

good fares; 13 sail from shore fishing; one with fresh halibut, two with salt. Yesterday there were a half million pounds of fish in the harbor on board vessels. The weather has been bad on the coast. The fishermen have not had it so bad on the Banks. The schooner Joseph Story arrived last night; she has been south after squid. The squid fishing is a failure this year. She has been gone three weeks, and got a bucketful of squid. She has been as far as Newport, and found nothing but a few scattering squid. Two barks arrived yesterday from Liverpool with cargoes of salt; so it has been a prosperous week for Gloucester. Some of the vessels are fitting out for Greenland. I think five sail will go this summer.

Arrivals for the past week are as follows: 660,000 pounds salt fish from Western Banks, 560,000 pounds from George's, 65,000 pounds shore fish, 45,000 pounds halibut, 655 barrels mackerel. A good week's work.

GLOUCESTER, MASS., *May 21, 1882.*

There have been 20 arrivals from Gloucester this week; 18 from Western Bank; 3 from the Banks, with fresh halibut; 6 from the inshore grounds.

Mackerel are taken now with seines in Boston Bay and off Chatham. Mackerel have advanced—salt mackerel 50 cents on a barrel. The demand for all kinds of fish is large. Dried George's cod have advanced \$1 on a quintal. The fishing looks well for this season. There are no mackerel in the market. Schooner Geneva Mertis was here yesterday with 50,000 pounds of pollock caught with seines off Chatham. They sold at \$1.75 per hundred pounds, which was the largest price paid for green pollock since the war. George's cod have been selling at \$3.50 a hundred out of the vessel. All kinds of fish are high. You will find by the monthly reports on fish that the Western Bank vessels have done well. Two schooners arrived this morning from Grand Bank with halibut, 35,000 each. A vessel is in Boston with 200 barrels of fresh mackerel caught off Chatham.

GLOUCESTER, MASS., *May 28, 1882.*

GROWTH OF MIRROR CARP SENT TO GEORGIA BY THE UNITED STATES FISH COMMISSION.

By E. HEYSER.

(Letter to Prof. S. F. Baird.)

Thinking you might be interested in hearing from the mirror carp you so kindly furnished me with in November, 1879, I am pleased to be able to inform you that they have grown finely, and now weigh from 4 to 6 pounds each, and at this time have a large number of young ones just out and hatching.

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Madison, Ga., May 11, 1882.