

FLUNG INTO THE SEA

Experience of a Man Struggling In Midocean.

SENSATIONS OF DROWNING.

A Tangle of Wild Thoughts Combined With Vague Notions of Time and Space—The Dreamy Doze, the Rescue and the Knife in His Back.

Standing on a chair near the deck rail of an ocean liner, a sudden lurch of the vessel flung me into the Atlantic.

Down, down I sank, for the fall was from a considerable height. Being able to swim a little, I was spared the first mental agony experienced by the non-swimmer who unexpectedly finds himself in deep water.

Should I be mangled beyond recognition in a second? Oh, for another year's sweet life! Would my leg be cut clean off or—

I could see the sky again, and I took a great breath of fresh air, though sick with fear. Then I saw the steamer had passed. I was spared mutilation to die slowly by drowning.

How rapidly the steamer was vanishing! I could catch a glimpse of it when a green wave lifted me high in the water.

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I looked round anxiously to see whether a lifebuoy had been thrown. There was nothing in sight but a wide waste of water and the fast disappearing steamer.

My arms were growing heavy. All I tried to do was to keep my head above water, but I seemed to have been doing that for an hour. My legs, too, were refusing to bend. The end could not be far away.

My arms must both be broken, for they would hardly move, and they ached terribly. What a long time a man could keep afloat! I was vaguely glad I could not swim very well, because it would have meant waiting for the end such a long time. It made one drowsy.

Another wave lifted me up, and I saw the steamer had changed its position. It must be going back to England to tell them at home what had happened to me. How soothing the sea was! If only I could stop trying to work my arms that aching pain in them would cease and I might go to sleep.

Sometimes when I saw the ship, which never seemed to get any farther away now, I remembered I was fighting for another minute's life. It had been harder at first, but now the sea lulled me into happiness.

What on earth were they playing at on the steamer? I had nearly caught it up again, only somehow I had got in front of it. It grew bigger quickly, and it was coming straight on. If those ridiculous people were not careful they might run over me yet.

Perhaps it would be better to go to sleep, after all. My arms were easier, and I did not want to breathe so much now. It was getting dark and ever so much colder than it was last night. The steward must give me an extra blanket.

Why was everything so hazy and the room stuffy? I could hardly breathe. And yet it didn't matter. Nothing mattered, but I wished dreamily that some one would stop digging a knife into my back, for I was just dropping off to sleep nicely.

Next day I found the "knife" had been the point of a boat hook with which they picked me up as I came to the surface. The steamer had turned in a circle and arrived just in time.—London Answers.

Exaggerated. The knack of looking at the bright side of things was never developed to such perfection as in the case of a man who, after a railway accident, telegraphed to his friend's wife: "Your husband killed in railway accident; head, both arms and both legs cut off; head, both arms and both legs cut off."

But later this correction was received: "First report exaggerated. Your husband killed; head and legs cut off, but only one arm."

Mixed. The following appeared in an Irish newspaper: "Whereas, John Hall has fraudulently taken away several articles of wearing apparel without my knowledge, this is therefore to inform him that if he does not forthwith return the same his name shall be made public."—London Tatler.

An Imposition. "Magistrate—So you acknowledge having stolen the overcoat. Anything more to say? Prisoner—Yes, your honor. I had to have the sleeves re-lined."—Punch.

Why is it that the only time the newspapers spell a man's name right is when he is arrested for street fighting?—Los Angeles Times.

WONDERFUL MIRAGES.

False Peak of Tenerife and Illusions in the Dardanelles.

The peak of Tenerife is known among deep sea sailors as the "false peak." Owing to some peculiarity of the atmosphere it is always seen by mirage in exactly the opposite direction from which it lies, and only the fact that all captains know that the mirage appears long before the true peak is visible through the most powerful glass prevents many a ship from sailing many miles out of her course.

Sometimes the passengers and crew of a vessel on the lookout for the false peak see a much rarer and more beautiful mirage, that of a ship in the sky. It usually appears about 10 o'clock in the morning, about ten degrees above the horizon and under full sail, every delicate spar and tapering mast clearly visible against the blue ether and even the belying canvas plainly discernible to the naked eye.

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As to a lion's method of attack Frederick Courteney Selous says in his book: "As a rule, I think, a lion seizes a sleeping man by the head, and in that case, unless it is a very old and weakly animal, death must usually be instantaneous, as its great fang teeth will be driven into the brain through the thickest negro skull."

Curious Old Laws. Some of the old laws of Nepal, India, were curious. Killing cows ranked with murder as a capital offense, for instance. Every girl at birth was married with great ceremony to a betel fruit, which was then cast into a sacred stream. As the fate of the fruit was uncertain the girl was supposed never to become a widow. To obtain divorce from a husband a wife had only to place a betel nut under his pillow and depart. In Nepal the day is considered to begin when it is light enough to count the tiles on the roof or distinguish the hairs on a man's hand against the sky.

Trained. "My men work well," said a police commissioner, "because they are well trained. Training, you know, is everything."

He paused and smiled. "Two physicians were discussing," he said, "a certain pretty nurse. 'Was she a trained nurse?' said the first physician. 'She must have been,' replied the other. 'She hadn't been in the hospital a week before she was engaged to the richest patient.'"—Washington Star.

A Limited Luxury. Two Irishmen were discussing the phenomenon of sleep. Said one, "O! bear as van as thim poetry lads calls it 'bald nature's hair reathooter.'"

Gallant Lover. "Silly boy," she said, "why did you get offended? Though my words were severe, you might have seen that I was smiling."

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WOMAN AND FASHION

Costume For Late Summer. The dress illustrated is a smart jacket suit of heavy linen, the skirt, sleeves and standers of which are strapped with bands of wide embroidered.



HEAVY WHITE LINEN. The coat is in the modified cut-away style, hip length, and is trimmed with six large flat linen buttons. The skirt is laid in wide plaits.

No Sheath For Miss Columbia. All this chatter about the sheath skirt amuses women of fashion, for of course, no matter what sensational writers may say, no such ultra French fad ever will be adopted in its extreme by Americans. It is probable the idea will find expression in the slashing of an overskirt, with the slight gap amply filled by a drop skirt, but to suppose any woman of breeding in this country would appear in a frock slit to show her stocking almost to the knee is foolish. Conditions under the direction in France, when the sheath skirt was designed, were altogether different from those prevailing in the United States today.

Frocks For Afternoon Wear. The costumes designed for afternoon wear are most picturesque and artistic, the soft clinging materials of odd and unusual colorings lending themselves to the prevailing modes with most happy results. The rich embroideries and metallic trimmings heighten the effect.

Escape For Him. How lucky Mr. Milton died so many years ago! Because his fame is now secure and with the years must grow. Had he been on the earth today and in this age less crude they'd have his muse to commerce chained and booming breakfast food.



FILET LACE AND SILK. of luxury, while the hats also fall into line, their drooping brims and soft plumes making a charming woman appear to have just stepped from the pages of an old time story. The gown shown in the sketch is of original design and very artistic. The little loose bolero is of flit lace and also an apron front decorated with heavy tassels.

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Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

THE TRIMMINGS.

When woman gets the ballot Will she also get the right To gather round the ringside And watch the slugger fight? And will the gentle creatures Sit with us on the bleachers And understand the same?

When she has got in action The details of her plan Will she between the curtains Go out to see a man On business urgent, "must be attended to, by Jove!" And come back with an odor Suggestive of a clove?

Will she go out to meetings To boost a candidate For some important office And come in mighty late? Will she election evenings Remain downtown until Another county's heard from, With three to hear from still?

Will she come home at midnight From pressing office cares And softly, stocking footed, Attempt to slip upstairs, And, if she wakes her husband, Start up a family row, Or will she just act normal, The same as she does now?

Worst of Crimes. "We find the defendant guilty," said the foreman of the jury, with a cold, impassive look on his face. "Of what crime?" asked the judge. "There are several mentioned in the indictment. You must say whether on one or all counts." "Guiltily of having the poorest lawyer," said the foreman sadly.

Will Miss Trouble. "I hear Alfonso has another son." "Yes, poor child, there will be nothing for him. Everything will center around his older brother." "Still there will be some compensation." "I don't know what it is." "He won't inherit the crown of Spain."

Business Chance. A man in a suit and hat stands in a doorway, looking out. A sign above the door says "SEE ME".

"He's so 'funny.'" "Then he ought to do just one thing." "What?" "Charge admission."

More Appropriate. "I suppose if an American first finds the north pole he will take possession of it in the name of the United States?" "Of course not." "In whose name, then?" "In the name of the ice trust."

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"What is a trying situation?" "Getting a No. 4 foot in a No. 2 shoe." "Yes." "—and keeping your temper at the same time."

Logical. Why do we love the baby? Because her eyes are blue? Because the girls maybe Belongs to me or you? Why do we love her dully? According to what laws? Well, here's the reason, truly— We love her just because.

Pert Paragraphs. Money is the root of much matrimony. There's many a cup between the lip and the fountain. Optimism is more pleasant than pessimism and not nearly so preeminent.

But, then, leap year never does live up to the advertisement. We take a deep and vital interest in the affairs of our friends—if they owe us money. Probably all men are liars, but don't give them specific information on the subject. All the world hates a quitter.

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