

Feb. 28.

HEAVY WEATHER TO THE EASTWARD

Is Reported by Capt. George Marr of Halibuting Sch. Monitor.

Sch. Monitor, Capt. George Marr, one of the halibuters, is the only off-shore arrival here this morning. Capt. Marr was absent five weeks on Green Bank, and secured a fare of 24,000 pounds of fresh halibut and 6000 pounds of salt cod.

Capt. Marr reports extremely heavy weather all the time out. There was a succession of gales, with plenty of cold weather and ice, which hampered fishing operations, although the craft came through without damage.

Most of the gill netting fleet were out yesterday, although no real large fares were landed. The day's receipts totalled about 35,000 pounds, the in-shore steamers having two-thirds cod and the remainder mostly haddock, while the big fellows brought in mostly pollock.

Steamer Ethel took a small halibut, weighing about 30 pounds in her nets yesterday.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Sch. Monitor, Green Bank, 24,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 6000 lbs. salt cod.
- Str. Carrie and Mildred, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Robert and Edwin, gill netting, 1100 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 1800 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Eagle, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Dolphin, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Swan, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 1200 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Nora B. Robinson, gill netting, 1300 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Bethulia, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Venture, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Philomena, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Hope, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Hugo, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Sunflower, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Anna T., gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Evelyn, gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Ethel, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Gertrude T. gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Seven Brothers, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Harold, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mystery, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Medomak, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. R. J. Kellick, gill netting, 2800 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Lorena, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Sawyer, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mary F. Ruth, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Quannapowitt, via Boston.
- Sch. Annie and Jennie, via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Electric Flash, Boston.
- Sch. Knickerbocker, Boston, and returned.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

- Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.25 per cwt.; medium, \$4.75, snappers, \$3.25.
- Eastern deck handline codfish, large, \$5.25; medium, \$4.50.
- 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.
- Newfoundland salt herring, \$3.25 per bbl.
- Newfoundland pickled herring, \$5 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, 15c per lb. for white and 11c for gray.
- Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.75 per cwt.

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Preparing for Seal Fishery.

Eleven wooden vessels propelled by steam and aided by square sails in their lofty masts will sail on March 11, and the steel hulled fleet the following morning carrying a total of 3500 men from all parts of Newfoundland, for the seal fishing grounds. Twenty craft constitutes the entire fleet, while in addition the S. S. Seal, which plies between Sydney and Halifax in the summer months, will go commanded by Capt. J. A. Farquhar.

The sealing season lasts until closed by law on May 1st. The sealers return home and take as their wages and shares of the gross receipts from the cargo.

Owners and vessels making up the fleet now fitting out are as follows, all with one exception being owned in Newfoundland:

- Job Brothers and Company, Beothic, Nascopie, Erik, Diana and Neptune.
- Bowring Brothers—Eagle, Viking, Ranger, K ite, Stephano and Florizel.
- Harvey's—Bellaventure, Bonaventure, Adventure and Newfoundland.
- Beards—Labrador.
- Tasca Cook—Lloydson.
- Newfoundland Produce Company—Sagona.
- Baine, Johnson & Company—Bloodhound Southern Crops.
- J. A. Farquaha & Company, Halifax—Seal.

Portland Fishing Notes.

Sch. Titania, which arrived at Portland last week with fish and has since been on the marine railway for repairs, left the way Wednesday and took berth at Commercial wharf while she baits her trawl.

The fish arrivals of Wednesday were the George H. Lube, 12,000; the Top-sail Girl, 6000; the Katie Palmer, 7000; the Edmund F. Black, 3000; Dorcas, 3000; Albert D. Willard, 3000; and the small boats about 10,000. All of the schooners were pretty well iced up when they arrived and reported severe cold weather.

The government fish hatching station at Boothbay Harbor expects to hatch 500,000,000 lobsters during the present year, which will mark a record for that station.

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STILL TALKING RECIPROCITY

The Canadian press evidently is not yet through with discussing reciprocity. The following editorial appeared recently in the Halifax Chronicle:

"The protest which the Gloucester Board of Trade has made to the Ways and Means committee at Washington against a reduction of the duty on fish entering the American market should open the eyes of the fishermen of Nova Scotia to the falsity of the canvass which was used against reciprocity by its opponents in this province. The men who told the Nova Scotia fishermen that the American market would be of no use to them, and that the dried fish trade would be wiped out, because all our fish would be shipped in a green state to the American market, thus depriving Nova Scotians of employment, were simply humbugging the fishermen. The Gloucester Board of Trade, on the contrary, say that they could not compete with Canadian fishermen, and that the lowering of the duties would put the Gloucester fishermen out of business."

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ICE WORKING TO SOUTHWARD

A 200 Mile Field Encountered in Vicinity of St. Pierre May Bother Fisherman.

The officers of the cable ship Relay, owned by the Mexican Ship Relay company which arrived at Gran Tuesday after completing repairs at round St. Pierre, reported having crossed a large field of ice four feet thick.

The ice was encountered between 44 to 45 north latitude, and cutting diagonally through it the officers estimated that the field was 200 square miles in size.

When plowing through the ship at 2 o'clock one morning came to a stand still and the captain, to make headway sent her astern and then put her full speed ahead and crashed through the packed ice. Time after time this occurred on this occasion and as the large chunks of ice were thrust aside they clung to the ship's side then crashed in on her wake.

One large block caught the rudder, jammed it over and broke the chain and for five or six hours the ship lay still in the ice field while repairs were done.

In some places the chief officer said that large blocks of ice four feet thick were piled up three and four deep, and excepting ice in the Arctic regions he had never seen anything like it. If a tramp steamer got in there she would be in great danger.

Their work they expected to occupy nine or ten days, but they had been a month on the job. Snowing and blowing most of the time, with the thick ice all around made their work very uncomfortable and difficult and when close to St. Pierre the weather got so boisterous that they had to put in for shelter.

It is quite evident that the ice is working its way to the southward and the heavy southwest currents and northeast winds which prevail at this time of the year are likely to have a telling effect in carrying it in that direction and in the path of the fishermen.

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NOTHING DOING UP AT T WHARF

No Arrivals This Morning and Stores Clear for Monday Arrivals.

T wharf's fish story this morning was a brief one, business being quiet from the fact that Saturday is closing day, and there was not an arrival of any description on hand.

Outside of the few boxes shipped from here from yesterday's gill netters, there would have been nothing doing in the fresh fish line at all.

Yesterday afternoon, the steam trawler Spray arrived from Georges with 27,000 pounds of haddock, 2000 scrod and 4000 cod.

Shore fish sold as follows: Haddock, \$3.50 a hundred weight, large cod, \$4, market cod, \$2.50 and pollock, \$4.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are: Str. Spray, 29,000 haddock, 4000 cod. Haddock, \$3.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 per cwt.; market cod, \$2.50 per cwt.; pollock, \$4 per cwt.

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They Keep Building.

On Saturday morning a fine schooner was launched from the yard of Smith & Rhuland, the well known builders. As she slid into the water she was christened "Arcona" and will be a valuable addition to the Lunenburg fishing fleet. Capt. Charles Knice who will command her, is one of the owners. She is 120 feet over all; 26 feet beam and 101-2 hold.—Lunenburg.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

- Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.25 per cwt.; medium, \$4.75, snappers, \$3.25.
- Eastern deck handline codfish, large, \$5.25; medium, \$4.50.
- 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.
- Newfoundland salt herring, \$3.25 per bbl.
- Newfoundland pickled herring, \$5 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, 15c per lb. for white and 11c for gray.
- Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.75 per cwt.

Wrecked Crew Bound Home.

On board the Boston steamer L. V. Stoddard, due at New York next week from Seville, Spain, are Capt. Vallis and the five men, composing the crew of the British schooner Mary A. Whalen, which was abandoned at sea in a sinking condition, while on a passage from Grand Banks, N. F., for Oporto, Spain. The shipwrecked sailors were rescued by the Italian steamer Ravenna, which landed them at Seville. Capt. Bergman of the Stoddard agreed to bring the men to this country upon the request of the American and British consuls at Seville. The Mary A. Whalen was formerly the Boston fishing schooner of that name, and for years she ran regularly to T wharf. She was sold a few years ago to J. B. Patten and W. Forsay of St. John's, N. F., at which time she surrendered her American registry and was enrolled under the British flag.

Dominion Ice Report.

The Halifax, N. S., Board of Trade has received the following ice report: Heath Point—Heavy open ice everywhere.

Magdalen Islands—Heavy close packed.

Cape Ray—Heavy close packed distant.

Money Point—Heavy open inshore.

Cape Race—No ice.

No communication with St. Paul's Island.

Schooner Sold.

Sch. Electric Flash, owned by James E. Bradley and built at Essex in 1901, measuring 116.22 tons gross and 80.05 tons net, has been sold to Burin, N. F. parties through the agency of Fred Chase, Boston. The craft sailed to Boston yesterday afternoon, prior to her trip to her new home port.

In Good Quarters.

The steamer Alcona has been docked for the winter at the wharves of Messrs. Taylor & Roberts and soon the patent freezer will in turn be frozen in.—Western Star, February 12.

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FISHERMEN GO TO VANCOUVER

The Yarmouth, N. S., Herald of Tuesday last says that Messrs. Peter Kenney, Howard Nickerson, Martin Nickerson, Frank Goodwin, Russell Colleshaw, Alexander Phillips, Enslay Brannen, Loui Lindstrom, of Clark's Harbor, Austin Reid, of Stony Island; James Gardner, of Argyle, and Frank Blades, of Lockeport, left by D. A. R. train on Saturday morning via St. John for Vancouver, C. B. to go fishing out of that port.

All the above are well known here, from which port they had been fishing from several seasons.

ESSEX COUNTY FOLKS NOT WORRYING.

Clam Bill if Passed Will Not Affect the Present Leases.

LITTLE DOING HERE TODAY

Less Than a Dozen Gill Netters Comprise the Arrivals Since Last Report.

Less than a dozen gill netters were the only arrivals of fresh fish here yesterday...

The best lifts were those of steamers Margaret D. with 4500 pounds and George E. Fisher, 2000 pounds...

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

- The arrivals and receipts in detail are: Str. Carrie and Mildred, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Hope, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Lydia, gill netting, 300 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Dolphin, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. George E. Fisher, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Nora B. Robinson, gill netting, 1600 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Swan, gill netting, 200 lbs. fresh fish. Sch. Adeline, shore. Sch. Clara G. Silva, shore. Sch. Galatea, shore.

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Dominion Ice Report.

As telegraphed by the superintendent signal service, Quebec, to the board of Trade, February 24th, 1913: Father Point, Flame Point, Heath Point, Money Point—Heavy open ice. Magdalen Islands—Heavy close Cape Ray—Snowing. packed everywhere. Cape Race—No ice in sight.

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T WHARF HAS BUT THREE BOATS IN

But Good Shipments From Gloucester Gill Netters Help Out Situation.

The fresh fish business started off rather light at T wharf this morning, only three small fares being in when the gong sounded.

They are schs. Frances V. Sylvia, 27,000 pounds; Flavilla, 7100 pounds; Priscilla, 4000 pounds. Relief was brought to the situation, however, by the arrival of some 96 boxes of mixed fish from this port, which were shipped by the gill netters on the Sunday morning boat.

Haddock sold at \$2.60 to \$5 a hundred pounds; large cod, \$4.50 to \$5. market cod, \$3.50 to \$4; hake, \$5 to \$8; and pollock, \$5.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are: Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, 23,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 700 halibut. Sch. Flavilla, 5500 haddock, 1000 cod, 600 hake. Sch. Priscilla, 1500 haddock, 500 cod, 2000 hake. Haddock, \$2.60 to \$5 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.50 to \$5; market cod, \$3.50 to \$4; hake, \$5 to \$8; pollock, \$5.

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Week's Receipts at T Wharf.

Receipts of fresh groundfish landed at T wharf, Boston, last week, totalled 2,489,625 pounds from 83 arrivals against 2,538,700 pounds from 77 arrivals for the same period in 1911.

Salt Mackerel Imports.

Imports of salt mackerel of the 1012 catch landed at Boston to date amount to 27,290 barrels against 30,797 barrels of the 1911 catch for the same period of last year.

Took Salt.

Sch. Senator Gardner took on salt from the steamer Guild Hall in the outer harbor yesterday, getting ready for her salt bank cod fishing trip.

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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, 15c per lb. for white and 11c for gray. Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.75 per cwt.

New Trawlers Arrive.

Two new trawlers of the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Company, the George E. Foster and the Andrew Kelly, arrived at Victoria on January 13, after their 14 weeks' trip from Beverly, England, and have left for Prince Rupert, from which port they will operate. The trawlers were insured for £7,300 each.

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HALIBUT STRIKE SETTLEMENT

The strike of halibut fishermen which has been on since November 14, was ended February 14 at a conference held in Tacoma and attended by representatives of the union and the vessel owners. The steamer fishermen struck for 11-2 cents per pound, an increase of 1-2 cent over the old rate, but a compromise was effected at 11-4.

Several attempts were made early in the year to man steamers with strike breakers, but these were largely a failure. At the time of the compromise the Chlopek Fish Co. had one steamer out with a strike breaking crew. These men will be replaced by union men as soon as the vessel reaches port. About a week prior to the settlement the Weiding & Independent Fisheries Co. agreed to meet the strikers half way and its vessels were sent to the banks on the 11-4 cent rate now prevailing.

It is understood that the New England Fish Co. will meet the new price and place its vessels, which have been laid up since December 3.

Provincetown Fishing Notes.

The scarcity of fresh bait has been a serious handicap to the dory fishermen of late. There seemed to be plenty of large cod in the bay but fresh bait was needed to get them.

The following crew shares were reported by vessels arriving February 22 from T wharf: Sch. Jessie Costa, \$38 each; Eleanor DeCosta, \$28; Delphine Cabral, \$8.

The large new scow recently built at Pidgeon's yard was placed at her mooring just east of the Fisherman Cold Storage wharf the past week, which company will use it to drive poles for its traps. The company will operate two traps of its own this year instead of one as in the past. The new scow is fitted with a gasoline engine for pumping down poles and is also fitted with connecting couplings the size of the fire department's hose, to be used in case of fire on the waterfront.

Several Provincetown vessels of the flounder fleet arrived at New Bedford to resume fishing last week.

GOOD HAULS BY GILL NETTERS

No Off-Shore Arrivals at This Port for Several Days.

The gill netters did well Saturday and Sunday, the receipts for the two days being about 80,000 pounds of the very finest quality of shore fish.

The little steamers inshore had mostly cod, while the off shore fellows struck a run of pollock, with some cod and haddock. The fleet are waiting for the run of haddock which are expected to strike in shore now most any day.

Saturday's shipments went to Boston, while the landings of yesterday were held over for tomorrow morning's early boat.

No off shore arrivals of any description are reported during the past 48 hours.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

- The arrivals and receipts in detail are: Str. Robert and Edwin, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Carrie and Mildred, gill netting, 1100 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Lydia, gill netting, 100 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Eagle, gill netting, 100 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Dolphin, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Nomad, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Philomena, gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Hope, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Evelyn H., gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Ethel, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Seven Brothers, 1400 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Mystery, gill netting, 1300 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Medomak, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. R. J. Kellick, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Sawyer, gill netting, 2800 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Nora B. Robinson, gill netting, 1700 lbs. fresh fish.

Saturday's Gill Netting Arrivals.

- Str. Dolphin, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish. Sch. Little Fannie, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Nora B. Robinson, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Eagle, gill netting, 300 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Seven Brothers, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. F. S. Willard, gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Water Witch, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Bethulia, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Joanna, gill netting, 200 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Philomena, gill netting, 900 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Hope, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Hugo, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Sunflower, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Anna T., gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Evelyn H., gill netting, 2400 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Ethel, gill netting, 3200 lbs. fresh fish. Str. George E. Fisher, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Geisha, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Carrie and Mildred, gill netting, 1200 lbs. fresh fish. Str. Harold, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.