

DISTRICT.	Number of Boats.	Number of Crews.	Total Tonnage in Barrels.	Average Number of Crews per Boat.	Average Tonnage of Boats.
Bergen.....	15	74	7,250	4.9	483
Aalesund.....	1	5	420	.....	420
Christiansu.....	24	122	10,990	5.0	450
Drontheim.....	77	415	29,780	5.4	400
Bodo.....	4	18	1,330	4.5	332
Indberred.....	3	15	1,420	5.0	473
Orland.....	3	10	1,000	3.3	533
Fosen.....	15	60	5,240	4.0	349
Namdal.....	24	140	10,690	5.1	445
Helgeland.....	78	361	39,955	4.8	512
Salten.....	87	405	36,690	4.7	422
Loffoden.....	19	87	9,360	4.6	493
Senjen and Tronsoø.....	27	138	10,780	5.0	399
	377	1850	164,905	.....	.....

The number of fishermen employed was about as many this year as last, whereas the number of boats was less by about 46.

The total take of fish at the Loffoden, was about 21 millions, of which 12 millions were salted and prepared as clipfish, and 8½ millions dried and prepared as stockfish; the remainder was applied for home consumption.

The size and fatness of the fish were pretty regular. It must be observed that the cod liver does not always bear the same proportion to the fish; there is often a striking difference between the yield of one year and that of another. Some years it takes as many as 500 to make a barrel of oil; at others 300 are sufficient; this year 400 were required to make a barrel of liver oil.

20 to 22 fish gave an average weight of 40 lbs. of clipfish; 27 to 28 ditto gave a like weight of stockfish.

The yield of oil was about 26,000 barrels, and of roe about 18,000 barrels.

The prices per great hundred (of 120 fish) ranged between 4 and 6½ dollars; average rate 6 dollars

Fresh livers fetched from 9 to 10 dollars per barrel; old livers, towards the close of the fishery, only from 6 to 7 dollars per barrel.

From 6 to 6½ dollars were paid for a barrel of salted roe.

The weather, in general, was not stormy; several accidents, however, occurred, and 15 men lost their lives by drowning.

No considerable loss of gear took place.

The government Inspectors cause all such derelict property to be sought for and taken up, and at the close of the fishery have it sold by public auction at some convenient place in the neighbourhood.

The salvage account shows, this year, that the expense of recovering lost property caused an outlay of 306 dollars 76 skillings, while the proceeds of the public sales were only 285 dollars 38 skillings.

The medical officers appointed by the Government report the sanitary state of the fishermen to have been satisfactory. At Loffoden there were 36 cases of typhus and 16 of inflammation of the lungs; 13 of these patients died.

The Government Inspectors were stationed at the fishing grounds from the 16th January to the 14th April. They have no longer much control over the description of implements or gear employed, nor over the manner of prosecuting the fishery; but they are invested with large powers as a maritime police, with extensive magisterial jurisdiction