

# LEAN PICKING ON WATER FRONT

## Some of Gill Netters Got Under Way Today After Being Hauled Up.

It was another morning of lean picking along the water front today. No arrivals were reported, while but one off-shore craft sailed.

The gill netters did but little over Saturday and Sunday on account of the weather. Those still in commission got underway today, being augmented by the Orion and Ethel which will set for the first time, after being hauled up a spell.

### Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

#### Sunday's Gill Netting Fares.

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

#### Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Jorgina, haddocking.
- Sch. Emily Sears, haddocking.
- Sch. Actor, haddocking.
- Sch. Adeline, haddocking.
- Sch. Harriett, haddocking.
- Sch. Edith Silveria, haddocking.
- Sch. Leonora Silveria, haddocking.
- Sch. Manomet, haddocking.
- Sch. Waldo L. Stream, halibuting.
- Sch. Mary P. Goulart, 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, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.

Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$1.75.

Pollock, \$1.50.

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, \$2.25; medium, \$1.50; snappers, 75c.

Eastern cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.50; snappers, 75c.

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

Hake, \$1.25.

Cusk, large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.15; snappers, 50c.

Pollock, round, 80c; dressed, 90c.

Fresh halibut 13 1-2c for white and 9c for gray.

Newfoundland frozen herring, 3c per lb.

#### Week's Landing at Boston.

Arrivals of fresh fish at Boston for the week ending February 25 totalled 1,303,530 pounds from 41 fares as compared with 1,166,185 pounds from 36 fares for the same week of 1914.

# OFF SHORES ARE HOLDING LOW

## Receipts at Boston Today Light—Good Prices For Shore Goods.

Light receipts marked the opening of the second Lenten week at Boston this morning. The new pier had a half dozen fares, while one shore craft tied up at T wharf.

The largest trips were those of schs. James W. Parker, 70,000 pounds, and Robert and Arthur, 27,000 pounds, both at the South Boston pier. The Motor at T wharf had 10,700 pounds of mixed fish.

Wholesalers quoted \$2 to \$6.50 a hundred pounds for haddock, \$6 to \$7 for large, and \$3 to \$4 for market cod, \$3.50 to \$6 for hake, \$4 for pollock, \$1.50 to \$1.75 for cusk.

### Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

#### ARRIVALS AT BOSTON FISH PIER.

- Sch. James W. Parker, 45,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 5000 hake, 9000 cusk, 2500 pollock.
- Sch. Robert and Arthur, 20,000 haddock, 7000 cod.
- Sch. James and Esther, 6000 haddock, 3000 cod, 4000 hake, 2500 cusk.
- Sch. Mary P. Goulart, 6000 hake, 1500 cusk.
- Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 2500 haddock, 800 cod, 5000 hake.
- Sch. Genesta, 1500 haddock, 1500 hake.
- Sch. Esther Gray, 7000 cod.

#### ARRIVALS AT T WHARF.

- Sch. Motor, 200 haddock, 6500 cod, 3500 cusk, 500 pollock.
- Haddock, \$2 to \$6.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$6 to \$7; market cod, \$3 to \$4; hake, \$3.50 to \$6; pollock, \$4; cusk, \$1.50 to \$1.75.

# BRUCE LANDED A LOT OF FISH

Sch. A. Piatt Andrew, Capt. Wallace Bruce, in addition to being high line for stock of the winter haddocking fleet, has the honor of having landed the largest amount of fish at Boston since January 1, 1915. The total of her hauls amounts to 448,000 pounds of fish, and as the trips probably over-run, it is safe to say that the vessel has landed nearly half a million pounds since January 1.

Following is the record of the trips since that time:

January 4, .....	62,000
January 18, .....	76,000
February 2, .....	100,000
February 16, .....	130,000
February 26, .....	80,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>448,000</b>

#### Good Stock.

Sch. Sylvania, Capt. Jeffrey Thomas, stocked \$2040 and the crew shared \$40 on the last haddocking trip.

# HALIBUT FLEET GROWS DAILY

This week the fleet of halibuters going from this port will number 20 sail. Several of the fleet now haddocking will change over in a few weeks, bringing the halibuting fleet for the summer to about 30. Following are the vessels now absent or fitting for trips.

- Sch. Paragon, Capt. William Hermon.
- Sch. Monitor, Capt. George Marr.
- Sch. Teazer, Capt. Peter Dunsy.
- Sch. Kineo, Capt. Nat Greenleaf.
- Sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert B. Porter.
- Sch. Catherine Burke, Capt. Jerome McDonald.
- Sch. Avalon, Capt. Michael Smith.
- Sch. Robert and Richard, Capt. Robert Wharton.
- Sch. Margaret, Capt. Ernest Engstrom.
- Sch. Waldo L. Stream, Capt. Frank Stream.
- Sch. Rhodora, Capt. Gus Peterson.
- Sch. Volant, Capt. Gus Dunsy.
- Sch. Agnes, Capt. Fred Upshell.
- Sch. Oriole, Capt. Dan. McDonald.
- Sch. Rex, Capt. A. G. Hall.
- Sch. Preceptor, Capt. William McKay.
- Sch. Georgia, Capt. John Stream.
- Sch. Elmer E. Gray, Capt. Charles Peterson.
- Sch. John H. Hammond, Capt. Lemuel E. Spinney.
- Sch. Harmony, Capt. George Dodman.

### N. B. FISH MEN HERE.

William Leonard and William Scott, well-known fish merchants of St. John's, N. B., were in Boston last week. They are shippers of fresh fish. Mr. Leonard told of the growth of the Canadian fresh fish business, stating that Montreal, which formerly drew the most of its fresh fish supply from Boston, now draws from Canadian producers. One day last week 12 carloads were received in Montreal.

### Salt Mackerel Imports.

Imports of salt mackerel received at Boston to date total 25,414 barrels of the 1914 catch as compared with 29,302 barrels of the catch of 1913.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Benjamin A. Smith was at Shelburne, N. S., Friday and cleared. Sch. Washakie was at Liverpool the same day and cleared.

### Androscoffin at Boston.

The hospital ship Androscoffin arrived yesterday in Boston, where she will take on supplies before leaving on another cruise this evening.

### Good Stocks.

Sch. Margaret, Capt. Ernest Engstrom, on her recent halibut trip stocked \$3,160.76 and the crew shared \$87.62 which makes a good start for the skipper and his men on their year's work. Some of the crew with handline fish shared as high as \$106 and \$107. Capt. Engstrom is now fitting for another trip.

# PRETTY QUIET AT FULTON MARKET

Although there were three fish markets last week there was not a great deal of business in the salt water market, as many kinds of fancy fish were scarce and the weather was so bad as to make it advisable to bring the frozen product. There were three days of rain and on Friday the weather was threatening so that buyers were not willing to take in large quantities.

The crafts landed only a small number of codfish, still the supply of Eastern caught fish was so great that prices were fairly low, particularly market cod, which brought 1-1/2 to 2c, during the first half of the week, and 4 to 5c from Wednesday to Friday.

Nine cents was the top price for steak cod, which was a low price, considering that under ordinary circumstances there should have been a greater demand. The low price of cod was 5c, the figure on Saturday while the lowest quotations this week was Friday, when most of the sales were made at 6c.

On Thursday some very choice dock sold up to six cents per lb. the same day and on three other days some sales were made as low as 4 cents. Tuesday the top price for dock was 5 cents, while on Wednesday and Friday the outside figure was 5c.

Western white halibut on Tuesday was quoted at 11 to 12 cents. On other days the figure was 11 cents.

Five to 6 cents was the price for steak pollock during the last few days of the week. Saturday the price was 4 cents, with 4 to 5 cents quotation on Tuesday.—Fishing Gazette.

### Crew Taken Off.

A cargo of dry codfish on its way from Brazil from Messrs. A. Goodrich Sons, Ltd., was sunk by a German cruiser, the Kron Prinz Wilhelm, the South American coast a few days ago; we understand that the fish vessels were taken off the coast safely at Buenos Ayres. The vessel was the Wilfred M. of Newburg, N. S., and was commanded by Captain Parks. She had a cargo of 635 quintals on board, valued at \$100,000, which was well covered by insurance. We do not know if the vessel was insured, but we presume it was. One cargo of fish would mean much ordinarily, but in view of our short catch and present smallings, the loss will likely improve the market in Brazil.—St. John's Trade Review.

### Had a Hard Trip.

The Halifax sch. Eddie, which sailed from St. John's on November 30, for Bahia, with a cargo of 3021 drums of dry codfish, which was posted missing on Saturday by the Karlsruhe has arrived at Barbados in a battered condition. Paul Peterson, a Norwegian, who was swept overboard and killed, and the vessel lost her rigging. The schooner returned to Barbados on Saturday, having had a hard trip.

March 2  
**NOTHING IN BUT  
 GILL NETTERS**

The gill netters yesterday landed about 6000 pounds mixed fish, receipts the few crafts out averaging small. Nothing in the offshore line was reported up to noon. Several of the fleet and those at Boston yesterday were in.

**Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.**

- The arrivals and receipts in detail:
- Mr. Julia May, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fish.
  - Mr. Quartette, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fish.
  - Mr. Evelyn H., gill netting, 2000 lbs. fish.
  - Mr. Sawyer, gill netting, 500 lbs. fish.
  - Mr. Mary DeCosta, shore.
  - Mr. Edith Silveira, shore.
  - Mr. Esther Gray, shore.
  - Mr. Stranger, shore.
  - Mr. Leonora Silveira, shore.
  - Mr. Russell, shore.
  - Mr. Advance, shore.

- Vessels Sailed.**
- Mr. Elmer E. Gray, halibuting.
  - Mr. Harmony, halibuting.

**TODAY'S FISH MARKET.**

- Salt Fish.**
- Landline Georges codfish, large, \$5 cwt.; medium, \$4.25; snappers, 3.
  - Georges halibut codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.25.
  - Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.
  - Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.50.
  - Hake, \$1.50.
  - Haddock, \$1.75.
  - Pollock, \$1.50.
  - Newfoundland herring, \$3.25 per cwt. for salt bulk, \$4.25 per bbl. for hakeled.

**Fresh Fish.**

- Splitting prices:
- Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.
  - Western cod, large, \$2.25; medium, \$2.00; snappers, 75c.
  - Eastern cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.
  - All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than above.
  - Hake, \$1.25.
  - Cusk, large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.15; snappers, 50c.
  - Pollock, round, 80c; dressed, 90c.
  - Fresh halibut 13 1-2c for white and 12c for gray.
  - Newfoundland frozen herring, 3c per cwt.

**Fishing Fleet Movements.**

The following crafts sheltered at Sandy Point, N. S., recently: Schs. Captain, Capt. Jake Brigham; Fannie Prescott, Capt. John Glynn; Benjamin A. Smith, Capt. Hugh Quinlan; Andy and Nellie, Capt. James Dwyer; Washakie, Capt. Rhodenizer; Muriel, Capt. Thomas Downey; Aethusa, Capt. Clayton Morrissey; Lillian, Capt. Giuseppe Striscino.

**Good Stock.**

Sch. James W. Parker, Capt. George Tufts, stocked \$2100 and the crew received \$42 on the recent haddocking.

**SALT BANKERS  
 GAIN ONE BOAT**

Nine vessels, one more than last year, will compose the salt trawl banking fleet this season. One of the fleet, sch. Athlete, has already sailed and the others are now getting ready for the spring trip.

The addition to the fleet is sch. Maxine Elliott which will be commanded by Capt. Staley Hines. This vessel last year was engaged in the flitchted halibut fishery in command of Capt. Fred Upshell, who is now halibuting in sch. Agnes. The only other change in the captains is that Capt. William Morrissey will command sch. Blanche.

- Following is the list of vessels and skippers:
- Sch. Athlete, Capt. Thomas J. Benham.
  - Sch. Senator Gardner, Capt. Reuben Burke.
  - Sch. J. J. Flaherty, Capt. Fred LeBlanc.
  - Sch. Maxine Elliott, Capt. Staley Hines.
  - Sch. Annie M. Parker, Capt. C. Hiram Forbes.
  - British sch. Independence II, Capt. Newman Wharton.
  - Sch. Bohemia, Capt. Ormsby Sealey.
  - Sch. Blanche, Capt. William Morrissey.
  - Sch. Hazel R. Hines, Capt. Fred Morrissey.

**SCROD MAJOR  
 PART OF FARES**

**Out of 48,000 Pounds Beam  
 Trawler Spray Has 33,000  
 Weight of Baby Fish.**

Three fares were reported at Boston this morning. They were schs. Harriett and Adeline and the steam trawler Spray, the latter with 48,000 pounds of mixed fish, of which 33,000 pounds were scrod haddock. No arrivals were recorded at T wharf.

Wholesale quotations were \$4.75 to \$7 a hundred weight for haddock, \$7.25 to \$7.50 for large and \$5 for market cod, \$5.75 for pollock, \$4 to \$7 for hake and \$2 for cusk.

**Boston Arrivals and Receipts.**

- The arrivals and receipts in detail are:
- ARRIVALS AT BOSTON FISH PIER.**
- Str. Spray, 47,000 haddock, 1000 cod.
  - Sch. Harriett, 5500 haddock, 200 cod, 5000 hake, 1000 cusk.
  - Sch. Adeline, 4000 haddock, 100 cod.
  - Haddock, \$4.75 to \$7 per cwt.; large cod, \$7.25 to \$7.50; market cod, \$5; pollock, \$5.75; hake, \$4 to \$7; cusk, \$2.

**Played Good Samaritan.**

Says the Shelburne Gazette and Coast Guard: The American hospital ship Androscoggin was in port on Monday of this week. The ship's doctor played the role of dentist while at Sandy Point and relieved several fishermen of a number of "achers."

**THE MISSION OF  
 SIR EDWARD**

**Newfoundland's Premier Is  
 Seeking Settlement of  
 N. S. Fishery Claims.**

Regarding the mission of Sir Edward Morris, premier of Newfoundland to Washington, the Bay of Islands, N. F., Western Star says editorially:

"The visit of the Premier, Sir E. P. Morris, of the United States at this time, is, we understand, in response to a message from the State Department at Washington, inviting him to meet a representative of that department at New York, with a view to effecting a compromise on the question of pecuniary claims against this country by the United States in connection with fishery privileges enjoyed on parts of our coast by citizens of that Republic.

"When the whole American Fishery Dispute was arbitrated at the Hague, claims made by American fishermen, as to losses through seizures of vessels, as to illegal collection of duties, as to similar collections of fines and forfeitures, and as to the exaction of license fees and light dues for a period of thirty years prior to 1908, were introduced as part of the American case. The total amount of these claims is about \$100,000, and if an amicable settlement cannot be effected the matter will have to be arbitrated.

"Our Government repudiated any part of the claim except for light dues collected after 1899, from which year light dues were removed from our own vessels, the Hague Tribunal having decided that Americans were entitled to enjoy the same liberty. The total amount of this item would be \$2,000 and this Newfoundland is ready to pay at any time, but repudiates liability for any other claim. Last March the Premier went to Washington and discussed this phase of the subject at length with the State Department."

**Salt Mackerel Situation.**

The Fishing Gazette has the following to say on the salt situation:

"It is surprising to me, this stagnation in the mackerel market," said an eminent New York authority a few days ago. "So far as market inactivity goes the market for foreign mackerel is almost as unsatisfactory as that of the domestic commodity."

The reserve stocks of domestic mackerel which are not heavy continue in the hands of one holder.

Report on Irish mackerel by cablegram.—Liverpool, Eng., Feb. 13.—No curing reported. Shipments this week: To Boston, str. Canadian, 956 bbls.; to Philadelphia, str. Pomeranian, 102 bbls.; to Baltimore, str. Vedamore, 100 bbls.

Report on Irish salt mackerel by mail.—Liverpool, Eng., Jan. 30.—Shipments this week were as follows: To Philadelphia, str. Haverford, 182 bbls.; to Boston, str. Dunsley, 200 bbls.; to New York, str. Philadelphia, 112 bbls.; to St. John, N. B., str. Hesperian, 116 bbls.; total for this week, 610 bbls. Total shipments to date, 1913 Irish autumn, 29,589 bbls.; 1914 Irish autumn, 16,598 bbls.

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**MEN COME FOR  
 BANK FISHING**

The steamer arriving at Boston Sunday brought some 60 fishermen from the Provinces for this port, who will ship in several of the local crafts now fitting for spring voyages.

Capt. Fred Morrissey arrived here Sunday to take charge of sch. Hazel R. Hines, just off the ways, and will fit this week for a salt trawl banking trip.

**Lenten Demand Not Up.**

Says the Fishing Gazette: The salt fish business is improving gradually. Of course, the beginning of the Lenten season was the chief contributing factor to that beneficent result. There is real activity in some lines. Department stores and chain store grocery concerns are playing up salt fish specialties as features in extensive advertising to the consumers. It is plain that the fast of 40 days of meats and flesh is as rigorously observed as ever.

Said a New York authority Wednesday: "The Lenten demand for salt fish so far has not been up to expectations, but there is a steady demand for small lots, which supports the previously steady tone of the market. In the better grades of mackerel a stronger feeling is evident, based on moderate supplies here and uncertainty as to future additions. Prices, however, show no quotable changes. In herring the movement is quiet, but as supplies are small a firm feeling prevails. Codfish is steady and in good demand, though buyers seem to be covering only immediate requirements."

March 3

**Pensacola Arrivals.**

Thirteen crafts arrived here with fish during the week ending February 21, the total catch reaching 232,725 pounds, of which 185,175 pounds was red snapper and the balance grouper. Receipts were:

- Ida M. Silva, 10,220 lbs. snapper, 1,020 lbs. grouper.
- Thomas J. Carroll, 22,600 lbs. snapper, 11,000 lbs. grouper.
- Emilia Enos, 16,860 lbs. snapper, 8,435 lbs. grouper.
- Kwasind, 15,084 lbs. snapper.
- Wallace A. McDonald, 9,940 lbs. snapper, 1,405 lbs. grouper.
- Mary E. Cooney, 10,225 lbs. snapper, 300 lbs. grouper.
- Mand L. Silva, 18,220 lbs. snapper, 4,425 lbs. grouper.
- Lettie G. Howard, 13,890 lbs. snapper, 1,530 lbs. grouper.
- Favorite, 17,335 lbs. snapper, 2,660 lbs. grouper.
- Louisa F. Harper, 12,370 lbs. snapper, 4,785 lbs. grouper.
- Chicopee, 16,175 lbs. snapper, 4,300 lbs. grouper.
- Haleyon, 3,700 lbs. snapper, 1,000 lbs. grouper.
- Mineola, 18,555 lbs. snapper, 1,000 lbs. grouper.