

OUR FIRST NUMBER.

IN placing our first issue before the public, we have striven to make it indispensable to the Art Embroiderers of Canada by illustrating and explaining in different articles and by different authorities new designs and methods of embroidery.

It is necessary, however, in a book of this nature to remember the beginner in needlework as well as the experienced, and in consequence we have reproduced articles on stitches, needles, washing linens, etc., which appeared in our brochure a year ago.

The new series of Corticelli Colored Plates were reproduced from actual embroidery, and faithfully represent the colors and shading of the flowers, as well as the length and direction of the stitches. We were the originators of these Colored Plates, which have done so much to make embroidery easy for beginners. The ones that especially commend themselves to your attention are the rose plates.

Among the new things in needlework none gives greater promise of popularity than Decore Crochet. By the aid of the simple old time crocheting the most marvelous results are obtained. We publish for the first time designs and complete instructions for this work.

We have enough new and interesting matter to make this 1899 edition perhaps the best yet published, and to induce all Art Needleworkers to complete the set of such works we have published for many years past, a description of these is given on next page.

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