

GROWING DEMAND FOR LOBSTERS IS HARD TO SATISFY

Natural Lobster Supply, Proving Inadequate, Government Encourages Propagation; As Demand Grows Price Soars.

By Thomas B. Merry.

Sixty years ago, the supply of lobsters in Boston, New York and Philadelphia, was always adequate to the demand. At that time an old man known as "Christian" Carly, living on Staten Island, used to catch from six to 10 daily, in little traps made of hick. Now a man could set traps in New York bay and not catch that many in an entire month. The lobster is a cold water animal. At the very best, it was never caught anywhere south of the Cape of Delaware. He was found at his best on the rocky shores of the estuaries at the mouth of the Kennebec and Penobscot rivers in Maine and thither went most of the catches in quest of them. These little craft had what they called a well, amidships, in which there were holes bored in the side of the vessel, to let the water ebb and flow, so as to keep them alive during a voyage of from three to five days from the hatching grounds to New York.

Up to 1890, nobody ever cooked the lobster but one way, boiling them first and cutting the meat up for a salad made with either lettuce or celery. One day a tavern keeper of Newburgh, on the Hudson river, conceived the idea of stewing the meat of lobsters in a mixture of butter, cream, sherry wine and cayenne pepper. Everybody wanted lobster, a la Newburgh, after that. This so increased the demand that lobsters which had sold for 10 cents each, speedily rose to \$1 and the restaurants at once doubled their prices on their bills of fare. Even then there was an abundance coming in from Maine and the islands off the coast of Massachusetts, and no artificial propagation was deemed necessary until one day an oyster man in Fulton market, named Dorion, conceived the idea of raising the lobsters in their own shell. For three months his was the only place in all New York where the animal which the French call "homard" could be obtained, cooked in this manner.

Then came the flood of a new tide, Lobster, and nothing but lobster, was the one great demand, after 11 p. m., from the gilded youth of both sexes in the borough of Manhattan.

Propagation Decried.

From 25 cents in the market, the price rose to 40 for ordinary sized lobsters, with an additional 10 cents for extra large ones. So rapid was this increasing demand for lobsters that the federal government already engaged in propagating trout and salmon in the Pacific waters, and snail and striped bass in streams tributary to the Atlantic, finally resolved on artificial propagation of the lobsters. For he knew this most extraordinary shellfish has not only its enemies on land, in the restaurants and hotels, but under water as well. The dogfish pursues the lobster like a Nemesis; and as there are from 150 to 200 pups born annually from each female dogfish, it will be seen that artificial propagation became necessary quite a while before it was begun. In 1901, the government hatchery at Wood's Holl, put down no less than 107,000 young lobsters.

Samuel R. Throckmorton of San Francisco was fish commissioner for California 25 years ago, and had made such a success of transplanting striped bass into Pacific waters that he resolved to try the propagation of lobsters. The government, some months later, sent out a car of lobsters which, of course, had their big claws plugged with pine plugs to keep them from biting one another, as the lobsters fight like a gamecock. Throckmorton died before the car arrived and his successor in office had never seen a lobster in his life. In consequence of this, the entire consignment was dumped into the bay between Fort Point and Point Lobos, without the plugs having been removed. The lobsters, not having their predators, were free, could not obtain the requisite food and naturally died from starvation.

When the proposition arose to stock the Oregon waters with lobsters—and Oregon, being more within the temperate zone than California, is better adapted to a class of shellfish that never died off the south of Cape Mendocino—this man came with the lobster, all the way to Yaquina bay, where they were planted and he saw that the pine plugs were drawn out from the big claws of every lobster—manipulating and examining—that went into the waters of the bay behind Cape Foulweather.

There is no native lobster in Pacific waters. You can find on the fish markets of Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide, the same big crawfish without anything like predatory claws, as you find in the fish markets of Los Angeles, Santa Barbara or San Diego. These crawfish are, in my opinion, as good as any eastern lobster, but they are not the genuine lobster, and therefore the epicure from the eastern states pronounces them inferior to the animal with the two big claws that comes from the harbor of Gotham from any one of a dozen little harbors along the Maine coast.

FUGITIVE, HIS AFFINITY AND CHILD DRIFT AT SEA

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The earliest date at which the final decree can be granted is August 19. Before that time, Attorney Herron says, he expects to have the interlocutory decrees set aside.

Mrs. Ludwig devoted many months to the trailing of her missing husband before she located him in the west. When news reached her of his home over the Canadian Pacific, Judge O'Connell's haste hastened her. Not till then, she says, did she know of his life on the Farallones.

PERSONAL

Judge Walter C. Ong of Cleveland, Ohio, uncle of Dr. Harlow E. Ong of this city, visited with his nephew last week and left last night for his home over the Canadian Pacific. Judge Ong is a prominent Republican politician in northern Ohio.

M. T. O'Connell, a lumberman from Winlock, Wash., arrived at the Oregon hotel last night. M. W. Hillard, another lumberman and his wife from Salt Lake City, are also stopping at the Oregon hotel.



Harry P. Salls, son of Mrs. N. T. Salls, 172 East Seventeenth street, city, who died of heart failure in Spokane, Wash., Aug. 6, 1910.

COUPLE SPRINGS LITTLE SURPRISE

Keeps News of Coming Marriage Secret Until Time for Ceremony.

Deputy Sheriff Joseph H. Jones was married last evening at 8 o'clock to Miss Wava Parker, a native daughter of Portland, at the home of Mrs. W. G. Burnett, 241 Fifth street. The ceremony was performed by Circuit Judge William N. Gaten in the presence of a few friends.

Mr. Jones worked at his desk in the sheriff's office yesterday as usual and neither Sheriff Stevens nor any of his fellow deputies suspected his wedding day was at hand. The license was obtained late in the afternoon and the news of the marriage comes as a complete surprise to his friends.

Mr. Jones is a graduate of the law school of the University of Oregon and was admitted to the bar following his graduation. He is now a candidate for the Republican nomination for justice of the peace at the primaries. His bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Parker, well known residents of Fulton, where she was born. She is a niece of Councilman H. W. Belding.

WILL MARRY GIRL IN SPITE OF 'EM

Jack Barrymore to Wed Miss Harris in Spite of All Opposition.

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.)

New York, Aug. 13.—Jack Barrymore intends to go forward with his plans to marry Catherine Harris, even though Sydney Harris, father of his fiancée, is not satisfied with the arrangements. Barrymore was told that his prospective father-in-law had been upset over the plans when he landed from the liner La Provence. His comment was: "The wedding ceremony may take place within a couple of weeks, but ever opposition is offered. Miss Harris is now taking a vacation in Canada with her mother. She is staying in a small place, the exact whereabouts I do not care to discuss nor disclose. I would not have her annoyed."

"Catherine and I went to the city hall and got our marriage license simply to show our friends that we were sincere in our intentions of getting married. We did not do so to head off opposition of any sort."

"It would be pleasant to have all hands working together in this plan. But if any one wants to stand out and try to start trouble we will proceed without regard to his or her wishes."

"We have consulted only ourselves in this matter. Mrs. Harris has given her consent to our marriage. This marriage is distasteful to Mr. Harris, but we are not consulting his wishes, but our own."

TONGUE JARRED LOOSE BY LIQUOR

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There has been a lingering fear that Devine, the man who died in prison, was guilty of the wreck. Doubt is removed by the confession of Gerbrick, who identified a photograph of the "silent convict" as the man who helped him pull the spikes.

The wreck took place on a curve in the road between Manzanola and Fowler, Colo., at the Afton bridge. At the most dangerous point a rail was removed, so there could be no doubt of the destruction of the train. This was on the night of October 30, 1909.

It is known that Gerbrick has a criminal record in several states, as his confession shows. In Chicago he was known as Tom Moore. Among his boon companions in other places he was known as Prince Red and Colorado Bill. Sheriff Potter of La Junta, Colo., and Thomas Snowden and Tim O'Leary, Santa Fe operatives of the same state, came to Portland to join in running down Gerbrick's record. The sheriff brought requisition papers with him and all three returned to Colorado yesterday with the prisoner, whose conviction now seems a certainty. The unknown covering of his record by the Manitou sheriff and his deputy means a life sentence in the penitentiary at the least, and possibly death on the scaffold.

GLOATING OVER REVENGE CONJECT WELCOMES PRISON

Albert Crawford, Trusty Who Escaped from Salem, Finds Solace in Traitorous Comrade's Fate.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 13.—En route to the penitentiary at Salem, Albert Crawford today in Seattle gloated over revenge on his traitorous companion, who not only will lose the reward for betraying Crawford, but has been discharged as a broken man with the Great Northern.

"I am willing and satisfied to spend 10 days in a dungeon and hang 20 days by the wrists in a cell while they give me only bread and water when I reflect that Sampson or Pete Peterson, as is now known, gets none of the reward for my arrest and has lost his job and his conduct," said Crawford in the jail here.

Once Newspaper Man.

Crawford was formerly a newspaper reporter at Walla Walla. He quit three years ago and opened a saloon in Everett. His wife deserted him and he lost his license and left to see his brother in Idaho. At Baker City he went broke and while looting a freight car was arrested at Bingham Springs. He was convicted and sentenced in Salem to two years in the penitentiary beginning April 19, 1909. With good behavior the sentence would have expired December 19, 1910.

While a trusty at the state prison July 15 last, Crawford, angered at failing to get an expected promotion, escaped by swimming the Willamette twice to roll bloodhounds, passed through Seattle for Walla Walla and en route met Sampson, who had been convicted at the same time with Crawford.

Sampson first met Crawford at Leavenworth and again at Waukegan, where on August 1, Crawford, who was asleep in a freight car, was locked in by Sampson, who called the sheriff who arrested Crawford. When arraigned Crawford in revenge swore he had never seen Sampson, saying Sheriff Ferguson was entitled to \$50 reward, having recognized him by a description from Salem.

Crawford learned that Sampson was called to Spokane and discharged by the Great Northern for committing perjury in participating in Crawford's arrest.

PRELATES TO VISIT PORTLAND ON TOUR

Redemptorist Fathers to Inspect Institutions at Piedmont; On Long Trip.

Most Rev. Patrick Murray, superior general of the Order of the Redemptorist Fathers, will arrive in Portland tomorrow morning, and will remain here two days visiting the Redemptorist institution at Piedmont. Father Murray is on a tour of inspection of the institutions under the charge throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico. He is accompanied on his travels by Rev. Father Favre and Rev. Fidelis Spidel, both of whom are members of the board of supervisors of the superior general.

While in Portland the distinguished prelates will be the guests of Rev. Father Cantwell, head of the Piedmont institution of the Redemptorist Fathers. Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock the superior general will officiate at benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and will bestow the papal blessing on the members of the order in Portland. Immediately after this ceremony the fathers will adjourn to the parish hall, where a reception will be tendered the superior general.

Tuesday at noon an informal luncheon will be served at the parish house to which all of the priests of the archdiocese are invited.

Father Murray was formerly at the head of the Redemptorist Fathers in Ireland and was elected to his present official residence in Rome, Italy.

TRADED LOT AND LEFT OUT IN COLD

Couple Starts Suit When Lodging House Exchanged for Property Sheriff Closed.

To trade a lot for a lodging house and then to find the sheriff in possession when they went to claim it is the condition to which Helen J. Miller and her husband, Willis S. Miller, object. So they have begun suit in the circuit court to set aside the deed they gave, being willing on their part to return the bill of sale on the lodging house furniture, which was stored in a warehouse by Sheriff Stevens yesterday.

E. F. Preble, his wife Abbie C. Preble and Lulu S. Frakes are the defendants in the case. Judge Gantenbein yesterday issued a temporary restraining order to prevent the defendants from disposing of the property or encumbering it, and cited them to appear before him on the morning of August 19 to show cause why a permanent injunction shall not issue.

The Miller lot is described at No. 3 in block 9 of Broadway addition. This was traded in for the lodging house at 2304 Tenth street, the deed being given to Mrs. Preble, and Mrs. Frakes giving a bill of sale for the furniture. Before the Millers could take possession the sheriff swooped down on the lodging house on a judgment in another case, leaving them out in the cold.

WANT ROOSEVELT AT CONVENTION

Nassau County Republicans Would Have Colonel Act as State Chairman.

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.)

New York, Aug. 13.—The mere indication on the part of Theodore Roosevelt that he desires to be a delegate to the Republican state convention from Nassau county will be enough to secure election as chairman of the convention will be but one step, and it is practically certain that he will be selected. He may even be made permanent chairman, although the talk is that he will be made temporary chairman, where he hopes to outline his views.

Charles Loomis, county chairman of Nassau county, was today asked concerning the report that Colonel Roosevelt had been quoted as being quite willing to attend as a delegate if Nassau county wanted to send him.

"If Colonel Roosevelt desires to go to the convention I would be very glad if he is sent from this county as a delegate," said Mr. Loomis. "However, I have no direct knowledge of the fact that he would be willing to serve. The presence of Colonel Roosevelt in the convention would count for much, for then it is practically certain that the organization throughout the state could be harmonized and success for the state ticket assured."

FINDS DAUGHTER AFTER LONG TRIP

Then Heartbroken Mother Becomes Hysterical When Girl Marries Her Lover.

Pursuing her daughter through many of the cities along the Pacific coast, Mrs. Lillian Wappes, of Spokane, arrived in Portland this week and found the 17-year-old girl living as the wife of Louis O'Mara, a structural ironworker, at 270 Fourth street. She swore out a warrant for the arrest of both and they were taken into custody Friday night by Constable Lou Wagner.

Yesterday, when they were arraigned before Justice Bell, the attorney for the prisoners suggested that the court order them to be married and dismiss the charges against them. The ceremony followed in Constable Wagner's office, but before it took place Mrs. Wappes went into hysterics and declared she would not stay and witness the ceremony. She left the office for her hotel and took a train back to Spokane last night.

O'Mara and the girl left Spokane about a year ago. Mrs. Wappes had been different trying to find them ever since. Recently she started out to make a personal search, and in the course of her trip went to Seattle, Tacoma, San Francisco and other cities.

Jay Woodrow, a graduate of Drake university in the class of 1907, and later one of the Rhodes scholars at Oxford has returned to his home in Des Moines and will enter the University of Illinois this fall to take a post graduate course. He is a clever football player and athlete.



EXPOSITION TO EDUCATE PEOPLE

Under Auspices of Grocers and Merchants' Association Will Open September 12.

One of the most interesting expositions ever held in the west in point of quality as well as in its educational aspect will be the Manufacturers' Food and Industrial exposition, which opens at the Armory September 12 for a two weeks' run. It is given by the Grocers' and Merchants' Association of Portland, and supported by the Manufacturers' association and other commercial bodies. One hundred exhibitors will take part.

Thousands of electric lights will illuminate the beautifully decorated booths. Three hundred and fifty demonstrators will be employed, and thousands of unique souvenirs and samples will be given away by the exhibitors. A grand program is being arranged and free vaudeville will be dispensed daily. The contest for queen of the exposition is to be one of the star features. Forty young women in various parts of the city have entered the contest. Out of

BALTIMORE PASTOR TO FILL LOCAL PULPIT

Dr. Peter Ainsley, pastor of the First Christian church of Baltimore, Md., will occupy the pulpit of the Rodney Avenue Christian church here this morning, the service beginning at 11 o'clock, and in the evening at 8 o'clock he will deliver a sermon at the First Christian church.

Dr. Ainsley, who is president of the American Christian Missionary society, a national organization of the Christian church, is on a tour of the west in the interests of the national convention to be held by that body at Topeka, Kan., from October 11 to October 17.

MINISTERS RETURN FROM TOP OF MOUNT HOOD

Hoary old Hood yielded to the intrepid spirits of a number of Methodist ministers yesterday, the ascent having been made by the clergymen and members of their families, all of whom returned to Portland today none the worse for the strenuous trip.

Included in the party were Rev. Clarence True Wilson, wife and 11-year-old daughter Virginia, the latter making the ascent as far as Crater rock; Rev. W. T. Buser and son Will, of Sunnyvale; Rev. C. W. Hamilton of Central church, and Rev. W. Gordon, of Albany.

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