Embroidering Machine.

Fig 904

The embroidery machine is adapted to embroider cloth with a chain-stitch, and to stitch braid or cheville upon the cloth in fancy patterns.

A hooked needle is supplied with thread at each descent below the material by a rotary reciprocating thread-carrier, and the thread is drawn above the cloth. These loops are held above and upon the surface of the material until the needle descends within and draws a new loop up through it. The fabric-feeding foot is universal as to the direction of its movement, and consequently moves the fabric in any desired direction from the needle, thereby permitting the stitching to follow any pattern or design printed or stamped on the fabric. A crank-handle controlled by the operator changes the direction of the feed according to the design upon the fabric to be embroidered.

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