Romance of Rutherford's Flat

two men struggling in the seething current. Halford, heavily clothed and totally unprepared for so unequal a contest, was hurled and tossed about, ever carried downward; now buried beneath the waters, again to be cast upon the foam-crests. Driven against a rock, his head was deeply gashed. He was barely able to drag himself into the shallows at the head of the pool, when he became unconscious and lay there, with upturned face barely out of the water.

Darnell, lightly clad and clinging to his pole, quickly forced his way to the bank and then strolled down the shore to recover his canoe and offer his feigned regrets to Halford; but coming suddenly upon the latter, lying in the shallow with white face and fore-