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PORTUGUESE SKIPPERS UNITE.

United Fisheries Company, Capital \$50,000, Files Papers Today.

Embraces 35 Craft—Object General Fitting Out and Fish Business.

Plans for bringing together under one head certain local fishing interests who today control some 35 crafts numbered among the crack ones of the Gloucester fishing fleet, have been perfected, and today papers will be filed with the secretary of the Commonwealth asking for a charter of incorporation.

The new concern promises to be a most important factor in the fishery life, not only of Gloucester, but the New England coast. It will be known as the United Fisheries Company, and is capitalized for \$50,000 or 500 shares at \$100 a share, par value.

The directors of the corporation are Capt. Frank Cooney, Capt. Manuel P. Domingoes, Capt. Ralph F. Silva, Capt. Frank Saunders, Capt. Joseph F. Silveria, Capt. Antone P. Goulart, Capt. Manuel G. Silva, Capt. Joaquim J. Silveria, Capt. Manuel P. Domingoes, Capt. Matthew S. Greer and J. Manuel Marshall, Esq.

Capt. Manuel P. Domingoes has been elected president and J. Manuel Marshall, Esq., clerk and treasurer.

The plan is simply for the consolidation of the Portuguese fleet of this port. The idea is not a new one, for it has been under consideration for several months. Leading Portuguese skippers, who number some of the most successful fishermen of the Gloucester fleet, have been talking the matter over quietly for a long time, among themselves, and with J. Manuel Marshall, their attorney, who at length has formulated matters into such shape as to organize a corporation and start the venture along.

Already the owners of some 20 crafts have subscribed for stock in the new corporation, and there are a large number of applications from others of the outside fleet. Much enthusiasm is being shown in the new venture, and skippers and crew are optimistic over the future. It is doubtful if ever a concern just starting out has received such encouragement and support as the present venture, judging from the enthusiasm that is being shown in the efforts of those interested to become share holders in the corporation.

The purposes of the company as defined in the charter are to buy and sell all kinds of fish, manufacture and deal in fish glue, isinglass, fish oil, etc., buy and sell steamers, boats, wharves, cold storage plants, engage in the grocery, meat and provision business, clothing, sailmaking, manufacture of blocks, ship chandlery, ship stores, etc.

While the future details have not been worked out definitely, the company has so far progressed in its affairs as to purchase the large building on Main street, owned by Otis L. Haskell, near what was formerly Vincent Spring, and is at present occupied by J. G. Smith as a bakery and Michael J. Powers, plumber. The company will take immediate occupancy and will make extensive alterations on the premises, and fit the building for headquarters and a big outfitting store.

One of the ideas of the promoters of the concern is to secure some central wharf for landing, taking in of fish and general water front headquarters. With this plan in view, the Leighton wharf property was looked over and considered adapted for the purpose desired, also Ayers' wharf, but satisfactory arrangements with the owners could not be made.

Several other wharf properties are in view, however, and probably one of the next moves to be made will be the acquiring a location.

The Portuguese own a splendid lot of crafts, all market fishermen of the latest design, and their success is well known. Their plan as outlined is looked upon as wholly a business arrangement whereby they can not only put their money to profitable investment, but also increase their business efficiency at a decreased cost of running the fleet as a whole.

fishery, because they have struck a lucky market. The shore crafts ought also to fare well, judging from the top notch prices which were paid for shore fish.

Haddock sold from \$3 to \$6.25 a hundred weight, large cod from \$4 to \$6.25, markets, \$2.50 to \$6.25, hake \$4.60 to \$6.60, while halibut brought 23 cents for white and 14 cents a pound for gray.

Boston Arrivals.

The receipts and prices in detail are:
Washakie, 10,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Quonnapowitt, 25,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 2000 hake, 10,000 cusk.
Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, 57,000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 5000 hake.
Sch. Richard, 35,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 8000 cusk, 2500 halibut.
Sch. Patrician, 35,000 haddock, 9000 cod.
Sch. Rose Standish, 25,000 haddock, 1500 hake.
Sch. Flavilla, 5000 haddock, 1500 hake.
Sch. Olive F. Hutchings, 4000 haddock, 2500 cod, 500 hake.
Sch. Yankee, 2000 haddock, 1500 pollock.
Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 5000 haddock, 500 cod.
Sch. Marion, 3100 haddock.
Sch. W. H. Clements, 1800 cod.
Sch. Cherokee, 2100 cod.
Haddock, \$3 to \$6.25 per cwt.; market cod, \$2.50 to \$6.25; large cod, \$4 to \$6.25; hake, \$4.60 to \$6.60; halibut 23 cts lb. for white and 14 cts lb. for gray.

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T WHARF WAS FISH HUNGRY.

BIG PRICES RULED AND LARGE STOCKS IN SIGHT FOR MANY.

The heavy gale which has kept the market fleet in port for several days and has practically wrought fresh fish famine in the Boston market moderated yesterday sufficiently to enable a few of the off shore fellows to get in for market this morning.

T wharf was fish hungry and prices were way up. There was just an even 13 arrivals at T dock when the gong sounded this morning, some of the crafts having big fares. Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley has the largest haul at \$7,000 pounds, while sch. Richard has 52,000 pounds and 2500 pounds of halibut, sch. Quonnapowitt, 41,000 pounds, sch. Patrician, 44,000 pounds.

Capt. Joshua W. Stanley and crew of Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley will probably stock in the neighborhood of \$3000 or better and should come handy to making a record in the fresh haddock

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ATHENA MAKES PORT.

Bound Around Horn, Harbored at Montevideo, December 29.

The Boston fishing sch. Athena, bound for Seattle, was reported arriving at Montevideo, December 29. The vessel sailed from Boston 44 days ago. The Victor and Ethan, also Boston-owned and bound for Seattle, had eight days start over the Athena and has not been reported.

Reached Land Safely.

The two fishermen, John MacMimie and Charles Taylor, who went astray from the schooner Loran B. Snow, Digby, N. S., and were reported to have perished, landed safely on Seal Island, and were brought to Yarmouth on the tug Hugh D. recently.

On the Railways.

The British sch. Evolution is on Rocky Neck railways.

Sch. Mary C. Santos of Provincetown is on Burnham Brothers' railways.

Fitting for Haddocking.

Sch. Muriel is being fitted for haddocking under command of Capt. Thomas McComisky.

Bringing Salt Cod Here.

Sch. Goldie Belle left Louisburg, N. S., December 20, with 264,057 pounds of salt cod for this port.

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SAVED THE FISH.

Bureau of Fisheries Took Them From Pools in Old Canal.

When the water in the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal was drawn off recently thousands of fish were left imprisoned in the pools in the depressions of the canal and would have perished if the United States Bureau of Fisheries and the game organizations of Maryland and the District of Columbia had not come to their rescue. The fish were taken from the canal by means of seines, placed in six-gallon receptacles and carried to the Potomac river and dumped in. It is estimated that 75,000 fish of various kinds were rescued in this manner.

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HADDOCKERS HAD HARD TIME

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, Captain Joshua Stanley, out three weeks to the Cape Shore of Nova Scotia, came into Boston Sunday after putting up a hard fight while trying to beat her way in. The men were anxious to get their big cargo of fish into market early, and started from the grounds at 10 o'clock Wednesday.

The gale struck the schooner several hours later, and Thursday Capt. Stanley had to be lashed to the wheel so as not to be carried overboard.

The Patrician also arrived in at T wharf and her men said that it was the worst gale they had met on the fishing grounds for many years.

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TWO IN FROM NEWFOUNDLAND.

THE QUIET SPELL ALONG WATER FRONT IS BROKEN AT LAST.

The quiet spell along the water front was broken Saturday afternoon by the arrival of the British sch. Gordon M. Hollett from Burin, Newfoundland, which brought 414,000 pounds of salt cod for the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co.

Yesterday sch. Claudia arrived from a Georges handlining trip, hailing for 40,000 pounds of salt cod.

Sch. Corona is here this morning from the Bay of Islands with a full cargo of salt, pickled and frozen herring for Cunningham & Thompson Co. The Corona was 12 days on her passage home.

The large steamers of the gill netting fleet were out yesterday and brought in some fair sized trips.

Today's Arrivals.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

Sch. Corona, Bay of Islands, N. F., 850 bbls. salt herring, 150 bbls. pickled herring, 400 bbls. frozen herring.

Sch. Claudia, Georges, handlining, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.

Br. sch. Gordon M. Hallett, Burin, N. F., 414,000 lbs. salt cod.

Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Mindora, gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Nomad, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Thomas W. Brundage, shore.

Sch. Lawrence Murdock, Maine ports, cured fish.

Sch. Catherine D. Enos, shore.

Sch. Dixie, shore.

Sch. Actor, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Hortense, haddocking.

Sch. James W. Parker, haddocking.

Sch. Flavilla, haddocking.

Sch. Yankee, haddocking.

Sch. Pontiac, haddocking.

Sch. Kineo, halibuting.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Salt trawl bank codfish, \$4.75 per cwt. for large, \$4.25 for medium 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, \$4.75.

Haddock, \$1.75.

Pollock, \$1.75.

Cusk, large, \$2.50, medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.87 1-2.

Eastern shack cod, \$4.75 for large and \$4.25 for mediums.

All codfish with napes picked bring 25c over the above price.

Fresh Fish.

Fresh mackerel, large, 31c.

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, 17 1-2c per lb., for white and 13c for gray.

Fresh mackerel, large, 26 to 36 cts. each.

Bait Prices.

Frozen bluebacks, \$2.50 per cwt.

Frozen herring, \$2.50 per cwt.

Fresh herring, \$2.50 per bbl.

Salt shore herring, \$1 per bbl.

Frozen squid, \$2.50 per bbl.