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The school is glad to receive suggestions from librarians, teachers, leaders of clubs, or specialists, as to subjects for which bibliographies or reading lists are specially needed, and contributions of available material are invited.

- 1 Guide to the study of James Abbott McNeill Whistler. 14p.
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- 2-4 Colonial New England; Travel in North America; History of the
17th century. 80p. July 1897. *Price 10 cents.*
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names. 22p. Jan. 1898. *Out of print.*
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History of latter half of 15th century. 128p. Ap. 1898. *Price*
15 cents.
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- 13 Fairy tales for children. 30p. June 1898. *Price 5 cents.*
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62p. Aug. 1898. *Price 10 cents.*
- 15-17 Russia; Nature study in primary schools; Biography of musi-
cians. 150p. Jan. 1899. *Price 15 cents.*
- 18 Best books of 1898. 28p. May 1899. *Price 5 cents.*
- 19 College libraries in the United States. 52p. Dec. 1899. *Price 10*
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- 20 House decoration and furnishing. 20p. Dec. 1899. *Price 5 cents.*

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READING LIST ON HOUSE DECORATION AND FURNISHING

The list of really good authorities on this subject is a small one. It is true that "any specific advice in regard to furnishing and decorating is apt to be ludicrously unpractical;" but it is also true that "every fresh suggestion has its value" though it may not exactly suit the taste or convenience of the reader who receives the suggestion. Mrs Alice Morse Earle's advice on this class of books is admirable. She says: "Get the book and learn what you can from it, but reserve to yourself a very keen judgment about many things that it advises."

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Call numbers are given for all books in the New York state library even though the edition differs from that described in the list. Books in the home education department have no book number. Books marked **e** have been personally examined, while *e* indicates that the edition examined is not the same as that entered in the list.

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The following are the principal abbreviations used. Others are self-explanatory.

Drexel Drexel institute of art, science and industry—Library. Decoration and design. (Reference lists, Dec. 1896, no. 3)

Leypoldt Leypoldt, Mrs A. H. & Iles, George. List of books for girls and women and their clubs. 1895

N. Y. state traveling lib.; household economics N. Y. (state)—Public libraries division. List of 50 volumes on household economics. 1898

Sturgis Sturgis, Russell & Krehbiel, H: E: Annotated bibliography of fine art. 1897

The forms used for foreign prices with their approximate American equivalents are as follows:

£	pound	\$5	m	mark	24c
d	penny	2c	s	shilling	25c
fr	franc	20c			

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- American newspaper directory. 1897
- Annual American catalogue. 1895-98
- Annual index of periodicals and photographs. 1891-98
- Annual literary index. 1892-98
- Avery architectural library, Columbia university. Catalogue. 1895
- Boston—Public library. Decorative art. (Bulletin, Ap. 1878, 3: 348)
- Works on ornament and decoration. (Bulletin, July 1875, 2: 389-92)
- Boston Athenaeum. Catalogue. 1874-82
- Bowdoin college—Library. Bibliographical contributions. 1893-98
- Campbell, *Mrs* Helen (Stuart). Household economics. 1897
- Bibliography on decoration, p. 104-6; furnishing, p. 126.
- Carnegie library of Pittsburgh (Pa.) Catalogue of the J. D. Bernd department of architecture. 1898
- Cumulative index to periodicals, 1896-Feb. 1899. 1897-99
- Drexel institute of art, science and industry—Library. Decoration and design. (Reference lists, Dec. 1896, no. 3)
- English catalogue. 1864-98
- Fletcher, W: I: "A. L. A." index. 1893
- Gayley, C: M. & Scott, F. N. Guide to the literature of aesthetics. 1890
- Haferkorn, H: E. & Heise, P. E. A. Handy lists of technical literature. 1889-93. pt 1, 5-6
- Hartford (Ct.)—Public library. House building and house furnishing. (Bulletin, Jan. 1884, v.6, no. 1, p. 2-3)
- Johnson, *Mrs* Elizabeth (Winthrop). Studio arts. 1878
- "Books upon art," p. 147-57.
- Leyboldt, *Mrs* A. H. & Iles, George. List of books for girls and women and their clubs. 1895
- Massachusetts library club. Books of the year. 1897
- Nachtmann, *Mrs* Alice (Newman). Index to subject bibliographies in library bulletins. 1898 (N. Y. (state)—Library. Bulletin; bibliography. no. 14)
- N. Y. (state)—Library. Subject card catalogue
- N. Y. (state)—Public libraries division. Best books. 1894-99
- List of 50 of the best volumes on household economics selected by the New York household economic association. 1898
- Traveling library finding lists. 1892-98
- Nottingham (Eng.)—Free public libraries. Fine arts. 1884 (Reference library class lists. no. 4. H)
- Osterhout free library, Wilkesbarre (Pa.) Catalogue. 1889
- Peabody institute of the city of Baltimore. Catalogue of the library. 1883-92
- Perkins, F: B. Best reading. 1885
- Poole, W: F. & Fletcher, W: I: Index to periodical literature. 1882
- supplement. 1888-97
- Pratt institute—Free library. Literature pertaining to household art; revised to Jan. 10, 1898. 1898
- Typewritten list.

- Salem (Mass.)—Public library. Cookery and domestic economy. (Bulletin, May 1898, 4: 83-88)
- Sargant, E. B. & Wishaw, Bernhard. Guide book to books. 1891
- Sonnenschein, W: T. Best books. 1891
- Reader's guide. 1895
- South Kensington museum. First proofs of the Universal catalogue of books on art. 1870
- South Kensington museum—National art library. List of books illustrating furniture. 1878
- Sturgis, Russell & Krehbiel, H: E: Annotated bibliography of fine art. 1897
- Utica (N. Y.)—Public library. Finding list. 1895
- Wharton, Edith & Codman, Ogden. Decoration of houses. 1897
- “Books consulted,” pref. p. 12-17.

MAGAZINES OF HOUSE DECORATION AND FURNISHING

- Art** amateur; a monthly journal devoted to the cultivation of art in the household. N. Y. Marks 35c a copy; yearly subscription \$4.
705 fAr71 e
- Decorator** and furnisher. N. Y. Art trades publishing and printing co. 20c a copy; yearly subscription \$2. 740 fD35 e
A monthly journal devoted principally to modern house decoration with occasional articles on historic ornament.—*Drexel*, p. 32
- House** beautiful; a magazine of art and artisanship. Chic. Stone 10c a copy; yearly subscription \$1. e
An excellent publication; interesting and instructive.
- Painting** and decorating; a journal treating of house, sign, fresco, car and carriage painting and of wall paper and decoration. N. Y. Trade news publishing co. 20c a copy; yearly subscription \$2.
698 qO5 e
- Monthly.

Other magazines not devoted to house decoration and furnishing but containing numerous articles on the subject are:

- Art** interchange; an illustrated monthly guide for amateurs with hints on artistic home decoration. N. Y. Art interchange co. 35c a copy; yearly subscription \$4. 740 qAr7 e
- International** studio; an illustrated monthly magazine of fine and applied art. N. Y. Lane 35c a copy; yearly subscription \$3.50.
705 qIn8 e
- An unusually good publication.

Occasional articles on or relating to house decoration and furnishing may also be found in *Architectural record*, *L'art*, *Art journal*, *Artist*, *Magazine of art*, *Portfolio*.

GENERAL WORKS

Balfour, Henry. Evolution of decorative art. 12°. N. Y. 1893.
Macmillan \$1.25. e

An interesting and suggestive account of very primitive forms of ornament, both prehistoric and among savages of our own time. Careful reading of this book throws a good deal of light on many problems of fine art.—*Sturgis*, p. 48

Benson, William A. S. Elements of handicraft and design. illus. 12°. N. Y. 1893. Macmillan \$1.60. e

Intended for school workshops, but its directions for simple carpenter work and the making of book-shelves and tables are excellent and are illustrated with 94 drawings. The soundest principles of design are explained in simple language and well enforced. This part of the book is important, because there is a strong tendency in our times toward mere taking of designs from old works. This shows how designs are made originally. The final chapter gives good general ideas as to coloring, and a long bibliography is added.—*Sturgis*, p. 48

Blanc, Auguste Alexandre Philippe Charles. Grammaire des arts décoratifs; décoration intérieure de la maison. New ed. enl. 392p. 255 illus. Q. Par. 1886. Laurens 30 fr. 740 qB59 e

The works of this author are in a sense perfunctory; one does not go to him for stimulating criticism or bold and incisive views. They are generally trustworthy, written by a hard-working man to whom all modern French culture and much of foreign thought were accessible. His *Grammaire des arts du dessin* and this work form one analytic history of art which is well worth study.—*Sturgis*, p. 3

Chevreul, Michel Eugène. Principles of harmony and contrast of colours. Ed. 3. 465p. D. Lond. 1890. Bell 5s. (Bohn's scientific lib.) 752 e

Sold by Macmillan \$1.50.

With special application to the arts.

The one book on color in the list of 5000 books selected by the American library association.

Crane, Lucy. Art and the formation of taste. 292p. illus. D. Lond. 1882. Macmillan \$2. 704 C85 e

Contains chapters on form and color in decorative art . . . with illustrations by Thomas and Walter Crane.—*Drexel*, p. 24

Crane, Walter. Claims of decorative art. 191p. illus. sq. O. Bost. 1892. Houghton \$2.25. 704 C851 e

We can not recommend Mr Crane's book to the student of art as one from which he is likely to glean any instruction.—*Nation*, July 1892, 55: 17

Short and unpretending essays on the subject of ornamental or applied art, mingling art, ethics and social economy.—*Dial*, Oct. 1892, 13: 212

- Marshall, Henry Rutgers.** Aesthetic principles. 201p.D. Lond. 1895. Macmillan \$1.25. 701 M35 e
Briefly and clearly written . . . has . . . every claim on the attention of those interested in the science of beauty.—*Nation*, Sep. 1895, 61:192
Full of sound and stimulating thought, though it can not be regarded as a contribution of first-rate importance to the literature of esthetics.—*Academy*, Aug. 1895, 48:169
- Morris, William, ed.** Arts and crafts essays; by members of the Arts and crafts exhibition society. 420p. D. N.Y. 1893. Scribner \$2.50. 740 M83 e
Some excellent papers, such as "Furniture and the room" by Edward S. Prior and "The room and furniture" by Halsey Ricardo. Mr Morris's preface is also important . . . Contains also "Decorative printing and designing" by Walter Crane.—*Sturgis*, p. 51
- Decorative arts; their relation to modern life and progress; address. 16°. Bost. 1878. Roberts, paper 30c.
- Hopes and fears for art. 217p. D. Bost. 1882. Roberts \$1.25. 704 e
Full of timely warning and practical suggestion.—*Dial*, Ap. 1882, 2:292
Opinions and advice on practical details occur usually as illustrations.—*Academy*, Feb. 1882, 21:143
- Ruskin, John.** Two paths; being lectures on art and its application to decoration and manufacture delivered in 1858-9; with an introd. by C: E. Norton. 270p. D. N.Y. 1893. Maynard \$1.50. 704 e
The law which it has been my effort chiefly to illustrate is the dependence of all noble design, in any kind, on the sculpture or painting of organic form.—*Preface*
- Santayana, George.** The sense of beauty; being the outlines of aesthetic theory. 275p.D. N.Y. 1896. Scribner \$1.50. 701 S45 e
One of the best contributions ever made to the subject—penetrating, perceptive and judicious, and clad in a superlatively good English style.—*Nation*, July 1897, 65:75
- Sturgis, Russell.** Decorative art. (*see* Johnson's universal cyclopaedia. 1894-95. 2:697-99) Ro31 qJ623 e
- Vallance, Aymer.** William Morris. Ed. 2. 462p. illus.Q. Lond. 1898. Bell 25s net. 928.21 qM83 e
Sold by Macmillan \$10.
A well digested statement of the Morris creed, supported by examples of work in all the crafts he enriched and developed.—*International studio*, Jan. 1898, 3:204

HOUSEHOLD ART, DECORATION

Adam, Robert & Adam, James. Architecture, decoration and furniture; 26 folio plates of interiors, ceilings, chimney pieces and various pieces of furniture, etc. selected from "Works on architecture" published 1778-1822. 5p. 26pl. sq.F⁵. Lond. 1880. Batsford 25s.

The high estimation in which the decorative work of the talented brothers Adam is held makes this work of value to the architect, to decorative artists and to the art public generally.—Haferkorn, H: E. & Heise, P. E. A. *Handy lists of technical literature*, 1889-93, pt 5-6, p. 2

Brunner, Arnold W. & Tryon, Thomas. Interior decoration. 65p. illus. Q. N. Y. 1887. Comstock \$2; paper \$1.50.

740 qB83 e

Authors are architects; they offer decorations suited to the hall, staircase, library, parlor, dining-room, study and bedrooms, both for city and country houses. Many good hints are given for altering and bettering old work and on furnishing. A book which will suggest many points for discussion before the practising architect and decorator are called upon.—*Leypoldt*, p. 129

Campbell, Mrs Helen (Stuart). Household economics; a course of lectures in the school of economics of the University of Wisconsin. 286p.O. N. Y. 1897. Putnam \$1.50. 640 P6 e
See "Decoration" p. 86-106; "Furnishing" p. 107-26. Contains a bibliography of each subject.

The esthetic meaning and uses of decoration and furnishing are suggestively treated.—*Dial*, May 1897, 22 : 286

—— Household furnishings. (*see* Architectural record, Oct.—Dec. 1896, 6 : 97-104) 720.5 Ar21 e

Maintains that good furnishings are "Beautiful and orderly forms, all peacefully serving their uses."

Coleman, Oliver. Successful houses. 160p. illus. O. Chic. 1898. Stone \$1.50. Cap. 749 C67 e

A manual of interior decoration. Taking the hall, the drawing-room, the dining-room, the library, the den or smoking-room, the bedrooms, walls and ceilings, floors, windows and doors, each separately, methods of treatment are suggested and applied, and the result illustrated by giving pictures of the interiors of eminently good houses. Additional articles are: "Portières, their use and misuse" by Donald Warren, who also writes on artificial lighting; "Small ornaments" and "On the use of soft wood" by Alfred H. Granger.—*Publishers' weekly*, Ap. 1899, 55 : 572

Cook, Clarence Chatham. What shall we do with our walls? 35p. illus. O. N. Y. 1881. Warren, Fuller & Co. boards \$1.50.

745 C77 e

General principles rather than formal rules.—*Preface*

- Day, Lewis Foreman.** How to decorate a room. (*see Magazine of art*, 1881, 4: 182-86) 705 qM27 e
Inculcates the principles on which a house should be decorated, by working out the scheme for the decoration of one room.
- Place of pictures in the decoration of a room. (*see Magazine of art*, 1881, 4: 319-23) 705 qM27 e
"The rule should be to hang no picture but what is really cared for."
- Earle, Mrs Maria Theresa (Villiers).** Pot-pourri from a Surrey garden. Ed. 7. 381p. O. Lond. 1897. Smith, Elder 7s 6d. 640 P7 e
See "Furnishing" p. 276-88.
Contains a number of practical suggestions. Urges simplicity, but not at the expense of warmth and comfort.
- Eastlake, Charles Lock.** Hints on household taste; ed. by C: C. Perkins. illus. 8°. Bost. 1881. Houghton \$3. 749 Ea7 e
A standard work giving practical suggestions for artistic furniture and decoration.
- Edis, Robert William.** Decoration and furniture of town houses; a series of Cantor lectures, delivered before the Society of arts, 1880. 292p. illus. O. Lond. 1881. Paul 12s 6d. 747 Ed4 e
Designs which are both simple and economic with regard to space and money.—Litchfield, Frederick, *Illustrated history of furniture*, 1892, p. 245
His book would be more serviceable if he had learned the art of compression and clear statements.—*Nation*, Mar. 1881, 32: 175
- Ellwanger, George Herman.** Story of my house. 286p. illus. S. N. Y. 1891. Appleton \$1.50; ed. de luxe \$6. 814.49 El5 e
Reveries and little essays. . . on rugs. . . on the literary den. . . on cabinets of porcelain. . . on the greenhouse. . . and on many other of those topics about which it is agreeable to read if the author is himself sufficiently interested in his task.—*Nation*, Jan. 1891, 52: 39
- Falke, Jakob von.** Art in the house; historical, critical and aesthetic studies on the decoration and furnishing of the dwelling; tr. from the 3d German ed. with notes by C: C. Perkins. 356p. illus. Q. Bost. 1879. Prang \$15. 729 qF18 e
Discusses the floor. . . walls and. . . ceiling and throws out many suggestions as to their artistic decoration.—*Academy*, Mar. 1874, 5: 267
- Garrett, Rhoda & Agnes.** Suggestions for house decoration, in painting, woodwork and furniture. illus. 12°. Phil. 1877. Porter \$1. e
Written from the artist's point of view, and requiring some means and previous knowledge to carry out its ideas.—*Leyboldt*, p. 129

- **A girl's room**; with plans and designs for work upstairs and down. 236p.D. Bost. 1886. Lothrop \$1. e
 A chatty book about furnishing and decorating a girl's room in good taste at little cost. The directions for making odds and ends . . . are capital.—*Leypoldt*, p.128
- Goodholme, Todd S.** Domestic cyclopaedia of practical information. New ed. 652p.illus.Q. N.Y. 1887. Montgomery \$5. R640 qO5 e
 Now published by Scribner.
 A book of reference on all household subjects. Includes . . . "Decoration as applied to walls, floors and furniture" by George Fletcher Babb.—*Leypoldt*, p.130
- Grant, Robert.** Art of living. 353p.illus.D. N.Y. 1895. Scribner \$2.50. 640 P5 e
 See "House furnishing" p.76-91. A humorous but practical essay on house furnishing.
- Hamerton, Philip Gilbert.** Thoughts about art. New ed. 383p.D. Bost. 1876. Roberts \$2. 704 H17 e
 See "Picture buying" p. 125-43; "Picture dealers" p. 324-30; "Picture frames" p. 368-73.
 The volume is . . . written in an easy, vivacious style. . . The conversation about furniture. . . we wish might be . . . read by every householder in the land.—*Harper*, Aug. 1871, 43: 460
- Harrison, Mrs Constance (Cary).** Woman's handiwork in modern homes. 242p.O. N.Y. 1881. Scribner \$2. e
 Its usefulness consists . . . chiefly in awakening in its general subject the interest of people who have hitherto paid little attention to it.—*Nation*, June 1881, 32: 413
 Treats of embroidery . . . and wood-carving, and gives practical hints for the decoration of modern homes.—*Leypoldt*, p.129
- Haweis, Mrs Mary Eliza (Joy).** Art of decoration. New ed. 407p. illus.D. Lond. 1889. Chatto 6s. 740 H31 e
 Recommended by the *House beautiful* for the study of interior decoration.
- Heaton, Aldam.** Beauty and art. 209p. illus. D N. Y. 1897. Appleton \$1.75. 704 H35 e
 See "Decoration of the house" p. 89-126.
Contents: Taste; Beauty in form and colour; High art for shallow purses; Decoration of the house; Fabrics; Furniture and decoration of the 18th century.
 Contains many excellent, time-honored precepts, together with much false reasoning and pernicious dogma.—*International studio*, Oct. 1897, 2: 273
 The essay on 18th century furniture. . . attacks the rage for "Sheraton" and "Chippendale."—*Critic*, Oct. 1897, 31: 232

- Johnson, William Martin.** Inside of 100 homes. 140p. illus. S. N. Y. 1898. Doubleday 50c. (Ladies' home journal household lib. no. 2) 740 J63 e
Full of suggestions for interiors as well as for furnishing. The author has reproduced by photographs 100 interiors of houses in different parts of the country.—*Outlook*, Oct. 1898, 60:542
- Mitchell, Donald Grant.** Bound together. 291p. D. N.Y. 1893. Scribner \$1.25. 818.32 W e
See "House interiors" p. 252-72. A delightful essay containing suggestions rather than details.
- Morse, Edward Sylvester.** Japanese homes and their surroundings. 372p. illus. Q. N. Y. 1895. Harper \$3. 722.1 qM83 e
Valuable because showing how primitive are the plans of houses and how simple is the life of the Japanese, who are the most artistic people of our time. It is well to observe how easily good taste and delicate designing can be separated from large outlay.—*Leypoldt*, p. 82
- Morton, William Scott.** Art in the home. (see Art journal, Mar.-Dec. 1897, 59: 65-68, 118-21, 198-201, 257-60, 303-6, 368-72) 705 qAr7 e
On decoration in general, the dining-room, the library, the drawing-room, the billiard-room.
- Ormsbee, Mrs Agnes Bailey.** The house comfortable. 232p. S. N. Y. 1892. Harper \$1. Cap. 645 P2 e
House furnishing, necessary and decorative. Gives practical advice and prices.—*N. Y. state traveling lib.; household economics*, p. 13
- Panton, Mrs Jane Ellen (Frith).** From kitchen to garret; hints for young householders. Ed. 5. 243p.illus. D. Lond. 1888. Ward 6s. 640 O8a e
Contains useful and practical hints . . . but recommends . . . too much . . . overcrowding and decorating of rooms and is not nearly simple enough.—Earle, *Mrs M. T.* (Villiers), *Pot-pourri from a Surrey garden*, 1897, p. 276
— Homes of taste; economical hints on furniture and decoration. 8°. Lond. 1890. Low 2s 6d.
Contents: Hall and passages, dining-room, drawing-rooms, bedrooms, nurseries, bathrooms, kitchen, basement and servants' room.
- Parloa, Maria.** Home economics. 378p.illus.D. N. Y. 1898. Century \$1.50. 640 P8 e
Uncommonly useful book on . . . furnishing . . . polished floors, etc.—N. Y. (state)—Public libraries division, *Best books of 1898, 1899*, p. 586
- Pearce, Walter J.** Painting and decorating. 312p.illus. D. Phil. 1898. Lippincott \$3.75.
Chapters on . . . materials, on paper-hanging . . . painting . . . graining . . . as well as some general ideas on ornament and color.—*Nation*, Ap. 1898, 66: 307

Pollen, John Hungerford. Ceilings and walls. (*see Magazine of art*, Ap. 1886, 9: 228-32) 705 qM27 e

Deplores the small attention usually paid by architects to the ceilings of the houses they build.

Watson, Mrs Rosamund (Ball) Marriott. Art of the house. 185p.illus.O. Lond.1897. Bell 6s net. (Connoisseur ser.)

740 W33 e

Imported by Macmillan \$2 net.

Good for the "amateur with a purse." These essays appeared in the *Pall Mall gazette* under the heading "Wares of Antolycus."

This work is to be highly recommended.—*House beautiful*, 3: 98

Wharton, Edith & Codman, Ogden. Decoration of houses. 204p.pl.O. N.Y.1897. Scribner, boards \$4. 747 W55 e

There is in it so much that is admirable in every way and, on the other hand, so much that is abominable.—*House beautiful*, 3: 137

A readable, instructive and authoritative plea for the elegance of simplicity and fitness as opposed to the vulgarity of display and overelaboration.—*Outlook*, Dec. 1897, 57: 1016

Wheeler, Mrs Candace, ed. Household art. 204p.S. N. Y. 1893. Harper \$1. (Distaff ser.) Cap. 740 W56 e

Contents: The philosophy of beauty applied to house interiors, Mrs Candace Wheeler; Development of American homes, Mrs M. G. Van Rensselaer; Some work of the associated artists, Mrs Burton Harrison; Wall-papers, ceilings and dados, Susan N. Carter; Progress of American decorative art, Mary Gay Humphreys; Limits of decoration, Lucia Gilbert Runkle; About furnishings, Florence Morse; Decorative and applied art, Mrs Candace Wheeler.

Brief and sketchy papers of interest.—*Leypoldt*, p. 129

Woman's book; dealing practically with the modern conditions of home-life, self-support, education, opportunities and every-day problems. 2v. illus. O. N. Y. 1894. Scribner \$7.50. e

See v. 2, ch. 15, "House decoration and furnishing" Mary Gay Humphreys.

Discusses the subject as it appeals to women of purse and good taste. Women who earn their bread by decorative art will find some valuable hints here.—*Leypoldt*, p. 129

See also 2: 336, "Practical house furnishing" Lida Rose McCabe.

ORNAMENTAL DESIGN. WOVEN FABRICS. CARPETS

Benjamin, Samuel Green Wheeler. Oriental rugs. (*see Cosmopolitan*, Feb. 1893, 14: 407-17) 051 qC82 e

Berri, William. Carpets. (*see Johnson's universal cyclopaedia*. 1894-95. 2: 89-90) R031 qJ623 e

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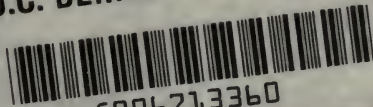
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