

most threatened, I thought it my duty to work there, leaving to the others to save the occupants of the cells below. My son, and nurses and keepers, male and female, had, nevertheless, responded to my call. I cannot say how many patients we thus took out from there. We had about thirty patients in that ward, number thirteen. We took the patients as far as the stairs, where other persons took them to the front wards. I do not know how many patients we thus saved. In my last attempt I entered a bed-room containing six or seven beds, in one of which Honora Wilmot slept. She is one of those missing. To the best of my belief, I felt all the beds, which I all found empty, with the exception of the last, in which was a woman whom I placed under my left arm and took away.

On going out of this room, I stumbled over another woman her head covered and in a sitting posture; I took her under my right arm. After having thus stumbled I lost my way. I then called on Lessard who, without coming, answered: "This way, this way."

It was then impossible to breathe there. Having called for the third time, I was caught hold of by Lessard, who himself, I was told, had been conducted there by his nephew. I then fell down the stairs with the two women I held under my arms. The stairs had about 15 or 16 steps—these women were immediately picked up.

When I arrived at number thirteen, almost all of the patients in that part had been saved by others, that is the guardians. These guardians were all obliged to run down on account of the smoke, leaving behind them all they possessed in clothing and in money. The greater part of the patients had already been saved then, and that explains the reason why I found the beds empty.

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