

HE HESITATED.

"Help!" The unnerving, harrowing screams of a strong man, whose strength and manhood have collapsed beneath the sudden strain of some deadly fear, some overpowering agony.

OUR WINTER BIRD NEIGHBORS.

Many of These Much-Traveled Little Fellows Are Surprisingly Tame. It is surprising that there are birds which come to us only to spend the winter, leaving us again at the beginning of spring for northern lands and snow-banked hillsides, where the long day and pale twilight nights of the Arctic reign.

THE SILK HAT.

On Whose Head and in What Circumstances It Is Most Conspicuous. Conspicuous as the silk hat some-how appears on the head of an unaccustomed wearer, it may in some circumstances be even more conspicuous on the head of one accustomed to wear it constantly, as when worn by a cabman on his way home to the stable with his coat off.

RARE WASHINGTON RELIC.

Only One Known to Exist of Six Medallions Made for Lafayette. Mrs. F. Luis Mora of New York city, owns a Washington relic which, so far as is known, is the only one of its kind in existence. It is one of the six medallions which were made to order for General Lafayette.

OUR LAND PURCHASES PAY.

All of Them Have Added Immensely to National Wealth. In the Philippines as in its other land deals, the United States made a good bargain. The census of the Philippines just published shows that the forests in the islands, in which there are 747 varieties of woods, are worth about \$2,000,000,000, or double those of the States of Oregon and Washington, which are especially strong in that particular asset.

A HOSPITAL ON WHEELS.

Intended Primarily for the Benefit of Injured Coal Miners. A hospital car fully equipped and in charge of a doctor and his assistants has been built for the Lackawanna Coal Company. The hospital car of the Lackawanna is the only one in the anthracite regions, but it is not likely to remain long an exception, as the other railroad companies who own mines will probably follow suit.

He had thought of Nina!

Mechanically Dale put on his coat and vest again.

Milk. From whatever source obtained, milk contains every constituent required by the human body for its growth and nourishment.

Woman Who Gambles. Moralists say that the emotion of gaming makes women ugly.

The Eyeball and Vision. Dr. Alexander Schaefer has been investigating the vision of many animal species and has found that the size of the eyeball is the principal factor of the acuteness of vision.

Why Journalism is Popular. Journalism is very popular with Smith College girls, as two years ago, two graduates of the college applied for positions on a Boston newspaper and were immediately accepted.

"You are right, Nina," he answered in a hoarse broken voice.

Learn to radiate joy, not stingily, not meanness, but generously.

Regal. His ambition was to be rich, and for that he toiled early and late.

The Sense of Duty. A sense of duty pursues us ever. It is omnipresent like the Deity.

German Savings Banks. The savings banks of Germany have some 19,000,000 pass books out and their deposits amount to 13,500,000,000 marks.

A Thought for the Week. Blessed is the man who has the gift of making friends, for it is one of God's best gifts.

"What is that? Who are they?" screamed Nina in an agony of horror.

Keep yourself, then, simple, good, pure, serious, free from affectation, a friend of justice, a worshipper of the gods, kind, affectionate, strenuous, in all proper acts.

Paragon-Making Golf. Golf cannot be played really well, unless the temper is schooled to such a degree that misfortune, accident and a general run of defensive play never lead to passion overflowing.

Natal's Mileage. The total mileage operated by the Natal Government railways, the end of the year 1907 was 1,964 miles, of which 88% were worked on behalf of the Central South African Railway Administration under agreement.

Finger Alphabet. The finger alphabet as distinguished from the real deaf and dumb language of signs, appears to have been invented in Spain, to which country the world owes the first systematic deaf and dumb teaching.

Plenty of Time. "Give me a little time," said the literary young man, according to Speed, "and I will do something to arouse the country."

"And I will try to love you again," she flung herself down upon a sofa and gave way to the agony of weeping.

Mental Therapeutics in Action. Whenever you feel that you must go off to the mountains or the seaside, go into your back yard, lie flat on your back on the grass, look up through the leaves at the blue sky; you will find that an excellent substitute.

Esperanto Flagged. Have you seen the Esperanto flag? It was raised for the first time in America Monday at the Chautauqua assembly grounds, to the singing of the Esperanto hymn.

On Intimate Terms. Two Chicago girls, graduates of Smith College, are making money by keeping a boarding house for American girls in Florence, and are getting so familiar with the Italian city that they can almost call it Floisita.

The Sympathy of Friendship. It is sublime to feel and say of another, I need never meet, or speak or write to him; we need not re-encounter ourselves or send tokens of remembrance; I rely on him as on myself; if he did this or this, I know it was right.

Columbus. Historians have not satisfactorily determined when Columbus was born. Some give the year of his birth as 1436, others as 1447. If the latter year be accepted he was forty-five when he made his discovery. If the former, he was fifty-six.

Something has happened—I must go and see. He moved forward to restrain her, but she went out of the room.

Take Notice. The election board of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America is now sitting on the application of the Washington Post, which yesterday rose to respectfully suggest "something or other."

Gasoline and Duet. "I had to sell my auto, but I haven't missed it yet."

Man's Delicacy. A man who is rough and awkward at everything else will show a delicacy and skill greater than any woman when he has to patch a \$10 bill.

Owls Under a Ban. The usual crusade is going on against the harmless, necessary owl. The good he does in consuming endless voles, shrews, moles and mice is ignored or forgotten; the evil laid to his charge is exaggerated a hundred-fold.

Seeing Things Squarely. So live that you may look every man squarely in the face. You will see many precious things, but if there be one or two fair you will be wholly requited.