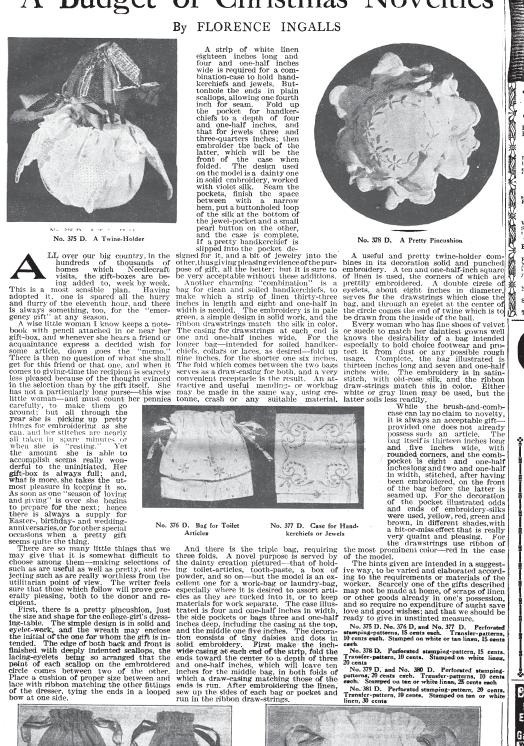
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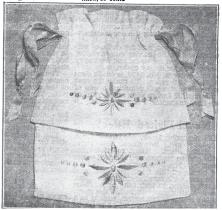








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# This \$6.00 SWITCH \$419 Stylish Garments for the Young Girl



### Misses' Coat

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HILE simplicity must be maintained in all the frocks and other garments of young girls, they none the less make the styles of older women attractive. In the illustration, No. 6429, we show a new cutaway coat, short darts fitting the shoulders, the sleeves inserted in the regulation way, and the back very long and sloping to a point. This last arrangement can be varied to suit individual taste. In the front of the coat there is a little fitted vest, cut across at the waistline by a belt, and trimmed at the top with a roll-collar and little revers, which overlie the neck of the coat, making the one collar answer for both.

These coats are made of fur cloth, of velvet, plush, and of the heavier woolen cloths. They are also used for satin, and for heavy repe-materials for dressy costumes.

The coat-pattern, No. 6429, is cut in sizes for 14, 16 and 18 years. To make the coat in the medium size will require 3 yards of dark material 27 inches wide and 1 yard of 38-inch light material. Price of pattern, 10 cents.

### Novel Plaited Effect

THIS charming frock, No. 6412, for a young girl, introduces the novel platted effect. Numbers of dresses have the plaited effect. Numbers of dresses have the plaited eplum, and it is well to use all novelties while they last.

The blouse of this frock has sleeve and body in one, with surplice-closing in front, and a large collar to trim the neck. There is also a small chemistete inside the neck. While the sleeve is full length, ending in a band cuff, it can be shortened as much as desired by the individual.

The plaited peplum can be omitted, if pre-

ferred; but it is one of the very latest features of all dresses made of reasonably thin materials.

Theskirt has three gores and closes in front. For this dress such fabrics as charmeuse, crepe de Chine, brocaded silk combined with velvet and many of the very lightweight woolens, are suitable.

The dress-pattern, No. 6412, is cut in sizes for 14, 16 and 18 years. To make the dress in the medium size will require 44 yards of 44-inch material. Price of pattern, 10 cents.

### A Very French Effect

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Any young lady attending college or high school, or going about in her own town will find this frock, No. 6404, one of many novelties. It has a very low drop-shoulder, with the usual puff sleeve below it, a deep chemisette and front-closing to the blouse, and a bodice with sleeve and body cut in one, with the long seam on the shoulder.

The skirt has a deep round yoke, with a center-front panel, cut in one with the rest of the skirt, but with an extension to the belt. The lower part of the skirt is gathered and attached to the yoke.

This style is good for plaid Kcheviot, for chiffon - velvet, for charmeus, for brocaded faille, and other fabrics that drape gracefully.

The dress-pattern, No. 6404, is cut in sizes for 14, 16 and 18 years. To make the dress in the medium size will require 3½ yards of 44-inch material, with § of a yard of 27-inch contrasting goods. Price of pattern, 10 cents.

This model, No. 6428, has the stylish drop-shoulder, with shoulder-seam, a plain full-length sleeve, and a center-front closing. There is a pretty collar, and this is joined to small notched revers. A peplum of pointed shape, fitting the figure, completes the blouse, producing the coat-effect.

Forming a separate garment is the three-gore skirt, which fastens in front.

These suits are handsome in plain cloth, in matelasse materials, in brocades, and in velveteen of light weight. The collar and revers should be of something bright, oriental colorings with metallic threads being both new and pretty.

The dress-pattern, No. 6428, is cut in sizes for 14, 16 and 18 years. To make the dress in the medium size will require 34 yards of 44-inch material. Price of pattern, 10 cents.

### Misses' Blouse-Coat

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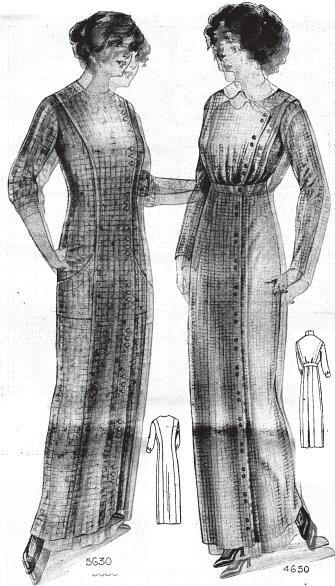
THE blouse-coat is used as a separate
garment quite as often as in making
part of a costume. In this model, No.
6414, the coat is designed to offer real protection against the cold.

The coat hangs straight from the shoulders
to the hem, the fulness held in at the waist
by a fancy girdle or sash. The coat closes
right up to the throat, where there is a small
turnover collar. The plain, full-length
sleeve is inserted without any fulness whatever. From the waistline down in the back
the center of the coat is stitched to give a
panel-effect.

The new cloakings, zibeline, chinchilla,
duvetine, wool velours, tweed mixtures and
English cheviots are used for the coats and
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velvets when they form part of a dressy
costume.

The coat-pattern, No. 6414, is cut in
sizes for 14, 16 and 18 years. To make the
coat in the medium size will require 2½ yards
of 54-inch material, with 1 yard of 24-inch
velvet to trim. Price of pattern, 10 cents.

# Useful Garments for Morning Wear of a separate peplum; again it is frankly a continuation of the upper part of the coat. Great Variety in the Peplum.—The coat-tail has become the peplum, or is it the re-coarse? Note that the peplum is the peplum or is it the re-coarse? WUDSON LYNX FUR SETS EXPRESS PREPAID \$10 Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. HUDSON LYNX FUR SETS EXPRESS PREPAID \$10 Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. HUDSON LYNX FUR SETS EXPRESS PREPAID \$10 Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. HUDSON LYNX FUR SETS EXPRESS PREPAID \$10 Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. HUDSON LYNX FUR SETS EXPRESS PREPAID \$10 Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. HUDSON LYNX FUR SETS EXPRESS PREPAID \$10 Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. HUDSON LYNX FUR SETS EXPRESS PREPAID \$10 Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. HUDSON LYNX FUR SETS EXPRESS PREPAID \$10 Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. HUDSON LYNX FUR SETS EXPRESS PREPAID \$10 Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full properties. HUDSON LYNX FUR SETS EXPRESS PREPAID \$10 Guaranteed to be satisfactory in every particular or full proper



### As Apron or Dress

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HIS one-piece overgarment is designed to be worn either as an apron or as a dress. When intended to serve as a dress it can easily be made fairly ornamental, as the illustration, No. 5630, proves. The garment is cut on princesse lines, with a panel down the center of front and back. This is shaped in to the figure at the waistline. The side-sections are joined to the central panels by French darts, running from the shoulder-seam to the hem of the garment. Stitched in with the front panel are two large pockets, with elongated tongues along the seam, to avoid tearing.

The sleeves are of bishop design, with a trifle of fulness at both shoulder and elbow, where they end.

As shown, this garment was made as a house- or working-dress. The material was a fancy gingham and all seams were made with loose edges on the outside, looking almost like folds. When a plain apron is desired a heavy, inexpensive gingham will serve, and the seams can be stitched in the ordinary way. A touch of ornament can always be given by the use of some pretty insertion around the neck and the ends of the sleeves.

The apron-pattern, No, 5630, is cut in sizes from 32 to 42 inches bust measure. To make the apron in the medium size will require 54 yards of 36-inch material. Price of pattern, 10 cents.

### For the Housewife

THE good housewife whom scripture praises in such high terms is sure to be a woman of neatness of habit. She is one who will appreciate the style and simplicity of the dress illustrated herewith, No. 4650.

This neat little frock has a plain bodice, with a tuck at each shoulder in front and back. This extends to the belt and forms a panel in each instance. The neck may have a high plain collar, or the turnover model may be used, and it is usually preferred, as more comfortable. The sleeves have a little fulness at the shoulder, and fit the arm snugly to the wrist. The opening of the waist is at the left side of the front.

A seven-gore skirt is attached to this waist. If its neatly all around, and has a reversed box plait in the center of the back. The closing of the skirt as of the waist is at the left side of the front.

Cashmere, brilliantine, challis, gingham, and other wash-materials may be used for this dress.

The dress-pattern, No. 4650, is cut in sizes from 32 to 42 inches bust measure. To make the dress in the medium size will require 5½ yards of 36-inch material. Price of pattern, 10 cents.

### The Trend of Fashion ${\it Continued from page 5}$

waist, or extending far down on the hip, plain, gathered, plaited, slashed. There is no rule, no limit, everything is just as you like it.

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Wherever there is a peculiarity of cut we are sure to flud it emphasized by a piping of velvet, usually of black, or of the dress color. This is in no way striking; but it plcks out the lines of the coat and gives that nameless something which we call style.

The length of the coat varies as much as the general cut. Some of the new models have very short jackets, indeed they amount to nothing in front, but all of them have—some sort of tail in the back. This may be square, or round, or pointed, long or short, but it is there. Sometimes it takes the form

of a separate peplum; again it is frankly a continuation of the upper part of the coat. Great Variety in the Peplum.—The coattail has become the peplum, or is it the reverse? No matter, the result is exactly the same. The peplum has become a necessary feature of the modern coat. In some models, such as the cutaway, it can hardly be called a peplum; but even these are often cut straight across at the waist, and the tails form a separate and distinct portion of the coat. There is a preference for the fuller and more ornamental styles, and one of the best liked of all is the accordion-plaited one. Naturally this is not a possible arrangement, except for the softer materials.

In all the lightweight crepe-weaves, in chiffon, in other tissues, nameless but of more or less sheer texture, we find the preference given to the plaited peplum. It is not always the accordion plait that is used; for the small box plait, each one touching the one next to it, is also much seen. In such materials as charmeuse and crepe de Chine, when used for afternoon, the many varieties of platted peplum are preferred. In such fabrics as chiffon relvet we find the gathered models most in favor, while for cloths of any weight the plain peplum, with only a few queer seams, perhaps, is decidedly in the lead.

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A Pretty Needlebook

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HE cabalistic caption above, rightly interpreted, signifies "Mendon Merry Christmas Club."

It was the doctor's wife who isvaried it; she is always thinking of the loveliest things in the world to do. You see, all that happy summer the ladies of Mendon had met regularly every two weeks, and had enjoyed the best of good times. On the particular afternoon that the M. M. C. C. met, the secretary stated that the last dollar had been pald on the new church-carpet, and so there seemed nothing for the "Aid" to do but disband until there should be more work to do.

It did seem a pity to give up the pleasant, sociable meetings, and every-body said so. The doctor's wife did more than say so.

"Why should we give them up?" she asked. "Sociability is everything in a small neighborhood like ours. Why not continue our meetings regularly, every fortnight or, at least, once a month? Just now we should be getting ready for Christmas, and filling those gift-boxes of ours. Let us form a society, every member of which shall be required to bring something new in the way of a little gift, cost not to exceed twenty-five cents, to show and describe at each meeting."

"That's a perfectly lovely idea!"

"The chorus was universal and eager, without a dissenting voice; and so the Mendon Merry Christmas Club was organized. Two weeks from that day the first meeting was called to order by the doctor's wife, unanimously elected president.

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Every woman had a notebook and pencil: and every woman carried, also, a mysterious small package, which she opened as her turn came in the circle about the room. It was little Mrs. Newman's turn first. She displayed a pretty crocheted needlebook:

"The idea is not especially new," said she; "but I have varied the way of making it. For materials you want a spool of silk-finished crochet-cotton in any desired color—I preferred pink, as you see—a piece of cord the size of a small corset-string, and one yard of half-inch ribbon. Tie thread to end of cord, make 12 doubles over the cord, each in 1st stich to form a ring, then continue around and around, catching over the cord into top of stitch in previous round. Work in this way are the same and a required by putting 2 stitches in 1, in order to keep the work flat. Having made the center as large as required, cut the cord and continue with the thread.

"In the content of the center of the center."

"In Chain 8, \*miss 2 doubles, a double treble between next 2, chain 3; repeat from \*a round, ioining to 3d of 8 chain. There should be 32 double trebles in all, forming spaces in which to run the ribbon.

"2. A single under 3 chain, chain 3 for a treble, 2 trebles, 2 chain and 3 trebles under same chain, \*chain 2, a double under same chain, \*chain 2, a double under same chain, \*chain 2, a double wice, chain 3, fasten between 2 trebles) twice, (chain 3, fasten between 2 trebles) twice, (chain 3, fasten under 2 chain, twice; repeat around, joining last 2 chain to top of 3 chain.

"3. (Chain 3, fasten between 2 trebles) twice, (chain 3, fasten between 2 trebles) twice, (chain 3, fasten under 2 chain) twice; repeat around, joining last 2 chain to top of 3 chain.

The only belt that can be worm under a winter and shaped to fit. Over half a million now in shaped to fit. Over half a million now in shaped to fit. Over half a million now in so. Made to measure up to 30 in. waist, 36c each or from 150 posterior half a million now in so. Made to measure up to 30 in. waist, 36c each or from 150 posterior half a million now in some than the same way, run ribbon in the spaces and fastle state the back in a pretty bow, catching back and front together. Cut three circles of white flannel, each a little larger than the preceding, buttonhole them with the couton. catch together. Cut three circles of white flannel, each a little larger than the preceding, buttonhole them with the couton. catch together. Cut three with the couton. Catch together. Cut three circles of white flannel, each a little larger than the preceding, buttonhole them with the couton. Catch together with a tiny bow of the ribbon, and fasten in place."

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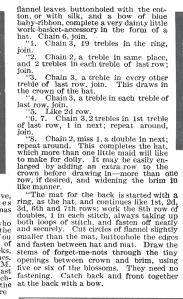
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A Butterfly Sachet "For the rose directions which have many

"the appeared may be used.
"Chain 6, join.
"1. Chain 6, (a treble in ring, chain 3) 5 times, join to 3d of 6 chain. This gives 6

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consider a useful, pretty, inexpensive little gift."

Everybody agreed, heartily; and then Mrs. Ross produced her contribution.

"Don't you dare laugh!" said she, "I sold dozens of these penwipers at the church fair, and hadn't time to get up anything else for to-day. The foundation is a wishbone, properly cleaned and polished. Put on sealing-wax feet, black in color, and a little head of the same material, painting on the latter a red mouth, nose and eyes. Cut an oval piece of chamois-skin two and one-half by four and one-half inches, slip a hole in the center and put the head through; cut another piece just a trifle larger, notch the edges slightly, and with a pen and black inkletter the following inscription on one half of the piece as it is folded across the center:

"Once I was a wishbone

edges slightly, and with a pen and black ink letter the following inscription on one half of the piece as it is folded across the center:

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"And grew upon a hen:

"This a little hood of the chamois over the head, and a very odd little desk-accessory is completed," "I all the hood of the chamois over the head, and a very odd little desk-accessory is completed," "Me, too!" laughed Mrs. Byers: "only I have put the wishbone to different purpose—in fashioning a holder for that souvenir thimble.

"Take a well shaped wishbone, thoroughly cleaned and dried—the may be gilded, if you desire—and cover closely with double-crobet stitches, pushing them together so that the wishbone is entirely concealed save ends and middle. Work one side at a time. When you reach the center, or top, turn, make a double in each double, taking up both veins of the stitch, turn, chain 3, \* a treble in next double, chain 1, repeat to end, making a double in last stitch, turn, chain 2, treble in treble, crier 2 chain, turn, and under cach 2 chain make 3 doubles. Flinish other side in same way. For the thimble-case take a brass ring, three-fourths inch in diameter, or of a size which will touch both sides of the wishbone midway from center to top, cover with double crochet, work 2 rows around with a double in each stitch, taking up both veins of stitch, then gradually decrease by putting hook through 2 stitches instead of 1, until in the 11th row you have narrowed to a point. If preferred, the work may be begun at the point and widned, working over the ring with last row. Sew the case in place, catching into the doubles at each side of wishbone, and finish with loops and bows of



A Quaint Pen-wiper

"The rose needlebook is made as follows:
For the back, chain 6, join.

"1. Chain 3, 18 trebles in ring, join.

"2. Chain 5, \* treble in next treble.chain 2; repeat from \* around and join to 3d of 5 chain.

"3. A single in 1st space, chain 3, a treble in same space, \* chain 1, 2 trebles under next chain; repeat around, chain 1 and join to top of 3 chain.

"4. A single back under last 1 chain, \* chain 5, miss 2 trebles, fasten under 1 chain; repeat around.

"5. Slip-stitch (or single crochet) to 3d of 5 chain, chain 5, fasten under next 5 chain; repeat around and fasten off.



A Netted Shopping-Bag

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away.
"The wide row is at each end of the strip,

away.

"The wide row is at each end of the strip,
you know," further explained Mrs. Altman;
'and the bar is netted over that row. Then
draw up the sides with the cord, put on the
landles, and you have the best
earrier for bundles that can possibly be imagined."

"It don't think we should forget
the babies in our gfft-making,"
said Mrs. Binder, producing the
daintiest pair of little felt shoes
ever seen. "These are intended
for a wee one first putting on short
clothes, and will be found most
satisfactory, as they launder beauiffully. Procure the best white
felt, and wash it in hot and then
in cold water before making up.
They are cut exactly like the
'store shoes,' with sole, vamp
and upper, the latter high enough
to admit of a pretty turnover.
By looking at a pair of little kid
shoes, or larger laced shoes, one
can easily cut a pattern; then cut
a shoe from some old cloth and
sew it up to make sure of a good
it' before cutting the felt. Having obtained an accurate pattern,
preserve it; a half yard of felt will
make any number of the bits of
footgear, and every mother will

baby-ribbon, matching in color the crochetisk or silk-finished cotton used for crocheting."

Said Miss Stewart, the quiet little schoolteacher: "A memorandum-block proved among the most acceptable and attractive of my little gifts last season, combining utility with daintiness. Procure several utility with daintiness. Procure several small blocks of paper, according to the number you wish to make, and of desirable size. I used those about two and one-fourth inches wide and three and three-fourths inches long. Cut a piece of pasteboard of the same size, and a piece of pinen large enough to cover the pasteboard of the same size, and a piece of linen large enough to cover the pasteboard of the size of the pinen embroider any little design—forget-me-nots or other small flowers. Or



the doctor's wife promptly laid a silver quarter on the table, to be taken in charge by the treasurer. "Fine number one," she laughed; "and it couldn't be paid in a better cause. I shall have a new proposition to be voted on next time."

If the nome dressmaker has never had the courage to attempt to make a coat, now is the time for her to do so. She may get material that is nice and so inexpensive that it really seems too bad to take it to a tailor and pay several times more than it cost to have it made, at a time when styles are so easily made as at present.



### Hints for the Embroiderer

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WHEN embroidering cotton crepes, marquisettes, and similar materials, first paste muslin underneath the design to be worked, and work through the two. When finished cut carefully will be beautiful work, firm and without a pucker. To give machine-embroidered neckwear and waists a handmade finish, embroider over them in white or color, saving the time of stamping and padding. The result is very effective.

Instead of using embroidery-hoops, baste your material on to stiff brown wrapping-paper. It is easier to work this way, and does not stretch the material as the hoops do.

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Use round corset-lacing for padding scallop embroidery. No extra stitching or basting is needed. Fasten the lacing to the material where you begin button-holing.

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A VERY quaint coverlet for the bed of the smaller children can be made of linen. Hemstitch the hem, which should be three or three and one-half inches in depth. About two inches above the hem arrange a nursery-stencil of ducks, animals or a butterfly-and-bee motif.



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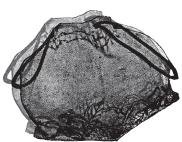
## Gifts Which Men Will Like

By MARY B. HAZLETON











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## Piano-Scarf in Madeira Embroidery

By LEONA BUSH

OR the upright piano, seen in so many homes, a handsome scart is really a necessity. The one presented is of very pleasing design, expressive of its purpose, plain and simple. Complete, it is eighty-four inches in length and twenty inches wide, and the two-inch hem is fluished with a border of ladder-hemstitching.

Madeira embroidery—a combination of solid and eyelet-work—is quite too well known to require specific description. Few of the best workers neglect the preliminary of running the outline of the design with fine stitches; for eyelets this row of stitches is overcast or whipped with a second row, passing the needle under each of the first stitches, lying on the surface of the work, so that a padding-thread is carried all around. The eyelet is now punched, the stilletto being pressed through nutil the hole is of proper size, not stretching the line at all, and the edge is then worked with the over-and-over-stitch, taking up very little of the material and the same amount each time, and placing the stitches close together, yet not allowing one to overlap another. A little practise, with the determination to exect, is and that is necessary to make the bottonhole so of proper size, not stretching the site of the material and the same amount each time, and placing the stitches close together, yet not allowing one to overlap another. A little practise, with the determination to exect, is and that is necessary to make the bottonhole so thread in the same amount each time, and placing the stitches close together, yet not allowing one to overlap another. A little practise, with the determination to exect, is and the same amount each time, and placing the stitches are accounted to the full size, but without the stand disappears, as I feel stand for an hour, then change the milk and the very stream of the work is the stand disappears, as I feel stand for an hour, then change the milk and surface of the work.

WE all find it necessary to rework the buttonholes in our knit underwar, and the covering stitches are the

io, and wind.— Emma Williams.

IF mothers will make their little tots' petticoats to button on shoulders instead of up the back, they can be put on and taken off with out changing the dressquite a saving of time and work, as every busy mother will appreciate. appreciate.— Mrs. W. R. Bur-



IN hemming table-linen, when ordinary hem is laid, fold hem back on the right side, pinch it down flat, and overcast closely and finely. It is much more quickly and neatly done than in the ordinary way. I am just now hemming fine double damask in this very manner, and laid it down to send this hint to Needlecraft, hoping to help some sister subscriber.— $E.\ G.$ 

IT is, of course, always the better plan to make crochet lace of special length, so that it will not require cutting; when it is necessary to cut a long strip into shorter ones, however, stitch across four times on the machine, then cut between the rows of stitching. This will effectually prevent raveling.—Mrs. Alice Woodruff.

LET me suggest to those who desire patterns for embroidering or darning Brussels-net for curtains, that any pattern in cross-stitch or filet-crochet which has a vine of small flowers or leaves, will serve nicely. A simple border, with space between in which may be worked stars or other figures, is very pretty.—Anna Steffens.

THE busy mother who has a great many tapes and drawstrings to run into her little folks' garments, will find it a saving of time to fasten a medium-size safety-pin in the end of tape, clasp it, and use as a bodkin. It will fit any size of tape.—Mrs. Nellie Worthman.

needle with two strands of dark hair, pass the needle between the broken meshes, draw them together to look like the original mesh, tie the hair in several knots, so that it will noid securely and clip the ends. Until you lave tried this you have no idea what a neat bit of mending it is.—Cora D.

WHEN doing embroidery, whether for household or personal use or adornment, choose first the very best of material; then, instead of trying to finish a piece in the shortest possible time, endeavor to do it well, and to secure the best and loveliest

Mrs. J. L. H.



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### WHAT OTHER NEEDLE-WORKERS HAVE FOUND OUT

THIS department is open to all our subscribers. If you have made a discovery which proves helpful to you in plain sewing, embroidery or lacemaking, do not fail to send it to Needleeraft's editor, in order that others may share the benefit. For each of the three bette most helpful, original, and practical, a crisp dollar bill will be awarded.

Buttonholes will be much neater if placed in a small embroidery-hoop while you are working them. I use the hoop also when hemstitching, to keep the work straight.— $N.\ L.\ B.$ 

NEVER use a hot iron when pressing white silk or ribbon, for the heat quickly turns it yellow. Simply have the iron hot enough to dry the silk. Very hot irons, to, take the life out of such fabrics.— $Mrs.\ A.\ J.\ B.$ 

WHEN gathering any portion of a garmake two runs, and draw these from opposite directions; in this way you get the work even, and it is done quickly.—Mary L. Cates.

TRY my plan for renovating quite large pieces of velvet: Let the fire in your a blessing to the woman caught out in range die down, wring a thick cloth out of a shower with her "very best hat" on and no cold water and spread over the top of stove, umbrella: Buy three-fourths to a yard of then spread the velvet, right side up, on the order side and the velvet, right side up, on the order side and the velvet, right side up, on the this a circle large enough to cover the hat

OFTEN a veil that is otherwise good will become torn at the edge of the hatrim. Instead of throwing it away, thread a needle with two strands of dark hair, pass the needle between the broken meshes, draw them together to look like the original mesh, tie the hair in several knots, so that it will hold securely and clip the ends. Until you have tried this you have no idea what a neat bit of mending it is.—Cora D.

WHEN gathering ruffles, small skirts, and even tops and bottoms of sleeves, or bottom of waists, try letting out the stitch on your sewing-machine as long as possible, then hold your hand on the spool, and you can make the gathers as close as you want them, and they will slide along on the top thread as desired.—Mrs. Bessie Crary.



and come down under the brim, run a narrow casing around the outer edge, and in this run an elastic or tape. The cover is so light and compact that it may be tucked in the crown of the hat, or kept in a handbag, as preferred.—Mary Wellington.

effect. Unless care is taken one would better not put time and expense on embroidery. -Mrs, B, B, P. HE busy mother who has a great many tapes and drawstrings to run into her little folks garments, will find it a saving of



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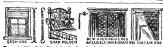
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### Child's Tatted Collar BY MAE G. CLARK

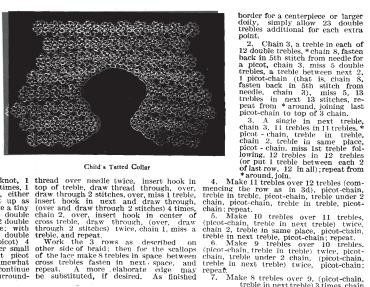
Child's Tatted Collar

BY MAE G CLARK

THE wheels, of which this pretty collar is formed, are made as follows: I double knot, 1 double knot, close and the securety, either cutting the thread or drawing it up as inconspicuously as possible. Make a tiny ring of 2 double knots, picot, 2 double knots,

### Wave-Braid Insertion and Lace

BY MRS. M. J. MYERS



thread over needle twice, insert hook in top of treble, draw thread through, over, draw through 2 stitches, over, miss 1 treble, insert hook in next and draw through, (over and draw through 2 stitches) 4 times, chain 2, over, insert hook in center of cross treble, draw through, (over, draw through 2 stitches) twice, chain 1, miss a treble, and repeat.

through 2 stitches) twice, chain 1, miss a treble, and repeat.

Work the 3 rows as described on other side of braid: then for the scallops of the lace make 8 trebles in space between cross trebles fasten in next space, and repeat. A more elaborate edge may be substituted, if desired. As finished

chain, treble unuer & cinam.
treble in next treble) twice, picot-chain;
repeat.

7. Make 8 trebles over 9, (picot-chain,
treble in next treble) 3 times, chain
2, treble in same place, (picotchain, treble in sext treble)
twice, picot-chain; repeat.

8. Like 6th row, with 4 picotchains each side of treble in center, and trebles in solid point.

9. Like 6th row, 4 picot-chains
each side, 2 trebles with 2 chain
between in center, and 6 trebles
over 7 trebles in point.

10. Like 6th row, 5 trebles
over 6, and 5 picot-chains each
Side of center treble.

11. Like 7th, 4 trebles over
5 and 5 picot-chains each
side of center treble.

12. Like 6th, 3 trebles over
13. Like 6th, 3 trebles over

b. and 5 picot-chains each side of the 2 trebles, separated by 2 chain.

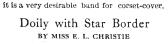
12. Like 6th, 3 trebles over 4, and 6 picot-chains each side of center treble.

13. Like 7th, 2 trebles over 3, and 6 picot-chains cach side of the 2 trebles, with 2 chain between, in center.

14. Make 1 treble between 2, (picot-chain, treble in next treble) 6 times, picot-chain, treble in next treble) 6 times, picot-chain, treble in next treble) 6 times, picot-chain, trepat.

A luncheon-set may be made after this design, increasing or decreasing the width of border by commencing with a greater or less number of trebles in the point.

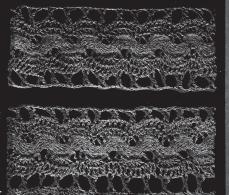
Thus, if you commence with 7 trebles, it will narrow to 1 treble in six rows. Instead of having a linen center, too, one can make a crocheted center of plain trebles or doubles, widening to keep the mat perfectly flat; or, at intervals, there may be a row of spaces.



Doily with Star Border

STRIKE a circle on linen the size desired for center of doily—in the model this circle is three inches in diameter. Out a little outside the line, roll a very narrow hem and buttonhole the edge closely or work in double crochet.

1. Chain 4 for a double treble, a double reble in each stitch all around, join. There should be 23 double trebles allowed for each point, or 207 in all. If you wish to make the



Wave-Braid Insertion and Lace

stitch, forming a space 23 times, turn.

2. Chain 5, a treble in next treble (always form the 1st space in this manner) 13 more spaces, made by chain 2, treble in next treble, 10 trebles consecutively, counting all, 7 spaces, turn.

3. Make 6 spaces, 16 trebles, 2 spaces, 4 trebles, 10 spaces, turn.

turn.
4. Make 10 spaces, 28 trebles, 5 spaces, turn.
5. Make 5 spaces, 10 trebles, 2 spaces, 10 trebles, 2 turn.

turn.
6. Make 16 spaces, 10 trebles, 5 spaces, turn.
7. Make 6 spaces, 7 trebles, 9 spaces, 7 trebles, 5 spaces, turn.
8. Make 4 spaces, 7 trebles, 10 spaces, 4 trebles, 7 spaces, turn.

turn.

9. Make 7 spaces, 7 trebles, 5 spaces, 7 trebles, 1 space, 10 trebles, 4 spaces, turn.

10. Make 5 spaces, 34 trebles, 2 spaces, 7 trebles, 4 spaces, turn.

11. Make 3 spaces, 13 trebles, 7 spaces, 7 trebles, 3 spaces, 10 trebles, 2 spaces, 10 trebles, 2 spaces, 10 trebles, 12. Make 1 space, 67 trebles, 1 space, turn.

space, turn. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18. Like

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11th, 10th, 9th, 8th, 7th and 6th rows. 19. Make 5

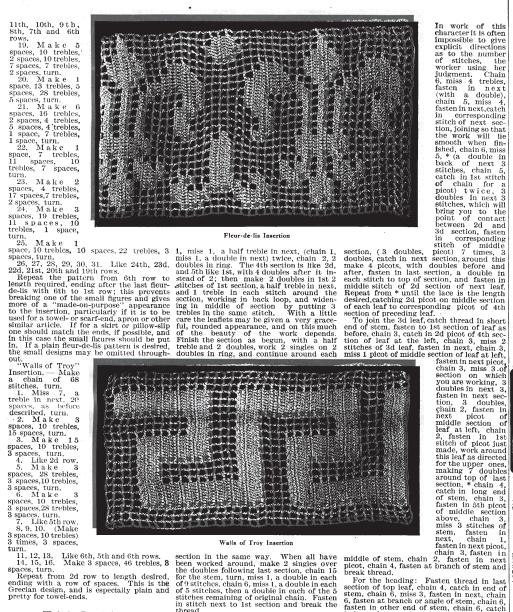
8th, 7th and 6th rows, 19, Make 5 spaces, 10 trebles, 2 spaces, 10 trebles, 2 spaces, 10 trebles, 2 spaces, 21 trebles, 2 spaces, 2 trebles, 5 spaces, 2 turn. 21. Make 6 spaces, 16 trebles, 2 spaces, 16 trebles, 5 spaces, 4 trebles, 1 space, 17 trebles, 1 space, 17 trebles, 11 spaces, 10 trebles, 11 spaces, 10 trebles, 17 spaces, 10 trebles, 18 spaces, 10 trebles, 18 spaces, 1

spaces, turn.

Repeat from 2d row to length desired, ending with a row of spaces. This is the Greelan design, and is especially plain and pretty for towel-ends.

### Triple-Leaf Lace BY MRS. J. H. BENNETT

UMBER 60 linen thread was used for the sample. The leaves are made



In work of this character it is often impossible to give explicit directions as to the number of stitches, the worker using her judgment. Chain 6, miss 4 trebles, fasten in next (with a double), chain 5, miss 4, fasten in next, catch in corresponding to

pleot, chain 4, fasten at branch of stem and break thread.

For the heading: Fasten thread in last section of top leaf, chain 4, catch in end of stem, chain 6, masten in other end of stem, chain 6, fasten in other end of stem, chain 6, catch in loop of 1st section, chain 6, catch in loop of 1st section, chain 6, catch in loop of next section, chain 4, catch in upper side of last section of next leaf, and repeat from \*.

The next 2 rows are simply chains of 6, fastened in 6 chain of previous row, and the last row, which straightens the edge, is of 3 chain, caught in 6 chain of last row.

This pattern is real "Irish-point" lace, and has been greatly admired. It may be used in a great variety of ways, either as lace, or as motifs. If desired the picot-chains instead of plain chains, may be used for the upper edge.

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