

REWARD FOR FIREMAN.

Louis J. Howard of East Boston Commended for Daring Rescue of Young Woman.

For stopping a runaway horse on Saratoga st, East Boston, last week, Louis J. Howard, attached to combination wagon 4 of the fire department, has been commended in general orders by Fire Commissioner Henry S. Russell. Combination 4 is located in East Boston, and the firemen of that district and people who witnessed the meritorious act are now congratulating Mr Howard.

"As daring and as heroic an act as was ever seen," is the way firemen and spectators describe the rescue of a well-known East Boston young woman in a runaway carriage at the hands of fireman Howard. If it had not been for him there is little doubt that the young woman would have been killed or seriously injured.



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The animal became frightened at the Saratoga-st grade crossing of the B & A and B & M railroads, and ran down Saratoga st in the direction of the double house occupied by combination 4 and engine company 11 of the fire department at the corner of Saratoga and Byron sts.

In the carriage was Dr Tibbetts, the owner, and Miss Anna Walker. Shortly after the animal started to run Dr Tibbetts was thrown out. Miss Walker endeavored to gain control of the horse but was unsuccessful.

At Byron st her shrieks attracted the attention of Howard, who was upstairs in the fire station. He rushed down the sliding pole and into the street, succeeding in jumping into the carriage. He was unable to reach the reins, which were dragging on the ground, and climbed on to the horse's back, stopping the animal near Wadsworth st. Before he could check the horse Howard was thrown to the ground and one of his feet severely trampled upon. He has since been confined to his home as a result.

Mr Howard was appointed to the fire department in the spring of 1900 and assigned to engine 7. A few months later he was placed at engine 22 and later transferred to engine 5, East Boston. On Aug 15, 1902, he was transferred to his present station.