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## TRAWLER FOAM SAVED MARKET.

### Furnished Haddock Supply For Wharf Yesterday.

Once more Capt. Michael Green saved the T wharf fish dealers from being obliged to refuse orders for haddock yesterday. Several times while he was captain of the otter trawler Spray, Capt. Green arrived at T wharf just as the dealers were preparing to send telegrams to their customers telling them there was no haddock in the market. This time it was his new steamer, the Foam, that came opportunely to the help of the dealers.

The weather on the fishing grounds has been very bad for several days. At times the fishermen were not able to set their trawls, and at other times, when there was a letup in the storm for a few hours, the men would set them, then the wind would spring up again and they could not go after their lines.

Up to the arrival of the Foam yesterday there were only 75,000 pounds of haddock at the wharf, four times that quantity was necessary to fill regular orders. About 9.30 o'clock the smoke of a steamer was seen down the harbor. Glasses were taken out, and finally the sharp-sighted pronounced her the Foam, and buyers and dealers hurried to the exchange.

When the Foam came to the dock men hurried to the caplog, and hurled questions at Capt. Green. When the news that he had 55,000 pounds of haddock was brought to the exchange there was a grand cheer for Capt. Green. He had saved many of the dealers trouble, and they were grateful. A struggle for some of the fish was on as soon as the vessel's agent got on the selling platform and it took some time to sell.

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## FARES AT BOSTON FEW AND LIGHT.

### Prices of Fish Still at High Altitude.

Only 11 fares were at T wharf this morning at opening time and four of these were pollockers. There are no large fares in, sch. Speculator, with 35,000 pounds, having the largest catch. The other trips run from 2500 to 25,000 pounds.

Yesterday forenoon the steam trawler Foam came in with a big catch of haddock, hailing for 60,000 pounds and at the going prices, her stock must have been unusually large.

This morning the steamer Philomena brought in 30 barrels of fresh herring which were quickly grabbed up for bait.

Prices are still way up in the air, haddock bringing from \$3 to \$6, large cod \$6 to \$6.50, market \$4 to \$4.50 and pollock from \$2 to 2.10.

The fares and prices in detail are:

#### Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Motor, 1000 haddock, 1000 cod, 6000 hake, 5000 pollock.  
Sch. Speculator, 22,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 6000 hake.  
Sch. Ethel B. Penny, 18,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake.  
Sch. Annie Perry, 8000 haddock, 4500 cod, 15,000 hake.  
Sch. William A. Morse, 7000 haddock, 3700 cod, 16,000 hake.  
Sch. Fanny Belle Atwood, 16,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 4000 hake.  
Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 600 haddock, 1400 cod, 24,000 hake.  
Sch. Thomas Brundage, 15,000 pollock.  
Sch. James and Esther, 15,000 pollock.  
Sch. Volant, 25,000 haddock.  
Sch. Diana, 2500 pollock.  
Steamer Philomena, 30 bbls. fresh herring.

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Steamer Foam, 58,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Emilia Enos, 5000 haddock, 3000 cod, 5000 hake.  
Sch. Lochinvar, 4700 hake.  
Haddock, \$3 to \$6 per cwt.; large cod, \$6 to \$6.50; market cod, \$4 to \$4.50; hake, \$1.75 to \$3; cusk, \$2.50; pollock, \$2 to \$2.10.

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#### Herring at Shelburne, N. S.

Advices here today state that there is plenty of herring bait at Shelburne, N. S.

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## MORE MACKEREL IN SQUAM RIVER.

### Italian Fishermen Made Good Hauls This Morning.

The Italian boat fishermen, who have been seining for tinker mackerel in Annisquam river with considerable success the past few days, made a regular strike this morning.

Up to 10 o'clock they had brought at least 75 barrels to Fort wharf, the great bulk of which were sold to Neal & Cooney, who will ship them to New York.

One of the boats made a big haul, getting 40 barrels out of the total amount landed. The fish seem to be working down out of the river again, toward Ipswich bay, for the best fishing recently has been down near Annisquam light, at the mouth of the river.

#### Mackerel Catch To Date.

The catch of salt mackerel by the New England fleet to date is 2,746 barrels, the catches for the recent years to date, being as follows: 1909, 15,769 barrels; 1908, 19,147 barrels; 1907, 30,174 barrels; 1906, 9,679 barrels; 1905, 28,888 barrels.

The catch of fresh mackerel by the New England fleet to date is 19,755 barrels, the catches for the recent years to date being as follows: 1909, 46,349 barrels; 1908, 47,307 barrels; 1907, 52,163 barrels; 1906, 33,913 barrels; 1905, 49,053 barrels.

#### Mackerel Imports To Date.

The imports of salt mackerel at Boston to date are 15,524 barrels, the imports for the recent years to date being as follows: 1909, 13,744 barrels; 1908, 28,708 barrels; 1907, 12,482 barrels; 1906, 24,511 barrels; 1905, 15,437 barrels.

The imports of fresh mackerel at Boston to date are 4,059 barrels, the imports to date for the past few years being as follows: 1909, 9,753 barrels; 1908, 11,509 barrels; 1907, 6289 barrels; 1906, 17,251 barrels; 1905, 7144 barrels.

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#### Spanish Mackerel.

Spanish mackerel, which disappeared from Galveston about two weeks ago, have again returned, and some good-sized catches are being made. Some large catfish are being caught.

Some Spanish mackerel are being caught at Biloxi, Miss. The fish are running on both the beach and Back Bay.

#### Provincetown Bankers Home.

The Provincetown fishing schooners Gladstone and Monitor, which fitted out at T wharf last spring for a trip to the Grand Banks for salt codfish, have returned and are now at Provincetown. Both vessels have each 200,000 pounds of salt codfish on board.

#### Scallops Scarce.

Scallops are very scarce, due probably also to the storm, although the fishermen at the cape have not yet accepted the low price offered for their scallops and are not sending many to Boston.

#### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley cleared from Halifax, N. S., on Wednesday.

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#### Dogfish at Cape Negro Island.

Eben Nickerson, who receives at Cape Negro Island, N. S., for the reduction works, has bought from the boats there 500,000 dogfish to date.

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#### CAPTURED STRANGE FISH.

Connecticut Fisherman Secured  
Strange Specimen at Hatchery.

Nelson Rathbun captured a fish Saturday none who has viewed it has ever seen before says the Noank, Conn., correspondent of the New London Times.

Mr. Rathbun was sitting on the dock at the hatchery when he noticed something that he had never seen the like of before come swimming down the river against the tide about six inches under water and swimming at a good rate. He took a scup net and caught it, and upon examining it found it was about a foot long and would weigh about three pounds. The skin is very pretty, being a dark brown with spots of darker brown and white.

When the fish is moving it looks as though it was swimming on its back, but during the entire time that it is in motion it is in the same position. Its propelling power is two large wings or fins that extend the entire length of it and work on the same principle as a propeller of a boat, starting at the head and waving towards the tail in an even and graceful way, one folding over the other. The under side is split the entire length to a depth of about half an inch, and this seems to be some sort of sucker as it will hold onto anything solid and it takes considerable strength to remove it.

The head and neck look the most like a bull, there being two horns on the top of the head and the shape being the same. Every one who has seen the fish says it is like nothing that they have ever seen before, and Mr. Rathbun, who has named it a dingheisergerinmick, will keep it a short time and then send it away to an aquarium.

#### FIND HERRING SCARCE.

Torchers Meeting with Poor Success  
In Ipswich Bay.

The bait fishermen are still meeting with poor success and herring are indeed scarce for the torch boats.

Some big spawn herring have been taken the past few days in the Heath and Gloucester Fresh Fish Company traps up off Kettle Island, and these have met with a ready sale, being of very fine quality.

It is reported that there has been a big body of these big herring off here the past two or three weeks, and had the net fishermen been after them some big hauls would have been made, at least that is the opinion of practical bait men.

This morning the two traps had 25 barrels of these herring and the torchers brought over 40 barrels from Essex river.

#### Bait at Burgeo, N. F.

Within the last two months over two hundred schooners, Canadian, American and local, have called at Burgeo for bait. Squid were plentiful and the fishermen sold them as high as 30 cents per hundred. The quantities taken varied from five thousand to forty thousand. It is estimated that the schooner paid \$50,000 for bait and little necessaries that they required, but the greater portion of the amount was for squid.

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#### Lunenburg Fish Notes.

Sch. Itaska sailed Wednesday afternoon for the West Indies with a cargo of fish shipped by Zwicker & Co., Limited.

The latest report from the sch. J. B. Young on the banks, states that the vessel has 1100 quintals of fish.

Sch. Hattie A. Heckman, Capt. Neil, of Gloucester, is on the marine railway having her top sides caulked.

The fall catch of the banking sch. Gladys B. Smith has been sold to the Atlantic Fish Companies, limited.

Sch. J. B. Young was reported at Sidney on Saturday with 1100 quintals of fish. She sailed again for the banks.

Sch. Alice Gertrude is fitting out for haddock fishing.

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#### No Fish For Cold Storage at Newport.

The Providence, R. I., Bulletin says: "So short has been the early fall supply of fish that the Independent Ice Company's cold storage plant in Newport has been shut down for the first time in its history. It is usually the plan of the fishermen to store all fish not actually needed on the market at this time for future delivery, but the catch has been so small that there has been none to store."

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# ONLY TWO TRIPS AT THIS PORT.

## Week Ends With Light Fishing Arrivals.

There has been but one arrival here since last report, sch. Vanessa coming to anchor about 9 o'clock with a fair catch of salted codfish as the result of a shack trip to the eastward, to the Sable Island grounds.

The torchers and traps produced 65 barrels of fresh herring and the Italian seining fleet, operating in Annisquam river, and numbering five boats, landed 75 barrels of fresh tinker mackerel before noon time and went back looking for more.

Sch. Etta Mildred arrived this noon from an eastern handline trip with 15,000 pounds of salt cod.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Vanessa, Sable Island ground, 75,000 lbs. salt cod.

Torchers and traps, 60 bbls. fresh herring.

Small boats, seining, Annisquam river, 75 bbls. fresh tinker mackerel.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, Georges.

Sch. Etta Mildred, Eastern deck handlining, 15,000 lbs. salt cod.

### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Juniata, haddocking.

Sch. Volant, pollocking.

### Today's Fish Market.

Handline Georges cod, large, \$4 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50.

Trawl Georges cod, large, \$3.75 per cwt.; medium, \$3.25.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3.35 per cwt.; medium, \$3.

Drift Georges cod, large, \$3.75 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50.

Eastern double dory salt handline cod, \$3.87 1/2 per cwt. for large and \$3.55 for mediums.

Outside sales of Bank cod, \$3.75 for large and \$3.50 for medium.

Bank halibut 11 cents per lb. right through for white and gray.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2.

Salt haddock, \$1.25 per cwt.

Salt hake, \$1.25 per cwt.

Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.

Splitting prices for fresh fish:

Western cod, large, \$2.25 per cwt.; medium, \$1.75.

Eastern cod, large, \$1.90 per cwt.; medium, \$1.55; snappers, 60 cts.

Western Bank cod, large, \$2.12 1-2 per cwt.; medium, \$1.65.

Cusk, large, \$1.65 per cwt.; medium, \$1.25; snappers, 50 cts.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.; hake, \$1.15 per cwt.; dressed pollock, 75 cts. per cwt.; round pollock, 70 cts. per cwt.

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### Portland Fish Notes.

For the first time for more than a week the Portland fishing fleet had an opportunity to set their trawls Thursday and as a result of their good fortune a fleet numbering 12 sails came into port Friday morning with fish. While not a single vessel in the fleet had a record breaking fare the dealers at Commercial and Central wharves wore a smile for their supply had become exhausted as the result of the unfavorable weather of the past eight or nine days. A total of nearly 50,000 pounds of mixed fish was brought in by the fleet on Friday so the storage was replenished.

Now that the weather has cleared the indications are that more fish will be brought into port, but the fishermen are not encouraged over the outlook for a successful season by any means for the fish are scarce. Sch. Fannie Hayden and Albert D. Willard were the high liners of the fleet for they each brought in 10,000 pounds. The other fares ranged from 1200 to 6000 pounds so the fishermen will not be able to build any blocks or buy any automobiles on the amount of money they earned on Thursday.

One of the skippers said yesterday that the fish were scarce and that the bait being used was not just what it should be. The fishermen have been having considerable difficulty in securing fresh bait so the small fares have resulted. If the weather remains fair the entire fleet will be about again today, for nearly every vessel was baiting up again for another trip to the fishing ground. The vessels to land their fares Friday were:

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Albert D. Willard, 10,000 lbs.; Katie L. Palmer, 6000 lbs.; Albert Black, 3000 lbs.; George H. Lube, 5000 lbs.; Fannie Hayden, 10,000 lbs.; Watuaga, 1500 lbs.; Fanny Read, 1500 lbs.; Crusader, 1200 lbs.; A. P. Parthurst, 1800 lbs.; Rough Rider, 1500 lbs.; small boats, 4000 lbs. Total, 49,500 lbs.

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# FISH PRICES STILL HIGH.

## T Wharf Dealers Not Overburdened With Supply.

T wharf has had 17 trips of fresh fish since Friday morning's report all with new goods and most of them from the inshore grounds. In the bunch were six of the pollock fleet.

The fares did not run large, the best of the lot being that of sch. Georgianna, which came in yesterday with 53,000 pounds, 40,000 pounds of which were haddock, and which at yesterday's prices will mean a dandy stock and share for Capt. Moulesong and his crew.

This morning schs. Mary DeCosta, Gladys and Nellie, Jessie Costa, Warren M. Goodspeed, Athena and Frances V. Sylvia had nice fares, and each will have a nice stock coming as the prices today, although naturally below the sensational figures of yesterday, are still so high as to cause a man to wonder what fish will bring when they are in light receipt on some of the stormy days which are sure to come this winter.

Haddock sold at from \$3.75 to \$4, and large cod hung up around \$5.50 and \$6, with markets \$3 to \$3.50. Hake were off on the small, these bringing \$1.50, while the large hung to the \$3 figure. Cusk were quoted at \$2.50 and pollock the same old \$2.50.

There were very few smelts received yesterday at T wharf from Maine and only a small quantity came Thursday. The dealers ascribe the falling off in shipments to the storm, and look for better shipments next week. Today the season for taking smelts in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island will begin, and the first shipment is looked for by Monday. The coming of the fish from the provinces will relieve the market considerably.

For the week ending Friday night 87 fares of fresh fish, aggregating 1,859,000 pounds, were landed at T wharf, while for the corresponding week last year there were landed at the same market 110 fares of fresh fish aggregating 3,857,100 pounds.

The fares and prices in detail are:

### Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Rose Dorothea, 1000 haddock, 4500 cod, 8000 hake, 4500 pollock.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, 26,000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Mabelle E. Leavitt, 6000 pollock.

Sch. Lafayette, 6500 pollock.

Sch. Gladys and Sabra, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 24,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 7000 hake.

Sch. W. H. Clement, 20 bbls. fresh herring.

Sch. Leo, 5000 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake.

Sch. Jessie Costa, 18,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 12,000 hake, 500 cusk, 500 pollock.

Sch. Robert and Carr, 5000 cod, 14,000 hake, 1000 cusk.

Sch. Mettacommet, 9000 pollock.

Sch. Patriot, 14,000 pollock.

Sch. Viking, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 2000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 11,000 hake.

Sch. Athena, 35,000 haddock, 1800 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Nettie Franklin, 3000 haddock, 3000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, 25,000 haddock, 1300 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 15,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Georgianna, 40,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 7000 hake.

Haddock, \$3.75 to \$4 per cwt.; large cod, \$5.50 to \$6; market cod, \$3 to \$3.50; hake, \$1.52 to \$3; cusk, \$2.50; pollock, \$2.50.

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# MACKEREL HAVE GONE FROM RIVER

## Only a Few Seined in Ipswich Bay Yesterday.

The fishermen who have been operating with small seines and small boats in Annisquam river the past week with considerable success, yesterday transferred their attention to the waters of Ipswich bay, along the Annisquam shore, outside of the light, but met with poor success.

When the fish were up in the river they were in a small compass and easy to locate, but now that they have worked out into the bay and have a larger range of ground to cover, it is harder to find them, and the water being deeper it is also harder to catch them.

Yesterday the catch of the Italian fishermen was but five barrels and this morning they had but two barrels.

The most of the fleet has now gone over to have a try on the Ipswich shore, and some of them will go up in the river believing that they will find the missing schools there.

Although some stray ones have been found in Essex river, mixed up with the herring, no great body of the fish appears to have gone there.

### Mackerel Off Nova Scotia.

A dispatch from Halifax, received at Boston Friday night, says that there is still a fair catch of mackerel being made about Liverpool, N. S., and that the boat fishermen at Canso are averaging 100 mackerel to a boat each time they go out. Saturday morning there were 38 barrels of fresh mackerel brought to Boston on the Yarmouth steamer, with one albicore.

Fall mackerel have struck about the shores of Louisburg, C. B., and fair catches were made Wednesday by some of the fishermen.

The fish are large and as usual at this season of the year, are well fattened. The appearance of the fish at so early a date may mean that a grand catch of fall mackerel may be in store for the shore fishermen there, as when the fish strike along at an early date in October, they hold on for a considerable time.

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### 5,500,000 POUNDS OF FISH

## Have Been Taken By Texas Fishermen Within a Year.

Within a year Texas fishermen have caught more than five and one-half million pounds of fish, says the Houston Post. This does not include fish taken from the gulf by private parties. It represents merely commercial fisheries. The report for the last fiscal year (1909) shows that 5,542,840 pounds of fish was the total catch of the registered fishing boats on the Texas coast in the gulf waters. Of this, 3,262,840 pounds were caught in Texas coast waters and 2,280,000 pounds was the catch reported by the Gulf Fisheries Company, which means that this amount of red snapper was taken from the gulf. The fish will average 6 cents the pound, which means that the value of the catch for the last fiscal year was \$332,570.40. There are 371 registered fishing boats in the gulf fisheries industry, of which eighteen are of the "mosquito fleet" of the Gulf Fisheries Company engaged in red snapper fishing. This fishing industry gives employment to 1,164 men.

The fish catches were made principally at Galveston, Port Lavaca, Matagorda Bay, Spirito Santa, Rockport, and the various other bays and sounds along the coast. The red snappers were brought mostly from Campeche banks, the principal operator in the industry being the Gulf Fisheries Co. At Port Lavaca about 271 fishing boats are registered. While some seines are used, most of the fishing is done with hook and line. The laws of Texas limit the length of seines to 1,200 feet, and they may not be stretched less than one mile from any pass. Redfish weighing over twelve pounds are not permitted to be taken from the water.