

13). Death, (except for those who will be caught up alive to meet the Lord in the air) is in the future for man, for God says, "It is appointed unto men once to die. (Heb. ix. 27) there is "a time to die." (Ecc. iii. 2), and "man goeth to his long home." (Ecc. xii. 5). For all, it has its terrors—it is the king of terrors. "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death." (I Cor. xv. 26).

Many there are who go on with life and its daily duties, and refuse to look death in the face; they seem asleep as regards their danger, like the man, who in spite of his friends' warnings, laid down to sleep for the night in his boat, which he had drawn up on the sandy beach of an island in the vast river which, lower down, sweeps over the mighty Niagara Falls. It is conjectured that during the night some change of wind caused the current to set in another direction and to reach and float his boat—at all events early the following morning some spectators beheld an apparently empty boat being carried towards the rapids at the head of the falls. To their horror however, they soon saw a man rise to his feet in the frail skiff. He frantically waved his arms and hat, and—in an instant, he and his boat were gone, never to be seen again. *Too late* he awoke from his fatal sleep and faced death, from which then there was no escape.

To you dear reader this need not be said. If till this moment you have been the victim of the devil's lullaby, you may awake *now*; if hitherto you have been careless or unaware of your danger you may be

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