

FISHERMAN'S DORIES, PROVINCETOWN, MASS.



- About 1920 -

Left: The Ed Small Wharf, housing the Pickert Canning Factory, opposite Law Street.

Right: The George O. Knowles Wharf, Opposite Pearl Street

1938



- 1938 -

On the Ed Small Wharf, after Canning Factory was Discontinued. Opposite Law Street.

ALONG THE SHORE, PROVINCETOWN, MASS.



- About 1920 -

Right: Pickert Canning Factory on Ed Small Wharf Taken from Knowles Wharf

**August \*1901**

Recently fish of all kinds suitable for canning have been so scarce that Pickert's Canning Factory has been unable to keep its employees at work, but last Saturday upon arrival of the Halifax boat at Boston 75 barrels of fresh mackerel were obtained and shipped by Stmr. Martinique to Provincetown. Tuesday 100 barrels more were obtained. These fish arrived in fine condition, having been carefully packed, about 90 to a barrel, with plenty of ice. By securing these fish the factory has been able to run full time this week giving employment to a large number who would have otherwise been idle. This is believed to be the first instance in which fresh fish have been imported for consumption in this place.

**Fifty Years Ago  
June 11, 1903**

Pickert's Canning Factory, A. A. Blackwood, Manager, was running full time the first of the week in putting up 150 barrels of nice fresh Cape Shore mackerel shipped from Boston, thus furnishing employment for about 70 persons who would otherwise have been idle owing to lack of fish from the local supply. Pickert's Canning Factory is of great benefit to the place, not only furnishing a market to the fishermen for surplus fish but giving employment to a large number of persons at satisfactory wages. During the past few years the skilled help came from Boston, but in recent years all the employees have been residents of this place, have been promoted to fill the positions calling for skilled labor as fast as they were qualified. This season the output of canned goods is already equal to that of the whole last season.

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**Seventy-Five Years Ago**

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**July 1883**

Pickert's canning factory in Provincetown, working day and night, could not get enough men to handle the fish.

**July 1887**

Provincetown canning factories, are running full time.

**50 Years Ago - April 1902**

The L. Pickert & Co. canning factory in Provincetown started April 25, 70 barrels of herring being taken that day.

- June 1903 -

Pickert's Canning Factory, A.A. Blackwood, manager, began the canning season Wednesday by obtaining 30 barrels of herring of Capt. W. F. Baker of the Southwestern Weir Co. of Truro.