

MAKING STRAW HATS.

HOW THE INDUSTRY HAS GROWN IN THIS COUNTRY.

Successive steps by which the Grass of China becomes a Hat in America—Why Bleached Hats Turn Yellow—Finishing Touches.

The manufacture of straw hats, though so peculiarly American, has attracted the masses proportionally in this country. Over in Brooklyn, in some of the quiet streets between the city hall district and Broadway...

The straw hat of civilization is nearly a century old, and its manufacture was not begun in Brooklyn to any extent until about seven years ago. In fact, reaches the manufacturer here in a considerably advanced state of preparation. It comes from China, Japan and southern Europe chiefly.

The Leghorn hat is made entirely in Italy, and the finishing is done in this country. One of the finest, though almost all under the general denomination of straws, are made in fact from entirely different material. The chip is so called because naturally of the shape of the chip, out of which the hat has been dried by burial in the ground for three years—a precaution taken to prevent it from turning red, which happens when they are exposed to the sun.

The women of Capt. They have a strange way in this little place, I found, of betrothing the girls to the young men before the latter leave the town. As very few of them are able to read, they are often betrothed without a word from the lover or "apozoa" reaching the patient girl at home.

VIEWING THE RED PLANET.

Speculations About the "Canals" in Mars and Their Builders.

People who can obtain the privilege of looking at Mars through the Lick telescope should not neglect the opportunity. Several weeks have elapsed since this remarkable planet could be seen to such advantage as at present, and it will be three years before we have an equal chance again.

It may be interesting to lovers of astronomy to know that the eminent French astronomer, M. Perrotin, is engaged in a minute study of Mars, and that his discoveries confirm those of M. Schiaparelli in every particular. It seems actually true that the longitudinal stripes, which circle round the planet, are not, as it is commonly supposed, artificial.

The fact remains that the photograph of Mars, taken by Perrotin, is a masterpiece of photographic art. The photograph was taken at the Lick observatory, and is the most perfect yet obtained. It shows the planet in a way that is entirely new to the human eye.

What a man lives in Mars, if there be men there, has always been a favorite topic of speculation. The law of gravitation, it is estimated, is fourteen feet high—not such a son of Anak as the inhabitants of the asteroids, but still one who would regard the Belgian giant as a remarkable dwarf.

PLAGUES OF EGYPT.

THE PHYSICAL EFFECTS OF A DRY, & DUSTY ATMOSPHERE.

The pertinacity of the Egyptian Fly—The Luck to Drive Them Away—The Increasing Demand for Blackish—A Dead Among the Fleas.

I am writing this at "Cook's Laxer hotel," as good a house as one could wish. A large, rambling building in a fine garden running down to the river. It is surrounded by noble palms and flowering trees and shrubs, and would be a charming retreat anywhere, but here surrounded by the hot and hovel-like mounds up an Egyptian village, with the burning circle round the place, round the water, which, according to all laws of probability, is artificial.

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The idea of a board of health, in its recent bulletin, concludes that few who have heard of the "Black Hole of Calcutta" know the terrible facts that have rendered the place famous and made it a synonym of all that is dreary and dreadful of foul air and overcrowding.

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