

# TRAWLERS GET GOOD PRICES

## Business Started Off Lively at Boston Fish Piers This Morning.

The week at Boston started off with dozen fares at the new pier and two at T wharf. There were no large trips, however, the largest trip being brought in by the beam trawler breaker.

Trade was good and prices stood up at the opening of the markets. Wholesale paid \$4 to \$5 a hundred for haddock, \$5 for large cod, \$3 for market cod, \$3 to \$6 for hake, \$3 for pollock and \$1.50 for cusk.

### Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

#### ARRIVALS AT BOSTON FISH PIER.

- Str. Breaker, 32,000 haddock, 7000 cod.
- Sch. Waltham, 700 haddock, 4000 cod, 9000 pollock.
- Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 500 haddock, 1000 cod, 13,000 hake, 2500 cusk, 3000 pollock.
- Sch. Angelina C. Nunan, 1600 haddock, 4500 cod, 19,000 hake, 6000 cusk, 2800 pollock.
- Sch. Adeline, 5000 haddock, 1500 cod, 3000 hake.
- Sch. Harriett, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake.
- Sch. Russell, 5500 haddock, 800 cod, 4000 hake.
- Sch. Manomet, 2000 haddock, 1700 cod, 2000 hake, 2000 cusk.
- Sch. Laura Enos, 700 cod.
- Sch. Marion, 700 cod.
- Sch. Mabel E. Leavitt, 5000 flat fish.

#### ARRIVALS AT T WHARF.

- Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 19,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 800 pollock.
- Sch. Flavilla, 2000 haddock, 2000 cod, 800 pollock.
- Haddock, \$4 to \$5 per cwt.; large cod, \$5; market cod, \$3; hake, \$3 to \$6; pollock, \$3; cusk, \$1.50.

# TWINERS NOW FITTING AWAY

Many of the fleet of southern mackerel seiners will begin early this week to fit for their annual spring trip. While the final work of bending the sails, overhauling the seines and putting aboard the ice and "grub" will not begin until Thursday, some of the vessels which have just come off the ways are being overhauled today by the tarrers and scrapers and "lumpers," getting them ready for the crews. The fleet will leave here in time to reach the grounds for the dark nights the first of April.

# PLANS KETCH RIGGED CRAFT

## Designer Alden Models New Style Fisherman to be Built at Essex.

John G. Alden of Boston is working on the plans of a new type of fishing craft for the local fleet, which is to be built by Tarr & James at Essex for Boston parties. Practically all the vessels of the Massachusetts Bay fleet used for offshore fishing are one of two types—either schooners or steam trawlers.

Many of the English fishing craft that work over the banks of the North Sea are ketch rigged, and this is the rig that will be used on the new boat that is soon to be started at Essex. The new vessel will not depend upon the breeze to reach the market and therefore will have a short rig and a rather large power plant.

As designed, the ketch will be one of the largest vessels engaged in fishing from Boston or Gloucester, as she will be 124 feet overall, 110 feet waterline, 25 feet beam, and 12 feet draft. For auxiliary power the ketch will have two 100 horsepower automatic engines, with Galusha gas producer.

# SEND MORE BAIT TO NEWFOUNDLAND

Sch. Olga, Capt. Isaac Evans, sailed for Newfoundland Saturday with the second load of squid shipped from this port for the fishermen of that province. The first cargo was shipped in the British sch. Meteor, the last of January. For the past few days the Olga has been at Provincetown loading a cargo. She arrived here Friday from that port and sailed Saturday for Newfoundland.

### More Good Haddock Money.

Some of the recent stocks and shares of the haddock fleet are as follows: Sch. Gov. Foss, Capt. Fred Thompson, stocked \$1350 and the crew shared \$24.

Sch. Commonwealth, Capt. Frank Watts, stocked \$1500 and the crew shared \$34.

Sch. Conqueror, Capt. Robertson Giffin, stocked \$1785 and the crew shared \$33.40.

Sch. A. Piatt Andrew, Capt. Wallace Bruce, shared \$42.

### Nova Scotia Catches.

Shelburne County's total catch of fish for January amounted to \$60,828, and Yarmouth's \$60,419.—Liverpool Advance.

# TAKE MOST FISH ON HOME BANKS

## Of One Year's Arrivals Here and Boston Only 615 of the 7598 Fares Are Caught West of 66 Longitude.

The United States Bureau of Fisheries has compiled and will shortly issue its annual statistical bulletins showing in considerable detail the extent and value of the fisheries centering at Boston and Gloucester, during the calendar year 1914. The bulletins will disclose the important fact that of 7598 fares landed at Boston and Gloucester, but 615 were caught on grounds lying off British possessions; that is east of parallel 66 of west longitude.

By means of local agents who are permanently maintained at these two important fishing ports accurate figures are obtained from all vessels landing fish there, and in the aggregate these operations cover from three-fourths to seven-eighths of the offshore vessel fisheries of New England. The data thus presented afford the best basis for determining the condition of the fish supply and the trend of the fisheries.

The Boston and Gloucester fleets in 1914 numbered 393 vessels of all classes. They brought in 7598 fares or trips of fish, aggregating 162,589,220 pounds, for which the fishermen received \$4,395,030. The catch of the principal fishes as landed in a fresh, frozen, or salted condition was as follows:

Species.	Pounds	Value
Cod	47,529,625	\$1,359,416
Haddock	57,754,128	1,381,156
Hake	12,752,971	242,503
Pollock	12,454,725	199,736
Cusk	5,858,990	102,779
Halibut	3,379,585	276,350
Herring	10,748,847	227,213
Mackerel	6,688,850	354,725
Swordfish	1,499,844	177,669
All others	3,921,657	73,483

Practically the entire catch of the vessels discharging at Boston, consisted of fresh fish which were sold in that condition, while about two-fifths of the receipts at Gloucester were salted, and a large part of those brought in fresh were subsequently salted before sale.

One of the bulletins exhibits the fisheries by months, while the other shows the actual and relative importance of the various fishing grounds resorted to by these vessels. Of the 3389 fares of fish brought into Boston, only 259 came from the grounds lying off the British possessions, that is, east of the 66th degree of west longitude;

while of the 4209 fares landed at Gloucester only 396 were from the eastern grounds. This arbitrary division of the fishing grounds has some actual significance because of the dependence of American vessels on Canadian and Newfoundland harbors for bait, shelter, etc.

# SHY OF POLLOCK AT PORTO RICO

Says the Fishing Gazette: Salt fish factors should note the market summary of Porto Rico in this week's issue. Large cod from Lunenburg is now changing hands at \$34.50. An attempt is being made to sell medium cod at \$32.50, though success has not attended the effort as yet. The market in Uncle Sam's insular possession is now under pressure of more liberal supplies insofar as codfish is concerned. But another tale is to be told with respect to pollock and haddock. Supplies of both are almost nil; next arrivals are bound to realize \$25 per drum and upwards. An optimistic outlook truly to the salt fish merchant who has lived in hopes and now sees his hopes realized. A leading New York handler of cod has released several carloads of that specie for Porto Rico recently. All these consignments have probably gone into consumption ere this.

# LIKE PRICE HERE-- MACKEREL NEXT

The spring mackerel season is officially opened. The genial "Ike" Price of New York has arrived, on business and pleasure bent and is being pleasantly greeted by his many friends. He will look over the local fleet of seiners and skippers before returning to Fulton market.

