

The value of a life preserver:

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A COURAGEOUS YOUNG LADY.—There were two ladies in Boston, who were bathing at an inlet on Plum Island, on Monday afternoon. One having fallen down, the other attempted to get her upon the beach, and both were carried out beyond their depth. The daughter of one of the ladies, (Mrs. Oakes, of Boston,) about thirteen years of age, who was with them, with great presence of mind immediately put on the life preserver which she had with her, and boldly swam out to them, and succeeded in drawing them both ashore. One of the ladies she was compelled to draw through the water by the hair of her head. The ladies were so much exhausted as to require medical attendance.