



Pillow Slip Edging.

Bon Bon or Trinket Boxes.

The prettiest home-made box the writer ever saw was made by a farmer's daughter. A wooden cigar box smoothly lined with blue tissue paper and the outside covered with white typewriter paper. Wheat straws were cut as long as the box was deep and pasted on as close together as could be. The cover had the straws put on crosswise, a single straw lengthwise finished the edges of the cover.

Six perfect wheat heads tied with inch wide blue satin ribbon were fastened to the cover. The whole was "touched up" here and there with gold paint. Flour paste was used. A heaping tablespoonful of flour, an even teaspoon of white sugar stirred smooth with a little cold water, then a cup of boiling water stirred in and cooked until smooth and quite thick.

A square photo frame three inches wide was made in the same manner with the straws at the corners cut so as to mitre perfectly. At the left hand top corner was fastened a bunch of oats gilded. Straws can be used to cover wall pockets, broom holders, baskets made from cardboard and many other articles. They take eyes readily so a great variety of effects can be had, but nothing is prettier than the natural color with perhaps a touch of gold.

Lovely baskets to be used for holding fruits upon the table can be made of cardboard and covered with straws. A cover made in this way can conceal the tomato can that holds a geranium that is used upon the dining table.

Girls, lay in a good supply of clean straws to experiment with this winter.

Table Mats.

Sets of table mats to place under hot dishes are always acceptable gifts. They can be made of any heavy white goods, lined with several thicknesses of old muslin. Sew the outside and lining together all but two inches, turn, baste in the opening and press. Quilt in stripes, diamonds or other design, and buttonhole the edges with Saxony wool, sewing silk or knitting cotton and into this crochet a scallop of 5 tr. in one stitch, caught down with a single stitch. Any cotton material can be used, even muslin or scraps of table linen. A set should have at least six mats and have two of a size. They may be round, oval or diamond shaped. Tea matting makes nice mats, bound with ribbon or dress braid. Before cutting them out mark with a pencil and stitch upon the machine. If one can paint a flower in oil colors or a bunch of berries in the same, it adds to the looks.

Transferable Embroidery Designs.

This cut is a small reproduction of an embroidery pattern 10 x 15 inches. On receipt of 15 cents we will send the large design by mail to any address. The pattern may be transferred to any material for embroidering by simply following the directions given below.

This design is intended for a shirtwaist, buttoning in the back, and may be worked in the new Wallachian embroidery stitch, or in outline stitch with the petals solid French knots. Mercerized cotton is the best for general wearing purposes. Pattern B gives collar and cuffs to match.

Everything shown on the miniature cut will appear on the large sheet.

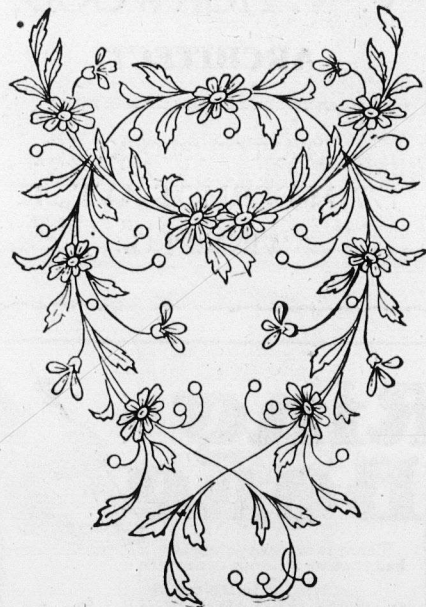
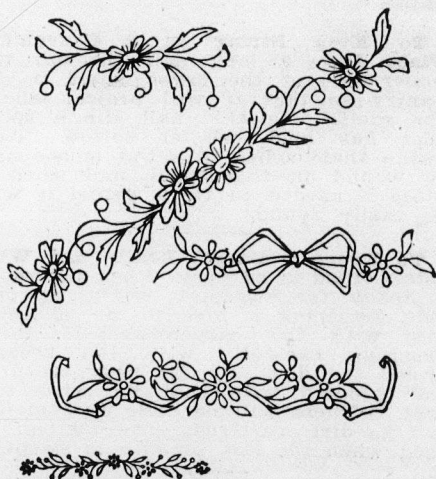
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Shirtwaist Front.
Pattern A.Designs for Cuffs and Collars.
Pattern B.

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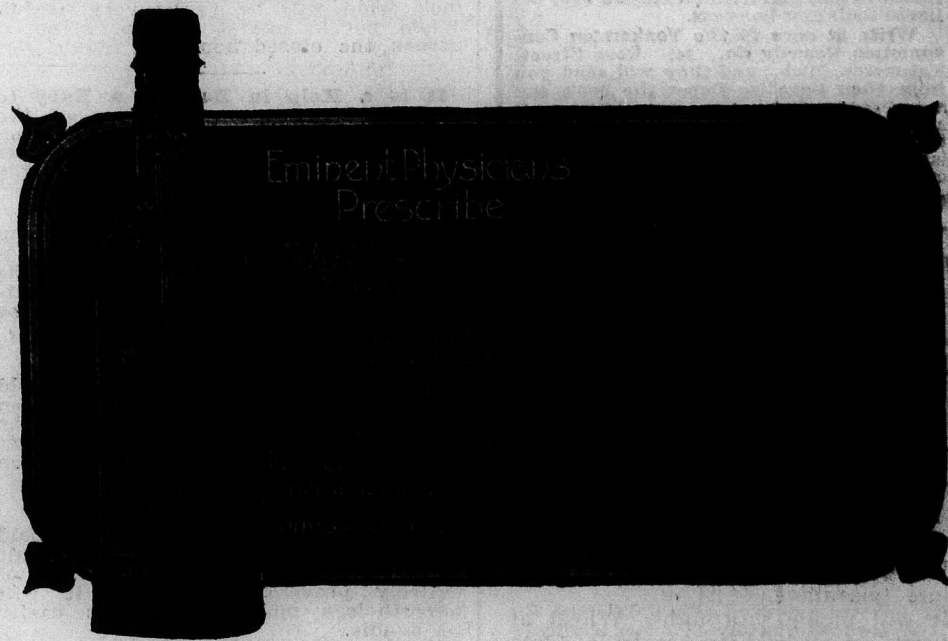
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