

Abyssinia. November 8, 1900.

Keeper received a message which informed him that this schooner was dragging her anchors at Eagle Harbor, 30 miles E. of station, during a heavy NNE snowstorm.

Keeper took surfboat and beach apparatus to Eagle Harbor by special tram, a tug having refused to go on account of the gale, and boarded the schooner, whose master requested him to stand by throughout the night in order to render assistance in case she should continue to drag her anchors. On the next morning, the wind having moderated, surfmen assisted the schooner's crew to bend the mainsail to the foremast, the foresail having blown away, and make other minor repairs. They helped to hoist the anchors and ran lines to a tug, which towed her out to a steamer that was towing her down the lake. (See letter of acknowledgment.)

EAGLE HARBOR, MICHIGAN, *November 9, 1900.* SIR: This is to certify that the Ship Canal life-saving crew gave me all the assistance that could be given in saving the schooner *Abyssinia*. They came off last night while the wind was blowing hard from the NNE. and a big sea running. I. will not forget the work which the life-saving crew did for me. Yours, truly, L. COLEMAN, *Master of the Schooner Abyssinia.* USLSS Annual Report 1901.