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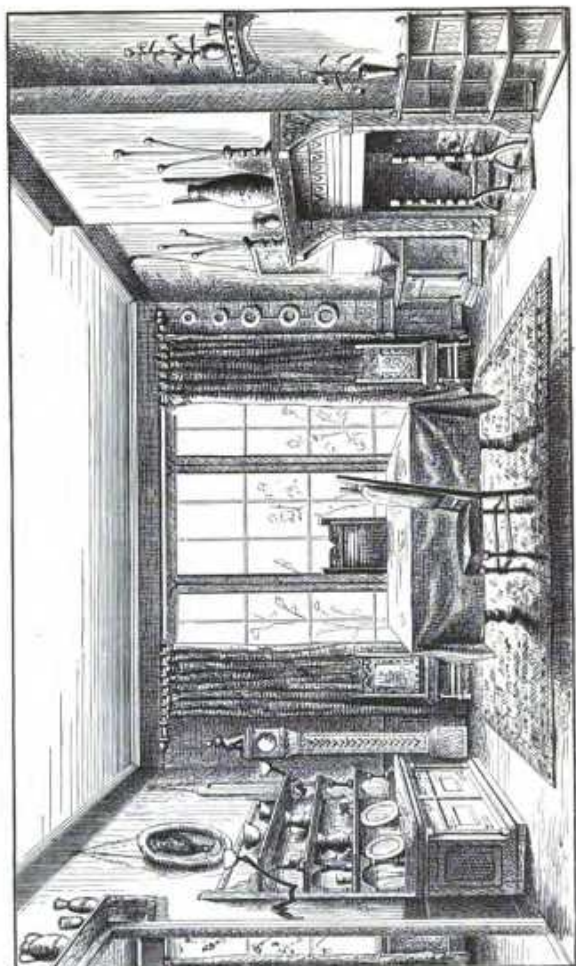


Fig. 1.—A Well-lighted Dining-room.

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# HOW TO FURNISH A HOME.

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## I.

### PRELIMINARY.

IN furnishing a house, very few people know what to do with their money; while there are some who do not know what to do without it. There is just so much or so little, as the case may be, to spend, and a certain line of things, common to all houses, that has to be bought. But many of these common things are just what should be avoided.

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