

Waterfront Whiffs

Doings of the Mosquito Fleet Which Is the Chief Source of Prince Rupert's Prosperity

Just like the weather the business along the waterfront has been good this week. No one has a kick coming, not even the fleet donkeys. The Admiral is in particularly fine fettle these days and has taken upon himself to start around the floats in the early morning with his official hat on. When you see the Admiral with his hat on one side you can bet your next week's washing that there is business afoot in sight, that is if it is cocked over the port eye. Should it be cocked hiding the starboard light then the old boy has usually wined well.

The Admiral's secretary reports that some 200,000 pounds of halibut has passed through the port this week, and in addition some 35,000 pounds of black cod, which has constituted four or five loads for eastern shippers. Prices have been very steady around the 10c mark for first class and 6c for second class fish, with a flourish towards the end. The highest price paid during the week was 11c and 8c and the lowest 9.1c and 6.5c, which is a fair average.

The Tugboat "Gold", owned by Capt. Bill Hegge and Paul M. Pederson, is one of the best equipped tugboats on the coast. Her owners have recently installed a heavy oil engine which takes the place of the distillate burner. The new engine is giving entire satisfaction. The "Gold" has a length of 33 feet, a 16 foot beam, and a gross tonnage of 57. The new engine is a Fairbanks-Morse "C" 30" heavy oil engine of 60 h.p. which gives her a speed of some 9.1 miles per hour. It is said that the 60 h.p. heavy oil engine gives her as much speed as the previous 80 h. p. engine did.

when new. Captain Hegge, and his brothers, Martin and Nils, have been fishing on the northern coast for the past 20 years and are among the best known vessel owners in the district.

The Dominion fishery commission which sat here on Monday and Tuesday in the city council chamber is naturally the subject of much comment along the waterfront. It is the general opinion that the tone of the commission was very indulgent and the fishermen seem satisfied that the commission is doing its utmost to get to the bottom of various snags in the fishing game and to give everyone concerned a square deal. During a discussion aboard the flagship of the fleet it was the general consensus of opinion that the issue of one license per individual, at a reasonable sum, covering the fishing rights of the holder all over Canada, which would give the owner the right to fish in any waters and for any class of fish would be a good thing. Such a license to be issued to Canadian citizens only. Further that no more than one such license should be issued to any one corporation or individual. It was thought that in this way every Canadian citizen would be placed on an equal basis and that such measures would tend to prevent monopoly in the industry.

The halibut boat Katherine is on the Ward Electric ways undergoing a general overhaul.

The Dixie Rupert, Capt. Newcombe, was over at Metlakatla on Sunday on an official visit.

The Ern, Captain Goodman, arrived in port from the Hippo Islands on Wednesday night. Captain Goodman reports that they have had three

pretty good runs of fish during the season but that in the interim the fishing has been nothing to brag about in those waters.

A little poem dedicated to the Bootery entitled "Why Women Leave Home."

The fog was rising thick and clear,
The breakfast bell was ringing,
The boys were on the jump all right,
While the boss was softly singing.

He always sings at meal times,
That's the time when he feels good,
And he's sure got some big appetite,
He'll eat jam if spread on wood.

The eggs were sizzling in the pan,
And the bacon with them too,
To see the boss' eyes bulge out
Would fade monkeys in the Zoo.

There are no plates quite big enough,
To hold his sumptuous fare,
And to see the dish the boss will use,
Would fairly turn your hair.

He doesn't give a D— for fruit,
Says it's just a waste of time,
But likes to get some real good eats,
When he sits down to dine.

So just with umpteen rashers,
And with umpteen eggs galore,
He'll pack and pack it all away,
Sit back and yell for more.

And so he sits and feeds himself,
On bacon, eggs and hash,
And here you have a picture,
Of a breakfast with friend —

Although the boss is fond of grub,
And eats enough for three,
He leaves a bit for everyone,
At least he did for me. —Steve.

Captain Bill Hansen, alias "the gunner," arrived in port aboard his craft the Thelma H. from the fishing grounds. Cap is in for

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a minor medical operation but hopes to be on his way again in a few days.

The Red Cedar, the provincial government timber boat, is on the N. M. McLean ways undergoing a general overhaul.

The launch Nancy, under the skipper of Mrs. T. C. Duncan, was over to Metlakatla on Wednesday with a happy party of berry-pickers. It is reported that the growth of wild berries this season around the Indian village is nothing short of colossal.

Complaints are prevalent around Cow Bay that the youngsters are constantly visiting the floats and in the absence of boat owners are mischievously interfering with boat gear, etc. Several sets of oarlocks and oars have been missed and even row boats have been taken from their moorings. To say the least the floats are a dangerous playground, and while it is readily conceded that children will be children, especially during their holidays, it is very annoying to find these petty happenings constantly. As a consequence children have been warned to keep off the floats unless accompanied by responsible adults.

The Cape Spear, which has recently been built at the N. M. McLean yards for Isaac Lear, left on its maiden halibut fishing trip on Thursday morning. The Cape Spear is one of the finest halibut boats in the fleet.

The latest specimen of wild bird to be seen among the waterfront during the week is the humming bird. Now our old friend "Doc" Clapperton is responsible for this vision, and the secret service are trying to find out where he gets it. Nevertheless Doc is emphatic in the statement that one evening while sitting in his sanctum, reviewing his purple past, he distinctly saw a humming bird buzzing around in the flowers of the window box. He is certain that it came in from a northeasterly direction and that it flew N. by N.E. on his peering through the window. Of course we are not blaming the poor little bird for that. Such things have been known that men have seen elephants riding snakes and ants pulling a steam roller but humming birds, well that's the latest.

Next please.

Two tank cars of fish oil have been shipped east by the Rupert Marine Products Ltd. during the week. The two tank cars were towed to and from the Tucks Inlet plant on a transfer barge by the power boat P.R.T.

Police Commissioner E. H. Shockley made a safe trip across the harbor during the heavy fog on Thursday morning. From the sound of the fog siren in the distance quite a crowd collected on the wharf expecting to see a liner loom up. However, safety first is always a good motto, and the blowing doubtless saved some unsuspecting craft from getting rammed.

A cut stone tablet bearing the words "Booth Memorial School" was sent up to the Booth school site on Thursday morning, by Albert & McCaffery, to be erected during the repair work which is now being done. The stone measured 16½ feet long x 2 ft high.

The steamer Prince Albert discharged a cargo of 100 tons of cement and 50 tons of lime and lumber on Monday for Albert & McCaffery. This material is for the work now being done on the Booth school.

Bill Shrubbsall, the leading light in the success of the shrub-sall Fisheries, returned from a business trip to Vancouver on the Princess Alice on Monday. Bill says he had a very successful trip but business is very bad in the south, and that Prince Rupert is in just as good shape, if not better, than our big sister city. It is understood that Bill received numerous enquiries for his patent brand of Ooolechan hair oil.

The Pelican, Captain Rognan, with 10,000 pounds of halibut have into port early in the week. Cap. is in good humor and seems quite satisfied with life in general.

A shipment of 500 tons of Nainimo-Wellington coal left Nainimo on Thursday morning for Albert & McCaffery. Its arrival is expected early in the coming week.

The hearty congratulations of the waterfront boys are extended to Captain A. Wick of the halibut- (Continued on Page Six)

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