

Jan'y 10.

Jan'y 10.

Jan'y 10.

Jan'y 11.

OLD HALIBUT AT PORTLAND

"WORST EVER SAW" SAYS PORPER

A MODEL PLACE.

Is New Fishermen's and Seamen's Institute at St. John's, N. F.

The formal opening of the new Fishermen's and Seamen's Institute at St. John's took place, December 19, under the patronage and presence of the Governor of the Province, and the Premier, together with the Mayor and civic functionaries of the city. The institute is an international home for seafarers, the money for its erection being raised by Dr. Wilfred T. Grenfell's lecture tour in England, Canada and the United States. The building is of brick construction, four stories high, located on the harbor front. The entire top floor is devoted to schooner girls—the majority of the fishing schooners having a girl cook. There is a special entrance to these quarters where there is a kitchen, social and dining rooms and bedrooms, four of which were given by the guild of Emmanuel Church in Boston. These quarters also serve the purpose of a Y. W. C. A. but are in no way connected with that association. On the lower floors is a men's dormitory, containing 75 bedrooms. There is a reading room, furnished by the Lend-a-Hand Society of Boston in memory of Dr. Edward Everett Hale, who was a close friend of Dr. Grenfell. There is an auditorium, called Grenfell Hall, which is furnished by the New England Grenfell Association in honor of Dr. Grenfell's mother, and an officers' room for ships' officers, a restaurant and a swimming pool.—Fishing Gazette.

TWO SHORE BOATS ONLY AT T DOCK

And Then Total Catch Only Amounted to 5000 Lbs. Fresh Fish.

It was a slim market at T wharf, Boston, this morning, the only arrivals since yesterday being two shore boats with 500 pounds of haddock and cod between them.

Saturday is generally a pretty quiet day at the dock and there was but little doing. Prices on haddock were quoted at \$4.75; large cod, \$7; market cod, \$4; pollock, \$4 to \$4.50.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are: Sch. Eva and Mildred, 2500 haddock, 1200 cod. Sch. On Time, 1300 cod. Haddock, \$4.75; large cod, \$7; market cod, \$4; pollock, \$4 to \$4.50.

Mystery Brought Cod Here—Sch. Claudia Has Fine Georges Trip.

The heavy gale blowing outside this morning kept most of the gill netters and market fleet in port this forenoon. Soon the wind had increased in its kicking up quite a heavy chop de.

The only arrivals since yesterday's are schs. Claudia, from a Georges handling trip with 30,000 lbs of salt cod and 1000 pounds of fish. Sch. Mystery at Portland today, disposed of her halibut fare 1000 pounds and brought 11,000 lbs of salt cod here, which were taken by the Gorton-Pew Company, owners.

Schs. Laura and Marion is also here this morning from Jonesport, Maine, with a cargo of cured fish.

The receipts from the gill netters yesterday amounted to only a few hundred pounds, which were shipped to Boston.

Sch. Aloha, Capt. John Matheson, arrived yesterday from Bay of Islands, N. F., brought 700 barrels of herring, 650 barrels of salt herring and 150 barrels of pickled herring. The Cunningham & Thompson company.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail:

- Sch. Claudia, Georges handling, 30,000 lbs. salt cod, 1000 lbs. fresh halibut.
- Sch. Robert and Edwin, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Quoddy, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Ethel, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Little Fannie, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Mariner, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Margaret D., gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Sawyer, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Schs. Laura and Marion, Jonesport, cured fish.
- Sch. Mystery, via Portland, 11,000 lbs. salt fish.
- Sch. Aloha, Bay of Islands, N. F., 700 bbls. frozen herring, 650 bbls. salt herring, 150 bbls. pickled herring.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Jubilee, Georges handling.

COLONY OF GULLS.

Well Established Quarters in Central Park, New York.

Within the last few weeks a colony of several hundred seagulls has established quarters near the Central Park, and complaints are being made that they are a menace to public health, says the Fishing Gazette. The attention of Commissioner Thompson was called to them last week when a man was kept at the bay to drive the gulls away from the water and there was no danger of drinking water of the city. The weather and the recent fall of water have driven the birds from the waters of the Sound. They increased greatly in numbers in recent years, ever since the State fixed a penalty of \$60 for killing one and \$25 additional for each bird killed. It was because the gulls were valuable as scavengers of the rivers surrounding the city that the law was passed for their protection, but it was not foreseen that they would make their home in several months in the year on part of the city's water supply. A park employee tried to count the birds on an upper reservoir a few days ago, but found them too many to count. He estimates their number at 500. Walter Sager, keeper of the reservoirs for the water department, says the gulls are a nuisance, but he has no way of getting rid of them. The reservoirs are full of perch, bullheads, pumpkin seed and other fish, and the gulls obtain their food from the waters.

CAVALIER'S CAPTAIN TELLS OF AWFUL GALE THAT COST TWO LIVES.

FIVE MEN SWEEPED FROM DECK—THREE SAVED WITH ROPES.

The heavy gale, which struck sch. Cavalier last Saturday off the Nova Scotia coast, costing the lives of two of the crew, was one of the worst in all his experience at sea, so Capt. Robert Porper, her skipper, reports.

The Cavalier left the banks on January 2 for Canso to refit and on Saturday they ran into a gale of hurricane force, accompanied with a heavy sea.

About 8 o'clock in the night the vessel was swept by a heavy sea which smashed all the dories and swept five

of the crew overboard. Three of those succeeded in grasping ropes thrown to them, and were hauled on board. The other two, James Cavanaugh and John Kempton, who were drowned, were not seen afterwards. The condition of the weather was such that the vessel was unmanageable at the time. In all Captain Porper's experience on the banks he never experienced such weather as on Saturday last.

The schooner Gladiator, Captain Doucett, arrived at Louisburg Monday night to effect repairs to her gaff which was damaged in Saturday's gale.

WILL SPEAK FOR A HOSPITAL SHIP

Local Men Go To Washington TO Attend the Hearing.

Gloucester and other New England fishing ports are deeply interested in Congressman Gardner's hospital bill which comes up for hearing before the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries at Washington, Monday morning.

The cause of the fisherman will be well championed by local representatives and others who will attend the hearing and present some convincing arguments as to the merit and necessity of such a measure as the congressman from this district is laboring to secure.

Col. Charles F. Wonson, president of the Gloucester Fishermen's Institute, who has been a tireless worker for the hospital ship cause will represent the institute at the hearing. He left yesterday for Washington. Capt. William H. Thomas has been appointed delegate on the part of the Master Mariners' Association and Benjamin A. Smith and Secretary Richard W. Freeman to represent the Board of Trade. The latter delegates will leave for Washington on the train leaving the South Station at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

Congressman Gardner's bill calls for an appropriation of \$50,000 for a suitable craft with a suitable appropriation annually for maintenance of the service.

FOR BUILDING ROADS.

Oyster Shells Are Now Considered of Much Value.

Oyster shells have of late become quite valuable. It has been discovered that they are excellent to build roads with; they are also used for fertilizers and the manufacture of buttons. Nowadays the oysterman saves his shells and sells them at a profit. The biggest pile of shells in the world is situated at Hampton, Virginia, on Chesapeake Bay, the greatest of oyster waters. This miniature mountain is the product of one season's catch of one man, Frank Darling, the millionaire "King of Oystermen." The pile is 50 feet high and 150 feet long, and contains about 200,000 bushels of shells, which yielded about 5,000,000 oysters. These shells will sell for \$10,000, and before the next season the pile will have disappeared, to make room for another as large. There are many oystershell hillocks in the Chesapeake Bay region, though none quite so large as this.

Jan'y 10.

ONLY FEW CRAFT IN WITH TRIPS

Four of the Six T Wharf Arrivals Should Make Good Stocks.

This morning's receipts of fresh fish at T wharf consisted of six fares, four from off-shore and two from the shore.

Yesterday afternoon, the steam trawler Surf arrived with 55,000 weight of haddock. This morning's list includes schs. Gertrude DeCosta, 70,000 pounds mostly of haddock and cod; Georgianna, 56,000 pounds; Mary, 35,000 pounds; Margaret Dillon, 7600 pounds; Sadie M. Numan, 20,000 pounds.

Haddock sold at \$2.75 to \$4.35 a hundred pounds; large cod, \$3 to \$6.50; market cod, \$2.50 to \$4; hake, \$3.50 to \$7; pollock, \$3.50 to \$4.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are: Str. Surf, 55,000 haddock, 600 cod. Sch. Gertrude DeCosta, 44,000 haddock, 23,000 cod, 3000 hake. Sch. Georgianna, 42,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 100 hake. Sch. Mary, 23,000 haddock, 6900 cod, 1000 hake. Sch. Margaret Dillon, 4000 haddock, 600 cod, 3000 hake. Sch. Sadie M. Numan, 2500 haddock, 1400 cod, 5500 hake. Haddock, \$2.75 to \$4.35 per cwt.; large cod, \$3 to \$6.50 per cwt.; market cod, \$2.50 to \$4; hake, \$3.50 to \$7; pollock, \$3.50 to \$4.

Scarce at Portland.

Fish still continue alarmingly scarce. The Hockomock was the only arrival Wednesday, and she brought only 6000.

LOST ON PASSAGE TO BAY ISLANDS

Sch. John R. Bradley There Reports Daniel McDonald Was Drowned.

A message from the Bay of Islands, N. F., announces the arrival there of sch. John R. Bradley, two days ago after a rough and stormy passage.

The despatch contains the sad news of the loss of Daniel McDonald, one of the crew whom it is supposed was drowned on the passage down. No particulars concerning the accident are given. McDonald boarded with Joseph Southerland, at 48 Duncan street, this city.

Capt. James McDonald, commander of the craft reports a hard passage, with heavy gales and seas all the way.

CATCH FISH FOR THEMSELVES

The following reports on conditions in the markets of Portugal and Italy were published in a recent issue of the St. John's Trade Review: Up to a few years ago the people of Portugal were satisfied to depend on foreign countries for their supply of dry codfish. They would probably have continued in the same old way if British trawlers did not invade their offshore waters and exploit them in search of cod and other fish. They naturally argued if there was money in the business for men from the north of the Bay of Biscay, there would be money in it for them also, and hence they increased their fishing operations very considerably. As long as they confined their operations to catching and selling fish green, they only affected Newfoundland's fish business indirectly; but lately, they have gone extensively into dry fish, and it is having a serious effect on us. When our prices are low we can even face this handicap with a measure of hope for success, but with present high rulings the home-caught Portuguese article is becoming a serious menace to our trade in Portugal. A correspondent writing from Oporto makes note of the above facts, and, as there is every prospect of the home-caught-and-cured article increasing every year, our merchants will have to seriously consider the matter. The reputation of Newfoundland fish is hard to kill, and we may not be entirely dislodged from Portugal for many years, if we send over good, large and well-cured fish; but it appears that some of the goods sent over the present season were not, by any means, of a superior quality, and, hence, we are going to suffer in competition with the home-caught article.

Jan'y 11.

Jan'y 11.

Jan'y 13.

Jan'y 13.

CAME THROUGH WITHOUT SCRATCH

Capt. Wadding Brought the Sch. Atlanta Home Safe Through Heavy Gales.

Sch. Atalanta, Capt. Richard Wadding, nine days from the Bay of Islands, arrived here during the night with a full cargo of herring, having safely rode the recent gales and coming through it all without a scratch.

Capt. Wadding ran into head winds on the passage home. Last Friday he was down off Scatterie, but did not strike the gale until Saturday, when the craft was blown back and Capt. Wadding headed for Cow Bay, Cape Breton, where he dropped anchor and waited until the storm was over and resumed his trip home.

The heavy wind kept the gill netters in port yesterday. Steamer Bethulia ventured outside and managed to pick up her nets, landing 1500 weight of fish.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Str. Bethulia, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Georgianna, via Boston.
- Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.
- Sch. Reta A. Viator, shore.
- Sch. Atalanta, Bay of Islands, N. F., 55 bbls. salt herring, 395 bbls. pickled herring.
- Sch. Clara G. Silva, shore.
- Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Monitor, Provincetown, in tow of tug Eveleth.
- Sch. Pauline, Georges handling.
- Sch. Mary P. Goulart, haddocking.
- Sch. Jeanette, haddocking.
- Sch. Mary F. Sears, haddocking.
- Sch. Stranger, haddocking.
- Sch. Adeline, haddocking.
- Sch. Jorgina, haddocking.
- Sch. Harriett, haddocking.
- Sch. Manomet, haddocking.
- Sch. Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., haddocking.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

- Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.50 per cwt.; medium, \$4.62 1-2; snappers, \$3.25.
- Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.
- Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$4.
- Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.
- Pollock, \$1.50.
- Hake, \$1.50.
- Haddock, \$1.50.
- Salt herring, \$3.50 per bbl.
- Pickled herring, \$4.50 per bbl.

Fresh Fish.

- Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.
- Eastern cod, large, \$2.10; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.
- Western cod, large, \$2.15; mediums, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.
- All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.
- Hake, \$1.15.
- Cusk, large, \$1.30; mediums, \$1; snappers, 50c.
- Dressed pollock, 80c.; round, 90c.
- Bank halibut, 25c per lb. for white, 17c for gray.
- Fresh herring, \$1 per bbl. to salt; \$2 per bbl. for bait.
- Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.75 per cwt.

FISH FROM THE PACIFIC.

Poor Catches on Atlantic Seaboard Responsible.

"There are as good fish in the sea as ever were caught" has become somewhat of an axiom; but dealers in sea food in this city are becoming inclined to think that while there may be as good fish, there certainly cannot be as many. The Atlantic seaboard is coming to be rather a poor supply center, they say, for the more desirable fish, such as halibut, and the decrease in amounts of such fish brought in to the fish wharves of Boston and Gloucester is coming to be a source of some embarrassment to the inland dealers.

Lovers of sea food have been disturbed at the rising prices on the better qualities of fish and have been sending in complaints over the difficulty of getting a sufficient supply of fish of the freshness and quality with which they are familiar. The reason is that conditions are such that the main sources of supply are the fisheries of the Pacific coast, from which the fish are shipped across the continent, packed in ice. These fish, however, are rather tasteless and of a tougher quality than the Atlantic fish that people have been accustomed to getting almost fresh from the water.

The scarcity of Atlantic halibut has become such that the dealers' representatives have taken to meeting incoming fishing schooners at the wharves and bidding on the fish, so that prices as high as 51 cents a pound for the fish just as they are delivered from the vessels have been known to be paid.—Springfield Republican.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Titania, Capt. Patrick Vale, arrived at Liverpool, N. S., Tuesday, January 7, and will sail again for the fishing ground as soon as weather permits.

On the Railways.

Sch. Independence II. is on the Rocky Neck railways.

On Way Home.

Sch. Olga, one of the Newfoundland herring fleet, has sailed for home.

Jan'y 11. 12

A FAVORITE GEM.

The Best Turquoises Women Wear Comes From Omar's Land.

By far the largest part of the world's turquoises comes from the mines near the Persian city of Nishapur, where Omar Khayyam was born and lies buried. The mines are situated in a range of mountains rising to a height of 8655 feet. The highest point at which turquoises have been found is 5800 feet above sea level, and the lowest point 4800 feet. The geologic formation of the Nishapur mountains is porphyries, greenstone, limestone and sands one, the turquoises being found in veins in the rock. The methods of the Persians who operate the mines are quite antiquated for only ladders and pulleys are used in the rough shafts.

The most highly prized turquoises are of a deep azure color, and they must have a certain property called the "zat," which may be likened to the so called "water" of the diamond, or the "luster" of the pearl. The deep azure color of a turquoise may fade soon after being exposed to light and air. Consequently, tourists buying the stones in Persia have to guard against turquoises that have been kept in damp earthenware pots.

Jan'y 13.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

- Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.50 per cwt.; medium, \$4.62 1-2; snappers, \$3.25.
- Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.
- Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$4.
- Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.
- Pollock, \$1.50.
- Hake, \$1.50.
- Haddock, \$1.50.
- Salt herring, \$3.50 per bbl.
- Pickled herring, \$4.50 per bbl.

Fresh Fish.

- Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.
- Eastern cod, large, \$2.10; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.
- Western cod, large, \$2.15; mediums, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.
- All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.
- Hake, \$1.15.
- Cusk, large, \$1.30; mediums, \$1; snappers, 50c.
- Dressed pollock, 80c.; round, 90c.
- Bank halibut, 25c per lb. for white, 17c for gray.
- Fresh herring, \$1 per bbl. to salt; \$2 per bbl. for bait.
- Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.75 per cwt.

GILL-NETTERS ARE BOTHERED

Rough Seas Prevent Some of Them From Lifting Their Nets.

It was a pretty quiet morning here today along the water front, sch. Cavalier from halibuting arriving with a small fare of fish.

Saturday's gill netting arrivals approximated 55,000 pounds, three-fifths of the day's receipts being pollock, one-fifth haddock and the remainder hake and cod. Less than one-half of the fleet were out yesterday, small fares being the rule. The little boats found it rough outside this morning, many of them returning picking up their nets.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Str. Alice, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 1700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Little Fannie, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Philomena, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Robert and Edwin, gill netting, 900 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Seven Brothers, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Ethel, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mary L., gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Harold, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mariner, gill netting, 900 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. R. J. Kellick, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Lorena, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Nomad, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Cavalier, halibuting, 1000 lbs. fresh halibut, 1000 lbs. salt cod.

Saturday's Gill Netting Arrivals.

- Str. Ibsen, gill netting, 1700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Eagle, gill netting, 1400 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mindora, gill netting, 200 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 1100 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 1700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Venture, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Philomena, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Hugo, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Sunflower, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Anna T., gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Evelyn H., gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Ethel, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. George E. Fisher, gill netting, 1700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mary L., gill netting, 1800 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Seven Brothers, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mystery, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mariner, gill netting, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Lorena, gill netting, 1800 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Robert and Edwin, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mary F. Ruth, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Nashawena, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Geisha, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. R. J. Kellick, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

HADDOCK FROM BOSTON TO SMOKE

Part of Fare of Sch. Gov. Foss Will Be Brought to Gloucester.

Ten fares, two of which are from the off shore constituted the arrivals of fresh fish at T wharf, Boston, mostly haddock and cod with a few hake.

Sch. Gov. Foss, Capt. Fred Thompson, has 55,000 pounds, 45,000 pounds of which are haddock. Part of the latter will be brought here to smoke. The other off shore fare is the steam trawler Crest with 30,000 pounds of haddock.

The shore fleet consist of schs. Genestia, 12,000 pounds; Flavilla, 5500 pounds; Galatea, 8900 pounds; W. M. Goodspeed, 10,500 pounds; Harriett, 8900 pounds; N. A. Rowe, 2000 pounds cod; William H. Reed, 1500 pounds cod; Jeanette, 4000 pounds.

Haddock sold at \$5.50 a hundred weight; large cod, \$6.50 to \$7; market cod, \$3 to \$4.50; hake, \$4.50 to \$7.50; pollock, \$4 to \$5; cusk, \$2.50 to \$3.50.

Boston Arrivals.

- The prices in detail are:
- Sch. Gov. Foss, 45,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 5000 hake.
- Sch. Genestia, 8500 haddock, 500 cod, 3000 hake.
- Sch. Flavilla, 35,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.
- Sch. Galatea, 4500 haddock, 1400 cod, 4000 hake.
- Sch. W. M. Goodspeed, 4500 haddock, 500 cod, 5500 hake.
- Sch. Harriett, 5000 haddock, 1200 cod, 2700 hake.
- Sch. N. A. Rowe, 2000 cod.
- Sch. William H. Reed, 1500 cod.
- Sch. Jeanette, 2500 haddock, 500 cod, 1000 hake.
- Str. Crest, 30,000 haddock, 500 cod.
- Haddock, \$5.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$6.50 to \$7; market cod, \$3 to \$4.50; hake, \$4.50 to \$7.50; pollock, \$4 to \$5; cusk, \$2.50 to \$3.50.

Small Trip, Big Price.

Eastern strike breakers figured in the catch of halibut just landed at Seattle, Washington by the steamer Chicago. While all but smallest craft were tied up by the strike the Chicago, with eight eastern fishermen from Portland and Boston aboard, slipped out of port December 13, returning with 12,000 pounds of Alaskan halibut which sold at 13 cents per pound. Fishermen on the Pacific coast are striking for an increase of one cent a pound as their share of the catch.

Another Gill Netter.

A. Cooney & Company have purchased the 50-foot Maine fishing steamer Flora Robinson, which will be fitted for gill netting in command of Capt. George Hill of the steamer Alice.