

BY ARRANGEMENT

Achieving Brighter and Lighter Rooms

EVERYBODY knows the woman who just can't leave things alone. She comes on a visit and before she's been in the house two minutes starts rearranging your life and your furniture. You are thankful if her visit ends before your stock of patience runs out!

Shifting furniture round does at least make a change: rooms can be made to look very different without any expense. But it is small touches—in the arrangement of your china and glass, and other ornaments—that give a room an intimate air.

Charming effects can be obtained, particularly when these still-life groups include one or two pieces of copper or brass. These shining, twinkling, glowing pieces put the whole room at its ease.

The sideboard is another appropriate place for one of these graceful groups.

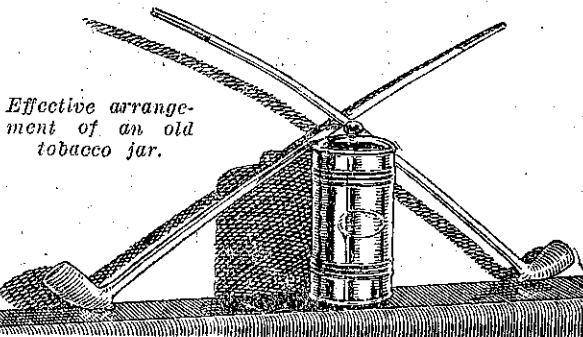
Keeping these gleaming pieces at their sunniest is quite easy. A few rubs with a modern liquid metal polish soon

brings them to a brilliant pitch of brightness. Brasso works quickly and well. Nothing else you do in the house gives such golden rewards for so little trouble.

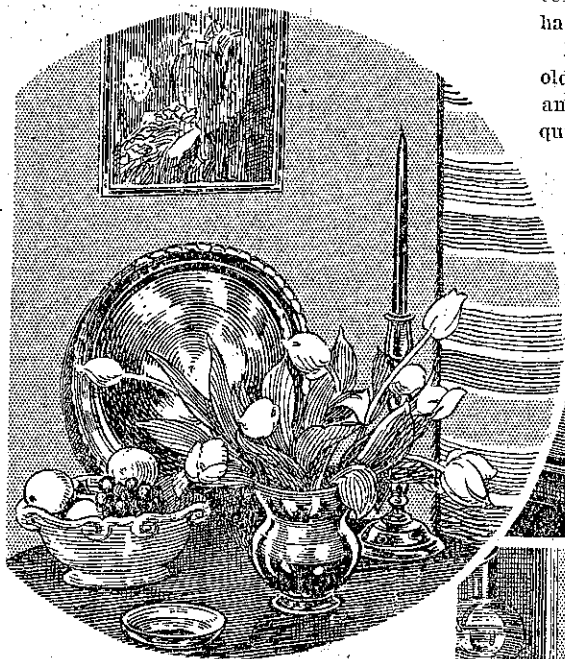
Treasure-hunting for brass and copper is always good fun. Charming pieces come to light in the most unexpected places—

or a street-market stall, or in the dusty corners of a second-hand furniture shop.

Reproductions of old pieces of copper and brass are also quite inexpensive.

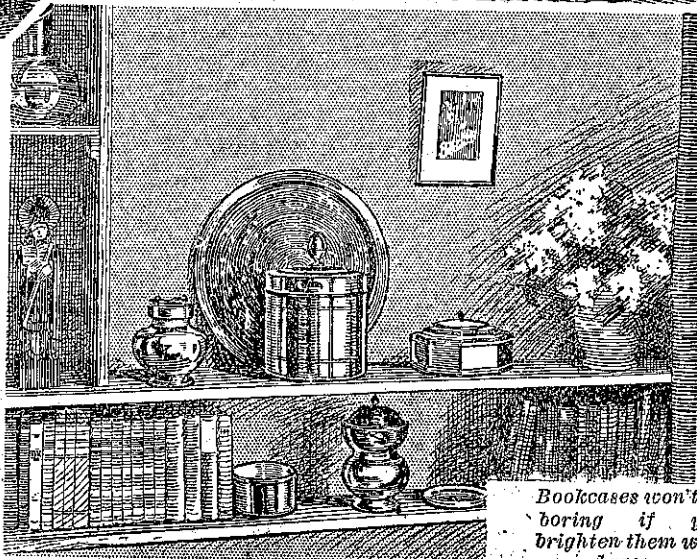
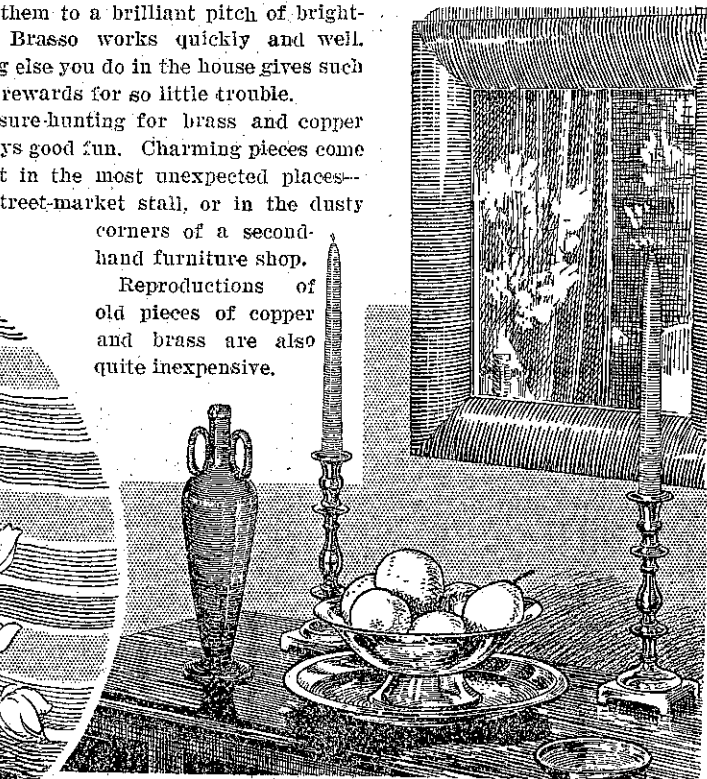


Effective arrangement of an old tobacco jar.



The picture at the top of the page shows one very simple idea—an old brass tobacco jar in the centre of a brick mantelpiece with long church-warden pipes crossed above it. Your mantelpiece offers similar opportunities.

Copper and brass suggest other bright ideas. The picture of the occasional table in the circle shows a charming arrangement in which these bright metals play a leading part. Here you see tulips in a lovely copper bowl, breaking the line of a tall candlestick, with a brass salver against the wall casting happy reflections over the whole group. The corner in which this table stands glows with life and colour.



Bookcases won't be boring if you brighten them with brass.