

The Lobster Fishing of one Boat in Plymouth District, from May 1st to September 29th, 1890.

THE data for this paper were again supplied by Mr. Roach, and have all been reduced to tabular form. I shall here state only the general results.

The total number of lobsters taken was 1753. Of these 1226 were males and 527 females, *i. e.* 699 more males than females.

Concerning the number of "berried hens" in each month, we find—

In May, 21 out of 105 females.

In June, 21 out of 133 females.

In July, till 11th day of the month, 14 out of 47 females.

On July 11th notes as to presence of females with ova end abruptly, nor is any note made of the number in August. On September 8th there is note of one female, on the 15th two, on the 22nd one, on the 26th three, 27th two, and 29th two.

The notices of soft-shelled lobsters are also confined to the first part of the paper. In May about three out of every four males are soft, most of them measuring eight to ten inches. There are eighteen females mentioned as having soft shells.

It is to be regretted that the last two items have not been attended to more carefully.—W. L. C.