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### THE COUNTRY-VISIT

The big barn walked behind her with a gentle noise that out. The cows came to greet her from behind the quiet attack. "The old man," said the farmer's wife, "said, 'How do do do do do?'" "I'm pretty well, I thank you, sir," said little Lisa Lou.

The ducks were swimming in the pond; they gave a friendly quack! The turkeys came to greet her from behind the quiet attack. "The old man," said the farmer's wife, "said, 'How do do do do do?'" "I'm pretty well, I thank you, sir," said little Lisa Lou.

The old cat waked and slept again. The hen with all her forty brood was clucking near the door. "The old man," said the mother, "said, 'I like the country very much,'" said little Lisa Lou.

The old lamb snuggled at her side and gave a little bleat. "The old man," said the mother, "said, 'I like the country very much.'" "Oh, let me come again, something," cried little Lisa Lou.

A BARTENDER ON BOOZE

The following is a part of an article written by a New York ex-soldier:

I have heard a lot about what honest does to men. Not one thing straight. There is one reason, and just one, why men drink. I have seen them keep of me a certain brand of whiskey and show bittersweet when we were out of it.

I have given them up for a particular kind of drink, but the real drinkers—who, in America, are rare—hold up a glass to the light and go into delights about its color and odor. I have never been speculate upon the shading of color or the taste of beer. I have heard the virtue of "Juleps" argued against those of "flicks."

But don't fool yourself that a man drink whiskey or gin because a certain brand offered some mysterious plenitude of flavor. Don't fool yourself that the man who drinks beer because of the color or the headiness of the beer drink beer for its color or creamy nose; that man drink "Juleps" for the name or "flicks" for the lime-juice.

Men drink beer, also, in the drink and for no other reason. He leaves me to know. The sole reason for the existence of these various drinks was to induce the body to accept them. When a man takes alcohol with water and drink, the palate and the stomach would rebel. So it became a profession for the makers of beer to add to it extracts to disguise its taste with added flavor so that men could more readily accept it. Also different drinks provided men with different quantities of alcohol to satisfy their thirst. It was for the alcohol alone, what it old to them that men drink.

About inducing the stomach to accept drink, I am indeed the man whose first drink was in the beer. The average person taking whiskey for the first time gagged. His body reacted it. More easy was it down to him to take a wine or a cocktail, with the alcohol taste carefully camouflaged by fruit.

I have seen these "first drinkers". Most of them began on beer and then came to drink. They had learned to drink with beer and they went to whiskey to distilled spirits, gin or rum, with their higher percentages of alcohol. But when they began on beer, their body would not react to it, so it was not a shock. Nature had to be "taught in".

First, it accepted a drink with almost 6 per cent. alcohol, then it wanted 30 per cent. alcohol.

It always amused me to hear people speak of as a "harmless drink". In the cafe where we worked we did not have many heavy-beer-drinkers. I mean, if it was a man's drink, he'd drink it. It is my opinion that heavy-beer-drinkers make a social trouble as whiskey-drinkers. You doubt that? I have seen at the bar counter glances of beer so affected me that they thought anything. There was no such thing as a moderate drinker.

Month by month, a man took more and more, the amount of alcohol which first satisfied him, until he and his family has enjoyed a good measure of prosperity, and have had a very happy life.

CURIOSITY

A child learns by asking questions. Men and women learn in the same way. Curiosity is the mother of knowledge. Sometimes a child's curiosity is repressed, silenced much to the child's whole mind is being subjected to the impact of stimulating forces. We ask, "What?" and to whom questions are just as natural as the sparks which shower from the white-hot iron under the blacksmith's anvil. An idiot child can, asks no questions, but a normal child intelligence which asks—"What? Why? How? Where?" Whistler runs through the whole gamut of interrogations. As we become more discriminating in life we become more discriminating in our questions we ask, some we recognize as foolish or untrue, but all through the days, we ask, "What?" largely the measure of our intelligence. Many of our questions are not formulated in words, but every time we consult a dictionary or encyclopaedia; every time we pick up a newspaper or a book; every time we turn over a page; every eye upon our own minds of challenge; the world about us; every investigation into the nature of the things we eat, the conditions, the possibilities of the capabilities, the consequences; and so on, we are asking questions; and just as we are asking questions, we are asked, and as the scope of these investigations progresses; broadens, deepens, so does the field of our knowledge become more extensive.

### WHAT DID THE COLONEL SAY, THEN?

It was a dark night at Camp Grant. Private Jones & Son, says the Argonaut, were heard approaching through the gloom.

"Halt! Who goes there?" barked the Colonel Commander.

"Halt! Private Commander."

"Dismount, colonel, and advance to be recognized." The colonel dismounted and came over to the "cookie," who pointed him with a smile.

"Private colonel, he said. As he laboriously got back on his horse the colonel asked:

"By the way, who posted you there?"

"Oh, nobody," replied the sentry;

"I'm just practicing."

Colonel, clear mind. The stomach is the workshop of the vital functions and when it is healthy under the whole system clops in sympathy. The spirits flag, the mind droops and work becomes impossible. The first thing should be a restorative healthful action of the stomach, the best preparation for that purpose. Farmer's Vegetable Pills. One hundred hours has won them a leading place in medicine. A trial will attest their value.



### THE OLD MAN OF THE BIG CLOCK

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