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I fear I fear to stretch my hand and take...

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On a more I was startled by the clang of the bell. This time it was louder and more urgent, and it seemed to me, with a peculiar, unearthly sound, such as I had never heard before. It seemed as if there mingled with the metallic ring the tone of a human voice—the voice of one I knew. The needles, I now observed, began to make signs which I understood; and slowly, as if some invisible hand, move rapidly and make the signal, "Understood," which the receiver of a message transmits at the end of every word.

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