

OUR FISHERIES.

A Rapid Increase in the Catch of Mackerel and Lobsters.

ABSTRACT OF INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1880.

ACCORDING to newspaper report, Professor Baird, of Washington, U. S., last year, prophesied that, this year, good mackerel would be as plentiful in the Bay of St. Lawrence as "tinkers" were last. The result has proved the correctness of the Professor's views; for the product of the Island fisheries, calculated at official rates, shows an increase of \$272,787.50 over the unprecedentedly large catch of last year, mainly in mackerel and lobsters. The total value for the year is set down at \$1,675,088.90, as against \$1,402,301.40 last year. Of mackerel, 82,570 barrels were taken, being an increase of 12,485 barrels; and of lobsters the very large quantity of 3,551,050 cans, against 2,272,825 cans last year,—being an increase of 1,278,225 cans. These two have now become the staple fisheries of the Province, to the growing neglect of other sea products. The fact is, the Island fisheries have undergone a change since 1877—the year of the Halifax award—and many men then engaged in sea fishing, now devote themselves to supplying the lobster factories. The returns of 1876 were the latest published when the Fishery Commission sat in Halifax in the summer and autumn of 1877, and it is presumable that these returns were the basis on which the value of the Island Gulf fishery was estimated to the Americans in fixing the award at \$5,500,000. Lobsters alone are now worth more to the Island than the mackerel on which the award was made. These returns of 1876 show a total official value for mackerel, cod, hake and haddock, together with sounds and fish oil, of \$423,050.96. This year's return for the like products shows a value of \$852,467. Total value of all the Island fisheries in 1876, \$494,967.08; in 1880, \$1,675,088.90. This rapid increase is sufficiently remarkable.

Mackerel have been of fairly good quality from the beginning of the season, in some localities the grade being one-third of number one's, and one-third of number two's. A few were taken unusually early on the east coast and a few remained unusually late on the west. Very few American fishing vessels were in the Bay, and as the schooling was over early, they did not do well.

Codfish show a decrease of 7,414 cwt. on the product of last year; hake and haddock also show a considerable decrease, amounting to 9,246 cwt., which produces a corresponding deficit in sounds and oil. Herring show a deficit of 6059 barrels. There is but slight change in the other sea-fisheries or in the product of the rivers. Fresh-water fish were abundant, which the Fishery Officers naturally attribute to the better preservation of the streams.

Salmon have been extraordinarily scarce in New Brunswick and Nova Scotian waters, so much so that in some localities formerly well supplied, none have been seen, and a famine exists for ova for the hatcheries. We hear that all the hatcheries in the Dominion are on short allowance. The waters being so low in the Island rivers caused anxiety to the fishery officers; but by great exertion 500,000 eggs have been procured for the Dunk River establishment. Winter River was tried without effect. Salmon were there, but they had spawned on the shallows. It is probable a receiving house and trap will be built on the Winter River before another season, so as to keep up a supply for the Dunk River Hatchery.

The following figures are given for the sake of comparison of the staple fisheries:

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| | 1876. | 1879. | 1880. |
| Mackerel, bbls. | 25,333 | 70,085 | 82,570 |
| Herring, " | 14,866 | 24,079 | 18,000 |
| Gasperaux, " | 660 | 1,427 | 1,724 |
| Cod, Hake and Haddock, cwt. | 42,137 | 53,821 | 37,124 |
| Oysters, bbls., | 7,905 | 18,145 | 20,297 |
| Lobsters, lbs., | 362,676 | 2,272,825 | 3,551,050 |

Total value of year: For 1876, \$494,967.08; for 1879, \$1,402,301.40; for 1880, \$1,675,088.90.

The following is the product of Queen's County for the year 1880:—

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| Mackerel | 37,751 barrels. |
| Herring | 7,337 " |
| Hake, Cod and Haddock | 11,089 cwt. |
| Lobsters | 686,276 cans. |
| Gasperaux | 490 barrels. |
| Other Sea Fish | 900 lbs. |
| Oysters | 1,730 barrels. |
| Fresh Water Fish | 35,090 lbs. |

The following is the rate of progression of the Fisheries in Queen's County:—In 1876, total value, \$107,234.05; 1877, \$176,083.10; 1878, \$219,969; 1879, \$365,751.80; 1880, \$522,009; an increase over last year of \$156,257.20.

The Inspector's annual report is lengthy and exhaustive, and touches on several points required by the changing nature of the fisheries.

It is to be remembered that the Prince Edward Island Fishery is a boat fishery only. The full expansion of the Island fisheries is yet to come.

An Acknowledgment.

THE Summerside Progress says: "The Minister of Marine and Fisheries is entitled to and, we believe, receives the thanks of the vessel owners for permitting the steamer (Northern Light) to run the risk of entering our harbor to tow out the vessels frozen in."

I HAVE brought myself by long meditation to the conviction that a human being with a settled purpose must accomplish it, and that nothing can resist a will which will stake even existence for its fulfilment.—Lord Beaconsfield.

Mr. James McNeill, of Lot 7, nearly 92 years of age, who some years ago lost his front teeth, roots and all, is now having new ones growing in the front as those of a child or youth.—Argus.

Sir Benjamin Collins Brodie, the distinguished chemist, is dead.

Brush Manufacturing by the Blind.

The brush-making establishment of William Smith & Co., a firm of which both members are blind, is in Scott's Hall, Kent Street. Here, yesterday, we found Mr. D. M. Reed, one of the firm, at work. He kindly gave us all the information regarding the business which we desired. The establishment consists of two rooms, one of which is used as a store room—the other as a workshop. The store room is partly supplied with ready-made brushes, and the material for their manufacture. The workshop is fitted with the machinery necessary for making these goods, viz.:—A turning lathe, two work benches, two pairs of large shears, vices, etc.

We learn that the firm has been carrying on quite a remunerative business in the city during the past three months. Since their commencement they have manufactured over one hundred dozen brushes, which have commanded a ready sale in Charlottetown, Summerside, Pictou and New Glasgow. They make three different kinds and four different qualities of brushes, viz.: Stove, Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5; Shoe, Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4; and Scrubbing, Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4; which are quoted at the following prices per dozen:—No. 2 Stove Brushes, \$3; No. 3, \$2.40; No. 4, \$2; No. 5, \$1.60. Shoe Brushes, Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, are quoted at the same price as Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Stove Brushes, while the prices of Scrubbing Brushes per dozen are quoted at from \$2.80 to \$1.44.

Regarding the quality of the brushes manufactured by the firm, we learn that they are, in the different classes, equal, if not superior, to the brushes imported. T. S. Sims, the large brush manufacturer of St. John, N. B., visited Smith & Co.'s establishment while in the city, and pronounced the brushes manufactured by them equal to those turned out at his own factory. The goods sold by the firm to dealers in this city, we are told, give general satisfaction, being made of excellent material and being durable.

Besides Brush Making, the firm carries on a business in Piano Tuning, and in repairing chairs. Mr. Reid is a piano tuner of experience, and has certificates of competency from Mr. Leaverman, the piano dealer in Halifax, and also from Mr. C. F. Fraser, Principal of the Institution for the Blind, Halifax. He tunes pianos for Messrs. Miller Bros. of this city, and C. P. Fletcher, music dealer. His terms are \$5 a year, and \$1.50 for an occasional tuning.

William Smith, the senior member of the firm, is a native of Norton, King's Co., New Brunswick. He lost his eyesight when two years of age. He entered the Institution for the Blind, Halifax, in the year 1874, where he completed his education and studied the trade of brush making. Mr. Reid, the junior member of the firm, is a native of Pictou, N. S. He lost his eyesight when six years of age. He entered the Institution for the Blind in 1872, where he was educated and learned the piano tuning and brush making business.

It is a pity that the spirit which animates these young blind men, making them industrious, enterprising, successful, honest and happy, would not enter into some of the lazy fellows with eyes to see, who loaf at our street corners, drink at our tap rooms, and go about complaining of hard times.

The Fall of Dulcigno.

The latest advices from the East state that during the fighting on the 23rd Nov., which preceded Dervish Pacha's occupation of Dulcigno, the Albanians made a resolute stand in the olive plantations outside the town. A despatch from Ragusa says the Albanians lost in this fight twenty killed and fifty wounded. The Turkish loss was considerable. It was believed at Ragusa that all the Albanians had risen against Turkish rule and that the wires had been cut. Dervish Pacha having informed the Prince of Montenegro that he was prepared to hand over Dulcigno, the latter has replied that he cannot accept a mere surrender, but requires a formal cession, and that he has invited the representatives of all the Powers to be present at the negotiations and sign the protocol of cession. A despatch to the Times from Boudic says the Turkish delegate informed the Montenegrin delegate that the Montenegrins must occupy Dulcigno on Friday, as Dervish Pacha could not remain custodian of the town, and the Montenegrin delegate acquiesced. General Petrovic, the Montenegrin commander, will march on Friday, with all the troops he can collect, to take possession of Dulcigno. Dervish Pacha has issued a proclamation stating that the Porte will grant land to any of the inhabitants who wish to quit Dulcigno with the Turkish troops. At a meeting of the Ambassadors, M. Onon, the Russian representative, proposed that the Powers should guarantee to Montenegro the district of Dulcigno.

Special Notices.

THIRTY bbls. kerosene, 20 bbls. onions, very cheap for cash at the Family Grocery—R. K. Brace. nov 29

A CHOICE assortment of crockery and glassware, at B. BALDERSTON'S. nov 24.—61n

THE BOSTON SILVER PLATING COMPANY, is now prepared to do all kinds of Gold and Silver plating, such as knives, forks, spoons, cake baskets, fruit stands, tea sets, watches and jewelry of every description.

Carriage work, handles, dashers, &c. &c. N. B.—Every job warranted to give entire satisfaction or no charge made.

Shop opposite the Athenaeum. P. O. Box, 219, Charlottetown. nov 17

MOTTO FRAMES for 25 cents; all other kinds of frames very cheap; all kinds of pictures framed to order. Moulding, wholesale and retail at Lewis, North Side of Market House. nov 23

ACADEMY of Music Billiard Hall, open day and evening. Charges Moderate.—n26 2w eod

Lewis has a large supply of first-class stationery, paper, envelopes, pens, pencils, etc., etc., which will be sold very cheap.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

Special Despatch to Examiner.

MONTREAL, Nov. 30.

The Star's special cablegram dated London, Nov. 29th, says: It was finally decided this morning that Edward Hanlan, champion of the world, and Elias Laycock, the Australian, will row a race over the Thames championship course for £1000, in six week's time.

In the race between Ross and Trickett, yesterday, Ross won the toss for position. Ross led his man till Hammersmith Bridge was reached when they fouled, Trickett having caught up to Ross. They row over again on Saturday.

MONTREAL, Nov. 29.

Numbers of men are busy cutting a channel through the ice at the entrance of the Lachine Canal, so as to allow the light ships to enter it.

LONDON, Nov. 29.

At a meeting in Ennis yesterday of magistrates of the County Clare, it was resolved to call upon the Government to take measures to maintain law and order. The Standard's correspondent at Rome hears that the Irish Land League has ordered all money from America sent to Paris instead of Dublin.

John Whitwell, Liberal member of Parliament for Kendall is dead.

BERLIN, Nov. 29.

The Gazette declares Berlin and neighboring towns in a state of siege for another year. Another ship load of Socialists has left Hamburg for America.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 29.

A serious riot occurred in the steamer Dakota, near Battlebury, where she landed on account of low water. The crew consisted of 22 negroes and 4 white men. After laying up, the crew were paid off and the negroes furnished with transportation tickets to Cairo. Before leaving, however, they made an attack on the mate and four white men went to his assistance. A bloody fight ensued, in which two negroes were shot and seriously wounded. Five others were killed with a monkey-wrench and an axe, after which the remaining negroes were driven from the boat.

CONCERT.—The Methodist Choir will give a Concert in the basement of the Brick Church, to-morrow (Wednesday) evening, the 1st December, commencing at 5 o'clock. Proceeds for the Sunday School Poor Fund. Admission 10 cents. Following is the

PROGRAMME:

- Chorus—"Solid Rock." Choir
- Solo and Quartette, Miss Heard and others
- Chorus—"Wake the Song." Choir
- Reading, Miss Mitchell
- Solo (vocal), Miss Hayden
- Solo and Quartette, Mr. Davison and others
- Duet and Chorus—"Fading." Choir
- Solo—"O Lord, How Excellent," Mr. Beer
- Male Quartette—"Steal Away," Jubilee song
- Reading, Miss Barr
- Solo (vocal), Mr. Fletcher
- Solo and Chorus—"How amiable are Thy Tabernacles." Doxology.

Weather Bulletin.

Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the Maritime Provinces.

TORONTO, Nov. 30—10 a. m.

Fresh northwesterly to southwesterly winds, fine cold weather.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

REVERE HOUSE.

Nov. 28.—W H Brennan, Summerside; J H Myrick, Boston, Mass; Alfred Turcot, Quebec; Henry Lortie, do; John Stewart, Montreal; D Schurman, Summerside.

ROCKLIN HOUSE.

Nov. 29.—Wm McLeod Montague; D W Palmer, Victoria; Hon John Lefurgey, Summerside; A R Boutillier, Halifax; J P Cook, Crapaud; Wm Hibbett, Lot 15; Daniel Gordon, Summerside; A E McDonald, Pictou; Alex McNeill, Cavendish; Wm. Patrick, Hampton, N. B.

OSBORNE HOUSE.

Nov 29—W Hayden, Morell; James H Bourke, Mill View; David Cole, New London; H Bradshaw, M D, New Glasgow; Miss Bagnall, do; Geo Forbes, Vernon River; C C Carlton, Souris; Daniel Miller, Ringwood; Reuben Tuplin, Kensington; David Ross, Orwell; Wm Oak, Leadville, Col; William Whiteman, Georgetown; John Bourke, Kensington; John Rogers, Halifax; D E Clarke, Orwell.

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W. E. GREENWOOD,

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RESIDENCE:

St. Lawrence Hotel, Charlottetown.

SOCIETIES or CHURCHES wishing to get PIPE ORGANS will do well to communicate with the above, who is prepared to build CHURCH ORGANS from \$300 upwards. To any Churches on the Island wishing to get an Organ the terms will be most favorable, and prices will be given

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Nov. 30, 1880—3i eod

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HOUSEKEEPERS and DEALERS who have not yet selected their Winter Fruit, would do well to call and select from 300 bbls. No. 1 Winter APPLES, free from frost, and comprising all the best kinds.

WILLIAM DODD,
Nov. 30, 1880—2i Auctioneer.

Special Depositors in Merchants' Bank.

ALL PERSONS holding the Special Deposit Receipts of this Bank, for moneys deposited by the Shareholders in November and December, 1878, are hereby notified that the Bank is prepared to pay the respective amounts of these Receipts on the day they are payable, viz.: DECEMBER 1st, 1880, and that no interest will be allowed or paid by the Bank on such Receipts after that day, unless special arrangements are made therefor with the Cashier.

WM. McLEAN,
Cashier.
Ch'town, Nov. 15, 1880.
nov 15—tl 30th inst

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Wants, Lost, Found, &c.

MILK COW—Newly calved. Apply to A. McRae, Pownal. [no 30 tf]

WANTED—A smart BOY about 15 years of age, to attend general store. Must have good recommendations. Apply to the EXAMINER office. [no 30 tf]

BOARD AND LODGING—A Lady and Gentleman, or two Gentlemen, can be accommodated with board and lodging in a private House. Rooms large, and situation very pleasant. Apply at this office. [no 29 4i eod]

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CHAIN—A large lot of second-hand CHAIN—as good as new. For sale cheap.—C. F. YATES, cor. Water and Pownal streets. [no 26 6i]

WINDLASS GEAR—Two sets Windlass Gear—for half price.—C. F. YATES, cor Water and Pownal streets. [no 26, 6i]

TO LET—A Tenement House, situated on Kent street, next door to Dr. Creamer. Apply to Mrs. OFFER, Queen street. [no 13 tf]

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TO LET—A House containing 8 rooms, with stable, coach house, and a large garden attached, fronting on Rochford Square. Possession given immediately. Apply to J. T. CROCKETT, at the Fish Market. [no 2]

WAGSTAFF'S HOTEL, Pownal Street, continues to receive transient and permanent Boarders. [no 11]

UMBRELLAS—The subscriber wishes to inform the citizens of Charlottetown that the business of Umbrella mending, &c., is still carried on at the old stand, opposite Mr. R. Bridge's meat store.—S. TAUDVIN. [no 25 1m]

McEwen House continues to receive permanent BOARDERS. Terms moderate. [no 7]

Charlottetown, November 18, 1880.