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MAKING A BASEBALL.

The Winding Process Is Done In Secret In a Locked Room.

In the center of the standard baseball, as used by the professional players, there is a globe of compressed cork covered with rubber. This globe is about an inch in diameter and around it are wound a few layers of coarse twine. It is then sent to the winding room, where machines first wind on thick four ply blue yarn. At frequent intervals the ball is soaked in a cement solution and put aside to dry.

Many different workers have to do with the winding of the ball. Each workman tests it for size and weight before he passes it along. The machines insure tight and even winding and there are different machines for different sizes of yarn. These machines are operated in secret in a locked room. When the ball has been wound to the proper size with blue and white yarn and has been dipped in the solution, it is wound finally with smaller yarn. Thus the firm, rough center is overlaid with finer and finer material until at last it is smooth and perfect, ready for the cover.

The best horsehide obtainable is used for covers. The pieces are cut by hand and dampened and stretched. The ball is put into clamps and the cover sewed on with cotton thread, which has a greater frictional strength than linen or silk. Each ball is sewed by hand and then put into a machine that irons down the seams. The polishing is done by still another machine. Then, after being stamped and wrapped, the ball is ready for market.

A ball weighs five ounces and is nine inches in circumference. In the course of manufacture it is weighed and measured five times.—Harper's Weekly.

NEW YORK'S FIRST CHURCH.

And the Earliest Religious Services on Manhattan Island.

The first religious service on Manhattan Island was held in 1628. This resulted in the organization of a church, the services of which were held in the upper story of a mill which ground the grain of the colonists. The first minister was Jonas Michaelius and the first elder Peter Minuit, director general of New Netherland.

The first church building on Manhattan Island was situated on Pearl street, between Whitehall and Broad streets, facing the East river. This structure was a poor, plain building of wood and constructed in 1633 by the West India company. Its congregation was presided over by Dominie Bogardus, the second clergyman of New Amsterdam, and was regarded as a more fitting place than the loft of the mill for public worship.

William Kieft, director general of the West India company, caused to be erected a church outside of Fort Amsterdam, which contained three long, narrow windows on each side, fitted with small panes of glass set in lead, on which were burned the coats of arms of the chief parishioners. This building was erected in the meadow of Mrs. Dominie Drisius and fronted on a lane, now called Exchange place. In these days, however, it was known as "Garden alley." A large bowl of solid silver for baptismal services was made by the silver workers in Holland. In the belfry was the bell which had been removed from the old church in the fort.—Westchester County Magazine.

Mark Twain's Question.

Mark Twain when visiting Melbourne was the guest of the mayor on a picnic trip down the river Yarra, a stream renowned for its crookedness and for the odor from its banks. On account of the many turns in the river numerous signs reading "Dead Slow" are placed at the turnings to warn ship captains to slacken speed, and these attracted Twain's attention. Sniffing cautiously at the tainted breeze that came from the stinky banks, he turned to his host.

"Mr. Mayor," he asked, "what are these dead slows that smell so strong?"

Radium's Wonderful Power.

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A Household Hint.

Young Wife (sobbing)—George treated me awful mean. He—he promised to give me a machine for my birthday, and it—it—came home today. Her Mother—Then what are you crying about? Young Wife—It's a—it's a washing machine.—Baltimore American.

A Cold Wave.

"Yes, and after she refused me she waved her hand in farewell."
"Sort of a cold wave, wasn't it?"

IN PRAISE OF FARMERS.
Man's true vocation is to cultivate the soil.—Napoleon.
Moreover, the profit of the earth is for all. The king himself is served by the field.—Eclesiastes.
A man of knowledge, like rich soil, feeds.
If not a world of corn, a world of weeds.
—Poor Richard.
Farmers are in partnership with all labor. They should join hands with all the sons and daughters of toil and remember that all who work belong to the same noble family.—Ingersoll.

Whoever can make two ears of corn or two blades of grass to grow upon a spot of ground where only one grew before deserves better of mankind and does more essential service to his country than the whole race of politicians put together.—Dean Swift.

SUPERSTITION.
Superstition, in all times and among all nations, is the fear of a spirit whose passions are those of a man, whose acts are the acts of a man; who is present in some places, not in others; who makes some places holy and not others; who is kind to one person and unkind to another; who is pleased or angry according to the degree of attention you pay him or praise you refuse him; who is hostile generally to human pleasure, but may be bribed by a sacrifice of a part of that pleasure into permitting the rest. This, whatever form of faith it takes, is the essence of superstition.—Ruskin.

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