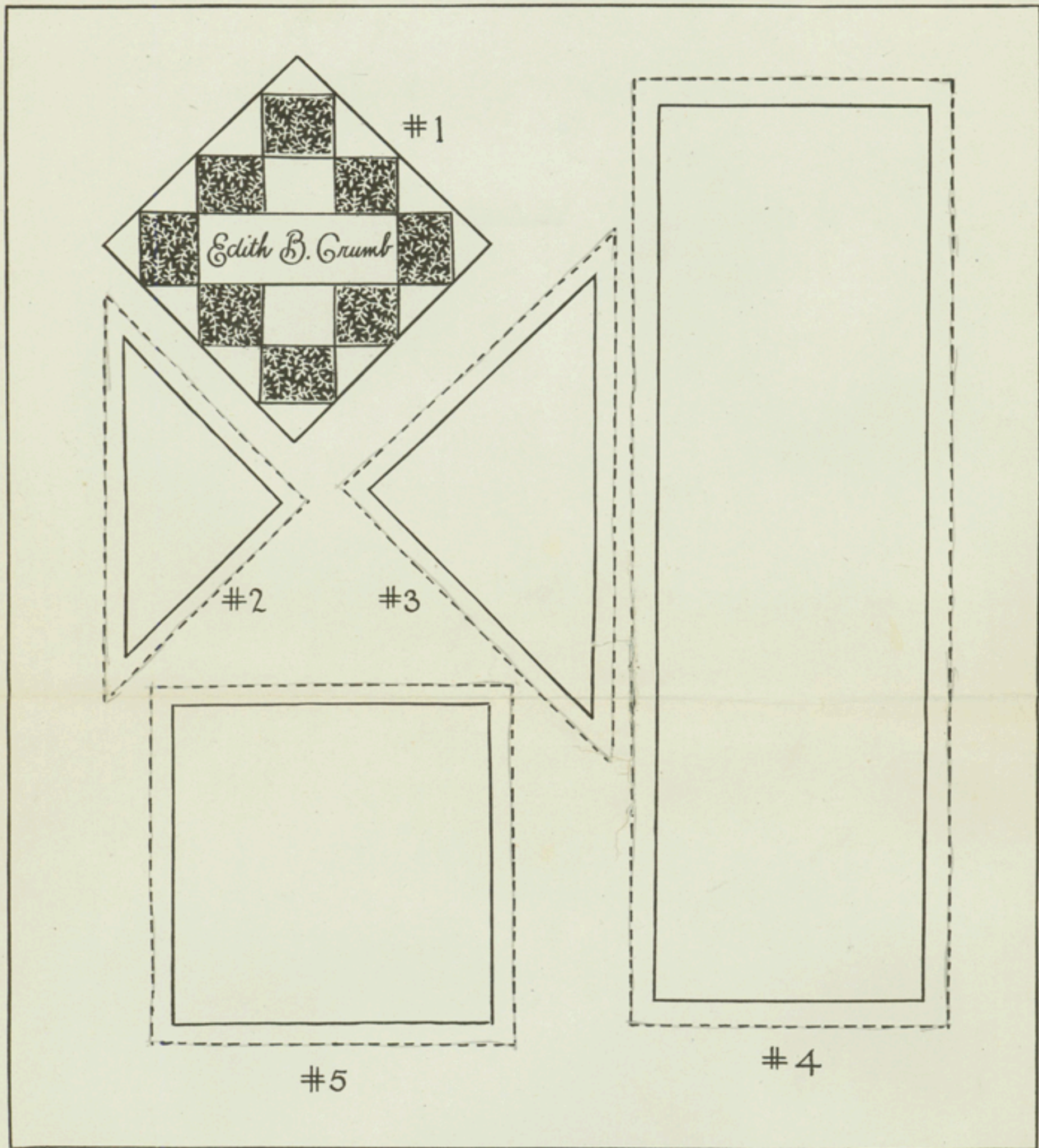


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OLD-TIME ALBUM QUILT PATTERN



QUILT patterns may change but friendships never go out of fashion. So an autograph or album quilt will always be treasured by its owner because it is made to preserve the signatures of friends.

This is an old-time custom. In fact, the album quilt was a favorite gift to brides. Before her marriage, the bride's friends planned secretly to give her a lovely quilt for a present, and when an album quilt was chosen, each friend made one block and either etched her autograph in the center rectangle in embroidery

cotton or wrote it in indelible ink.

Many of the lovely old friendship or album quilts still exist; but there is no reason why more of them may not be created now to serve as heirlooms for the generations to come.

The album is a 23-piece block, which is very simply made. It calls for eight dark squares set in a background of white patches. One long rectangular patch for the autograph is set in the center of each block and the blocks are put together diagonally so that the autographs will read straight across. To make the album quilt you will need to

cut the following for each block.

Four white of No. 2 shown in the diagram.

Eight white of No. 3.

One white of No. 4.

Two colored and eight white of No. 5.

The quilt is most effective when the blocks are set together with alternating white blocks which measure the same size as the pieced block.

To make a fairly good sized quilt you will need 25 of the pieced blocks. This allows five blocks each way with 16 plain white and 16 half

blocks cut diagonally for the sides. Four triangles (one-fourth of a large block) will also be needed for the four corners.

No. 1 shows the finished block. The dotted lines show the seam allowance.

To make this quilt you will require approximately two yards of figured material and six of white.

If you wish you may make the figured squares in every block of a different material. This was often done in the old quilts, and in this way you will be able to use up scraps and only need to buy the plain white.

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