

Ward and John D. Patry, accomplished another noble rescue. While the storm was at its height these three brave men put out in Dr. Oldright's open skiff, at the imminent risk of their lives, to the rescue of Professor Schlochow, a German music teacher, whose boat was capsized in the storm, and who was clinging for his life to the keel, while every wave washed over his head. His companion, Miss Lauretta C. Mendon, a beautiful and talented young lady, to whom he was engaged, was unfortunately drowned when the boat was upset. The Professor, who had made several attempts to rescue her, but without success, managed, however, to cling to the boat until the life-saving crew arrived. In their eager efforts to reach the drowning man the stroke oar was broken, which threw the boat into the trough of the sea, when the next wave filled her completely, and they had to run ashore at Sandy Point to empty her. Nothing daunted, however, they dragged the boat across the peninsula, and launched her again into the foaming waters of the bay, and after the greatest exertion they were successful in reaching the capsized craft, and taking off the drowning man, placed him in the bottom of the boat, and pulled for the shore again.

Owing to the fury of the gale, they were obliged to run before it out through the eastern gap into Lake Ontario, eventually landing on the lake side opposite the shelter after a pull of nearly three miles. Over five hundred persons witnessed this rescue, and it is still regarded as the best case of life-saving that has ever taken place on Toronto Bay. Such was the fury of the storm (the official report of the Meteorological Office, Toronto Observatory, places the speed of the wind at eighty miles an hour) and the rolling of the sea, and so enormous were the troughs into which the boat momentarily fell that she could only be seen from the shore