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SIGHTED BIG DEVIL FISH.

Capt. Haggert, commanding the fishing smack Mendicino, of Galveston, Tex., is quoted at length in the "Tribune" of that city in regard to having sighted a monster devilfish during a recent run from the Campechy snapper grounds. According to Capt. Haggert when, about 150 miles from the Galveston bar, he noticed some distance astern what appeared to be a slight swell on the otherwise calm surface of the water. He then noticed that the swell or wave was moving faster than the boat and when it came within about 100 yards of the boat it was seen that it was a fish about 30 feet wide and long in proportion. Its body was dark green with rusty red spots. Presently it opened its mouth, displaying a terrorizing array of teeth studding a surface large enough to take in a dory. It followed the smack for two days and then disappeared.

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Another Vessel Sold.

Sch. George Parker, owned by Hugh Parkhurst & Company has been sold to Capt. Rose of Jersey Harbor, Portune Bay, N. F., the purchaser of sch. Oregon. The Parker is 135 tons gross and 100 tons net and was built in Essex in 1901. She will engage in the fisheries from Jersey Harbor.

Fish Concern Incorporated.

The Red Cross Fisheries Co., recently organized by G. H. Tarbell, Max Johnson and others, has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$300,000. The headquarters are at Seattle, Wash.

Halibut Fare at Portland.

Sch. Thomas A. Cromwell arrived at Portland yesterday afternoon with 8000 pounds of halibut which sold at 12 cents a pound for white and 8 1-2 cents a pound for gray.

Gone Halibuting.

Sch. Rena A. Percy recently purchased at Portland by Capt. John G. Stream sailed this morning for a fresh halibut trip, under command of Capt. Stream.

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Porto Rico Fish Notes.

Arrivals of fishstuffs at the various ports of Porto Rico for the week ending February 20 were: Codfish, 653 tierces; pollock, 15 tierces; salt mackerel, 10 half barrels; smoked herring, 200 bundles; bloaters, 200 boxes. The figures are from the weekly market report of S. Ramirez & Co., who say inquiry on that date was still very timid, yet a slightly better feeling was noticeable, and while sales of inferior grades were still being made without much regard to price, there was a firmer tendency for fresh arrivals. They quote on the usual net ex wharf basis as follows: Codfish, \$7.50 to \$7.75 per 100 lbs. and pollock and haddock, \$5 per 100 lbs.

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ICE DROVE HIM FROM QUERO.

Sch. Thomas A. Cromwell, Capt. Augustus G. Hall, arrived at Portland early yesterday morning, after four weeks of the worst weather that he has ever experienced, being forced to leave Quero because of the ice conditions there.

Wind from every point of the compass and mountainous seas gave the crew of the Cromwell very little opportunity to get out in their dories, with the result that only 7000 pounds of halibut, 2000 pounds of hake and 5000 pounds of salt fish were in the holds of the staunch vessel when she sailed into Portland harbor.

At times the Cromwell was encased with a thick coating of ice, but Captain Hall says that his schooner escaped damage and none of the dories were broken or damaged by the seas.

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NO FISH HERE THIS MORNING.

QUITE A NUMBER OF MARKET FLEET ARE IN FOR HARBOR.

None of the off shore fleet put in appearance at this port this forenoon, the only arrivals being several of the shore crafts in for harbor, one from Boston and sch. Josephine DeCosta from Provincetown to fit.

The gill netters brought in their average fares, the largest reported being steamer Venture, Capt. Patrick Murphy, with 2500 pounds and steamer Naomi Bruce, 2000 pounds.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Str. Ibsen, gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Alice, gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Eagle, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mindora, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. F. S. Willard, gill netting, 200 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Nomad, gill netting, 300 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Bethulia, gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Venture, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, shore.
- Sch. Clara G. Silva, shore.
- Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.
- Sch. Alice, shore.
- Sch. Lillian, shore.
- Sch. Jeanette, shore.
- Sch. Motor, shore.
- Sch. Rebecca, shore.
- Sch. Edith Silveria, shore.
- Sch. Jorgina, shore.
- Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, via Boston.
- Sch. Josephine DeCosta, Provincetown.
- Sch. Thomas A. Cromwell, via Portland.
- Sch. Actor, shore.
- Sch. Leo, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Valentina, haddocking.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

- Handline Georges codfish, large \$5 per cwt., medium, \$4.50, snappers, \$3.
- Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.75, mediums, \$4.25.
- Haddock, \$1.50.
- Pollock, \$1.50.
- Cusk, large, \$2.50, medium, \$2, snappers, \$1.50.
- Hake, \$1.50.

Fresh Fish.

- Haddock, \$1 per cwt.
- Peak cod, large, \$2.15, medium, \$1.75, snappers 75 cts.
- Western cod, large, \$2.25, mediums, \$1.85, snappers 75 cts.
- All codfish not gilled, 10 cts. per 100 pounds less than the above.
- Cusk, large, \$1.50, medium, \$1.20, snappers 60 cts.
- Bank halibut, 13c per lb. for white and 11c per lb. for gray.

Bait Prices.

- Frozen bluebacks, \$2.50 to \$3 per cwt.
- Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.75 to \$3.25 per cwt.
- Shore frozen herring, \$2 to \$3 per cwt.
- Frozen squid, \$3.75 per cwt.

Portland Fish Notes.

Vessels arriving at Portland Tuesday were so thickly coated with ice that the names could not be made out. On the decks the ice was inches thick and ropes, dories and gurry kits were covered with the saline crust so that the men on board had to chop them free. All the captains reported that a gale was blowing outside and it was impossible to fish.

Two trips were landed, but both were caught before the wind arose. They were the Albert D Willard with 2000 and the Katie L. Palmer with 3000.

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AND CLAYTON SCORES AGAIN!

NOTED HIGH LINER WILL BREAK ALL HADDOCK STOCK RECORDS.

With the record trip of the winter and one that bids fair to smash all previous stocks in the winter haddock fishery, sch. Arethusa, Capt. Clayton Morrissey is again at T wharf this morning from his second trip at fresh fishing.

When Capt. Morrissey was asked for his haul he modestly reported about 120,000 pounds. That did not surprise the dealers, for big trips are Clayton's long suit, but when it became known that nearly 96,000 pounds of the catch was cod, it almost took away the breaths of some of them.

Capt. Morrissey will make a mammoth stock, for in addition to his fare of cod, he has 20,000 pounds of hake aboard, while fancy prices are being paid today on both kinds of fish.

Another nice trip, which is the talk of the fleet, is that landed by sch. Fannie E. Prescott, Capt. Jack Robbins.

Capt. Robbins struck a fine catch of hake on LaHave bank, hauling for about 50,000 pounds, in addition to 18,000 pounds of cod, 10,000 haddock and 4000 cusk.

Other big off shore trips are sch. Onato, 80,000 pounds, Alice M. Guthrie, 50,000 pounds, Mina Swim, 42,000 pounds, Mary E. Silveria, 57,000 pounds, Aspinet, 54,000 pounds, Evelyn L. Thompson, 45,000 pounds and Ellen C. Burke, 60,000 pounds.

Haddock was quoted at \$2.40 to \$3 a hundred weight, large cod, \$4 to \$5; market cod, \$2 to \$4; hake, \$3 to \$3.50 and pollock, \$5.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are: Sch. Onato, 61,000 haddock, 19,000 cod.

- Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 45,000 haddock, 5000 cod.
- Sch. Mina Swim, 35,000 haddock, 7000 cod.
- Sch. Mary E. Silveria, 42,000 haddock, 15,000 cod.
- Sch. Arethusa, 3000 haddock, 96,000 cod, 20,000 hake.
- Sch. Fannie E. Prescott, 10,000 haddock, 18,000 cod, 50,000 hake, 4000 cusk.
- Sch. Aspinet, 20,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 16,000 hake 8000 cusk.
- Sch. Mary C. Santos, 23,000 haddock, 400 cod.
- Sch. Frances S. Grueby, 18,000 haddock, 800 cod.
- Sch. Flavilla, 1500 haddock, 400 cod.
- Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 10,000 haddock, 1500 hake.
- Sch. Mary B. Greer, 500 haddock, 2500 hake, 1500 cusk.
- Sch. Little Fannie, 1500 haddock, 200 cod.
- Sch. Tecumseh, 1000 haddock, 1500 cod.
- Sch. Esther Gray, 400 haddock, 5500 cod.
- Sch. James and Esther, 8000 haddock, 200 cod, 1000 hake.
- Sch. Evelyn L. Thompson, 18,000 haddock, 21,000 cod, 6000 hake.
- Sch. Ellen C. Burke, 45,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 800 cusk, 1200 halibut.
- Sch. Matchless, 14,000 haddock, 300 cod.
- Sch. Harriett.
- Haddock, \$2.40 to \$6 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 to \$5; market cod, \$2 to \$4; hake, \$3 to \$5.50; pollock, \$5.

Ready to Sail.

Over at East Boston, the old three-masted sch. Mary Whalen was getting ready yesterday to sail for St. Jacques, N. F., with Capt. Pattison in command. The Whalen, which has filled more than one column of water-front news with good stories, came to Boston with a cargo of frozen herring and is taking back a miscellaneous cargo of supplies.

Another New One.

There was launched from the shipyard of Hendry, Limited, of Liverpool, Saturday, a handsome fishing schooner for Zwicker and Company of Lunenburg. She has a length of 120 feet, breadth 26 feet, depth of hold, 11 feet. The vessel's name is Lillian B. Corkum and she will be commanded by Capt. William Corkum, Lunenburg.

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Sch. Pontiac, Capt. Ernest Parsons, which arrived at Boston Tuesday, weighed off nearly 90,000 pounds of fresh fish. Capt. Parsons secured his catch on the Cape Shore and expects to stock in the vicinity of \$3100. As the vessel is single dory fishing, the crew will share handy to \$100 each.

Halibut Fare at Portland.

Sch. Yakima arrived at Portland this morning with 18,000 pounds of halibut.

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SEVERAL MORE FINE TRIPS.

AT T WHARF TODAY, BUT THE PRICES DROP QUITE A BIT.

T wharf dealers did not have much of a surplus stock of fresh fish this morning for the Friday's trade after the abundant supply of the past few days, but the arrival of eight off shores and three shore boats helped out the day nicely and the retailers were able to get what fish they wanted. The prices also fell off quite a bit.

Some nice trips were landed, they being schs. Lucania with 70,000 pounds, Raymah 67,000 pounds, Lillian 47,000 pounds, Flora L. Oliver 57,000 pounds, Conqueror 54,000 pounds, Richard 58,000 pounds, and sch. Teazer from Quero with 18,000 pounds of halibut. In the Lucania's fare were 40,000 pounds of codfish.

Wholesale prices on haddock were quoted at \$2 a hundred weight, large cod, \$3 to \$4.50, market cod, \$2.50, hake, \$2.80 to \$4.85, pollock, \$1.50 to \$2.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are: Sch. Lillian, 42,000 haddock, 5000 cod.

- Sch. Stranger, 2000 haddock, 1700 cod, 2000 hake.
- Sch. Flora L. Oliver, 17,000 haddock, 16,000 cod, 24,000 hake.
- Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 7000 haddock, 300 cod, 2000 hake.
- Sch. Conqueror, 50,000 haddock, 4000 cod.
- Sch. Teazer, 18,000 halibut.
- Sch. Raymah, 55,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.
- Sch. Elmer E. Gray, 25,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 4000 hake.
- Sch. Virginia, 5000 haddock, 3000 cod, 28,000 hake.
- Sch. Lucania, 30,000 haddock, 40,000 cod.
- Sch. Richard, 25,000 haddock, 33,000 cod.

Haddock, \$2 per cwt.; large cod, \$3 to \$4.50; market cod, \$2.50; halibut, 10 cts. for white and 16 cents for gray; hake, \$2.80 to \$4.85; pollock, \$1.50 to \$2.

OVER \$5000 IN TWO TRIPS.

Sch. Valerie, Capt. Wallace Bruce, at T wharf Wednesday, stocked \$2180. In her two last trips of 19 days, the craft has stocked the magnificent sum of \$5220, while the crew of 25 men have cleared \$103 each.

Halibut Sales.

The halibut fare of sch. Selma sold yesterday afternoon to the American Halibut company, at 14 cents a pound for white and 10 cents a pound for gray.

The halibut fare of sch. Elk was also purchased by the American Halibut company this forenoon, the white fish bringing 13 cents a pound and the grays, 9 cents a pound.

The halibut fare of sch. Teazer at Boston this morning sold at 14 cents a pound for white and 10 cents a pound for gray.

The halibut fare of sch. Yakima sold at Portland yesterday at 13 1-2 cents a pound for white and 10 1-2 cents a pound for gray.

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Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Arkona, Buema, Rob Roy and Margaret Dillon were at Liverpool, N. S., Tuesday last and cleared for fishing.

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CONTROL OF MIGRATORY FISH

Believe it Should be In the Hands of the National Authorities.

Other Interesting Suggestions In Fish and Game Report.

State House, Boston, March 7.—The Forty-fifth annual report of the commissioners on fish and game was received in the legislature yesterday. It treats at some length the subject of marine and fisheries, and refers to the change from T wharf to South Boston of the principal receiving station for fresh fish. On this and other paramount subjects the report deals as follows:

The most important feature of the commercial marine fisheries is the development of comprehensive plans for improved facilities for handling the fresh fish brought to the Boston market. T wharf has long been inadequate and unsuitable for effective methods. Only the fact that the business is under the management of exceedingly keen, efficient and public-spirited business men has prevented unsanitary and other conditions which would seriously reflect upon the good name of the largest fresh market, with a single exception, in the world.

New Location Superior.

Now, fortunately, the present location on Atlantic avenue is likely to be abandoned, and the place given up to other business for which it is more suitable. The location at South Boston is so far superior that the public are to be congratulated upon the wisdom of the legislature and of the men who have carried the project to a successful termination. The early future thus promises not alone better trading facilities for the fishermen and dealers, but sanitary conditions superior to any in the world.

From these the public will gain most largely through an increased supply of fish, put upon the market in better condition as a result of improved methods of handling and distribution. Further, assurances have been received that through the co-operation of the associated dealers with the national, state and city fisheries authorities, aided directly or indirectly by the departments of biology, chemistry and physics in the various colleges and technical schools, a beginning is to be made in what should develop into an adequate fisheries institute, the purpose of which would be to furnish the necessary information and facilities for training men, and for original researches for economically exploiting and conserving the natural advantages of Massachusetts as a fish market for the world. The work done by the Imperial Fisheries Institute of Japan well illustrates the great value of intelligent and concerted effort for improving methods of catching and preparation of fish for the market, and for providing markets for the products.

Sea and Shore Fisheries.

While the general catch of sea fish was rather unsatisfactory, the unusual market demands, resulting from abnormal conditions in the beef supply, coupled with constantly increasing endeavors to get the fish to market in the best possible condition, resulted in higher prices to the fishermen. The mackerel season was the poorest on record, while the catch of herring and cod was below normal.

Breeding Places for Fish.

There is increasing evidence that specific areas of water which are the natural breeding ground of useful fishes must be set aside as reservations, where the taking of fish must be carefully regulated.

National Control of Migratory Fish.

The migratory fish which annually resort to particular bays, estuaries and rivers for purposes of spawning cannot be regarded as the peculiar property of the states through whose

waters they may chance to pass on the way to their breeding grounds, nor yet of that state in which they may breed. They are a national asset, useful as food for inland as well as seacoast communities, and should not be exposed to undue perils when approaching their spawning places. The relatively small size of the states on the Atlantic coast results in much legal, though unwise, destruction of such fish in one state when approaching the natural special spawning grounds, just over the line of an adjacent state. Many flagrant abuses can be adjusted only by national control of migratory fish, with the establishment of suitable laws existing in adjacent states. Every person interested in maintaining unimpaired our great national fisheries should actively support such a measure in Congress.

The Lobster.

The lobster conditions are set forth in our report, recently published, which may be had on application to the commission. The Massachusetts lobster fishery is in a distinctly bad way, and the conditions demand immediate consideration by the public, who, after all, is most concerned.

General Slaughter of Game.

Against the general slaughter are the sportsmen as a class. Although the sportsmen include about 5 per cent. of the population, and the food-consuming public outnumber the sportsmen 20 to 1, yet game must be given special consideration as an efficient and satisfactory source of one of the best types of sport; best in the sense that it clears the brain for better work, promotes sturdy health by driving the blood more rapidly, trains the eye, develops the motor nerve centers and makes the man.

Game must be maintained, therefore, as a means of developing physical manhood, clear vision, honest respect for the rights of others and a truer outlook upon life, both in the abstract and in the concrete. For these reasons, among others, it is essential that dead wild game be kept as far from the market places as possible, since market demands have been and doubtless always will be the stimulus to undue and unwise depletion.

The problem, then, in one aspect, is the personal relation of the individual to public rights and public property. Massachusetts chances to be located geographically at the confluence of two important tracts of bird migration, with a territory almost uniquely accessible, through good roads, trolleys and railroads, with its relatively large acreage of great ponds, and perhaps an equal territory of artificially flowed areas, many broad and sluggish streams in the eastern section, with numerous bays, sounds and harbors where wild ducks naturally are wont to bed, with many points and islands favorable for shooting.

It is, therefore, especially important that the relation of the people to the birds and to the shooting privileges should be worked out with the utmost care and a high degree of intelligence, in order that the natural assets of Massachusetts be not destroyed or even seriously impaired as a result of unwise demands, practices or laws.

The Cause of Much Destruction.

The conditions connected with the maintenance of the natural and normal number of animals which are of very great biological value for the health and wealth of mankind are peculiarly complicated in Massachusetts, apart even from the political and legislative steps which annually depart from pristine conditions. Among the most notable of the peculiar conditions is the very high theoretical density of population, when figured in terms of total population and total area, but, as a matter of fact, a rather sparse population over wide areas, and excessive congestion in numerous cities, particularly in the eastern section of the state. This has resulted in—

(1) A large permanent, though floating cosmopolitan population, including most prominently Greeks, Italians, Portuguese and Poles, which is relatively unassimilated and which to a considerable extent from its urban bases makes quasipractical forays upon the wild birds and animals, and upon fish, food and bait mollusks. To these people the problems of conservation of "natural resources" have never come. The rights of "free fishing, fowling and boating" appeal to such with peculiar force, but mean little beyond a stimulus to appropriate as much as possible of such public property. To these conditions are attributed much uneconomic destruction, e. g. quantities of fish beyond the market supply (smelt, herring, etc.) small mackerel, bluefish, lobster and other species which are most valuable when

full grown, and which resort to our shores to breed; small birds, which are of little value as food, but absolutely essential to checking insect pests.

(2) An exceedingly active market demand, e. g., Boston is the trading center of at least 5,000,000 people within a radius of 150 miles, as well as a shipping point for all directions.

(3) A shore line practically completely taken up by the cities, towns and summer residents. One of the prime attractions to the summer residents is the possibility of securing a fresh supply of sea food under sanitary conditions. This demand is supplemented by the great number of transients swarming to the seashores during the warm season.

Should Control Clamming.

We again direct your attention to the important fact that provision should be made for securing from the clam flats an annual crop as certain as that from the strawberry field. The strawberry has become one of the most satisfactory and profitable garden crops. We could not nowadays be satisfied either to depend upon the crop of wild strawberries for our market supply, or to pick the first few large berries and destroy all the others. Yet such is precisely the method pursued by the clambers. Planting is not encouraged. No one can be offered any degree of likelihood that he may be able to reap where he has sown. Indiscriminate digging destroys thousands of clams for every one marketed. Massachusetts is the only State where similar public assets have been placed in the control of the towns, thereby diverting from the State treasury a very considerable sum. (The Rhode Island State treasury received last year \$117,555.72 from the leases of the oyster grounds alone.) Shore property adapted for rearing mollusks is very carefully gardened in France, Italy, Holland, Japan and other countries.

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FINE NEW SCHOONER.

BEING BUILT AT ESSEX FOR CAPT. WALLACE BRUCE OF SCH. VALERIE.

A handsome new schooner is being built at Tarr & James' shipyard, Essex, for Capt. John Chisholm of this city.

The craft is rapidly nearing completion, and it is hoped to launch her within a month's time. She will be of the auxiliary type, and will be commanded by Capt. Wallace Bruce, one of the hustling skippers of the winter's fresh market fleet, who has established an enviable record.

BLOWN OFF TO GULF STREAM.

The fishing sch. Muriel arrived at T wharf Wednesday after a two weeks' trip to the fishing grounds. The crew said that they never had such a wild trip as the one just finished. A week ago the schooner was blown into the gulf stream, 150 miles off her course, and it was only with difficulty that they brought her back to the grounds again.

The wind blew at more than 70 miles an hour and increased into a hurricane. The schooner was thrown about like a small chip and was roughly used by the gale. From the ice-cold waters on the Georges banks the Muriel was carried to the warm waters of the gulf stream.

Made Big Share.

Sch. Pontiac, Capt. Ernest Parsons also at Boston yesterday, stocked \$3050 as the result of her trip, her crew making the fine share of \$102.28 each.

Will Go Pollock Seining.

Capt. Jerry Cook will command the steamer Bessie M. Duggan, pollock seining and will get underway shortly.

Halibuters Spoken.

Capt. Charles Colson of sch. Elk reports speaking schs. Rhodora, Myster and Avalon on Quero recently.

TWO FARES OF FRESH HALIBUT.

AND BIG CARGO OF SALT COD AMONG RECEIPTS HERE TODAY.

The week which opened rather tame at this port has been a little more active the past few days, and this morning there were four more arrivals here.

Schs. Selma and Elk are from Quero. The former has about 12,000 pounds of halibut while the Elk, Capt. Charles Colson, brought in a nice trip of 25,000 pounds which sold at 13 cents for white and 9 cents for gray, consequently Capt. Colson and his crew should net a good share.

Sch. Maude F. Silva came here during the morning from haddocking with 35,000 weight of fish, and sch. Blanche from Grand Bank, N. F., with a cargo of 300,000 pounds of salt cod for Davis Brothers.

The gill netters did not get out yesterday and remained tied up at their various wharves. This morning most of them got underway to take advantage of the fine weather to get a lift outside.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Sch. Selma, Quero, 12,000 lbs. halibut.
- Sch. Elk, Quero, 25,000 lbs. halibut.
- Sch. Yakima, via Portland.
- Sch. Maude F. Silva, haddocking, 35,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Blanche, Grand Bank, N. F., 300,000 lbs. salt cod.

Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, haddocking.
- Sch. Laverna, haddocking.
- Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, haddocking.
- Sch. Harmony, haddocking.
- Sch. Agnes, halibuting.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

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- Peak cod, large, \$2.15, medium, \$1.75, snappers 75 cts.
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- Bank halibut, 13c per lb. for white and 9c per lb. for gray.

Bait Prices.

- Frozen bluebacks, \$2.50 to \$3 per cwt.
- Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.75 to \$3.25 per cwt.
- Shore frozen herring, \$2 to \$3 per bbl.
- Frozen squid, \$3.75 per cwt.

VESSELS ARE GOING FAST.

Sch. Dauntless of this port has been sold to Capt. Rose of Jersey Harbor, Fortune Bay and with the schs. Oregon and George Parker previously purchased by him will be transferred under the British flag.

The Dauntless measures 111 tons gross and 77 tons net and was built in Essex in 1899. She is owned by Capt. Carl C. Young.

The craft will engage in the fisheries on the west coast of Newfoundland. This is the third fishing craft Capt. Rose has bought at this port in as many days.

Still They Build Them.

A handsome fishing schooner of the semi-knockabout type was launched Tuesday morning from the shipyard of D. C. Mulhall at Liverpool, N. S., for Lunenburg parties. The vessel's length is 124 feet, width 26 feet, depth of hold 11 feet. She will carry a mainmast 87 feet long and a mainboom of 73 feet. The vessel's name is the Lottie A. Silver. She will be commanded by Russell Silver of Lunenburg, who is the managing owner. The keel will be laid at once for another schooner.

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Portland Fish Notes.

Sch. Yakima that arrived at Portland, in addition to her halibut fare, had 12,000 pounds of hake and 8000 pounds of salt fish.

Other vessels there were, schs. Lough Invar, Mary Sennett, Augusta A., Fanny Reed, Edmund F. Black, Angie B. Watson, Bennie and Bessie, Rough Rider, Chester A., Nellie G. Walton, Katie L. Palmer, Hockomock, Albert D. Willard, the total catch of the fleet aggregating nearly 100,000 pounds.

Will Have Halibut Dinner.

John Bright, one of the crew of the sch. Selma, sent down a nice halibut to the Fishermen's Home on Eastern avenue, which Capt. Gleason will serve to his "crew" at dinner today. Needless to say, the old fellows appreciated Mr. Bright's kindness and will enjoy the meal.

Halibut Sale.

The halibut fare of sch. Thomas A. Cromwell landed at Portland, Wednesday, sold at 14 cents a pound for white and 11 1-2 cents a pound for gray.

Salt Steamer Coming.

Steamer Numia sailed from Iviza, Spain on Tuesday last with a cargo of salt for this port.

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Made Big Money.

The fare of fresh fish of sch. Cynthia, Capt. Jeffery Thomas at Boston yesterday, realized the fine stock of \$2400, the crew sharing \$58 each. In less than a month, the Cynthia has made two trips, stocking \$5000 on both, the crew getting \$116 each clear as their share of the proceeds.

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WEEK CLOSED VERY QUIETLY.

ONLY FOUR OF THE MARKET FLEET MADE T WHARF THIS MORNING.

The week closed very quietly at T wharf this morning, four shore crafts with less than 50,000 pounds constituting the total receipts.

Trade was quieter than it has been, consequently the demand was not heavy. Haddock brought \$3.85 a hundred weight, large cod, \$4 to \$5; market cod, \$3 to \$4; hake, \$3 to \$6.12 1-2 and cusk, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are. Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 12,000 haddock, 200 cod, 2000 pollock, Sch. Olive F. Hutchings, 9000 haddock, 500 cod, 2500 hake, George H. Lubee, 14,000 haddock, 400 cod, 2500-hake, Dixie, 2500 cod, Haddock, \$3.85; large cod, \$4 to \$5; market cod, \$3 to \$4; hake \$3 to \$6.12-1-2; cusk, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

MORRISSEY'S NEW RECORD.

SCH. ARETHUSA STOCKED \$3480.05 ON HER RECENT FRESH FISH TRIP.

Capt. Clapton Morrissey has established a new record in the winter haddock fishery, stocking just \$3480.05 as the result of his mammoth fare landed at Boston, Thursday, the crew sharing \$79.87 to a man.

Capt. Morrissey beats his own previous record, little better than \$150. So far as is known it is the largest check paid over at the exchange to any sailing vessel in the haddock fishery. Capt. Morrissey carried 11 dories on his last trip, one more than on the former, consequently there was but a slight advance in the individual share.

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CLAM DIGGERS WIN THEIR FIGHT

Senator Schofield's Bill

Favored by Fisheries and Game Committee.

Commission's Plan of State Authority Only Found No Favor.

State House, Boston, March 9.—The clam diggers of Essex county won a signal victory yesterday when the committee on Fisheries and Game by vote of 10 to one declared in favor of reporting favorably the petition and bill of George A. Schofield of Ipswich retaining to cities and towns the right to take from the Commonwealth a lease of the right to control and regulate the taking of clams from all the flats within its borders.

The committee voted leave to withdraw on the proposition recommended by the commission on fisheries and game which would give the state entire authority over the leasing of the clam flats.

The Schofield bill has been amended to include beside the common clam, little neck clams and sea clams, so called, and further by reducing the term of years of the leases to the cities and towns from 25 to 15 years.

The bill also has been amended with a provision for a referendum before its provisions can be made operative.

The right to make regulations for the sub-leasing of the flats to persons desiring to take clams is left entirely with the local authorities, while under the commission bill this right was denied the cities and towns and would be held by the state.

The bill as it will be reported from the committee on Monday in the upper branch by Senator Schofield provides that the commissioners of fisheries and game shall issue a lease of the clam flats to each city or town which make application therefor, for a term of 15 years, at an annual rental of \$5 a year, to be paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth.

No such lease shall give the right to any city or town to sub-let to any person or corporation any of its rights under such lease. All the rights granted to a city or town shall be held for the benefit of its citizens.

City governments in cities and town meetings in towns, may make rules and regulations for the control and regulation of the taking of clams, and may authorize the granting of permits to citizens of such cities and towns to take clams, and may prescribe the time and methods of such taking.

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A TURTLE STORY.

Two men who were digging a canal at the State Farm in Bridgewater got a sudden fright one afternoon last week, when they found the ground beneath them beginning to rise. On investigation they found a large snapping turtle imbedded there, for its winter sleep. The turtle was more than four feet long, it is said, and 20 inches wide across the shell. From the rings on its back its age was estimated to be 136 years.

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Just Notice This.

A very interesting item is the following from the Halifax Herald: "Capt. Fred Porrier leaves tomorrow for Gloucester, Mass., to bring to Digby the American fishing sch. Harvester, 76 tons, which was built at Essex, Mass., in 1892. Capt. Prime and Capt. John Snow have purchased the vessel jointly, and Capt. Prime is to command her in the shack fishery, disposing of his trips at American ports. The Harvester is to retain her American registry, but she will be a Digby owned vessel, manned by a Digby crew and will fit out here."

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CAPT. MURPHY FOUND THE FISH.

GILL NETTER VENTURE HAD 10,000 POUNDS MOSTLY HADDOCK YESTERDAY.

Sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert Porper, is here from Grand Bank this morning after a five weeks' trip on Grand Bank with 25,000 pounds of fresh halibut.

Sch. W. H. Moody from Georges arrived yesterday afternoon with a small fare of about 2000 weight of halibut and 4000 salt cod. Steamer Bryda F., one of the pollock netting fleet came here during the morning with 15,000 pounds of pollock.

The gill netters brought in about 25,000 pounds, steamer Venture, Capt. Patrick Murphy again leading the fleet with 10,000 weight, chiefly haddock.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Sch. Cavalier, from Grand Bank, 25,000 lbs. halibut.
- Sch. Wm. H. Moody, Georges, 2000 lbs. halibut, 4000 lbs. salt cod.
- Str. Ibsen, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Alice, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Eagle, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mindora, gill netting, 300 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. F. S. Willard, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Bethulla, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Venture, gill netting, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Hope, gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Geisha, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish.
- Steamer Bryda F., pollock seining, 15,000 lbs. fresh pollock.
- Sch. Teazer, via Boston.
- Sch. Flora S. Oliver, via Boston.
- Sch. Harriett, via Boston.
- Sch. Emily Sears, via Boston.
- Sch. Actor, via Boston.
- Sch. Arethusa, via Boston.
- Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Benj. A. Smith, haddocking.
- Sch. Elsie, haddocking.
- Sch. Alice, haddocking.
- Sch. Leo, haddocking.
- Sch. Clara G. Silva, haddocking.
- Sch. Jeanette, haddocking.
- Sch. Senator Gardner, salt bank trawling.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

- Handline Georges codfish, large \$5 per cwt., medium, \$4.50, snappers, \$3.
- Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.75, mediums, \$4.25.
- Haddock, \$1.50.
- Pollock, \$1.50.
- Cusk, large, \$2.50, medium, \$2, snappers, \$1.50.
- Hake, \$1.50.

Fresh Fish.

- Haddock, \$1 per cwt.
- Peak cod, large, \$2.15, medium, \$1.75, snappers 75 cts.
- Western cod, large, \$2.25, mediums, \$1.85, snappers 75 cts.
- All codfish not gilled, 10 cts. per 100 pounds less than the above.
- Cusk, large, \$1.50, medium, \$1.20, snappers, 60 cts.
- Bank halibut, 11c per lb. for white and 8c per lb. for gray.

Bait Prices.

- Frozen bluebacks, \$2.50 to \$3 per cwt.
- Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.75 to \$3.25 per cwt.
- Shore frozen herring, \$2 to \$3 per bbl.
- Frozen squid, \$3.75 per cwt.

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Will Go For Halibut.

Sch. Topsall Girl, which has been hauled up at Union wharf, Portland, for several weeks, is now fitting out for the halibut fishery and her skipper, Capt. Doggett, is planning to go eastward with her about the middle of March.

Halibut Sale.

The fresh halibut fare of sch. Cavalier sold to the New England Fish company this forenoon at 11 cents a pound for white and eight cents for gray.

Fine Stock and Share.

Sch. Fannie E. Prescott, Capt. Jack Robbins stocked \$2740 as the result of her recent haddock trip, the crew each sharing \$88.20 clear.

Went to Split.

The fresh haddock fare of Sch. Maud F. Silva sold to George Perkins & Son yesterday.

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THE POLLOCK HAVE STRUCK.

Pollock have struck in off Boon island and this morning the steamer Bryda F. came in with a nice catch of about 15,000 pounds.

Fish have been reported schooling in that vicinity for the past few days and it is quite likely that the fleet of seiners will get underway now that the schools are showing up.

Good Stock.

Sch. Elk, Capt. Charles Colson, made a nice stock from her halibut trip landed here yesterday, clearing \$2300, the crew's share being \$67.50 each.

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WILL CONFER WITH CAPT. GARDNER.

Delegates of Anti-Beam Trawling Committee to go to Washington.

Another enthusiastic and largely attended meeting of the anti-beam trawling committee was held at the rooms of the Master Mariners' Association Saturday evening, Capt. Henry M. Atwood, chairman, presiding.

Various matters and details pertaining to the campaign which is to be waged against the beam trawler were discussed and the report of the progress made to date was most encouraging. Edward P. Ring, official collector for the committee is meeting with a generous response in his col-

lections from the local fleet, for the fund that will be necessary to carry on the fight.

It was voted to send one or two delegates to Washington to confer with Congressman Gardner and other officials interested. They will discuss the situation and secure information and data that will be of assistance to the committee. The matter of appointment of the delegates was left to the chairman.

It was also voted to send a representative to Provincetown to see what progress is being made there and to awaken general interest in the movement begun.

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Made a Dandy Stock.

Another dandy stock in the winter's halibut fishery is that of sch. Yakima, Capt. Robert Wharton, which arrived at Portland Thursday. The total stock was \$3192, the crew sharing \$91 to a man.

Halibut Fare at Portland.

Sch. Avalon is at Portland this morning with 18,000 pounds of halibut, which sold at 10 cents a pound for white and eight cents a pound for gray.