

PREFACE.

CORTICELLI HOME NEEDLEWORK is published four times a year, in January, April, July, and October. Subscriptions may begin with any number. Price 25 cents a year. The colored plates that have been so helpful to needleworkers will continue to be a feature of every number, and our subscribers are invited to suggest subjects for new plates. With this number we begin a series of articles by Mrs. L. Barton Wilson, entitled, "Lessons in Embroidery." To beginners, these illustrated lessons will be nearly as valuable as a regular teacher. Mrs. Wilson is widely known as an authority on embroidery, and her work in connection with this magazine has won for her new honors. She will start with the simple flowers and gradually take up more difficult subjects. We announce a new department for October, entitled "Modern Lace Making," which will be in charge of Miss Sarah Hadley of New York, whose work has always attracted marked attention. The October number will also give ideas for simple Christmas needlework gifts, besides new patterns for centerpieces, doilies, picture frames, tea cloths, and drawn work pieces, new style silk purses and Battenberg designs.

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