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How to Make Ribbon Flowers

Flowers made from satin and silk are expensive to buy, but that does not mean that these dainty trimmings are difficult to make, merely that the charge is made for the handwork.

Any woman who has plenty of time at her disposal may make a variety of these blossoms to adorn her hats and dresses. A wreath of roses can be used to great advantage in a variety of ways.

To make the rose, take five pieces two and a half inches long. From the same ribbon cut two circles, one an inch in diameter and the other a little larger. Take a three-inch length of millinery wire, silk covered, make a little loop in the end and twist cotton wool around to form a tiny ball. Gather the edge of the smaller circle of ribbon, slip this over the cotton wool, pull the thread tight and twist it several times around the base.

Now proceed to make the petals. Double the larger circle in half, gather the edge and fold around the centre ball.

Fold each two-inch length in half, roll over the top corner outward and backward, put a stitch in each roll to hold it in position and gather the raw edges. When the five petals are made, arrange them as naturally as possible and bind them in place. Secure by stitching.

The calyx is made of soft green ribbon three-quarters of an inch wide. Divide four inches into four (by creasing, not cutting) and gather along one edge, running the needle up and down the creases to bring the ribbon into the required shape.

When as many roses as are needed for the wreath are made, make a circle of strong wire, twist the stems into this and cover the binding with twisted ribbon.

A spray composed of one or two large roses with buds and leaves, all made of ribbon, forms an attractive belt bouquet. To make the flowers and buds look more natural cut the stalks and thick green base of the blossoms from ordinary artificial flowers. Take a piece of thick wire and wrap the looped end round and round with cotton wool until a firm round ball is formed. Cover this with pink silk.

Take a piece of ribbon six inches long and three inches wide. Gather it along both edges with a double heading at one edge only. Arrange this around the ball, with the heading at the top. Next make twelve petals as already described (but using single ribbon), rolling the edges outward and backward so that the petals are almost pointed into the centre. Bind them closely into position and slip the artificial base and stem over the wire.

To make the buds cut two triangular pieces of silk, sew them together along two sides, stuff with cotton wool and gather the edges. Bind two narrow petals firmly to the wire and slip on the stem. Make the leaves of soft silk three and one-half inches long by two inches wide. Double them and sew along the edge, turn inside out and fold them so that the seam lies down the centre. Gather at the lower edge and bind the leaves to a silk-covered wire.

Problems of the Fair Sex Solved by Cynthia Grey

[Correspondents are requested to make their inquiries as brief as possible, and to write on one side of the paper only. It is impossible to give replies within a stated time, as all letters have to be answered in turn as they are received.]

After Andrew Again.

Dear Miss Grey: I am very much interested in your column, and now I write to ask you for a little help. Would you please tell me Andrew Carnegie's address, and oblige.

A.—Mr. Carnegie's British address is 100, Whitehall, London, W.C.2. He is at present in America, a communication addressed to him, care of Steel Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pa., should reach him.

Use Hot Bran.

Dear Miss Grey: Kindly publish a reliable way to dry-clean gray Persian lamb fur, also tell me what you think of my writing. Yours respectfully, F. G. H.

A.—Rub hot bran well into the fur, applying it with the hands, then take a light whip and beat out the bran thoroughly from the skin side.

Calendar for May 13.

Dear Miss Grey: Would you kindly tell me the birthday calendar for May 13, 1912? I am 15 years old, 5 feet 5½ inches tall, how long should my dresses be. Thanking you in advance, I am, A. READER.

A.—"Take care and your undertakings will be successful." I am sure that things which seem too difficult, and are especially careful to mind the rules of health. Those who take a few lessons and often changing, but will generally be successful. 2. Since you are so tall, I think your dresses should come almost to your shoe tops, even though you are young.

Re China Painting.

Dear Miss Grey: Would you kindly answer these questions? I have taken a great fancy to painting china, and hope you can help me. I have a little cream pitcher on which I wish to paint some things in a flower. Would you be so kind to be nice and not difficult? What do you do after you have painted it to keep the color steadfast? Answer as soon as possible, please. Admiringly, BROWN EYES.

A.—China painting is an art, and requires a course of study under a teacher, but if you have artistic tendencies, no doubt you can learn speedily. Since you live in the city, why not take a few evening lessons? It will be much more gratifying to you, I am sure, to have a real knowledge of the process, and be able to show your friends work well done, than to turn out nothing but poor daubs, the result of ignorance. Don't you agree with me?

Books for Katherine.

Dear Miss Grey: 1. Please tell me if two-piece skirts are in style this winter. If so, do you think brown would become me, being as I have rather light hair and gray eyes? What would be a nice style for the waist; also suggest some styles for shoes. 2. I am 14 years old, 5 feet 2½ inches tall, how long should my dresses be. Please publish the names of some good books for girls of 14 years, also authors respectively. 3. I would like to have your opinion of my grammar and writing. 4. Please publish a good recipe for preparing parsley for winter use, pickling or otherwise. 5. What will you kindly give me the proper and up-to-date pronunciation of the opera, Lucia De Lamour? 6. I am writing a story, can you give me any advice? 7. I should advise you to have a four-piece skirt or one with five gores. I think a nice brown shade should become you very well. Why not make the waist in Norfolk style with sailor collar and belt of brown velvet? 8. Quite right, and no doubt you would find it very amusing. I cannot give you the names of any plays, but write to the Penn Publishing Company, Philadelphia, Pa., and I think they will be able to supply you with something suitable. Or, have you inquired at the public library? Doubtless they have a number of simple little sketches on the shelves there, and you could then make your own selection. 9. "Mother Carey's Babies" by Susan Warner. "The Secret Garden" by Frances Hodgson Burnett. "Marjorie's Canadian Boy" by Miss Machett. "Doctor's Children" by L. F. Meade. "Peter and Wendie" by J. M. Barrie. "Louisa M. Alcott is known worldwide for her 'Little Women' and 'Jo's Boys'." Meade is also the writer of many good books besides the one mentioned. Hamilton Wright Maudslayi and Mary B. B. are the writers of many excellent books, including "Heroin's Every Child Should Know," "Good and Bad," "Finger Posts to British History," "Guide to English History," "Book of Kings and Queens," and "Peeps at Many Lands."

10. Your grammar is passable; your writing fairly good. "I know of no book that will keep you from writing to pick the sprigs, wash them carefully, and dry in a slow oven; then break up finely and pack into jars. It is fine for flavoring soups, etc. 6. With newspaper type we cannot print the words which indicate the pronunciation of words, so I would not be able to make it clear to you by printing it here. If you ask for an encyclopedia at the public library you will find the correct pronunciation there.

Womankind

Some members of the Woman's Political Union in New York commenced a "clothes fast" recently, which means that none of its members will buy new clothes until the equal suffrage question has been decided in that city in 1915. A few necessary exceptions, including hosiery, gloves, and plain underwear will be made in the "fast." But every woman must be sure that her hosiery is darned past use before she buys more. Hats will not be worn, except when absolutely necessary. Another clause included in the "clothes fast" pledge states that no Christmas presents are to be given, this money as well as that saved on clothes being devoted instead to "The Cause." It is thought that many men will be won by these economical tactics.

In Toronto, a Canadian Business Women's Club has been formed recently, which accords its members many privileges. Any woman who is self-supporting in any way, is entitled to membership, and, in addition to various study classes, a university extension lecture course is also open, for such subjects as sociology, geology, botany, constitutional history, psychology, and nineteenth century history. Such a course should prove a fine aid for any business girl.

Poor girls in the University of Missouri are mending garments for male students as one way of earning their way through school.

One of the facts developed from the medical inspection of schools is that deafness is not uncommon among the pupils. A paper on the subject was read by Dr. Helen Macmurchy, of Toronto, before the recent congress of the American School Hygiene Association and has been published in pamphlet form. She says it is often possible to recognize the deaf child by inspection. The facial expression is characteristic, and the deaf child seems to lack vital resistance.

Queen Wilhelmina is said to be the most extravagant of the queens of Europe in regard to dress, and a good second to her is the Queen of Italy. The Queen of Holland spends \$24,000 a year on her gowns, and the Queen of Italy \$16,000.

Mrs. Peter Rathbun Lehouisse, of Washington, D. C., has established a "Bureau of Social Requirements" wherein clients can gain information of every sort on social affairs from card-etiquette to formal entertaining. The bureau will make a specialty of furnishing chaperons, coaching in society small talk, giving advice on wardrobe, etc. In select circles the bureau is looked upon as being "a first aid to social climbers."

Now there are advance women, who advertise the theatrical performances and are making some trouble for the advertising departments of the newspapers.

Since the present Queen of the Belgians came to the throne there has been a noticeable revival of lace in industry in Brussels. She has not only

The Birthday Calendar

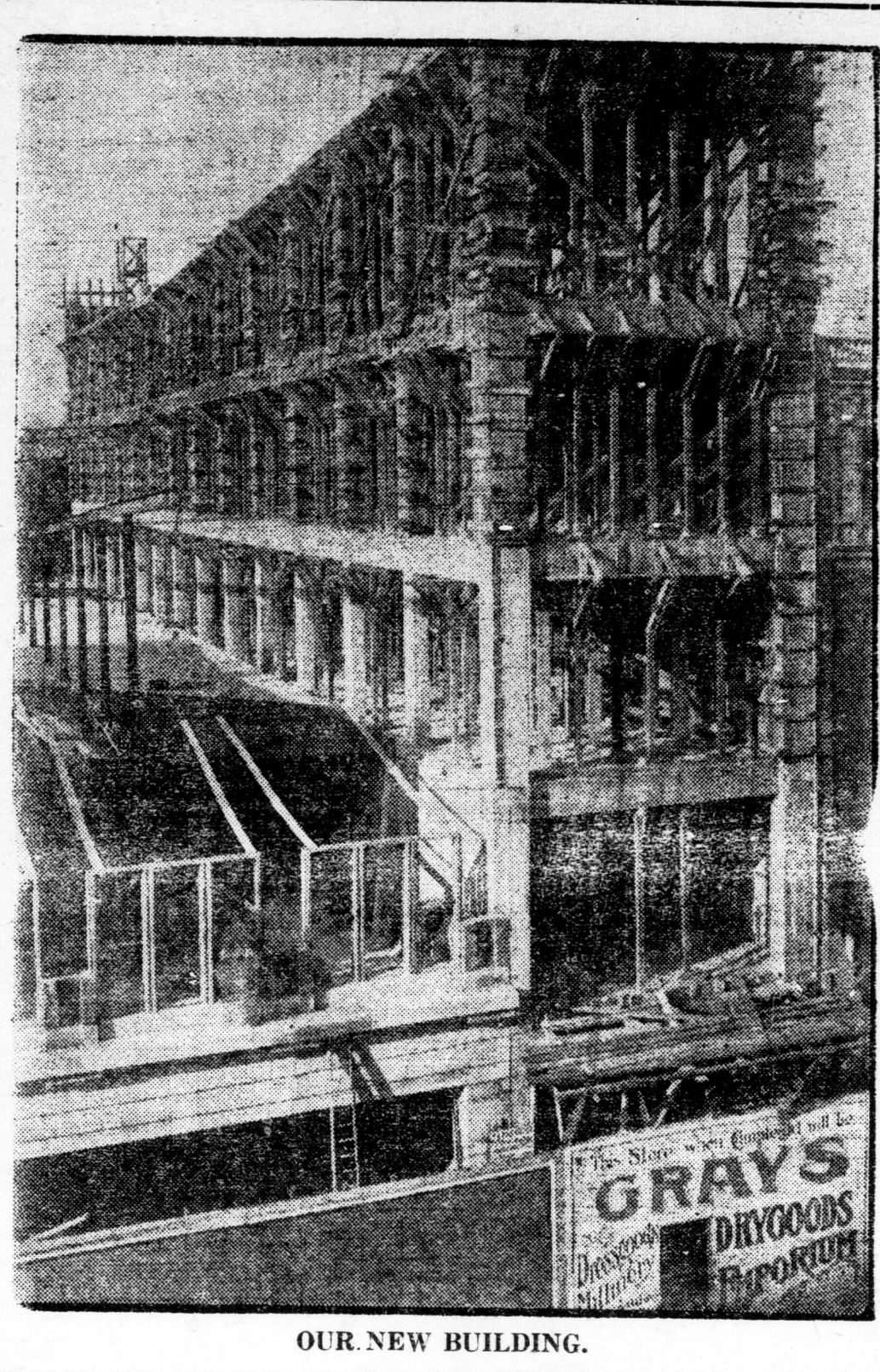


IF THIS IS YOUR BIRTHDAY

You will be fortunate in the following year. Especially if in employ will your efforts be appreciated and rewarded. With care your hopes will be realized.

Those born today will have proud, commanding natures, and should early learn kindness and consideration. Rightly trained, the highest honors await these children; unguided, they become degenerate, cruel, domineering and obstinate.

Great Annual Mill-End Sale



OUR NEW BUILDING.

EXCEPTIONAL UNDERWEAR VALUES

This year Underwear prices are soaring. Prices have gone up all over in these lines, and many lines are very scarce. Nevertheless, by buying up a number of extraordinary big job lots direct from the mill, we are enabled to offer you the same big bargains in all lines of Ladies' Underwear as in previous years. At the time of writing all these goods have not yet been opened out, so we are not yet able to give a full list of prices. See Friday's ad, or better, call early Thursday morning.

LADIES' GRAY AND WHITE VESTS—Regular 25c value, Mill-End Sale price, garment 19c
LADIES' GRAY AND WHITE DRAWERS—Regular 25c value, for per garment 19c
LADIES' BLACK TIGHTS, very special line. Mill-End Sale Price, per garment 69c

LADIES' GRAY AND WHITE DRAWERS—Regular 50c quality. Per garment 39c
LADIES' GRAY AND WHITE VESTS—Regular 50c quality, Mill-End Sale Price, garment 39c
LADIES' WOOL VESTS AND DRAWERS—Regular \$1 and \$1.25 value. Mill-End Sale Price, per garment 79c

Big Special Bargains in All Departments

Thursday Morning at 9 o'clock the Sale Begins

GRAY'S

150 DUNDAS STREET.

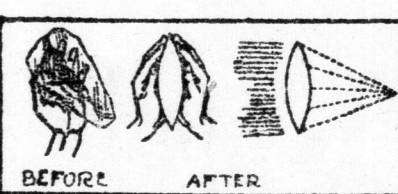
Agents for the Ladies' Home Journal Patterns.

Drygoods, Millinery, Ladies' Ready-to-Wear.

GRAY'S

TELEPHONE 1182.

CAN YOU START A FIRE WITH A PIECE OF ICE?



Forming the Ice Lens.

made large purchases of the lace, but has worn it on her gowns.

Women in the United States will be practically bald in 500 years and men entirely denuded of natural head covering in 300 years, according to the prediction of Dr. Carlton B. Wells, an American brain specialist.

Mrs. Theresa West Elmendorf is the first woman who has acted as president of the American Library Association. At the convention held at Ottawa, Canada, recently, she wielded the gavel. Mrs. Elmendorf has been connected with the public library of Buffalo for a good many years, and has made it known as one of the best institutions of its kind in the country.

A Floral Game

This suggestion may prove helpful to the mother who intends to entertain small folk.

A floral color trail is an interesting game. Any flower may be selected and fastened with narrow ribbon in 20 or 30 different places.

The flower is displayed to the children and the number hidden is told. Each child is given a pencil and a card, and as he finds the flowers the place is carefully noted. Ground trails may be set with small twigs.

This game is very popular with young folks in England.

CRISP LETTUCE.

Prepare the lettuce for use. Shake all the water from the leaves and place in a tin pail with a very tight cover. Then set in a cool place and the lettuce will be crisp and fresh the next day.

PREPARING CAULIFLOWER.

Always put a cauliflower in plain water, so as to draw out any insects. If salt is placed in the water it kills the insects and they are left in the vegetable.

in the back or try and get a glimpse of someone else in the car by means of the mirror, or—well, they do thousands of such things.

"Now, the delay is right here," interrupted the agent of the great building. "It isn't that they make trouble for us by doing this, but the elevator man will say 'Fourth,' 'Fifth,' 'Sixth,' 'Seventh,' and so on, and by the time he has reached something like the sixteenth floor a woman will say very sweetly, 'Out seven, please!'"

"Get it coming back, madam," the elevator man will say, and then she will scold the man for not calling her number, and when he says he did call the seventh floor she will dispute him, and there you are. The elevator man simply has to say nothing and allow the woman to call him a prevaricator or else lose his position.

"We have taken the mirrors out of two groups of elevators, and it is amusing to see the women come sailing in and begin to look about for the mirrors. They are bewildered at first, then indignant, and one woman threatened to have the elevator man discharged if he didn't put the mirrors back. Why, the cleverest man in the world was the chap who put mirrors on the penny-in-the-slot gum machines. The women simply can't help going right up to them, and most of them drop in a penny thinking to hide the fact that it is really a look at themselves in the mirror they want."

How to Choose a Wife

In selecting a wife many men good naturedly imagine that "almost any pretty, young girl" will answer the purpose! This assuredly is a mistake, and spells ruin for many an otherwise happy home, says a writer in the Pittsburgh Post. If a man is careful, as well as circumspect, he will be governed by several little details in this marrying business. For instance, he will soon learn

25c Is About Right To Give For a Tooth Brush

Judged by the way ours are selling. We have many different styles at that price—and every brush guaranteed to be right.

If there's any defect, we'll gladly replace any 25-cent brush you purchase at any of our stores.

P. PERCIVAL, Richmond Cor. Central Phone 1261. L. LISTER, Wortley Road, Cor. Craig Phone 1920. O. OMOND, 468 Dundas St. Phone 1429.

THE PROGRESSIVE DRUGGISTS.

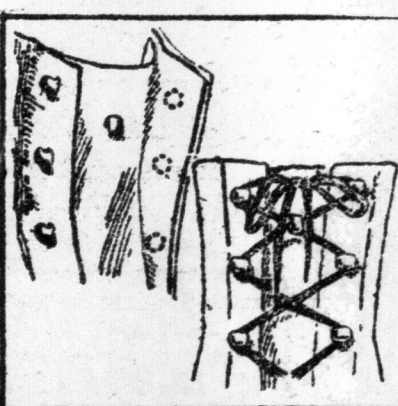
that the display-wife of his near neighbor is, like the rest of her type, well-made, stylish, ever ready in social emergencies, and much given to showing off her own personal attractions and ability to entertain. Upon close relationship, however, such a woman is apt to run up bills that her husband may not care to pay; and sometimes is highly indignant if he refuses to smile about them at the end of the month.

Therefore, our bachelor friend decides he will avoid making the same mistake his neighbor did. Ah, but there is the domestic wife! Surely she will fill the requirements; she sews nicely, cooks well, can make a home look cozy and with less outlay than most women; she also is fond of children and has sensible ideas about "laying up for a rainy day!" Surely she would prove a happy choice, don't you think?

The literary wife can talk fluently—to other people; at home alone, with her family she is more likely to spend her time reading and writing things that will never be published. When she does entertain she invites people who are also literary, likewise uninteresting to an ordinary man—no! We will have none of her.

The balance of favor lies, I think, with the woman of domestic tastes!

"TONGUE-TIED" SHOES.



The leather tongues of laced shoes have a bad habit of slipping down into the shoe by wrinkling. The wrinkles cause more or less pain and sometimes raise a blister on the ankle and instep.

To keep the tongue always in place have a shoemaker fix a hook like those used in lacing the shoe, in such a position that the laces cross under it near the top of the shoe. If the laces are always caught under this hook in lacing up the shoe the tongue will never slip.

"I am sure we have met before. Let me see. Didn't we go to school together?" "Sure we did. Don't you remember?" You were my teacher,"—Baltimore American.