DECORATIVE PANELS

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EW American householders feel that they are in a position to own many pictures. They think that a single overmantel panel must, at least for the time being, embody the decorative essentials to give a note of color for their living room. In choosing such a picture there are many who prefer the decorative panel to the realistic painting as a key about which to harmonize the color scheme of a room.

The influence of the Orient is silently but insistently felt in Western art in presenting material decoratively rather than realistically. Increasingly we find the material used as a background given a flat, two dimensional treatment, as in the Orient, while the main theme of the foreground is given in three dimensions.

In the panels here presented we find a wide variety of material which, though rich in antiquarian interest, is chosen primarily for its value as decoration. The difficult task of using involved patterns suggested by both art and nature, without distraction and carrying the equation of values consistently through, will surely arrest the attention of all lovers of beauty when clothed in new forms.

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- 1. Purple and Gold (Loaned by John B. Hayward Esq.)
- 2. Lustre Glass and Roses
- 3. A Chalice and Roses
- 4. Zinnias in a Salem Fire Bucket
- 5. One White Rose
- 6. Yellow Iris
- 7. White Porcelain and White Lilies
 Chinese Porcelain from Altman Collection
 Metropolitan Museum
- 8. Mignonette
- 9. Old Calico and Copper Lustre
- 10. Garden Flowers
- 11. White Canterbury Bells
- 12. Buttercups and Blue Things

- 13. Jade and Lilies

 Jade from the Converse Collection,

 Metropolitan Museum

 Japanese painting, 1186-1333,

 Metropolitan Museum
- 14. Monkshood and Stiegel Glass
- 15. Pink Roses
 (Loaned by John B. Hayward Esq.)
- 16. Rose Hips and Old Wall Paper
- 17. Full Blown Peonies
- 18. Scarlet Geraniums No. 2
- 19. Scarlet Geraniums No. 1
- 20. Petunias and a Painted Tray
- 21. Orange Lilies
- 22. Columbine and Bleeding Heart

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