

HOME - MADE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

WALL CASE FOR MAGAZINE. FOR THE MAN OF THE FAMILY.
An Appropriate Christmas Gift for Anyone with a Library or Den. A Christmas Present That Will Be Appropriate for Him if He is a Smoker.



Not many home-made affairs are sufficiently decorative to place so conspicuously on the wall; but if the suggested Christmas gift here described be carefully constructed, it will pass muster for library or den as well as fill its purpose of utility. It is intended as a case for magazines, for the different periodicals that come into the house. As shown in the picture, it is long and narrow in shape and would fit in well in some narrow space. Its several pockets are stamped with the names of the favorite magazines of the person to whom it is to be presented, and the lettering may be embroidered in or painted on, depending on the talent of the worker. One of the most important things to be considered in this case is the choice of colors and material. We would suggest leather cloth (not a real leather), denim, linen, or canvas. Tan and brown, brown and yellow, brown and green, all would be very soft and rich, and unobtrusive enough so as not to grow tiresome.

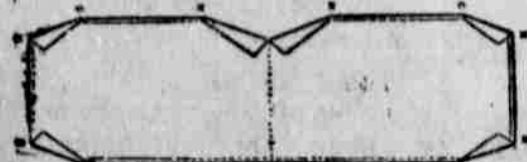
In homes where different magazines are regular monthly visitors such a present will be greatly appreciated. When designing a case of this kind for a particular person it is well to keep in mind some particular spot in some particular room where it will fit and make its colorings such as will be harmonious with its surroundings. It will be all the more appreciated if this is done.

A DRESSING SACK.

One That Is Easily Made and Is Never Inappropriate as a Gift.



One can easily make a dressing-sack, and this is a gift that few would consider inappropriate. Almost every woman and girl occasionally needs a negligee that she can slip into easily and quickly, and some ladies include several in their individual wardrobes. The one shown in the accompanying design is very pretty made of pale blue or pink



elderdown flannel, trimmed with ribbon and feather-stitching. It takes one and one-half yards of flannel. Turn a half-inch hem on the right side all way around the material, cut a slit six inches deep exactly in the middle of the length of the material, and turn the edge over (as shown in the diagram), to form the neck. At X, turn the corners over and join with ribbon bows. Feather-stitch, hem, and turn-over portions in silk, matching color of ribbon.

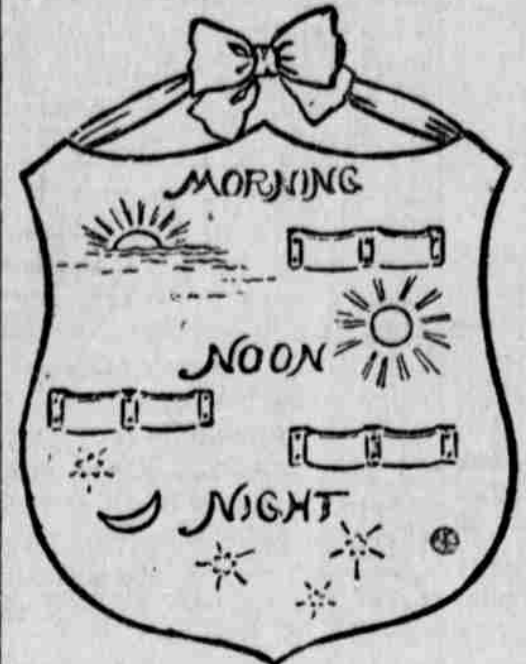
FOR A CHILD TO MAKE.

A Dainty Little Christmas Present That Is Within Their Limitations.



The children always want to help at Christmas time, and for several reasons they should be allowed to do their part; that their awkward little fingers may learn skill; to give them the proud feeling of being useful; and for the pleasure their funny, but bravely-attempted, little gifts bestow on those that receive them. There are various articles the chubby hands can struggle with, presents for father and mother, grandma and grandpa, brother or sister—bits of work with bright wools, little boxes, cut-out figures, pen-wipers, spectacle-wipers, blotters, etc. The unique blotter shown here almost any child would delight to try its hand at. The grass suggested at the bottom should be tinted green, the space at the top of the blotter a light blue. The lettering, clothes-lines, and blots should be black. Be careful to get good blotting paper, for nothing is apt to make the recipient less thankful than a fancy blotter made of poor blotting paper.

The choice of the Christmas gift for the man of the family is a most perplexing matter. There is nothing like the wide choice there is when selecting for femininity, and any suggestions in this line are usually welcome. Of course, there are the ever-necessary handkerchiefs and ties one can present, and the average man does not, as a rule, have an over-supply of either. Besides the home-made handkerchiefs, hem-stitched squares of very fine material are of decided value; and if the gentleman were to buy them at the stores he would have to pay a pretty penny for them. But most people prefer gifts of greater novelty, and a pipe-case, if he smokes, and ten to one he does, may be just the thing. The one shown in the accompanying cut is of pleasing appearance and easy construction, a most desirable combination for the weary Christmas worker. The case is made of brown denim, with the design worked in gold, and is quite artistic. The straps, which should be firm and strong, may be fastened with gilt tacks. One should be very particular to have the straps tight enough and strong enough, for if they were inadequate and should cause the destruction of a beloved meerschaum, there should be little gratitude felt toward the giver of the case.



A PIPE CASE.

A present of this kind is not only good for the head of the family, but is quite appropriate for a young lady to give an admirer. To him it will represent more of her own sweet self than many a little present she could buy at the store, and he would appreciate it because she had made it. At least if he did not, he is unworthy the maker.

UNIQUE JEWELRY BOX.

One That Will Be Greatly Appreciated by Any Woman as a Christmas Present.

One of the daintiest little Christmas presents one woman can give another is a little jewelry box made from nothing more elaborate than a tin cup. Properly done it makes an attractive article for her dresser, and into it she can drop her pins, her cuff buttons, her rings, and



UNIQUE JEWELRY BOX.

all the various small bits of jewelry that she wears. Take the ordinary straight tin cup, one that will hold a little less than a pint is a good size, and cover it carefully with silk, selecting, if possible, the favorite color of the one to whom you intend giving it. This covering should be stitched together at the handle in the back of the cup, and should be carefully gathered beneath the bottom so that it will be smooth and stand securely without wobbling. Make a lining of white silk, and stitch the lining and the outside covering together at the rim of the cup. The lid should be cut of a firm piece of cardboard, just large enough so that it will sit on top, and this should be sewed to the covering just at the point where the handle is attached. The inside of the lid should be lined with the white silk, and the outside of the same material used on the outside of the cup, with a bow of contrasting baby ribbon fastened to the center by which to raise it. If you are clever with the brush, it is not amiss to decorate the silk used for the covering, or, at least, put the recipient's name on it, though this is by no means necessary to make it attractive.

DOMINICA'S BOILING LAKE.

Curious Natural Phenomenon That Was Not Discovered Till the Year 1875.

Mr. Sterns-Fadelle, of Dominica, has just published a little book giving some interesting information recently obtained about a curious natural phenomenon in Dominica, one of the Lesser Antilles, reports the New York Sun.

This island is only 291 square miles in area. It was colonized by the Spaniards in the seventeenth century, and peopled later by French immigrants, who controlled the island uninterruptedly until the eighteenth century, and its resources have since been exploited by English and French; and yet its natural curiosity in the northern part of the island had never been seen or heard of until 28 years ago.

This can be explained only by the fact that the neighborhood of the boiling lakes of Dominica is difficult of access. The lake was discovered by an Englishman, Dr. Nichols, who organized an expedition to explore the unknown part of the island.

One day his little party were clambering up a mountain. They suddenly came upon evidences of sulphur, and a moment later stood looking down into a crater which was filled with boiling water.

Stiffing vapors rose from the agitated surface, rumblings of thunder came from the subterranean regions, and near the center of the little lake, where the water was most violently disturbed, the furious boiling lifted the surface ten or twelve feet above the general level. The lake was constantly fed by several small brooks that poured from the heights above the crater.

Mr. Sterns-Fadelle says that the lake is still boiling. It has been found to be at an altitude of 2,490 meters above sea level. In form it is elliptical.

When it is filled with water it is about 200 feet long and less than 10 feet wide. Its depth is unknown. An attempt to touch bottom was made 30 feet from the water edge, where, at depth of 195 feet, no bottom was reported.

The water is not always in movement. At certain times the surface is calm and glistens under the rays of the sun.

At other times it is violently agitated and boils away, exactly like a big tea kettle. But, instead of the singing that accompanies the ebullitions in the kettle, the boiling fluid in this caldron is accompanied by the gruffest and most unpleasant detonations. Little waves roll up on the narrow shelf of sandy beach, which is covered with a scum of sulphur.

The boiling lake is the center of the present volcanic activity of Grande Soufriere, or Diabolin, a mountain covering an area of about five square miles. The lake is one of the last vestiges of volcanic energy left to the big mountain, which within the historical period has had no great outbursts.

England's Natural Gas.

The English natural gas has two advantages over the American. In the Heathfield district near London all the wells show a pressure of at least 120 pounds per square inch, which is enough to carry the gas to any town in England. The other advantage is that, while American gas, when burnt in a fish-tail or Argand burner, has practically no illuminating power, the former, when burnt under the same conditions, cannot be distinguished save by an expert from the ordinary coal gas in common use. Heathfield gas gives 20 per cent. more light than coal gas under like conditions.

THE GENERAL MARKETS.

Kansas City, Dec. 1.	
CATTLE—Egg steers	43 50 @ 4 80
Native heifers	2 65 @ 3 50
Western steers	2 25 @ 4 50
HOGS	4 25 @ 4 00
SHEEP	2 00 @ 3 95
WHEAT—No. 2, hard	72 @ 73 1/2
No. 2 red	81 1/2 @ 82
CORN—No. 2 mixed	39 @ 40 1/2
OATS—No. 2 mixed	34 @ 34
RYE	47 @ 47 1/2
FLOUR—Hard winter pat.	3 50 @ 3 75
Soft winter patents	3 70 @ 4 00
HAY—Timothy	6 00 @ 9 50
Prairie	4 00 @ 8 50
BRAN	68
BUTTER—Fancy to extra	19 @ 22
EGGS	25
CHEESE—Full cream	9 1/2 @ 11 1/2
POTATOES—Home grown	60 @ 70
ST. LOUIS.	
CATTLE—Beef steers	3 70 @ 5 40
Texas steers	2 25 @ 4 25
HOGS—Packers	4 20 @ 4 40
SHEEP—Natives	3 25 @ 3 55
WHEAT—No. 2 red	89 1/2 @ 90 1/2
CORN—No. 2	41 1/2 @ 42
OATS—No. 2	34 1/2 @ 37 1/2
FLOUR—Red winter pat.	4 10 @ 4 30
BUTTER—Creamery	19 @ 25 1/2
EGGS	25
CORN MEAL	2 30
BACON	7 75 @ 8 37 1/2
CHICAGO.	
CATTLE—Steers	3 50 @ 5 75
HOGS—Mixed and butchers	4 45 @ 4 70
SHEEP—Western	2 40 @ 4 25
WHEAT—No. 2 red	87 @ 87
CORN—No. 2	42 1/2 @ 43
OATS—No. 2	34 1/2 @ 35
RYE—December	53
FLOUR—Winter patents	4 00 @ 4 20
LARD—January	6 40 @ 6 45
PORK—January	10 87 1/2 @ 11 00
NEW YORK.	
CATTLE—Steers	3 50 @ 6 20
HOGS	4 90 @ 5 60
SHEEP	2 15 @ 3 75
WHEAT—No. 2	88 1/2 @ 89 1/2
CORN—No. 2	49 1/2 @ 50 1/2
OATS—No. 2	34 @ 41

GRATEFUL, HAPPY WOMEN



Miss Muriel Armitage.

Thank Pe-ru-na for Their Recovery After Years of Suffering.

Miss Muriel Armitage, 36 Greenwood Ave., Detroit, Mich., District Organizer of the Royal Templars of Temperance, in a recent letter, says:

"I think that a woman naturally shrinks from making her troubles public, but restored health has meant so much to me that I feel for the sake of other suffering women it is my duty to tell what Peruna has done for me.

"I suffered for five years with uterine irregularities, which brought on hysteria and made me a physical wreck. I tried doctors from the different schools of medicine, but without any perceptible change in my condition. In my despair I called on an old nurse, who advised me to try Peruna, and promised good results if I would persist and take it regularly. I thought this was the least I could do, and procured a bottle. I knew as soon as I began taking it that it was affecting me differently from anything I had used before, and so I kept on taking it. I kept this up for six months, and steadily gained strength and health, and when I had used fifteen bottles I considered myself entirely cured. I am a grateful, happy woman to-day."—Miss Muriel Armitage.

Peruna cures catarrh of the pelvic organs with the same surety as it cures catarrh of the head. Peruna has become renowned as a positive cure for female ailments simply because the ailments are mostly due to catarrh. Catarrh is the cause of the trouble. Peruna cures the catarrh. The symptoms disappear.

Female Weakness is Pelvic Catarrh.

Always Half Sick are the Women Who Have Pelvic Catarrh.

Catarrh of any organ, if allowed to progress, will affect the whole body. Catarrh without nervousness is very rare, but pelvic catarrh and nervousness go hand in hand.

What is so distressing a sight as a poor half-sick, nervous woman, suffering from the many almost unbearable symptoms of pelvic catarrh? She does not consider herself ill enough to go to bed, but she is far from being able to do her

work without the greatest exhaustion. This is a very common sight and is almost always due to pelvic catarrh.

It is worse than foolish for so many women to suffer year after year with a disease that can be permanently cured.

Peruna cures catarrh permanently. It cures old chronic cases as well as a slight attack, the only difference being in the length of time that it should be taken to effect a cure.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

Feel bad today?

Over-eating, working and drinking may have caused it, or you may have caught cold. Makes you feel mean—bad taste—and a headache. Go upon our advice just once and take



No mercurial or pill poison in CASCARETS, but an absolutely harmless, purely vegetable compound. Pleasant, palatable, potent. They taste good and do good. Get the genuine C.C.C. Any druggist, 10c, 25c, 50c. Take one now and

Feel well tomorrow

WATCH IN THE SPRING.

And the Spring in the Watch, But the Jeweler Didn't Grasp the Situation.

While picnicking with a crowd in the country the other day, says the Joplin News-Herald, Arch Shade accidentally dropped his watch in a spring, and quite naturally it has since refused to run. He took the timepiece to a jeweler, and the following conversation ensued: "Here's my watch; can you fix it?" "What's the matter? Did you break the spring?" "No; the spring broke the watch." The man wondered, but proceeded to examine the injured article. "The spring is broken," he finally announced.

"No wonder," said Arch; "I dropped the watch in it."

"It began to dawn upon the jeweler that the young man was certainly insane, and just as he was glancing around for some avenue of escape Arch explained the situation."

Why He Complained.

Gritty George—Sleep well last night, pard?

Dusty Dennis—No; I had on a paper undershirt.

"What of dat?" "It was a comic paper, an' I was tickled."—Chicago Daily News.

"Is he fond of music?" "I think not. He enjoys his daughter's playing."—Cincinnati Times-Star.

A woman's train of thought is often on her dress.—Everybody's Magazine.

Reduced circumstances are the kind that alter cases.—Chicago Daily News.

Some men would be witty if they knew how to be brief.—Chicago Journal.

ABSOLUTE SECURITY.

Genuine Carter's Little Liver Pills.

Must Bear Signature of *Dr. Wood*



CURE SICK HEADACHE.