

WOMAN CAPTIAN IS PRIDE OF OFFICERS

Life Saving Inspector Loud
in Praise of Fair
Skipper.

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.

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