

The Man With Fits.  
I saw a man sit so quietly in front of a canal street saloon that I followed him when he finally entered, thinking him a bit of a nut. He looked around for a few seconds, and was about to sit down in a corner, when a bar-tender came out and took him by the arm and led him to the door and gave him a kick and said:  
"You can't play that on us again, old fellow! Here you go, and if you ever come in here again I'll break you in two!"  
I followed the man down the street and asked for an explanation, and without any display of indignation, he said:  
"Why, the chap was on to me."  
"He spoke about you playing him."  
"Yes, I was in there the other day, when he was taken with a fit and fell on the floor. They gave me a drink to revive me."  
"Then it was a real fit?"  
"It was a good enough fit for anybody!" he replied, getting with a little temper. "I'll begin with that man for bumping me out the way he did!"  
"Here's the price of a good big drink. Now, tell me if you work the saloons with that sort of a racket?"  
"Well, sir, I can have a fit whenever I want to, and perhaps that's whenever I think I can make a drink by it."  
"How did he tumble to your racket so fast?"  
"It's likely somebody put him on after I was gone. That was a solid kick he gave me."  
"It was that?"  
"I jarred me to the roots of my hair, and I'll make him sweat for it. I'm willing to be let out by I won't stand kicks from anybody."  
"What can you do?"  
"Don't you worry!" he replied with a wink. "I know an old chap who can fall out of heart disease and fool even the doctors for half an hour. In a day or two I'll send him around, and if you don't see him draw a crowd, and the police to receive a corpse, then I'll agree to drink water all the rest of my days! I'm willing to be let out by the ear, and I'll take a cuff or two after getting a drink, but kicks goes against the grain, and let the kicks be!"—New York World.

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"After all the life we live in, be it for a year or for a place, is very much as we choose to make it. If we take the lease of a palace, and persist in defiling and neglecting it, and raining and decay to march upon us, and sitting down by night and day underneath its frescoed walls, to mourn and lament its essentials that are inseparable from the care of any household, one might as well have pre-empted a claim upon a hotel in the first place. It is the heart we carry in our breast and the mind we evidence all about us that makes this place either a place of torment or a home. Given a world so beautiful and a few true friends, the hope of immortality and faith in a hereafter, and we are no better than inmates if we sit down in the shades and eat the bread of tears. For my part, there is not a day I do not thank God that I am alive in this magnificent world, and when I count up the rosary of my friends, I bless the beneficent hand which, although it has withheld much, has so generously rewarded my needs and crowned me with more than the splendor of an earthly queen."

The Use of Water at Meals.  
Opinions differ as to the effect of the free ingestion of water at meal times, but the view most generally received is probably that it dilutes the gastric juice and so retards digestion. Apart from the fact that a moderate diet in the process is by no means a disadvantage, as Sir William Roberts has shown in his explanation of the popularity of tea and coffee, it is more than doubtful whether any such effect is in reality produced. When ingested during meals, water may do good by washing out the diluted food, and by exposing the undigested part more thoroughly to the action of the digestive ferments. Pepsin is a catalytic body and a given quantity will work almost indefinitely, provided the peptones are removed as they are formed. The good effect of water drunk freely before meals has, however, a more beneficial result—it washes away the mucus which is secreted by the mucus membrane during the intervals of repose, and favors peristalsis of the whole alimentary tract. The membrane thus cleaned is in much better condition to receive food and convert it into soluble compounds. The accumulation of mucus is especially well marked in the morning, when the gastric walls are covered with a thick, tenacious layer. Food entering the stomach at this time will become covered with this tenacious coating, which for a time will protect it from the action of the gastric ferments, and so retards digestion. The tubular contracted stomach, with its puckered margins and rigid contents, a normal condition in the morning before breakfast, is not suitable to receive food. Exercise before partaking of a meal stimulates the circulation of the blood and facilitates the flow of the blood through the vessels. A glass of water washes out the mucus, partially distends the stomach, and gives contentment and prepares the alimentary tract for the morning meal. Observation has shown that non-irritating liquids pass through the "tubular" stomach, and even if the food be present, they only mix with it to a slight extent. According to Dr. Leuf, who has made this subject a special study, cold water should be given to persons who have sufficient vitality to resist hot water to others. In chronic gastric catarrh it is extremely beneficial to drink warm or hot water before meals, and salt is said in most cases to add to the good effect produced.—British Medical Journal.

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"You're from Wisconsin, ain't you?"  
"Yes, I replied.  
"You don't have many clam up there, I reckon?"  
"Well, I said, 'we have some, but it's a good way to water, and in driving them across the country their feet get sore and they don't thrive very well.'"  
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"Lord! clam ain't got no feet!"  
"He turned away, and approaching one of my friends, inquired:  
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