

I CAN ROW, BUT LET A WOMAN GET INTO BOAT

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Mrs. Cavendish, a Survivor,
Refers Highly to the Work
of Major Peuchen

MEN WERE IMploRED
TO GET IN TO MAN IT

Only an Incompetent Man
Answered, and So Toronto
Man Got It.

WERE TERRIFIC EXPLOSIONS

Two Were Heard and Then the
Vessel Rapidly Went to
the Bottom.

Special to The Star by a Star reporter

New York. April 19---"He was a big jolly looking blue-eyed man with a black goatee like beard." "Yes, I think Peuchen was the name, but I do not remember very clearly."

In these words Mrs. Turrell (sic) Cavendish to-day identified for The Star a Canadian of whom she has been speaking in the highest terms. She was formerly Julia Siegel, daughter of Henry Siegel. Her story is particularly interesting because it tells of the invaluable services of the Toronto major in getting his boat to safety.

"I was in the second boat. My husband kissed me and bade (sic) me remain in the boat, declaring he was all right. There was no light, but the sky was clear. Bright skies illuminated the scene of the disaster. Just as the lifeboat was lowered I again kissed my husband. He assured me he would rather stay on the boat, thinking he would be safe."

Twenty-three in Boat.

"As the boat reached the water there were twenty-three women in the boat and two men to guide and row her. Many of us women implored men on the upper deck to come to our succor, but most of them said they could not row. One man there was about to get in the boat, but a sailor, after questioning him threw him aside. A Canadian, who stated that he could row turned to a group of men on the deck who were watching the proceedings and said: "I can row, but if there is room for one more let it be a woman." "I am not a coward."

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