

Of Interest to Maid and Matron

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ASCINATING as ever from a feminine standpoint are the innumerable articles which women are now turning out for holiday gifts, and women will cease to be

boxes and have lids which are sometimes attached to the box by a ribbon. Inside the box nestles the cap which is to set off baby's charms, and this of course should be a miracle of fine handwork wrought on the finest material. Attractive bags are always dear to the heart of a woman, even if they have no

sets, which are finished with a binding of gold galleon or clasp to match one of the colors in the design. To match these sets there is a scrap basket, also covered in the tapestry and extremely attractive in a room if the proper colors have been chosen for the set.

American Peaches in England.
AMERICAN peaches are growing more and more popular in England. In the last few weeks at least three consignments of American peaches reached London, one from Wenatchee Valley, one from Yakima Valley and one

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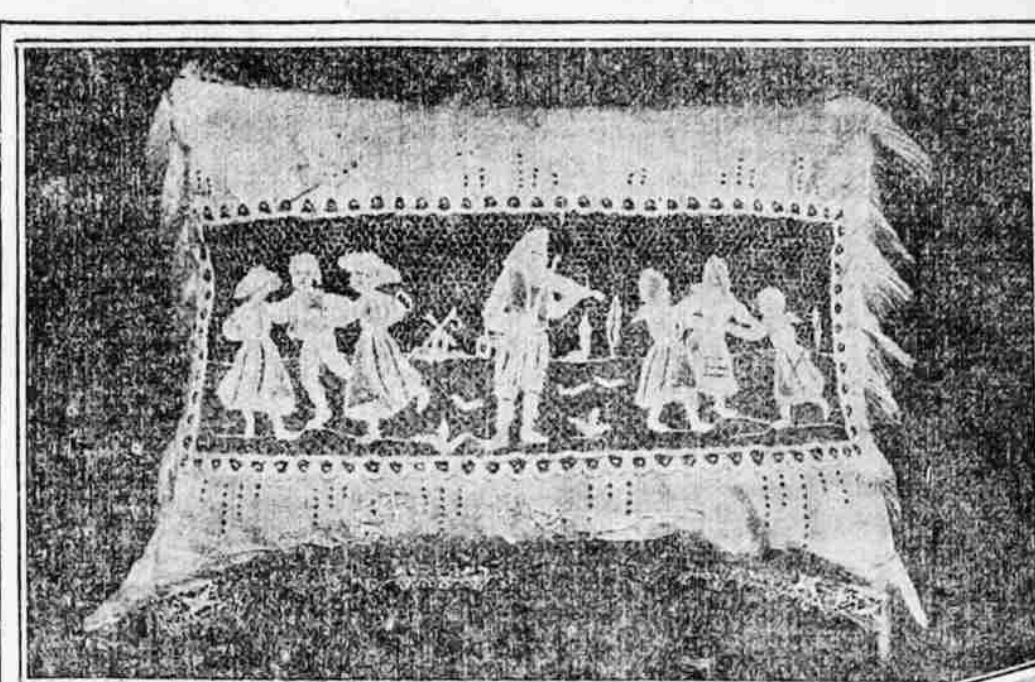
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New By-Product in Paper Making.
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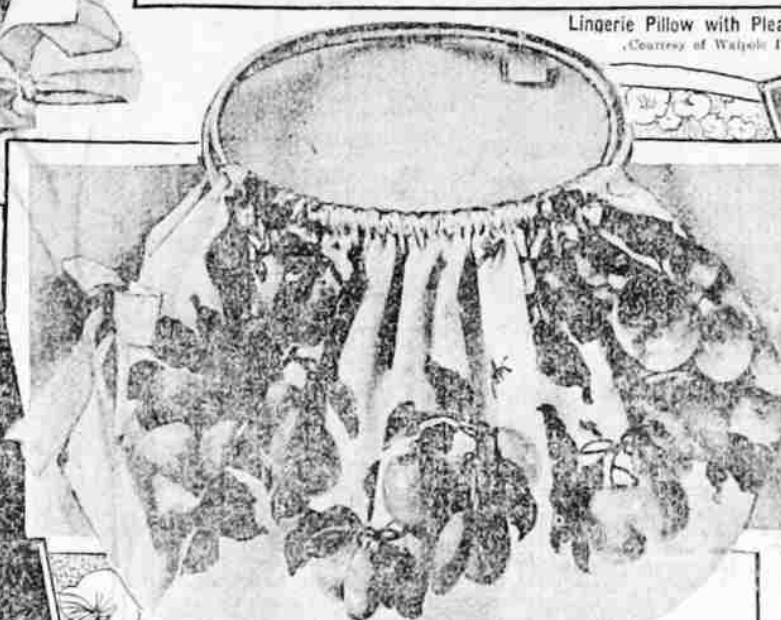
Boudoir Scrap Bag of Pink Satin with Velvet Brocade Roses Applied on a Pink Straw Foundation.



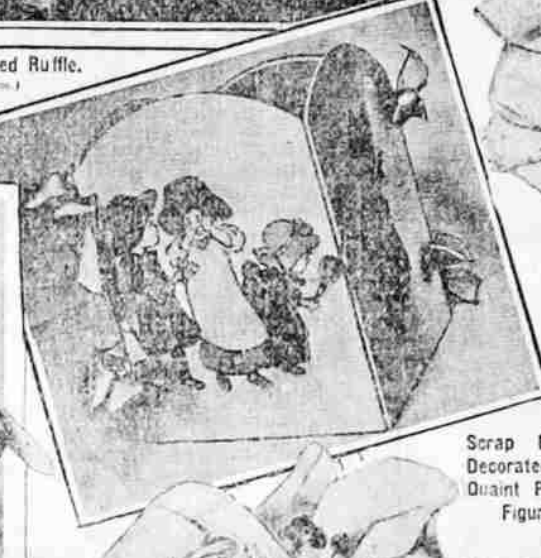
Linerie Pillow with Pleated Ruffle.



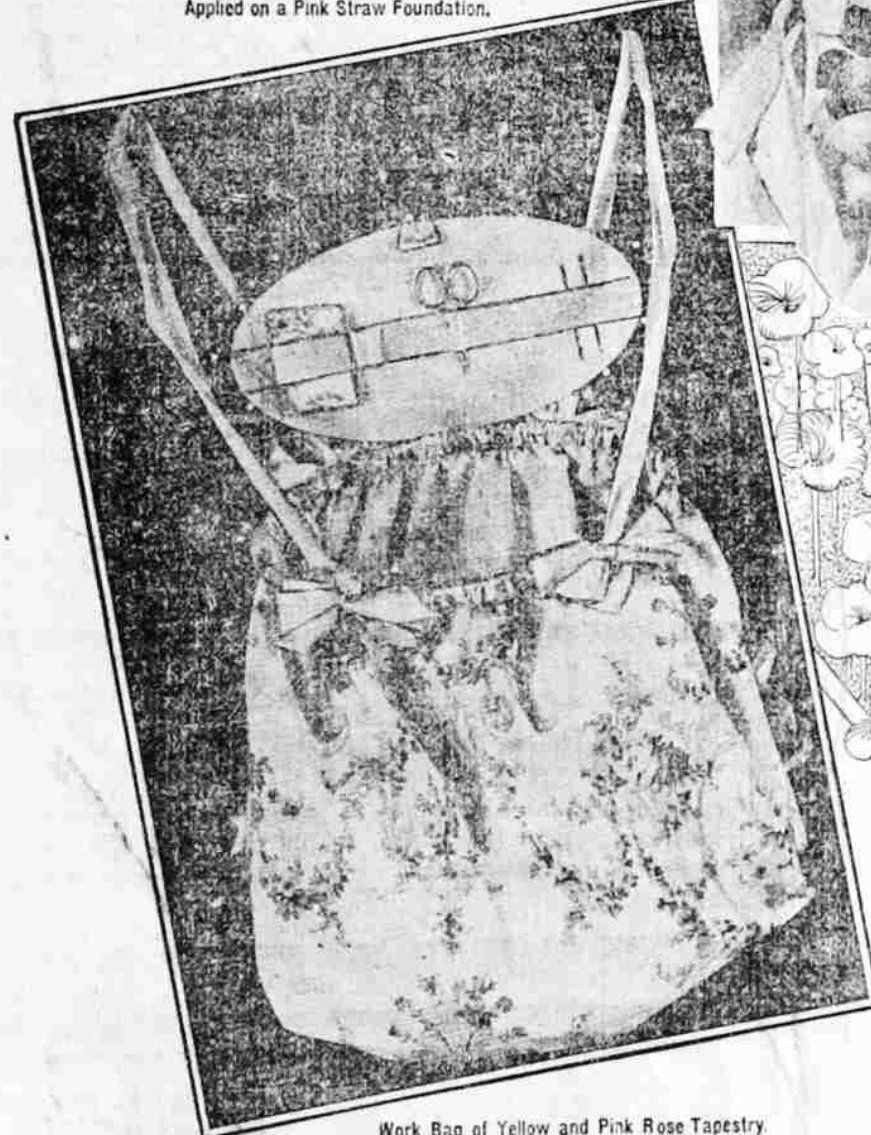
The Baby's Hat Box.



Work Bag of Imported Challis with Fruit Design.



Scrap Basket Decorated with Painted Figures.



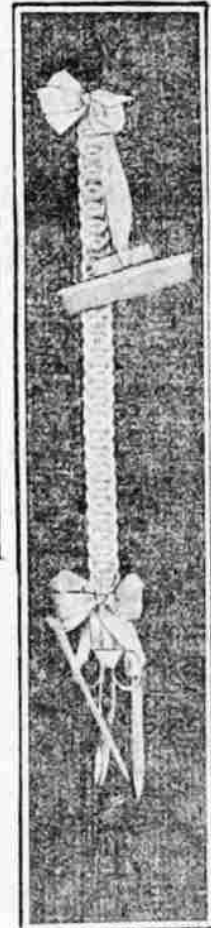
Work Bag of Yellow and Pink Rose Tapestry.



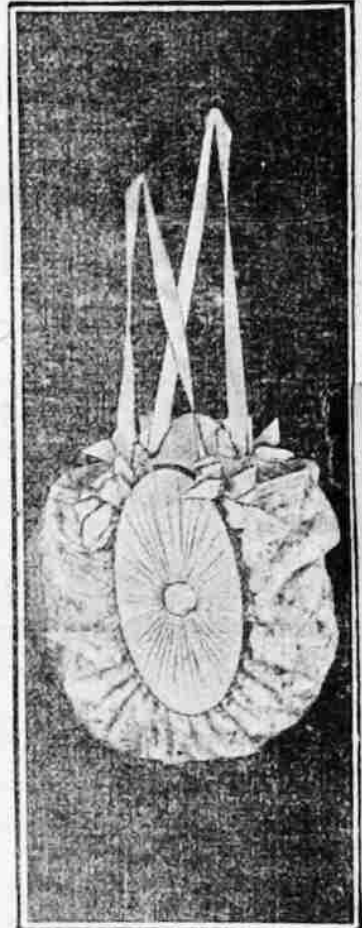
Yellow Brocade Bag with Satin Roses and Green Velvet Leaves for Holding Powder Box.



Set of Pink Brocade Boudoir Sachets with Maidenhair Fern Ornament.



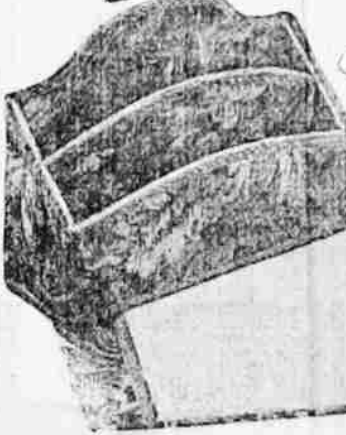
Pink Manicure Holder Made of Rings and Satin Ribbon.



Work Bag of Pompadour Taffeta with Plain Rose Centre.



Pillow of Black Worsted Embroidered in Red and Green.



Tapestry Desk Set Bound in Gold Galleon.



frivolously feminine when they cease to take an interest in these charming bags, boxes and sachets and the whole harvest of alluring trifles which constitutes the traditional Christmas present array.

Baby's handbox is one of the most fascinating of the holiday gifts which are now being made in large numbers. The gift includes a beautiful cap or bonnet for the small infant and a perfectly darning hatbox, made of cardboard, painted in water colors with pictures of cupids and dower garlands or bouquets or with smiling baby faces or designs of little rabbits, birds or "titens." The box itself is usually white, but sometimes it is tinted in blue or pale pink. Then the decoration is in the contrasting color, pink buds on a faint blue background, pale yellow chickens on a pale blue ground, little garlands of white daisies on a pink box or white and pink cupids on pink, blue or white.

The boxes are not very heavily decorated; the idea is to keep the design small and light, such as seem particularly suitable to the infantile recipient. Sometimes the word "baby" wreathed in tiny blossoms, is painted on one side of the box and constitutes the only decoration. The baby's monogram may also be used in a floral wreath.

The boxes are shaped like small hand-

specific use, but are merely objects of beauty, but when, as with many of the bags this season, they are also distinctly useful the recipient of such a gift is always heartily grateful. A most attractive as well as a useful design for a work bag is shown on this page. The bag is made of flowered cotton tapestry having a rose design, the colors are rose and yellow, mingled with faint greens and ivories. There is another charming work bag illustrated, which is made of pompadour silk in pink and pale green, and there is a third bag, one of the old fashioned useful work bags, made of wooden hoops, whose present claim to the interest of needlewomen comes from the material of which it is manufactured. This material is an imported challis, having a white ground and a vivid striking decoration in large sized fruits. The fruits are red apples and purple grapes, in wonderful rich and glowing colors. So brilliant is the bag that it has a distinctly decorative value in a room, which of course would not be the case if it were to be made of some quieter or less beautiful material.

There is also a fascinating little boudoir scrap bag made of pink brocade, with the base of pink straw, on which large velvet brocade roses are applied. A little bag for holding the powder box is of flowered silk with a large satin rose, also of pink, having dark green velvet leaves at one side.

Desk sets of brocade, tapestry, chintz and cretonne are as fashionable as ever, and many women are making them for holiday gifts. Tapestry in rather dark tones is extremely smart for these desk

handsome, are made of satin and brocade, pompadour silk, moire silk, corded silk, and a host of other attractive materials. They are usually quite plain, but are tied together with handsome ribbon made into a large bow, or a satin or velvet flower is tucked into the knot. It is the fashion this year to make these sachets of velvet brocade satin, dark velvet flowers on white or pale colored grounds, so that no decoration is needed for the sachets themselves.

Boudoir boxes are always useful, and this season there is a new kind which may be easily made by women who have a knack for putting things together neatly. These boxes are round or square or oblong, according to the taste of the maker, and they are covered with a wall paper that looks like straw. For the decoration large flowers are cut out of other wall paper and posted on these boxes in a design. The boxes will be much used for holding Christmas gifts. The inside is colored in accordance with the cover and may be lined with silk over sachet cotton if the boxes are designed for special uses.

For holding the manicure tools there is a neat little device which is made on a stiff row of rings, although it may also be made of separate rings, ribbon being so run through them that they are held together and held stiff. The various manicure tools are attached to this ribbon threaded lattice, which is arranged with a loop so that it may be suspended from the dressing table.

The most attractive linerie pillow of the season is a combination of Venetian lace and embroidered linen of the very

finest quality. A broad piece of the Venetian is placed in the front of the pillow, the embroidered designs are on either side of it and both ends of the pillow are finished with a fine pleated ruffle of the linen bordered with a fine lace edge. The lace and embroidery cover is used over a satin one in pink, blue, ivory or yellow.

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American Decorative Style.
It is to every artist and architect a perplexing fact that a country of such energy and intelligence as America should not have been able to create a decorative style exclusively her own, a thing which every country of the world more or less possesses. Even the remotest island in uncolonized parts of the earth displays its specific style.

In this connection A. Barozzi, of this city, a decorator who has devoted all his spare time to a study of the American aborigines, has placed before the reading architects and decorative experts an original scheme for a purely American style of decoration. He has made use of his ideas in designing the interior decoration for a grill room, which gives the room an inkling of what he has in mind.

"You will note," said Mr. Barozzi yesterday, "that my design is composed purely of motives found among the Indian tribes in the United States and contains nothing from the Eskimo or from Central and South America. For government buildings, museums and halls this grandiose style is appropriate. The sketch speaks for itself."

into the water. After the bark is stripped the logs are set on end to dry, preparatory to shipment.

DICTATES OF FASHION.
Broad brimmed hats are worn at rakish angles.

The most brilliant shades are fancied for stockings, and shoes have almost invariably the fancy tops.

The train may form an integral part of the gown or it may hang a separate appendage from the waist line.