"School Ho!" the Cry That Mackerel Fishermen Welcome

OSTON, Mass., Saturday-"School with a critical eye and tested with ho, school ho!" The crews of two score of New England vessels now down in

southern waters looking for the first signs of mackerel, go to sleep, hoping to be awakened by this welcome cry from the lookout at the masthead. No hunter of wild animals ever felt greater longing for the woods and the gun than the fisherman feels in the off season for his place in the seine boat

and the excitement of the race to sur-

round the school of striped beauties as they follow the leaders headlong into the outstretched seine.

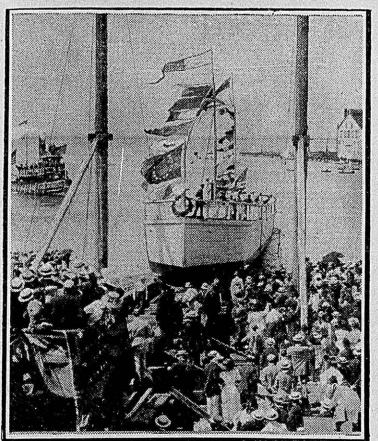
The middle of February is the time The middle of February is the time feared by the captains of the ground fishermen. Then the men who have decided to take to seining begin to show unmistakable signs of the approaching fever. They begin to lose interest in the places in Boston that attracted them during the winter, and make

FOOD A BIG ITEM.

The food is on board, the cook has The food is on board, the cook has his fire lighted, the men have been assigned their bunks and their working clothes, bedding and whatever else they wish to take with them are in proper place. The food of a lisherman is no small item. The men are healthy and blessed with good and hearty appetites. Their work is hard while it is on, and as full health and strength are necessary for the work the owners and cantains make no question of the cost captains make no cuestion of the cost of the food so long as it is good and what the men want.

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On the day set all is ready, and at
the hour decided upon the newly pent
sails are holsted. Last farewells have
been said to fathers and mothers. Sisters and sweethearts stand together on
the dock trying to keep back the tears
that well up to their eyes. It is no
longer a question of a week or 10 days
before the fisherman will be back. He
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LEAVING THE WAYS.

A replica of Fulton's steamboat, the Clearmont, launched July 10. It will take part in the Hudson-Fulton celebration to be held in New York during September.

eyes are turned to where the seiners lic, and searching glances tell them how far owners and captains have gone in their immediate preparation

The men can tell you the place where every selne is kept, where the selne boats are hauled out and stored, just how the schooner looked when she was laid up for the winter and what her condition was then. Any change, how-ever small, is noted and commented

GETTING READY TO SAIL. At last March comes, and with it the

immediate preparations for the departure of the seiners. The vessels that have become rusty and worn looking while lying idle are brightened up with fresh paint, rigging is overhauled and tarred, and caulkers and other artisans are set at work.

The day for sailing is set and the nen who are to make up the crew and who are working on other vessels are notified. Everything is moving in the yards and on the docks where a week before there was stillness and the appearance of desertion.

On board the schooner the work goes on. If they had been taken off while she lay idle, the rollers for the selne are again put at the sides, the "purser" is got ready, and put where it will be handy to reach. The dory is over-hauled and set on deck, the seine boat named and set on deck, the selice boat is repainted, and, if necessary, repaired. Oars are looked over, and every inch of the big seine boat is examined. The big scine has been tarred, and its lengti, 500 to 520 fathoms (3,000 to 3,120 feet) has been gone over and every strand and mesh tested.

On this depends the fate of the first catch, and a week service in the seine.

catch, and a weak spot in the seine might leave a chance for the mackerel, to break through and get away, losing the vessel several thousands of dollars.

and-so has been up to T wharf, and if he talked of going south. When their vessels run into Gloucester anxious and sadness. Some have no care but and sadness. Some have no care but the excitement and success of the chase, while others cannot yet forget that they are leaving loved ones perhaps forever, for accidents happen on seiners as well as on haddockers, and the sea has claimed more than each who started has claimed more than one who started

out with a light and joyous heart.

Time wears on and wears off the edge of worry, however, and before the seining grounds are reached every man on board has entered into the spirit of the hunt and is eager for the lookout's erry of "School he school he!"

ON THE GROUNDS,

At last the grounds are reached, and here is where the knowledge and experience of the captain and his men come in Every captain and every old mackerel fisher has his set ideas of just how the mackerel will run in given weather and with a certain degree of heat in the water. They will argue it out for hours, and will prove their side of the question by quoting how Captain So and So, of the Jane Louisa in 1871, with just such weather and after their with just such weather and after just such a winter, made the first seining off such a place.

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This is offset by others, who remember that another captain tried, under similar circumstances, in the same weather and water, and jogged over that same place for a week without seeing a mackerel, while another schooler, 50 miles to northward, struck a school in that same year and got a big price for them while this other cap-

eating up the profits of a trip.
The captain settles the matter, however, to suit himself in spite of grumbling on the part of some of the crew, and selects the place where he feels mackerel will or ought to be about that Then all is suppressed excite-

The big dip mets play an important part in getting the fish on the vessel quickly, and they also are examined.

Days and nights pass, and often the schooners have to run into port for shelter from storms, and even remain Days and nights pass, and often the

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there for several days while the storm lasts, the men the while eating their hearts out with anxiety to get back and

FIRST SCHOOL SIGHTED. At last the welcome cry is heard and "School ho, school ho!" rings out merrily from the masthead and is taken up by the men on deck, and with a speed that would put to sname firemen roused by an alarm from a danger box the crew get into their clothes and on deck ready for work. The saine boat, which has been trailing idly astern since the vessel started out has already been hauled to the side of the schooner. In the steam is pulse the long saine ready the stern is piled the long seine, ready to be paid out.

Lach man knows his place and his

particular duty, and there is no fuss-ing or asking questions. The oarsmen jump into their places and get out their ours, and the seine heaver, bight passer and cork heaver take their places. The steersman is astern of them, with his long steering our. All this is done in much less time than it takes to tell it, and with only the captain, cook and spare hand and, if the seiner has gasoline power, the engineer, left on board. the seine boat moves rapidly away from Four men on that boat held positions

on which a great deal of the success of the venture will rest—the steersman, who is always a tried and experienced hand; the seine heaver, who is not only experienced but must have more than ordinary strength and power of arm and staying qualities of the first class; the bight passer and the cork heaver, who must know their business thor-cughly and keep time with the seine heaver, as a mistake in throwing would twist the seine and spoll everything.

The dory with two men rowing foilows the seine hoat, keeping close to it. The direction in which the school is making is known, but the steersman keeps his eye set on the fish, following the movements of the large body and thus keeping track of the leaders, who

are strung out like scouts in advance of the body of the school. Every eye is fixed on the steersman and every ear strained to hear his com-mands. Port or starboard, as he says, the men work until he orders the first the men work until he orders the first throw of the seine. Over it goes without a moment of rest on the part of the rowers, who row harder and harder while the vigilant steersman directs the course of the big boat with his oar and commands the men on port or starboard to let up for a moment.

While the seine boat goes on the dory comes up and picks up the buoy, to which is attached the end of the seine and the bursing rope, and with one man at the bars to hold the dory

seine and the bursing rope, and with one man at the bars to hold the dory in place the other seizes the buoy and hauls it into the dory. All the dorymen have to do then is to watch the seine boat sweep around the school of fish and wait for its return.

Steadily and swiftly the seine is being spread about the fish, and as the lead weights bring one side of it down.

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the seine boat has got back to the dory. The pursing ropes and buoy are passed to the seineheaver, corkheaver and bightpasser, who immediately begin to haul in quickly but carefully on the pursing rope that runs along the bottom of the seine, and thus bag up the seine and prayant the fish who are begins and prayant the fish who are beseine and prevent the fish, who are being crowded together as they haul in, from diving out.

As the line is hauled in it not only bags the scine but also closes it in and raises the lower side and permits the sides to swell out so that when the pursing rope is all in the seine is like a big bag in which the fish swell out the body of the seine, which is open only at the top where the cork floats keep it on a level with the top of the

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So far all has been well, but it is not always so. At times the leaders of the school take fright when they strike the seine, and dive down, and when the seine is pursed there are only a few or no fish in it, as the whole school has had the fright communicated to it and has escaped. But when the capture is made then comes another time of anxiety, and even fear. To tow the thousands of fish that are snared by the seine safely to the side of the vessel is no easy task, and a weak spot in the meshes may let out perhaps all of the fish. The strain is tremendous, and to aid the men the captain, who has again taken the helm, brings his schooner as near as possible to the seine. The dory has got back to the senoner, and the two men who were in her are getting the dipnets ready and making things ready on the deck for the reception of the fish.

Let us say the seineboat gets its tow of fish back in safety. Once at the side of the schooner the work of the crew begins in earnest. The shining, squirming mackerel, beauties of the fish kind, as they come wet and

the side of the schooner the work of the crew begins in earnest. The shining, squirming mackerel, beauties of the fish kind, as they come wet and squirming from the seine, are dipped out on to the deck, Barrels with ice and water are ready there, and as rapidly as they can be handled and counted up, and then got down in the hold, already cold with tons of ice.

When the last mackerel has been iced and there are no more in sight then comes a rest for the crew, and it is needless to say that they enjoy it, although some of the men begin at once to think over the price that he has enough to pay he will make for the nearest port where mackerel are handled and buyers walt for them. Should he be the first in, and often there is a hard race for this honor, he is the proudest man on the seacoast, and every man of his crew joins with him in pride.

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But whether first or twentieth he is sure of a warm welcome. Once ashore he telegraphs Boston and his owners. Boston is the market, and the captain and members of the crew have friends among the dealers here to whom they wire at once their ar rival and the number of fish they have taken.

It is not always peaceful out on the

seining grounds, and often there is a clash between the crews of two or more schooners from each of which more schooners from each of which the same school has been sighted. The crews make desperate efforts to reach the school first and take advantage of every trick they know to cut out the others and it is said by those who have been there that at times the crew that has been outrowed by another will even try to scare the ish by striking at them with their oars and even to break the seine by rowing through it; and even attack the men in the successful boat. But these are only incidents and when the men have gotten over the excitement and meet ashore they chum together as if nothing disagreeable had ever happened.

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As the fish come up the coast with the warm weather the seiners follow them. Other seiners join the fleet, and the excitement increases, the newer ones having been worked up by the reports of the catches made and the big prices received for the fish

On and on they come until, instead of Norfolk and Newport News, Newport and New Bedford, are, the landing places for the mackerel. New York has then ceased to be the big market for mackerel and Boston assumes the lead At this time the senters have fit. for muckerel and Boston assumes the lead. At this time the seiners have fitted out for what is known as the Cape shore, down on the coast of Nova Scotia. Seiners have run into Boston to deliver their fish at T wharf, and the excitement of the southern cities and those on the southern shore of Cape Cod has been transferred to the wholesale fish market.

It should be told that not all the mackerel are brought in fresh. Some are salted. This is done when mackgrel have become so cheap that it will

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not pay to run in with a small catch, or the catch is so large that some of the fish must be salted to keep them.

DAYS OF EXCITEMENT. Day in and day out, while the season Day in and day out, while the season lasts, the same anxiety, excitement and work are gone through with on board the schooners. Days and even weeks may pass without a mackerel being seen, or they may be sighted when the wind is so strong that the seineboat cannot be sent out, and the disappointment of such a time can only be told by those who have gone through it, or by the man who has seen a fortune at his hand and seen it disappear just as he was about to clutch it. he was about to clutch it.

of hook and line is still done in some places, notably in spots on the coast of the Maritime provinces. It is done with profit also, and down at Cape Cod mackerel are taken in the traps and small netters run out, and some even fish with hook and line and make the work pay.

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In this sort of fishing the men often have to resort to a ruse to get their fish where they will bite, and the knowing captain will spread ground bait on the surface of the water to entire the fish upward, and when they rise he and his crew will get busy with their books.

in southern waters, trail upward along the Atlantic coast to about Cape Cod, and then disappear. That is, the larger number of them disappear. But only for a time, as they later appear on the Cape shore, where they remain for some time and then disappear for good, and where they go or where they remain until they again appear in the south no man has yet found out.

The United States government has recently become interested in the study of the habits of mackerel, and it is hoped by the fishermen that its experts in southern waters, trail upward along

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