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# RECEIPTS LIGHT AT THE NEW PIER

Light receipts continue to rule at the Boston fish pier, there being but few arrivals there since yesterday. The beam trawlers, Billow and Foam brought in the bulk of the fares, the former having 60,000 pounds, of which 5,000 pounds were scrod and the latter 18,000 pounds, 18,000 pounds being cod.

Schs. Buema and Mary E. Sennett from the shore had small fares. Quotations were \$3.50 to \$5 a hundred for haddock, \$4.50 for large and \$3.50 for market cod, \$2 to \$2.50 for hake, \$4 for pollock and \$2 for cusk.

### Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Billow, 58,000 haddock, 600 cod, 2500 pollock.

Str. Foam, 33,000 haddock, 400 cod, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Buema, 3500 haddock, 2300 cod, 2200 hake, 2500 cusk.

Sch. Mary E. Sennett, 4500 cod, 1800 hake.

Haddock, \$3.50 to \$5 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.50; market cod, \$3.50; hake, \$3 to \$2.50; pollock, \$4; cusk, \$2.

### 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.

Hake, \$1.80.

Haddock, \$1.75.

Pollock, \$1.75.

Newfoundland herring, \$3.25 per bbl. for salt bulk. \$4.25 per bbl. for pickled.

#### 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.

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, 16c for white and 11c for gray.

Newfoundland frozen herrings, 3c per lb.

### Portland Fishing News.

With the exception of a few small boats the schooner Fanny Reed, with a catch of 10,000 pounds, was the only fishing arrival reported Sunday. A few of the vessels which have been tied up at Central wharf for several days started out but were forced to come back without making any attempt at fishing as they found it blowing hard outside with a thick vapor arising from the waters.

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# ARE FIGHTING OVER DOGFISH

Says the Portland Argus: For reasons unknown, Congressman Hinds has introduced a "dogfish for food" bill which, it is understood, carries an appropriation of not more than \$15,000 for the exploitation of this species. This comes as a disappointment to many of Mr. Hinds' friends, both Democratic and Republican. They are the more surprised because previous to the introduction a practical sea food conservation bill bearing the date of May, 1913, which was of practical conservation in the House.

"Dogfish as food has been exploded twice within a few years by the refusal of the commissary departments of both the army and navy, who would not buy dogfish as food for either the soldiers or sailors," said Charles W. Davis, last evening. Mr. Davis, who has devoted so much of his time and energy in behalf of the fertilizer method of ridding the sea of dogfish, continued:

The well-wishers of both the sea and shore fisheries sincerely regret the fact that Congressman Hinds has joined the opponents of practical conservation of our fisheries.

"Congressman McGillicuddy will be urgently petitioned to amend the Hind's bill now before the House fisheries committee for report and passage. The amendment which Mr. McGillicuddy will be petitioned to make is as follows:

"Be it further provided that the appropriation of \$15,000 or less proposed in this bill to be used for the exploitation of the nauseating and destructive sharks, the dogfish shall be paid, instead, to the fishermen of the Maine coast for the labor of removing the destructive sharks from the sea and shore fisheries of Maine upon which these destructive dogfish are preying to the extent of over \$100 per dogfish annually, as objectionable and free boarders on the valuable fisheries of Maine and other states."

# LYLE CORRECTS LOBSTER LAW

Representative James M. Lyle in a statement to the Times states that Section 12 of the proposed lobster law does not belong in the bill. Mr. Lyle says that the section was proposed by Mr. Kimball of Cohasset. Mr. Lyle fought the measure and had the section stricken out.

Section 12 read as follows: Section 12. Any lobsterman who has been a resident of this state since January 1, 1910, and who has been engaged in the catching of lobsters for a living from any of the waters in the jurisdiction of this state for the five years previous, or next preceding January 1, 1915, may be granted a license to catch and take lobsters from the water in the jurisdiction of the state.

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# MORE HERRING THAN LAST YEAR

For the week ending December 24, 2640 barrels salt and 310 barrels pickled herring were landed, making 20 arrivals with 26,077 barrels salt bulk, 2280 barrels pickled and 300,000 pounds frozen herring landed to date.

The corresponding week last year, there were two arrivals with 2443 barrels salt bulk and 215 barrels pickled herring, making 14 arrivals to date. The total catch to that time was 17,554 barrels salt and 1731 barrels pickled herring.

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# BAD WEATHER HOLDS FLEET IN

The few gill netters that were out yesterday landed their fish yesterday afternoon and shipped them to Boston. No large fares were reported, the fishermen finding fish scarce, which with the low prices paid at Boston this morning gives but small encouragement to the situation.

Sch. Lillian from Maine ports with a cargo of cured fish is the only arrival here this morning.

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Lillian, Maine ports, cured fish.

Sch. Little Fannie, gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.

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

Sch. Flavilla, shore.

Sch. Stranger, shore.

Sch. Adeline, shore.

Sch. Genesta, shore.

Sch. James and Esther, shore.

Sch. Josephine DeCosta, shore.

Sch. Priscilla, shore.

Sch. Mary F Sears, shore.

Sch. Yankee, shore.

Sch. Harriett, shore.

Sch. Mary P. Gouart, shore.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, shore.

Sch. Alice, shore.

Sch. Emily Sears, shore.

Sch. Esther Gray, shore.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, shore.

Sch. Actor, shore.

Sch. Jorgina, shore.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.

Sch. Russell, shore.

Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

### Vessels Sailed.

No sailings today.

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Newfoundland frozen herring, 3c per lb.

### Dull at Fulton Market.

There was not a great deal of business last week, as many varieties of green fish were scarce.

Boat receipts consisted of 14 trips of codfish, the total cod catch being 29,400 fish.

Codfish was cheap during the entire week, market cod bringing 1 1-2 to 2c and steak cod 4 to 5c.

Haddock brought 5 to 6c.

Hake was quoted at 3 1-2 to 4c.

Pollock sold at 4 to 5c.

Halibut, Western white, was cheaper this week than it has been in some time past. On Saturday last the price was 8c, Monday 6 1-2 to 8c, and 6 to 7c during the remainder of the week.

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### Taking Of Scallops.

Senator Charles J. Gifford has filed two bills with the clerk of the Senate, one of which is on the petition of Bradley S. Nickerson and provides for an open season on the taking of scallops and all other shellfish used as food. It sets forth that it shall be lawful at any time to use for food scallops and other shellfish of any size taken from the waters of the Commonwealth in the course of dredging, lawfully carried on for other purposes, provided, however, that the scallops and other shellfish are not taken from contaminated waters. The second bill authorizes the County Commissioners of Barnstable County to maintain an adequate hospital for the care and treatment of persons ill with tuberculosis and other contagious diseases, the infirmary to be owned by the county. The county is authorized to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding \$50,000 to provide for the construction, equipment and maintenance of said infirmary.

# BIG FLEET IN-- PRICES DOWN

## Off-Shore Haddock Quoted at \$2 at New Pier This Morning.

With clearing weather, quite a fleet of the Cape Shore haddockers made the Boston Fish Pier over night, giving the dealers plenty of new stock.

Two dandy fares are those of schs. Aspinet, Capt. Jake Brigham who brings an 82,000 pound fare, mostly haddock and Pontiac, Capt. Ernest Parsons, 80,000 pounds of which 55,000 pounds are haddock and the remainder cod, hake, cusk and pollock.

Other arrivals are schs. Onato, 53,000 pounds; Reading, 45,000 pounds; Thomas S. Gorton, 30,000 pounds; Conqueror, 42,000 pounds; James W. Parker, 63,000 pounds; Elk, 35,000 pounds; steamer Surf, 40,000 pounds. Added to these are several of the shore market fleet.

Prices were down, wholesale quotations being \$2 to \$4 a hundred for haddock, \$3.25 to \$3.50 for large and \$2.50 for market cod, \$2 to \$3.50 for hake, \$2 to \$2.25 for pollock, and \$1.50 for cusk.

### Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Sch. Currier, 1500 haddock, 1800 cod.
- Sch. Onato 26,000 haddock, 21,000 cod, 2000 hake, 3000 cusk, 1000 pollock.
- Str. Surf, 37,000 haddock, 700 cod, 3000 pollock.
- Str. Heroine, 25,000 haddock, 500 cod.
- Sch. Pontiac, 55,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 5000 hake, 4000 cusk, 5000 pollock.
- Sch. Aspinet, 70,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 1000 hake.
- Sch. Reading, 43,000 haddock, 1200 cod.
- Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, 22,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 4000 hake.
- Sch. Conqueror, 25,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 3000 hake, 7000 cusk.
- Sch. Elk, 12,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 7000 cusk, 400 halibut.
- Sch. Manomet, 5000 haddock, 1400 cod, 2000 hake.
- Sch. Evelyn M. Thompson, 1000 haddock, 3700 cod, 2500 cusk, 1200 pollock.
- Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, 3500 haddock, 1000 cod, 9000 hake.
- Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 2000 haddock, 2200 cod, 2000 hake, 1500 cusk, 2000 pollock.
- Sch. Angeline C. Nunan, 3000 haddock, 3000 cod, 2000 hake, 2500 pollock.
- Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 4000 haddock, 2100 cod, 5000 hake, 1200 pollock.
- Sch. Pearl, 250 cod.
- Sch. James W. Parker, 26,000 haddock, 27,000 cod, 10,000 cusk, 1000 halibut.

Haddock, \$2 to \$4 per ewt.; large cod, \$3.25 to \$3.50; market cod, \$2.50; hake, \$2 to \$3.50; pollock, \$2 to \$2.25; cusk, \$1.50.

### Belgian Artist Eats It at Boothbay Harbor.

Recent tests made by Valentine Henneman of Bruges, Belgium, an artist who is spending the winter in Boothbay Harbor, Maine, have proved that rockweed, which grows along the seacoast, can be used as an article of food and when properly prepared is a dish of much excellence.

The artist, who is greatly interested in the relief work in this country for his unfortunate countrymen, was led to experiment with the rockweed shortly after a fund had been raised by local citizens for the purchase of a quantity of salt fish to be sent to the starving Belgians. Knowing full well that sheep live on rockweed at times, Mr. Henneman decided to experiment with it as an article of food for human beings.

Gathering a quantity of the weed he boiled it in fresh water for three hours, then baked it in a hot oven and ran it through a coffee mill, grinding it to a fine powder. The boiling took out the salts, and it was ready to be prepared.

The Belgian found that rockweed mixed with potatoes and bacon, well seasoned with salt and pepper, makes a fine dinner. Then he decided to make a rockweed soup and by combining the ground substance with onions, beef bone, sorrel and bay leaves, found he had a soup of unusual excellence. Other menus have consisted of boiled rockweed powder, pork, vinegar, salt and pepper which made a fine breakfast, and another mixture was composed of onions, rockweed, a spoonful of flour and the whole fried in lard. Rockweed alone has a most delicious flavor. He says he has felt no ill effects from his experiments, and on the contrary, has a fine appetite, and is feeling unusually well.

The artist hopes to interest the New England Belgian Relief Association in the food product which is in great abundance about Boothbay Harbor, and a small amount of money would procure great quantities of the raw material, which has heretofore never been considered of any value in this vicinity except for fertilizer purposes. The Belgians, according to artist Henneman, consider mussels, dogfish, sharks and skate as delicacies, and declares that a shipload of these varieties of fish, mixed with rockweed, would be eagerly welcomed by his countrymen. He is working on plans to procure these supplies.

### Halibut from Prince Rupert.

Halibut caught in Alaska waters by American schooners has commenced to find its way to the eastern markets through the port of Prince Rupert, Capt. D. McKenzie, master of the G. T. P. steamer Prince George, said that the train which pulled out from Prince Rupert last Wednesday for the east carried two carloads of Alaska fish, consigned to Boston.

The shipment of halibut which left Prince Rupert last Wednesday consisted of 47,2000 pounds. Through Prince Rupert the Alaska fish goes in bond, the same as from the southern Canadian ports, so that there is no advantage gained by the carrying of the catches south. The immense fishing opportunities of Alaska in common with those of the northern British Columbia coast will find in Prince Rupert the most advantageous route by which to ship to the markets of the east. The trade is but beginning.

# ANDROSCOGGIN IS DUE TODAY

## Hospital Ship to Leave Boston Friday or Saturday on First Cruise.

The revenue cutter Androscoggin, Capt. E. W. Hall, which has been assigned as a hospital ship for work among deep-sea fishermen, will probably arrive in Boston harbor today. A wireless message from the vessel yesterday afternoon said that she was anchored off Hedge Fence Shoal, Vineyard Sound, waiting for the fog to lift.

The cutter left Baltimore last Saturday, after the necessary alterations had been made and the hospital equipment installed. Capt. H. M. Broadbent, who has charge of the Revenue Cutter Service in this district received yesterday from Washington the cruising orders for the Androscoggin.

A doctor and nurse will join the cutter at Boston and she will leave, probably Friday or Saturday, on her first trip to the fishing grounds as a hospital ship. The Androscoggin will make her headquarters at Boston and will return from time to time for coal and supplies.

# WANTS LAWS TO PRESERVE FISH

Capt. Carl C. Young and Secretary of the Board of Trade Henry F. Brown have been appointed to act in conjunction with Representatives Lyle, Foster and Tolman to confer with Dr. George W. Fields, chairman of the Fish and Game Commission in regard to proposed laws for the preservation of salt water fish in the rivers and harbors of Massachusetts.

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### Portland Fishing News.

There were several fish arrivals in Portland Tuesday, but practically all of these were small, the fishermen being driven in from the banks on account of the terrible weather outside. The sch. Wesley G. Sinnett was the high-liner for the day with a fare of 9000 pounds while the Katie Palmer had 8000, the Albert D. Willard, 3000 and the Topsail Girl, 5000. The sloop Minerva came in with about 1000 pounds and the steamer Mustado had about 700 weight. Capt. McIntyre, of the steamer, said that he had an extremely rough time of it while out on the banks and that an hour and a half was in a practically helpless condition when the rope became entangled with the wheel.

Says the Halifax Herald: During the past two weeks' drab pickled fish have shown marked freshness at Halifax, scarcely any arriving simply because there is any to come. The only place of fishery in sticks in Nova Scotia is at Lunenburg, where the fishermen who have been holding for higher prices. Have some 40,000 to 50,000 quintals in hand, both bank and bay fish. A few cargoes have changed hands during the past two weeks, but fishermen, not content with the per quintal they have been receiving for cod, are asking \$6.75. A prominent local merchant in conversation on this subject with The Herald yesterday, said that he believed the Lunenburg stockholders would get what they wanted, and that the price of dry cod would eventually reach \$7.00 per quintal, that all the fish procurable would be wanted in the spring even at high prices.

The market at present is somewhat slow. The small shipments are made on each of the steamers leaving for the south, and cod brought in are looked for. At present the Rico market is congested by the recent heavy buying of importers. It is expected, however, that this condition will shortly pass and the market with this fish-buying center in Brazil still remains the same. Cod cargoes continue to meet with success at good prices in Northern Brazil, the south is somnolent. There is a very great movement of fish to the American market and the prices are not what they should be.

Newfoundland cod is meeting a good market at Oporto and is selling at higher prices, regardless of quality, than Nova Scotia fish, asserted a fish merchant, but he said the market for this was not quite apparent.

The trade in pickled fish is very active altho the average is fairly good for the time of the year. At present prices are very small and prices remain fairly steady.

### Porto Rico Fish Market.

Codfish—Local conditions have improved from bad to worse owing to large receipts, poor demand and deterioration of stocks. We quote \$26.50 per quintal and rather nominally, for it is impossible to place large quantities at this figure. We think that a curtailment of shipments is imperative under present adverse circumstances.

Pollock and haddock—The demand for these descriptions of fish is poorer than for codfish. We quote them at from \$18 to \$20 per quintal, 448 lbs. on usual basis net ex wharf. S. RAMIREZ & Co.

### A New Halibut Bait Boat.

The Wesco Fish Company, operates a halibut baiting station at Craig, on the west coast of Prince Wales Island, Alaska, has made a halibut bait boat out of the 60-foot launch. The hold of the boat will easily store 300 barrels of bait and by her use a halibut vessel can be baited in one hour's time. Unlike the herring are kept alive in the hold by stretching netting over the piling.