

is best like at first to giue comfort, and hold life vnto this so pious worke: For euen as it is a speciall good rule, and most fit, in time of Haruest, to be industrious and carefull to reape and gather the sheaues into some places of safety: So is it also requisite, that a prouident course be taken with all those which are to be imployed to that Countrey, that they should be either skilfull in such things as shall be fitting, when time serues, or directed by those which are well experienced therein; Because that in the Summer time, when those great Shoales of the Cod-fish draw to that coast to spawne, and take his fill on multitudes of smaller fishes, which they follow there close to the cliffes and sands; commonly thirty dayes together, before they hale off from the shore againe, and in such manner, there come three seuerall Shoales of the Cod-fishes in the Summer time: The one of them followes on the Herrings: the other followes the Capling, which is a fish like the Smelt: And the third followes the Squid, which is a fish something like the Cuddell.

Now at those times there vsually goe many Boates forth a fishing from that coast, onely with three men in each Boat; And those three being fit Fishermen, will daily take at those times aboue 1200. of those Cod-fishes, six score to the hundred, and euery of those fishes with the Oyle which comes of them, being valued but at a penny for euery such fish, which is a cheape rate, it wil amount to be worth six pound starling, being splitted, salted, and dried, as the same ought to be; where in there is good industry, experience, and much iudgement to be vsed; otherwise there is but little hope that such fish can be taken and fitly preserued, whereby to defray the charge, and bring profit withall to both
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