### CHRISTMAS DESIGNS.

Suggestions to Those Who Have Not Yet Made Selections.

SACHETS AND BAGS TO CARRY.

Handsome Jewelry Boxes for Feminine Fingers to Embroider.

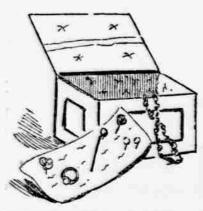
PRESENTS FOR THE COMING HOLIDAYS

The time is at hand when ladies, both young and old, are pondering over the problem of what to make for their friends for Christ-Some of them have already selected bits of fancy work and their fingers are kept busy from morning un-

til night. Others, however, have not yet made up their minds and anggestions will not come amiss. Satchets, from the simplest to the most elaborate designs, are so acceptable that a pretty model is always welcome. The accompanying cut shows a very handsome pattern, which can be copied easily by anyone skilled in painting or embroidery. If the maker lacks time for either of these decorations, a very effective one can be man-ufactured of the rich white silks brocaded in colors, with ribbon matching the predom-

The materials of the one illustrated are half a yard of rich thick satin 21 inches wide, and three yards of satin ribbon, the same shade, one inch in width. Double the same shade, one inch in width. Double the satin together, making the two selvages meet, and, commencing an inch from the bottom, paint or embroider on one half a bouquet eight inches long and six inches wide. Line the satin across the bottom to the depth of six inches with foundation muslin on the wrong side, and stitch across the bottom and up one side. Fold the top over to the depth of five inches and hem it down upon the foundation muslin. Cut pieces of cotton wadding nine inches long and ten inches wide, sprinkle them thickly with sachet powder, and put into the bottom of the bag—enough to have it look well-reunded after being tied at the top.

Another gift epecially appropriate for the season, since nothing is more frequently selected for a Christmas remembrance than selected for a Christmas remained the pins, jewelry, is a small box to hold the pins, bangles and ornaments in daily use. Very convenient it is, too, either to stand on the convenient it is, too, either to stand on the toilet table or to slip into a traveling bag while on a journey. Our model is 4 inches long, 2½ inches wide, and 2 inches deep. The frame work is a thin wooden or strong cardboard box with a flat lid. It is covered with blue velvet, and lined with blue silk. The only orna-



mentation is silk cord of the same color sewed on the edges, and a second row within | them? What are they? to form a line of paneling. This takes away the flat appearance, and makes the top and sides look as though they were beveled. The box is fastened with cord, which may be long enough to go once around and tie, instead of tying as pictured in the model. It is finished with silk balls or tassels. The velvet is cut in one piece. Measure carefully over the box, so as to allow for taking up over the angles, and carefully mark the line of the cording. The ends of the cord are drawn through and fastened on the under side of the velvet. Do not let on the under side of the velvet. Do not let them form knobs, but fringe them out a little, so that they will lie flat. Place under the inside lining a layer of batting, which is perfumed by sprinkling finely powdered potpourri between the batting. This is afterward caught through at regular distances with silk of the same color. Two silk pads, perfumed if desired, are also made to fit and slip in like travs, to keep everything in place. Along the inside of the cover runs a band of narrow ribbon especially to hold stick-pins, which make a dainty row suspended like Bluebeard's wives, while below are the chains, bracelets, and larger pieces are the chains, bracelets, and larger pieces

Very pretty simple bonbon boxes may be made from fancy pale tinted papers of sufficiently stiff texture, and not too smooth surface. Our model is pale blue with decorations of gilt bees and lines of gilt on the flap. Fig. 2 shows the shape in which it is to be cut. Make a paper pattern 11 inches long by 9½ inches wide. Fold it into fours.



Then from the center measure two and a quarter inches the long way and one and and three-quarter inches the other. Mark the point where these lines meet, and cut the four flaps from the edges to this point. Shaped in this way the flaps will be symmetrical, and when unfolded will show a center four and a half inches long by three and a half inches wide, marked by a dotted line in the pattern. Lay this pattern on the fancy paper and cut it, folding up the flaps along the dotted line after decorating.

Pretty ornaments can be made by cutting wood or cardboard in the shape of a cross and covering them with different materials. Scrape a cow's horn with a piece of glass until the shavings are pure white. The first ones are not good, and must be thrown away. Take the pure white shavings in bunches and sew them on the cross until it is entirely covered, then twine a wreath of sutumn leaves around it. A wooden cross may be beautifully covered with broken glass. It must first be painted white. Put some pieces of glass in an old tin pail and pound them very fine, then sprinkle over the cross while the paint is wet. Be sure to put a vail on before pounding the glass. Very pretty crosses are made of cardboard, covered with moss or lichen.

A hand-bag makes an inexpensive and useful present for a lady. They may be made of birch bark, or straw matting used to inclose tea chests. Cut two oval pieces of thick paper about four inches wide and six inches long; then cut another nine inches wide and about two inches longer than the edge of the oval pieces; have each piece square at one end and rounded at the other. Paste these paper patterns to the material used for covering, then cut out lining of pretty silk or sateen, or even cambric, baste it to the cover before cutting it. Cut the matting or birch bark one

inch from the paper, sew on the sewing ma-chine close to the edge of the lining, then trim the matting off. Sew the long piece around the oval pieces, allowing the rounded end to lap over to form a flap. Bind with ribbon and use ribbons for handles.

This very odd and pretty "catch-all" of plush and satin can be arranged in the following manner: Cut odd-shaped pieces from passeboard and cover them with pale green satin, embroidered or painted with sprays of wild roses. The lower, or basket part of the catch-all is made of pink plush caught into uneven



plaits and corded at the lower edge. This basket is made stiff with layers of white basket is made stiff with layers of white skirt lining and cotton wadding heavily scented. Place the old pieces of covered pasteboard in irregular intervals around the inside of the plush basket and catch together with ribbon bows of mixed pink and green plush (or velvet) and satin at the edges. Two shades of the green and a gilt or silver cord are very pretty also. The cord used in the above is pale green silk. This makes a beautiful gift.

A very pretty head rest is made by stuffing an olive green silk or satin bag with a cotton roll and pulling it in (to form puffs) with a darker olive velvet ribbon to form bands. Suspend with dark green satin or silk ribbon. This head rest should be well filled with soft cotton made in a roll after being sprinkled with sachet powder. Yellow satin and brown velvet also look well made up this way.

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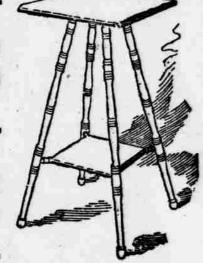
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