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Kit Review

If you are a maker of kits, and would like to have your kit/kits reviewed, please send both the kit and a clear photo to Kit Review, Carolyn Peck, 109 Ponds Lane, Lexington, SC 29072. 803-957-8563 Email: miniminded@sc.rr.com Kits will be reviewed on a first come, first served, and space available basis.

1/12 Scale Single Bed from The Daisy House

By Carolyn Peck

When I contacted Elizabeth Neilly at The Daisy House about a kit review for the Gazette, I'm not sure who was the most excited! At the time (although it now seems so far away and long ago) it was a Canadian snowstorm that delayed the kit arriving in South Carolina.

Well, I started working on it and was impressed with the instructions. A guide, before you build suggestions, dressing the bed instructions, and lots and lots of pictures and diagrams, thank you very much, were all included. Pictures always help me. The dry fit was easy and fast. As a matter of fact, gluing it together was easy and fast! Each piece was lightly sanded before assembly, sandpaper included! I glued it together and then it was ready to paint. This time

I decide to paint rather than stain. That is generally when I slow down a great deal, because it is time to make a plan. Finally, I decided on a dark red Colonial paint color. The wood took the paint well. Then I decided to age the piece by, again, lightly sanding and I was delighted with my handiwork! My next slow down in the process was deciding on what bedspread to make. I decided on a simple Quilt. I wrapped the foam mattress that is included in the kit with material for the linens and will continue to struggle with needle and thread quilting for a while longer. I love the caps on the bedposts and the scroll detail in the headboard and footboard.

The Daisy House has a nice web site that is easy to use and has pictures of the 1/12 and 1/24 kits available. There is a short story on the history of the Ca-

nadian Company and a list of retailers where you can find the kits.

This was an easy, good looking kit that was fun to do and retails for about \$19.99. See more information at: thedaisyhouse.com and enjoy building this furniture.

