SHOPPING

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PAPER CUTS

Papersmiths is a new book and stationery shop, about to open in Clifton Village, on the corner of Boyce's Avenue and King's Road. It's by Kyle Clarke and Sidonie Warren, who run design studio Something Good, and used to have a spin-off shop, Something Else, near Christmas Steps. Now relocated and renamed Papersmiths, they aim to offer high quality, beautifully designed and crafted paper goods, including prints, stationery, magazines, books, greetings cards and desk accessories. Something Good, meanwhile, will find a new home upstairs. Amongst all the cool items they offer, these sharp – in every way Chinese scissors caught our eye.

Chinese scissors, from £5; papersmiths.co.uk

CliftonLife LOVES



1. MAGIC LAMP

boconcept.com

Sned table lamp, £299 The base is oak, the shade is black (or, if you prefer, terracotta), and your desk or bedside will rarely have looked so inviting. From BoConcept, 23-25 Merchant Street;

2. RED TAILS

Squirrel pencil sharpener, £12.50 He's made out of plastic, you say! Yes, but look at this nifty nut nibbler's surroundings: pencil shavings like fallen leaves. From Pod, 24 The Mall, Clifton;

thepodcompany.co.uk

3. CHEESE PLEASE ME

Ivalo cheese dome, £78 The base is ash, the glass mouth-blown, and your cheese looks magnificent. (Is it wrong to suggest a taxidermy mouse as the finishing touch?) From Pod, 24 The Mall, Clifton;

thepodcompany.co.uk

4. DADDY'S DAY CHAIR

Raffa wing chair, £1,550 Designed by Brit Ian Archer but made in Italy, these come in walnut or oak. The rattan sides speak of tradition, the arm details of the future. From Couch, 24 Alma Vale Road; couchdesign.co.uk

5. 'S NO DRIFT

Raw driftwood sculpture. Made out of a big old chunk of acacia, doubtless floated in from Australia or Africa or somewhere. From BoConcept, 23-25 Merchant Street: boconcept.com

6. CLOCK STAR

clock, £34.95 Simple, very Scandinavian (though it's from famous Dutch maker Karlsson but, you know) and looking highly kitchen-ready. From Howkapow; howkapow.com

Wooden Dutch wall

7. OFF THE WALL

Scrapwood wallpaper, £199 Amazing looking plank-

effect wallpaper for a log cabin feel. Designed by Piet Hein Eek for Dutch outfit NLXL, there's no repeat in an entire roll. From Couch, 24 Alma Vale Road; couchdesign.co.uk

8. LOW WINTER SUN

Finlay & Co sunglasses, £120

This Brit sunglasses outfit is big on striking, unusual materials, like this natural maple wood. From Harvey Nichols,

Quakers Friars; harveynichols.com 9. SNOWBIRDS

Penguin stickies, £4 Cute, textured and utterly lovable: but which eyes are your favourite? From Papersmiths, 6a Boyce's Avenue; papersmiths.co.uk

10. PAPER ROSES

Paper vase cover, £15.50 Yes, it's made of paper, created by the Dutch Tiny Miracles Foundation, a charity looking after one of the poorest streets in Mumbai. (The flowers go in a bottle inside.) From Couch, 24 Alma Vale Road; couchdesign.co.uk