



THE SCARLET LETTER



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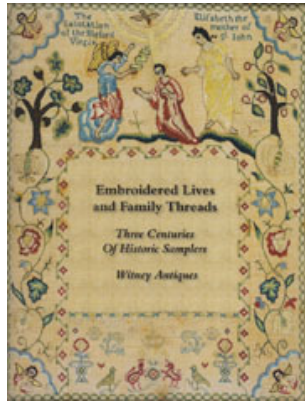
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What's New

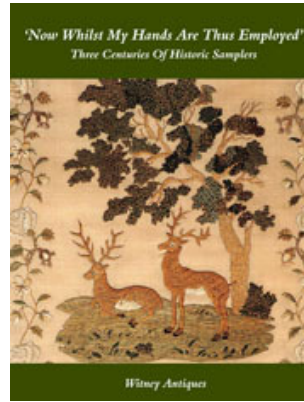


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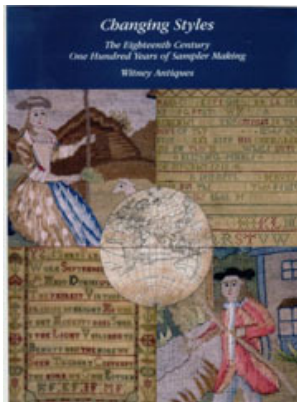




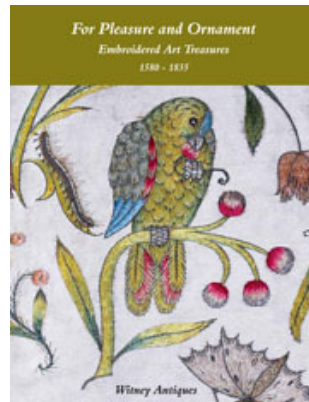
Embroidered Lives and Family Threads Three Centuries Of Historic Samplers



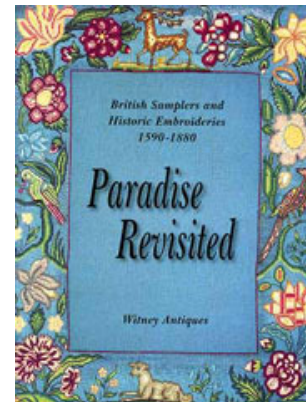
Now Whilst My Hands Are Thus Employed Three Centuries Of Historic Samplers



Changing Styles: The 18th Century 100 YEARS of Sampler Making



For Pleasure and Ornament: Embroidered Art Treasures 1580 - 1845



Paradise Revisited: Three Hundred Years of Samplers and Historic Embroideries



JANE WALKER c.1800



Jane Walker, an early 19th century Scottish sampler, available in December 2018. Stitched with silks on loosely woven linen, this classic Scottish sampler features eight lines of alphabets including one with elaborately illuminated letters, surrounded by a four sided honeysuckle border.

[More about Jane Walker](#)



Jane Walker



**THIRTY DAYS
HATH NOVEMBER**



The depiction of a lazy shepherdess intrigued me when I first saw it in a blurry old illustration of an eighteenth century New England canvaswork picture. She lounges beneath a tree looking dazed, bored, oblivious to the fantastic scene unfolding around her.

[More about Thirty Days Hath November](#)



Thirty days hath November



ABIGAIL BACON 1798



This sampler could possibly have been made in Connecticut but the surname is quite common throughout New England. Abigail was ten years old when she made her sampler.

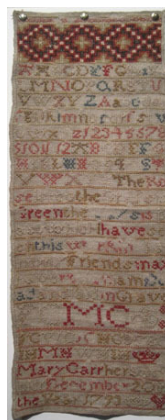
More about Abigail Bacon



Abigail Bacon



Elizabeth Eyles



Mary Carr



Mary Pickering



Sarah Sanger



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Elizabeth Bond

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SALE

25% OFF ALL SCOTTISH NEEDLEWORK CHARTS THROUGH THE END OF DECEMBER 2018. 37 CHARTS TO CHOOSE FROM. (One exception: Jane Walker.)

Discounts will not show up in your cart, but will be deducted manually when your order is processed. Remember that The Scarlet Letter welcomes orders by Paypal. Just send your order to me at samplers@scarlet-letter.com, and I will send an invoice to you. Remember to include your mailing address.

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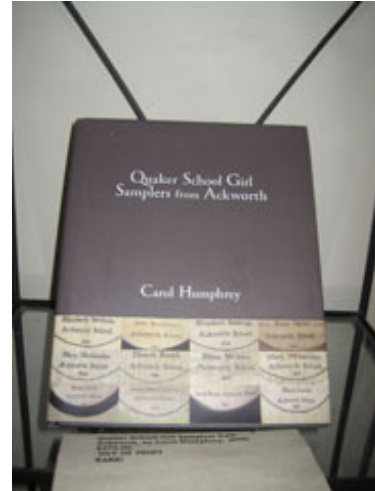
Needle Cases



Needle Case Tops

QUAKER SCHOOL GIRL SAMPLERS FROM ACKWORTH, original first edition by Carol Humphrey, very good condition, \$375.

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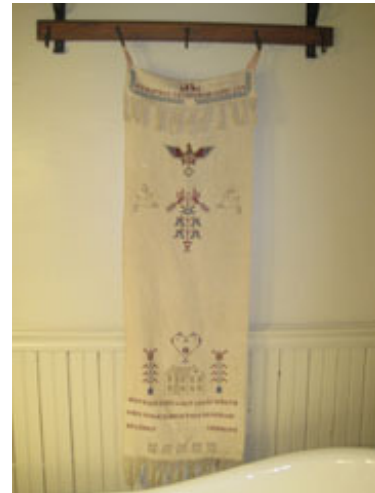


PENNSYLVANIA GERMAN SHOW TOWEL, a piece introduced by TSL in 1991, this consists of one hand woven flax linen towel with natural fringes (made by Kate Smith from the Marshfield School of Weaving in Vermont) measuring approximately 13"x40", and instructions for stitching the towel. My finished towel hangs in the studio here. The thread count is around 35. A slight variation in the weave toward the bottom creates an interesting pattern, and is shown interspersed with a verse in German translated as:

Whoever is skilled is considered worthy
No one appreciates the unskilled.

ONE OF A KIND. \$150

[More about the towel](#)





DECEMBER QUIZ

Name the sampler that addresses excesses of spirits. The first person to name it gets their choice of any Scarlet Letter graph.

Those who have won in the past year are welcome to participate, but the prize will go to a new winner. The solution will be posted on the [puzzles page](#) after the prize is awarded. Send your answers to: samplers@scarlet-letter.com



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