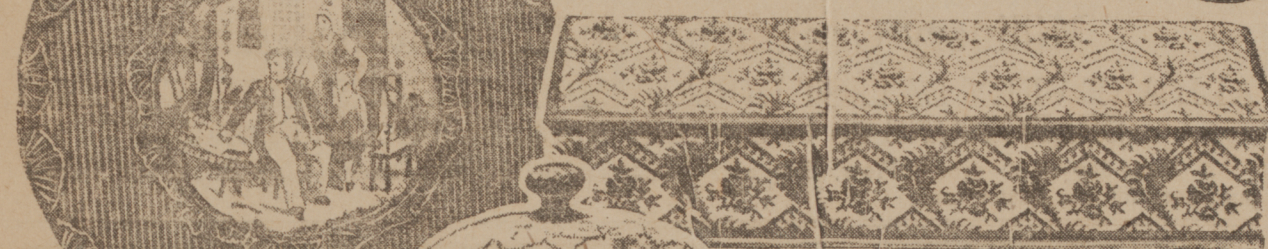


Practical Fiction & Fictional Suggestions for Women

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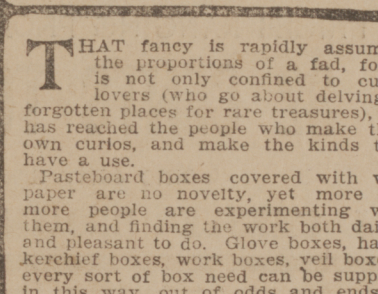
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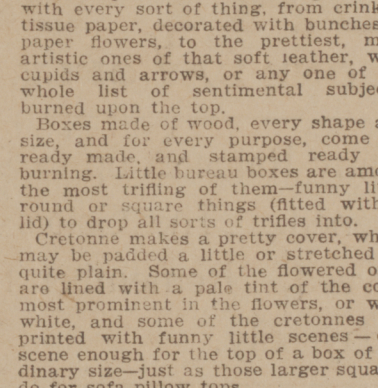
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A Little Bureau-Box of Wood



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For Gloves

like copies of the pretty little French boxes, which have their medallions on top—a head of some famous beauty, done in imitation of miniature painting, or a whole little scene, perhaps after a painting by Watteau, perhaps some altogether modern bit.

For cabinets and collections, the gathering of boxes proves a fascinating occupation for much an "empty hour." Dutch silver boxes, with the curious marking that tells the century in which each was made, are wonderfully attractive, even though you know that all but the most occasional one of those boxes has had its date put on to make it more saleable; or that it is even the custom in certain foreign shops in rather out-of-the-way places for the obliging clerk to ask you what century you prefer your dach.

Some exquisite boxes—valuable in themselves and with associations which enhance their value mightily—are made with miniatures painted upon ivory and set round with jewels. Upon some of them the miniature is almost faded out, so old are they.

Little silk boxes, and the many varied bonbon boxes which have graced several centuries; queer old snuff boxes, their use gone, the collector's mania for them; boxes of silver or gold, with a secret place in them just big enough to hold a tiny slip of paper folded flat, or a picture of a sweetheart, hidden away from any eyes but their own; boxes, beautiful kinds, each of them, perhaps, having some story about it well worth the telling, to make one who looks into it even casually exclaim over the interest of the "fancy."

PLANNING THE MEALS

FULLY half the drudgery of planning "twenty-one meals a week" may be saved by planning all of them at once at the beginning of the week. Take advantage of a leisure hour and write down little menus for each one of the seven days. You will find yourself getting more variety into the meals, and unconsciously thinking up new combinations. Stick to it fairly closely in your marketing, though, or you will have to adapt it more or less.

A Lingerie Tie for Embroidered Collars

THE prettiest little ties for setting off deep turnover collars have been sent over by Paris, along with some of the little ties themselves. Everything is tiny—a bow so small that you can barely see it is her decree. And the results are as smart as they are attractive.

Velvet ribbon, used to make small four-in-hands, makes a pretty finish, especially when it is worn with a collar bordered in color or in black. The ribbon matches this color.

The way that it is put on needs a bit of explaining. One side of the collar is straight up and down, and the other side is buttoned over, then it is brought down and knotted at the very base of the collar.

Another way is to lace the velvet ribbon through two buttonholes worked on each side of the collar, finishing it in the thinnest possible knot. It is a tiny knot, but it is a knot, and it is a knot.

But it is in the use of these little lingerie ties that the French woman is most lavish. They are a sort of "fancy" tie, and they are used in a way that is most interesting.

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Both dots and edging may be embroidered in white or in a color. The collar and cuff set are simply made—the collar running straight down the middle, and the cuffs shaped to fit the wrist.

Then take valencienne lace about an inch wide, and ease it, instead of pulling it tight, over the cuffs. The lace will turn back on the cuff, and roll up in a neat ring, but a pretty fashion when you wear it.

In making them up, especially for a gift, the daintiest way, of course, is to sew the bands on by hand, making your stitches as nearly invisible as possible. A quick way is to stitch them on by machine, some women claiming that the machine stitching makes a firmer finish. What is as firm and yet gives the daintiest touch of handwork is to do the first stitching of the band by machine, and hem it down by hand.

Handkerchiefs, embroidered in a white, make the daintiest of all ties. They are the kind that may be worn with any color or with white equally well, but those with bits of color introduced into the work have a style about them that is most unusual.

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Women's Ways of Earning Money---The "Mover"

By Cynthia Westover Alden

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ALMA who displays tact and good judgment in picking makes her self almost invaluable to a woman who travels. A friend of mine had a maid who was an adept at putting the right thing in just the right place and relieved her mistress to the extent of any responsibility, that she was good enough to lend her to some friends.

This gave the girl an idea. She took the maid of the woman who always went away for the summer and then made another list of those who went for the winter. She joined in business with a moving van company. Her application as a packer was in good luck, but business grew so that she is now called upon as regularly as the moving van is ordered. Her car is sent out with the moving notices, and many an overworked housekeeper is glad to be relieved of the care of overhauling the packing of dishes, bric-a-brac, etc. Any woman who is good at such work might get a start by moving boxes by another woman who has a horse-drawn wagon.

House-Movers.

To be known as a "house-mover" is not bad, particularly if you make a living at it. Of course it is not a glamorous job, but it is a job that is in demand. There is no relief like hearing some one say "I will attend to the house, but when I go off on a week's vacation, I'll go over the house, make plans and place things, alter curtains, rearrange the furniture, in fact, the thousand and one things that must be done and turn over to you a habitable home, in which you can make changes at leisure."

You may not be paid a fortune for superintending such work, but when you once make known your talent, your services will be in demand. You can charge by the day or so much for the whole roofing.

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