

A brief Chapter is devoted to suggestions as to how to deal with the case of a rescued person before the arrival of a doctor or other skilled expert. In such cases, promptitude may be life, the want of it may be death. Immediate measures are, therefore, absolutely necessary in order to insure success. Delays in such cases are truly dangerous, as life then hangs upon a very slender thread, the clue to which may be lost if there is any hesitation in applying the prescribed remedies at once.

It is due, in issuing this Hand-Book, to refer to the noble efforts of Mr. Thomas Tinning, and those of Capt. W. D. Andrews, of Toronto; of Mr. F. W. Fearman and Captain Campbell, of Hamilton, who devoted some of their best years to saving the lives of others from drowning in Toronto and Burlington Bays and elsewhere, and in resuscitating them when rescued. The heroic act of Mrs. Abigail Becker, of Long Point, Lake Erie (now Mrs. Henry Rhorer, of Walsingham), in rescuing, at the risk of her own life, seven shipwrecked sailors off Long Point Island, Lake Erie, should also be remembered and recorded, as it has been made memorable in a poem by Miss Amanda T. Jones, which has been reprinted in the "High School Reader," an authorized book for use in these schools of Ontario. There was then no society or association in existence in "this Canada of ours" to reward these brave men for their heroic deeds. They had to look to the chance sympathy and generosity of their fellow-citizens, or to the Dominion Government, the Royal Humane Society in England, and other similar organizations elsewhere.

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