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DRISCOLL'S REPORT.

Information obtained by him, regarding halibut-fishing off Ore. and Wash.

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^[[Unless otherwise stated the fish mentioned are halibut.]]

June 17, 1914.

"Orobell", Capt. James Reeder, caught 25 fish averaging 20lbs; a very uneven run; some of the fish as small as 6 lbs., which looks as though there were not many where these were caught. The small ones sold to the market @ 8¢; retailed for 12 1/2¢.

June 18, 1914.

"Orobell", Capt. Reeder, caught 4 halibut averaging 15 lbs., 2 redfish, 2 "ling-cod (cultus-cod)", seven (7) miles from the bar; there was a strong N - W wind, with strong tides.

I met Mr. Wilson, a fisherman; he said that fish were not very plentiful; crabs were selling @ 80¢ the dozen, and would sell @ \$1.00 later; clams were quoted at 15¢ the basket. Ling-cod were very plentiful.

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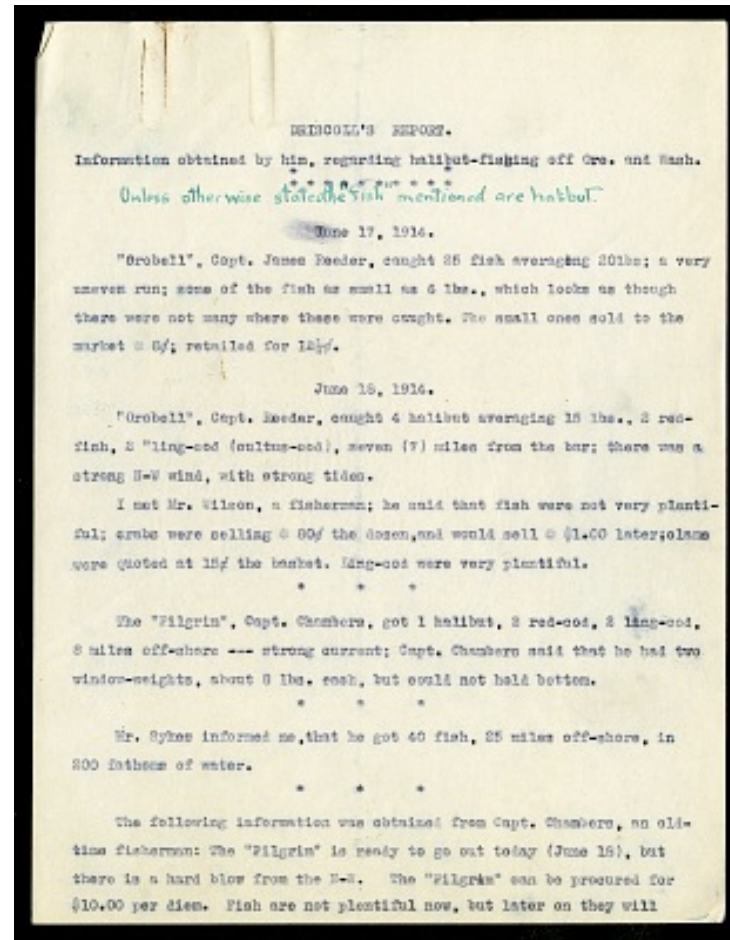
The "Pilgrim", Capt. Chambers, got 1 halibut, 2 red-cod, 2 ling-cod, 8 miles off-shore --- strong current; Capt. Chambers said that he had two window-weights, about 8 lbs. each, but could not hold bottom.

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Mr. Sykes informed me, that he got 40 fish, 25 miles off-shore, in 200 fathoms of water.

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The following information was obtained from Capt. Chambers, an old-time fisherman: The "Pilgrim" is ready to go out today (June 18), but there is a hard blow from the N - W. The "Pilgrim" can be procured for \$10.00 per diem. Fish are not plentiful now, but later on they will



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