

# WERE NEAR DEATH WHEN RESCUED

Recently there arrived at St. John's, N. F., two French fishermen named Tognone and Somnon, who were picked up by the sch. Gertrude and landed at Caplin Bay, N. F. They were two of the crew of the French barque Mary and Blanche and left their vessel on the morning of June 21, to haul their trawls. While away the wind increased and fog set in thickly and they were unable to get back to the vessel.

For four days they were at the mercy of the storm in the open dory which was leaking badly, and it took all their time to keep her free. After 48 hours out, they began to eat the food they had brought with them, and when that was gone they had nothing left but a small tin of hard bread and a tin of water which are always kept in the dories for emergencies.

This was all they had to eat during the next two days and when the Gertrude picked them up on the evening of the 24th, they were nearly dead from hunger and exhaustion. They were treated well by the captain of the schooner, and on arrival at St. John's, N. F., were taken to the Seamen's Institute by Head Constable Peet and Sergt. Furlong and are being looked after by the French Consul. They will be sent either to St. Pierre or France, according to orders of the vessel.

## Clark's Harbor Fishing News.

Dogfish are reported in considerable numbers on the fishing grounds.

Several men are fitting out for halibut fishing.

Mackerel continue scarce. M. A. Nickerson's trap took about 1300 last week, and 107 small today, the 6th, F. T. Nickerson & Co.'s trap had 75 today.

The boats did not do so well last week as previously, partly owing to unfavorable weather, and to the fish being less plentiful. Scarcity of bait also prevented some of them from going out.

The following weights of fish were purchased by the various firms here during the week ending July 4. F. T. Nickerson & Co., 15,000 lbs. cod, 2500 lbs. haddock, 2500 lbs. pollock; James Kenney Co., 16,000 lbs. cod, 6000 lbs. haddock; N. M. & L. Fish Co., 5650 lbs. cod, 575 lbs. pollock.

## Bank Fishery Looks Better.

The bankfishery is looking very well at this writing, and bids fair to be at least, an average one. Nearly all the schooners employed have made paying first trips, and some have arrived home after second trips well laden. There appears to be plenty of fish on the banks, and, as a matter of fact, the most of the fish taken to date this year round the coast, have been taken at what may be called outside headland ports. Warmer weather with fog and light winds are wanted to bring the bulk of fish home to the banks all along the Newfoundland coast.—St. John's Trade Review.

## Bank Trip Sold.

The salt trawl bank fare of sch. Hazel R. Hines sold to George Perkins and Son and the Cunningham & Thompson Company at the market figure.

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## Arrivals at Newburyport.

A large fleet of fishermen were off Plum Island shore Sunday and this morning after "tinker" mackerel and shad, which seem to be schooling in Ipswich bay just now.

The shad landed at Newburyport are being shipped away and a portion put in the freezer, the market at present being a little dull.

Capt. Fred Goodwin, Saturday afternoon had 65 barrels of shad.

Capt. Short of the Joppaite, 65 barrels of shad and five barrels of mackerel, Sunday.

Capt. Wright in the Gertrude, 40 barrels of shad and three barrels of mackerel.

Capt. Walter King, 17 barrels of shad and two barrels of mackerel.

Capt. Nestor Thurlow, 17 barrels of whiting and nine barrels of mackerel.

Monday morning the Gertrude brought in six barrels of mackerel and a few shad.

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# THREE OF HALIBUT FLEET ARE HERE

## Captains All Report Dogfish Plentiful on All Eastern Fishing Grounds.

Three fresh halibut trips were taken out this morning, schs. Harmony, Capt. Christopher Gibbs, John Hays Hammond, Capt. Archie McLeod, and Mystery, Capt. James Mason arriving.

The Harmony is from St. Peter's Bank and the Hammond and Mystery from LeHave. The captains report fish scarce, and the dogfish so plentiful in some localities that it was almost impossible to drop a hook overboard.

Sch. Moanam, Capt. Hugh Quinlan of the Cape Northers, also arrived during the night with 50,000 pounds salt cod and 100,000 pounds fresh cod.

## Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Harmony, St. Peter's Bank, 20,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 2000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, LeHave Bank, 12,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish, 5000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Moanam, Grand Banks, 50,000 lbs. salt cod, 100,000 lbs. fresh cod.

Sch. Mystery, LeHave Bank, 20,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 25,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Lydia, seining, 10,000 lbs. salt cod, 20 bbls. fresh tinker mackerel.

Str. Beatrice E., seining, 3 bbls. fresh tinker mackerel, 50 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Bessie A., seining, 5 bbls. fresh tinker mackerel, 20 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

## Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Ella G. King, Ingonish, C. B.

Sch. Constellation, seining.

Sch. Ralph Russell, drifting.

Sch. Cavalier, halibuting.

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# PRICES AGAIN ON THE DECLINE

## Sch. Thomas Brundage From Drifting Has Big Fresh Cod Fare at Boston.

Fresh groundfish arrivals since yesterday at Boston were few and prices were on the decline. Among the fares are three fresh drifters, sch. Thomas Brundage having, the largest fare and one of the best of the season, her haul being for 77,000 pounds.

Never before have the drifters done so well and there is a good dollar in it, as is evidenced by some of the fine stocks that have been realized.

Other fares were steamers Long Island, 40,000 pounds and the Billow, 46,000 pounds and sch. Mary from the off shore grounds.

Wholesale dealers quoted \$1.25 to \$1.50 a hundred for haddock, \$3 for large and \$2.25 for market cod, \$1.25 for pollock.

## Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Billow, 44,000 haddock, 2600 cod.

Sch. Adeline, 10,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Benj. A. Smith, 25,000 lbs. fresh tinker mackerel, 350 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins, 40,000 lbs. fresh tinker mackerel, 180 lbs. salt mackerel.

Str. Robert and Edwin 2400 lbs. fresh tinker mackerel, 1000 lbs. fresh butterfish.

Sch. Pearl, 2400 lbs. fresh tinker mackerel.

Str. Long Island, 37,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1500 hake.

Sch. Edith Silveria 18,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 7000 pollock.

Sch. Arbitrator, 13,000 haddock, 28,000 cod, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Hortense, 1000 haddock, 35,000 cod.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, 1500 haddock, 33,000 cod.

Sch. Matchless, 11,000 haddock, 23,000 cod, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Thomas Brundage, 2000 haddock, 75,000 cod.

Sch. Pythian, 3000 lbs. fresh tinker mackerel, 6000 lbs. large and medium fresh mackerel, 12 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Josie and Phoebe, 35,000 haddock, 3500 cod, 14,000 hake, 1000 pollock.

Haddock, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$3; market cod, \$2.25; pollock, \$1.25; fresh tinker mackerel, 3 1-4 cents per lb.; large fresh mackerel, 15 cents each; medium fresh mackerel, 18 cents each.

## TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

### Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4.25; snappers, \$3.00.

Georges halibut, codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.25.

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Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4; medium, \$3.50; snappers, \$3. Drift cod, large \$2.50; medium, \$2.10 Salt trawl bank codfish, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75. Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50. Haddock, \$2.50. Hake, \$1.80. Pollock, \$1.75. Flitched halibut, 8 1-2c, 6c and 3c per lb. Cape Shore salt mackerel, \$9 per bbl. Salt tinker mackerel, \$9 per bbl.

### Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices: Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt. Western cod, large, \$2.40; medium, \$2; snappers, 75c. Eastern cod, large, \$2.15; medium, \$1.85; snappers, 75c. All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than above. Hake, \$1.30. Cusk, large, \$1.65; medium, \$1.20 snappers, 50c. Pollock, \$1.10. Small pollock, 75c per bbl. Fresh halibut, 9c per lb. for white and 6 1-4c and 4c for small and large gray.

Large shore herring, \$3 per bbl. for bait; \$2 to freezer; \$1.75 to salt.

Fresh mackerel, 25c each for large, 18c for medium, 3 1-4c per lb. for tinkers.

Fresh shad, \$2.50 per bbl.

Fresh bluebacks, \$2.50 per bbl. for bait; \$1.50 to salt and freezer; 60c per bbl. for oil.

Whiting, 60c per bbl.

### Where the Free U. S. Market Helps.

Says the St. John's Trade Review: Usually at this season of the year Newfoundland codfish of the previous season is realizing lowest values in European markets. The desire on the part of our own shippers to clean up the old venture before the coming of the new fish, and the presence of a few cargoes of winter Western fish, tend to produce a condition that our friends in Southern Europe know well how to avail of, so as to force prices down to a point that rarely ever paid the Newfoundland shippers. But different conditions maintain today. Western fish goes to the United States; we have no old fish to speak of left over, and our Southern friends are displaying a gratifying eagerness to get first of our new goods.

### Halibut Sales.

The halibut fare of sch. Mystery sold to the American Halibut company and those of sch. Harmony and John Hays Hammond to the New England Fish Company, all at nine cents per pound for white and six and one quarter cents for gray and four cents for large gray.

### Portland Fishing News.

The sch. Fannie Hayden arrived in port late Monday evening, and Thursday took out a fare of 2500 pounds of mackerel. The sloop Laconia arrived Tuesday with 17,000 pounds of mixed fish and other mackerel arrivals tallied up to about 8000 pounds. The seining fleet left Tuesday forenoon, but was forced back without doing any fishing on account of the rough weather outside.

### Landed Big Horse Mackerel.

Sch. Benjamin A. Smith landed large horse mackerel at Boston morning which weighed 360 pounds.

# INDICTMENT ON 'HALIBUT TRUST'

## Federal Grand Jury at Seattle Returns Bills Against Several Big Concerns— Conspiracy to Limit and Control Supply and Price Alleged.

The federal grand jury at Seattle yesterday returned indictments under the Sherman anti-trust law against the members of the so-called halibut trust, which controls most of the halibut fisheries in the north Pacific and Behring sea, the product of which is sold in the United States.

Indictments were returned against the Booth Fisheries Company of Washington, the Chlopeck Fish Company of Seattle, the International Fisheries Company, the Occidental Fish Packing Company; A. B. Carpenter, president of the Booth Fisheries Company of Maryland; W. C. Chutter, president of the Booth Fisheries Company of Washington; William Calvert, Jr., president of the San Juan Fishing & Packing Company; W. J. Maddock, a buyer for the Booth interests; H. O. Roberts, buyer for the San Juan Fishing & Packing Company.

As soon as they were notified that

the indictments had been returned, W. C. Chutter, William Calvert, Jr., W. J. Maddock and H. O. Roberts went into court and were released on \$2500 bonds each.

The indictments allege conspiracy to control and limit the supply and price of halibut taken from the waters of the North Pacific and North Atlantic oceans and Behring sea, and shipped through the markets of Seattle, Tacoma, Vancouver, Prince Rupert, B. C., and Boston; to control the price paid to independent dealers for fish by making exorbitant and unreasonable bids against them; to control the price by refusing to bid against one another; to control prices by refraining from good faith competition in markets allotted by agreement among the indicted firms, and to control the markets and prices by intimidation and coercion of independent dealers.

The grand jury began its investigation at Seattle, May 12 last, under instructions sent to United States District-Attorney Clay Allen by Attorney-General McReynolds.

### Labrador Cure Must Be Good.

Speaking of the Labrador cure fish, the Mail Advocate says:

We have received information of a serious character regarding the position of losing the Spanish markets for Labrador soft fish and we are convinced that unless every care is taken this season to split, wash, salt and cure Labrador soft fish, that our fish will be ousted from the Spanish market just as it has been from the English and Italian markets. And if the Spanish market is lost the result will be that Labrador soft fish will not be worth \$3 per quintal.

This is a serious matter for the Colony and must be attended to.

The only cure is inspection by a commission composed of representatives of the exporters and the fishermen and a law passed to enforce the commission inspection. This would be in the best interest of the fishermen and Colony, for the Colony is now face to face with the competition of Iceland fish which have come to the front during the last three years.

The Spanish fish merchants are now about to place their orders for the coming fall and unless the exporters here will guarantee that the Labrador fish will compare favorably with the Iceland cure, they will order Iceland fish, which will mean \$3 for Labrador fish.

In view of the short shore catch and the serious outlook in the Spanish market for Labrador fish, the floaters on the Labrador would be wise if they salted a fair share of their catch to be cured as dry Labrador, but if they endeavor to follow the directions published by us and turn out a number one soft Labrador cure, worthy of the name, it will not be a difficult matter to realize good prices for it.

## BIG STOCK FOR FRED MORRISSEY

Sch. Hazel R. Hines, Capt. Fred Morrissey, weighed out 268,000 pounds salt fish on her recent salt trawl banking trip, stocking the fine sum of \$10,212.65. The average share was \$220 and each shareman's part \$300.

This is the largest stock this season made either by an American or Nova Scotian banker. The Hines is now on the railways getting ready for her second trip.

## FINE MACKEREL TRIPS AT BOSTON

Two of the hustlers of the seining fleet to the southward are in at Boston this morning with nice fares of fresh and salt tinker mackerel. They are schs. Marguerite Haskins, Capt. Reuben Cameron, with 40,000 pounds fresh tinkers and 180 barrels of salt ones and Benjamin A. Smith, Capt. Martin L. Welch, with 25,000 pounds fresh tinkers and 350 barrels of salt tinkers. The fares are among some of the best single trips of the season.

The steamers in Barnstable Bay yesterday made a few hauls. Among the arrivals at the Boston fish pier is steamer Robert and Edwin with 2400 pounds tinkers and 1000 pounds butter fish; sloop Pearl, 2400 pounds fresh tinkers. Sch. Pythian from seining has 3000 pounds fresh tinkers, 6000 pounds large and medium fresh mackerel in count and 12 barrels large salt mackerel.

### Few Fish at Fort.

The boats in Ipswich Bay had only a few fish yesterday. Those landing at the Fort were steamers Lydia, 20 barrels fresh tinkers; Beatrice E., three barrels fresh tinkers and 50 barrels fresh bluebacks; Bessie A., five barrels fresh tinkers and 20 barrels fresh bluebacks.

### Mackerel Off Great Point.

A despatch to the Times yesterday afternoon from Nantucket says that there was a lot of mackerel inside of Great Point yesterday. The Petrel took 60 barrels.

Yesterday's quotations on fresh mackerel at Boston were 27 cents each for large and 18 cents for medium. Tinkers sold by the pound.

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### Sea of Swordfish.

The S. S. Cacouna arrived at Sydney, C. B. Friday morning at 2 o'clock. Captain Newman reports having sailed through a sea of swordfish about twenty-five miles off Cape St. Lawrence. The fish were assembled in schools and were throwing up the water in all directions. Captain Newman says that it was the largest school of swordfish he had ever seen on that route and that it means a great deal of money to fishermen.

### Bad Fishery News.

The Prospero brings bad news of the fishery north. From Fogo down north for traps and lines the fishery is a total blank.—St. John's Herald, July 11.

### Loading for Here.

The schooner Sadie A. Kimball, Capt. Kent, Tuesday from Portland for Swan's island, to take on a load of salt fish for this port.

## FISH AT LOW NOTCH TO

### Several of Fleet Will Here Without Offers at New Pier.

Groundfish sold low at Boston morning, Friday being a poor day. Several of those arriving terday afternoon came down the split, while others are expected.

The swordfishermen are doing three fares arriving this morning. They were schs. James and Bessie, 67; Hockomock, 43; Reliance, 34. Wholesale quotations were \$1.15 a hundred weight for haddock, \$2.75 for large and \$1.60 to \$3.00 market cod, \$1 to \$1.50 for hake, 17 cents a pound for swordfish.

### Boston Arrivals and Receipts

The arrivals and receipts in the city are:

Sch. Annie Perry, 5000 haddock, 000 cod.

Sch. Mary C. Santos, 9000 haddock, 32,000 cod, 4000 hake, 1000 pollock.

Italian boat, 1000 lbs. fresh tinker mackerel.

Sch. Elk, 2000 salt cod, 12,000 35,000 cusk, 20,000 halibut.

Sch. Mary F. Ruth, 22,000 lbs. tinker mackerel, 70 blbs. salt tinker mackerel.

Sch. Jessie Costa, 25,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 8000 pollock.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 12,000 cod, 29,000 cod, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Flavilla, 15,000 haddock, cod, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 15,000 cod, 23,000 cod, 9000 pollock.

Sch. Georgianna, 15,000 haddock, 000 cod, 6000 pollock.

Sch. Mildred Robinson, 3000 cod, 39,000 cod, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Hockomock, 46 swordfish.

Sch. Reliance, 34 swordfish.

Haddock, \$1.10 to \$1.50 per large cod, \$2.75, market cod, \$1.80; pollock, \$1.50; swordfish, 17 cents per lb.; fresh tinker mackerel, 5 cents per lb.

### Newfoundland Loadings.

The Ofelia left Belleoram with a cargo of 2000 qtls. codfish shipped by Harvey & Co., for Pegaria. The following vessels are loading, the at Grand Bank by Patten and for Oporto, the Enhansen at Bank by S. Harris for Patten and for Oporto, the Noah at Belleoram by Harvey & Co., Europe; the Ewart, Belleoram, Harvey & Co. rope; sch. James Garfield arrived Wood's Island from Gloucester, Pew Co., yesterday and the sch. Otis arrived from the fishing ground with 250 qtls., Gorton Pew Co., Wood's Island. The sch. Kowt master and the Ruby, master, arrived at Channel, qtls. each.—St. John's Herald, 11.