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## Pacific Coast Fishery.

Instructive Letter From Mr. A. Freeman to his Brother—Handed to The Evening Telegram for Publication.

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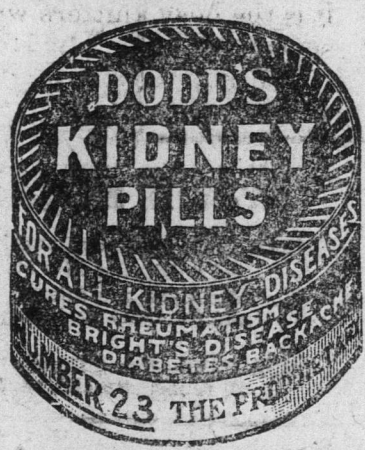
S. S. Flamingo, Massett, B. C., Oct. 30th, 1915. There are several cold storage plants out here now, some in connection with the canneries and mostly run by waterpower, where it can be got. There are two run with gasoline engines, one holds about a million pounds, the other less than half that.

All the waterpower plants are of larger size as I will enumerate place, power, capacity in lbs.

	Lbs.
B. C. P. Steveston Storage, Steam	7,000,000
Canadian Fitcher, Vancouver, Electric	8,000,000
Vancouver Cold Storage, Vancouver, Steam and Electric	2,000,000
Alberni Cold Storage, Alberni, Water	6,000,000
Anderson Cold Storage, Westminister, Steam	500,000
Dutadel Cold Storage, Warke Island, Water	4,000,000
Shushartie Cold Storage, Shushartie Bay, Gasoline	300,000
Skena Cold Storage, Skena River, Gasoline	1,000,000
Claxton Cold Storage, Skena River, Water	800,000
Prince Rupert Cold Storage, Prince Rupert, Steam	10,000,000
Doyle Cold Storage, Nars River, Water	2,000,000
Pacific Cold Storage, Queen Charlotte Island, Steam (not running)	600,000

Total capacity, for fish, 42,200,000. In addition there are several small plants and two larger ones at Vancouver and Victoria for ice and meats. Most of the above places had no freezer when you were out here. There is at present more storage capacity for fish than can be filled in any ordinary year and we don't look for much more in this line; outside of filling half the capacity. In the foregoing sheet I dealt with the cold storage, now I come to fishing. Having seen most of the methods for deep sea and seine fishing, also the kind of smaller gasoline boats now in use fishing mostly inshore and the inland waters, all the larger gasoline boats have been fishing dories; until lately several of them and nearly all the small ones of two or three dories have adopted the long line, or set the trawl from the deck and have a machine run off the

main engine either with a belt or mitre gear; they use a heavier line than for dories and can fish in almost any depth as the machine will haul the same speed in any depth. It is a very complete way to fish with a small crew. A fellow that fished with me for years has a boat 42 ft. long and himself and another runs about 8 to 9 miles of trawl in a day of about 10 hours. He was running about half we could run on the Flamingo in the same time, only he would have to stop to bait gear. He had 2 men in crew with a boat of 42 feet long, and we had a crew of 23 with a boat 142 feet long and many times the expense. I feel that if you had a similar outfit that you could do all right home with the present price of codfish. She is 16 horsepower; the machine fitted to the deck and connected with the main engine casts set up at Prince Rupert, \$135. I am expecting that we will put on long line again next trip as there don't appear to be much chance of getting anything with dories. I was going to speak of seining for herring, since have seen some articles on the herring in Newfoundland. Since you were out here, seining with purse seines has been used for herring with good results. It is by far the best and most effective way to get herring, as they can be seined anywhere in deep water; but they don't do much with them daytime as the herring strike down before they can gather the purse line in; but at night the herring stays on the water, and the darker the night the better. They make some large hauls, sometimes as much as 200 barrels or more. The seine is about 150 fathoms or sometimes large and from 15 to 20 fathoms deep, according to size of boat which is a gasoline boat of about 40 to 45 feet long. The seine is placed on a turntable on the stern and generally tows a scow. When the herring is seen burning on or under water the scow is let go with the end of the seine and the boats steam around the fish the seine paying out over the stern, the end is then taken on board from the scow and the purse running through the rings at the foot of the seine is laid over two gipsy heads run by clutch and belt from the main engine and in a few minutes about 4 or 5 feet of the seine is up, the rest of the seine is gathered in at leisure. It is done so quickly that if they get around the fish they are almost sure of them. The seines are made of cotton, 1½ to 1¾ mesh and steam tarred; a seine of about 200 fathoms long and 22 fathoms deep cost \$300 all complete. It seems a pity that no improvement seems to be made in the fishing or handling of fish in Newfoundland. The possibilities for fishing in Newfoundland should be better with some enterprise and money. The amount of fishing ground around home greatly exceeds all the available grounds from San Francisco to Behring Sea. Maps of Newfoundland show that



there is less than 200 fathoms all over the Gulf of St. Lawrence to the Straits of Belle Isle and for the greater part less than 80 fathoms. While the East Coast from Grand Banks north shows less than 300 fathoms and large banks lying E. N. E. and N. E. of the Funk Islands for more than 120 miles of less than 200 fathoms. That probably would be good depths for halibut and could be fished with dories; but the long line from the deck could be a sure plan if there was any fish. We can fish at night in fair weather. We used to fish a part of each night last winter, we put lanterns on the buoys. The deepest water we fished was 300 fathoms; but one of the boats set some trawls in 475 fathoms and took a scattered halibut with some black cod; we also caught some cod fish in 300 fathoms. But all the cod fish was of small size. There is no large cod in N. C. The outfit for fishing from the deck do not cost anything like the same as for dory fishing. The machine we used was a steam machine made at Portboy, Scotland, and cost \$150 with fittings. Some of the machines are of larger size than we used, and is fitted on the middle of the deck with a roller fitted on the side. The steamer is kept up to the gear we hauled and it requires hardly any steam as you only have to work slowly with the engines. It is by far the simplest and easiest way for fishermen, no hard work and all hands on board all the time. The most work is baiting gear and dressing fish when we get any. Some of the whalers that are lying up in Newfoundland would make fine handy boats for the job and perhaps could be chartered cheap now that whaling is played out. There are different ways in chartering, but the plan some adopt is to ask 20% of value of vessel, 8% insurance, 5% depreciation and 2% for incidentals, making 15% as generally allowed on shipping, and then plus 5% profit to owners, making 20% of total value per annum. A time charter would be based on proportionate basis, but perhaps some what higher if the charter covered

only a short time. The vessel is expected to be returned in the same condition as received and all losses or damage made good, the 2% is expected to cover that.

If a market which is assured now both in Canada and the United States were established and good shipping facilities I don't think there would be much risk in the venture, assuming that there is some halibut on these other banks. Our expenses here for a trip now runs high, and whether we get fish or not we cannot reduce the expenses only to the extent of not having to pay for fish if we do not get any.

Our scale of wages at present is:—

	Month
Master	\$125.00
(And commission, 50c per 1,000 lbs.)	
Mate	115.00
(At present no 2nd mate.)	

Watchman	50.50
Two deck hands, each	45.00
Chief Engineer	150.00
2nd Engineer	100.00
Three firemen, each	50.00
Two Cooks	120.00
Coal, about 150 tons, \$4.50	675.00
Bait, about 150 tons, \$4.50	675.00
Dories and gear	600.00
Provisions about	550.00
Proportionate part of dockage and upkeep of boat with ordinary repairs	450.00

Not specifying insurance or depreciation which would be 13% of vessel. It will be seen from this summary that some saving could be done in wages. Bait, gear and dories and coal would cost more, but a small steamer would not burn more than half. The whalers here claim to run up from 4½ to 5 tons for 24 hours at 10 knots. We burn 9 tons to make 10 knots for 24 hours. Since writing the preceding sheets another day has elapsed and it is still blowing a storm and we are still laying here at the north end of Queen Charlotte Islands. I have put in the best part of last night while on watch writing you. It may interest you to know that I take some interest in home affairs. Conditions in B. C. at present are poor in almost every line of business, and it don't seem to get any better. People do not expect it till after the war, if it does then. If things had kept up as they were when I was home I might have been in a position to look more into the matter referred to, but as it is I can only surmise what seems feasible.

I must now close this for lack of any more to write about, but I will write you again soon, and I hope this will find you all well as I and mine were when I left.

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