

CHOICE MISCELLANY

Markers Use Short Cuts. Ex, for express, and the single letter X, for extra, in the manner, following the name of the company, as used by shipping clerks in marking packages, are anciently familiar forms of abbreviation, and, old time and familiar as they really are, they certainly still answer their purpose well. But there is now employed by markers another abbreviation or mark that shows vastly greater ingenuity and results in a vastly greater saving of time, labor and marking ink. This latter mark is made with a single sweep of the brush, just one straight mark like this: —. And that mark, after the right word, stands for the word "line." So the shipping clerk now no longer marks a case Bay line or Hudson line or whatever the line may be, but just the name of the line with a dash after it, as Bay — or Hudson —, and so on. This mark is of much later origin than the old time Ex or X. In fact, it is of comparatively modern introduction. But it has already among shipping clerks come into wide and general use.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

A ROYAL SITTING ROOM.

Queen Alexandra's Taste is Conservative, but Absolutely Perfect. Alexandra, queen of England, sets the fashions for Great Britain. The queen's taste is conservative, but perfect. It is so faultless that paintings



THE QUEEN'S SITTING ROOM.

and photographs of this beautiful woman made years ago never look old-fashioned or out of date. The portrait of her by Winterhalter, made just after she was married, though presenting her in the crinoline of the time, shows the elegantly dressed woman even to the critical eye of today, for the keynote of her taste is simplicity, and that is the one thing that never grows old-fashioned. Though in the sixties, the queen has still a perfect figure, which is always dressed in long lines to accentuate its height, whether in her coronation robes or in a simple tailored waist and skirt. The queen disdains furbelows of any kind, and many another queen, piling the Ossa of trimming on the Pelion of frills, has wondered why she could not achieve the distinction of the British queen's simple attire. Of late years the queen has dressed almost entirely in mauves, violets and grays or black and white, but her favorite colors are pale pink and blue, and these are always introduced in her apartments wherever she may be staying. The accompanying cut shows one of her favorite sitting rooms done in white and pale pearly gray silk. The rug and draperies introduce the pink and blue, and, as in all apartments of the queen, there are quantities of flowers. The plants in this room rest in gray wickerwork jardinières. The furniture is of the first empire, the screens and pillows in broades showing pink and blue on a gray foundation. The whole shows the perfection of refined simplicity.

REFUSE BASKET.

Device For Getting Rid of Household Accumulations.

"Oh, my! Whatever shall I do with all this rubbish?" exclaims the housekeeper, beholding a miscellaneous collection of papers, scraps and paste-board boxes, the roundup of the regular weekly cleaning. "The ashman declines to take anything but ashes, the rubbish man picks out only such as he



THE PROCESS IN OPERATION.

can find use for, and the secondhand man will have nothing but the whole papers, and they must be clean at that." This little monologue may be heard most anywhere. The conditions are about the same in any place of large or medium size. There is a great deal of accumulated material around a house which is quite difficult to dispose of. It might be burned, but an effort to dispose of the mass in an ordinary stove would more than likely lead to disaster, even if the stove is of suitable proportions to accommodate the collection. Most of them are not. The housekeeper's quandary has led to the invention of a model device to be added to the equipment of the household. It is a refuse destructor, in which the accumulations of the household are to be disposed of by burning in the back yard without danger. The destructor is a basket of wire built on an iron frame, supporting it several inches above the ground. Into this the household accumulations are dumped as well as the sweepings. A match applied soon reduces a big pile to a handful of dust. Such a device solves completely the problem of the disposal of a great deal of material.

The Latest Fad.

The latest fad for serving after dinner coffee is the individual percolator of copper, nickel or brass, with tray and screen. The set costs \$6. The steaming miniature coffee maker has a lamp which is lighted by the guest after the trays are brought to the table.

FASHIONABLE FURS.

Quaint Old Styles Revived in the New Stoles and Muffs.

So widespread has become the vogue of furs that no longer are they regarded as a luxury, but, on the contrary, as quite an important detail of the toilet. Because of this widespread vogue and the necessity for supplying the demand for pelts the four corners of the earth have literally been scoured, and wonders have been accomplished by means of dyeing and plucking. One sees the plebeian American red fox, by no means a comely beast in its native condition, transformed into a marvel of ebony blackness by expert coloring. A process of dyeing has made an amazing change in squirrel, which in plain gray proved so unbecoming to most women when it was introduced six years ago. But the most wonderful treatment of all is that which transforms the American muskrat's pelt into a fur which cannot readily be distinguished from seal-skin.

Never before has there been a season when the fashions in furs have been so distinctly different for matrons and debutantes, for not only is the wearing of sable and broadtail confined almost exclusively to the elder set of women, but it is noticeable that few of them are in favor of mink or caracul and that in reserving lynx for themselves they are graciously allowing their juniors to have prior call on seal-skin. This rule applies especially to fur coats intended for street use, and of these there are a large number of styles to suit the individual purse.

Stoles are of infinite variety. Some of them are so long that they reach far below the knees and at the back cover the shoulders halfway to the waist line. In fact, so large are they that sleeves would almost be sufficient to transform them into coats. The flat, broad stole is always at its best in a short haired fur, but it is seen frequently in lynx, black fox and stone marten as well as in Persian paw, in sable squirrel and in mole.

The novelty of the season is the rug muff, which can only be developed in a pelt having naturally a small head and tail, such as are seen with sable, mink and ermine. In the rug muffs a row of tiny heads overlap a similar



DIRECTOIRE COAT IN SEALSKIN.

number of tails, and when outspread it becomes simply a flat oblong, handsomely lined and conveniently fitted with several pockets.

Some of the so-called "tailored" fur coats are literally in three pieces—muff, jacket and detachable incroyable collar, with or without deep lapels beneath the throat and fastening with large ornamental buttons. It goes without saying that such outfits appeal strongly to the women of economical tastes. The illustration shows a stunning directoire coat in seal-skin.

Trimming a Girl Can Make.

This is to be a season of trimmings, and the girl who is clever enough to make her own can save her purse. One of the easiest for home manufacture is thick rayon cord covered with bias silk sewed on the machine and then used in the form of braiding.

As the cord is large, the work is quickly done when sewed into curves, scrolls or circles. It is especially effective on net or mousseline. It is sewed by hand with loose stitches.

Another showy trimming that can be made at home is from bands of flowered silk cut to outline flowers and appliqued to white or ecru mousseline de soie or chiffon. The raw edges are finished with a gold or silver cord, very narrow, or with a ruffle of the narrowest ribbon that can be bought.

When Hanging Curtains.

A house decorator gives this important advice to women who are arranging their homes. They should not hang curtains of one color against a wall paper of another color. They should not join carpets of opposite colors. They should not put different papers on the walls of adjoining rooms which have wide archways or folding doors between them. These are simple suggestions, but they mean a great deal. The woman who is guided by them will arrive at much better results than she who ignores them. When it is not possible to have the carpets alike in rooms that are joined by wide openings a rug should be laid over the long seam to hide it.

THE STITCH IN TIME.

Yuletide Gifts One Can Make at Her Leisure.

EMBROIDERY SILK CASE.

A Comfortable Possession For the Woman Careless With Her Skins of Silk—Couch Cushion That is a Little Out of the Ordinary.

The case shown here is an ideal receptacle for embroidery silks. In it they remain smooth, straight and clean. In the book are sheets of plain paper. Each skein is laid between them.

Cut two pieces of linen 11 by 4 inches. Place the design in the center of one of the pieces, with a piece of carbon paper under it. Draw around the design. The embroidering is done in a plain, solid Kensington stitch. Next cut two pieces of pasteboard, 8 by 2 1/2 inches. Cover these with the pieces of linen, turning the material back over the edges, and sew it back and forth from side to side. In the center of the long edge of each piece sew a piece of half inch satin ribbon for the fastening. Cut two pieces of plain white paper 7 by 1 1/2 inches. Paste these pieces firmly over the wrong side of the covers for a finish. Lay the covers wrong sides together and overband them neatly down the back.

To make the inside of the case, cut three pieces of plain white paper, 7 1/2



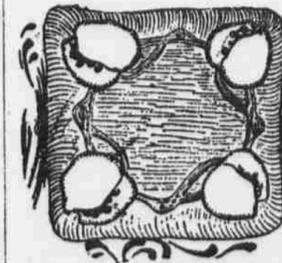
CASE FOR EMBROIDERY SILKS.

by 1 1/2 inches. Fold one sheet of the paper exactly in the middle, the fold being of the seven and a half inch length. Fold each half over again, bringing the outside edge of each half over until it touches the center fold. Repeat this folding on the other two sheets, and put the center fold of each sheet together, one over the other. Put these folds against the overhanding down the center of the case and sew through all. This forms six little pockets in which to put the skeins of silk.

It would be a pleasing idea to put a skein of silk in each pocket before sending it to a friend as a Christmas gift.

Applique Couch Cushion.

A method of work which produces the same bold effects as those of the stencil, but with greater richness and effectiveness, is that of applique. The use of one fabric upon another, with outlines and small details of design brought out by embroidery, is peculiarly pleasing in its results and a method which has heretofore not been thoroughly appreciated by art needle workers. The principal object in these simple designs is the obtaining of good restful lines with broad effects in color and mass which are not handicapped with too much detail. Applique is well suited to this purpose and is very easily done. All that is necessary is to cut out the design and after carefully basting it in place make it secure by a couching stitch about the edge. The outlines of the design are then worked in outline stitch and the small details in satin stitch as required. The seed pod design illustrated



IN SEED POD DESIGN.

is so simple that almost any woman accustomed to art needlework could cut her own pattern, but craftsman shops, however, sell these designs for those who cannot make their own for the seed pod cushion. A gray green canvas could be chosen, and the pods could be cut from golden linen with the seeds done in a brilliant peacock blue. This would give a sharp color contrast to the pillow. The couching and outlining are done in rich golden brown floss.

ROLL of HONOR

Attention is called to the STRENGTH of the

Wayne County SAVINGS BANK

The FINANCIER of New York City has published a ROLL OF HONOR of the 11,470 State Banks and Trust Companies of United States. In this list the WAYNE COUNTY SAVINGS BANK

Stands 38th in the United States.

Stands 10th in Pennsylvania.

Stands FIRST in Wayne County.

Capital, Surplus, \$455,000.00

Total ASSETS, \$2,733,000.00

Honesdale, Pa., May 29, 1908.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE HONESDALE NATIONAL BANK

AT HONESDALE, WAYNE COUNTY, PA.

At the close of business, Nov. 27, 1907.

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Includes items like Loans and Discounts, Capital stock paid in, and various bank assets and liabilities.

Total, \$1,901,418.82

State of Pennsylvania, County of Wayne, ss. I, Edwin F. Torrey, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of Dec., 1908.

R. A. SMITH, N. P.

Correct—attest: H. Z. RUSSELL, LOUIS J. DORFLINGER, H. T. MENNER, Directors.

SHERIFF'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of process issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Wayne county, and State of Pennsylvania, and to me directed and delivered, I have levied on and will expose to public sale, at the Court House in Honesdale, on

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1908, at 11 A. M.,

All of defendant's right, title and interest in the following described property, to-wit:

All those certain pieces, parcels or tracts of land situated in the township of Damascus, county of Wayne, State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:

THE FIRST, BEGINNING at a heap of stones the west corner of a lot in the possession of Raymond Tyler; thence along said Tyler's line south forty-five degrees east forty-eight perches to stake and stones; thence along the line of land belonging to Jephtha Kellam south forty-five degrees west eighty-eight and one-half perches to place of beginning. CONTAINING twenty-five acres, more or less.

THE SECOND, BEGINNING at stake and stones in line of David Skinner's land; thence south forty-five degrees east eighty perches to line of Jephtha Kellam; thence north forty-five degrees east fifty perches to beech tree; thence north forty-five degrees west eighty perches to hemlock stump in line of David Skinner; thence by said line south forty-five degrees west fifty perches to place of beginning. CONTAINING twenty-five acres, be the same more or less.

THE THIRD, BEGINNING at stones corner of lot conveyed to Hornbeck & Keator on line of Jephtha Kellam's land; thence along the northeast line of said Hornbeck & Keator's land north forty-six degrees and forty-one perches to end of stone fence; thence along the same north fifty-six degrees west four and two-tenths perches to line of Jephtha Kellam's south forty-three degrees west eighty-five perches to the place of beginning. CONTAINING one hundred and eight acres and one hundred and eleven acres, strict measure, more or less. Being name land which Jackson Chadwick conveyed to Leon Williams by deed dated and recorded in Deed Book No. page Excepting and reserving ninety acres more or less, sold to Lucas Baker by Jackson Chadwick.

On said property is one two-story frame house, one frame barn, one shed, two fine apple orchards, and nearly all improved land.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Leon Williams at the suit of Jackson Chadwick, No. 82 October Term, 1908. Judgment, \$2,800.00; real debt \$1,400.00; amount to be collected, \$350.00 with 6 per cent. collect on fee. Mumford, Attorney.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank

OF HONESDALE, WAYNE COUNTY, PA.

at the close of business, Nov. 27, 1908.

RESOURCES.

Table with columns for RESOURCES. Includes Reserve fund, Cash, specie and notes, and various bank assets.

LIABILITIES.

Table with columns for LIABILITIES. Includes Capital Stock paid in, Undivided Profits, less expenses, and various bank liabilities.

Total, \$208,183.24

State of Pennsylvania, County of Wayne, ss. I, C. A. Emery, Cashier of the above named company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2d day of December, 1908.

W. S. EGGERT, N. P.

Correct—attest: M. SIMON, F. W. KRITNER, JOHN KUBRACH, Directors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE WAYNE COUNTY SAVINGS BANK

AT HONESDALE, WAYNE CO., PA.

at the close of business, Nov. 27, 1908.

RESOURCES.

Table with columns for RESOURCES. Includes Reserve fund, Cash, specie and notes, and various bank assets.

LIABILITIES.

Table with columns for LIABILITIES. Includes Capital Stock paid in, Surplus Fund, and various bank liabilities.

Total, \$2,742,586.89

State of Pennsylvania, County of Wayne, ss. I, H. Scott Salmon, Cashier of the above named company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of December, 1908.

(Signed) ROBERT A. SMITH, N. P. [Notarial Seal]

Correct—attest: W. B. HOLMES, ALONZO T. SEARLE, T. B. CLARK, Directors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE HONESDALE DIME BANK

HONESDALE, WAYNE COUNTY, PA.

at the close of business, Nov. 27, 1908.

RESOURCES.

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LIABILITIES.

Table with columns for LIABILITIES. Includes Capital Stock paid in, Surplus Fund, and various bank liabilities.

Total, \$512,018.50

State of Pennsylvania, County of Wayne, ss. I, Joseph A. Fisch, Cashier of the above named company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3d day of December, 1908.

ROBERT A. SMITH, N. P.

Correct—attest: FRANK STEINMAN, BENJ. F. HAUSER, E. C. MUMFORD, Directors.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS.—In compliance with an Act of Assembly and in accordance with Article 5 of the Constitution of the Wayne County Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co., notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the said company will be held in the office of the company, in the Post Office building, Honesdale, Pa., on

MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 1909, at 10 a. m.,

for the transaction of general business, and that an election will be held at the same place of meeting, between the hours of 1 and 2 p. m. of said day, for the purpose of electing ten members of said company to serve as directors for the ensuing year. Every person insured in the company is a member thereof, and entitled to one vote.

PERRY A. CLARK, Secretary. Honesdale, Pa., Dec. 2, 1908. 384

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION, ESTATE OF JOHN T. BAILEY, late of Honesdale, Pa.

All persons indebted to said estate are notified to make immediate payment to the undersigned; and those having claims against the said estate are notified to present them duly attested for settlement.

JOSEPH A. RODIE, Executor.