

WILL END THE TRAFFIC IN "SHORTS" LOCAL Lobstermen to Form Union— Dr. Field Will Address Them.

Lobstermen's union or association, with the lobster fishermen of Cape Ann, have had under consideration for several weeks, now has every appearance of being an assured fact, for the meeting will be held tomorrow at the Fishermen's Institute an organization perfected.

The association idea is an outcome of the recent strenuous campaign by the Fish and Game Commission in being waging for the enforcement of the lobster laws, more especially the one of "shorts", coupled with fast fishing supply on the local coast. Fishermen claim that the business has become unprofitable of late and if they must depend for a livelihood on the large lobsters that are caught in competition with fishermen who take the chance of selling "shorts", they are obliged to give up the industry.

To End Traffic in "Shorts." A plan which it is believed would be beneficial to all has been formulated, whereby the lobstermen can control the prices of the local output, and put an end to the traffic in "shorts." The plan of an association has met with popular favor that nearly all the fishermen have signified their intention of joining. Each member pledges to return all lobsters of illegal size to the waters where they are

Lockeport, N. S., Fishing Notes.
 Lockeport Cold Storage Company report a very busy week in all departments. On Saturday no less than 150,000 lbs. fresh fish were landed at the wharf. Large quantities of fish have come in and the freezing department is going ahead and being run to its utmost capacity.
 The following vessels were out last week:
 Roseway, Captain Ross Locke, 100 lbs. mixed fresh fish, 53 lbs. halibut and one swordfish weighing 375 lbs.
 Ohio, Captain William Williams, 100 lbs. mixed fresh fish and 279 lbs. halibut. (The Ohio's fish were not landed at time of writing.)
 Gladys, Captain J. Harding, was in with 502 salt fish which has not been landed; Julia Opp Captain Benham, 45,000 lbs. salt fish and 100 lbs. halibut; Nellie Viola, Captain T. McKenzie, 23,000 lbs. fresh fish and 6000 lbs. mixed fish; Togo, Captain Ted Locke, 100 lbs. mixed fresh fish; Sloop, Captain McKenzie, 4000 mixed fresh fish; Viola, Captain VanAmber, 100 lbs. mixed fresh fish; Olive R., Captain Swim Bros. reported that the total Lockeport catch for the week ending August 16th, is as follows: 250,610 lbs. mixed fresh fish; 1383 lbs. salt fish; seven swordfish weighing 1800 lbs. and 505 barrels of fish in the traps and nets.

Dr. Field Will Address the Meeting.

Tomorrow evening's meeting is called for 7.45 o'clock. Dr. George W. Field, chairman of the Massachusetts Fish and Game Commission will deliver an illustrated lecture on the lobster industry, while Dr. Belding, the state biologist will also address the lobstermen. Superintendent Clifford Corliss of the U. S. government hatchery at Ten Pound Island will preside.

All lobstermen and dealers and others interested in the association are invited to attend.

The Agreement.

The following form of agreement has been drawn, which the lobstermen will be invited to sign:

Gloucester, Mass., August 29, 1913.
 We, the undersigned residents of Gloucester and Rockport, being engaged in the lobster fishery in and around the waters of Cape Ann, do hereby agree from this date, to return alive to the waters, all lobsters caught by us which do not meet the measurements required by the laws of Massachusetts.

We sign this agreement with the understanding that by so doing we signify our intention of joining an association to be formed at the earliest possible date, the object of which association shall be to better the conditions of the fishery and thereby mutually benefit the members of the association.

N. F. BANKERS GET HAKE AND LING

According to Inspector O'Reilly of the Newfoundland cruiser Fiona, the trap fishery west of Placentia is much better this year than last and that the small boats in Fortune Bay have had a larger catch on the whole than for some years. In Placentia Bay the tray and small boat fisheries are both very backward, Golden Bay at Cape St. Mary's, having yielded practically nothing this year, though ordinarily it gives big returns.

He says too, that the Newfoundland bankers have much hake and ling in their catch this year and that a proportion of this has been taken by the shore folk so that there will probably be about 15,000 quintals of hake represented in this season's catch along the South Coast, while the Lunenburg bankers operating in Newfoundland waters, estimate that they have in their catch at least 50,000 quintals of hake. The Inspector says that the reports at St. Pierre of the French cod fishery are to the effect that the catch is decidedly small this year, although there has been no lack of bait, as caplin were abundant about St. Pierre up to within 10 days ago.

PACIFIC COAST HALIBUT NOTES

The Standard Fish Co. of Vancouver is not operating any halibut boats just now but is buying all its fish from the B. C. Packers' association for re-tailing.

The sch. Jessie, owned by A. J. Bechtel of Victoria, brought 20,000 pounds of halibut to Vancouver on July 17 for the New England Fish Co.

Chris Endresen & Co., are having four halibut schooners built at Aberdeen, Wash. The first one, now under construction will be finished early in September. She is 90 feet long, 18 feet wide and 14 feet deep. She will be equipped with a 100 horsepower Gorham engine and will have a speed of 8 1-2 knots, loaded. She will have a capacity for 5500 gallons of fuel oil, sufficient for 500 miles. Her fish capacity will be 100,000 pounds. The company now operates the S. E. R. No. 1 out of Seattle.

Capt. J. Jonansen is having a new schooner built in Seattle which will be completed early in September. She will have an 18 1-2 foot beam and a depth of 10 feet. A 110 horsepower Corliss engine will be installed giving her a nine knot speed. She will have a capacity for 90,000 fish and will have accommodations for 15 men.

The Victoria, the former sealing vessel that is to work on the halibut banks in conjunction with the Jessie left Victoria the end of the month, completely altered as to masts, deck arrangement and storage accommodation. She now has a fish locker capable of holding 85,000 pounds just forward of amidships and the engine room. She will fish off the West coast. The Ida Etta, another sealing schooner, is to be fitted up by the owners of the Jessie and the Victoria for the halibut business.

The refitted sealer Pescawha was sent out from Vancouver by the New England Fish Co. on her first trip on July 21, under Capt. Gillen, formerly in command of the Flamingo. On her trial trip the vessel made 11 miles an hour with a 125 horsepower Union engine. The New England Fish Co. bought her last year and have been refitting her for the halibut trade during the winter.

The Glory of the Seas of Seattle, transformed the beginning of the season into a refrigerator ship is reported as having very good success, up to July 25th having frozen 750,000 pounds of halibut. The supply of fish furnished by the fishermen has been greater than the capacity of the freezers, and it seems probable that the vessel will return in the fall with a cargo approximating her full capacity.

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Has Fine Fare.
 With the fine fare of 1300 quintals of codfish and fifteen casks of cod oil, the schooner John Parker, Captain Richards, arrived at Halifax, Tuesday afternoon from fishing. She cleared for LaHave.

JULY CATCH SHOWS A GAIN

The total receipts of fresh and salt groundfish at this port for the month of July according to the statistical report of the Board of Trade was 6,951,026 pounds as compared with 5,181,823 pounds for the same month in 1912.

Following is the statement in detail:

	1913 lbs.	1912 lbs.
Salt cod	3,236,970	2,154,051
Fresh cod	712,921	978,538
Halibut	548,369	214,656
Fresh, salt haddock	1,136,861	690,398
Fresh and salt hake	580,268	369,761
Fresh and salt cusk	570,097	561,026
Fresh, salt pollock	140,391	207,602
Flitches	25,149	5,791
Total	6,951,026	5,181,823
	bbls.	bbls.
Fresh mackerel	114	358
Salt mackerel	685	50
Miscellaneous—2060 bbls. blue backs, 67 bbls. butterfish, 83 bbls. shad.		

SAY BIG GUNS KILL THE FISH

Although there is nothing like a united movement to protest against it the small boat fishermen are complaining among themselves that the firing of the big guns at the local forts is killing out the fishing in the outer harbor, says the Portland Press.

Of late the catches of schooling fish in particular have been extremely light and as even herring have deserted this territory the fishermen insist that nothing but the firing of the big guns is responsible for it. They say that the concussion kills many of the fish when they are schooling at the top of the water and the presence of dead fish in the water drives the others away.

They, too, say that the very noticeable scarcity of mackerel this season is due to no other cause and some of them make the claim that during the past week after the heavy firing at Fort Williams the water was strewn with dead or stunned fish.

There is some talk among them of taking the matter up with the government although to what end is not apparent for it is hardly probable that the government will silence the guns at the forts for all time even to save the fishing. Then too, many are inclined to discredit the claim of the fishermen and account for the scarcity of fish by pointing out that this is only another off year such as has been experienced on numerous occasions in the past.

Salt Cod Fare Sold.
 The salt cod fare of sch. Conqueror, sold to Frank F. Smith & Company.

SHARP ADVANCE ON HALIBUT

Two Fares This Morning Sell at 8 1-2 and 6 1-2 Cts. Per Pound.

Two halibut fares from La Have Bank, schs. Lucinda I. Lowell, Capt. Donald McCoish and Rhodora, Capt. Gustaf Peterson, were on the market this morning.

Both trips sold at a decided advance over the last sales, bringing eight and one-half cents a pound for white and six and one-half cents for gray. The Rhodora sold to the American Halibut company and the Lowell to the New England Fish. In addition to their halibut fares, the crafts have some salt and fresh shack aboard.

Sch. Conqueror, Capt. Robertson Giffin, from Grand Bank, brings a fare of 140,000 pounds salt cod.

At noon, sch. Rebecca arrived with a fare of 110,000 pounds, mostly hake.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Rhodora, La Have Bank, 15,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 65,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell, La Have Bank, 20,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 25,000 lbs. fresh fish, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Conqueror, Grand Bank, 140,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Rebecca, shacking, 110,000 lbs. fresh hake.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Theodore Roosevelt, seining.

Sch. Jeanette, haddocking.

Sch. Boyd and Leeds, salt drifting.

Sch. Emily Sears, shore.

Sch. Appomattox, pollocking.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4.75 per cwt.; medium, \$4.25; snappers, \$3.

Drift codfish, large \$4.37 1-2 per cwt.; medium, \$3.87 1/2.

Eastern halibut codfish, large \$4.50; medium, \$4.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.

Cusk, large \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.50.

Pollock, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$1.50.

Fledged halibut, 8 3-4 cents per lb.

Sal mackerel, \$23 1-8 per bbl. for medium; \$12 for tinkers.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, \$1 per cwt.

Eastern cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.

Western cod, large, \$2.35; medium, \$2; snappers, 75c.

All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, \$1.10.

Cusk, large, \$1.55; medium, \$1.15; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 80c.; round 70c.

GET READY FOR THE HOLIDAY

Trade Quiet at T Wharf Today and Prices Rule Low.

Groundfish prices at T wharf, Boston, this forenoon ruled low and although the market was not overstocked, trade was quiet as it generally is at the week-end.

Sch. Ralph Russell has the largest fare of the morning, hailing for 120,000 pounds of haddock and cod.

Wholesalers paid \$1 to \$1.75 a hundred for large cod, \$3 for large and \$2 for market cod, and \$1.25 for pollock.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Mary, 35,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Jessie Costa, 35,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Ralph Russell, 40,000 haddock, 80,000 cod, 2 swordfish, 200 halibut.

Sch. Arbitrator, 14,000 haddock, 14,000 cod.

Sch. Pythian, 1000 haddock, 15,000 cod.

Sch. Hortense, 2100 haddock, 18,000 cod.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, 4000 haddock, 48,000 cod, 2500 pollock.

Sch. Olivia Sears, 5000 pollock.

Str. Whileaway, 9200 fresh medium and tinker mackerel.

Sch. Alert, 8000 fresh medium and tinker mackerel.

Str. Mary F. Ruth, 12,000 fresh medium and tinker mackerel.

Str. Mildred Agnes, 7000 fresh tinker mackerel.

Str. Independence, 4000 fresh tinker mackerel.

Str. Bryda F., 4000 fresh tinker mackerel.

Haddock, \$1 to \$1.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$3; market cod, \$2 to \$2.30; pollock, \$1.25; fresh mackerel, 10 1/2c per lb. for medium, 5c to 5 1/2c for tinkers.

Big Find of Ambergris.

A piece of ambergris reported to be worth about \$150,000 was recently brought to Victoria, B. C. It was one of the largest masses of this precious substance ever found. Ambergris is a secretion formed in the intestines of the sperm whale, and its scarcity may be judged from the fact that while sailors are always on the lookout for it there are whaling skippers of 50 years' experience who have never found a scrap.

Portland Fishing Notes.

The sch. Topsail Girl has finished swordfishing for the present season and returned Tuesday to Portland to fit out for ground fishing.

GOOD REPORTS FROM GASPE

A. H. Whitman, managing director of Robin, Jones & Whitman, Ltd., has just returned from an inspection visit to the firm's branches on the Gaspé coast, says "The Maritime Merchant" of August 14. He went by rail to Gaspé and from there took a three days return drive to Paspébiac, calling at 15 stations which are operated by his firm on that shore. He brings good reports of the fishing industry and that fishermen are receiving 50c per quintal more for their catch than they received last year. Reviewing the results of the industry since the season opened, Mr. Whitman said that the spring and early summer fishing was good. The weather was favorable and fish were plentiful. Following this, however, came a period of small catches; not that there were storms or other unsuitable weather, but that there was an apparently scarcity of fish. Lately, however, an improvement is reported and in Mr. Whitman's opinion the catch is likely to be greater than last year and with better prices to the fishermen.

FOUR STEAMERS GET MACKEREL

The fleet of steamers to the southward made some more hauls of mackerel yesterday, landing their fares at Boston this morning.

The fish are for the most part medium and tinkers, the fares ranging from 4000 to 12,000 fish in count. The sailing craft, sch. Alert is included in the morning's arrivals, the others being steamers Mary F. Ruth, Whileaway, Mildred Agnes, Independence and Bryda F.

Wholesalers paid 10 1-2c a pound for medium fresh mackerel and five cents and five cents and one-half a pound for tinkers.

The salt mackerel fare of sch. Terranova, consisting of 87 barrels sold to the Gloucester Mackerel company at \$23 a barrel for medium and \$8 1-2 for tinkers.

The fare of sch. Diana, 36 barrels, was also purchased by the Gloucester Mackerel company for the lump sum of \$412.

Fresh herring, \$3 per bbl., for bait; \$1.50 to salt; \$1.60 to freezer.

Fresh mackerel, 29c each for large, 18c for medium 8c per lb. for tinkers.

Fresh bluebacks, \$2.50 per bbl., for bait; \$1 to freezer; 75c to salt.

Bank halibut, 6 1-2c per pound for white and 4 1-2c per pound for gray; also 5c per pound right through.

SOME MORE GOOD STOCK

Sch. Mystery, Capt. James M. stocked \$2649.30 on her recent fishing trip, the crew sharing \$71 a man clear.

Sch. Patriot, Capt. Percy Fifth salt drifting, realized \$1400 on her recent trip, the high line share \$42.39.

Sch. Boyd and Leeds, Capt. Wynde, another of the salt drift stocked \$1810. on her last trip, high line share was \$59.

The above crafts are of the G. Pew Fisheries Company fleet.

Sch. Maud F. Silva, Capt. C. Colson which has been sold to E. Cola, stocked \$3027 on her recent buting trip, the crew sharing \$91 a man clear.

Newfoundland Fisherfolk.

Some 20,000 Newfoundland fish folk—men, women and children now engaged in the annual campaign against the shoals, locally known "schools," of cod along the Labrador seaboard. In Newfoundland Labrador the cold climate, which Polar current, in which they swathed, imposes upon them, not only denies a living to the people unless they can derive it from the sea. It is true that of late years mines and the lumber of Newfoundland have grown in value, but now the revenue derived from fish is unimportant compared with great fishery. Whatever may have been said and written in favor of agriculture in Newfoundland, it is the sea to which her sons look as mainstay.

Naturally, then, the Newfoundland fisher is a sailor from his cradle. Born and bred of a race of men who have struggled with an environment of rough seas, dense fogs and less ice; men who have been true to their own resources for almost everything that they make use of. Little wonder, then, that a race of men has been gradually evolved to preserve all the best traditions of the British race. The real sailor of today, the nearest kin to those who made England great in the tenth century, is to be found on the North Sea and on the Newfoundland and Labrador coasts—New "Post."

How Fish Are Drowned.

Paradoxical as it may seem, fish have been drowned, just as human beings have been smothered by the great pressure of air. One experiment consisted in putting fish in seltzer water, which brought about death by suffocation. If a living, healthy fish be put into water rapidly boiled, from which have been driven all the gases ordinarily present in distilled water, the fish dies in the same way.—"Harper's Weekly."

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Manomet and Viking were Canso, N. S., Monday.

Schs. Sylvania and A. Platt sailed from Canso on the same day seeking bait.

Sch. Alice was at Liverpool Monday and cleared.

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Nova Scotia Bait News.

Little Bras D'Or, August 26—Eight hundred caught at North Sydney this morning and some squid at Cape Bonaventure.

Middle West Pubnico, August 26—Five hundred barrels herring taken at Tusket Islands, 200 barrels at Yarmouth, five barrels at Pubnico, scarce Wedgeport.

Wedgeport, August 26—Lockeport, plenty bait in traps and nets; Sandpoint, plenty; none at East Jordan, New Brunswick and North East Harbor.

Musquodoboit Harbor, August 25—Fifty bbls. herring, Musquodoboit; 25 bbls. herring, Jeddore; seven bbls. herring, Eastern Passage.

St. John's, August 25—Herring at St. John's, one hundred and eight cwt. herring, twenty thousand; Lower St. John's, sixtv.

St. John's, August 25—Baccaro, 11 bbls.; Clarke's Harbor, 22; Wood's Harbor, 11.

St. John's, August 25—Forty bbls. herring at Liscombe; very plentiful at Liscombe.

St. John's, August 25—Fifty bbls. herring taken at Larry's River; 25 bbls. herring at Queensport; 15 bbls. squid, 25 bbls. herring, Canso; few herring at St. John's Harbor, Port Felix and White Bay; 25 bbls. herring at Colboro.

Middle West Pubnico, August 25—Twenty bbls. herring taken at Abbot's Harbor; 40 at Mud Island; 50 at Yarmouth; 150 at Tusket Island; five at Pubnico; nine at Wedgeport.

St. John's, August 25—About 100 bbls. herring at Petite de Grat.

St. John's, August 25—Ten bbls. herring at Tangier; 15 bbls. at Pope's Harbor; 30 bbls. at Spry Harbor; 15 bbls. at Spry Bay.

Wedgeport, August 25—Plenty bait in traps and nets; Sandpoint plenty; East Jordan none; North East Harbor and New Brunswick not heard from.

St. John's, August 26—Eighty-five barrels bait at Digby; 12 barrels bait at Little Cove.

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SWORDFISH TRIP IS LANDED HERE

Sch. Thalia, Handliner, Has All the Crafts at T Wharf 21, Beside Her Salt Cod Fare.

Arrivals at this port since yesterday have been few, affairs along the water front this morning being rather quiet.

One salt mackerel fare, that of sch. Rob Roy was here, besides sch. Pythian with a small fresh fare down from Boston.

Sch. Thalia from a Georges handlining has a small fare of salt cod, and 21 swordfish besides.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Rob Roy, seining, 90 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Pythian, via Boston, 18,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Thalia, Georges handlining, 5000 lbs. salt cod, 21 swordfish.

Sch. Edith Silveria, via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Edith Silveria, haddocking.

Sch. Alice M. Gutarie, haddocking.

Sch. Monitor, halibuting.

Sch. Harmony, halibuting.

Sch. Gov. Foss, halibuting.

Sch. Waldo L. Stream, halibuting.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, halibuting.

Sch. Arethusa, shacking.

Sch. Elmer E. Gray, shacking.

Sch. Clintonia, seining.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

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Drift codfish, large \$4.37 1-2 per cwt.; medium, \$3.87 1/2.

Eastern halibut codfish, large \$4.50; medium, \$4.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.

Cusk, large \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.50.

Pollock, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$1.50.

Flitched halibut, 8 3-4 cents per lb.

Salt mackerel, \$26 per bbl., for large; \$23.75 for medium; \$10 for tinkers.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, \$1 per cwt.

Eastern cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.

Western cod, large, \$2.35; medium, \$2; snappers, 75c.

All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, \$1.10.

Cusk, large, \$1.55; medium, \$1.15; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 80c.; round 70c.

Fresh herring, \$3 per bbl., for bait; \$1.50 to salt; \$1.60 to freezer.

Fresh mackerel, 29c each for large, 18c for medium 8c per lb. for tinkers.

Fresh bluebacks, \$2.50 per bbl., for bait; \$1 to freezer; 75c to salt.

Bank halibut, 3/4c lb. for white, 6/8c per lb. for gray.

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NO GROUND FISH REPORT TODAY

All the Crafts at T Wharf Have Either Mackerel or Swordfish.

Outside of mackerel and swordfish not an arrival was reported at T wharf, Boston, today.

Yesterday afternoon, two fares, schs. Aspinet and Elva L. Spurling arrived, the former with 36,000 pounds and the latter with 27,000 pounds.

The swordfish fares there today are schs. Dorcas with 62 and Two Brothers with nine.

Wholesalers quoted \$1.70 per hundred weight on haddock, \$3.30 to \$3.85 for large cod, \$2.10 to \$2.25 for market cod, \$2 to \$3 for hake, \$1.75 to \$2.25 for pollock, 15 cents and 12 cents a pound for halibut and 11 cents and 12 3-4 cents a pound for swordfish.

Boston Arrivals.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 18,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 2000 hake, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Aspinet, 28,000 haddock, 8000 cod.

Sch. Reliance, 3000 fresh mixed mackerel.

Str. F. S. Willard, 3000 fresh mixed mackerel.

Sch. Dorcas, 62 swordfish.

Sch. Two Brothers, 9 swordfish.

Haddock, \$1.70 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.30 to \$3.85; market cod, \$2.10 to \$2.25; hake, \$2 to \$3; pollock, \$1.75 to \$2.25; halibut, 15 cents for white and 12 cents for gray; swordfish, 11 cents and 12 3-4 cents per lbs., fresh mackerel, 8 cents to 10 cents per lb. for medium, 5 cents to 6 cents for tinkers.

Swordfishermen Harbor.

A large fleet of swordfishermen are on the coast. The Mary E. Sennett of Boothbay, with 12 fish and the Viking of Gloucester, with 10 fish were in Mosher's Harbor on Tuesday.—Lunenburg Progress-Enterprise.

Week's Landing at T Wharf.

The total landing of fresh groundfish at Boston for the week ending August 28 was 1,841,600 pounds from 41 arrivals as compared with 2,515,900 pounds from 62 arrivals for the corresponding week last year.

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FINE ADVANCE ON SALT MACKEREL

Two small fresh mackerel fares arrived at T wharf, Boston, this morning, which were taken off Chatham yesterday.

They are steamer F. S. Willard and sch. Reliance each with fares of 3000 mixed fish in count.

Wholesalers paid eight and 10 cents a pound for medium and five and six cents for tinkers.

Advance on Salt Mackerel.

The salt mackerel fare of sch. Rob Roy, Capt. Lemuel Firth, was put on the market this morning and brought forth some spirited bidding until it was finally bought by the Frank E. Davis Fish Company.

The lot consisted of 11 barrels of rimmed bloaters which brought \$26 a barrel, 33 barrels rimmed mediums which sold at \$23.75 a barrel and 44 barrels of tinkers which brought \$10 a barrel.

Mackerel Catch and Imports.

The catch of salt mackerel by the fleet to date is 3738 barrels as compared with 2461 barrels for the same period of 1912.

Imports of new salt mackerel at Boston to date total 4870 barrels. For the same period of 1912, 6672 barrels were landed.

The catch of fresh mackerel by the fleet to date is 38,086 barrels against 19,780 barrels for the same time of last year.

Imports of fresh mackerel received at Boston to August 28 are 10,161 barrels. Last year for the same time, the receipts were 3492 barrels.

The catch of salt mackerel for the week ending August 28 was 1855 barrels of fresh and 438 barrels of salt. For the same week of 1912, 1598 barrels of fresh and 58 barrels of salt.

Good Stock.

Sch. Gov. Foss, Capt. Fred Thompson, on his recent trip, stocked \$2800, while the crew shared \$65 to a man clear. Capt. Thompson bids fair to make another phenomenal stock in the season's fishery.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Lafayette, on a swordfishing trip, arrived at Liverpool Wednesday last and cleared.

Portland Fishing Notes.

The beam trawler Crest was in Portland Thursday with 52,000 pounds of fish for the Burnham-Morrill Co.

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Buoy Makes 18,000-Mile Sea Trip.

The reported voyage of a gas buoy to its moorings near Lewis, St. Lawrence river, to the coast of New Wales, Australia, a distance of 18,000 miles, is now being widely discussed by mariners. The loss of the buoy was reported early in 1911 during the two years which have elapsed, no vessel ever reported sighted, although the buoy was fully 1500 miles out of water. It was believed that the buoy had been sighted. Just how the buoy made its voyage is problematical, local mariners say it must have been caught by the currents along the Atlantic and then have been taken to some southern equatorial point around Cape Horn to Aus-

Swordfish Fare Sale.

Swordfish fare of sch. Thalia forenoon to the American company.