

VESSEL NEWS.

Sch. Willie L. Swift, which had been on Union Marine railway, was launched Tuesday forenoon, and sch. Addie F. Cole took her place. Sch. Angelia B. Nickerson was towed into the stream by Minnie & Irvin. Steamer Mascot will arrive here last of the week probably, to be fitted for southern bluefishing. The sch. Joseph P. Johnson left Fayal Apr. 3d, and should arrive here ere the end of this week. The passage has been somewhat long, but that is owing to winds, no doubt. The sch. C. M. Walton once made the trip in nine days, but we never heard of a quicker one, and many have consumed 30 days ere ended. Some herring were taken Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, the amount increasing gradually. The White Bar took 2 barrels of these fish Tuesday. In a few days there should be large quantities taken. The cold storage company has a small quantity of its excellent product unsold. At the warehouse everything is in the pink of perfection. Engineer Smith is busy at all hours keeping his charge up to standard and the brass work shines with great lustre. A marked increase in work of vessel and boat fitting is noticeable along the harbor front. Sch. Lotie Byrnes hauled into the stream preparatory for trip to Boston for fittings, Tuesday. It is reported that one vessel has changed hands and that parties have been negotiating for the purchase of another the past week. Sch. Rising Sun has returned from Boston and is

ready to sail on a whaling cruise. One fine new whale boat arrived by rail for this craft a few days ago. The whale boats belonging to the Knowles fleet have been stored at the Swift place for the summer. On the wharves where fresh fish are handled considerable work is being done, the small boats taking fair catches of fish. Flounder catchers are not taking any large lots and prices are ruling low, returns of Monday giving from \$1 to \$1.50 clear per barrel. Mr. Manuel Veara, late mate on sch. Carrie D. Knowles, will have command of sch. Nautilus the coming season.

Sch. Rosie Cabral arrived from Boston Tuesday night, the crew having shared \$32 each for the trip. Sch. Gertie Winsor was in Boston Wednesday with a good lot of fish on board. The dories fishing for Paine landed 8000 pounds of big cod Tuesday. Cod are drawing further into the bay and prospect is good for a large catch. Sch. Florence Pearl took 1200 pounds and other east end boats did quite a good business that day. From one to two barrels of herring per trap were taken by town weirs, while the best catch that day along the shores was seven barrels, taken by Fred Rich's trap, North Truro. On Wednesday there was not any herring found. Sch. Lucy Devlin was in and took frozen herring from Provincetown Cold Storage Co. The Devlin had taken other lots from the concern and her crew state that the output of the storage company here is the best that they have found anywhere. This is a good recommendation and can do the company no harm.



Union Wharf, right, after the Portland Gale of 1898. J.L.N.Paine Wharf, left.

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Bold Burglars Raided Cape End Wharf For \$20,000 One Hundred Years Ago

by Donald G. Trayser, Clerk of the Courts, Barnstable County

Century notes: happenings around Cape Cod one hundred years ago this month.

Provincetown—A daring robbery took place Tuesday night last when the Union Wharf Company's store was robbed of bills on Freeman's bank in Boston in the sum of \$20,000. The burglars succeeded in entering the safe of iron by drilling a hole through the door and then springing the lock. The two robbers are believed to have come by the cars to Sandwich, there hired a horse and carriage, driven to Yar-

mouth the first night and Wellfleet the second. At Wellfleet they hired another horse and drove to within a few miles of Provincetown, then proceeded on foot. On return they paid Boyden & Howard's stable for their horse and carriage with counterfeit bills.



Nickerson Street towards Bradford St. - 1939.

Home of George Fillmore Miller, Jr.