

HAWTHORNE YOUTH ON TITANIC WAS A HERO

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HAWTHORNE, May 3---Through Frank Turnquist, one of the stewards of the Titanic, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Johnson, of Diamond Bridge avenue, have learned that their son, William C. Johnson Jr., who was a petty officer on the ill-fated steamship, might have saved his life had he not given it for the women and children aboard. Turnquist and Johnson were companions, When the ship struck, Johnson set about getting the women and children into the boats.

Johnson was born in Newark nineteen years ago and when six years old moved with his parents to this place. He entered the marine service as a cadet on the St. Paul, and advanced rapidly. He was placed aboard the Philadelphia, and from there was transferred to the Titanic.

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