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NORTH EAST COAST DISCARD TRIP

REPORT: FV INDEPENDENCE: CRUISE 2
(PROVISIONAL: Not to be quoted without prior reference to the author)

STAFF

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DURATION

26-29 October

LOCATION

Rectangles 8/9 E

AIM

To obtain information on the discard rates of commercial fishing vessels off the North East coast.

NARRATIVE

INDEPENDENCE left Scarborough at 0330 h 26 October. Fishing commenced in Rectangle 8E, 50 miles north east of Scarborough. One haul was made there before moving into Rectangle 9E where the remainder of the fishing was carried out, between Brucey's Garden and Stickey Wicket grounds. Vessel docked at Scarborough at 0630 h 29 October.

RESULTS

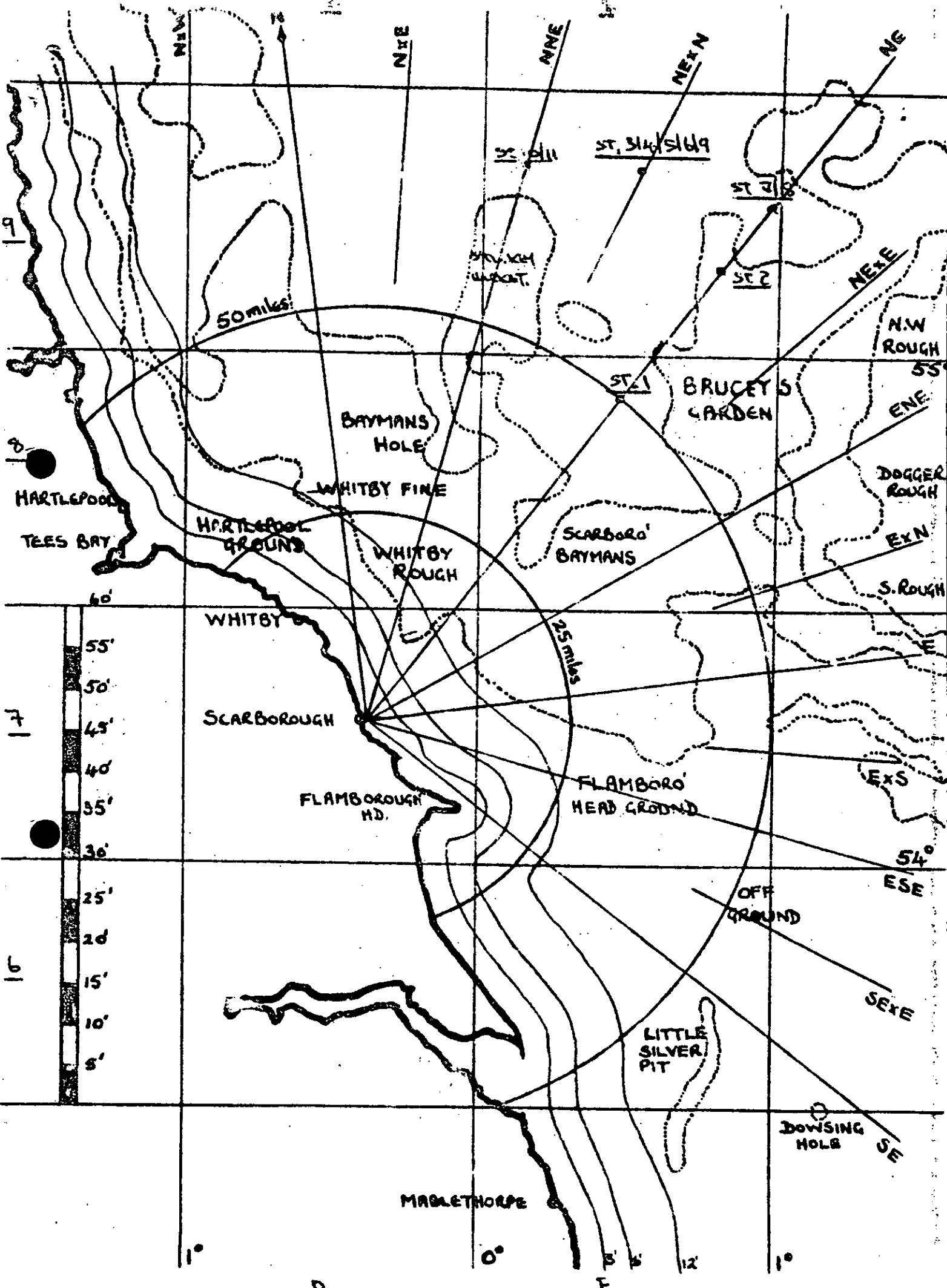
3 hauls were made on the first day, 4 on the second and 4 on the third. At each of these estimates of the total amount of the catch rejected were made, together with samples of 2 baskets being taken. From the rejects sampled length distributions for haddock, codling and whiting rejected were obtained, and also the species/weight composition of the catch rejected. In addition otoliths from 40 haddock, 36 codling and 41 whiting were taken. 130 kits were landed and consisted chiefly of 68 kits of cod, 21 of haddock and 34 of spudogs. Based on the landed catch the rejection rate for the total catch was 15%, while for haddock and cod the figure was 30 and less than 5% respectively.

L Woolner
6 November 1980

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Basic Discard list
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19

8

7

6

1°

NNE

NNE

NEN

NE

50 miles

ST. 1

ST. 4

ST. 3

ST. 2

N.W. ROUGH

55

BAYMANS HOLE

BRUCET'S GARDEN

DOGGER ROUGH

E.N.

HARTLEPOOL

WHITBY FINE

HARTLEPOOL GROUNDS

WHITBY ROUGH

SCARBORO' BAYMANS

TEES BAY

WHITBY

25 miles

SCARBOROUGH

E.N.

S. ROUGH

E.S.

FLAMBORO' HEAD

FLAMBORO' HEAD GROUND

54°

ESE

OFF GROUND

SE

LITTLE SILVER PIT

DOWSING HOLE

SE

MABLETHORPE

0°

E

12

1°

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