

TWO HALIBUT TRIPS IN TODAY

Gill Netting Fleet Daily Getting Smaller—Small Hauls Yesterday.

Two halibut trips arrived during the night, sch. Rhodora, Capt. Gustaf Peterson, and sch. Georgianna, Capt. Gourley Anderson. The latter sold to the American Halibut Company and the Rhodora to the New England Fish Company at 9 1-4 cents a pound for white and 7 1-4 cents a pound for gray.

Nearly all the gill netting fleet that are still fishing were out yesterday, securing generally small fares. Steamer Nora B. Robinson has concluded fishing for the season and will engage in pollock seining.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are.

Sch. Rhodora, Emerald Bank, 25,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 5000 lbs. fresh fish, 5000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Georgianna, Quero Bank, 20,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish, 2000 lbs. salt cod.

Italian boats, shore, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Ibsen, gill netting, 1700 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Alice, gill netting, 1200 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Dolphin, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Robert and Edwin, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Medomak, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Julia May, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Bethulia, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Nora B. Robinson, gill netting, 1200 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Little Fannie, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Bessie A., gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Sunflower, gill netting, 1700 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Anna T., gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Evelyn H., gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Ethel, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. George E. Fisher, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Water Witch, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Orion, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Hugo, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Lorana, gill netting, 1800 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Quartette, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

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TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4; snappers, \$3.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.50.

Georges halibut, codfish, large, \$5.50; mediums, \$4.50.

Cusk, large, \$2.50; mediums, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$2.00.

Hake, \$2.00.

Pollock, \$1.75.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.

Cod, large, \$2.25; medium, \$1.95; snappers, 75c.

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

Hake, \$1.10.

Cusk, large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.25; snappers, 50c.

Pollock, 90c.

Fresh halibut 10 1-2c per lb. for white and \$ 1-2c for gray.

QUIET CLOSING AT THE NEW PIER

The week closed at Boston today at noon, with only a few fares in. The largest trip was sch. Vanessa, her haul being for 23,000 pounds fresh mixed fish.

Wholesalers paid \$2.50 to \$3 a hundred weight for haddock, \$2.75 to \$3 for large and \$2 to \$2.50 for market cod, \$1.50 to \$3.50 for hake, \$3 for pollock and \$1.50 for cusk.

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Vanessa, 15,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Olivia Sears, 1200 cod.

Sch. Lillian, 1200 cod.

Sch. Minnie, 1500 cod.

Sch. F. C. Hussey, 200 haddock, 7500 cod.

Haddock, \$2.50 to \$3; large cod, \$2.75 to \$3; market cod, \$2 to \$2.50; hake, \$1.50 to \$3.50; pollock, \$3; cusk, \$1.50.

WILL SURVEY PACIFIC BANKS

Says the Anacortes American:

The department of commerce is going to do much during the coming summer for the benefit of the Pacific coast. Something of the department's plans was outlined before the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce in a speech recently by Secretary Redfield.

Two great undertakings, at least, already have been determined on—a survey of the fisheries off the Oregon and Washington coast, to determine how much they may contribute to the food supply of the coast, and a more careful survey of the Alaskan coast to increase the safety of shipping in the far north.

Secretary Redfield spoke of what the department had done through its bureau of fisheries to cheapen the cost of living in the east by promoting the consumption of mussels and the introduction of the edible scallop, found in great quantities outside New York harbor and almost unheard of until about a year ago. The steamer Albatross, now plying in San Francisco bay, will leave next summer for the northwest coast, he said, to investigate the halibut and other fishing possibilities of the Pacific waters.

"I believe that we may add as greatly to the food supply of the Pacific coast in this way," he said, "as the fishing banks of the Atlantic coast have contributed to the food of the east."

"We hope next fall to report prospects which will encourage the men, who I am told are ready to invest in such an enterprise to undertake the development of this source of additional wealth to the Pacific coast."

Fish Meal as a Feedstuff.

Says Consul General Henry M. Morgan, Hamburg, Germany:—Fish guano as a supplementary food for cattle, hogs and fowl is coming into more general use in Germany. The first tests in this article were made by H. Weiske as far back as 1873-74, when it was found that this class of feed increased the appetite and consequently the weight of the animal. Opinions of investigators seem to differ as to the influence of such feed on the taste of milk and butter. In Die Futtermittel des Handels, published by the Association of Agricultural Experimental Stations, it is stated that lard obtained from hogs fed with fish meal is absolutely free from odor of fish and that no fishy taste is noticeable.

The general practice in feeding cattle, etc., with fish meal in Germany is to commence by giving the animal a small quantity in order to accustom it to the sharp odor and then increase the quantities to the following: Pigs are given 100 to 500 grains (3.527 to 17.637 ounces) of fish meal per day, mixed with other materials, during the fattening season. Cattle receive 1 kilo (2.2046 pounds) of fish meal for every 500 kilos of their weight; sheep 200 to 300 grams per 100 kilos of their weight. Fish meal is mixed with hay, chopped straw, turnips, groats of oats and other fodder usually given to animals. Fishmeal cakes manufactured from herrings, as marketed by the Aktien-Gesellschaft Delfin, a Swedish concern, contain 15 to 25 per cent. of wheat bran or groats of oats and 75 to 85 per cent. of fresh chopped herrings.

The exports of fish guano from Hamburg to the United States reached a total value of \$50,695 in 1911, but declined to \$9,428 in 1912. They increased again in 1913 to \$12,795, while from January 1, 1914, to March 7, 1914, the exports have reached \$13,229.

(A list of the German books that have been published on the subject of fish meal may be had from the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce).

Master Mariners Slap at Gardner.

The Master Mariners' Association seems to be at odds with Congressman Gardner as to the methods of procedure and what is expedient in the methods to be followed in trying to obtain from Newfoundland and Canada certain fishing concessions, which the American fishermen hope to secure and at a spirited meeting Thursday forenoon, the association agreed upon a communication which has been sent to the state department in which the Congressman is accused of confusing issues.

The session was a lively one from all reports, with plenty of oratory and various views expressed, until finally the communication was agreed upon which should be sent to Washington. It is generally construed as a "slap" at the Congressman.

It is as follows:

Gloucester, Mass., April 24, 1914.

Hon. William Jennings Bryan, Secretary of State, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:—The Master Mariners of Gloucester appreciate the assurance of your continuing interest in their cause.

At the same time we desire to express to you our regret that the simple reciprocal trading privileges in Canadian waters which you have so kindly offered to ask for us through appropriate diplomatic channels should through the activities of our Congressman, have become confused with other issues. We do not desire any modification of existing treaties or any special legislation on the part of the Canadian parliament, as seems to have been suggested in the published communications of Congressman Gardner. We only hope for such modifications of existing arrangements as could be granted by an order in council, modifications which we believe would bring profit to, and would be welcomed by the Canadian people who are concerned therewith. These are the requests which were presented to you by our good friends, Hon. A. Platt Andrew and Hon. Dudley Field Malone, and we believe that such concessions can be more effectively obtained through the agency of our duly accredited representatives of your department than through others who may be less well informed as to our desires.

Respectfully yours,

ALEX. J. CHISHOLM,

Secretary Pro Tem.

Our desires.

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GARDNER'S NOTE CLEARS THINGS UP

Explains to Board of Trade Free Boned and Skinned Fish Suggestion Did Not Come From Him But From the Newfoundland Premier.

Congressman Gardner, in a communication to the Master Mariners' Association and Board of Trade under date of April 21, explains and sets forth in detail the conference which he had recently with Sir Cecil Spring Rice, British ambassador at Washington and Col. Farquhar, the military secretary to the governor-general of Canada, and more particularly the matter of the free entry of skinned and boned fish, which the ambassador says was first suggested by Sir Edward Morris recently in a conference. Inasmuch as the matter of free entry of fish of this kind has always been an important consideration in the fishery negotiations with Newfoundland, the ambassador advises that it would be well to bear this in mind, the congressman writes:

Congressman Gardner's letter shows that no suggestion was made by him, but rather by the British officials as to the possibility of free skinned and boned fish or other considerations being necessary, if the concessions desired by the Americans are to be granted.

A copy of the letter to the local organizations follows:

Washington, D. C., Apr. 21, 1914.
Gentlemen:—I beg to advise you that in compliance with a letter from the British ambassador, sent at the suggestion of the state department, I called at the British Embassy on Monday, March 13th, and had a conference with Sir Cecil Spring Rice and Col. Farquhar, the military secretary of the governor general of Canada.

I invited attention to the fact that in response to a request of mine, the state department last June had taken up the question of license for American auxiliary power vessels. I suggested the desirability of an early reply.

I then stated that so far as the other requests recently made by the fishery interests of Gloucester are con-

cerned, I felt some delicacy in expressing any opinion. I pointed out that these requests had been made directly to the state department by the Gloucester Board of Trade and Master Mariners' Association. I stated, however, that I would explain to your organization and to the Master Mariners' Association the situation as it was presented to me by the British ambassador and by Col. Farquhar.

Col. Farquhar said that the Canadian Parliament expected to conclude its labors by the middle of May and gave it his personal opinion, although he could not speak with authority, that it would be exceedingly difficult to take up any new matter at the present session.

The ambassador stated that Sir Edward Morris, Premier of Newfoundland, has recently taken up with him the question of securing free entry into the United States markets of skinned and boned fish. He said that the free entry of fish of this kind had always hitherto been one of the principal objects of fishery negotiations on behalf of Newfoundland, and that it would be well to bear that fact in mind.

I declined to express any opinion as to whether the Gloucester fishery interests would be willing to agree to a treaty which would grant Newfoundland the privileges suggested by Sir Edward Morris in return for the privileges sought by the committee representing your two associations.

I told the ambassador that I did not know whether or not the Gloucester fishery interests, when they reopened the question of securing the privileges offered to American fishermen by the Hay-Bond Treaty, had taken into consideration the fact that they might be expected in return to consent to the concessions which that Treaty accorded to Newfoundland.

Very respectfully,
A. P. Gardner.
To the Gloucester Board of Trade,
Gloucester, Massachusetts.

Pollock Seiners Getting Ready.
The pollock seiners are getting underway and steamers Bryda F., Independence, Bessie A. of this port and Advance, Joppiate and Beatrice of Newburyport will be among the early ones to sail.

GILL NETTERS TOOK CHANCES

Some of the Little Fellows Went Out and Lifted Yesterday.

Two off shores have made port during the storm, sch. Margaret bringing a small fare of halibut and sch Hattie L. Trask, the latter from a Georges handling trip with 38,000 pounds salt cod and 1400 pounds fresh halibut.

The storm had no terrors for some of the gill netters yesterday, which landed 16,000 pounds. Although it was the larger boats that generally hauled, the Water Witch, one of the smaller ones, also ventured on and pulled her gear, arriving back at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. Saturday afternoon, the boats brought in 50,000 pounds. The Bethulia had a nice trip, taking about 9000 pounds, mostly pollock.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

- The arrivals and receipts in detail are:
- Sch. Margaret, Grand Banks, 4000 lbs. fresh halibut, 3000 lbs. flitched halibut, 2000 lbs. salt cod.
 - Sch. Hattie L. Trask, Georges handling, 38,000 lbs. salt cod, 1400 lbs. fresh halibut.
 - Str. Water Witch, gill netting, 2800 lbs. fresh fish.
 - Str. Orion, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
 - Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
 - Str. Robert and Edwin, gill netting, 1350 lbs. fresh fish.
 - Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
 - Sch. Little Fannie, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
 - Sch. Mary E. Sennett, shore.
 - Sch. Genesta, shore.

Saturday's Gill Netting Fares.

- Str. Ibsen, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Alice, gill netting, 1520 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Bryda F., gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 2400 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Hugo, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Bethulia, gill netting, 9000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Venture, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Orion, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Evelyn H., gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Julia May, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Mary L., gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Quartette, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Randolph, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Medomak, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

- Str. Dolphin, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Water Witch, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Str. Lorena, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.

Vessels Sailed.
No sailings today.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

- Salt Fish.**
- Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4; snappers, \$3.
 - Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.50.
 - Georges halibut, codfish, large, \$5.50; mediums, \$4.50.
 - Cusk, large, \$2.50; mediums, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.
 - Haddock, \$2.00.
 - Hake, \$2.00.
 - Pollock, \$1.75.

- Fresh Fish.**
- Splitting prices:
- Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.
 - Cod, large, \$2.25; medium, \$1.85; snappers, 75c.
 - All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.
 - Hake, \$1.10.
 - Cusk, large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.25; snappers, 50c.
 - Pollock, 90c.
 - Fresh halibut, 11 1-4c per lb. for white, and 9 1-4c for gray.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

- Schs. Ingomar, and Thomas S. Gordon, arrived at Shelburne Friday last and cleared for fishing.
- Schs. Mary F. Curtis, Stiletto and Smuggler arrived at Canso Friday last and cleared.
- Schs. Oriole and Gladys and Nellie arrived at Liverpool Friday last and cleared.
- The Strait of Canso is full of ice.

On the Railways.

Sch. Manomet is on Burnham Brothers' ways.

NO BAIT YET AT MAGDALENS

Queensport, April 24.—Better sign, herring today; high as six hundred to a boat.
Amherst Harbor, April 24.—Ice running further. Amherst Island, Pleasant Bay. Stationary up to Grindstone, Grand Entry Harbor. Clear ice out of sight, no bait report in anywhere.
The strait of Canso is reported full of ice.

PLENTY BAIT AT NORTH TRURO

A dispatch from Fred C. Rich to the Times this morning from North-Truro states that plenty of good herring bait is being taken there today.