THE ART OF NETTING.—No. 61.

TABLE-CENTER.

Figure No. 1.—To make this center, hem and feather-stitch an oval piece of linen 8 by 11 inches in dimensions. With a sewing needle and No. 50 crochet cotton, net once around linen, over a No. 12 knitting needle, making 200 stitches in all.

Second and Third rounds.—Net plain.

Fourth round.—Net 3 in every other stitch of round over a half inch mesh.

Fifth and Sixth rounds.—Plain, over small mesh.

Seventh round.—Plain, over large mesh.

Eighth round.—With small mesh, draw second loop through first loop and net; draw first through second, net; draw fourth through third, net; third through fourth, net, etc. Repeat the last two rounds 7 times more. Now net 5 rounds plain over small mesh.

For the Points.—Net 20, turn, net 19, turn, net 18, etc., breaking off the thread at the point. Make 15 of these points. Darn with No. 50 white linen.

TRAY-CLOTH.

Figure No. 2.—To make this pretty article, hem one piece of linen 12½ by 18 inches in size, and four pieces each 2 inches square.

To make the strips use No. 50 crochet cotton and an eighth-inch bone mesh.

Begin at one corner with two stitches; increase on each edge until you have 15 stitches, then decrease on one edge and increase on the other until you have 129 stitches on the longer edge; now decrease on both edges to make the other corner.

Make two strips of this length and two others each 93 stitches long.

Sew one of the longer strips to each side, and one of the shorter to each end of the large piece of linen. Sew one of the small squares in each corner.

For the Border.—Use a No. 12 knitting needle mesh for the border. Net all around the outer edge, corners included, using a sewing needle for the first round. Then with the mesh net 4 times around plain. Next net 6, skip 1, net 6, skip 1, etc. Net 5, skip to next group, net 5, etc.

Continue in this way until in the last round when there will be but two stitches in each group.

Darn with No. 50 white linen.

PLATE DOILY.

Figure No. 3.—For this doily hem and feather-stitch a piece of linen 8 inches in diameter; then with sewing needle net into the linen 128 stitches over a No. 14 knitting needle, using No. 50 crochet cotton.

Second round.—Net 1, thread around mesh, net one; repeat all round.

Third round.—Plain.

Fourth and Fifth rounds.—Like second and third.

Sixth round.—Like second.

Seventh round.—Net 4 stitches in each small loop of 6th row, using a half-inch mesh.

Eighth and Ninth rounds.—Plain, over knitting needle.

Tenth round.—Net 3, skip 1, net 5, skip 1, etc.

Eleventh round.—Net 2, skip to next group, net 2, etc.