

LESSON I.

Q. What is it that makes men drunk, or intoxicated, when they drink liquor ?

A. Alcohol.

Q. What name did it have before it was called alcohol ?

A. Spirit of wine.

Q. What is alcohol ?

A. A clear, liquid poison.

Q. What does it look like ?

A. It looks like water.

Q. Has it any odor or smell ?

A. It has a strong odor.

Q. How does it taste ?

A. It has a strong, burning taste.

Q. Where is it found in a natural state ?

A. Nowhere.

Q. If nowhere to be found in nature, where is it obtained ?

A. It is obtained from grains and fruits.

Q. In what way is it thus obtained ?

A. By fermentation.

Q. What is fermentation ?

A. It is the decomposition of vegetable substances which contain sugar.

Q. How does fermentation produce alcohol ?

A. By setting free carbonic acid gas and separating the starch and sugar of the grain or fruit that is used.

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