

FISH ARRIVALS COMING SLOWLY

SCH. SMUGGLER, FROM BANKS
TRAWLING, HAS FARE OF
200,000 POUNDS CODFISH.

Fishing arrivals are coming along slowly. This morning one of the salt trawl bank fleet is in, also two of the Georges drifters and a Georges handliner, also one craft down from Boston with fresh fish to split.

Sch. Smuggler, trawl banking, brings 200,000 pounds and Capt. Porter tells the same story as those who preceded him home, regarding the great scarcity of bait and its unexpected playing out early at the Magdalen Islands, which greatly set back about all the crafts of the fleet.

Sch. Thalia, of the drifters, has 35,000 pounds of salt cod, and sch. Olympia, also one of the "hammer" fleet, has 30,000 pounds. The straight handliner Arthur D. Story brings a small catch, 8000 pounds of salt cod, having landed quite a lot of halibut at Portland recently.

Sch. Harriett, from Boston, has 60,000 pounds of splitting fish and yesterday afternoon sch. Margaret and steamer Marchant brought just enough bluebacks to bait sch. Gov. Foss.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Sch. Smuggler, salt trawl banking, 200,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Harriett, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Thalia, Georges, drifting, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Olympia Georges, drifting, 30,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Arthur D. Story, Georges, handlining, 8000 lbs. salt cod.
- Steamer Marchant, shore, 25 bbls. fresh bluebacks.
- Sch. Margaret, shore, 25 bbls. bluebacks.
- Sch. Rita A. Viator, via Boston.
- Sch. Rigco, shore.
- Sch. Hortense, via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Cecil H. Low, Georges handlining.
- Sch. Carrie C., Georges handlining.
- Sch. Olga, dory handlining.
- Sch. Marguerite, swordfishing.
- Sch. Hobo, swordfishing.
- Sch. Teazer, halibuting.
- Sch. Gov. Foss, halibuting.
- Sch. Jeanette, shacking.
- Sch. Jorgina, shacking.
- Steam trawler Spray, Boston.
- Sch. Victor, seining.
- Sch. Lucania, seining.
- Sch. Monarch, seining.
- Sch. Aloha, seining.
- Sch. Saladin, seining.
- Sch. Independence II, seining.
- Sch. Mary E. Hart, seining.
- Sch. Pinta, seining.
- Sch. Clintonia, seining.
- Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, seining.
- Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, haddock-ing.
- Sch. Paragon, halibuting.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

- Salt Cape Shore mackerel \$13 per bbl.
- Trawl bank codfish, large, \$4; medium, \$3.50.
- Handline Georges codfish, large \$4.87½, medium \$4.37½, snappers \$3.
- Salt "Drift" codfish, large, \$4.62½, medium \$4.25.
- Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.12½, medium \$3.62½.
- Haddock, \$2.00.
- Pollock, \$1.75.
- Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.
- Hake, \$1.75.
- Eastern shack trip cod, \$4.12½ for large and \$3.62½ for medium.
- All codfish with napes picked bring 25c over the above prices.

Fresh Fish.

- Haddock, \$1.15 per cwt.
- Large cod, \$2.40 per cwt.; medium, \$1.85 per cwt.
- Peak and Western bank fresh codfish, \$2.20 per cwt. for large and \$1.75 for mediums.
- Cusk, large, \$1.75; mediums, \$1.25; Hake, \$1.
- Dressed pollock, 90 cts., round, 80 cts.
- Bank halibut, 5 and 5½c per lb., for white and 3c for gray.
- Fresh "drift" codfish, large, \$2.60 per cwt.; mediums, \$2.05.
- Cape North cod, \$2.20 for large and \$1.75 for mediums.
- Fresh large mackerel 15c and 17c each; small, 4c each.

T WHARF MEN AFTER MACKEREL

TWO FARES FOUND LUCKY BIDDING BY DEALERS THIS MORNING.

T wharf dealers were right on their toes this morning, for they had two nice trips of mackerel to work on. The hot weather dull trade and low prices of groundfish were all forgotten and they bid the first trip in to 25 cents per fish and the fare which followed up the harbor a little later, brought 24 cents for large fish and 13 cents for mediums. The lucky vessels were sch. Dauntless with 9000 and sch. Lena and Maud with 10,000 fish.

Sch. Esther Gray had 71 swordfish and did a cent better than the boats in yesterday, selling at seven cents per pound.

One little netter, the Nettle, had 450 large fresh mackerel taken off Provincetown.

Yesterday afternoon sch. Buema, from around Sable Island, brought in 105,000 pounds of fresh fish, 100,000 pounds of which were cod. This morning two of the market fleet had good trips of haddock.

Haddock sold at \$1.50 and \$2, large cod from \$2.75 to \$4 and hake \$1 to \$1.25.

T wharf was like a furnace yesterday morning. The handcart haulers, pulling loads of several hundred pounds of fish up and down the crowded dock, fell in their tracks every few minutes, overcome by the heat. Even in the stores men had to give up work and rest, and fainting spells were not infrequent.

There were 25 trips of fish in, totalling about 700,000 pounds, and this with what came over the road made everybody rush. Empty handcarts and boxes took up most of the shady spots.

In one of the stores Stephen Flaherty was twice overcome. Maurice Hanan, hauling one of the heavily laden carts, dropped in his tracks. In another store, William Curran fainted from the heat. These are but single instances which might be multiplied by the score.

Some of the men kept up only by turning the hose on their heads and keeping wet with cool water. A few of the men drenched their clothes as well. It was about the worst morning T wharf has ever known.

Boston Arrivals.

- The receipts and prices in detail are:
- Sch. Dauntless, 9000 large fresh mackerel, 15 bbls. salt mackerel.
- Sch. Nettle, 450 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Lena and Maud, 10,000 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Esther Gray, 71 swordfish.
- Sch. Buema, 100,000 cod, 5000 hake, 800 halibut.
- Sch. A. C. Newhall, 25,000 hake.
- Sch. Rose Dorothea, 5000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 1500 hake.
- Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 40,000 haddock, 4000 cod.
- Sch. Mildred V. Numan, 30,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 6000 hake.
- Haddock, \$1.50 to \$2 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.75 to \$4; markets, \$1.75 to \$3; pollock, \$4.25 to \$5; hake, \$1 to \$1.25; swordfish, 7 cts. per lb.; large fresh mackerel, 24 and 25 cts. each for large and 13 cts. each for mediums.

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Sch. Gossip at St. Johns, N. F.

The salt banker Gossip arrived at St. Johns, N. F., a few days ago, she was fishing on the Grand banks and came in to replenish her water supply. While beating in the Narrows, the vessel kept too close to the shore and suddenly, with a heavy squall, she was driven ashore at a place called Gunners Cove. She was floated later.

The Gossip is dory hand line fishing on the banks with eight dories. She reports fish fairly plentiful, but the weather had, preventing operations. The ship was visited by the quarantine officer, Dr. Campbell, who found no sickness on board, but that two of the crew were unable to work, one having two ribs broken, caused by a fall on the deck, the other having a very sore hand.

Canso, N. S., Fishermen.

Canso, N. S., cod fishermen, while not doing as well as could be hoped for, are landing fair catches. Scarcity of bait and the presence of dogfish have seriously handicapped them, but during the last few days these conditions have improved.

Mackerel fishermen have reluctantly taken up their gear with practically no returns for their investment of netting, time and labor. While there seemed to be abundance of mackerel off shore, they did not visit the in-shore waters.

Trap fishermen also complain of a very dull season thus far, but hope for better things later.

The bank fleet are out on the summer trip, and no news has yet been heard from them.

A representative of Boston fishing interests was in Canso recently looking over the situation, and it is understood they have secured an option on a property there.

The steam trawler Wren continues to land good fares weekly. Last week out, besides her crew, she carried A. H. Brittain, of Montreal, of the Maritime Fish Corporation Ltd., and Capt. Howard Anderson, of Digby, who made the trip to obtain a more intimate knowledge of the trawling methods. They were much pleased with the result of the trip.

Vote Was Unanimous.

In speaking of the recent voting by the rate payers of Louisburg, C. B., of a concession to the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company of this city, the Sydney Record says:

"The meeting was perhaps the largest and most unanimous ever held at Louisburg. Nearly every rate payer who could possibly attend was present and there was not a dissenting voice when the vote was put. The voters went to the meeting full of earnestness and they were bound that no opposition that would be offered would induce them from voting to endorse the action of the town council. Some fishermen who were away from home in other ports travelled five miles to attend the meeting. Mayor McAlpine presided and read the resolution and also the safeguards that the town had provided in their part of the agreement with the big Gloucester fishing firm. There was not a dissenting vote in the resolution which passed unanimously amid cheers from the big crowd which was present."

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WILL FRIGHTEN MACKEREL AWAY.

NAVAL PRACTICE WILL BEGIN
OFF CAPE COD IN FEW
DAYS.

The vanguard of what is to be the biggest United States naval fleet ever assembled in any port has arrived at Provincetown.

By 6 o'clock this morning fully 25 fighting ships and auxiliaries had dropped anchors inside the harbor preparatory to engaging in vigorous tests at war games in Cape Cod Bay.

The fleet is to begin its gun practice off Cape Cod just at the time when the mackerel are beginning to show in that vicinity, and what this means to the mackerel fishermen can readily be imagined.

In the practices out to the southward several seasons ago, the sound of the heavy guns fairly drove the mackerel from the grounds. Up to that time there had been plenty of them, but the minute the big gun practice began, they disappeared and could not be again located for the season.

The fishermen and skippers say that this is what will happen with the fish off Cape Cod. It is known there are mackerel off Highland light, as some hauls have been made there, and today one fine trip of large fish is in at T wharf, Boston, taken right off Chatham, while another of like size was caught in South Channel, which is contiguous waters. With the fish just coming on the coast, the first time too, for many seasons, it seems too bad that the big gun ships have to pick out just that spot for their practice, which the fishermen say will send the mackerel scotching off nobody knows where.

NO BOSTON REPORT TODAY.

LACK OF TELEPHONE CONNECTION DELAYS LIST OF FISHING ARRIVALS.

On account of the lack of telephone communication with Boston this forenoon the fishing arrivals at T wharf have not been received by the Times up to the hour of going to press.

Nova Scotia Fish Prices Higher Than Gloucester.

Says the Halifax Herald: "Councillor G. A. Smith of Lunenburg, who was in Halifax recently says that \$6.25 is being paid ex-vessel for bank cod in Lunenburg, and \$6.38 for the same fish in Halifax. Three weeks ago the price was \$6.90 in Halifax and 10 cents less in Lunenburg. This reduction is the well-known one, prevailing every season—the fish now being more heavily salted than is the earlier catch.

"The prices this season are the highest on record for bank fish. The highest price ever paid in Lunenburg in the past was \$6 and in Halifax the mark has never risen above \$6.25.

"The Lunenburg catch so far this season is about 25,000 quintals short of last year at the same date, the reason for the diminished catch being the bad weather.

"The markets abroad are in good condition, considerably better than last year, high as they were then.

"The price for dry bank cod in Gloucester is not as high as the price in Nova Scotia, a nut for reciprocity advocates to crack."

Largest Halibut on Record.

The largest halibut on record was landed at Billingsgate market recently. It weighed 700 pounds or nearly a third of a ton and was part of a catch of 100 tons of fish from the White Sea, North Russia, landed by the trawler Macfarlane, of Hull. The mammoth fish was brought from the trawler into the market on planks borne on the shoulders of six porters. It was offered for sale by auction by Messrs. Peer Forge, but such is the glut of fish just now that it only realized £2 5s. or just over three farthings per pound. It was purchased by Mr. Taylor, fishmonger, of Watney street, Stepney. "A fish of this enormous size," said Mr. F. Forge, a member of the firm of salesmen, "is quite as palatable and nutritious as any of smaller size. The trawling of the White Sea has been successful. There are now 50 vessels going regularly to and fro, and their cargoes have had a very material effect upon the prices of fish in London. The Russian government, however, has recently shown a disposition to shut out the English trawlers by imposing a 12-mile fishing limit."—London Daily Mail.

PORT OF GLOUCESTER.

Coastwise Arrivals.

- Sch. Wesley Abbott, South Amboy for Addison Me.
- Sch. Fannie and Fay, New York for Kennebunkport.

Lost Mainmast in Squall.

The three-masted sch. Fannie and Fay, New York for Kennebunkport, Me., arrived here this morning with her mainmast head and main topmast gone. The captain reports that the craft was struck suddenly by a heavy squall 20 miles north-northwest of Highland light last evening, when the damage was done.

Quit Seining for Shacking.

Capt. Enos Nickerson has hauled sch. Pontiac out of seining and is fitting the craft for single dory shacking. Capt. Herbert Thompson is pursuing the same course with sch. Evelyn L. Thompson.

Sch. Rhodora Stocked \$3100.

Sch. Rhodora, Capt. Augustus Peterson, stocked \$3100 as the result of her recent fresh halibut trip, the crew sharing \$63.

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SEEKING NEW HALIBUT GROUNDS

Pacific Banks Showing Signs of Being Overfished.

Expert Alexander on Expedition to Search For New Localities.

For some time it has been a well known fact that the present known Pacific halibut grounds have been playing out, and loud demands have come to Washington from the west coast for surveys to locate new banks, where the halibut probably live. Official Washington has heeded these demands and the man sent to discover the new grounds is Alvin B. Alexander of this city, assistant in charge of the division of statistics and methods of fisheries of the Bureau of Fisheries at Washington.

Mr. Alexander, after his long winter in herring fishery, inspection work at Bay of Islands, N. F., returned to Washington and was soon delegated for the task, packed his grip, and started for the west coast, to which he is no stranger, and late in May found him on the fish commission steamer Albatross, leaving Seattle for the untried waters of the north.

With Mr. Alexander on the cruise went Capt. Hans B. Joyce, well known to all on this coast as a great mackerel catcher in former years, and four practical halibut fishermen. One of the ideas of the voyage is to map the Behring Sea and North Pacific to show the location of halibut in any particular portion, for the benefit of the fishermen of the Pacific coast.

Recent letters received here from Mr. Alexander show that the Albatross left Ketchikan, Alaska, late in June for her extended and valuable trip.

The Pacific Fisherman thus describes the starting of the expedition and what is hoped to be accomplished:

Investigations Will Be Valuable to Fishermen in Any Case.

"When the United States fisheries vessel Albatross left Seattle May 25 she had on board a party of fisheries experts under direction of Capt. H. B. Joyce, an experienced operator on the local halibut banks, and four practical halibut fishermen, shipped in Seattle.

"A complete set of fishing paraphernalia, whereby the experts hope to locate the lairs of the halibut and determine the run of fish in each vicinity, was included in the outfit.

"We expect to make a thorough investigation of the Northern fishing grounds," said A. B. Alexander, a representative of the Bureau of Fisheries. "We will start in the lower portion of the Behring Sea and work north from Unimak Pass, then work eastward as far as One Hundred Fathom Curve, and conduct our in-

vestigation in shoal waters as well as in profound depths.

"It is impossible to predict with any degree of accuracy whether our results will be positive or negative, as far as finding halibut in great quantities is concerned. We will trawl, cast nets where possible and use all the apparatus at our command to conduct a thorough search for the fish, and at the same time we will take frequent soundings to determine positively the depth of the water where fish are most abundant. Even if our investigations only bring about negative results, they will be of value to Pacific coast fishermen, as the resultant map of the sea's bottom will show them what to avoid in their quest for halibut.

"The Northern banks always have been most prolific, but the time is coming before a great while that they will be fished out and the fishing industry is too important a one to this coast to allow such a state of affairs to come to pass, so our efforts may unfold new and prolific banks which will insure a continued thriving fishing trade.

"The object of our cruise this summer is more of a practical voyage than a scientific investigation. While we will make many dredge hauls and preserve any unusual specimens, we may gather in this way our main object will be to gather information that will be of financial gain to men interested in fishing.

"We will be in the North about three months, during which time we will have the apparatus, the time and everything required to learn of the habitat of the greatest number of halibut.

"The halibut is a migratory fish which shifts from place to place in schools as the fish upon which they feed shift, but the fishermen know this, and one object of our voyage will be to gather data which will enable fishermen to trawl on what promise to be the most productive grounds at any season of the year."

Major Alexander is a familiar figure to men interested in Pacific coast fisheries. Until seven years ago he made 16 consecutive annual voyages in the Albatross, investigating fishing conditions along the entire coast, and his findings proved of much benefit to fishing interests. Until the present season he has been employed in Atlantic waters, but he is welcomed back by the local fishermen, particularly those in the halibut trade, who will profit by the major's findings.

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DEMAND CASH WITHOUT PROTEST.

Newfoundland Authorities Stiff Regarding Fine on Sch. Harmony.

In the case of sch. Harmony, recently seized and fined at Harbor Breton, N. F., for violation of the bait act and not reporting at the custom house, Capt. Carl C. Young, assistant manager of the fleet of which the seized craft is one, this morning received a telegram from Capt. Christopher Gibbs, master of the craft, to the effect that the authorities would not accept any proposition to bond the vessel, neither would they accept a draft for \$1200,

the amount of the two fines, and furthermore, they would not accept payment under protest.

They would accept cash or a telegraph order for the same and nothing else. The captain advised action as soon as possible, as he was anxious to get to the fishing grounds again.

This forenoon Capt. Young telegraphed the necessary \$1200 direct to Minister of Marine and Fisheries Piccott at St. John's, N. F.

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WILL ARBITRATE FISHERY CLAIMS

Schedule Including Them to Be Submitted to Great Britain.

Arbitration the Second Under Treaty of 1908.

Many in this city will be pleased to learn that the principle of arbitration of international disputes, in so far as its application to the United States and Great Britain is concerned, received a pronounced impetus yesterday.

Secretary Knox and Ambassador Bryce signed the first schedule of certain pecuniary claims existing between the United States and Great Britain, and the terms of their submission to arbitration in accordance with the special agreement signed August 18 last.

The claims to be arbitrated aggregate several millions of dollars and included in the list are many of the people in this city, notably the harbor and light dues and excess duties charged on vessels belonging to this port collected for a long term of years by the Newfoundland government, the cases of which have been in course of preparation since last spring by Frederick H. Tarr, the claim of Capt. Edward Morris for seizure of sch. Federick Gerring, Jr.,

also the claims of Capt. Jessie Lewis of sch. David J. Adams, Capt. Thomas H. White and several others.

In the list are also probably the claims of Capt. Solomon Jacobs, emanating from his sealing troubles years ago on the Pacific coast, and also in connection with the trip of sch. Ethel B. Jacobs to the Irish coast for mackerel.

Both the special agreement and the schedule of claims will now be submitted to the senate for ratification.

The special agreements commit the two governments to the arbitration of the claims and provides the machinery of the arbitral tribunal, while the schedule is a list of claims, both legitimate and worthy of consideration. It is generally understood that the question will be arbitrated by a committee composed of representatives of the United States and Great Britain and a disinterested umpire.

This arbitration will be second under the general arbitration treaty of 1908 between America and England, the first subject undertaken under that convention being the Atlantic fisheries dispute, which was settled by The Hague tribunal last summer.

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CANADIAN RECIPROCITY.

FISH PRODUCER BELIEVES IT WILL RESULT IN INCREASED PRICES.

The following interview of the New York Fishing Gazette with Edward Born of the Seaboard Trading Company will be read with especial interest in this city, where Mr. Born is well known and intimately connected in a business way. Mr. Born has evidently studied the question quite carefully from the standpoint of the fish producer, curer and cutter. The Gazette says:

"My impression is that the sentiment for reciprocity is not gaining in strength as time elapses especially on the Canadian side, where the issue is far more vital than on our side of the international line," remarked Edward Born, of the Seaboard Trading Co, this week on his return from an extended tour of Nova Scotia fishing and curing stations. "Fish dealers, as well as a majority of the merchants I met, are almost unanimously against the measure. People on both sides have so long lived under the artificial dam of protection that many fear a sudden removal of the barrier will injure them in their business. Of course, should reciprocity go into effect they will adjust themselves to conditions as they find them. Surely Canada is not seeking for an outlet for its fish at this time, as prices never were higher or demand more urgent.

"There will be no cheap fish from Nova Scotia, and I cannot see the slightest prospect of the consumer ever saving one mill through the enactment of this treaty. The only apparent beneficiary in our trade will be the Canadian fisherman, who is and has been on the sunny side of the agreement.

"And raw material will doubtless get an advance through unusual competition for the same—new small packers going into business on the Canadian side and also the likely competition of large American curers opening branch plants there, as witness the probable establishment at Louisburg, C. B., of one of the concerns. Furthermore, there is the transfer of fish from Nova Scotia by vessels going to American

ports with their green fish. All these reasons will tend to cause the increase in the price of the raw material, as already outlined, and reduce available supplies in Nova Scotia, which has been short for several years, causing record high prices in the last two years, and which still prevail at the present time, with no indication of a decline or a reduction.

"The slight remaining difference as caused at present by the duty of 3-4c pound on codfish and 1-2c pound on herring imported into this country never can or will reach the consumer under any pretense whatever, so the fact remains that the proposed agreement in this item as well as in many others favors somebody in Canada and nobody in the United States except an unselfish and idealistic newspaper publishers' association and the political advantage of one of our largest and most prominent citizens."

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Portland Fish Notes.

Twenty-seven thousand pounds of halibut were received here Wednesday in two fares. Sch. Mertis H. Perry had 11,000 pounds caught in a two weeks' trip to LaHave bank and sch. Monitor had 16,000 pounds from the same place.

Shad have left their schooling place off Old Orchard and are now to be found in the vicinity of Seguin and Thumb Cap. Wednesday the steamer Dolphin came up from there with 80 barrels of the fish and the sloop Benney had 50 barrels.

Sch. Mary E. Sennett has taken on supplies preparatory to leaving for a swordfishing trip. Sch. Watauga will follow her soon.

Octopi Fight to the Death.

Four octopi, brought from Bermuda on the str. Bermudian, consigned to the Detroit, Mich., aquarium, were dead in their tank on the arrival of the steamship in New York recently. The octopi were in a tank on the deck of the vessel and they fought each other during all of the 48 hours of the voyage from Hamilton, intertwining their long tentacles around each other and tugging and straining with terrific force. The death battle was watched all day and far into the night by the passengers on board. The skins of the creatures are to be stuffed.

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TRAWL BANK FARE ON THE MARKET.

PRICE WILL SHOW EXTENT OF THE DEMAND FOR SALT COD.

A fare of salt trawl bank cod, which is on the market arrived here this morning, sch. Hazel R. Hines, Capt. Fred A. Morrissey, arriving with a catch which is hailed at 275,000 pounds. The fare will provide an excellent test of the strength or weakness of the salt cod market, and the price paid will indicate how much or how little salt cod are wanted by the cutters and curers.

The Hines is the first outside vessel of the salt bankers to arrive home this season, she like all the firm vessels which have been home, being greatly delayed and held up by the recent scarcity of bait, which condition of affairs has existed ever since bait played out at the Magdalen islands late in May.

Down from Boston are schs. Belbina P. Domingoes with 35,000 pounds of fresh cod and sch. A. C. Newhall with 25,000 pounds of fresh hake, all for the splitters.

Sch. Slade Gorton came in last evening with 1000 large fresh mackerel and 12 barrels of salt mackerel and this morning sch. Arthur James came along with 5000 large fresh ones.

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- Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, via Boston, 35,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Buema, via Boston, 100,000 lbs. fresh cod.
- Sch. Arthur James, Cape Cod Bay, 5000 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Slade Gorton, Cape Cod Bay, 1000 large fresh mackerel, 12 bbls. salt mackerel.
- Sch. A. C. Newhall, via Boston, 25,000 lbs. fresh hake.

Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Mary F. Curtis, shacking.
- Sch. Ethel B. Penney, shacking.
- Sch. Maud F. Silva, haddocking.
- Sch. Mary E. Cooney, haddocking.
- Sch. Pontiac, Boston.
- Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, Cape Porpoise, Me.
- Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, Cape Porpoise, Me.

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The most recent reports of the Billingsgate and Leadenhall markets, as summarized by the Fish Trades Gazette, show the total tonnage of fish delivered at Billingsgate during 1919 was 198,934 tons, an increase of 2613 tons; but there were 53 weeks in the last fiscal year, and allowing for this, and striking an average, there would be shown a decrease of 1770 tons in landborne fish and an increase of 630 tons in waterborne—a net decrease of 1140 tons.

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TWO MACKEREL FARES LANDED.

SCHS. SLADE GORTON AND ARTHUR JAMES HAVE TRIPS AT THIS PORT.

Two small fares of mackerel arrived at this port this morning, both catches being made off Chatham. Sch. Slade Gorton, Capt. George E. Heckman, had 1000 large fresh mackerel and 13 barrels of salt mackerel, while sch. Arthur James had 5000 fresh mackerel.

The fare of the latter sold to the Gloucester Fresh Fish Company and that of the Slade Gorton went to Lufkin & Tarr.

A few vessels were in the vicinity, when these two catches were made, and two or three of them also made small catches.

Traps Off Portland Taking Mackerel.

The mackerel have put in an appearance again on the Maine coast, and indications are just as good as ever that there will be a good catch off Portland before the summer is over. Wednesday 900 pounds were brought in from the Cape by Charles Olsen, who caught them in his traps at Richmond's island. They were fish in assorted sizes, but ran mostly toward medium weight.

It seems now from the indications that from now on there will be mackerel caught off Portland harbor. The spawning season is very nearly over and the fish should be coming out where they may be caught. None of the local seining fleet has landed any to speak of lately, but it looks as if some good fares might be brought in soon.

Sch. Dauntless Stocked \$2165 on Fresh Mackerel Fare.

Sch. Dauntless, Capt. C. Wesley Farmer, stocked \$2165 as the result of her fresh mackerel trip landed at T wharf yesterday. The fish were taken off Chatham in 14 fathoms of water.

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New Fish Corporations.

The Consolidated Fisheries Co. has been incorporated under the laws of Maine with \$1,000,000 7 per cent. cumulative preferred and \$1,000,000 common stock, has elected the following: President, Jeremiah Campbell, of Boston, and treasurer and director Henry Zahn, of New York. Besides these gentlemen the board of directors are Bernard Zahn, New York; Melvin G. Pallister, New York, and Capt. Florence McKown, Boston. Mr. Campbell is head of the Boston Fisheries Co., while Henry Zahn is president of the Sayles-Zahn Co., treasurer of the Walton Hotel Co., Philadelphia; treasurer of Smith & McNell's Inc., and director of the White Restaurant Co.

Eastern Fish Co., Portland. Packing and dealing in fish of all kinds. Capital, \$100,000. President, C. E. Eaton; treasurer, T. L. Croteau, Portland.

Clam Diggers Picking Blueberries.

It is a far cry from clams to blueberries, but nevertheless they are pretty closely related to each other in Maine just at present. The clam supply is not over-abundant just now, and all because the blueberries are ripening. There are many places down Casco bay where blueberries are to be secured. The men who ordinarily dig clams are picking the berries and making a good penny so they do not give their attention to the bivalves. A goodly supply of clams is being received in Portland just the same, but no more than are needed. The demand is brisk for the summer business so that the annual harvest of the shellfish must be large to satisfy the appetites of the summer visitors.

July 8.

SCH. SELMA'S HALIBUT FARE.

BRINGS 30,000 POUNDS BESIDE SALT COD AND FRESH FISH.

Sch. Selma has a fine halibut fare at this port this morning. The craft comes from Western Bank and Capt. Albert Saulnberg hails his catch for 30,000 pounds of halibut, beside 4000 pounds of salt cod and 40,000 pounds of fresh fish.

The halibut market at present is quite dull. The buyers say that there is a lot of bluefish in New York selling low, and this with swordfish being moderate in price, affects the sale of halibut considerably.

They also say they have quite a lot of fish on hand on the floors, beside some in the freezers in Boston and a good sized shipment of Pacific fish due the first of the week. Some fish at Boston was sent to the splitters Thursday.

Sch. Selma is at this port this morning with a splendid fare of fine new fish, and on account of the state of the market will probably lay over until Monday before selling or taking out.

The little shore fishing sch. Annie and Jennie is in here today with a small fare of fresh fish, which she will market at T wharf on Monday.

The shore seining fleet did nothing yesterday the bluebacks, shad and herring seeming pretty scarce at the present time.

This noon sch. Hattie L. Trask of the Georges handline fleet, which landed her halibut at Portland, arrived with 18,000 pounds of salt cod.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Sch. Selma, Western Bank, 30,000 lbs. halibut, 4000 lbs. salt cod, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Hattie L. Trask, via Portland, 18,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.
- Sch. Emily Sears, shore.
- Sch. Lafayette, via Boston.
- Steamer Water Witch, shore.
- Sch. Monitor, via Portland.

Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Kineo, halibuting.
- Sch. Yakima, halibuting.
- Sch. Walter P. Goulart, haddocking.
- Sch. Harriett, haddocking.
- Sch. Emily Sears, shore.
- Sch. Mary A. Gleason, Georges, drifting.
- Sch. N. A. Rowe, swordfishing.
- Sch. Alert, seining.
- Sch. Constellation, seining.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Fresh Fish.

- Haddock, \$1.15 per cwt.
- Large cod, \$2.40 per cwt.; medium, \$1.85 per cwt.
- Peak and Western bank fresh codfish, \$2.20 per cwt. for large and \$1.75 for mediums.
- Cusk, large, \$1.75; mediums, \$1.25; Hake, \$1.
- Dressed pollock, 90 cts., round, 80 cts.
- Bank halibut, 5 and 5½c per lb., for white and 3c for gray.
- Fresh "drift" codfish, large, \$2.60 per cwt.; mediums, \$2.05.
- Cape North cod, \$2.20 for large and \$1.75 for mediums.
- Fresh large mackerel 15c and 17c each; small, 4c each.

Portland Fish Notes.

The Gloucester sch. Hattie L. Trask arrived at Portland Thursday from a four weeks' cruise on Georges, bringing in 7000 pounds of halibut in addition to about 18,000 pounds of salt cod. The halibut were sold to the J. W. Trefethen Co., but the salt fare were taken to Gloucester. Owing to a glut of halibut both at Portland and Gloucester at the present time the fare sold at the lowest prices ever known in the trade, the best fish only bringing five cents per pound with some going as low as three cents. The schooner report the northern edge of the Georges banks as being literally alive with herring, big schools being seen in all directions. On the morning of July 4 on the banks was in company with the Gloucester seiner Nellie Dixon on her skipper reporting having seen no mackerel.

July 8.

BIG SWORDFISH TRIP AT BOSTON

SCH. LAFAYETTE LANDED 106 SWORDFISH AT T WHARF YESTERDAY.

There were only two arrivals at T wharf yesterday, sch. Lafayette with a big catch, 106 swordfish and sch. Fish Hawk, of the fresh drift fleet, with 30,000 pounds of fresh cod, which brought a good price. The swordfish fare of the Lafayette will mean a big stock and share, as the fish sold at eight cents per pound, a cent raise over Thursday's price.

This morning there is only one arrival at T wharf, sch. Vesta being in with 45 swordfish.

Boston Arrivals.

- The fares and prices in detail are.
- Arrived yesterday:
 - Sch. Lafayette, 106 swordfish.
 - Sch. Fish Hawk, 200 haddock, 30,000 cod, 100 pollock.
 - Large cod, \$4.50 per cwt.; market, \$3.50; swordfish, 8c lb.
- Arrived today:
 - Sch. Vesta, 45 swordfish.
 - Swordfish, 8c lb.

COMPARATIVE FISH RECEIPTS.

AMOUNTS LANDED AT THIS PORT AND BOSTON DURING MONTH OF MAY.

According to the report of the United States Bureau of Fisheries, there were landed at this port for the month of May 365 fares, aggregating 10,578,290 pounds of fresh fish valued at \$161,840 and 1,989,058 pounds of salt fish valued at \$59,336, a total of 12,567,278 pounds valued at \$221,170, while at Boston for the same month there were landed 7,400,200 pounds of fresh fish valued at \$180,170.

The receipts in detail were:

Gloucester.		
	Pounds.	Value.
Fresh cod,	2,018,265	\$45,292
Salt cod,	856,141	38,108
Total cod,	2,874,406	83,400
Fresh haddock,	579,079	7,953
Salt haddock,	19,581	392
Total haddock,	598,660	8,345
Fresh cusk,	740,323	13,160
Salt cusk,	10,802	270
Total cusk,	751,125	13,430
Fresh hake,	1,281,015	16,170
Salt hake,	6,715	129
Total hake,	1,287,730	16,299
Fresh pollock,	5,267,195	57,133
Salt pollock,	92,644	1,901
Total pollock,	5,359,839	59,034
Fresh halibut,	272,533	17,227
Salt halibut,	18,051	1,354
Total halibut,	290,584	18,581
Fresh mackerel,	7,110	508
Fresh herring,	312,700	4,397
Salt herring,	985,124	17,182
Total herring,	1,297,824	21,579

Boston.		
	Pounds.	Value.
Fresh cod,	2,879,200	\$71,445
Fresh haddock,	2,403,900	67,054
Fresh cusk,	548,200	10,174
Fresh hake,	1,257,200	19,561
Fresh pollock,	181,300	3,323
Fresh halibut,	110,400	8,255
Fresh herring,	20,000	358

French Trawler Had Largest Catch.

The French steam trawler Rorqual, which arrived last week at St. Pierre from the banks, landed 4000 quintals of fish, the largest catch of any of the French trawlers now operating on this side of the Atlantic this season. The Rorqual had been fishing only about 25 days.

July 8.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

- Sch. Sadie M. Nunan was at Shelburne, N. S., on Wednesday.
- Sch. Francis J. OHara, Jr., was at Liverpool, N. S., on Wednesday and cleared.
- Sch. Cynthia was at Canso, N. S., on Wednesday.
- Sch. Vanessa, cleared from Canso, N. S., on Wednesday for St. Pierre, Miquelon.
- Sch. Massachusetts, was at Canso, N. S., on Wednesday.
- Sch. Susan and Mary sailed from Canso, N. S., on Tuesday.