

# SAVES CHILD FROM DROWING

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**HEROIC ACT OF ENGINEER JOHN  
LYNCH, OF THE TUG  
TEMPEST.**

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**WAS SON OF JAMES AZINSKY**

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**TUGMAN THE ONLY PERSON WHO  
SAW CHILD'S PERIL.**

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**Throws Off His Coat and Plunges  
Into Slip Near Marshall-Wells  
Building.**

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John Lynch, engineer of the tug Tempest, heroically rescued a child from a watery grave in the Lake avenue slip at 1 o'clock yesterday. The little one was Israel, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Azinsky, of 390 Lake avenue south. The child was playing on the dock near the southern end of the Marshall-Wells Hardware company's building, and tumbled into the water.

Nobody witnessed the accident, and the child did not cry out for assistance, or if it did, its voice was drowned by the noise along the wharf.

The Tempest was lying in the slip farther south, and Engineer Lynch was on the boat doing some work on the engine. He glanced toward the Marshall-Wells building and noticed a commotion in the water. There was nothing visible, but he at once came to the conclusion that some one must have fallen into the slip. He left the boat and ran to the spot opposite, to investigate. He arrived just in time to see the child come to the surface, and then sink from sight.

Mr. Lynch threw off his coat and plunged into the water after the drowning child. He got hold of the little fellow's clothes, several feet below the surface, and swam to the dock. A crowd had collected by this time, and Lynch and his burden were assisted from the water.

The child was unconscious, and it was thought for a time that it would not recover. After about half an hour of rolling and rubbing, consciousness returned, and the little one was brought home and was soon sleeping soundly as if nothing had happened.

Mr. Lynch was congratulated for his heroic act by the big crowd which was attracted to the dock by the accident.