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ADVANCE OF MACKEREL FLEET SAIL TODAY FOR CAPE SHORE.

Netters Land Some Good-Sized Fares at Fulton Market Today.

Fish Already Taken in Traps on Nova Scotia Coast.

The first of the Cape Shore mackerel fleet sail today, and will be followed daily by others as they arrive from southern waters. The fleet this year will probably be 50 sail, which is somewhat smaller than that of the last four years to prosecute the mackerel fishery in provincial waters.

Already a few large mackerel have been reported taken in the traps at Yarmouth, which is several days earlier than last year.

After leaving home this fleet will make their first stop off Cape Sable, a locality where the mackerel usually first make their appearance on the surface, although a few are taken somewhat earlier in the vicinity of Digby and Yarmouth, but the fish do not school until they reach the south side of Nova Scotia. From Cape Sable, the western extremity of Nova Scotia, to Cape North, the eastern end of Cape Breton, a distance of some 430 miles, is good mackerel fishing grounds and doubtless some of the vessels will reach that point ere they return.

The principal locality for the mackerel fishers in the early season is off Liverpool, N. S., where the fish usually make a stop for a day or two, and if the vessels should be in that vicinity

and with fair weather, some good hauls are likely to be made. Off St. Margaret's bay and 10 miles south of Halifax are excellent fishing grounds and good takes are often made here. From this point, the vessels, should they not secure full fares westward of these places, will continue down the coast to Canso, 120 miles further, stopping off Beaver Island, Jedore, and Liscomb. In this locality big schools have been taken in past years, and doubtless will be this year.

Off Whitehead 20 miles west of Canso is good fishing ground where the fleet always halt, and often successful catches have been made.

Should the vessels not fill up, they will continue down the Cape Breton coast. Off Green Island, Point Mischoy, St. Peters, L'Ardoise, Gabarus Bay and Louisburg are good mackerel haunts, and where net fishermen do exceptionally well, in late spring and early summer.

It is only those who do not secure full fares at the places mentioned that will go out around Scatterie, and up the eastern coast of Cape Breton, to the entrance of Bay St. Lawrence. However, it is useless to go any further north, for the mackerel are lost at this point and do not show again on the surface until they reach North Bay, in July, although net fishermen usually do well at the Magdalen Islands, notably in Pleasant Bay.

It would seem that the fish after reaching the eastern coast of Cape Breton, descend to bottom to spawn, and do not appear again until mid-summer. It is hoped, however, that the entire fleet will not have to go east of Halifax, and that all will return at an early date, fully rewarded for the elapsed time spent since leaving home last April.

The men who command and man the Gloucester mackerel fleet, as fishermen, have no equal. They are capable and understand mackerel fishing with the purse seine that has attracted attention far and near, and which has been the pride and admiration of the maritime world. For no class

of vessels anywhere outside of Gloucester can be found so admirably equipped, with men, fishing paraphernalia and food as those sailing out of this port.

MANY NETTERS AT NEW YORK.

Some of the Boats Brought In Good Sized Fares.

The skippers of the mackerel seiners that continue to arrive have the same story to tell as those who preceded them. Since leaving New York no signs of mackerel have been seen, although the weather was fine and a continuous lookout kept.

The skippers seem to think that the body of fish, whatever it may have been, is gone by New York and will not appear west of Block Island. They seem to think that a little later the fish will make their appearance off No Man's Land and vicinity of Sankaty Head, but they are in hopes to make a trip to the Cape Shore and be back in time when the mackerel may appear on the Nantucket grounds in June.

This seems to be a reasonable view of present conditions, as Capt. Wesley Farmer of sch. Patrician, who is now in port, reports that on the way home when 20 miles southwest from Block Island he spoke Capt. Thomas Landry in sch. Fitz E. Oakes, who reported that last Tuesday he took 470 large mackerel in his nets, the first that he has taken. This together with 150 large mackerel taken in the traps at Yarmouth, N. S., Monday last, would seem to verify the statement already made that the main body of fish are on their way east to their natural spawning grounds.

Netters at New York.

A large number of netters are reported at New York today most of whom have good fares. They are:

- Sch. Two Sisters, 350 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Diana, 2000 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Lillian, 2000 large fresh mackerel.
- Sloop On Time, 900 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Florida, 3000 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Lafayette, 2500 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Eliza A. Benner, 1600 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Maxwell, 800 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. W. H. Reed, 1000 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Massasoit, 1500 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Hester, 200 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Bettie, 200 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Annie and Cecelia, 100 large fresh mackerel.

- Sch. Priscilla, 200 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. H. D. Taylor, 300 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Dorcas, 1200 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Clara C., 1500 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Teresa, 1600 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Gypsy Maid, 300 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Annie Hamilton, 900 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Bernie and Bessie, 900 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Lear C., 1500 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Eleanor, 250 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Sea Queen, 400 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Klondike, 800 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Olive May, 1500 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Tecumseh, 1500 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Alert, 600 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Theresa, 1600 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Jennie Gilbert, 1600 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Cherokee, 1200 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. N. A. Rowe, 600 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Nolan, 1500 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Sarah Smith, 175 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Conquest, 1100 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Louise, 500 large fresh mackerel.

Netters at Newport.

- The following netters arrived at Newport yesterday:
- Sch. Angeline, 950 large fresh mackerel.
 - Sch. Catspaw, 200 large fresh mackerel.
 - Sch. Betsy Ross, 600 large fresh mackerel.
 - Sch. Helen, 600 large fresh mackerel.
 - Sch. Dart, 300 large fresh mackerel.
 - Sch. Jessie, 400 large fresh mackerel.
 - Sch. Beatrice, 300 large fresh mackerel.

Mackerel From Cape Shore Traps.
The steamer Boston, at Boston today from Yarmouth, N. S., had among her cargo 30 barrels of large fresh mackerel.

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SMALL INCREASE IN PRICE OF FISH

Not Advanced Half a Cent a Pound For the Past Ten Years.

According to President Blanchard of the T Wharf Corporation.

While the quantity of fish handled in the Boston market has very greatly increased within the past ten years, it is the testimony of the dealers to the Massachusetts Commission on the cost of living that the prices have not materially increased.

The price of fish depends altogether upon the supply and demand at the particular moment each day when the market opens. If the weather, which is the chief factor to be considered, is good and the bait, which is necessary for nine-tenths of the fishing in Massachusetts, is plenty, fish are invariably cheap at wholesale. Bad weather and scarcity of bait bring about high prices.

According to Marshall F. Blanchard, president of the T wharf corporation, the advance in price on the common grades of fish in ten years has not exceeded a quarter or half a cent a pound. It is impossible to compare one year with another, owing to the difference in weather conditions. "We are," he told this commission, "anxious to have medium prices. It is a bad handicap to have high prices in the fish business, as when prices are high there is no margin for either the wholesaler or the retailer. I can cite cases away back in January when haddock sold at five or ten cents per pound. The retailer couldn't make any money, and I am sure the wholesaler didn't make any, and it must be apparent to you that it takes more capital to do business on a five or six dollar basis than it does on a three or three and a half basis. In the past three years the prices have averaged higher, owing to the increased demand."

While fish are among the cheapest of food products, the consumption varies but little, as fish are eaten on the average but once a week.

During the Recent Boycott the Consumption of Fish Increased

but it has now dropped back to a normal level. People are accustomed to pay a certain price and they will not pay much of an increase.

Maurice P. Shaw, manager of the Booth Fishing Company of Boston, states that dealers are governed largely by consideration of what the

customer will stand. The entrance of the department stores into the fish business is stated by this witness to have had the effect of lowering "the price to consumers. These large department stores make a special line of fish Wednesdays and Fridays, and that has enabled the working people to get their fish cheaper. If you notice, in any large town where they make a special display of fish one day in the week, their prices are invariably lower than those of the man who makes a business of handling fish altogether."

It appears that the tariff does not affect the fish handled in Boston, with the exception of smelts and herring in the winter season. There is no tariff on shellfish, so that lobsters from the Provinces, which now furnish Boston, the only source of supply, are not dutiable. As to the fish from the northwest, practically all those coming to this market are American caught, and are shipped bond-free from Vancouver.

In the opinion of Mr. Shaw, the tariff does not give American fishermen in the northwest any monopoly on such fish as halibut. As to the duty on herring and smelts, Mr. Shaw stated that in his opinion it worked a hardship upon the poor people who eat them largely because of their cheapness. He expressed the opinion that if the suggested ad valorem duty on salmon is applied, it will stop that fish from coming into the market at all. Practically all the eastern salmon comes now from the Provinces.

Mr. Blanchard declared that there is **No Combination in the Fish Business**, and the margin of profit is very small. The catches are sold mostly at auction and when prices are low, owing to an over-supply, there is a very keen competition to get rid of them. In that case large numbers are cut up and salted.

Figures obtained from the Boston market show that 60 per cent. of the fish sold at that market come from Boston boats, 30 per cent. from Canada and other parts of this coast, and the remaining 10 per cent. from the Pacific coast. As to the distribution, about 70 per cent. remains in greater Boston, 23 per cent. elsewhere in Massachusetts and the remaining seven per cent. is sent into the New England and Central States.

this season, and also 10 barrels of butterfish. The lot sold to Tarr & Luffkin, at the Fort, the mackerel bringing 32 cents each.

First Salt Mackerel of the Season.

Sch. Saladin, which came home from south seining yesterday, had two barrels of salt mackerel, the first to be landed this season.

Netters at New York.

The following netters are at New York today:

Sch. Hockomock, 1300 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Ellen M., 350 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Waif, 90 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Mabel Leavitt, 1000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Mabel Bryson, 2000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Clara T., 250 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. C. A. Dolliver, 800 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. M. Madeleine, 2200 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Marguerite, 1400 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Hobo, 800 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Crustacean, 700 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. E. A. Hooper, 600 large fresh mackerel.

Fresh Mackerel at Boston.

Boston had five barrels of fresh mackerel from Edgartown yesterday, and a few fish from the traps at Provincetown.

POLLOCKERS HAD SMALL TRIPS.

Wind Too Strong Yesterday For Most of Fleet.

The pollockers didn't "kill a whale" yesterday and this morning most all of them came back after going outside to take a look at it, finding that it was blowing too hard for fishing operations. The trips yesterday afternoon were few and mostly small.

Sch. Teresa and Alice came down from Boston last evening with 45,000 pounds of hake and cusk for the splitters and outside of several more seining arrivals from the south, there was nothing doing along the harbor front this morning.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Mary Emerson, shore 3000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Freedom, shore, 3000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Mineola, shore, 4000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Bryda F., shore, 20,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Elthier, shore, 7000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Nomad, shore, 12,000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Effie M. Prior, south seining, 50 fresh mackerel, 10 bbls. butter fish.

Sch. Patrician, south seining.

Sch. Oriole, south seining.

Sch. Elmer E. Gray, south seining.

Sch. Teresa and Alice, via Boston, 45,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Speculator, south seining.

Sch. Lena and Maud, south seining.

Sch. Veda M. McKown, south seining.

Sch. Slade Gorton, south seining.

Sch. Arcadia, south seining.

Sch. Lucania, south seining.

Sch. Clintonia, south seining.

Sch. Ralph L. Hall, south seining.

Sch. Arthur D. Story, Georges, 25,000 lbs. salt cod, 3300 lbs. halibut.

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

Sch. Arcadia, south seining.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, haddocking.

Sch. Grace Darling, Georges, drifting.

Sch. Grace Otis, pollock seining.

Sch. Selma, halibuting.

Sch. William H. Moody, Georges, handlining.

Today's Fish Market.

Large fresh mackerel 32 cts. each.

Bank halibut, 6½c per lb., for white and 3½c 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.

Round pollock, 70 cts. per cwt., dressed pollock, 75 cts.

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. Romance and Mabel D. Hines were at Canso N. S., on Saturday.

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Schs. Romance, Monitor and Ella M. Doughty were at Port Hawkesbury, C. B., on Monday, bound to Magdalenes for bait, also a dozen sail or more of Lunenburg vessels, bound north.

Sch. John Hays Hammond was at Mulgrave on the same date bound to Magdalenes.

Schs. Margaret and Mabel D. Hines were reported at Canso on Monday.

Sch. Margaret sailed from Canso, N. S., on Wednesday for the fishing grounds.

MORE SEINERS FOR CAPE SHORE

Southern Mackerel Fleet Hurrying to Nova Scotia Coast.

This morning finds quite a number more of the southern seiners home to fit for the Cape Shore. Schs. Speculator and Lena and Maud came yesterday afternoon, following schs. Saladin and Victor, and during the night schs. Lucania, Arcadia, Veda M. McKown, Clintonia, Slade Gorton and Ralph L. Hall arrived.

Schs. Patrician, Effie M. Prior, Oriole and Elmer E. Gray, are among arrivals from the south this forenoon.

The fleet now has a fine breeze to come along with and without doubt crafts from the southward will be coming in all day, and tomorrow morning will find a big bunch, all in a hurry for ice and second boats and fittings and eager to get on their way to the Nova Scotia coast.

Had 50 Fresh Mackerel.

Sch. Effie M. Prior, which arrived this season, and also 10 barrels of mackerel, the first to arrive at this port

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BOSTON PRICES STILL RULE HIGH.

Thirteen Shore Arrivals at T Wharf This Morning.

Receipts of fish at Boston today are unusually light, and confined to 12 vessels, all of which have been fishing on shore grounds. Prices, owing to this scarcity are firm for all kinds of ground fish.

The market was surprised by the arrival of a lot of salmon and shad from New Brunswick. In the lot there were 10 boxes of salmon and 16 barrels of shad. Another lot of salmon is expected tomorrow, among them three fish in one consignment, the three weighing 80 pounds.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

- Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 1600 haddock, 1000 cod.
 - Sch. Hortense, 9000 haddock, 7000 cod, 8000 hake, 2000 cusk.
 - Sch. Regina, 16,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 4000 hake, 20,000 cusk, 2000 pollock, 2500 halibut.
 - Sch. Louisa R. Sylvia, 15,000 haddock, 200 cod.
 - Sch. Jessie Costa, 10,000 haddock, 2000 cod.
 - Sch. Emerald, 11,000 haddock, 2000 cod.
 - Sch. Galatea, 20,000 cod.
 - Sch. Mattakeesett, 7000 haddock, 3000 cod.
 - Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 15,000 cod.
 - Sch. Joseph P. Johnson, 1000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 6000 hake.
 - Sch. Thalia, 500 haddock, 8000 cod, 4000 hake, 1000 cusk.
 - Sch. Ignatius Enos, 2000 cod.
 - Sch. Marion, 1500 cod.
- Haddock, \$2.50 to \$3.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.50 to \$3; market cod, \$1.50 to \$1.75; hake, 95 cts. to \$1; cusk, \$1; pollock, \$1; halibut, 10 1-2 cts. per lb.

Held Fish and Sold at Lower Price.

There was a dispute about prices at T wharf Wednesday morning that threatened for several hours to hang up the haddock on four of the vessels at T wharf, Boston and as these vessels had nearly all the catch of haddock at the wharf, it looked as if the dealers would not be able to get any for late orders.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, which arrived late Monday afternoon but did not sell was the first to sell yesterday morning and got a good price for her cod and haddock. When the other vessels began to arrive the dealers cut the price for haddock 25 cents a hundred-weight. The captains had heard the price paid for the Cooney's fish, and refused to accept less.

They held out until after 10 o'clock and then two of the four sold but the others refused to accept the price. The catches of the two that sold with what arrived by rail and boat gave the dealers enough to work with, however, and their worry was over, although they would have liked to get the fish on the two vessels which were new and alive.

West Pubnico, N. S., Fishing Fleet.

The West Pubnico, N. S., fishing fleet, now ready for the spring trip consists of the following vessels: Schs. Eddie James, Capt. David d'Entremont; Souvenir, Captain Dennis d'Entremont; Marguerite, Capt. L. P. d'Entremont; Laura J., Capt. E. L. d'Entremont; Senora, Capt. M. A. Surette; Edith F. S., Capt. A. d'Eon; Frances A., Capt. D. A. d'Entremont; Rapidan, Capt. L. d'Entremont. All are for the Cape Shore, except the Frances A., which sails on a dory handline trip to the banks. The baiting is chiefly cockles imported from New Brunswick.

Stocked \$9000 in Four Trips.

The new sch. Harriet, recently built at this port, and in command of Capt. Ralph Silva, has in three trips stocked \$7000. She is now in on her fourth trip with a good fare which is expected to realize \$2000, making the remarkable fine stock of \$9000 to date. This is a fine showing and the energetic Capt. Silva is having a phenomenal streak of luck.

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STORM HELD POLLOCKERS.

One Fare and One Hake Trip From Boston Only Receipts.

The fleet of pollockers operating off here, with the exception of the steamer Angelia B. Nickerson, remained in port yesterday, so that receipts of this commodity today are small and confined to one trip of 48,000 pounds, which was sold to the Gorton-Pew Company.

The only other arrival at this port today with fish is sch. Washakie, via Boston, with 60,000 pounds of fresh hake, which will be sold for splitting. As this stock of fish is light, a ready market is obtained at a fair price.

The seiners which arrived last night report when off Chatham they saw numerous schools of porgies and bluebacks.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

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- Sch. Washakie, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. hake.
- Sch. Angelia B. Nickerson, shore, 48,000 lbs. pollock.
- Sch. Mary E. Harty, south seining.
- Sch. Rhodora, south, seining.
- Sch. Pinta, south, seining.
- Sch. Arthur James, south, seining.
- Sch. Electric Flash, south, seining.
- Sch. Constellation, south, seining.
- Sch. Rex, south, seining.

Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Mooween, Cape Shore, seining.
- Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, Cape Shore, seining.
- Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, Cape Shore, seining.
- Sch. Ralph L. Hall, Cape Shore, seining.
- Sch. Clintonia, Cape Shore, seining.
- Sch. Lucania, Cape Shore, seining.
- Sch. Arcadia, Cape Shore seining.
- Sch. Victor, Cape Shore, seining.
- Sch. Saladin, Cape Shore, seining.
- Sch. Cavalier, halibuting.
- Sch. Maud F. Silva, haddocking.
- Sch. Speculator, Cape Shore.

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Bait at North Truro.

A despatch to the Times from North Truro says: "Plenty bait herring in weirs, please send vessels."

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Shared \$500 Since January 1.

Sch. Mary B. Greer, which arrived at Boston Wednesday with a fare of 39,000 pounds of mixed fresh fish, is well up in the list of leaders as far as stock goes. Since January 1, she has to her credit \$14,000, while each member of the crew has been paid for his work during that period the snug sum of \$501. Very few occupations ashore pay that money for a like time.

Bait at Edgartown.

A despatch to the Times reports 500 or 600 barrels of alewives in the trap at Edgartown awaiting the arrival of the fishermen. The price is 40 cents per hundred.

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FIVE FISHERMEN AT T WHARF.

Sch. Manomet and Steamer Spray Have Leading Fares.

The arrivals at Boston today comprise but five vessels and among them is the steam trawler Spray, after being out but a few days with a good fare, mostly of haddock. Prices are moderate, caused by a large surplus of fresh fish being carried over, that arrived earlier in the week.

Sch. Manomet has the largest fare, 82,000 pounds, 60,000 pounds of which are hake, and steamer Spray comes second with 40,000 pounds of haddock.

The receipts of various kinds of fish at Boston yesterday and today by steamers from the Provinces were quite large, and only the commission men at that port, who handle this imported product realize its importance to the trade. From Yarmouth, N. S., on steamer Boston yesterday were 1,503 crates of live lobsters, 400 cases of canned lobsters, 24 boxes of fresh salmon, 40 boxes of halibut, 30 barrels fresh mackerel, and a quantity of clams, boneless cod, and other salt fish. Today the steamer Halifax from Prince Edward Island, Port Hawkesbury and Halifax has a large consignment of fresh and salt fish, among which were 500 crates of live lobsters, 300 cases of canned lobsters, and a large quantity of fresh halibut and salt fish. From St. John, N. B., today were 10 boxes of salmon, 95 barrels of shad, and a goodly quantity of pickled and smoked herring and other salted fish. As there are steamers arriving daily from the Provinces, large consignments of the provincial production will find its way to the American market both in the fresh and cured state.

The receipts and prices this morning in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

- Sch. Benjamin F. Phillips, 10,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 1000 pollock.
 - Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, 7000 haddock, 5000 cod.
 - Steamer Spray, 40,000 haddock, 1000 cod.
 - Sch. William A. Morse, 7000 haddock, 1000 cod, 500 hake, 500 pollock.
 - Sch. Manomet, 10,000 cod, 60,000 hake, 10,000 pollock, 2000 halibut.
- Haddock, \$1.50 to \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.50 to \$2.80; market cod, \$1.50 to \$2.75; hake, 95c to \$1.50; pollock, \$1.50; cusk, \$1.

Will Change to Swordfishing.

Three of the shore vessels which have been market fishing during the winter and spring are now fitting out at Boston for swordfishing, sch. Nokomis, Capt. John Pettipaw, sch. Valentinna, Capt. Charles O'Neil, and sch. Catherine D. Enos, Capt. Antone Enos. They will first go southwest of Nantucket as far as Block Island, where the swordfish usually first make their appearance, and will cruise from that point to the southwest part of Georges. These three skippers are highliners in this branch of the industry, and have always done well. Of late years this has become an important part of the fishing industry, so that a large number of the smaller vessels now prosecute it, which has been very remunerative the last few years. The market has been very active during the season and greater quantities are used, notably in the state of Connecticut.

Canning Factory Burned.

The lobster canning factory on Reef Island, Chebogue harbor, N. S., was destroyed by fire on Saturday night. It was owned by Hiram Beveridge and was insured.

Will Go Pollocking.

Sch. Thomas Brundage will now leave market fishing, which she has been at for some time, and fit out for pollock seining.

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CAUGHT BIG STURGEON.

A mammoth sturgeon was captured off the jetties Wednesday morning by Capt. Fred Goodwin and brought into port. The fish weighed 305 pounds and was sold to the Consumers' Fresh Fish Co. for 12 cents per pound.