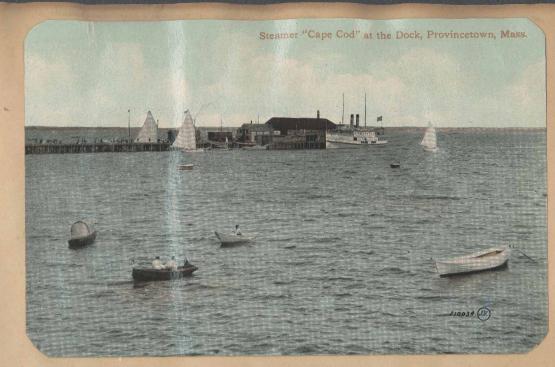


From the deck of the Cape Cod(lower left) - 1902.



## New Provincetown Boat

Essex, Mass., Feb. 5-A. D. Story of this town has received the contract to build the new steamer for the Boston and Provincetown line. She will be the largest craft ever constructed here, with a length of 165 feet. Her contract calls for a speed of 15 knots per hour, with a bonus of \$500 for every quarter of a knot in excess of that figure, and a forfeit of a like amount for every quarter knot under the stipulated speed. She will be named Cape Cod. Work will be begun on her at once. 1900

## May 1900

Fifty Years Ago
The work of completing the new steamer Cape Cod, which was towed to East Boston from the builder's yard at Essex last week, is pregressing rapidly. The weather the past week has assisted materially in expediting the work and already the four boilers are in position and the other work well in hand.



The Cape Cod about to dock. - 1902 - Photograph by L.M. Snow

## Fifty Years Ago June 19, 1902

With the arrival of Str. Cape Cod Monday, June 16, Provincetown Summer season really commenced. Restaurants opened, cottages were made ready for occupancy. At the noon hours, R. R. wharf proved the center of attraction and when the Cape Cod touched the pier, passengers were assured of a cordial greeting by the large company assembled.

The dense fog and threatening weather at the hour of starting prevented many from coming, the passenger list numbered only about

## July\* \*3,\* \*1902

There has been a steady increase in the passenger list of the Str. Cape Cod. With the coming of July it is expected that guests will arrive and with the advent of August, the season will be at its height. This month is a merry one for Provincetown. In June guests begin to arrive, July notes a decided increase, but August finds hotels. boarding houses and cottages filled to overflowing. Pleasure boats and every marine attraction receives liberal attention. Livery conveyances and accomodation barges are in constant demand. We enjoy the busy activity, entering gladly into the enthusiasm and joyous spirits of our friends. It is a privilege to glance within the circles of their midsummer festivities. It is a genuine pleasure to greet our summer guests. To them we extend the hand of friendship and gladly we welcome each one.