

WINDOW GLASS.

An Interesting Industry Described—Its Danger to Health.

A correspondent writes: I send you an account of a visit I made to a glass factory in Streator, Ill., thinking that many people, like myself, are unfamiliar with the process of making glass.

Having seen bottles, etc., blown, my steps naturally took the direction of the largest of the window glass factories, and having obtained permission from the superintendent, we were soon in what is known as the "furnace room," where the main work of glass making, including the blowing process, is done.

To continue. First, be it known that the glass of commerce is composed principally of white sand, though arsenic, lime, a soda ash of some kind and some minor chemicals, in small quantities are essential.

Under the intense heat of the furnace, so many degrees that I am afraid to tell you—the fires never go out from September 1 to July 31—the mixture gradually melts, looking like molten iron, only of a more whitish color.

This process is continued until a ball is gathered as large as a water pail. This is then rolled around and around in an iron bowl until it assumes a pear shape.

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glass blowing business an impossibility. It is a rarity to meet a glass blower over thirty-five years old.

Sebastian Cabot.

T. W. Higginson, writing in Harper's Magazine, says: Sebastian Cabot was certainly in one sense the discoverer of America; it was he who first made sure that it was a wholly new and unknown continent.

A writer for a New York paper tells this curious story: Mr. Herbert Kelcey, as all my readers know, is leading heavy man at Wallack's theatre.

A gentleman of my acquaintance was recently calling on two young ladies in a handsome house on Fifth avenue, the number of which I am not at liberty to give, and would not give it if I were.

"Well, old man, what's the matter with you?" "Oh! I have got the fever and ague." "Do you shake much?" "Shake! well, I should say so; you should see me about 4 o'clock in the afternoon if you want to see some hard shaking."

"Well, I'm with you, I can sell you anything you want. I'm a new man on the road, but I told the boys when I started out that I could teach 'em a few tricks, and I'm here to do it. I'm bound to sell if it takes the hair off."

The biggest strap for transmitting motive power to machinery is probably that recently put up at Berlin. Its width is about six feet three inches, and its weight one and a half tons.

The Anchor.

As, many a time, within the zone of palms, In beauteous haven of some Indian land, The voyager beholds, at noontide calms, His anchor biting in the golden sand.

An enormous swell—A balloon. A penny perfume is not always worth a scent. "Money makes the mare go. Yes, but late suppers make the nightmare come."

A young woman in Oil City possesses a bass voice with a compass to D flat on the bass clef. When she sees a rat the neighbors know it.—Boston Post.

Grabbing at a fortune is very much like grabbing at a strange cat—that cat doesn't always seem to be where she was when you started the grabbing.—Puck.

New Yorkers seem fairly to worship wealth. They have elected to their legislature two bankers, five journalists and one plumber.—Philadelphia News.

"Yes," said the fair but false young vocalist to Bumbleton, "that is an old English song with a refrain." "Ah," replied the crusty critic, "that just suits me. Refrain from singing it."

A man advertised for "a helpmate, who shall be a companion of my heart, my head, my lot." A candidate for the situation wrote: "I don't care to know anything about your head or heart; but how big is your lot?"

Illinois is worrying over the question, "Who shall step into David Davis' shoes?" The next senator may step into David's shoes, but by the great American desert he'd better keep out of the old man's trousers if he wants to be found in time to draw any pay.—Hawkeye.

The First Trial of Attempted Suicide.

Dora Huber was called to the bar of the general sessions court in New York for trial by Assistant District Attorney O'Byrne. Three weeks previous Dora drank a cup of milk in which she had placed phosphorus matches.

According to a correspondent of a trade journal it is a mistake to suppose that fruit is absolutely necessary to the manufacture of preserves.

A late report from the East says that the Chinese and Japanese have discovered that cheese can be manufactured from a species of bean which they have long eaten as a vegetable.

In Eastern Massachusetts are seven nail mills, operating 300 machines and turning out an average of 10,000 kegs per week, mostly for the home trade, but furnishing shipments for Cuba and South America.

Seal-brown plush hats, closely resembling seal chapeaux in shape and color, are made to look very stylish and handsome by trimming them with a golden pheasant on one side and a soft knot of plush on the other, held by a large gold buckle set with Parisian gems of purest ray serene.

Of public confidence from other preparations of Sarsaparilla and other Blood-purifiers of whatever name to Hood's Sarsaparilla is the signal triumph of a meritorious article.

Mr. D. H. Barnaby, of Oswego, New York, says that his daughter was taken with a violent cold which terminated with pneumonia, and all the best physicians gave the case up and said she could not live but a few hours at most.

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