



# WOMAN CAPTIAN IS PRIDE OF OFFICERS

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Life Saving Inspector Loud  
in Praise of Fair  
Skipper.

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HOLLAND. Mich., Aug. 1. —  
“There is not a better sailor on the  
lakes than the captain of the  
Reliance,” said Lieutenant Ballinger  
of Chicago at Macatawa Park the  
other day. Mr Ballinger is  
government inspector of the life  
saving stations in this district and  
his remark was made while in  
conversation with Captain Morton  
of Grand Haven, superintendent of  
life saving stations in the district,  
who echoed the statement. The  
captain of the Reliance is a woman,  
and it was to this everyday modest,  
womanly woman, whose home is on  
the bounding waters, that these men,  
whose positions gave them the  
ability to judge, paid so high a  
tribute.

Mrs. Joseph Haas is no novice in  
the work, for almost her entire life  
has been spent on the waters. Her  
father, Captain Rannow of South  
Manitou island, sailed the lakes all  
his life. As a girl Mrs. Haas sailed  
much with him and many were the  
rough seas which they encountered  
in his sailing vessel. For eight years  
Mr. and Mrs. Haas ran a sailboat —  
with Mrs. Haas at the helm — be-  
tween South Manitou island and the  
mainland, and for four years a gaso-  
line launch, during which time they  
carried the mail between Glen  
Haven and South Manitou Island.  
Mrs. Haas has made the trip to  
Green Bay thirteen times, four trips  
in a sailboat and nine in a launch.  
She plans on leaving September 1  
for Green Bay in the Reliance,  
which is fitted up with all home  
comforts. Her husband and son will  
accompany her. There they will be  
joined by her daughter, whose  
husband is lighthouse keeper at the  
entrance of Fox river in Green Bay.  
They will take a cruise to New  
Orleans and spend the winter there.

(transcript)