ernment for the encouragement of the exhibition will be awarded to deserving essayists and exhibitors.

It is announced that no application for space for exhibits can be received after the 1st of March, 1882, and that exhibits will be received from the 27th of March till the 4th of April.

It is also announced that all essays intended for competition must be lodged with the secretary on or before Monday, the 3d of April, 1882.

The place of exhibition, Waverly Market, is an iron and glass building, admirably adapted for the purpose, and furnishing a space of 6,810 square feet for exhibitors.

There is every reason to believe, from the applications already made for space in the exhibition, and from the interest shown by letters of inquiry, that, in addition to the exhibits of Scotland and other portions of Great Britain, there will be a large number of exhibits from Sweden, Norway, Russia, France, Germany, and other nations of Europe, and a number of entries have already been made from the United States.

The occasion will be a very favorable one for bringing the fishery products of our country, and its progress in fish-culture, to the attention of the people of Europe.

Full information, with copies of the regulations under which the exhibition is to take place, and entry forms, can be had from the secretary, Mr. Henry Cook, W.S., 3 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh.

J. A. LEONARD, United States Consul.

## FISHERY NOTES FROM GLOUCESTER. MASSACHUSETTS, CONCERNING COD, MADDOCK, MERRING, HALIBUT, AND MACKEREL.

## Ry S. J. MARTIN.

Of the twenty-four boats that had nets, only five are left. They are doing very well. The fish they get are large and bring a high price. A fortnight ago the fish were all in one place, and that was small. The boats had their nets set across one another; the place was not over a quarter of a mile wide where they caught all the fish; now there are large fish all over the bay; they are doing better with nets than with trawls. The schooner Emma A. Osier came home last night to repair nets; had a crew of ten men; shared \$46 to a man; can't pick that off every bush. The schooner Magellan Cloud landed 5,000 pounds of cod to-day, two nights' fishing. The schooner Morril Boys, landed 5,500 pounds, two nights' fishing; sold to-day for 3 cents a pound; good One of the boats is getting some new nets; the men think there will be good fishing all this month. The codfish on George's are larger this spring than they have been the last ten years; the fish are fatter this year than they have been for some time. There is a very large school of haddock on George's; the haddock are full of spawn.

All kinds of fish are high; dried George's codfish sold to-day for \$6 a quintal; dried bank fish sold for \$5.25 a quintal; fresh halibut, 11 cents a pound; fresh cod sold to-day for 3 cents a pound; fresh haddock, 24 cents a pound; No. 1 mackerel, \$20 a barrel; No. 2, \$12 a barrel.

The cod gill-net fishing is done for this winter; only two boats are fishing with nets and they will finish this week. It is not because the nets do not fish well; the nets are worn out, and it is too late to get new ones.

The schooner Emma A. Osier was in Rockport yesterday; she had 228 codfish in number, which weighed 6,500 pounds, caught in three nights in nets; they were large fish; one of them weighed 98 and another 96 pounds. Trawls were set in the same locality with the nets. They cannot get such fish on trawls.

The George's vessels have done well since March 1; there have been 77 arrivals with split codfish. I think they will average 20,000 pounds to a vessel. If the fish were brought in round it would make a large sound. The fish bring a large price \$3.25 a hundred, green out of the vessel. Dried George's cod are selling at \$6 a quintal.

Plenty of frozen herring arrived during the last three days; twelve cargoes are in the harbor now. There are herring enough to last the fishermen till the middle of April. There are twelve more cargoes of frozen herrings to arrive yet; a large amount of it has been sold this winter.

The haddock fishing has been a great success. They are bringing in large trips from George's yet. The amount landed has been very large; four vessels stocked over \$11,000, one has stocked \$12,000—this has been done since the 1st of November. The amount brought from George's has been very large. I think I shall try and find out how many haddock have been caught there. I want to find out how many fish have been caught in nets this winter.

The halibut catchers have done poorly. The vessels now going will not pay their expenses. The schooner Bellerophon is given up as lost. Two of the best vessels that went after halibut are missing now. I hope that is all, but I fear not; I think some of them have had trouble with the ice, as there is plenty of it on the banks where they go after halibut.

Three mackerel vessels sailed for the south the 11th day of this That is the earliest that ever a vessel went south after mackerel. There will be ten vessels ready to sail next week. The three that sailed on the 11th were the schooner Edward Webster, schooner Ivanhoe, schooner Nellie Rowe. Good luck attend them.

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