

## A Great Run Of Mackerel.

Seldom has it ever been the lot of the fishermen of the south shore of Nova Scotia to reap the harvest in Mackerel which has come to them during the past week, says The Halifax Chronicle. There are fishermen who will count the returns from their catch in thousands of dollars, and hardly a fisherman who will not reap in a few days, the average yearly earnings of seasons. This is true along the coast from Halifax to Liverpool, and is extending even to Yarmouth as the fish move south from their northern spawning grounds. The run of Mackerel since last Saturday night has been almost unprecedented in the history of Nova Scotia fisheries.

The run commenced about October 7 along the north and eastern points of Cape Breton, but did not strike this portion of the shore until last Saturday and Sunday, since which time the fishermen west of Halifax have struck it rich in reality. The high liner of this catch so far has safely cleared up mackerel to the value of \$10,000 to \$12,000, altogether in off-shore fishing. This fisherman is Salem Coolen of Fox Cove, St. Margaret's Bay, and has procured at least 1,000 (salt) barrels of the fish.

### Dipping Fish From Ocean.

These he took in two seines. The operation of his fishing is described as veritably dipping the fish out of the ocean. It has required three steamers, working over time for two days to bring his catch from St. Margaret's Bay to Halifax, and yet it is not all in. He made his first catch early in the week and telephoned J. A. Neville in this city that he would have about 200 barrels, never anticipating that the run would continue in such enormous proportions as has been the case since then. Mr. Coolen undoubtedly holds the record in this Province for a one-man catch of mackerel or any other fish.

A man by the name of Boutilier at Croucher's Island, has netted 580 barrels, and at Liverpool in five seines there were enough caught to fill 400 (ice) barrels, or equal to 200 (salt) barrels.

### Astounding Catches.

At West Berlin, 15,000 of the blotched beauties were taken, but some of the biggest hauls were brought in from Halifax Bay, where last Sunday night and Monday morning the run struck in and 100,000 of the fish were caught. This catch salted down will mean 500 barrels. At Dover last Saturday night there was a haul of 350 barrels, which computing the pack at 200 per barrel, will mean 70,000 mackerel. Along the Cape Breton coast where this run first began early in the month of October, or from the 7th. to the 20th., there were 4,000 to 5,000 barrels procured.

The first question one naturally asks is: "What effect will this tremendous catch of mackerel have upon the market?" and the reply, owing to almost ideal conditions prevailing, is none. The markets could not be better regulated than they are at present. First there were small catches of both Norwegian and Irish mackerel during the year, and competition that would lower the market from that

curse is practically negligible. Unlimited U. S. Demand.

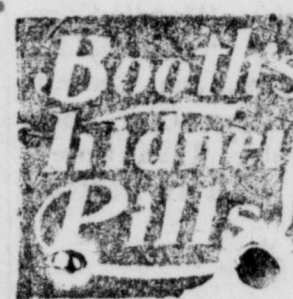
Then there is the open market of the United States, which, eliminating the former, \$2 per barrel for salt mackerel, is free for the entry of his fish to an almost unlimited demand. The size and condition of the mackerel being caught along the Nova Scotia coast are also in favor of a good price. First they are fat, and, second, they splendidly average up as medium, which will benefit both the fisherman and the buyer, perhaps more than if the two extremes were met. The only difficulty now facing the fishermen and packers is the lack of barrels to hold the catch and the lack of steamers to bring them from the outports to the markets.

There is doubtless hardly a fish merchant who has not been asked why is this exceptional run.

Everyone is somewhat at sea to describe the reason that this almost phenomenal piscatorial event, but Mr. John Neville, of Neville Canneries gives quite a logical theory to The Morning Chronicle. It was that the mackerel, being "wind-ed" fish—that is, having the instinct to travel against the wind—had been affected by the amount of peculiar weather prevailing along this coast during the early autumn months. For instance, along the coast of Cape Breton, they met with a southerly wind, and, facing that, they made shore against it. Down along this coast for the past week, and especially last Sunday when the run began, there were heavy northerly and westerly winds, and the fish making along the southwest coast, made a close run in shore, filling the coves and bays, and incidentally the seines and nets of the fishermen.

### 6 Year Old Girl Is cured of Kidney Trouble

Mrs. Alex. Moore, of James St., Oxford N. S., says: "Booth's Kidney Pills cured my little daughter, Christian, age six years, of many symptoms of kidney weakness. She complained of sore back, the kidney secretions were frequent and uncontrollable, especially at night. Her stomach was weak and her appetite poor. This caused her to have frequent headaches, and the



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### Where Our Words Come From

An analysis of 20,000 English words taken from the New Standard Dictionary shows that 4,842 of these words come from the Latin through French 3,381 words are of Anglo-Saxon and English origin; 2,880 come direct from Latin; 2,493 are directly from the Greek; the American (Indian?) languages supply 102 words, the African languages 32, and Lithuanian ends the list with one word to its credit.

## PERSONALS

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A league for the purpose of opposing the adoption of a state religion in China was organized at Pekin, on Thursday, at a meeting composed of representatives of Mohammedanism, Taoism, Buddhism, Catholicism and Protestantism.

A Chicago judge, hearing the case, of a medicine vendor, promised to treat the prisoner leniently if he would demonstrate the efficacy of his hair tonic on two bald-headed lawyers. The prisoners replied: "No use, judge. Heads addicted to splitting hairs never respond to modern treatment." Sentence was pronounced.

All French spinsters and bachelors over the age of 30, unless they have at least three persons dependent on them, are to be subject to an increase of 20 per cent on the income tax imposed by the bill now under consideration.

—Allen and Ralph McFarlane, of Lissonville, caught an animal recently in one of their traps which much resembled a wild cat. It was much darker in color than a wild cat and they could not place the species as they had never seen anything like it before. It measured 4 ft. from tip to tip.

—Kings County Record.

W. E. Spike, of Andover, deputy collector of customs at that port, was in town this Wednesday. . . . Miss Lena Sisson, chief operator in the central telephone office, spent Sunday with her father in Perth, N. B. . . . Mrs. David Watson and Mrs. Hiram Murphy, of Andover, were pleasant callers in this village Saturday afternoon. . . . Frank A. Glew returned home Thursday from his work as night watchman on the line of the St. John & Quebec Railway below Woodstock. . . . Miss Myrtle Anderson, professional nurse, went to Hartland, N. B., Friday to nurse Arthur Dickinson, who is ill of typhoid fever. Mr. Dickinson is a brother to Mrs. D. H. Boyd of Fort Fairfield. . . . A. P. Libby has bought, in Hartland, N. B., a fine thoroughbred bull, which he brought home Saturday.

The weather continues wonderfully mild for the season. A half-inch of snow came this Wednesday morning and the roads are frozen a little and extremely rough. . . . The wild geese are flying south. They were heard distinctly over this village Monday evening. No matter how warm the weather is, you can't fool the wild geese into thinking it is only September. . . . The potatoes delivered by the B & A., to the Main Central at Northern Maine Junction, November 1 to 21, inclusive were 1,421,281 bushels, so we are informed by G. F. Snow, special agent. At this rate it would not take long to make up the State's whole estimated crop of 26,000,000 bushels. . . . Everett Manzer, of Carlingford, N. B., won the turkey from the Fort Fairfield Drug Company for the correct guess on the weight—17 pounds and ten ounces. L. S. Osgood and T. E. Holt of this village and Mr. Adams of Carlingford also guessed the same, but the lucky chance came to Mr. Manzer. . . . Surveys have been finished for the western extension of the Aroostook Valley Railway, which has been incorporated under the name of the St. John & Quebec Railway. Work on construction will be commenced early in the spring. The rails will connect with the St. John Valley and other Canadian roads. The line will run from Presque Isle westward through Maine to Quebec. . . . H. Tompkins, plumber, came up from Woodstock Saturday to spend a few days at his home in Perth. . . . The many Perth friends of A. B. Street, formerly station agent here, but now of Caribou, will be pleased to know that he is slowly improving, after a severe operation which he recently underwent in a Boston hospital. . . . George Clark, of Perth, who went to the Fisher Memorial Hospital on Monday to undergo an operation for appendicitis, is doing as well as can be expected. Dr. Earle and George Larlee accompanied him, the doctor returning home on the 9.00 o'clock train.

—Fort Fairfield Review.

### Why Brother Wanted to Know

Effie's Brother—"Do you love my sister Effie?"

Effie's Steady Company—"Why, Willie, that is a queer question. Why do you want to know?"

Effie's brother—"She said last night she would give a dollar to know, and I'd like to scoop it in."



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### A DAILY THOUGHT.

I hope that real love and truth are stronger in the end than any evil or misfortune in the world.

DICKENS.

### Roast Goose, Potato Stuffing.

Size, remove pin feathers, wash and draw a goose. Stuff, truss, sprinkle with salt and pepper, and lay six thin strips of fat salt pork over the breast. Place on rack in dripping pan, put in hot oven and roast two hours. Baste every fifteen minutes with fat in pan. Remove the pork the last half hour of the cooking period. Remove string and skewers. Garnish with Apple Cups and sprigs of parsley.

### Potato Stuffing.

Force eight medium sized hot boiled potatoes through a potato ricer. Add one-third cupful of melted butter, one cupful cream, three eggs beaten, and two medium sized onions finely chopped. Beat two minutes and season with salt and pepper.

### USELESS GIVING OF CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28. The fight against the useless giving of Christmas presents not to give less, but to give discriminately and intelligently, is spreading throughout the country with the approach of the holidays. The "Spugs," as the society for the prevention of useless giving has nicknamed its members, are supplying copies of membership cards and by-laws with which to inaugurate branch societies in various parts of the country.

Every Spug must wear a membership pin and pledge himself to aid in the fight against the useless Christmas present. The cost of the pin is covered in the membership dues which are ten cents a year. Five hundred persons were enrolled in Washington in one day, according to reports received by the Spugs' headquarters here.

### BROWN FRICASSE OF VEAL

Take two pounds of lean well-grown veal, from the cheap part of the leg. Remove the fat and bone, and cut the meat into cubes two inches square. Put the bones in a stew kettle, cover with cold water and let them simmer. Season each piece of meat with salt and pepper, and roll in flour. Heat a tablespoonful each of butter and beef dripping, and put in the meat, stirring it about until well browned all over. Take out and if the fat is all used up add two tablespoonfuls more of butter or drippings, slice in a small onion and fry brown with two tablespoonfuls of flour stirred in. Then add the broth from the bones, and stir until smooth, adding more water or milk to make enough sauce to cover the meat. Strain over the meat, cover closely and stew for two hours. This is a good way to make the tough parts of veal or beef tender and delicious.

Wife—"Do you love me still, dear?"

Hub—"Why, yes; but you're never still."

The provincial police of Ontario instituted 235 prosecutions under the liquor license act last year, securing 179 convictions. These were mostly "blind pig" cases and a large quantity of intoxicating liquors was seized in the raids.

### Very Latest in Monoplane Trips

Villacoublay, France, Nov. 25—Roland G. Garros yesterday accomplished for the first time in a monoplane a flight head downward, carrying a passenger. During the manoeuvre the machine made several loops.

It is unsafe and unwise to use milk from any diseased animal. Milk from tuberculous cows is dangerous, especially to children.

Now is a good time to feed well. To drop feed as soon as winter sets in is to discourage the milking habit and lose many dollars' worth of milk that good feeding would bring.

Scrub treatment will bring about scrub results. The best paying breed is the one that is best cared for. Zeal in the prosecution of the work should be the characteristic of every poultry breeder.

Give the ram about one pound of bran daily, with all the green food he can eat. Good feeding during the breeding period is one of the essentials to the production of sound and vigorous lambs.

A good place for chickens in the fall is the orchard. They seldom fly up in the trees and destroy the fruit, and if they do, all you need to do is to clip one wing. If you do not believe that apples are good for egg production just feed them some of the fruit in the spring, especially if they are a little slow in starting to lay, and then note the difference.

A German experiment station that has been testing the results of feeding pigs by self-feeder and in the usual way by trough has made more profit by using the self-feeder, and so recommends its use.

Every successful swine breeder appreciates the value of good, strong and well matured breeding animals. The fall pig that goes into the winter in a weak, run-down condition has a life of misery ahead of him.

If the sow is observed to jump up frequently while suckling her pigs or to lie on her belly to prevent them from sucking, better examine the pigs' teeth. You may find them so sharp as to wound the sow's teats and cause her great pain and annoyance. The needle-like points of the pigs' teeth may be pinched off with a pair of pin-cers.

### What Bobby Was Really "Suffering" From

Hostess (to Young Guest)—"You won't have another piece of pie, Bobbie? why, you must be suffering from loss of appetite."

Bobbie—"No'm; I'm suffering from a promise to my mother"

It's a good thing to have faith, but don't expect faith to do the work.

There are two classes of toast-masters, those who can make good speeches and don't and those who can't make speeches, and do.

"Between the great things we cannot do, and the small things we will not do, the danger is that we shall do nothing."

—Adolphe Monod.

Nature has a standard of living as of everything else.

—Cicero