



Indian Basketry: With 300 Illustrations (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from Indian Basketry: With 300 Illustrations What would be the civilized man of to-day without the art of weaving - the soft art that surrounds his home with comforts and his life with luxuries? Nay he deems them necessities. Could he do without his woven woollen or cotton underwear, his woven socks, his woven clothing? Where would be his bed linen and blankets, his carpets, his curtains, his portieres? His every day life is so intimately associated with weaving that he has ceased to think about it, and yet it is all owing to the work of primitive, aboriginal woman that he is thus favored. For there is not a weave of any kind, no matter how intricate or involved, that the finest looms Of England or America produce to-day under the direction Of the highest mechanical genius, that was not handed down to us, not in crude form, but as perfect as we now find it, by our savage ancestry in their basketry and kindred work. Interest in the arts and industries of our aboriginal tribes has grown...



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