

## DUCK FOOT QUILT.

The dainty pattern, also called "sugr bowl," is very easily pieced. The blocks are small, six inches square, and should be pieced in two colors for the best effect. The diamonds are four



inches the longest way by two inches wide. The large half square is three inches on the side, the small half squares are one inch on the side. These are dimensions for the "foot." The light pieces one can determine easily. [Emma Clearwaters.]

## DRESDEN EDGING.

Make chain the length of the piece to be trimmed, as this lace is made lengthwise instead of crosswise. If for the neck of corset cover or the like, make a chain in length the size of the neck. Do not join chain.

1st row—One tr in 5th st of ch from hook, ch two, one tr in same st, ch two, one tr in same st, ch two, one tr in same



st, thus forming shell. Proceed whole length of chain in this manner, skipping three st between each shell.

2d row—Same kind of shell in center of each shell of first row, and go on until edging is as wide as desired. Can be made any width, and is especially pretty for flounce upon white skirts, making edging about six shells deep.—[Mrs L. A. Gullickson.]

**Sponging Dress Goods**—The articles needed in order to successfully sponge a piece of goods are a large-sized table, a board 30 inches long and six or eight inches wide and a sponging sheet which should be a yard wide and two or three yards longer than the goods to be sponged. New muslin, which has been shrunk and made ready for use, gives excellent satisfaction and can be fashioned into under garments after the sponging is completed. In light-weight goods clip the selvages before sponging, but for heavy cloths and cloakings it is better to remove the entire selvage. Keep double-width materials folded, as when they come from the store. Wet the sponge cloth, and if the material is heavy, do not wring it. If light, press out a part of the water. Lay the sponge cloth on the table lengthwise, place the material on this, letting the end of the sponge cloth extend one foot beyond that of the cloth to be sponged; turn this surplus foot over the material, put in the board and smooth the two cloths together until not a wrinkle is to be seen. Roll up; and draw the two along the table until all is rolled tightly around the board. Wrap the extra length of sponge cloth around the outside and fasten securely. Let the goods remain in the sponge cloth for three or four hours, then shake out and hang to dry on a perfectly taut line. If the line sags the edges of the cloth will be uneven.—[Lalla Mitchell.]

Why is a butcher's cart like his top-boots? He carries his calves there. What is the worst fare a man can live on? Warfare.

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## GUESSWORK.

When does the rain become too familiar to a lady? When it begins to pat her (pattee) on the back.

Why is Satan always a gentleman? Because, being the imp of darkness, he can never be imp of light.

Why does a man's hair turn gray sooner than his mustache? Because it is about 21 years older.

Which is the strongest day of the week? Sunday, because all the others are weak (week) days.

Why does a donkey prefer thistles to oats? Because he's an ass.

Why need a man never starve in the desert? Because he can always eat the sand which is (sandwiches) there.

Why is a cat's tail like the earth? It is fur to the end.

When is a hat not a hat? When it becomes a pretty lady.

Why is a doctor never seasick? He's used to see sickness.

When did Caesar first go to the Irish? When he crossed the Rhine and went back to bridge it.

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