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FIG. 1. HAND BAG. (See Figs. 2 and 3, and page 3)
Filet Crochet

Filet Crochet is an arrangement of solid and open meshes to produce a given design: the solid meshes are usually called blocks (blk), and the open meshes called spaces (sp).

A very few principles are necessary to a perfect understanding of Filet Crochet; but practice to insure perfectly uniform work, and to insure "square" work (a certain number of meshes to an inch and the same number of rows to an inch) can not be too strongly insisted upon, can not be emphasized too much. The pattern, when brought out in the crocheting, should be "square" like the block pattern. A good example of this is the Baby Bonnet, page 4: notice that the side of the bonnet presents the same proportion as does the block pattern above. A good piece of filet crochet is neither drawn out in the width by too loose chain and too short trebles, or drawn out of the square vertically by too long trebles.

STITCHES.—Stitch (st), Stitches (sts), Chain (ch), Treble (t). Having loop on hook, thread over, thread through ch or work, (thread over and through two) twice. Double (d). Having loop on hook, thread through work, thread over and through two. Double Treble (dt) St on hook, thread over twice, thread through work, crochet off by twos. Long Treble (lt). Like dt, thread over 3 or more times. Picot (p). A picot is formed by joining 4 ch sts (or any given number) in a ring with a sl or d.

MATERIALS.—Spool thread, cotton or linen. Any hard-twisted thread (such as Cordichet, Cordonet, Cordonnet Special, Kord-net, etc.) is implied when "Crochet Cotton" is mentioned.

Crochet-hooks are numbered from 1 to 14, and may be used with different sizes of crochet cotton as follows,—

No. 8 hook with 5 or 10 crochet cotton, 4 meshes to an inch; No. 9 hook with 15 or 20 cotton, 5 or 5½ meshes; No. 10 hook with 30 or 40 cotton, 6 or 7 meshes; No. 12 hook with 50 or 60 cotton, 8 meshes; No. 13 hook with 70 cotton, 9 meshes; No. 14 hook with 100 or 150 cotton, 10 to 11 meshes to an inch.

For foundation ch make 3 times the number of meshes plus 1 ch, plus 5 ch, turn, t in 9th st from hook, * ch 2, miss 2 sts, t in next; repeat from * for a row of sp. One blk is 4 t, 2 blk t, 3 blk 10 t, etc. One sp is ch 2, miss 2 sts, t over next st.

To widen one sp at the first of a row,—ch 8, turn, t in 1st t. To widen more than one sp, ch 3 times the number of sp plus 5 ch, turn, t in 9th st. To widen at the last of the row,—ch 2, long t (3 times over) into base of last t, * ch 2, long t into base of long t; repeat from * required number of times. To increase 1 blk at beginning, ch 6, turn, t in 4th st from hook, 2 t in 2 sts. To increase 1 blk at end,—1 long t in base of t, (long t in base of long t) twice.

Directions

Figure 1. HAND BAG.—(Frontal-piece). No. 150 Crochet Cotton and No. 14 crochet-hook. The work should be close.

When both sides of the bag are completed, hold the two together and connect by double crochet, 3 sts over each mesh. Reading.—Double around the top of bag, 3 d in each mesh, then ch 36, catch back over 2d t, 25 d over ch, * ch 16, catch back over 2d t; repeat from * around bag. Around top of heading make 6 d in each sp. There should be 48 bars around the top.

Top of Bag.—Make 2 rounds of 96 sp around the top of heading. For 13 rounds follow pattern, repeating to make both sides of the bag.

Row of Scallop.—* 3 d in each of first 2 sp, ch 8, catch back above 1st t, 8 d over ch; repeat from * around. Finish with crocheted cords (each 18 inches long), and balls as illustrated.

Figure 5. BABY BONNET.—No. 150 Crochet Cotton and No. 14 crochet-hook.

Two pieces of the side pattern, Fig. 4, and one of the back, Fig. 12, are required. To join the edge of BC of the back to the line BC of the side, an insertion of open meshes
SIDE OF BABY’S BONNET.
(See Fig. 12). Begin side at A.
chain 37 plus 5 to turn. t in 9th st.
making 12 meshes, etc.

FIG. 4.

is made, 3 meshes wide and 100 rows long. The first and last
16 rows are made in the usual way: between these, every fourth
row is finished with a double instead of a treble. This makes
an insertion, curved to fit the two pieces, between which it is
overcast. The edge is finished with doubles and picot.

FIG. 5. BABY’S BONNET. (See Figs. 4 and 12)

FIG. 6½
9 meshes

FIG. 6. BLOCK PATTERN OF
FIG. 8. 24 meshes.

FIG. 5½
9 meshes

FIG. 7. INSERT FOR BR. (See Fig. 56, page 13.), 24 x 52 meshes
No. 70 cotton, No. 12 hook
FIG. 8. TOWEL. (See Fig. 6)
No. 30 crochet cotton, No. 12 hook

FIG. 9. PATTERN OF FIG. 10. 13 meshes

FIG. 10. TOWEL
No. 30 crochet cotton, No. 12 hook

FIG. 11. EDGE OF TOWEL
Fig. 10

FIG. 12. BACK OF BABY’S BONNET
Begin back at B with ch 73 plus 5 to turn, 1 in 9th ch, making 24 meshes, etc.

Figures 9, 10, and 11. TOWEL. EDGE OF TOWEL.
(See Fig. 11.)—Make chain and sew around scallops, 1st row—d into each ch st, (or d directly into scallop). 2nd row—Ch 5, t in 2d st, * ch 2, t in 2d st; repeat from *. 3rd row—Fill 2 meshes with d, ch 8, catch back in 1st st, fill chain with d; repeat from *. Other pretty towel insertions are Fig. 2, page 3; Figs. 5½ and 6½, page 4; Figs. 18 and 19, page 8; Figs. 21 and 22, page 7; Figs. 26 and 27, page 8; Figs. 30 and 31, page 9; the edge of Lunch Cloth, Fig. 39, page 12; Figs. 47 and 52, page 14; Figs. 54 and 55, page 15; Fig. 59 (with initial), page 16.
FIG. 13. INSERT FOR BIB
No. 70 crochet cotton, No. 12 hook

FIG. 14. PATTERN OF FIG. 17. 18 x 35 meshes

FIG. 15. CHRISTMAS TREE. 67 meshes

FIG. 16. PATTERN OF FIG. 13
23 x 34 meshes

FIG. 17. INSERT FOR BIB
No. 70 crochet cotton, No. 12 hook

FIG. 18. 15 meshes

FIG. 19. 15 meshes
Figure 20. BIRD TRAY (see pattern, page 17).—Two balls No. 60 Crochet Cotton, No. 11 crochet hook. 60 x 55 meshes. Chain 186, turn, * in 9th st from hook, 2 rows of 60 sp., etc. After making row marked A (which is the middle row), reverse the order of rows back to the first. Edge.—*3 d over each of 4 sp., ch 5, fasten with d in 5th d back, ch 1. (5 d. ploct of 4 joined with d, 5 d) over 5 ch; repeat from *.

Fig. 21
9 meshes wide

Fig. 22
7 meshes wide

Fig. 23. SKATERS. 71 x 75 meshes

Fig. 20. BIRD DESIGN FOR SERVING TRAY. (See Pattern, page 17)

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Figure 24. **Towel.**
Huck toweling, No. 70 linen thread, No. 13 hook. 16 x 37 inches completed.

Pin crochet in place on linen. Mark with pencil on the linen the line for joining. Remove crochet and cut the linen, allowing ½ inch for turning over; turn edge on pencil line and whip. Trim raw edge; sew together the crochet and linen. The two oblong strips of linen in the corners are double and whipped in.

Work one row of spaces across entire bottom edge and cover with d, 3 to each mesh; a second row of spaces covered with d, making a ploct every fifth space.

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Fig. 29. 13 meshes high

Fig. 30. 8 meshes wide

Fig. 31. 15 meshes

Fig. 32. 13 meshes high

Fig. 33. 14 x 17 meshes
Fl., are 16.

CENTREPIECE.

Six balls No. 40 Crochet Cotton, No. 10 hook, damask 20 inches in diameter. Finish the linen with a tiny hem by hand. Crochet d over the hem.

SPIDER-WEBS PATTERN. 1st rose—Ch 5, sp all around, join with sl. The number of sp should be a multiple of 7.

3d rose—Blk (ch 5, 2 t in sp, t in t), 6 sp, * blk, 6 sp; repeat from *, join each row with sl.

3d rose—Ch 3, turn, * blk, 4 sp, blk, sp, blk, 4 sp, blk, sp; repeat from *, sl across blk and sp, ch 3, turn.

4th rose—* Blk, ch 5, dt in sp, ch 5, blk on next sp, sp, ch 2, t in same place, sp; repeat from *, join with sl, turn.

5th rose—Ch 3, * blk, sp, blk, ch 6, 3 d (on ch before dt, on dt, after dt), ch 6; repeat from *, join with sl, sl across blk and sp, turn.

6th rose—Ch 3, * blk in sp, ch 7, d in ch before d, 3 d over 3 d, d in ch, ch 7; repeat from *, turn.

7th row—(Ch 3, 3 t on 7-ch) as * blk, ch 5, miss 1 d, 3 d on 3 d, ch 5, 3 t on last 3 sts of 7-ch, t in first t of blk, sp; repeat from *, turn.

8th row—Ch 5, * t in sp, ch 2, t on 1st t, sp, 3 t on 1st 3 sts of ch, ch 3, dt in middle of 3 d, ch 3, 3 t on last 3 sts of ch, t on 1st t of blk, sp, ch 2; repeat from *, ending with blk, ch 2, join with sl, sl over sp and blk, turn.

9th row—Ch 3, 3 t under 3 ch, ch 2, 3 t under next 3 ch, t in 1st t of blk, 6 sp, * blk, sp, blk, 6 sp; repeat from *, turn.

10th row—Ch 5, 7 sp, * blk. 8 sp; repeat from *, turn.

11th row—Ch 5, sp all around. The lace outside this is finished and overcast to the outer edge.

FILET SQUARES. Chain 61, turn. 1st row—2 t in 5th st from hook, 3 t in 3 t, (ch 2, miss 1, t in next st) 22 times, (ch 2, miss 2, t in next st) 3 times.

2d row—Ch 5 (always on this side of lace), 25 sp, 7 t, making the last 2 t under the turn of ch, to widen, ch 2, t in same place.

3d row—Ch 3, 9 t (2 over

Fig. 35. CENTREPIECE
(See Fig. 34)
ch, 7 over 7 t), 3d row of
filet, beginning at A of block
pattern, Fig. 34.
4th row—Fourth row of filet,
beginning at B, 11 t, ch 2 t.
5th row—Ch 3, 13 t, fifth
row of filet.
6th row—Filet, 15 t, ch 2 t.
7th row—Ch 3, 17 t, filet.
8th row—Filet, 19 t, ch 2 t.
9th row—Ch 3, 21 t, filet.
10th row—Filet, 23 t, ch 2 t.
11th row—Ch 3, 25 t, filet.
12th row—Filet, 21 t, sp.
blk, ch 2 t.
13th row—Ch 4, blk (3 t on
t, ch on t), sp, blk, 18 t.
filet.
14th row—Filet, 15 t, (sp,
blk) 3 times, ch 2 t.
15th row—Ch 4, blk, sp, blk,
ch 3, dt in sp, ch 3, blk in next
sp, sp, 12 t, filet.
16th row—Filet, 9 t, sp, blk.
ch 3, 5 d (over ch, dt and ch),
ch 5, blk over next sp, sp,
blk, ch 2 t.
17th row—Ch 4, blk, sp, blk,
ch 7, d on ch, 3 d on 3 d, d on
next ch, bh, 7, blk, sp, 6 t, filet.
18th row—Filet, 9 t, sp, blk.
ch 5, miss 1 d, 3 d, ch 5, blk,
sp, 9 t, ch 2 t.
19th row—Ch 4, 14 t (2 over
ch, 9 over t, 3 over sp), sp,
blk, ch 3, dt in middle of 3 d,
ch 3, blk, 12 t, filet.
20th row—Filet, 15 t, sp.
(blk, sp) twice, 19 t, ch 2 t.
21st row—Ch 4, 24 t, sp.
blk, sp, 18 t, filet.
22nd row—Filet, 21 t, sp, 28
ch 2 t.
23rd row—Ch 4, 54 t, filet.
24th row—Filet, 56 t, ch 2 t.
To begin the second square—
Ch 3, 2 t under turn, 3 t on
3 t (ch 2, miss 1, t on next
st) 22 times, (ch 2, miss 2,
t on next st) 3 times, making
25 sp. Repeat from begin-
ing of 2d row.
PICOT EDGE.—Begin, on the
side of the square having 24
sp, on 3d sp from corner, 3 d
in sp, 1 d in t, ch 7, take
hook out and draw at through
1st d, cover T-ch with 14 d,
4 d in next sp, 4 d in corner
sp, ch 7, catch back over 1 sp,
7 d over ch, ch 7, catch in top
of 1st loop, (7 d, picot of 4,
7 d) in same loop, 7 d in loop,
4 d in same corner sp, ch 7,
catch at end of last loop, 7 d
over ch, ch 7, catch back in
next loop, 7 d, p, 7 d over same
ch, 7 d in lower loop, 4 d over
each of next 2 sp, ch 7, catch
back over 1 sp, 7 d in ch, ch 7,
catch in last loop, (7 d, p, 7 d).
In same ch, 7 d in lower loop,
(* fill 2 sp with d, p, fill 1 sp,
ch 7, catch back over 2 sp,
7 d, p, 7 d over same ch *)
5 times, make from * to *
once without last p, fill
remaining sp of this square and
2 sp of next square with d.
ch 7, catch back across 4 sp
at corner, 7 d in ch, ch 7,
catch back in last scallop, fill
with 14 d, 7 d in lower loop,
fill 2 sp, p, fill 1 sp, ch 7,

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Fig. 35. CENTREPIECE
(See Fig. 34)

SPIDER-WEB PATTERN AND FILET CROCHET
Figure 38. LUNCH CLOTH. — Thirty-nine inches square, hem 2½ inches, margin 2½ inches. Hollow square of filet, 23 inches at outer edge. Linen centre, 25 inches. Use No. 40 Spool Cotton and No. 14 hook.

Finished crochet and linen should be thoroughly shrunk; cut and fit the linen to crochet and whip the crochet to neatly turned edge of linen.

Begin with chain of 681, turn, in 9th at from book, 1st and 2d rows—225 sp. 3d row—When the middle mesh, A, is finished, reverse the pattern for the last half of the row. Follow pattern until 17 rows are made. The 18th row will be but 45 meshes long, turn and work back and forth until the medallion is finished, then work on in the same way up the side (17 meshes in a row) until it is long enough to make the medallion again; add ch for 28 meshes (84 ch), and make 28 rows of medallion.

Start at second side, finish medallion, and work side (17 meshes wide), add ch for 28 meshes and make 28 rows of medallion. Connect both sides with ch for 135 meshes less 1 st, (404 ch), and reverse the order of the 1st 17 rows.

Fig. 39. PATTERN OF LUNCH CLOTH, Fig. 38. 225 meshes square, 17 meshes wide
Crochet Cotton and No. 12 hook.

Begin by making a square of 10 meshes, crochet on one side, break thread and begin on next side of square, break thread, etc. Finish with double crochet over entire edge.

To stiffen the baskets—Dip in solution of equal parts of sugar and water; shape and dry in a moderate oven, with the door ajar, being careful not to scorch the piece.

**Figure 48. MATCH HOLDER.**—No. 40 Crochet Cotton and No. 12 hook.

Chain 4, join. 1st row—Ch 1, 7 d in ring. 2d, 3d, and 4th rows—Ch 1, * d in 1st st, 2 d in next st; repeat from *, 5th row—Ch 1, * 2 d in 2 d, 2 d in next st; repeat from *, 6th row—3 d in 3 d, 2 d in every 4th st. 7th row—4 d in 4 d, 2 d in every 5th st. 8th row—5 d in 5 d, 2 d in every 6th st. 9th row—6 d in 6 d, 2 d in every 7th st. 10th row—7 d in 7 d, 2 d in every 8th st. In 10th row there should be 84 sts; if necessary, widen two or three places to make 84. 11th row—First row of filet, 84 t, join each row with sl and begin the next row with ch 3 for a blk or ch 5 for sp. Follow pattern, Fig. 47, to end of 21st row. 22d row—* 7 t in 4th st, sl on 1st st of next blk; repeat from *. To stiffen, see Nut Basket, page 13; shape over small glass.

**Figure 49. JELLY GLASS HOLDER.**—No. 40 Crochet Cotton and No. 12 hook. Chain 6, join. 1st row—Ch 5, t in ring. (ch 2, t) 6 times, ch 2, join with sl, making 8 sp. 2d row—Ch 3, 3 t in sp, 4 d in each sp, join. 3d row—Ch 3, 3 t in 3 t, * ch 3, 4 t in next 4 t; repeat. 4th row—Ch 3, 3 t in 3 t, * ch 3, 3 t under 3-ch, ch 3, 4 t in 4 t; repeat. 5th row—Ch 3, 3 t in 3 t, * ch 4, t in t, ch 4, 4 t in 4 t; repeat. 6th row—Like 5th row, ch 5 instead of ch 4.

This completes the bottom.
FIG. 45. 20 meshes

FIG. 46. COUNTERPANE STRIP
Use No. 50 Crochet Cotton, No. 12 hook. 6 inches wide, 48 meshes wide, 4½ inches each repeat.

Jelly Glass Holder
(continued from page 13)
First row of filet. — 144 t. Follow pattern, Fig. 52. After last row of filet, * make 8 d over 8 t, picot of 6 joined in top of 8th d; repeat from *. To stiffen, see Nut Basket, page 13.

Centre piece
(continued from page 11)
catch back over 2 sp, 7 d over this loop, ch 7, catch back in middle of loop across corner, 7 d over ch, ch 7, catch back in middle of last loop, fill with 7 d. p, 7 d, 7 d over ch, 7 d over scallop, make from * to * 5 times and make corner as before.

FIG. 47. PATTERN OF MATCH-HOLDER

FIG. 48. MATCH-HOLDER
(See Fig. 47)

FIG. 49. HOLDER FOR JELLY GLASS. (See Fig. 52)

FIG. 50. PIN TRAY. (See Fig. 51)

Figure 46. LUNCH NAPKIN (see page 12).
— Fifteen inches square.
Border.—Chain required length, turn, d into each st of ch. Roll the edge of linen and overcast the foundation ch to the linen at the same time. 8th row—* 8 d in 8 d, ch 16, catch back in 7th d from ch, cover ch with 20 d; repeat from *. 3d row—Miss 1 d, sl in 2d d, * 16 d in 16 d, sl in next d, sl in 2d d of next scallop; repeat from *.

Figure 50. HAIRPIN TRAY (see page 14).
— No. 40 Crochet Cotton and No. 12 hook. Chain 43. 1st row—T in 4th st from hook, t in each st, making 40 t, (13 blk). After the first row

FIG. 51. PATTERN OF PIN TRAY

FIG. 52. PATTERN OF HOLDER FOR JELLY GLASS
is finished for a centre, the filet pattern, Fig. 51, is to be followed around the 1st row; ch 5 for corners and ch 3 to begin a row with a blk, or ch 5 to begin with sp. 2d row—Ch 5, t in 1st st of 43-ch, ch 5, t in same st, 13 sp, ch 5, t in 40th st, ch 2, t in 43d st, ch 5, t in same st, 13 sp, ch 5, sl in 3d st of first 5-ch. 3d row—Ch 3, 3 blk, ch 5 for corner, t in same st with last t, 15 blk, etc.

After 8th row is finished, do not make corners, but connect the four sides (that lie flat in the pattern) in rows that extend all around. 11th row—Ch 6, dt in 3d st, * ch 2, dt in 3d st; repeat from * for beading. 13th row—* 5 t in 1st sp with 1-ch between, d in 2d sp; repeat from *.

To stiffen, see Nut Basket, page 13. Run ribbon through the beading.
**Fig. 58.** 12 meshes high

**Fig. 59.** Wreath for Initial. 41 meshes

**Fig. 60.** Cross-Stitched Filet Crochet for Towel Letter from Fig. 58
Fig. 61. 26 x 40 meshes

Fig. 62. 29 x 34 meshes

Fig. 63. 26 x 40 meshes

Fig. 64. 50 x 30 meshes

Fig. 65. Pattern of Fig. 20, page 7
60 x 85 meshes
Fig. 60. 85 x 124 meshes

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