



A Knitted Coat.

Materials: 4oz. Beehive 3-ply wool, 1 pair No. 9 needles, crochet silk, buttons.

Measurements: Length, 16 inches; width of skirt, 45 inches; width of bodice, 24 inches; length of sleeve, 7½ inches.

Abbreviations: K, knit; p, purl; tog., together; m, make a stitch by putting wool over needle; st., stitch.

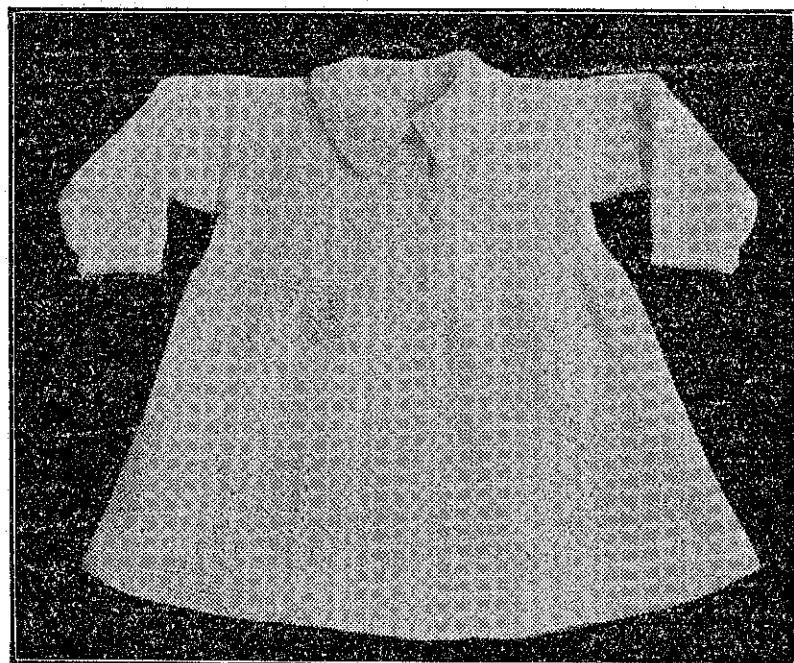
rows 3 times.

Break off wool.

Join wool at underarm for the back, and work in stocking stitch (p. 1 row, k. 1 row) for 34 rows, decreasing on the first 3 k. rows by knitting tog. the first 2 sts. and last 2 sts.

Next row: P. 20, cast off 28, p. 20. Break off wool.

Work the other front to correspond



THE FINISHED GARMENT—A NEAT LITTLE COAT.

Cast on 251 stitches. Knit 15 rows.

(1) K. 11, p. 1, k. 2 tog., m. 1, p. 1. * (k. 1, p. 1) 6 times, k. 2 tog., m. 1, p. 1. Repeat from * ending with k. 11.

(2) K. 12, p. 2, k. 1* (k. 1, p. 1) 5 times, k. 2, p. 2, k. 1. Repeat from * ending with k. 11.

(3) K. 11, p. 1, m. 1, k. 2 tog., p. 1* (k. 1, p. 1) 6 times, m. 1, k. 2 tog., p. 1. Repeat from * ending with k. 11.

(4) As 2nd.

Work these 4 rows 19 times.

Next row, k. 1, *k. 2 tog., k. 1. Repeat from * (168 sts.).

Knit 5 rows.

Bodice: (1) Knit 1 row.

(2) K. 8, p. 152, k. 8.

Work these 2 rows 5 times.

(11) K. 48, cast off 4, k. 74, cast off 4, k. 43.

(12) K. 8, p. to end.

(13) K. 2 tog., k. to end.

Work these 2 rows 3 times.

(18) K. 8, p. 32.

(19) Knit.

Work these 2 rows 12 times.

Next row: Cast off 16, p. 24.

Next row: K. to last 2 sts., k. 2 tog.

Next row: P. 2 tog., p. to end.

Repeat the last 2 rows once.

K. 1 row. P. 1 row. Work these 2

keeping the garter stitch at the edge, and decreasing 3 times at sleeve end. Graft shoulders together. (If preferred the stitches may be cast off and sewed neatly together).

Sleeve: The sleeve is worked in stocking stitch (k. 1 row, p. 1 row). Cast on 60 sts. Decrease on the 5th., 9th., 13th. and 17th. rows by knitting tog. the first 2 sts. and last 2 sts.

Work 60 rows.

(61) K. 1, *k. 2 tog., k. 1. Repeat from *.

K. 9 rows. Cast off.

Collar: Cast on 14 sts. Knit 130 rows. Cast off.

Crochet 1 row double crochet round the neck of coat to make it the desired size. Sew the collar on, leaving the front band to overlap. Press carefully on the wrong side, under a damp cloth. Sew up the sleeves and sew in the armhole.

With silk work 1 double crochet in each stitch right round the coat, collar and cuffs. Sew the buttons in place, and work loops to correspond. (For a boy, button the opposite way).

Embroider a small spray of flowers on each front, with pink, blue and green wool.

Floors Are a Big Factor In Making Your Home Look Attractive.

AN interesting book might be written of the history of homes, and their evolution from caves and huts; from Elizabethan cottages to tenements and flats. To-day there is great variety in the houses of ordinary folk, and it is in the making of her own home that a woman can give full play to her artistic ingenuity. The day is long past when we bought a turkey red carpet for the dining-room and a flowery one for the drawing-room and linoleum for the rest of the house. Floors are much more exciting to dress nowadays.

In very small living rooms it is safest to have a plain carpet fitted all over the floor. This gives a definite feeling of space. Larger rooms can carry off a stained border of about two feet in depth and a carpet square in one of the fascinating modern designs. If you are moving, first make a plan of each room in the new house, taking the measurements of windows, recesses, etc. This will enable you to plan the positions of the large pieces of furniture so that they can be properly arranged at once. If possible stain the floors, and put down the carpets and linoleum beforehand. Clean all carpets and rugs; these should be rolled up if possible, but if too large fold them the way of the pile.

All curtains should be washed before packing, and it is well to alter them where necessary to adjust them to the new fittings. By doing this they can be put up at once, and with the heavy furniture in place, and the floor covered, a room will soon have a home-like appearance.

After a move it is sometimes essential to change the colour of the linoleum in order to use it again, and this can be done by painting it with a liquid lino preparation or a special paint. Be sure to apply this on a warm dry day and begin at the farthest corner from the door. In this way you will not have to walk over the finished work. Be quite sure that the linoleum is clean before painting, and that it is absolutely hard and dry after treatment before the room is used at all. If you have polished floors keep them bright and shiny, but don't turn them into dangerous skating rinks, and never polish underneath rugs.

TO ensure even lines when cutting out a garment in sheer fabric, such as fine crepe de chine, the material and paper pattern should be pinned to a sheet of newspaper somewhat larger than the pattern, and the material and newspaper cut at the same time. The newspaper supplies sufficient firmness to make quick, accurate cutting easy.

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