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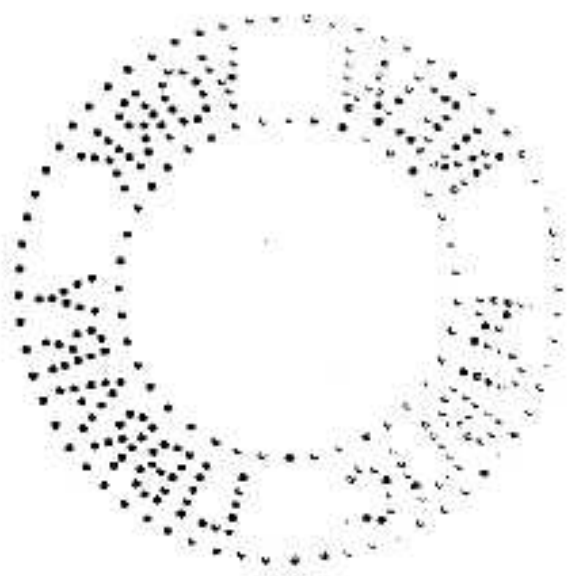
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CHAPTER I.

THE COLLOQUIAL.

"COMMENT vous portez vous," is the greeting of the Frenchman. In it he reveals the national concern, the care for polite manners and correct deportment. Likewise the Englishman's grave "How do you do," and the American's hearty "How are you," are significant of that upon which each most insists. In the one salutation is expressed British pride in achievement, and in the other Yankee insistence upon what one is in himself, as the criterion of worth.

None the less significantly does the peculiar individuality of the Japanese appear in his greeting. The ordinary salutations are of course the non-committal