

# RECEIPTS LARGE AT BOSTON TODAY

## A Fleet of 33 Vessels and Steamers at T Dock Since Saturday.

T wharf had a big fish day this morning, the fleet comprising 33 steamers and sail, the largest single day's arrival list since last winter.

Last week's fine weather afforded the off shore fellows an opportunity to fish, and a number of them put for market Saturday and yesterday, to be on hand this morning. With these was the receipts of the shore fleet, consisting mostly of haddock, cod and hake.

Wholesalers at the opening of the market paid \$2.50 to \$3 a hundred weight for haddock, \$5 to \$5.25 for large cod, \$2.50 for market cod, \$1.25 to \$2 for hake, \$1.65 to \$1.75 for pollock and \$1.75 for cusk.

### Boston Arrivals.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Sch. Delphina Cabral, 14,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 10,000 hake.
- Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 3000 haddock, 3500 cod, 6000 hake.
- Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 2000 haddock, 2500 cod, 3000 hake.
- Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 3000 haddock, 22,000 cod, 9000 hake, 5000 cusk, 6000 pollock.
- Sch. Angie B. Watson, 13,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 5000 hake.
- Sch. Alice, 1000 haddock, 3000 cod, 14,000 hake, 3000 cusk.
- Sch. Washakie, 9000 haddock, 1000 cod, 6000 hake.
- Sch. Marion Turner, 18,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 3000 hake.
- Sch. Margaret Dillon, 2000 haddock, 7000 cod.
- Sch. Corsair, 16,000 cod.
- Str. Gyga, 20,000 pollock.
- Str. Crest, 44,000 haddock, 500 cod, 5000 lemon soles.
- Str. Heroine, 42,000 haddock, 600 cod, 2500 lemon sole.
- Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 20,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 17,000 hake.
- Sch. Robert and Arthur, 1000 haddock, 2000 cod, 12,000 hake, 15,000 cusk.
- Sch. Esperanto, 15,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 10,000 hake.
- Sch. Onato, 15,000 haddock, 17,000 cod, 18,000 hake.
- Sch. Morning Star, 30,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 7000 hake.
- Sch. Mildred Robinson, 18,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 9000 hake.
- Sch. Ruth, 16,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 5000 hake.
- Sch. Fannie E. Prescott, 14,000 haddock, 400 cod, 14,000 hake.
- Sch. Fannie Belle, Atwood, 22,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 10,000 hake.
- Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 7000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 2500 hake.
- Sch. Louisa R. Sylvia, 12,000 haddock, 8500 cod, 1200 hake.
- Sch. Jeanette, 8000 haddock, 2300 cod, 5000 hake, 4000 cusk.
- Sch. Priscilla Smith, 6500 haddock, 100 cod, 1000 hake.
- Sch. Matthew S. Greer, 15,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 10,000 hake.

- Sch. Commonwealth, 15,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 16,000 hake.
- Sch. Navarra, 5000 haddock, 800 cod, 4000 hake.
- Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 15,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 11,000 hake, 5000 cusk.
- Sch. Eva Mildred, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 15,000 hake, 12,000 cusk.
- Sch. Mary Edith, 7000 haddock, 1700 cod, 1800 hake.
- Sch. Terranova.
- Haddock, \$2.50 to \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$5 to \$5.25; market cod, \$2.50; hake, \$1.25 to \$2; pollock, \$1.65 to \$1.75; cusk, \$1.75.

### TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

#### Salt Fish.

- Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.25 per cwt.; medium, \$4.75; snappers, \$3.50.
- Salt trawl bank cod, large, \$4.75; medium, \$4.25; snappers, \$3.25.
- Dory handline cod, \$5 for large; \$4.50 for medium.
- Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$5.00; medium, \$4.50.
- Georges halibut codfish, large, \$5.00; medium, \$4.50.
- Fledged halibut, 10c per lb.
- Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.50.
- Haddock, \$1.50.
- Hake, \$1.75.
- Pollock, \$1.50.
- Salt mackerel \$18 per bbl. for medium; \$10.25 for tinkers.

#### Fresh Fish.

- Splitting prices:
- Haddock, \$1.00 per cwt.
- Eastern cod, large, \$2.25; medium, \$2.00; snappers, 75c.
- Western cod, large, \$2.35; medium, \$2.10; snappers, 75c.
- All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.
- Hake, \$1.40.
- Cusk, large, \$2.00; medium, \$1.70; snappers, 50c.
- Dressed pollock, 80c; round, 70c.
- Fresh herring, \$2.50 and \$3 per bbl. for bait.
- Fresh bluebacks, \$3 per bbl. for bait; \$1.75 to freezer.
- Bank halibut, 16c per lb., for white and 13 1-2c for gray.
- Fresh small mackerel, 6c per lb.

#### Portland Fishing Notes.

After renewing her coastwise papers at the custom house sch. C. M. Gilmore which arrived at Portland Friday, from Gloucester, will proceed to Orr's island where she will discharge her cargo of salt.

The steamer Elthier arrived Friday from Cape Porpoise with 65 barrels of sardine herring which she took out at the sardine factory at South Portland.

After five days of fishing sch. Albert W. Black came in Friday with a fare amounting to about 23,000 pounds, the largest fare that any Portland vessel has caught for a period of many weeks. She was followed by sch. Topsail Girl which brought 10,000 pounds. The fare of the Black included 500 pounds of halibut. Both trips were taken by F. S. Willard & Company.

#### Going Haddocking.

Capt. Delbert Lyons is fitting sch. Rex for haddocking. The Rex has been equipped with 10 new dories and has had her rigging overhauled.

# ARCHIE MCLEOD MAKE BIG STRIKE

## Is Home From Grand Bank With Fine Halibut Fare on a Klondike Market.

With 28,000 pounds of the finest kind of halibut, sch. John Hays Hammond, commanded by Capt. Archie McLeod, one of the leading hustling skippers is here this morning from a four weeks' trip to Grand Bank.

Not for a long time has there been such a scarcity of halibut in the market as recently. This is due to the bad weather and poor luck which the fishermen have been meeting and the hauling out of the fishery by several crafts. Capt. McLeod who has the reputation of finding them, if they can be found at all took his dandy fare on Grand Bank, besides 20,000 pounds fresh fish and 10,000 pounds salt cod as well.

This morning, the Hammond's trip was the only halibut fare between here and Portland. The dealers wanted fish bad and were willing to pay for them, the fare going to the American Halibut Company at 16 cents a pound for white and 13 1-2 cents a pound for grays. When the skipper and crew come to settle up, they will take down a neat and tidy sum as the result of their profitable trip, which also go a long way in swelling the Hammond's total earnings for the year.

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

- The arrivals and receipts in detail are:
- Sch. Tattler, dory handling, 400,000 lbs. salt cod.
  - Sch. John Hays Hammond, Jr., Grand Bank, 28,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.
  - Sch. Russell, shore, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.
  - Sch. Quoddy gill netting, 9000 lbs. fresh fish.
  - Str. Sawyer, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
  - Str. George E. Fisher, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
  - Str. Orion, gill netting, 1100 lbs. fresh fish.
  - Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.
  - Sch. Alert, North Bay and Cape Shore, 300 bbls. salt mackerel.
  - Sch. Manomet, shore.
  - Sch. Rose Standish, shore.
  - Sch. Viking, shore.
  - Sch. Mary DeCosta, shore.
  - Sch. Josephine DeCosta, shore.
  - Sch. Edith Silveira, shore.
  - Sch. Leonora Silveira, shore.
  - Sch. Adeline, shore.
  - Sch. Harriett, shore.
  - Sch. Mary P. Goulart, shore.
  - Sch. Emily Sears, shore.
  - Sch. Esther Gray, shore.
  - Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.

#### Saturday's Gill Netting Arrivals.

- Str. Julia May, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Nora B. Robinson, gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

- Str. Carrie and Mildred, gill net, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Orion, gill netting, 4500 fresh fish.
- Str. George E. Fisher, gill net, 5500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Medomak, gill netting, 4600 fresh fish.
- Str. R. J. Killick, gill netting, lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mary L., gill netting, 2800 fresh fish.
- Str. Eagle, gill netting, 3000 fresh fish.
- Str. Anna T., gill netting, 7000 fresh fish.
- Str. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mystery, gill netting, 6000 fresh fish.
- Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 8000 fresh fish.
- Str. Swan, gill netting, 1600 fresh fish.
- Str. Evelyn H., gill netting, 5100 fresh fish.
- Str. Lorena, gill netting, 1900 fresh fish.
- Str. Hugo, gill netting, 1100 fresh fish.
- Str. Alice, gill netting, 3500 fresh fish.
- Str. Randolph, gill netting, 850 fresh fish.

#### Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Ingomar, haddocking.
- Sch. Rex, haddocking.
- Sch. Elva L. Spurling, Boston.
- Sch. Priscilla Smith, Boston.

# "AL" MALLOCH'S MACKEREL FA

## Seiner Has 300 Bbls. Fr N. S. Coast—Gill Netter Still Find Pollock Plenty

Three off shore arrivals were reported here up to noon today, Tattler from a dory handling voyage, John Hays Hammond, hauling; Alert, seining.

The Alert has 300 barrels of mackerel on board, taking her school off Barrington, N. S., on way home last Thursday. Capt. Malloch reports the Nova Scotia coast literally alive with fish, as the result of which the boat fishermen at the coast have been reaping a harvest. Although late in going, the Alert cured a fine trip in a very short space of time.

The gill netters landed 1500 pounds over Saturday and Sunday the fish were 80 per cent. pollock, large part of the catch going to splitters. On account of the light wind and heavy seas outside yesterday, but few of the netters lifted all.

#### Week's Receipts at T Wharf.

Receipts of fresh groundfish landed at Boston for the week ending November 7, totalled 1,155,655 pounds of 62 fares as compared with 1,971,625 pounds from 82 arrivals for the same week in 1917.

# ONE MAN CAUGHT THOUSAND BBLs

# ALDEN GEEL HAS A 400,000 Lb. COD FARE

## Recent Run of Mackerel at Nova Scotia Never Exceeded—From Cape Breton to Yarmouth Thousands of Barrels Salted

Seldom has it ever been the lot of the fishermen of the south shore of Nova Scotia to reap the harvest in mackerel which has come to them during the past week. There are fishermen who will count the returns from their catch in thousands of dollars, and hardly a fisherman who will not reap in a few days the average yearly earnings of seasons. One fisherman alone, caught 1000 salted barrels.

This is true along the coast from Halifax to Liverpool and is extending even to Yarmouth as the fish move south from their northern spawning grounds. The run of mackerel since a week ago Saturday night has been almost unprecedented in the history of Nova Scotia fisheries.

### A Monster Catch.

The Halifax Chronicle says: The run commenced about October 7 along the north and eastern points of Cape Breton, but did not strike the Halifax portion of the shore until a week ago Saturday and Sunday, since which time the fishermen west of Halifax have struck it rich in reality. The high line of this catch so far has safely cleared up mackerel to the value of \$10,000 to \$12,000, all together in off-shore fishing. This fisherman is Salem Coolen of Fox Cove, St. Margaret's Bay, and he has secured at least 1000 (salt) barrels of the fish.

### Steamer Loads.

These he took in two seines. The operation of his fishing is described as veritably dipping the fish out of the ocean. It has required three steamers working over time for two days to bring his catch from Margaret's Bay to Halifax, and yet it is not all in. He made his first catch early in the week and telephoned J. A. Neville in Halifax that he would have about 200 barrels, never anticipating that the run would continue in such enormous proportions as has been the case since then. Mr. Coole undoubtedly holds the record in Halifax Province for a one man catch of mackerel or any other fish.

A man by the name of Boutiller, at Croucher's Island, had netted 288 barrels, and at Liverpool in five seines there were enough caught to fill 400 (ice) barrels, or equal to 200 (salt) barrels.

### Some Big Hauls.

At West Berlin 15,000 of the blotched beauties were taken but some of the biggest hauls were brought in from Halifax Bay, where last Sunday night and Monday morning the

run struck in and 100,000 of the fish were caught. This catch salted down will mean 500 barrels. At Dover last Saturday night there was a haul of 350 barrels, which computing the pack at 200 per barrel will mean 70,000 mackerel. Along the Cape Breton coast where this run first began early in the month of October, or from the 7th to the 20th, there were 4000 to 5000 barrels procured.

### A Good Market.

The first question one naturally asks, says the Chronicle, is what effect will this tremendous catch of mackerel have upon the market, and the ready reply, owing to almost ideal conditions prevailing, is none. The markets could not be better regulated than they are at present. First there were small catches of both Norwegian and Irish mackerel during the year, and competition that would lower the market from that source is practically negligible.

Then there is the now open market of the United States, which eliminating the former \$2 duty per barrel for salt mackerel is free for the entry of this fish to an almost unlimited demand. The size and conditions of the mackerel being caught along the Nova Scotian coast is also in favor of a good price. First they are fat, and second they are splendidly averaging up as mediums, which will benefit both the fishermen and the buyer, perhaps, more than if the two extremes were met. The only difficulty now facing the fishermen and packers is the lack of barrels to hold the catch and lack of steamers to bring them from the outports to the markets.

There is doubtless, hardly a fish merchant who has not been asked why is this exceptional run.

Everybody is somewhat at sea to describe the reason for this almost phenomenal piscatorial event, but Mr. John Neville, of Neville Canneries, gave quite a logical theory to The Chronicle. It was that the mackerel being "winded" fish, that is having the instinct to travel against the wind, had been affected by the amount of peculiar weather prevailing along this coast during the early autumn months. For instance along the coast of Cape Breton, they met with a southerly wind, and facing that they made shore against it. Down along the Nova Scotia coast, for the past week, and especially last Sunday when he run began, there were heavy northerly and westerly winds, and the fish making along the southwest coast, made a close run in shore, filling the coves and bays, and incidentally the seines and nets of the fishermen.

With 400,000 pounds of the finest quality of salt codfish, sch. Tattler, Capt. Alden Geel, arrived home Saturday evening from a six months dory handling trip to the Labrador coast and Virgin Rocks.

Capt. Geel's trip is the largest single dory handling trip to be landed here since his famous fare of four years ago, when he landed 491,000 pounds. Similar conditions prevailed then as now, fish being high and very much in demand, as a result of which Capt. Geel and his men will reap the benefit of the prevailing high prices which dory handline cod are now bringing.

The Tattler left here during the latter part of April and after shipping most of her men at Nova Scotia started in early May for her long trip. Capt. Geel fished on the Labrador, as far north as Cape Harrison, pick-

ing up his fare slowly. Once again the disadvantage under which our fisherman labor in the matter of the fresh bait supply was demonstrated by the arrival of sch. Mina Swim of Belleoram, N. F., formerly of this port which craft with a smaller crew and fresh squid bait, arrived on the scene, and in a short time took 250,000 pounds salt cod. It is a well known fact that fresh squid is particularly adapted to the appetite of cod and Capt. Geel who was fishing with salt clams, and unable to share the same privileges of the Newfoundland fishermen in buying bait on the Newfoundland coast, found himself to a serious disadvantage.

The Tattler managed to pick up her fare, taking 250,000 pounds after which Capt. Geel went to Virgin Rocks, where he completed his cargo. While there, the Tattler spoke the Bucksport schooner T. M. Nicholson.

## MAKE POOL ON LABRADOR TRIPS

### Newfoundland Vessel Owners Thus Protect Selves Against Loss.

Says the St. John's, N. F., Trade-Review:

"A meeting of the Labrador fish exporters was held a few days ago for the purpose of disposing of the voyage this year, in the manner that will make for the maximum benefit of all interested. Mr. D. A. Ryan was appointed chairman, and Mr. W. H. Franklin, secretary. The object of the syndicate is to pool the voyage so that there will be no competing and under selling, and that all will stand out for a reasonable price. In old times the first Labrador fish to reach market always sold at a good figure but subsequent competitions generally ruined the market, and first gainers were generally last losers. It was to avoid a recurrence of these conditions that the syndicate was formed the other day.

"There are a good many cargoes now on way over from the Labrador coast to the Mediterranean, and under the old conditions this would mean good prices at first, then congestion, competition and slump. This is not to happen any more, for every man in the local pool is interested in every quintal of fish that goes across, and hence the maximum price will be exacted all through. The small Labrador voyage this year makes for a favorable opportunity for launching the syndicate. The off the shore foreign shipments will total only 104,000 qtls. this year, as against about 190,000 last year, and therefore the prospects for keeping prices at a paying figure are very bright."

## HORTENSE FOR SNAPPER FISHING

Sch. Hortense, one of the Atlantic Maritime Company's fleet, has been fitted and equipped to engage in the winter snapper fishery to the southward, and will sail tomorrow under command of Capt. William Goodwin.

The Hortense is under contract with a southern firm to furnish snappers and will fish out of Mobile.

### Grandfather of Lobsters.

"Grandfather of all living lobsters" was the title accorded a giant crustacean brought into Boston last week.

The lobster was the largest landed there in 50 years, old-time lobster men said. When they did finish their observations of the crustacean, the following figures were given out: Weight, 27 pounds; age, about 50 years; spread from claw to claw, 37 inches; length of claw, 24 inches; feelers, 20 inches; width of back, 10 inches; would make salad for 25 persons.