

# NO ARRIVALS SINCE SATURDAY

**GILL NETTERS BROUGHT ONLY FISH RECEIVED HERE THE PAST TWO DAYS.**

With all the small shore boats in port on account of the easterly, and mackerel netters waiting for better weather, the only fresh fish landed here since Saturday was brought in by the gill netters. Saturday and yesterday the few boats fishing, landed around 200,000 pounds of mixed fish, several of the boats still bringing in good hauls of pollock.

### Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

- The arrivals and fares in detail:
- Sch. J. M. Marshall, via Boston.
- Sch. Ellen T. Marshall, via Boston.
- Sch. Angie L. Marshall, via Boston.
- Sch. Natalie Hammond, via Boston.
- Sch. Mary F. Curtis, via Boston.
- Sch. Ingomar, via Boston.
- Sch. Evelina M. Gouart, via Boston.
- Sch. Olivia Brown, via Boston.
- Sch. Marie and Winifred, via Boston.
- Boat Waltham II., via Boston.

### Saturday's Gill Net Receipts.

- Boat Enterprise, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Agnes and Myrnie, 1200 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Inca, 17,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Mary A., 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Phyllis A., 9000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Nashawena, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Liboria C., 9000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Alicia, 13,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Joanna, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Edna Fae, 18,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Naomi Bruce II., 8000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Elizabeth and James, 9000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Serafina II., 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Virginia and Joan, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Ramona, 17,000 lbs. fresh fish.

### Yesterday's Gill Net Receipts.

- Boat Agnes and Myrnie, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Inca, 12,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Phyllis A., 14,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Nashawena, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Serafina II., 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Liboria C., 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Alicia, 18,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Ramona, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.

### Sailed.

- Sch. Marie and Winifred, dragging.
- Sch. Evelina M. Gouart, dragging.
- Boat Bettina, dragging.

### On the Railways.

Boat Agnes and Myrnie and Waltham II., are on Rocky Neck railways.

Sch. Ellen T. Marshall is on Burnham's railways.

# THIRTY IN AT BOSTON FISH PIER

**WEEK OPENS WITH GOOD SUPPLY OF FRESH FISH, BUT NO MACKEREL.**

Boston market found 30 craft waiting at the dock when the bell rang for business this morning. Included in the lot were seven of the larger beam trawlers all with good trips. The rest of the arrivals were made up of shore draggers, haddockers, and small trawlers. Prices of fish remained good, haddock being quoted at \$6 and \$6.50, with large cod bringing \$7.50 to \$8.

### Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

- The arrivals and fares in detail:
  - Sch. Catherine Burke, 25,000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 3000 cusk.
  - Sch. Gertrude DeCosta, 4000 haddock, 5500 cod, 10,000 cusk.
  - Sch. Gosssoon, 21,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 6500 cusk.
  - Sch. L. A. Dunton, 30,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 4000 hake.
  - Sch. Pilgrim, 7000 haddock, 18,000 mixed fish.
  - Sch. Isabel Parker, 17,000 haddock, 16,000 cod, 3000 hake, 15,000 cusk.
  - Boat Princess, 500 haddock, 500 cod, 15,000 mixed fish.
  - Boat Santina D., 300 haddock, 1100 cod, 22,000 mixed fish.
  - Boat Robert and Edwin, 3500 mixed fish.
  - Boat Sebastiano, 3100 mixed fish.
  - Boat Frances, 5000 mixed fish.
  - Boat Mary G., 3600 mixed fish.
  - Boat Annie, 3400 mixed fish.
  - Str. Gemma, 22,000 haddock, 2700 cod, 8000 mixed fish.
  - Str. Fish Hawk, 15,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 3200 mixed fish.
  - Str. Comber, 13,000 haddock, 3500 cod, 2800 mixed fish.
  - Str. Gale, 23,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 9000 mixed fish.
  - Str. Ebb, 26,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 27,000 mixed fish.
  - Str. Sheldrake, 34,000 haddock, 800 cod, 2900 mixed fish.
  - Str. Lois M. Winslow, 29,000 haddock, 6500 cod, 2900 mixed fish.
  - Sch. Gertrude Parker, 48,000 haddock, 3000 mixed fish.
  - Sch. Ethel B. Penny, 2500 haddock, 500 cod, 11,000 mixed fish.
  - Sch. William L. Putnam, 8000 haddock, 500 cod, 3300 mixed fish.
  - Sch. Rita B., 8000 haddock, 1500 cod, 3400 mixed fish.
  - Sch. Frances C. Denehey, 16,000 haddock, 8000 cod.
  - Sch. Mary R. Mullin, 14,000 haddock, 500 cod, 16,000 mixed fish.
  - Sch. Doris F. Amero, 14,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 4200 mixed fish.
  - Boat Leonora C., 15,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake.
  - Boat Irene and Helen, 15,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 6000 mixed fish.
  - Sch. Adventure, 38,000 haddock, 13,000 cod.
- Haddock, \$6 to \$6.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$7.50 to \$8; market cod, \$3.50 to \$4; hake, \$3 to \$3.50; pollock, 80 cents to \$1; cusk, \$2.50 to \$3; gray sole, 8½ cents per pound; lemon sole, 4 cents; black backs, 5 cents; yellow tails, 3 cents; dabs, 2 cents; catfish, 4 cents.

# FEW NETTERS HAD MACKEREL

**LARGEST TRIP REPORTED WAS ONE OF 1800 POUNDS.**

Several mackerel netters tried their luck again last night, and this morning came in with trips running from 300 pounds up to 1800 pounds, the latter trip being landed by the Aloma. Seven of the shore draggers fished yesterday afternoon, and this morning took out around 11,000 pounds of mixed fish. Gill net receipts yesterday amounted to 150,000 pounds.

### Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

- The arrivals and fares in detail:
- Boat Natale II., netting, 400 lbs. fresh mackerel.
- Boat Bethulia, netting, 600 lbs. fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Paolina, netting, 1000 lbs. fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Aloma, netting, 1800 lbs. fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Newcastle, netting, 1600 lbs. fresh mackerel.
- Boat Old Glory, netting, 300 lbs. fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Mary M., netting, 700 lbs. fresh mackerel.
- Sch. Doris M. Hawes, netting, 300 lbs. fresh mackerel.
- Boat Grace A., dragging, 2400 lbs. mixed fish.
- Boat 649-C., dragging, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Maria Concetta, dragging, 3000 lbs. mixed fish.
- Boat St. Provvidenza, dragging, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Little Joe, dragging, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Margaret D., netting, 300 lbs. fresh mackerel.
- Boat Uncle Sam, dragging, 1000 lbs. mixed fish.
- Boat Capt. Drum, dragging, 1500 lbs. mixed fish.
- Boat sch. William L. Putnam, via Boston.
- Sch. Doris F. Amero, via Boston.
- Sch. Irene and Helen, via Boston.
- Sch. Leonora C., via Boston.

### Yesterday's Gill Net Receipts.

- Boat Enterprise, 8000 lbs. fresh fish
- Boat Inca, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Mary A., 7000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Phyllis A., 29,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Nashawena, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Liboria C., 5000 lbs. fresh fish
- Boat Alicia, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Joanna, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Edna Fae, 13,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Naomi Bruce II., 11,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Lucretia, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Elizabeth and James, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Serafina II., 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Virginia and Joan, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Boat Ramona, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.

### Sailed.

- Sch. Mary F. Curtis, haddocking.
- Sch. Ingomar, haddocking.
- Sch. Olivia Brown, dragging.
- Sch. Natalie Hammond, haddocking.
- Sch. J. M. Marshall, shore.

### On the Railways.

Boat Fannie Powell is on Rocky Neck railways.

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# SIXTEEN BOATS AT BOSTON TODAY

RECEIPTS UNDER 300,000 POUNDS  
—MARKET IS STRONG WITH  
HIGHER PRICES.

A fleet of 16 fishing craft assembled at the Boston fish pier this morning, 16 vessels offering catches of groundfish when the opening bell rang. The receipts totalled only 295,000 pounds of groundfish and 95,700 pounds of mixed fish. There were no mackerel arrivals. Prices were higher than yesterday with haddock at \$7 to \$8.

A few small lots of mackerel were received by truck and rail. A carload of smelts from Canada and a car of swordfish from Cape Breton and 135 boxes of pollock were in the day's rail receipts.

### Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

- The arrivals and fares in detail:
- Str. Newton, 36,000 haddock, 2300 cod, 20,000 mixed fish.
  - Str. Holy Cross, 20,000 haddock, 5500 cod, 5600 mixed fish.
  - Str. Georgetown, 35,000 haddock, 4800 cod, 9000 mixed fish.
  - Str. Shawmut, 21,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 12,000 mixed fish.
  - Str. Osprey, 40,000 haddock, 300 cod, 3100 mixed fish.
  - Str. Foam, 8000 haddock, 2500 cod, 15,000 mixed fish.
  - Str. Winthrop, 23,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 3000 mixed fish.
  - Sch. Mildred Silva, 13,000 haddock, 500 cod, 4500 mixed fish.
  - Sch. Mystic, 20,000 haddock, 1000 hake.
  - Sch. R. Eugene Ashley, 19,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 14,000 mixed fish.
  - Sch. Geraldine and Phyllis, 15,000 haddock, 3000 mixed fish.
  - Sch. Col. Lindbergh, 2000 haddock, 3100 mixed fish.
  - Boat Josie II., 600 haddock, 800 cod, 2300 mixed fish.
  - Boat Automatic, 500 haddock, 800 cod, 6700 mixed fish.
  - Boat Leonardo, 300 haddock, 200 cod, 1800 mixed fish.
  - Boat Annie and Josie, 1400 cod, 2600 mixed fish.
- Haddock, \$7 to \$8 per cwt.; large cod, \$11; market cod, \$5; hake, \$1 to \$5; pollock, \$1 to \$1.50; cusk, \$2.50; gray sole, 9 cents per lb.; lemon sole, 7 cents; black backs, 6 cents; yellow tails, 4 cents; dabs, 3 cents; shark, 6½ cents; catfish, 4 cents.

# HUB LANDINGS LITTLE SHORT OF THREE MILLION

For the week ending December 4, there were 96 arrivals at the Boston fish pier with 2,939,175 pounds of fresh fish. In the corresponding week of 1929, there were 99 arrivals with 2,308,550 pounds.

From January 1 to date there have been 5984 arrivals and receipts of 252,107,950 pounds of fresh fish. In the same period of 1929, there were 5429 arrivals and receipts of 240,580,350 pounds.

The prices paid for groundfish during the week were the highest for a number of years. The highest price paid last year was \$13; in 1928, \$14.50; 1927, \$15.40; 1926, \$15; 1925, \$16; 1924, \$16.50. The peak last week was 16 cents.

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# NETTING FLEET LANDED 316,200 POUNDS MACKEREL

The mackerel netters landed 316,200 pounds of large and medium fresh mackerel last week, caught off Cape Ann. The last seiners out reported seeing plenty of fish but they were so wild it was impossible to catch them. Fresh mackerel sold last week to wholesale dealers from 11 to 13 cents per pound.

In the corresponding week last year the netters landed but a few mackerel and they sold to dealers from 22 to 25 cents per pound. In 1928 they had a catch of 391,650 pounds and sold from 12 to 14 cents.

**Less in Storage.**  
The official statistics just received give the mackerel in cold storage in the United States on November 15, 1930, at 7,568,259 pounds as compared with 9,583,361 pounds on the same date in 1929. The Dominion of Canada reports that there were 771,499 pounds of mackerel in storage on November 1, 1930, as compared with 878,807 pounds on the same date in the previous year.

The catch of mackerel to date has been 42,796,629 pounds as compared with 42,540,295 pounds in 1929; 30,057,700 pounds in 1928; 37,941,600 pounds in 1927.

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### Do Fish Sleep?

An editorial in The World November 25 considers the query, "Do Fish Sleep?" I think they do.

It is no uncommon thing in the New York Aquarium to see the file-fishes, blackfish, tautog, hinds and groupers lying quietly in a corner. Sometimes the hinds assume a vertical position in the rockwork. The trigger fishes often lean against the walls or lie flat on one side. Their colors at such times vary from those exhibited when active.

In these positions, which may be maintained for hours, the fishes are supported by the rocks, so that fin movements are unnecessary, and they seem to be perfectly at rest.

In the blackfish at rest upon the bottom motion may cease entirely except for the rhythmic movements of the tips of the gill covers and an occasional slight turn of the eyeball. With some fishes in this position dozing seems certain, as the leaning body may settle over farther and farther until the fish recovers itself with a start and assumes the original upright position.

A lazy blackfish may roll over on its side and lie quietly until disturbed by its fellows. There is generally enough movement of some kind in an aquarium tank to keep the fish somewhat wakeful, the eyeballs usually rolling from mere habit of alertness. Inside the half-open mouth of the blackfish at rest a rhythmic tongue motion is visible. The pectoral fins in a resting fish are thrown out as props against adjacent objects, either a stone or another fish at rest.

A fish resting partly on its side may use the under pectoral as a prop, the upper one being folded flat. A grouper stowed comfortably in a narrow crevice in the rocks comes about as near to a condition of actual rest as it is possible for a breathing fish to effect. It may remain practically without movement for a long time except for the slow action of the tips of the gill covers. The body appears to cling closely to the rocks.

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A red hind at rest turns very pale, the red color disappearing almost entirely; body and fins are pressed closely to the rockwork, the pectoral fins being thrown out at any angle as a prop.

The cony in a resting position has the dorsal fins lowered together. The pectoral fins, as in some other fishes at rest, are sometimes used as a prop against the tank, the fish being without motion except the tip of the gill cover.

A vertical position is often assumed by the red hinds. The color of the fish at rest is nearly always different from that when in motion. The fish may stand in the corner of the tank resting directly on the tail, the tip of which is sharply bent. Very often the movement of the jaws and eyes almost ceases.

In a puffer at rest the fins are closely folded, and the fleshy folds above and below the eyes, which have almost the form of eyelids, cause the eyes to appear closed, or nearly so. In the respiration of the fish there is practically no movement of the jaws, which are carried about half open. The body shows a slight breathing movement in unison with the slow and almost imperceptible movements of the gill covers.

There seems to be little doubt that many of these resting positions indicate sleep.—Letter to the New York World From C. H. Townsend, director of the New York Aquarium.