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THE FISH TRADE IS SLOW TODAY

Smokers and Splitters Are Getting Share of Fish at New Pier.

The bottom seems to have dropped from under the fresh fish market, low prices continuing and trading reported slow.

In contrast with the gilt edge quotations of a few days previous, prices today are down about summer level. The fellows arriving from the Cape Shore have been able in many cases to dispose of only part of their trips, sending the rest to the splitters and smokers.

Arrivals since yesterday are few. The largest trips are those of schs. Priscilla Smith and Georgianna, the latter bringing part of her fare here.

Wholesalers quoted $3.50 to $5 a hundred for haddock, $4 for large cod, $2 to $2.50 for market cod, $2 to $3 for hake, $1.25 for pollock.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Crest, 22,000 haddock, 100 cod, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Priscilla Smith, 25,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 500 hake, 3000 cusk, 500 pollock, 1000 halibut.

Sch. Mallomet, 9000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Mary F. Sears, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 1000 haddock, 1700 cod, 3500 hake, 3000 cusk.

Sch. Adeline, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2500 hake.

Sch. Ralph Brown, 6000 haddock, 1200 cod, 500 hake, 1000 cusk.

Haddock, $3.50 to $5 per cwt.; large cod, $4; market cod, $2 to $2.50; hake, $2 to $3; pollock, $1.25.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, $5 per cwt.; medium, $4.25; snappers, $3.

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

Eastern halibut codfish, large, $4.50; medium, $4; snappers, $3.

Cusk, large, $3; medium, $2; snappers, $1.50.

Flitched halibut, 10c per lb.

Hake, $1.80.

Haddock, $1.75.

Pollock, $1.75.

Newfoundland herring, $3.75 per bbl. for salt bulk.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, $1.10 per cwt.

Western cod, large, $2.50; medium, $2.10; snappers, 75c.

Eastern cod, large, $2.25; medium, $1.95; snappers, 75c.

Drift cod, large, $2.40; medium, $2.

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

Hake, $1.40.

Cusk, large, $1.80; medium, $1.25; snappers, 50c.

Pollock, round 80c; dressed 90c.

Fresh halibut, 13c for white and 10c for gray.

Fresh mackerel, 30c each for large, 20c for medium.

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ANACORTES SAW "REAL" LOBSTERS

Perhaps the strangest sight ever seen in Anacortes was witnessed last Sunday when a carload of full grown New England lobsters was unloaded here and taken to the San Juan Islands for planting, says the Anacortes American. The crustaceans were transfered from the Atlantic to the Pacific by the United States bureau of fisheries and made the trip by fast express. In spite of every convenience afforded them, about half of the lobsters were dead on their arrival here one day late.

The express car was put on the sidetrack at the Coast Fish company and the work of transferring and planting was superintended by Prof. Trevor Kincaid, of the University of Washington, Mr. O'Mally, U. S. supperintendent of hatcheries for the west coast and J. P. Millett, deputy state fish commissioner.

The lobsters came packed in crates two feet long and a foot high and a foot deep. Fifteen of the lobsters were in each crate and were nicely bedded in New England sea weed. There were approximately six thousand of them and an expert accompanied them on the trip and looked after their welfare as best he could. The car was shunted to the end of the Coast Fish company wharf where the crates were unloaded onto a scow. Here the live lobsters were transferred to crates sixteen feet long by four feet wide and deep. The crates were open so that the water could circulate through them and these were towed to Friday Harbor behind the fish commissioner's steamer Gov. Elisha P. Ferry.

The apparently dead lobsters were as a lobster dies a natural death, it becomes poisonous and for this reason none of the spectators helped themselves excepting some of the Chinamen who could not understand the warning of the experts. That night and for several nights after, the local Orientals held lobster dinners and no fatalities have been reported.

The apparently dead lobsters were taken out in Guemes channel and dumped. When they came in contact with the water many of them showed signs of life so Anacortes may have a lobster crop in a few years. This is the second shipment of lobsters planted in the San Juan Islands near Friday harbor. The first shipment was transferred by steamer from Seattle about a year ago.

N. F. Fish News.

Dry codfish, both in shore and shore cured Labrador is in big demand in the city this morning. The regular price asked for choice large dry shore, is $6.80 to $6.90, but we have heard of one or two transactions for $7 for choice goods. Labrador (shore-cured), if an especially good article, is worth $6.50 to $6.60, and Labrador soft is worth $4.50 per quintal. West India fish is quoted at $3.50, and codoil is the same price as it was last week, but the demand is somewhat brisker. The lift in fish prices is due to the absence of French competition in Spain, Italy and Greece.—St. John's, N. F., Trade Review.

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Canned Lobsters Drug on Market.

A representative meeting of lobster buyers, packers and fishermen was held at Charlottetown, P. E. I., Tuesday, at which the question of closing down the factories for next year was discussed.

G. S. Lea, of Halifax, and F. McGee of Port Elgin, in dealing with the situation in other parts of the maritime provinces, spoke about the large quantities of canned lobsters still unsold, owing to the war closing the markets and declared that to fish next year would add to the present supply and make the price still lower if the war continues. The present prices are so low that no fisherman can make a living next year.

These arguments had no effect on the meeting which by a resolution practically unanimously declared against closing down the factories and recommended that the government make no change in the present law. The chief speaker on behalf of the island's interests was W. F. Tidmarsh, representing the Portland Packing Company.

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OFF SHORES OWN THE PIER TODAY

Nine of the Big Fellows Are In and Only One Shore Boat.

The week opened at the Boston fish pier this morning with a fleet of 10 arrivals. All but one are from offshore and include four of the beam trawling fleet and five sailing crafts from the Cape Shore Channel.

The largest fare of the morning is that of sch. Esperanto, Capt. Asa Baker, with 80,000 pounds fresh fish and 500 halibut, while sch. Smuggler, Capt. Mansfield Conrad has 68,000 pounds and sch. Frances J. O'Hara, Jr., 70,000 pounds.

Wholesalers paid $3 to $6 a hundred pounds for haddock, $7 for large and $3.50 for market cod, $2.50 to $6 for hake and $2.50 to $3 for pollock.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Billow, 26,000 haddock, 3700 cod, 4000 pollock.

Str. Surf, 37,000 haddock, 400 cod, 7000 pollock, 8500 lemon sole.

Str. Foam, 34,000 haddock, 500 cod, 2500 pollock, 18,000 lemon sole.

Str. Swell, 23,000 haddock, 400 cod, 1200 pollock, 1100 lemon sole.

Str. Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., 30,000 haddock, 40,000 cod, 200 halibut.

Sch. Juno, 15,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.

Sch. Smuggler, 28,000 haddock, 40,000 cod.

Sch. Ethel B. Penny, 17,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 1200 hake, 12,000 cusk, 500 halibut.

Sch. Flavilla, 3000 haddock, 500 cod, 1500 hake.

Sch. Esperanto, 25,000 haddock, 45,000 cod, 10,000 hake, 500 halibut.

Haddock, $3 to $6 per cwt.; large cod, $7; market cod, $3.50; hake, $2.50 to $6; pollock, $2.50 to $3.

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TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

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

Georges halibut codfish, large, medium, $4.25.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, $4. medium, $4; snappers, $3.

Cusk, large, $3; medium, $2; sn pers, $1.50.

Flitched halibut, 10c per lb.

Hake, $1.80.

Haddock, $1.75.

Pollock, $1.75.

Newfoundland herring, $3.75 bbl. for salt bulk.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, $1.10 per cwt.

Western cod, large, $2.50; medi $2.10; snappers, 75c.

Eastern cod, large, $2.25; medi $1.95; snappers, 75c.

Drift cod, large, $2.40; medium,

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

Hake, $1.40.

Cusk, large, $1.80; medium, $1 snappers, 50c.

Pollock, round 80c; dressed 90c.

Fresh halibut, 13c for white and for gray.

Fresh mackerel, 30c each for lar 20c for medium.

N. F. HAS SENT LABRADOR RELIE

Relief for the destitute inhabitan of Labrador has been undertaken the Newfoundland government, a the steamer Kyle is now fighting th way through the ice-laden waters the Labrador coast. She is carryi provisions to Sandwich bay, about 1 miles north of Battle harbor, wh Dr. Wilfred T. Grenfell maintains h mission station and hospital.

The Kyle was chartered by the go ernment after word had been recei from Dr. Grenfell and others of the s rious conditions in Labrador. T people have nothing to live on b bread and tea. With the outbreak the war in Europe the market for La rador fish was almost completely off.

Mackerel Receipts and Imports

Imports of fresh mackerel rece at Boston to date total 13,165 bar as compared with 22,115 barrels 1913. Salt mackerel imported for corresponding period amounts to 887 barrels, while in 1913, 24,065 rels were brought in.

Political Advertisement.

Chartered for Herring Trip.

The British sch. Artisan which just completed discharging a car salt fish at this port has been char ed by Schwartz & Bernstein and C Mnauel P. Domingoes of this ci go to Newfoundland for frozen her The vessel is now fitting here and be commanded by Capt. Norma Ross, one of the master mariners this port.

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TEAMER HERE WITH HERRING

onverted French Steam rawler from Green Bay N. F. Brings Big Cargo.

Three arrivals of Newfoundland herg here this morning constituted the ival list since Saturday.

Yesterday morning, the British eamer Baleine, formerly a French am trawler arrived from Green Bay, F., with a cargo of salt and pick- herring, comprising 2300 barrels d 20 barrels pickled, which is one of e largest ever brought here.

Sch. J. J. Flaherty from the Bay of ands has 1500 barrels salt herring, barrels pickled herring and 125,000 unds salt cod for the Gorton-Pew sheries Company.

The British sch. W. C. McKay, which s loaded by Capt. George Peeples, rived this morning with 1834 barrels lt and 137 1-2 barrels pickled herg, the largest sailing vessel herring rgo arriving here to date.

On account of the heavy wind and s outside, the gill netters with the ception of steamer Ethel have not ted since Friday.

Gloucester Arrivals.

The arrivals and receipts in detail e:

Sch. J. J. Flaherty, Bay of Islands, F., 1500 bbls. salt herring, 125 bbls. kled herring, 125,000 lbs. salt cod.

British sch. W. C. McKay, Bay of ands, N. F., 1834 bbls. salt herg. 137 1-2 bbls. pickled herring.

British str. Baleine, Notre Dame, N. 2300 bbls. salt herring, 200 bbls. kled herring.

Str. Ethel, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh rring.

Sch. Josephine DeCosta, via Boston.

Sch. Evelyn M. Thompson, via Bos-

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, via Boston.

Sch. Mary P. Goulart, via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

No sailings today.

Portland Fishing News.

he sch. Bernie and Bessie arrived in harbor Friday with a fare of about 0 pounds of mixed fish. Included he fish were two monster lobsters, weighing 11 1-2 pounds and the er 9 1-2 pounds. The only other val of the day was the steamer Ir- with about 1000 pounds, practical- ll of the fleet taking advantage the pleasant outlook for good ther and got under way yester-

Fishing Fleet Movements.

ch. Manhassett and sch. Leonora eira sailed from Liverpool, N. S., rsday.

ch. Margaret, Capt. Ernest Eng- m halibuting, was in Lockeport, N. Friday and cleared for fishing.

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Week's Landings at Boston.

Arrivals of fresh groundfish at Boston for the week ending December 4, amounted to 1,610,020 pounds from 66 fares as compared with 918,430 pounds from 44 arrivals for the corresponding period of a year ago.

Changing to Haddocking.

Sch. Mystery, Capt. James Mason, which has been halibuting the past year will now change over to haddocking.

Sch. Volant Hauled Up.

Sch. Volant, Capt. Gus Dunsky of the halibut fleet has hauled out until after New Year's.

Sch. Yakima at Pensacola.

Sch. Yakima, which was sold a number of weeks ago from this port to Pensacola, to engage in the snapper fishery, arrived at her destination Sunday in command of Capt. Frank Cooney.

In a wire to his son, Anthony Cooney, the captain announced the safe arrival of vessel and crew. The Yakima was 35 days on the voyage and it is presumed that she met head winds and bad weather on the passage down, as the length of her voyage would indicate.

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BIG COD FARES AT FULTON MARKET

The market was in very bad shape last week, due to heavy arrivals of cod and other ground fish, some of which did not arrive at a time when there was call for it, and when it was received it was usually doubled up with another day's shipments, thereby glutting the market. Because of the heavy fog on Tuesday no boats arrived from the East, while on Wednesday the supply for two days was received owing to the arrival of two boats each from Fall River, New Bedford and New London. There was no boat on Thursday, so that fish which should have arrived that day was not received in the market until nearly noon on Friday, when the business of the week was practically over.

Codfish was in heavy supply, market fish selling at 1 1-2 to 2 cents during the entire week, while steak cod was abegging at 4 to 7c. A great part of the steak cod supply was made up of small fish which had to be sold at 4c. Small market cod sold at $1 to $1.25 per 100 pounds.

The only stock handled by the regular market crafts was codfish, with the exception of one trip of weakfish, about 1,000 bushels, and 30 bluefish Saturday on another vessel.

Haddock sold at 4 to 6c; hake, 2 to 2 1-2c, with the exception of Saturday and Monday, when 2 to 4c was asked. Pollock brought 2c, with the exception of Wednesday, when sales were made at 2 1-2c.

Halibut—Western whitefish was quoted at 12c from Monday on Eastern white halibut brought 20c on Thursday and 21c on Friday.

Large mackerel brought 41c each, and small 25c.

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NOT AN ARRIVAL IN HERE TODAY

Not an arrival of any description was reported here up to noon today. Yesterday afternoon sch. Elva L. Spurling arrived with a small shore fare which she took to Boston.

It has been a hard streak for the gill netters, the fleet having been storm-bound since Saturday. All the boats are tied up again today and are hoping for clearing weather tomorrow.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, shore, 7500 lbs. fresh fish (went to Boston).

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, Boston.
Sch. Jeanette, Boston.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, $5 per cwt.; medium, $4.25; snappers, $3.

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

Eastern halibut codfish, large, $4.50; medium, $4; snappers, $3.

Cusk, large, $3; medium, $2; snappers, $1.50.

Flitched halibut, 10c per lb.

Hake, $1.80.

Haddock, $1.75.

Pollock, $1.75.

Newfoundland herring, $3.75 per bbl. for salt bulk.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, $1.10 per cwt.

Western cod, large, $2.50; medium, $2.10; snappers, 75c.

Eastern cod, large, $2.25; medium, $1.95; snappers, 75c.

Drift cod, large, $2.40; medium, $2.

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

Hake, $1.40.

Cusk, large, $1.80; medium, $1.25; snappers, 50c.

Pollock, round 80c; dressed 90c.

Fresh halibut, 13c for white and 10c for gray.

Fresh mackerel, 30c each for large, 20c for medium.

Galveston Fleet Has Motors.

The red snapper fishing fleet of the Gulf Fisheries Co., are now being equipped with auxiliary motors. These crafts leave Galveston, Texas, on month-long fishing trips for red snappers off the Campeche Banks. Capt. J. W. Munn, of the Gulf Fisheries Co. is supervising the motor equipment.

Says "Motorboat," the New York monthly, about the fishing fleet of Galveston: "The old-time independent fisherman also puts in here (Galveston) with his battered but serviceable motor boat, as does the independent oysterman, each with his cargo of succulent sea food. And the bogy of the high cost of living is made far less terrifying in many Galveston homes of moderate circumstances through the agency of the efficient little motorboat.

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TWO SHORE BOATS ALL AT BOSTON

Only two arrivals made the new pier since yesterday. They were schs. Elva L. Spurling, with 7500 pounds and Jeanette, 4500 pounds.

On account of th scarcity in the market, prices took a climb, wholesalers quoting $7.50 a hundred for haddock, $8.50 for large and $5 for market cod, $4 to $6 for hake, $4 to $4.25 for pollock, and $2.75 for cusk.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake, 500 pollock.

Sch. Jeanette, 300 haddock, 900 cod, 2000 hake, 1000 cusk, 300 pollock.

Haddock, $7.50; large cod, $8.50; market cod, $5; hake $4 to $6; pollock, $4 to $4.25; cusk, $2.75.

STEAM TRAWLER FOR LOCKEPORT

The Irish trawler Andromanche, which operated on the grounds during the past summer, making North Sydney her headquarters, landed seventy tons of fish on Vooght's wharf last week, and after taking on board forty tons of ice, sailed Saturday for Lockeport. She will engage in the fresh fish business during the winter, her owners having arranged with the Lockport Cold Storage Company to buy her catch.

The Andromanche is the first Irish trawler to operate in our waters, and the success attending her efforts surpassed by far the fondest expectations of her owners, netting them handsome returns. Mr. Dunne, who makes North Sydney his headquarters, represents the trawler's owners, and he is now arranging to forward the seventy tons of fish stored in Vooght's warehouse to Dublin, Ireland. If he is successful in securing about 200 more tons he will charter a vessel to carry the cargo direct from here, otherwise he will forward the seventy tons to Halifax where they will be placed on board a steamer for shipment across. Next year the Andromanche's owners intend sending out four or more trawlers to fish out of North Sydney.

Before leaving here Saturday four of the crew of the Andromanche refused to remain on the vessel, being anxious to leave for their homes in Grimsby, England. As they spent lavishly while on shore they had precious little coming to them when paid off, and therefore unable to buy their tickets for home. Two of their number, however, secured places on outgoing steamers, and are now on their way home. The other two are giving worry to the immigration authorities, but no doubt before becoming public charges will secure berths on outgoing steamers, as sailors and firemen are somewhat hard to obtain.—North Sydney Herald.