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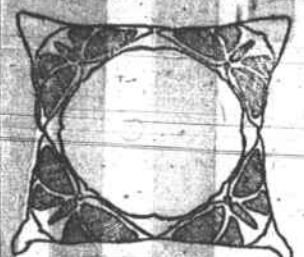
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## Home-Made Christmas Gifts

Christmas is nearly upon us again, and gifts that are to be made at home should now be well under way.  
 A few suggestions for pretty and serviceable articles are given on this page. The materials required are inexpensive and the work can be quickly completed.  
 Applique is one of the most artistic forms of needlework decoration. A pillow cover is shown with butterflies of green linen applied with a heavy black couching cord to brown crash.



A Sofa Cushion.

The couching cord is sewed over and over with black, mercerized cotton. The parts of the butterfly are cut out and basted to the crash, and the edges are sewed down with over-and-over stitches. It is not necessary to turn

A flat wallet or a leather case for holding bills is a useful article when traveling. A strip of oose leather is chiseled together. Little pockets are turned up at each end, and into these the bills are slipped. The leather is folded through the middle and fastened with a strap, made of the leather lined with silk, and closed with a "snaps."  
 A lady's bag of brown crash, with applique of green linen and couching



For Lingerie Ribbons.

The black cord is also couching to the lines of the design. Both sides of the bag are decorated. Wash ribbons for lingerie are a necessity, and they can be put in no



A Glove Case.

In the edges of the linen, as the couching cord is large enough and strong enough to completely hold and cover them. To fasten the ends of the couch-

more attractive gift form than by including them in an embroidered case like the above, which consists of two circular pieces of embroidered linen



A Wallet for Bills.

ing cord, draw them through to the under side of the crash.  
 A serviceable glove case is made of heavy tan linen with embroidery in dull colors. The flaps are rose, sage green and the inside light brown. It is lined with silk the color of the linen.



A Laundry Bag.

mounted over stiff cardboard. The creases are faced with silk the color of the ribbon, which fastens the covers and holds the flaps together. This design may also be used for a ball.

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## One Christmas In the Mountains

Two or three days before the "holy holiday," as Christmas has not inaptly been termed, the dense, almost solid-snow clouds settled down over the rocky mountains and adjacent



region, as though burying them in a blanket. The sheep with the fleecy flanks, that came silently and steadily down, steadily and persistently busy, as though building a new range of mountains of solid and unyielding snow, stretching away as though in an endless chain, and creeping up toward the zenith in an ambition to outdo Nature herself. Waterpours have been known in a few moments of time to inundate valleys and

even hills themselves; and such a display of the forces of Nature as this seemed to be a snow-spectacle, if such a word may be coined.  
 Just before entering the snowy realm on an east-bound train, Harold Lancaster had telegraphed to Hollyville, a pretty little village in Illinois, that he was on his way home, and would be there in season to assist in the church festivities on Christmas, after which the train had plunged into the mountain region. He did not know that his telegram was not sent, as before it was dispatched the wires had broken under the weight of the snow, and all communication with the east was suspended. The train plunged ahead, assisted occasionally by a convenient snow-plow, and was making good progress toward the summit, where it was expected it would meet with less obstruction than on the western slope.

Harold had gone on a trip up through the wonderful Canadian country in the fall, promising to return to assist in giving a Christmas entertainment in the church, of which Edith Lowell, his sweetheart, was the organist, as he was the tenor. He had written a little musical skit, in which he was to essay the part of a trumpeter and messenger, to announce to the Christian world—the birth of the Saviour's little babe. The occasion of that event was to be decorated by the beautiful soprano voice of Miss Lowell in a welcoming aria, which had been composed with particular reference to her exquisite method of bird-like trillings, which was one of the features of her voice that made her so popular with those who listened to her voice Sunday after Sunday.

As Christmas approached, and day after day passed without any word being received from young Lancaster, she became more and more deeply as were the faithful and every one who knew as well as the organist of the great divine service of the country.  
 All this time, out in the lonely mountains, a train was creeping along slowly, and a muffled tenor voice was murmuring, almost muttering, in occasional voices, "I am born to the Highest," and again, "Gloria Hallelujah!" as though in rehearsal of the event in the little church in Hollyville.

At last Christmas eve arrived, and the congregation in their seats were expectant. The choir singers seemed to take their cue from Miss Lowell, and a small modicum of success only was anticipated.

Everybody was ready for the start, and there was a pause. The first on the trumpet sounded, which was the signal for Edith to rise and be ready to greet the tenor announcement.

"If only Harold were here," she said softly to herself, as she sat in the front row. "I will be hard for me to 'sing' it." She stood expectantly. "I have no inspiration without Harold."

Following the trumpet signal, a figure appeared in the distance; but Edith did not have the heart to look. There seemed to be a little commotion.

"O, dear!" she exclaimed, "I hope that end of it will not fall also, as I fear this will."

Then a clear, ringing voice resounded forth, which acted on Edith like an electric battery.

"A son is born to the Highest!" she heard, which was followed by "Gloria Hallelujah!" taken up by both choir and congregation.

Her inspiration had arrived. She knew the voice as well, and her heart leaped, as her voice rang out in the opening notes of her aria, which in turn was so inspiring that it brought the entire audience to its feet, and all remained standing, in deference to her sweet delivery of the words and notes alike.

"—It was a great triumph!" said the old pastor, as he was being congratulated.

"And love was the keynote," said a knowing young deacon.  
 "Yes, love, love God," said the pastor.  
 "And to man," added the deacon.

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**Performing Lions.**  
 It is often supposed that lions are brought on market with food prior to going through their performances, though both suggestions are wide of the mark. Drugs are unknown, and from ten to fourteen pounds of food are given once a day.

**In the Nature of a Star.**  
 Sir Hubert von Hohenheim says he once saw the reproduction of a picture, called "The Coming Storm" advertised for sale in a shop window and under the title there, were the words in large type: "Suitable for a wedding present."

**Here's Candor.**  
 "I like to be complimented once in a while and I enjoy being flattered," says the editor of the Howard Courant; "but there's one old girl around here making me a mighty tired by claiming me as one of her old beaux."  
 —Atlanta Constitution.

**It Might Be Either.**  
 A bony, lank village youth of artistic bent, who was snuffed at by his fellow natives, finally disappeared from the rural haunts. He was missed chiefly because his peculiar personal appearance was bound to attract attention wherever it was exhibited.

No one seemed to know whether the lad had gone, till the storekeeper, returning from a visit to a nearby city, announced that he had discovered his whereabouts.

"Found him?" he proclaimed. "He was in the art museum."  
 "As a curio," inquired one, "or as an object of art?"

**And So Got Riches.**  
 An unfeeling number of a man—although a writer in the Atchafalpa Globe does not so describe him—was asked at a little evening gathering to tell what book had helped him most.  
 "My wife's cook-book," he replied, after some thought.

All the ladies present bridled, and one asked him in what way his wife's cook-book had helped him—would he not tell them in a few words?

"About as soon as I married," he said, "I made up my mind I'd rather work than eat."

**Notes on Orchard Culture.**  
 Clover is the apple tree's best friend.

Profit from a fruit orchard is not theory but a demonstrated fact. A few days after planting plant the stubs with white lead.

Each tree has an individuality of its own and must be dealt with accordingly.

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When poor fruit is produced there is reason. Aim to find by a careful study of the trees and conditions.

Nature grows fruit for the seeds, while man grows it for the pulp. We want pulp with as few seeds as possible.

In removing large limbs saw them off about three feet from the trunk to prevent splitting. Then saw off close to the trunk so as not to leave a projecting stub.

**Cutworm Death Salt.**  
 In India the formula used by the government for poisoning cutworms is four pounds of white arsenic (worth at a drug store about twelve cents a pound) and eight pounds of sugar in six gallons of water used to moisten eighty pounds of fine chopped straw. Small quantities are dropped at the bases of plants.

**Don't Hurry Garden.**  
 Do not be in too great a hurry to make garden. Nothing is gained by working over a soil heavy with water from melting snow and early rains. Wait until this surplus water has drained off, and the action of sun and wind has inclosed the soil to some extent.

**Use a Blanket.**  
 If cold nights come along after you have uncovered the bulb beds, spread a blanket over them to prevent the tender plants from being severely frosted. They will stand a good deal of cold, but it is not advisable to put them to the test of seeing how much they can stand.

**Green Food in Winter.**  
 Do not forget to give the chickens green food during the winter. Anything in the way of roots is good. Try a turnip nailed to a board, or a beet or carrot hung from the ceiling and far enough from the floor to give the hens a little exercise in pecking at the swinging vegetable.

Keep a lot of good tools of your own. You will appreciate them yourself and so will your neighbor, because you won't be borrowing his.

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