

PRESENTS EASILY MADE

Gifts That Are Both Pretty and Useful.

THREE BAGS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

How to Make a Button Bag, a Sewing Bag and a Laundry Bag—Work That May Be Easily Done in the Home.

In Christmas gifts the ones most appreciated are often those made at home, the great center of affection and kindness. For the clever needlewoman there is a variety of stuffs found in the market which, when made into pretty objects, furnish charming souvenirs for the day. In giving a hand-made present what is more useful or decorative than a bag? It also has other distinctive features, for within its folds may be placed the accessories of which women are so fond, such as con-

different ribbons of complementary shades. These pieces measure a quarter of a yard each and are put together in a tree stitch, long or short, by embroidery silks of any color desired. As a foundation for this bag cut a round of cardboard, then cover with silk, to which the lower edge of the bag is overhanded. For the top there is a deep fall over of India silk, which may be of any color in the main scheme. Underneath this fall is a casing about an inch in width, through which is a long ribbon of the same tints, serving as a handle for the bag. Ribbons of any color, if rightly combined, will be a satisfactory effect.

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THE USEFUL MAIL BAG.

A Christmas Gift For a Bachelor Girl's Desk.

The bachelor girl who has a well appointed bondol and literary tendencies will bless the kind friend who presents her at Christmas time with a pretty mail bag to hang on her secretary. When she writes a letter or completes a manuscript, she will then be able to place it in the bag for mailing, and it will then be mailed if she doesn't emulate her big brother and forget it.

This pretty novelty is copied closely after the mail bags used by Uncle Sam, but may be made to vary in size and color until it fills many needs. In its best form, however, it is as realistic as possible and is made either of leather,

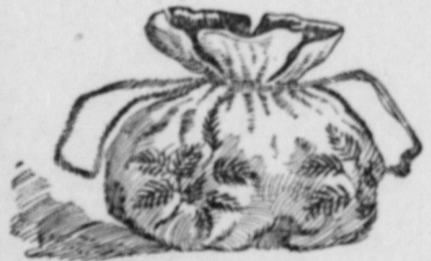


BUTTON BAG.

fections, a pretty trifle for the toilet, a purse, a handkerchief or any object which pleases the fancy.

Another inexpensive gift for the holiday time is a button bag of gold colored satin, which consists of three long pockets, which, although separate, form one scheme. Each of the three is left open for the depth of the frill. The casing is then sewed from one to the other, so that the ribbon which runs through the three holds all together, forming a handle for the bag. As a decoration for each end there may be a deep fringe of the same tint as the scheme or a number of brass rings buttoned in an embroidery silk of the same tone and afterward put on in a pointed pattern like that indicated in the design. As a more effective show on each one may be embroidered a vine, with small blossoms outlined in a conventional pattern or left plain, as preferred.

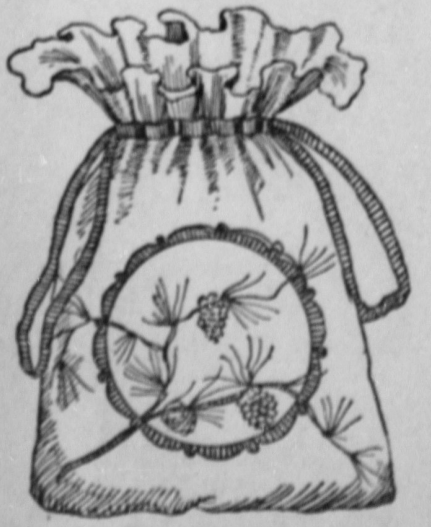
For a holiday hint the sewing bag illustrated is very charming and may



SEWING BAG.

be made in any material, either silk, denim, linen or cretonne. If in silk, it should be lined with a fine satteen or complementary color or with a coarse swiss. A pretty way is to cut the upper edge into sections and then gather up with a drawing string of one inch ribbon. Supply the inside amply with pockets of various sizes for holding buttons, needles and pins or any of the necessary paraphernalia for sewing. As an outside decoration a maidenhair fern, a bunch of daisies or any pretty blossom is suitable. Silks and cottons are appropriately used.

As a good, honest, substantial Christmas gift what can rival a well made laundry bag? The design given is one of white effects, which may be duck, linen or plain pique. At the top of this bag is a colored scheme in a delicate blue. This lining reaches only a quarter of a yard beyond the top, the gathering string of heavy white cord being an advantage when hung. The decoration indicated is a round circle outlined with an edge irregular in pattern and embroidered in white silks, the inner



LAUNDRY BAG.

ornamentation being a branch of chestnut burs in a needlework of the natural colors. The blue and brown make a dainty combination for the groundwork of white.

Another charming device as a holiday gift is a toilet bag in a scheme of

BOERS CUT TO PIECES.

British Garrison at Ladysmith Executes Brilliant Sorties.

PLAIN STRIVEN WITH THE BLAIN

The Day Following the Capture of the Boer Camp at Tatham's Farm—The Boer Force Near Colenso Perished Almost to a Man.

London, Nov. 8.—Welcome dispatches from the front have rent the veil of gloom enveloping Ladysmith, showing the British garrison not merely standing on the dogged defensive, but has made 2,000 prisoners and executed a series of brilliant sorties. Accounts from different sources agree that the laconic official description of Thursday's engagement as "an effective shelling of the Boer laager" was unduly modest. It appears that General Sir George Stewart White sent a strong force of cavalry and infantry to attack the Boers at Tatham's farm, about ten miles to the northward, near Bester's, and apparently achieved a surprise, the Boers being caught on the open veldt and cut to pieces, and their camp captured. Then encouraged by this success, General White decided to risk an even more important engagement on the following day, when he was again justified by success.

Ladysmith has been isolated, and a Boer force has intercepted the railway between Ladysmith and Colenso. This force on Friday had descended upon Colenso and, as shown by the dispatches from Estcourt, had compelled a hurried abandonment of Colenso and a retirement of the British to Estcourt.

General White had ascertained that the Boers were attacking Colenso, but he was not aware of the British retirement. He had determined, therefore, to attack the Boers in the rear, thus hoping to achieve the double object of drawing off an attack upon the weak garrison of Colenso and possibly of reopening communication southward.

The Boers had advanced southward until they had occupied the hills north of Tugela river and dominating Colenso on the other side of the stream. The hills slope to a plain that reaches to the banks of the Tugela.

General White's division caught the Boers in the rear, and after the hills had been shelled the British infantry stormed the position. Meanwhile the British cavalry swept round the hills, and, as the retreating enemy descended into the plains, with British bayonets behind them and the river in front of them, they were charged by the cavalry and seem to have perished almost to a man. The plain was strewn with slain Boers. The British then returned to Ladysmith without coming into touch with the Colenso garrison, which had retired to Estcourt.

Wheeler Delighted With Philippines. Florence, Ala., Nov. 8.—General Joe Wheeler, in a letter to Hon. W. J. Wood, of Florence, stating his views on the Philippine question, says: "I am delighted with the Philippine Islands. I have no doubt that a little push and energy this fall will crush out the Aguinaldo insurrection. Out of 9,000,000 people in these islands, I do not think that he has more than 20,000 soldiers, and in a square fight 5,000 Americans would tear them to pieces. All that is necessary to crush them out at once is for the army to get at them, and keep at them until the work is done. The evil features of these islands have been exaggerated. Americans will find this an excellent field for their energies."

Women to Honor Southern Heroes. Chicago, Nov. 8.—The fame earned in the Spanish war by Major Generals Joseph Wheeler and Fitzhugh Lee, of the United States volunteer army, will not be ignored if a number of women of Chicago are successful in an undertaking they have started. They purpose to present each general with a sword, costing \$5,000, and they will also petition congress to make the two major generals of the regular army. The movement is to be national, engineered and conducted entirely by the women of the nation.

Negro Mortally Wounds a Boy. Baltimore, Nov. 8.—Shortly after the polls closed last evening 50 intoxicated negroes ran amuck on Centre Market space. They fired pistols and three shots mortally wounding Oscar Dietz, a 12-year-old boy, in the abdomen. The negroes separated and ran in all directions, followed by the whites and policemen. Four members of the crowd were captured. One of them, Wesley Brown, 18 years old, they identified as the party who wounded the Dietz boy.

Cleveland Ordered to "Move On." Princeton, N. J., Nov. 8.—As ex-President Cleveland was leaving the polls on Mercer street yesterday he stopped a moment to speak to one of his friends, whereupon an over-officious policeman from Trenton, detailed at the polls, not knowing who Mr. Cleveland was, ordered the ex-president to move outside the chalk line. Mr. Cleveland smiled, stepped into his carriage and was driven off to his home.

The Stricken Vice President. Paterson, N. J., Nov. 8.—At midnight Vice President Hobart's condition was reported to be more favorable. It was stated at his house that Mr. Hobart had been able to sit up in a chair for a short time and had eaten some solid food, something he had not done in three weeks. Dr. Newton, however, would not offer any encouragement as to the vice president's recovery.

Guilty Cashier Fined. Chicago, Nov. 8.—Cashier C. E. Churchill, of the defunct Globe Savings Bank, was found guilty yesterday and fined \$400. The charge was that he accepted deposits, knowing the bank to be insolvent. President Shaulding, of the institution, was found guilty of the same offense and of embezzlement, and is now a convict in the Joliet penitentiary.

CLOSING IN ON REBELS.

Three Forces to Prevent Escape From Dagupan and Tarlac.

Manila, Nov. 8.—General Wheaton's orders when he left Manila were to land at or near San Fabian, a fishing village twenty miles northeast of Dagupan. The insurgent force there only numbered about 300 men, entrenched, whereas at Dagupan there are some thousands of insurgents and five miles of strong trenches. The Mounta river is blockaded. General Wheaton is supposed to have landed last evening, though communication with him is not expected until tonight. The weather has been good since he started, and he should have been able to take the trenches without great loss of life.

From San Fabian General Wheaton can control the roads of escape from Tarlac to the northeast, making a junction with General Lawton. General MacArthur began his advance towards Tarlac last night. General Lawton resumed his advance to-day, though in the face of great difficulties, rains in that district having destroyed all the bridges in the vicinity, including several the engineers built for the movement.

A force of 300 insurgents attacked the Fourth Cavalry Monday night, making three futile charges and losing three men. The Americans lost none. The first raft across the ferry at Cabanatuan was carried away by the swift current. It had 15 men of the Third Cavalry on board, with their horses, but only one of them was drowned.

THE DISTURBED REPUBLICS.

Both Colombia and Venezuela Rebels Are Still Threatening.

Kinston, Jamaica, Nov. 8.—Private Colombian correspondence says the award of the Swiss-Anglo Colombian arbitration in the Puncarand-Medellin railroad dispute, favoring Great Britain and dismissing Colombia's claim of \$16,900,000, threatens just at this crisis to have a disastrous effect on the government by strengthening popular sympathy with the revolution.

La Guayra, Venezuela, advises say General Castro's marine forces are blockading Puerto Cabello, which supports Hernandez's counter revolution. Little is known at La Guayra about the movement and prospects of the insurgents, but reports are circulated that Hernandez is gaining sufficient support to cause protracted disturbance.

A Professional Firebug. Duluth, Minn., Nov. 8.—There was a sensation in the district court yesterday, when Hiram Rhodes went on the stand in a civil case and testified that he had set fire to numerous buildings for money. The case was that of Rosenboom vs. Howard & Haynie and John G. Howard to collect money due. The fire was in the dry goods business, and clerked five years ago. Rhodes was a clerk in the store. He swore he set fire to the store at the instigation of the Howards, who agreed to pay him \$200, and double it in case of total loss. He said he had previously set fire to six dwellings owned by the Howards.

Mississippi Police Chief Murdered. Hattiesburg, Miss., Nov. 8.—John F. Bennett, chief of police of Hattiesburg, was shot and killed yesterday by I. N. Hollingsworth, the traveling representative of a patent washing machine. Hollingsworth wrote letters and made a statement charging Bennett with robbing him of \$2,500 worth of checks and when the two men met yesterday Bennett demanded a retraction. Hollingsworth refused and Bennett struck him with his fist. Hollingsworth drew a pistol and fired five shots.

Cornell Defeats Columbia. New York, Nov. 8.—Cornell and Columbia were represented at Manhattan field yesterday afternoon, when the football teams from Ithaca and the local university met on the gridiron. Columbia was a pronounced favorite, odds of 5 to 4 being laid on the blue and white, but the wearers of the red and white had plenty backing, and as well as the glory, as Cornell won, shutting out the Columbia team by a score of 29 to 0.

To Organize Tube Workers. Pittsburgh, Nov. 8.—A national association of tube workers is being formed. The work is being done quietly, and it is said that satisfactory progress has been made. The first local organization has just been completed at the Youngstown plant of the National Tube company, the combination of pipe and tube manufacturers of the country. The work is being carried out by the American Federation of Labor.

"Regulators" in Missouri. Liberty, Mo., Nov. 8.—Fifteen or more masked "regulators" entered the Arthur hotel, the leading hostelry here, after midnight, took John B. Robinson, the landlord, out of bed, led him in his night clothes to the cemetery and whipped him. He was allowed to return to the hotel on his promise to leave Liberty within 15 days. Complaint had been made that the hotel had become disreputable.

Three Killed by a Falling Arch. Booneville, Mo., Nov. 8.—The arch of a new vegetable cellar caved in at the reform school yesterday, killing Charles W. Kaiser, an officer; Ezra Mullen, formerly from Pittsburg, Kan., and W. Ledgerwood, Superintendent L. D. Drake was crushed, but will recover. The arch was 50 feet long and 20 feet high, and was constructed only a short time ago.

Boat Capsized, One Drowned. Pensacola, Fla., Nov. 8.—William Lambert and J. F. Whitton were caught in a squall while out sailing. Their boat capsized, and after they had waited for hours for relief, Whitton became too weak to retain his hold on the boat, and was drowned. Lambert was rescued, and by hard work he was resuscitated.

A Juvenile Postal Thief. Norfolk, Va., Nov. 8.—John Wobeck, a 13-year-old boy, was convicted in the United States court yesterday of stealing \$3.05 from the Clarmont postoffice. In consideration of his tender age sentence was suspended, and he was remanded to the custody of his parents.

CANCER IS DEADLY!

Results Fatally in Nine Cases Out of Ten—A Cure Found at Last.

This fearful disease often first appears as a mere scratch, a pimple, or lump in the breast, too small to attract any notice, until, in many cases, the deadly disease is fully developed.

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"Cancer is hereditary in our family, my father, a sister and an aunt having died from this dreadful disease. My feelings may be imagined when the horrible disease made its appearance on my side. It was a malignant Cancer, eating inwardly in such a way as to cause great alarm. The disease seemed beyond the skill of the doctors, for their treatment did no good whatever, the Cancer growing worse all the while. Numerous remedies were used for it, but the Cancer grew steadily worse, until it seemed that I was to follow the others of the family, for I know how deadly Cancer is, especially when inherited. I was advised to try Swift's Specific (S. S. S.), which, from the first day, forced out the poison. I continued its use until I had taken eighteen bottles, when I was cured sound and well, and have had no symptoms of the dreadful affliction, though many years have elapsed. S. S. S. is the only cure for Cancer.—Mrs. S. M. Idol, Winston, N. C.

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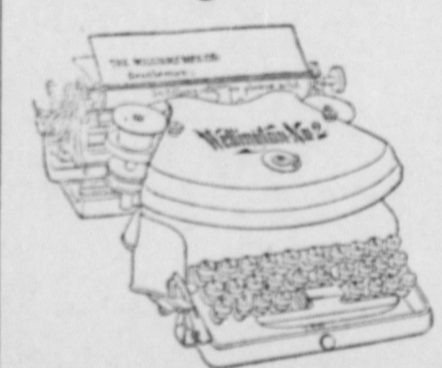
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