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A well designed living room. Furniture and the few ornaments in excellent taste.

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CHAPTER I

THE OUTWARD APPEARANCE OF THE HOME

The home-maker who conscientiously tries to make her home restful and artistic too often forgets to apply her rules to the exterior as well as to the interior of her home. She feels that the responsibility of the outward appearance rests with the architect and builder, and fails to put the stamp of her own personality upon it.

So many houses are being built just alike that it is becoming more and more necessary to give a distinctive touch to the outward appearance by our window curtains, porches, and gardens. The monotony of some streets is appalling, and yet how easily this could be relieved.

A house that I often have occasion to pass never fails to delight me. It is one of a long row of brown stone houses that are dull and