

# Baby's Matinee Coat

*In crochet*

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**CRAZY PATTERN** (see example below) — a fancy stitch giving a rather firmer fabric than does the Shell Pattern. It is used a good deal for Shawls, Wraps and Infants' garments.

Make the required length of ch.

**1st row.**—Miss 3 ch., 3 tr. in the next stitch, miss 3 ch., 1 D.C. in the next, \*3 ch., 3 tr. in the same stitch as the D.C., miss 3 ch., 1 D.C. in the next, repeat from \* to the end of the row, turn.

**2nd row.**—3 ch., 3 tr. in the D.C. below, \*1 D.C. in the top of the loop made by the 3 ch. in the block below, 3 ch., 3 tr. in the same loop, repeat from \* to the end of the row, finishing with 1 D.C. in the last loop, turn. Repeat the last row for the length required.

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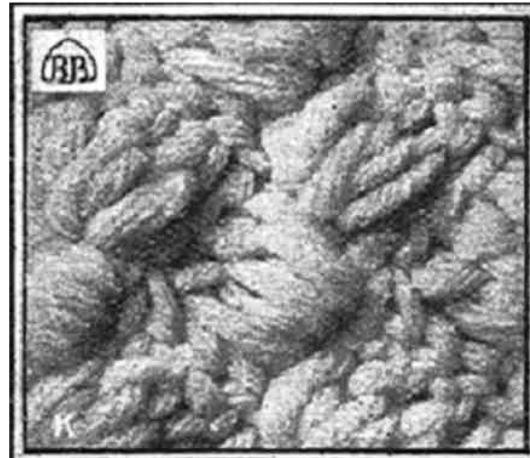
The Shelland Floss worked in Crazy Stitch (as illustrated to the right), gives a crisp, firm fabric. It is quickly made and simple in its construction.

**Materials:**—4 ozs. BEEHIVE Shelland Floss. A No. 8 Celluloid Crochet Hook. 1 yd. Ribbon. Lustre thread.

Work at a tension to produce about 3 patterns, in width, to two inches; the treble stitches to measure  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch in height.

**Working the 2 fronts and back in one piece,** commence at the lower edge with 140 ch. **1st row.**—Miss 3 ch., 3 tr. in the next stitch, miss 3 ch., 1 D.C. in the next, \*3 ch., 3 tr. in the same stitch as that into which the D.C. was worked, miss 3 ch., 1 D.C. in the next, repeat from \* to the end of the row, turn. There should be 34 groups across the row.

**2nd row.**—3 ch., 3 tr. in the D.C. below, \*1 D.C. in the top of the loop made by the 3 ch. in the block below, 3 ch., 3 tr. in the same loop, repeat from \* to the end of the row, finishing with 1 D.C. in last loop, turn. Repeat the last row for 9 inches (21 rows). Then commence the division for the armholes as follows:—Work 4 inches (11 rows) on the first ten groups for the first front. Fasten off. Commencing again where the groups were left for the back and second front, join up the wool and work 4 inches on the next 14 groups. Fasten off. Join up the wool again where the groups were left for the front and work 4 inches on the last ten groups. Fasten off. Sew together 5 groups at each side of the back and fronts to form the shoulder seams.



**THE COLLAR.**—Make 24 ch. Repeat the 1st row of the back once (making 5 groups). Continue repeating the 2nd row, but increasing a group at the end of each row until 4 inches are worked. Fasten off. Sew the collar at the neck, placing the foundation row along the back of the neck and letting the shaped sides fall along the neck-edge of the fronts.

**THE SLEEVES.**—Work 11 groups round one of the armholes, join at the end of the round by slip-stitching to the top of the 1st group. Then turn and work 7 inches (16 rows) on these groups, always joining and turning at the end of each round. Fasten off. Work the second sleeve like the first.

**THE EDGING.**—With the lustre thread work 1 D.C. into each stitch evenly all round the edge of the coat, collar and cuffs. Add ribbons at the front.