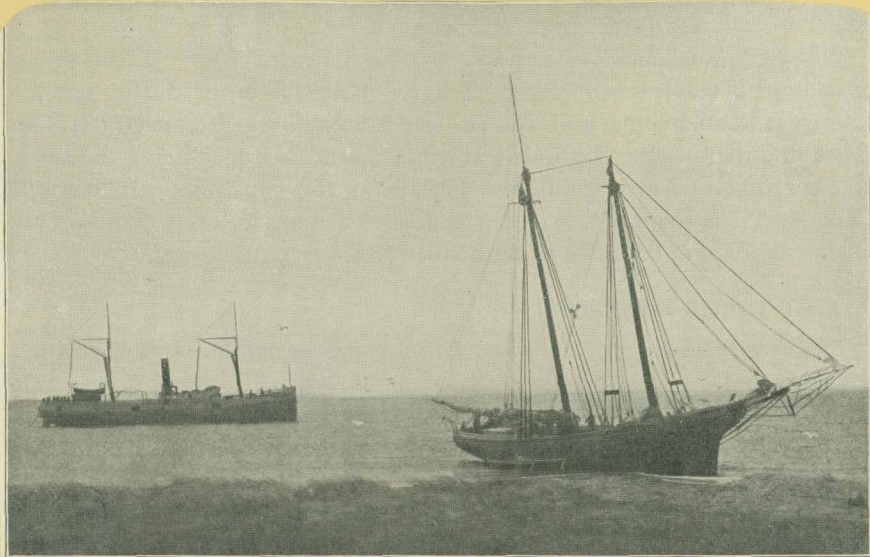


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MARY NASON WRECKED AT WOOD END.

entering the life-saving service as a regular surfman, he had substituted at other stations along the shores of Cape Cod. As a substitute he performed meritorious service, and has made an efficient and brave life saver. He married Grace May Henderson, and is the father of two daughters and a son.

The No. 5 surfman is Willie F. Eldredge. He was born in Chatham, is thirty-six years of age, and has been in the life-saving service three years. Before entering the service he was a boatman and fisherman along the Chatham shores, and from his experience in that work was well prepared for the duties of a surfman. He also substituted at many of the life-saving stations along the shores of Cape Cod, and is an experienced and efficient life saver.

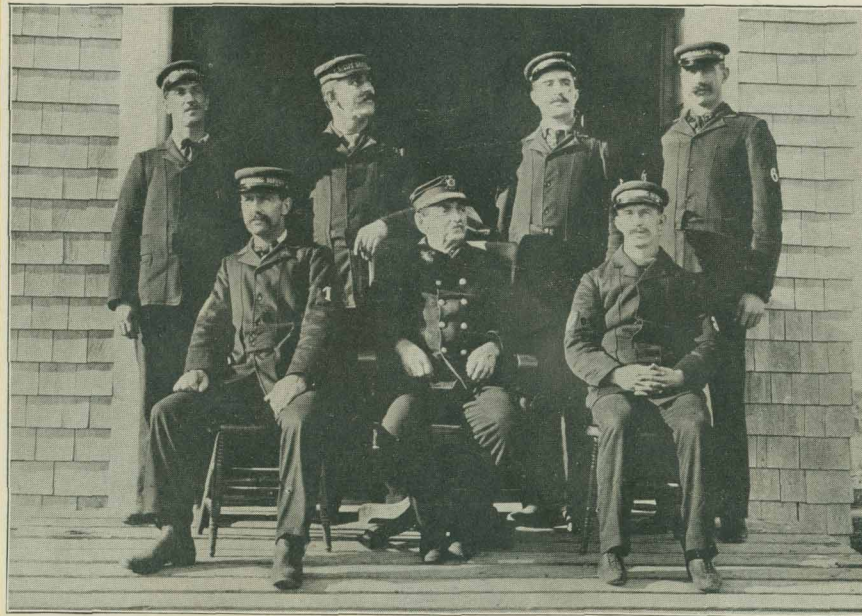
The No. 6 surfman is James E. Worth. He was born in Provincetown in 1861, and has been in the life-saving service one year. When a boy Surfman Worth went cod fishing to the Grand Banks, and later shipped on a merchant vessel and made a great number of trips to the West Indies Islands and South American ports. After a few years in the merchant service he became a whaleman, and in that service had a number of thrilling experiences. After giving up going to sea he became a baggage-master on the Old Colony Railroad. Later he entered the employ of the Cold Storage Plant at Provincetown, remaining there until he entered this service. When he entered the service he was assigned to the Muskeget Station on Nantucket, and was later transferred to this station. He is an expert boatman and a brave and hardy life saver. He married Nellie P. Lewis, and is the father of two daughters and four sons.

The No. 7 surfman is John N. Lewis. He was born in Provincetown, and is thirty-eight years of age. Until he entered the service four years ago, he had followed the sea from a boy. For three years he was a member of the City Point Station, South Boston, during the summer seasons, and also spent one season at the Straitsmouth Station, Cape Ann. Surfman Lewis is a skilled boatman, and has proved that he can be depended upon to do his duty in any emergency.

The late Capt. Isaac Green Fisher, keeper of the Wood End Station, was born in Truro in 1838, and was the son of Caleb and Mary G. Fisher, of that town. For twenty years he was keeper of the Peaked Hill Bars and Wood End Life-Saving stations, and was known the country over as a wondrous surf-fighter and saver of human life. Prior to his entering the life-saving service he had been engaged in whaling for a number of years, and won distinction in that skilled work by his fearlessness and marvelous dexterity with the steering oar.

As keeper of the dangerous Peaked Hill Bars Station, Captain Fisher rescued hundreds of shipwrecked seafarers, and assisted a countless number of stranded crafts to places of safety. He also assisted at nearly all the wrecks that took place at the stations along the back of the Cape, adjoining the Peaked Hill Bars Station.

He was retired from the service at his own request on account of physical disability, June 14, 1901, and died September 18 following.



THE LATE CAPT. ISAAC G. FISHER AND HIS CREW OF SURF FIGHTERS.

Back: Francesco Silva ("Keesik"); Frank Wages (or "Tooty"); Albert Mabbett; Albert Burch (Uncle Bert)

Front Row: W.C. Sparrow; Capt. Isaac G. Fisher  
Jonathan C. Small ("Jot")

January 1, 1884: A surfman from the Wood End Coast Guard Station was out gunning in the harbor a short distance from the station. His attention was attracted by the cries of a young man in a boat, a short distance off, for assistance. Hastening to the spot he found that the young man had accidentally discharged the contents of his gun through the bottom of his boat, which was rapidly filling with water. The surfman took the young man into his boat and, after towing the damaged craft to the nearest shore, conveyed him to the mainland. It was very fortunate that assistance was so near, as owing to the coldness of the water it would have been impossible for the young man to have reached the shore. He was very grateful for his rescue.