Robert & Edwin were in Tuesday with very small catches. Fish are coming in very slowly at the present time, the weather of late not having been conducive to good catches.

A great scarcity of bait has been reported lately at all the fishing ports, and the movements of the fishermen have been delayed considerably on that account. The scarcity continues in this vicinity but at Port Clyde and Boothbay supplies are now on hand, and most of the fishing vessels are now going there for bait, the usual result of foggy weather, but better results are hoped for soon. The sardine factory at South Portland is receiving some fish, two motor launches having brought up quite a lot which were caught near Boothbay and the Sheepscott river.

A kitten with a history has just been adopted as a pet by the employees of J. W. Trefethen Co. She is not a beautiful specimen of the feline tribe as yet, but her proud owners have hopes that she will be the fairest that ever was born. From what is known of her origin, she is the only one left of a litter born on board the schooner Topsail Girl while fishing a hundred miles from Cape Sable.

Sch. Rising Billow, which was hauled out on the marine railway Tuesday, having put in here Monday afternoon in a sinking condition, has had a new piece of keel put in and is being recaulked.

Tuesday's arrivals: Steamer Carrie and Mildred, 3000 pounds; steamer Robert and Edwin, 3000; sch. A. P. Parkhurst, 3500; sloop Minerva, 1500.

Halifax Fish Reports.

The Halifax Chronicle, in its weekly fish letter, says:

Dense fogs and generally unfavorable weather conditions have restricted operations on our coasts during the past two weeks.

"Receipts of ground fish have been light and dealers' prices somewhat firmer in consequence. The supply of halibut, however, caught off our shores, adjacent to the harbor, has been larger than usual, but there has been little or no decline in prices to consumers. Cod and haddock takings have been fair, considering the weather, receipts from Hawkesbury and Canso, as the result of frequent and speedy communication by coastal and supply steamers, adding naturally to the all round advantages of the Halifax fish market from season to season. The arrivals from the westward are equally as important factors in this concentration."

Dominion Fish Movements.

Yarmouth—Cod and halibut plenty, when weather permits; lobsters fair; no arrivals today; alewives, shad and haddock, scarce.

Liverpool—Cod and salmon fair; haddock and lobsters scarce.

Isaac's Harbor—Lobsters fair.

Canso—Cod fair; lobsters scarce.

Port Malcolm—Lobsters fair; no herring reported.

West Arichat—Lobsters fair; few cod going.

Englishtown—Herring plenty; cod scarce.

Port Hood—Lobsters fair; cod and herring scarce.

Hawkesbury—Lobsters fair.

Georgetown—Herring and lobsters fair; cod scarce.

Miminegash—Herring fair.

Escuminac Point—Lobsters plenty; herring scarce.

Magdalen Islands—Herring very plenty; bankers report fishing good.

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HIGH FISH PRICES STILL CONTINUE.

Crews Landing at T Wharf Making Good Money.

Five vessels arrived at T wharf yesterday, after the morning report, with nice fares, and all got fine prices, some of them getting even more than the bell-time sales. Sch. Mary B. Greer with 55,000 pounds of cod and haddock and 2000 pounds of halibut is in for an unusually big stock and share.

This morning there are eight crafts in, three of the market boats, two Georges fresh drifter and three small boats. All have good fares, but the prices hold up in almost unprecedented style.

Haddock were going at \$4.50 and \$5, large cod also bringing the latter figure, with pollock at \$2 and hake at \$1.25 to \$3.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, with 29,000 pounds, mostly haddock, heads the list and sch. Appomattox, from drifting, has 24,000 pounds of cod, sch. Galatea, from the same line of fishing having 18,000 pounds.

This spell of high prices has meant unusual prosperity for those lucky enough to bring in trips this week.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Mary B. Greer, 25,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 1000 pollock, 2000 halibut.

Sch. Victor and Ethan, 18,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Maud F. Silva, 2000 haddock, 4000 cod, 15,000 hake, 10,000 cusk.

Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 3000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 13,000 hake, 1500 cusk.

Sch. George E. Lane, Jr., 18,000 cod.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 25,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake

Sch. Appomattox, 24,000 cod

Sch. Ida M. Silva, 4000 haddock, 3000 cod, 2000 hake, 1000 cusk.

Sch. Annie Perry, 7000 haddock, 5000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Galatea, 18,000 cod.

Sch. Eva Avina, 2000 cod.

Sch. Laura Enos, 2000 cod.

Sch. Thistle, 1500 cod.

Haddock, \$4.50 to \$5 per cwt.; large cod, \$5; market cod, \$2.75; hake, \$1.25 to \$3; cusk \$1.50; pollock, \$2.

Late Boston Arrivals Secured Higher Prices.

An unusual thing happened at T wharf yesterday morning from which some of the fishermen profited, and these were on the two fishing vessels that arrived after the first arrivals had sold their fish and were partly unloaded. It is not unusual for a fisherman to arrive after the first sales, and find that prices have dropped, but the last arrivals yesterday morning actually made money by being late.

At 9 o'clock one of the larger knockabouts was made out coming into the harbor, and with her a small schooner. The vessels were watched closely, and proved to be the knockabout Victor and Ethan and the schooner George E. Lane, Jr. Both reached T wharf about 9.30 and when the captains mounted the selling stand in the exchange some of the liveliest bidding ever witnessed there began, and within a few minutes the catches of the two boats were sold at an advance of 50 cents a hundred-weight over the prices paid earlier in the morning. The captains and the crews of the vessels were jubilant over the outcome.

Halibut Stocks and Shares.

Sch. Preceptor, Capt. Fred Upshe, stocked \$3330 on her recent fresh halibut trip, the crew sharing \$73.

Sch. Juno, Capt. John G. Stream, stocked \$2200 on her recent 18 days halibut trip, the crew sharing \$62.66 clear.

Sch. Monitor, Capt. John McKay, stocked \$2200 on her recent halibut trip, the crew sharing \$46.

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QUIET ALONG THE WATER FRONT.

Only Two Fish Arrivals Since Yesterday Noon.

Arrivals are very scarce this morning at this port, in fact just one showed up during the night, so that there is no sign of any great hustle anywhere along the water-front.

Sch. Morning Star came in from La Have bank with a small trip, 40,000 pounds of fresh fish, and Capt. Freeman Decker reports speaking sch. Natalie J. Nelson fishing in the same vicinity, getting only 30,000 pounds on the first baiting and had gone to land for another.

Yesterday afternoon the Georges drifter Corsair came in with 35,000 pounds of salt cod.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Morning Star, LaHave Bank, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Corsair, Georges, drifting, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Etta Mildred, Georges drifting.

Sch. Pontiac, south seining.

Sch. E. C. Hussey, Georges, drifting.

Sch. Good Luck, Georges, drifting.

Sch. Harvard, deck handling.

Sch. Ella G. King, Georges handling.

Sch. Rose Standish, shore.

Sch. Motor, shore.

Sch. Rita A. Viator

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, shore.

Sch. Jubilee, drifting

Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut 9 1-4 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. 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.

Outside sales drift Georges salt cod, \$3.50 per cwt. for large and \$3 for mediums.

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.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Blanche, Athlete and Thomas A. Cromwell were at Canso Monday.

Sch. Mooween was at Hawkesbury, C. B., Monday and sailed for the fishing grounds.

Sch. Rob Roy, recently ashore at Canso, N. S., has arrived at Hawkesbury, C. B., and is on the way for examination and repairs.

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TEN-YEAR-OLD OYSTERS GOOD.

This and Other Startling Statements Heard at Cold Storage Inquiry.

That oysters may be canned and kept in cold storage for 10 years without impairing their wholesomeness was a statement made to the District of Columbia committee of the House by F. A. Torche, a Baltimore canner. Members of the committee showed plainly their surprise as Mr. Torche talked of oysters a decade old in answer to Mr. Moore's question whether the Baltimore canner did not believe a law should be passed preventing the storage of canned goods for more than six months. The witness smiled knowingly and then replied that an oyster would be fit for food after 10 years' storage. The same thing, he said, applied to tomatoes and other canned products.

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MACKEREL SCARCE AT NEW YORK.

Dealers Could Not Supply
Boston Market Yesterday.

New York had no mackerel to send to Boston yesterday, and the retailers who are handling them now were at a loss what to do until the arrival of the freight train from Cape Cod.

On this train they found some 10 barrels of mackerel from Vineyard Haven and other places on the South shore of Cape Cod. This gave the dealers what they needed for urgent orders, and the 50 mackerel taken in a trap at Newport also helped.

One Netter at New York Yesterday.

The netting sch. *Crustacean*, which arrived at New York yesterday with a small catch of mackerel took her fare 45 miles southeast of the highlands of Navesink.

Will Fit Sch. *Preceptor*.

Capt. Joseph Smith will now fit sch. *Preceptor* for seining.

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SCHOONER STRUCK WHALE

Sch. *Monitor* Bore Marks of
Impact on Her Forefoot.

Sch. *Monitor*, Capt. Jack McKay, which arrived at this port on Monday, struck a whale fair and square on the passage home. The leviathan must have been stunned all right, as the blow was heavy enough to leave a mark on the bow of the vessel.

The craft was bowling along at a good jog, with everything drawing, and was about half way between Grand Bank and Quero, one night last week, when suddenly she stopped for a second or so, with a shock that started every man below from his bunk and brought them on deck with grand rush.

"Must have struck a wreck," said one chap; "better try the pumps and see how thing are." They were at loss to account for it, until looking to leeward, a pair of sharp eyes made out a big black body close by. It needed but a glance to see that it was a whale and that the old chap was lying on the surface, apparently stunned.

The crew did not hang around to see just how his whaleship felt about being hit below the belt, but swung the vessel off on the course again for home. For all they knew the big fellow might have been killed; anyway he left his mark on the forefoot.

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Dominion Fish Reports.

Liverpool—Cod, lobsters and salmon fair.
Canso—Cod fair; lobsters scarce.
Whitehead—Lobsters fair.
Queensport—Lobsters fair; no herring reported.
West Arichat—Lobsters fair.
Arichat—Haddock and lobsters fair.
Petit-de-Grat—Lobsters fair.
Englishtown—Herring fair; cod scarce.
Marbou—Herring and lobsters fair.
Port Hood—Lobsters fair; cod and herring scarce.
Hawkesbury—Lobsters fair.

May Sell Halibut at Portland.

Sch. *Dictator*, which arrived this morning with her fare of fresh halibut, did not sell here this forenoon and it is understood that the craft will sail for Portland, it being stated that she has received a telephone offer, from the Trefethen concern there, of 9 cents per pound, right through, for the trip.

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TWO SEINERS LAND GOOD FARES AT FULTON MARKET TODAY.

Sch. *Benj. A. Smith* Has 5000 and Sch.
Clintonia 3000 in Count.

Fish Sold at 45 Cents Each, So Good
Stocks Will Result.

The news of two seiners at New York this morning is most gratifying. It shows that the vessels have located the fish, that the weather must be fairly favorable at least, and holds out the hope that others may be heard from before the week is over. The fortunate crafts are sch. *Benjamin A. Smith*, Capt. William J. Corkum, and sch. *Clintonia*, Capt. Ralph Webber.

Sch. *Benjamin A. Smith* has 5000 large fresh mackerel and sch. *Clintonia* 3000. The fish are of the largest kind and sold readily at 45 cents each, so both crafts will have good returns to show for their catches, as it is not often that such a high price is paid for so many fish.

Sch. *Benjamin A. Smith*, took her fare to the eastward of Five Fathom bank lightship, while sch. *Clintonia* got hers 25 miles southeast of Abscom.

Sch. *Terra Nova*, Capt. John Hickey, sailed south seining this morning and several other crafts are now getting ready and will sail in a few days.

It is pretty near time for some of the netters to be showing up with decent fares. Thus far 400 fish has been the best any of them has done, and all are looking for some fortunate fellows to soon come along with 2000 or 3000 in count, which would mean half a season's work out there, at present prices.

First Catch of the Season Landed at
Hyannis.

The first catch of mackerel of the season at Hyannisport was landed Thursday morning by the sloop *Dora*, Capt. Orin S. Crosby, consisting of 226 large fish. Captain Crosby said that the fish were taken off the southwest ground near the North Channel.

Other boats that landed a few fish were the *Turtle*, Capt. Clinton Sturges; *Sea Gull*, Taylor brothers, and *Two Brothers*, Capt. Coleman.

This is the earliest that fish have been taken so far north at this time of the year for 10 years and the fishermen say that they expect a heavy run of fish during the next few weeks.

Yesterday morning there were several barrels of mackerel received at Boston from Edgartown, where the netters set their gill nets over night and in the morning take from 15 to 40 mackerel. At the prices asked for the fish this makes a good night's pay for the fishermen.

New York sent no word to Boston on mackerel yesterday morning, which makes it look as if the supply there was small. Wednesday the water was so rough about Hyannis that none of the netters went out to haul their nets, but those at Edgartown and Vineyard Haven took chances, and sent up 15 barrels of mackerel in the afternoon. The price, which had already been raised 10 cents in the morning, was again put up five cents higher on receipt of the mackerel.

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BIG POLLOCK TRIP AT PORTLAND.

Sch. *Marion Turner* Stocked
Over \$2000 in Two Weeks.

With 90,000 pounds of pollock in her hold sch. *Marion Turner*, in command of Capt. Clarence Turner, arrived in port late Wednesday night and the crew was busy in the morning landing its big fare on Commercial wharf for J. W. Trefethen & Co. The fare landed was the largest amount of pollock brought in this season with one exception, that when Capt. Turner and his crew brought in the record breaking fare of 104,000 pounds.

As both fares amount to over 200,000 pounds the *Marion Turner* is the high liner for pollock for the present season, and as a result of the quick time in which the fish were caught, Capt. Turner and his crew have stocked over \$2,000 in two weeks.

Capt. Turner said that decidedly bad weather had been encountered on the trip, as during the first part of the trip it was foggy. The fish were all caught during the past three or four days, and 20,000 pounds of the entire amount was landed on board the vessel Wednesday under severe weather conditions.

Portland Fish Notes.

Wednesday proved the biggest fish day at this port for many weeks. The prices, owing to the spell of bad weather, are the best they have been for some time and as a result the fishermen realize a good sum for their fares. The arrivals reported were: *Angie B. Watson*, 27,000 pounds of mixed fish; *Lochinvar*, 6000 pounds of mixed fish; *Flavilla*, 6000 pounds of mixed fish; sloop *Alice G.*, 2000 pounds of pollock.

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The fishing steamers *Robert* and *Edwin* and the *Carrie* and *Mildred* both came in Wednesday with very small fares finding it so rough outside that it was almost impossible to pull their nets. A heavy sea was running and the steamers labored heavily, the waves continually sweeping over their decks, and finding that there was great danger of tearing their gear the steamers came in with only about half their usual quantity of fish. The crew of the fish commission steamer *Garnet* went out on the *Robert* and *Edwin* in hopes of securing cod eggs, but did not secure any.

Fishing schooner *Rising Billow* has completed repairs on the marine railway and was lying at Central wharf Wednesday taking on a full load of herring for shipment to Yarmouth, N. S., where it will be used for lobster bait. The *Portland Cold Storage Co.* is shipping the fish.

Sch. *William Keene* now in port, will take on a cargo of 100 barrels of clam bait at S. A. Skillings & Sons to be carried to Gloucester.

It will be good news to the skippers of Portland and vicinity to know that the federal government is to place an iron spindle on Steelman's ledge at Portsmouth.

The business office of the J. W. Trefethen Co. at the end of Commercial wharf is being enlarged by the addition of another story, to be used as the private office of Hon. C. N. Trefethen.

Sch. *Priscilla Ashore*.

Sch. *Priscilla*, Capt. Fred Wolf, while coming out of Boston harbor for this port, went ashore on the east side of Fort Warren just before 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She immediately began to pound heavily, and after the crew worked in vain to free her, her flag was put in the rigging, union down. The quartermaster's steamer, *General Robert Anderson*, hastened to her assistance and pulled her afloat at 4.15. The vessel's rudder is damaged and she is leaking slightly, but continued to this port after the accident. The schooner hauled out on the Rocky Neck marine railways.