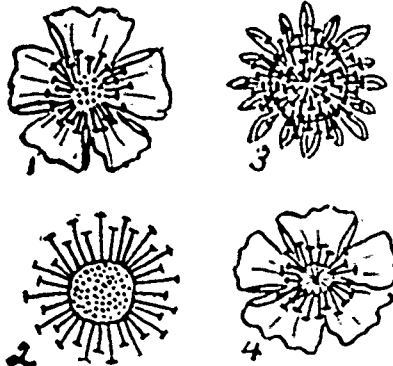


For Holiday Gifts.

HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS.

Little ornamental devices for holding pins are shown in the first group of cuts. No 1 represents a wild rose. For the center cut two rounds of yellow satin or velvet $1\frac{1}{2}$ in in diameter. If of satin make a few French knots in yellow in center of one piece and sew to it 5 loops of 2-in wide pink satin ribbon to represent petals. Blindstitch the other round to the first and before



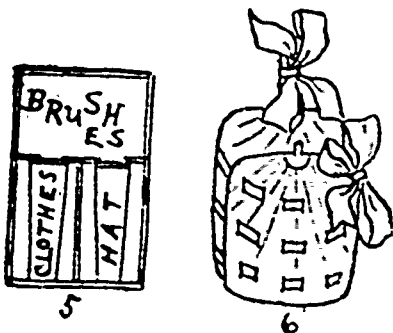
closing stuff solid to make a little cushion for the pins, which are put in around the center to form the stamens. Make four or five roses in all and attach to different lengths of $\frac{1}{2}$ -in wide ribbon in pink (or green, if preferred), to carry out the stem idea. Join with a bow at the top and the ornament is ready for suspension from any projecting point.

No 2 is made the same way, omitting the ribbon petals, more pins being inserted in irregular way and it might be called a daisy. No 3 is made with a center of green, the sepals of loops in different lengths of No 1 or baby satin ribbon in green. Fill the whole center with pins and a dandelion gone to seed will be the result. No 4 is a poppy and can be developed in red. It differs only from No 1 in having a little puff of green in the center to simulate the seed pod.

The brush bag in No 5 is made of ecru linen, blue denim or duck, bound with braid or ribbon of suitable color. Cut the back about 1 ft long by 7 in wide, and the pocket 5 in long 9 in wide, box plaiting in the extra fullness, as in the cut. The dimensions can suit the individual taste.

No 6 is a wall pocket made of Japanese or palm leaf fans and needs no description. The butterfly in No 7 is a cover for shaving paper. Cut the butterfly from brown or yellow cartridge paper and make the markings in water color. Fold over and stitch in several pieces of delicately tinted tissue paper in the same size and shape fasten on a brass ring, crocheted over if preferred, and a useful little gift for a man is the product.

The cover of the needlebook is cardboard covered with linen on which is outlined a clock in black, the needle is white and thread, forming the words



"Never too late to mend." red. The leaves are flannel buttonholed long and short on the edge in red. Two pieces of red ribbon to tie it together at the front edges would add to its attractiveness.

A pretty and useful gift is a fancy-work bag, made of two handkerchiefs with a lacy open edge at stitched together just inside the border on three sides. Cat-stitch the fourth side of each handkerchief separately and run a ribbon through from each side for a draw.

A useful and pretty adjunct for a writing desk is made of a little dictionary with thumb index and stiff paper covers. Re-cover with ecru linen on which are painted or outlined a num-

ber of letters of the alphabet, scattered carelessly here and there over the surface, in sort of anagram style. These little books cost only 10c and can be purchased at any large book or department store.

A ribbon tape measure can be easily made. Half-inch or a little wider ribbon in a pretty, delicate shade is used. Mark off the measurements in gilt, black or sepi, and if possible paint or embroider delicate sprays of flowers here and there.

To make a pretty jewel casket, proceed as follows: Cut a round of cardboard 6 in across and cover one side with elderdown in a light, pretty shade. For the other side, fine cambric or percaline will do. From cardboard cut three pieces 8 in long and $\frac{3}{4}$ in wide. Cover these also with the elderdown, join each round and tack the three neatly on the large round so the sides of the small rounds touch. For a cover take a piece of silk or ribbon to match elderdown, 1 yd long and $\frac{1}{2}$ in wide. If of silk, fringe one side, join ends, gather the other side, draw close and attach to base of casket at center between three rounds. A frill of very filmy lace the same length and a little narrower, gathered and fastened in the center over the silk, and a many-looped bow of baby ribbon to cover the fastening, complete a very dainty affair. Sachet powder can be sprinkled in the foundation.

A "Coming Events" pad will serve as a useful reminder, and on it can be jotted engagements or any future pleasure or duty which requires attention. Make the cover of mat board a little larger than the pad and on it print "Coming Events" in some dark color, edging the letters with gilt. A floral decoration in water colors will add to the decorative effect. Attach to the top a small lead pencil with narrow ribbon and finish with a bow, or make a loop



of ribbon for suspending. A tablet for the guest chamber can be made in the same way. Letter the cover with some appropriate lines, perhaps the following:

"As thou hast this chamber with thy presence blest,
So may thy slumbers hold no unbidden guest.
And on the morrow this may thy name adorn
As one who, rested well, doth greet the morn."
[Mary Bradford.]

SUITABLE GIFTS

Christmas presents, as viewed by the receiver, often present a very different aspect to that intended by the giver. Not that the love which prompted the gift is valued the less, but that the gift in itself is utterly unsuited to the recipient. As Christmas time draws near the mind becomes filled, and the time taken up as far as possible, with the presents for the different friends and relatives far and near. Secret drawers and nooks are filled with bundles of various shapes and sizes, covered with tissue paper, perhaps, and tied with baby ribbon of many colors.

But while you are arranging all these little tokens of love and respect, does the thought never occur to you that you may be giving the wrong thing to the wrong person? Great care should be taken about this, and in giving presents the recipient's circumstances and needs should be taken into consideration and the gift adapted to them. For example, what would Mrs. Randolph, who, we will suppose, lives in a very small house, and who has not a jewel in the world, do with a silver jewel basket, beautiful though it may be? A pair of towels, even, would be far more appropriate. "The right thing in the right place" should be the motto at Christmas time, and if it were followed, I think a great many people would be not only pleased, but benefited by their gifts of that season.

Now about presents. What is or is not acceptable? Of course opinions differ on this point, but there are a few things that can always be relied upon. Handkerchiefs, for example, are always use-

ful, and such pretty ones can be had for such comparatively small prices nowadays, that a half-dozen or so fixed in a pretty box, make a handsome little gift. Books, too, to students and readers, will always be welcome. An author's works in sets bound in different colors, such as dark green and old gold, are pretty. These, together with sachets, perfumes, stationery and such like, make suitable selections.—[Dorothy Maxwell.]

GIFTS FROM ODDS AND ENDS.

Many odds and ends of material with ingenuity and taste and the expenditure of a few dimes can be converted into pretty Christmas gifts. There are charming landscapes and no end of cute and pretty children's figures in advertisements which can be utilized in many effective ways.

Match Scratcher: With a sharp knife cut an oblong-shaped card from mat-board and ornament edges with gold paint, or get cards of photographer. Cut a pretty woman from a colored fashion plate, mount on card and glue sandpaper exact size and shape of dress over skirt and gird edges of same; through two holes near top of card insert narrow ribbon and tie in long-looped bow at center.

Calendar: On a gray oblong photograph card mount a fine black and white view from a railroad tourist advertisement, near upper left corner, and a calendar pad near lower right; suspend with red ribbon.

Box of Writing Paper: Ornament box with water colors, crepe paper or a silk cover; make sachet of heavy azure



Dog-matic People

Are often capable of doing injury to less positive people, the very emphasis of their affirmation making up for lack

of argument and want of evidence. And the worst of all dogmatists are those doctors who, harking back to some old dogma of the schools, insist that certain patients are beyond all medical help, because, forsooth, their diseases are beyond the limited medical knowledge of the dogmatist.

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