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THIS will take all waifs and strays which would be out of place in other departments, so that nothing will be lost which can be made in any way interesting, either to the general public or to collectors. It will necessarily embrace a very wide field, and include not only objects valuable from their beauty or variety, but from their connection with particular individuals or periods, and even from grotesqueness, oddity or intense ugliness. Among those which may be enumerated are pieces of antique furniture, articles of dress of quaint and by-gone fashions, tapestry, samplers, &c. ; old books and scrap-books, old paintings and engravings, manuscripts and autographs ; pieces of armor and arms of all kinds, saddles, spurs and bridles ; relics of old, the historical and revolutionary times, and of the rebellion ; Indian curiosities and manufactures peculiar to other barbarous and savage nations ; old china and glass, coins and medals ; ancient music and old musical instruments of curious make ; old-fashioned jewels and personal or household ornaments ; minerals and shells, stuffed birds and animals ; in short, everything, however little its intrinsic value, which will add interest to the museum or attract the curiosity hunter.

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