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WIND TOO STRONG FOR THE NETTERS

But Several More Mackerel Catches Were Landed Yesterday.

It blew too hard for the mackerel netters last night and most of them came back, hauling their nets early, so the prosperous performances of Wednesday and Thursday nights were not repeated. The netting skippers and crews are full of confidence, however, and are looking for some more good hauls.

In all, the record of the catch for the two nights above mentioned totaled the handsome amount of 30,000 large mackerel, and brought to the comparatively small fleet engaged the great money return of not less than \$7500, which assures good pay for boats, skippers and crews.

Yesterday afternoon after last previous report, sloop J. F. McMorrow brought in 1000 large fresh mackerel and sch. Marguerite brought in 2800 large fresh and five barrels salt mackerel.

At T wharf, Boston, yesterday afternoon, sch. Mabelle E. Leavitt, Capt. Larry McGrath, arrived with the largest catch of any of the boats, 4000 large mackerel, selling for 25 1-2 cents, and making over \$1000 for one night's work.

This morning the only two arrivals here with fish were sch. Freedom, with 80, and sch. Little Fannie with 400. Most of the fleet returned during the night because of the blowy weather.

None of the Rockport fleet went out last night.

Caught Mackerel on Hook.

Sch. Viking, which was pollock fishing on the Ridges yesterday and arrived at Boston this morning had a few mackerel which were taken on the hook besides her fare of pollock.

Receipts at Other Ports.

At Newport, R. I., the sloop Clara T. landed 16 barrels of fresh tinker mackerel, the Wood and Mack, 8 barrels and the Maud Gertrude 7 barrels yesterday.

A Halifax report of yesterday says only a few hundred mackerel were taken and these were salted.

Salt Mackerel Season Practically Over.

The salt mackerel season is practically over on this shore. Two seiners are yet to come from North Bay. The catch of the fleet to date is about 7000 barrels, against 3915 barrels last year and 16,206 barrels to date in 1909.

The fresh mackerel season bids fair to last, with good weather, for several weeks yet. The catch of the fleet to date is 42,116 barrels against 19,836 barrels last year and 46,439 barrels in 1909, to date.

The imports of fresh mackerel are not yet over, as about every Yarmouth and Halifax steamer brings a

few barrels to Boston. Imports to date of fresh mackerel are 5,153 barrels, against 5,025 barrels in 1910 and 10,304 barrels in 1909.

The imports of new salt mackerel are slow on account of high prices and reported short catches abroad. The imports of salted mackerel at Boston to date are 14,689 barrels, against 22,109 barrels to date last season and 16,675 barrels to date in 1909.

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Dogfish Bothering Nova Scotia Fishermen.

All over the Maritime provinces the fishermen have been greatly troubled with the dogfish pest, during the past summer. Some years ago the depredations of these members of the shark tribe were so serious that the federal parliament discussed ways and means of abating the nuisance. The government bonused the construction of dogfish reduction factories, and offered a bonus to fishermen for catching the pests. For about two seasons these dogfish invaded the fishing grounds in immense schools, and wherever they happened to be, fishing operations were almost impossible because they destroyed the food fish caught on the fishermen's trawls. The next season the fishing grounds were practically free of them and for some years they did not cause much trouble. Their appearance in large numbers last summer is one of the unexplained mysteries of the seas.

Salt Fish High at Portland.

And now the salt fish market has reached the summit of its prices. The chances are that the prices may go to a still loftier summit for there is no knowing how high they may go. Just at present, the figures are higher than they have ever been before in the history of the trade. According to Lord Bros., the leading dealers in this commodity, large salt cod are worth \$9 a hundred pounds at wholesale, medium cod, \$7.50 and small cod \$6.50. These prices are for the whole fish. Salt fish in boxes is being quoted at 18 cents a pound. The demand for the commodity is heavy, and there is still no prospect that it will be supplied before another spring. Every salt fish that is being brought to port is being eagerly bought up and the chances are that every one that will come from now on will find a ready sale.—Portland Press.

Lunenburg Fish Co. Incorporated.

The Lunenburg Fish Co., Limited, has been incorporated under the Nova Scotia Companies Act. It is reported that the railway property in the east of the town of Lunenburg has been acquired, and it is the intention to erect a large store for handling dry fish, and also a wharf and buildings to be used in connection with the boneless fish business. This enterprise has been made possible through the efforts of William Duff of Lunenburg, who has always taken a great interest in the place, especially everything relating to the fishing industry.

It is the intention of the company to do a large business, as the people interested, and who have put considerable capital in the business, have large interests in Hayti, Colon, and other fish-consuming markets of the world.

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SUGAR ATTRACTED FISH.

The crew of the Norwegian steamer August, which arrived at San Francisco last week from Java with the largest cargo of raw sugar ever brought to this country—8100 tons, reports that a large number of edible fishes followed the vessel all the way across the Pacific. When the men desired fresh fish a net was dropped over the side and any required quantity hauled up. The fish were attracted by the leakage of some of the sugar through the ship's sides.

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GREEN FISH FROM NEWFOUNDLAND.

FORMER BOSTON CRAFT NOW FLYING THE BRITISH FLAG BRINGS CARGO HERE.

The former crack Boston fisherman Benjamin F. Phillips, winner of the famous Fisherman's race, in 1892, which was sold to Newfoundland parties a while ago, looked strange this morning, coming up the harbor flying the Union Jack at the mast-head. She was from Placentia, N. F., in command of Capt. Phillip Lake, and brought a cargo of green and cured codfish, aggregating 410,000 pounds. She was deep in the water and looked as though she had all she could possibly carry. The cargo is for the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company, having been bought recently in the vicinity of Placentia and Grand Bank, by the agent of that concern.

Yesterday afternoon schs. Rita A. Viator and Edith Silveira brought in small hake trips and this morning the Portland sch. Angie B. Watson also came in with a hake fare, all three going to the splitters.

The other arrivals were schs. Mattie Winship, from Georges handling with 18,000 pounds of salt cod, sch. Jubilee from drifting with 30,000 pounds of salt cod, and sch. Frances P. Mesquita, down from Boston, with 20,000 pounds of fresh fish for the splitters.

Sch. Mabel D. Hines, one of the outside members of the salt trawl bank fleet, also came in this morning from her second trip of the season, hailing for 100,000 pounds of salt cod, the fare being on the market.

Portland Fish Notes.

Thursday proved to be another fish day at Portland, though it was not as large as the one before. In all 50,000 pounds of the sea food were brought in and the amount was readily welcomed. The fares reported were sch. Katie, L. Palmer, 20,000; sch. Edmund F. Black, 18,000, and sch. Topsail Girl, 12,000.

The work of repairing the boiler of the fishing steamer Pet has been finished and the boiler returned to the steamer. Yesterday she was in readiness to make a trip and will leave today under command of Capt. George Davis for Boothbay to take on her seines. The Carrie and Mildred which has been used by Capt. Davis has been hauled up temporarily.

The fishing sch. Dorcas has gone to the marine railway to be painted. She will then return to this side of the harbor and fit out, probably for trawling.

Fred Fowler, a Long Island fisherman, is certainly a hustler, coming in twice Thursday with his Hampton boat well loaded with fish, which is said to be a record performance. He took out his first catch at Daggett's about 10 o'clock in the forenoon and at 2 o'clock in the afternoon was back with a second fare, making a good stock each time.

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Will Bring Fish From Aberdeen.

A new development in the fishery situation in the zone between Massachusetts and Labrador, is that a prominent Nova Scotia concern has recently made arrangements for securing a cargo of wet-salted fish, from Aberdeen, which will be carried across to Halifax by vessel, and then re-handled and treated, so as to be sent to the West India market. The Halifax people have been induced to adopt this policy because they found they could purchase cod on the East Coast of England and Scotland which had been caught in the North Sea and adjacent waters, and then partly cured at a figure below what the same article could be bought for on this side of the Atlantic, and if the venture proves successful, other purchases of the same kind will be made in the not distant future. This will introduce a new factor into the competition on our side of the herring-pond, and we hope it will spur our fishermen and dealers to turn out an article which will steadily control the market.—St. John's, N. F., Chronicle.

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MAKING READY FOR PACIFIC TRIP

SCHS. ATHENA AND VICTOR AND ETHAN EXPECT TO START NEXT MONTH.

The knockabout fishing sch. Victor and Ethan of Boston, which has been at this port for several weeks, having a gasoline engine installed and otherwise being made ready for her long trip around Cape Horn to the Pacific coast, where she will engage in halibut fishing, went to East Boston yesterday, to take on stores, fishing gear, etc., and put on the finishing touches for her long voyage.

Sch. Athena of Boston which is also going out to the Pacific coast is still here getting ready and will probably go up to Boston the last of the week to finish up.

Sch. Athena is owned and commanded by Capt. Edward Forbes and sch. Victor and Ethan by Capt. Herbert Nickerson. The latter craft is scheduled to sail about the middle of November, while sch. Athena may not be ready at that time.

Both skippers will go overland, while the crafts will be taken out by sailing masters and it is probable that the Victor and Ethan may delay her start until her sister craft is ready, so that they can start away in company. There is no difficulty in getting crews and both skippers could have shipped double crews had they so desired. They plan to carry crews of about 20 men each.

Starting from Boston the schooner will be headed along the great circle, and, if everything works out right, will not touch at any port till they reach Punto Arenas, in the Straits of Magellan, after having accomplished half the distance to their goal. Fifty days is the time estimated as required for this first leg. From Boston the vessels will cross the Atlantic to within a few hundred miles of the coast of Africa—just as do the ships and barks that carry cargoes of lumber from Mystic wharf, Charlestown, to the River Platte. Sailing the great circle will enable the schooners to escape the doldrums and place them 3000 miles out in the region of favorable trades.

Stores sufficient for six months will be taken by the schooners, an Atlantic avenue firm having secured the contract. Each vessel will carry about 3000 gallons of gasoline in tanks and drums as fuel for the 110-horsepower motors, which develop a speed of about nine miles an hour.

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Portland Fish News.

The Boston fishing schooner Mary Edith arrived at Portland on Friday for bait. She had on board about 25,000 pounds of mixed fish which she did not try to sell there, but will take to Boston after making one more "set." About 30,000 pounds of fish were landed by the schooners Albert D. Willard and Marion E. Turner, and quite an amount was also brought in by the boat fishermen, the market being now fairly well supplied.

Two sharks, not very large ones, but still sharks, reposed calmly in death on the decks of sch. Mary Edith, which was at Portland Friday. They were more of the species of the mackerel shark than the usual kind. John Thompson landed them on Jeffries banks where there are so many just at present.

After being laid up at Central wharf for a month repairing boilers the fishing steamer Pet, Capt. George Davis, finally got away Friday and proceeded to Boothbay, where she will take on her seines and start out in pursuit of herring.

Some of the Portland fishermen have been discussing the practicability of getting after the sharks now on Jeffries banks and of turning these tormentors to some use by catching them and selling them in the open market. All agreed that this would be a very fine thing if some one would come along and get a kind of gear that would insure capture of the fish. When that is secured, then there will be a live business in the fish.

Sch. Topsail Girl is taking out her 25 horse power engine and putting in one of 36 horse power.

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Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Miranda was at Louisburg, C. B., Wednesday and cleared again the same day for the fishing ground.

Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell was at Can-so, N. S., Wednesday.

Sch. Gossip was at Park's Creek, N. S., recently, bound home here from the banks.

Returned from Business Trips.

Ralph Russell Smith, of the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co., who has been on an extended trip to the south coast of Newfoundland, in the interest of that concern, arrived home last night.

William H. Perkins has returned from a business trip to Nova Scotia.

Sch. Raymah Stocked \$1300 on South Channel Trip.

Sch. Raymah, Capt. Felix Hogan, at T wharf yesterday, stocked \$1300 as the result of her recent short trip to South Channel, the crew sharing \$33 clear.

Herring at Provincetown.

Herring are reported plenty at Provincetown.

NETTERS STILL FIND MACKEREL.

More Good Trips Landed Here and at Rockport Yesterday.

Boats Expected This Afternoon With Further Hauls.

The mackerel netters are keeping up their good work. Yesterday some 20 sail were in at this port and Rockport and they landed a total of over 16,000 large fish, the price on the same ranging from 22 to 25 cents, which means another chapter of prosperity for the men who man these little craft.

Yesterday afternoon, as soon as the boat landed, they took on more gasoline, for the most of them are fitted with gasoline engines for auxiliary power, and hustled off again for the fishing grounds, about 15 or 20 miles off shore. Last night was an ideal one for netting, with a moon and a light southerly wind prevailing, and good catches are looked for when the fleet comes in this afternoon. At noon some of them could be seen, headed for port.

The money value of the catch continues to grow. Beginning with Wednesday night's catch, which was Thursday's landing the fleet of 21 boats brought in, up to last night the splendid total of nearly 47,000 fish in count. Yesterday's catch was valued at about \$3700, which makes the total catch, beginning Thursday morning, worth at least \$11,000 to the man who caught the fish. With any decent kind of luck today's catch should bring the total of fish up to 60,000 or more.

Yesterday at Rockport, 13 of the fleet landed a total of 10,634 fish, while at this port six boats brought in 5899 fish, giving a total of over 16,000 fish for the night's work of the fleet of 19 boats. Beside this there were two boats which came in and did not land, going right out again and will land this afternoon with their last night's catch.

This forenoon, two of the netters arrived at Rockport, the Geraldine having 200 fish and the Marguerite S. McKenzie 360.

Most of the fish landed yesterday

went to go to market fresh and as there is no Monday morning steamer to Boston, some of the dealers loaded their catches on Reed's big motor trucks and had them up to T wharf when the market opened this morning.

The arrivals for the past two days are:

Arrivals at This Port Yesterday.

- Sch. Reliance, 571 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. W. H. Reed, 933 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Freedom, 1800 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Florida, 1250 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Blanche F. Irving, 940 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Mabelle E. Leavitt, 315 large fresh mackerel.

Arrivals at Rockport Yesterday.

- Sloop Marguerite S. McKenzie, 1200 large fresh mackerel.
- Sloop On Time, 706 large fresh mackerel.
- Sloop City of Everett, 1800 large fresh mackerel.
- Sloop Minnie, 1200 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Gracie, 863 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Geraldine, 950 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Pete, 450 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Edith L., 1100 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Julietta, 420 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Little Fannie, 400 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Lena May, 600 large fresh mackerel.
- Sloop Sarah, 500 large fresh mackerel.
- Sloop Nettie, 450 large fresh mackerel.

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- Sch. Geraldine, 200 large mackerel.
- Sch. Marguerite S. McKenzie, 360, large mackerel.

LIGHT RECEIPTS AT THIS PORT.

MACKEREL NETTERS WITH GOOD FARES EXPECTED THIS AFTERNOON.

Fish receipts here are very light for the opening of the week.

Yesterday several of the mackerel netters kept up their good work by landing good trips and sch. Clara G. Silva came in from the shore grounds with 25,000 pounds of fresh fish. Sch. Marsala, one of the Georges handliners, had 10,000 pounds of salt cod and sch. Juno from a fresh halibut trip to the Cape Shore grounds, arrived with a small fare.

This afternoon will see a number of the netting fleet in and the Fort wharf dealers are looking for them to have some good catches of mackerel.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Sch. Marsala, Georges, handlining, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Clara G. Silva, shore, 25,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Reliance, shore, netting, (yesterday), 571 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. W. H. Reed, shore, netting, (yesterday), 933 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Freedom, shore, netting, (yesterday), 1800 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Florida, shore, netting, (yesterday), 1250 lbs. large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Blanche F. Irving, shore, netting, (yesterday), 940 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Mary Emerson, shore, netting, (yesterday), 1215 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Mabelle E. Leavitt, shore, netting, (yesterday), 315 large fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Juno, Cape Shore, 3000 lbs. halibut, 5000 lbs. salt fish, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Ralph Russell, shore.
- Sch. M. Madeline, shore.
- Sch. Catherine D. Enos, shore.
- Sch. Volant, shore.
- Sch. Thalia, shore.
- Sch. Marguerite Haskins, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. S. P. Willard, Newfoundland salt herring.
- Sch. Oregon, Newfoundland salt herring.
- Sch. Flirt, Newfoundland salt herring.
- Sch. Athlete, Newfoundland salt herring.
- Sch. Etta Mildred, pollocking.
- Sch. Eglantine, pollocking.
- Sch. Ralph Russell, pollocking.
- Sch. Mettacommet, pollocking.
- Sch. Adeline, haddocking.
- Sch. Harriett, haddocking.
- Sch. Mary E. Silveria, haddocking.
- Sch. Rita A. Viator, haddocking.
- Sch. Catherine D. Enos, haddocking.
- Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, haddocking.
- Sch. Emily Sears, haddocking.
- Sch. Emily Cooney, Pensacola.
- Sch. Actor, haddocking.
- Sch. Victor and Ethan, Boston.
- Sch. Angie B. Watson, Boston.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

- Salt mackerel, \$30 per bbl. for large and \$19.75 for small.
- Salt trawl bank codfish, \$4.65 per cwt. for large, \$4.10 for mediums and \$3 for snappers.
- Handline Georges codfish, large \$5.75, medium \$5, snappers \$3.
- Salt "drift" codfish, large \$5.25, medium \$4.75.
- Salt bank dory handline cod, \$5.25 per cwt. for large and \$4.75 for mediums.
- Eastern halibut, codfish, large, \$5.50, medium \$4.50.
- Haddock \$1.75.
- Pollock \$1.75.
- Cusk, large \$2.50, medium \$2; snappers \$1.50.
- Hake, \$1.75.
- Eastern shack cod, \$4.75, for large and \$4.25 for mediums.
- All codfish with napes picked bring 25c over the above price.
- Salted whiting \$2 per bbl.
- Fletched halibut 9c per lb.
- Halibut fins, \$18 per bbl.

Fresh Fish.

- Haddock, \$1.15 per cwt.
 - Large cod, \$2.60 per cwt.; medium \$2.10 per cwt.
 - Peak and Western Bank fresh codfish \$2.60 per cwt. for large and \$2.10 for mediums.
 - Cusk, large, \$1.80, medium, \$1.20.
 - Snapper cusk 60c.
 - Hake, \$1.45.
 - Dressed pollock 90c, round 80c.
 - Bank halibut, 11c per lb. for white and 9c for gray.
 - Fresh mackerel, large, 25c each, mediums 20c, small 14c.
- #### Bait Prices.
- Frozen bluebacks, \$2.50 per cwt.
 - Frozen herring, \$2.50 per cwt.
 - Fresh herring, \$2.50 per bbl.
 - Salt shore herring, \$1.00 per bbl.
 - Frozen squid, \$2.50 per bbl.

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ROCKPORT NOTES.

Fishermen Continue to Make Good Mackerel Hauls.

Another Good Mackerel Day.

Yesterday proved a good one for the netters. Saturday night the wind having changed and the sea smoothed down, proved a fine night for the business, and all of the boats did some thing, several doing finely, the City of Everett, Capt. Flanders, being high line for the day with 1800 of the large beauties the Minnie Capt. Eben Stevens having 1200; Marguerite S. McKenzie, Capt. Peter Hawley, 1200; Geraldine, Capt. William Hawley, 950; On Time, Capt. Peter Johnson, 706; Julietta, 420; Nettie, 400; Little Fannie, 400; Pete, Victor Sampson and Walter Bissett 400; Gracie, 400; Sarah, 400; Lena May, Capt. George H. Tarr, 350 and Edith L., Capt. John Smith 200.

The price opened at 22 cents, the closing price of Friday and rose to 25 cents. Antone Cooney, who commenced buying fish a few days ago, took a hand in the buying yesterday and handled the catch of the Geraldine, Edith L., Sampson & Bissett, and the Gracie.

The City of Everett did not arrive till about 4 o'clock and when she commenced discharging at the Story Company's building quite a large crowd gathered to see the sight. The crew of the three had made an excellent nights work and everybody was glad for them, their share probably being about \$100 each.

An hour later the Minnie shot up alongside the Sandy Bay Fish Company's building with her 1200 fish, thus dividing the crowd of onlookers.

All of the boats, as soon as their catch was landed put out again for the scene of action and it is safe to prophesy there will be little time devoted to sleep so long as this "gold mine" lasts. Said one skipper "after the bad weather we have had it is likely we shall have a spell of good

weather and it is quite likely the fish will remain hereabout for a while. There is no telling how large a school there is to the eastward and should they pass the Cape the boats will follow them south as long as good weather lasts and the fish can be found." Nothing like the present school of mackerel has been seen here for years and our boats that had the good fortune to be equipped with "twine" will make the most of the opportunity. Those in boats not so equipped are bewailing their fate but are expressive of their pleasure at the other fellows good luck.

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Squid at Port Hawkesbury, C. B.

At Port Hawkesbury, C. B., last week squid struck. About a thousand barrels were bought by Freezer Co., Loggie Bros., and Maritime Fish Co. All caught on jigs. The traps did not do anything.

Finnan Haddie Shipments.

The fall finnan haddie shipments from Digby to the upper provinces and through to the Pacific coast have commenced. Thousands of boxes have already gone forward.

Bound Here with Fish.

Sch. Mabel, bound from Orr's island, Me., to this port, with a cargo of cured fish, was at Portland on Friday.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Gossip sailed from LaHave, N. S., for this port, on Thursday.

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Herring at Bay of Islands.

A Newfoundland exchange says that herring have struck into the outer arms of Bay of Islands in immense quantities and the boats are doing well. The sch. Margie Smith has already a full load. At Bonne Bay the herring are unusually plentiful, but are running rather small at present.

Sch. Arethusa Has Good Trip.

The North Sydney Herald says that one of the largest catches of fish ever to come to that port for some time on board, the knockabout schooner Arethusa, with the indomitable Clayton Morrissey at the helm, sailed into North Sydney a week ago yesterday. In all the plucky commander had about 370,000 pounds of cod on board, and the remaining 30,000 he could easily have taken had he not ran short of salt. It was to secure this latter necessary that the Arethusa came here. Capt. Morrissey says that in his many years of fish killing, he never ran across such a field of fish as he did when about 30 miles off the harbor last Saturday, but, owing to there being no room and no salt he had to forego the extreme pleasure of a setting. This is Capt. Morrissey's third trip this season, and when he returns home to Gloucester he will total a catch which will amount to about \$32,000 for the summer.

FISH IN VARIETY AT T WHARF.

KINDS NOT LANDED SUPPLIED BY SHIPMENTS FROM OUTSIDE SOURCES.

In the 31 trips of fresh fish at T wharf this morning the dealers have about all the fish they want, of all kinds, except halibut and mackerel. Some western halibuters reported on hand, while the shipments of mackerel from Rockport and Gloucester, on big motor trucks, well supplied them all.

Haddock were in goodly receipt and there was also quite a lot of codfish. Hake continued to be the headliner in amount landed and the price on the same continued low. Eight of the pollockers brought catches of from 4000 to 10,000 pounds, the fleet continuing to find these fish rather scarce, but are looking ahead to better fishing in November.

The steam trawlers Crest and Ripple had large fares, about 62,000 pounds each, and about all haddock. The biggest trip of the morning was brought in by sch. Josie and Phebe, 88,000 pounds, 50,000 pounds of which were hake. Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood had 75,000 pounds, sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 71,000 pounds; sch. Ethel B. Penney, 50,000 pounds; sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, 75,000 pounds.

Three of the cod netters operating off Plymouth were among the morning arrivals, but they had small catches.

The shore boats in had about their usual fares, all the way from 15,000 to 30,000 pounds.

Haddock brought from \$2 to \$2.80 and large cod still hung high, selling at \$6 to \$6.75. Hake were still \$1.30 to \$1.60 and pollock \$2.50.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are: Sch. Valentina, 3500 pollock. Sch. Yankee, 7000 haddock, 3000 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 4000 haddock, 4500 cod, 12,000 hake.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 2000 haddock, 1500 cod, 9000 hake.

Steamer Crest, 58,000 haddock, 800 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, 38,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 30,000 hake.

Sch. Virginia, 22,000 haddock 1600 cod 8000 hake.

Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 14,000 haddock, 4500 cod, 14,000 hake.

Sch. Ethel B. Penney, 20,000 haddock 5000 cod, 25,000 hake.

Sch. Edith Silveira, 10,000 haddock, 300 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Jeannette, 12,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 1000 hake, 8000 cusk.

Sch. Rose Standish, 6500 haddock, 1500 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Angie B. Watson, 2500 haddock, 2000 cod, 12,000 hake.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 3000 cod, 18,000 hake, 2000 cusk.

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 2500 haddock, 3000 cod, 12,000 hake.

Sch. Mary Edith, 300 haddock, 4000 cod, 26,000 hake.

Sch. Cherokee, 2100 cod.

Sch. W. H. Clement, 1600 cod.

Sch. N. A. Rowe, 2700 cod.

Sch. Josie and Phebe, 22,000 haddock, 16,000 cod, 50,000 hake.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, 34,000 haddock, 3000 cod 8000 hake.

Steamer Ripple, 58,000 haddock, 1400 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 38,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 25,000 hake.

Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, 38,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 25,000 hake.

Sch. Juniata, 9000 pollock.

Sch. Corsair, 8000 pollock.

Sch. Appomattox, 10,000 pollock.

Sch. Thomas Brundage, 4000 pollock.

Sch. Hope, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Massasoit, 6000 pollock.

Sch. Laura Enos, 8400 pollock.

Haddock, \$2 to \$2.80 per cwt.; large cod, \$6 to \$6.75; market cod, \$3 to \$6; hake, \$1.30 to \$1.60; pollock, \$2.50.

MUCH COD COMING TO THIS PORT

Eleven Vessels Now Loading at Newfoundland or On the Way.

Total Importation From That Country May Reach 7,000,000 Lbs.

Some idea of the immense amount of salt cod which is to come to this port, this fall, can be gained from the fact that no less than 11 British vessels are now loading at, or on the way here from Newfoundland ports, each with cargoes of from 250,000 to 450,000 pounds.

These fish have been purchased by agents of the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company, Cunningham & Thompson Company and Davis Bros., and will go far toward making up for the short catch of the local salt bank fleet the past season.

Beside giving these concerns an added supply of fish to the catch of their own fleet, it also means just so much more work on wharves and in lofts and the item of labor will therefore amount to many thousands of dollars.

In going to Newfoundland to purchase such a large amount of fish to help meet the demand, these concerns have shown commendable enterprise.

The aggregate of these 11 cargoes reaches the total of over 4,000,000 pounds, and as eight other vessels have also been chartered to bring large cargoes here, the total importation from Newfoundland this fall will be handy to 7,000,000 pounds, if it indeed does not exceed that figure.

In addition to the cargoes coming for the three firms above named it is reported that other fish cutting and curing concerns here are also to have several vessels come, both from Newfoundland, Cape Breton and Nova

Scotia with loads of salt cod.

Cargoes Now Loading or Sailed.

The crafts now loaded or on the way, with ports at which they loaded or are loading, together with the weights of the cargoes, are as follows:

- Br. sch. Gay Gordon, Belleoram, N. F., 450,000 pounds of salt cod.
- Br. sch. Excelda, Harbor Breton, N. F., 375,000 pounds of salt cod.
- Br. sch. Gordon Hollett, Burin, N. F., 425,000 pounds of salt cod.
- Br. sch. Acme, Belleoram, N. F., 350,000 pounds of salt cod.
- Br. sch. Lila B. Hirtle, Belleoram, N. F., 340,000 pounds of salt cod.
- Br. sch. Rigel, (formerly of this port), Harbor Grace, N. F., 250,000 pounds of salt cod.
- Br. sch. Hispaniola, Harbor Breton, N. F., 450,000 pounds of salt cod.
- Br. sch. Almeida, Burin, N. F., 325,000 pounds of salt cod.
- Br. sch. John Harvey, Belleoram, N. F., 400,000 pounds of salt cod.
- Br. sch. Gertrude, Harbor Breton, N. F., 350,000 pounds of salt cod.
- Br. sch. Minnie Pearl, Fogo, N. F., 350,000 pounds of salt cod.

A gentleman well posted on what is to come forward from Newfoundland and Nova Scotia says that the fish from the former place, in the lots above noted, comprises fish from the Labrador traps, also shore and bank fish. There is yet quite a lot of fish to come here from Rose Blanche, N. F., and Ingonish, C. B., and some cargoes will probably come forward from Lunenburg, N. S., and vicinity.

Likely to Replace Rockets in Aiding Vessels in Distress.

Kites are likely to replace rockets in bringing aid to vessels in distress if some elaborate experiments in kite-flying proves as worthy in practice as they are said to have done at Grimsby, Eng. The "Fish Trades Gazette" of London, says its correspondent who saw the experiments pronounced the kites far superior to rockets. Experience of a bitter and costly nature on the Iceland and Faroe coasts has shown the necessity of improving the rocket apparatus for carrying lines, and a strong but light small box-kite appears to have come into its proper service for this purpose. A vessel stranded in a gale blowing landwards seldom gives the crew a chance of effecting a landing owing to the surf—a kite would at once prove a signal and a reliable means of carrying a strong line ashore. Wind from the shore generally ensures a smooth-water landing, but even with other dangers, a kite flown from the land can be made to fall over a vessel with greater accuracy than by a rocket. And again, a salvage boat could pass a line by kite when bars or reefs intervene and high seas are running.

All known possibilities of dangers of stranding have been tried with various forms of kites, and the results have been so eminently satisfactory that it is possible at an early date the deep sea trawlers and salvage boats at Iceland will be supplied with strong line-carrying kites.

Pensacola Fishing Notes.

Nine smacks landed a total of 113,500 pounds of red snapper and grouper at Pensacola, Florida, last week. The Warren Fish Company had only four of the arrivals, still their catch was the largest aggregating 66,500 pounds. They also had the credit of the largest single catch, the smack Mineola having 33,000 pounds, all red snapper. Only two of the Warren boats had grouper, the smack Caldwell H. Colt having 3,000 pounds and the smack Alcoma, 2,500 pounds. Two of the Sounders boats had grouper, the smacks Angelina and Ruth A. Welles having 1,000 pounds each.

The five smacks to E. E. Saunders & Company had a total of 47,000 pounds of fish, of which 45,000 pounds were red snapper. The largest catch by a vessel of the Sounders fleet was 14,000 pounds, taken by the Smack Caviar.

Receipts of red snapper were: Warren Fish Company—Smack Caldwell H. Colt, 12,000 lbs.; smack Alcoma, 10,000 lbs.; smack Franklin, 6,000 lbs., and smack Mineola 33,000 lbs.

E. S. Saunders & Company—Smack Angelina, 9,000 lbs.; smack Caviar, 14,000 lbs.; smack Ruth A. Welles, 6,500 lbs.; smack Sheffeyd, 10,500 lbs.

Caught Codfish in Eel Grass.

A number of our fishermen, says a Lunenburg, N. S., exchange, are thinking about adopting the new mode of catching codfish. According to Alonzo Demone's method neither bait, trawl or line is required. You simply take a dung fork and start for the shore, gathering seagrass. A jab in the grass brings out a cod every time.

Mr. Demone, while gathering seagrass on the shores of Heckman's island on Monday, jabbed his fork into a 42-inch codfish, which was very much alive in the grass. A second dig brought out another fish. Mr. Demone in his surprise stopped his unique way of fishing for a while in order to get witnesses. When he returned the tide was on the flow.

And now, some malicious persons are declaring that these fish were seeking reciprocity grounds.

New Corporation Formed

United Fisheries of America authorized capital stock, \$1,000,000 common and \$1,000,000 preferred; Portland; to engage in fishing, shipping, transportation, etc., the certificate especially mentioning enterprises in the province of Nova Scotia and Dominion of Canada, and the establishment of regular freight and passenger service between Boston, Mass., and St. John's, Newfoundland, and elsewhere on the Atlantic coast. President David E. Moulton; treasurer and clerk, Melville W. Trefethen.

New York Salt Fish Market.

All kinds of salt fish are in demand and prices of first hands continue high. The situation is almost unprecedented says the Fishing Gazette, for dealers at New York are still looking for fish to fill their regular orders, and they say they cannot afford to purchase at prevailing quotations.

There is nothing particularly new on the surface in the foreign salt mackerel fight, but the men most concerned are making various kinds of threats in a legal sense.

CONCESSION BY NEWFOUNDLAND.

Will Admit Coal For Gorton-Pew Steamer Duty Free.

The Newfoundland government has made a concession to the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company of this city, and will allow all coal which may be needed in the running and operating of the company's big cold storage and freezing steamer Alcona to be admitted free of duty while the craft is operating in Newfoundland waters.

The steamer is now getting ready at this port for a trip to the Treaty coast, where she will take in and freeze herring and other fish. The craft is expected to sail in a few days.

Some time ago the Gorton-Pew Company made proposals to the Newfoundland government, offering to maintain the craft on the west and south coasts of Newfoundland for a year, visiting various ports as the catch of fish at these points may warrant, securing fish of all kinds, freezing and preserving them in cold storage and shipping them from North Sydney, only asking in return that the government of the island colony admit the coal necessary for operating the floating cold storage plant free of duty. This request the Newfoundland government has cheerfully given.

It is understood that the craft will go from here to Bay of Islands or Bonne Bay and there for the next three

months engage in the securing and freezing of herring for the American market in company with the good-sized fleet which is booked to go from this port for both salt and frozen herring as usual.

After the frozen herring season is over, the other line of work of visiting ports on the south coast, securing and freezing various kinds of fish will be entered upon.

In speaking of the matter the St. John's, N. F., Chronicle says:

"There may be great things embodied in this venture, because it is quite apparent, if the Gorton-Pew Company can make it successful, others can do the same, and if so, a revolution in the methods of forwarding our staple product will follow. Our readers are aware that the present premier, Sir Edward Morris, has been insistent in season and out of season in advocating the export of this fishery production in cold storage, as such would at least double the value thereof for our people, create a new market in America, and lessen the quantity available for our existing dry fish market and thereby tend to keep up the prices."