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RING AND CORONET.

CHAPTER I.

THE CONTESSA AT HOME.

THE Contessa Sforza-Visconti inhabits an elegant suite of apartments in a suitable position.

Not by any means so expensive, grand, or stately as those occupied by her newly-acquired English friend Mrs. Ainsleigh, but gay and lively enough, furnished in the glowing style of Continental decoration, and forming an appropriate nest for the merry, bright-eyed little bird who had taken up her abode there.

This particular morning the contessa sits in her boudoir, a delicious little bower, in which the various articles of furniture have been selected