



# Mackinaw Girl Drowns in Straits

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**Was Bathing and Suddenly Sinks Below Waves; Frantic Cries of Mother Attracts Rescuers Who Arrive Too Late.**

The beautiful straits of Mackinaw were again responsible for a multitude of heart aches when, on Saturday afternoon, at about five o'clock, they snuffed out the life of one of Mackinaw City's best beloved young girls.

Ruth, the 15 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Delamarter, had gone in bathing with her younger sisters and a number of others, her mother watching their sport from the shore.

Upon noticing that Ruth disappeared beneath the waves and failed to come up the frantic screams of the mother soon summoned an army of searchers who could make but small headway for a time owing to the fact that the exact spot she had gone down had in the confusion and grief, been lost. James Marshall, the lighthouse keeper sighter the body clinging to a rock, about fifty minutes later, and a couple of Detroit boys brought it to the surface. Artificial respiration was resorted to and everything possible done to restore the breath of life, though the doctor pronounced her dead when found, but all to no avail, and the community filed home utterly crushed by the tragedy.

The funeral services were held from the M. E. church at Mackinaw at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Percy Lomas, and interment was made in the cemetery at Mackinaw City, the funeral cortege being the largest ever seen there, and the floral offerings the most profuse and beautiful. Deceased leaves to ents, four sisters and one brothmourn her early passing, her parer, who have the sympathy of the entire north land in their great loss.

RUTH M.  
1909 — 1924  
— DAUGHTER —