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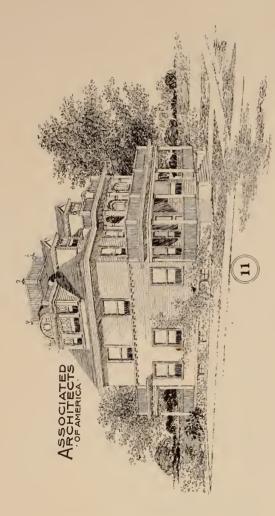
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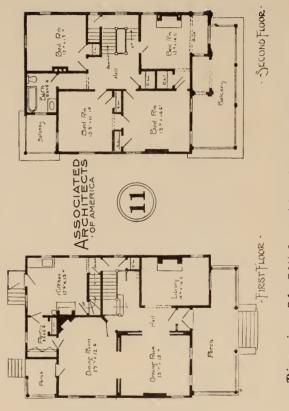
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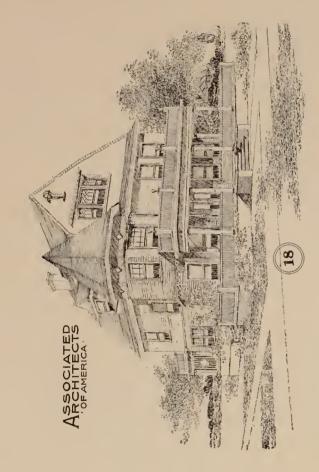
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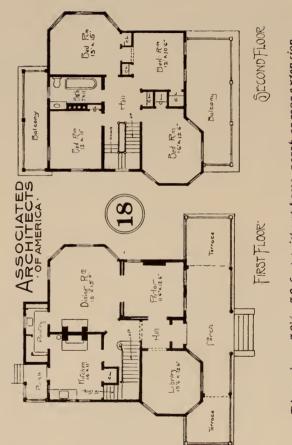
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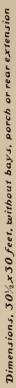


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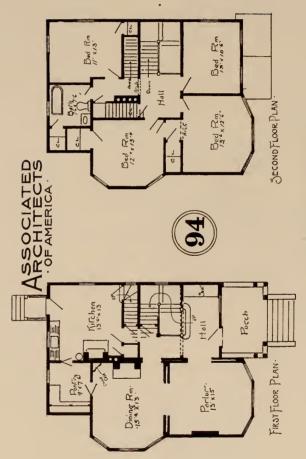
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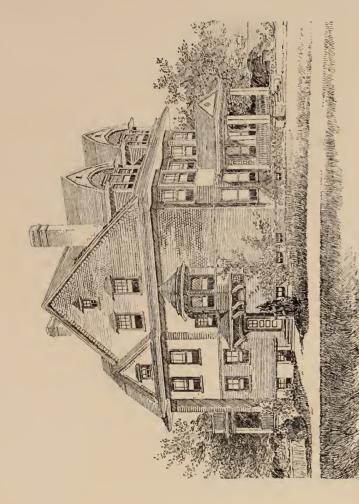




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Dimensions, 28%x36 feet, without bays



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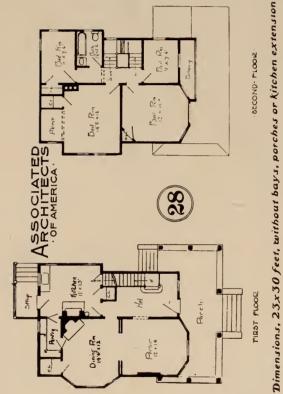
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Dimensions, 36 x49 feet, without porches or bays

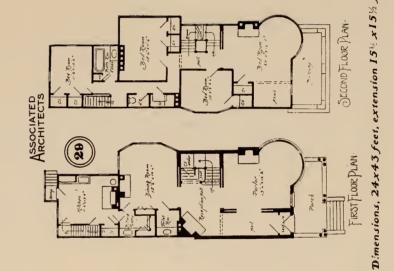


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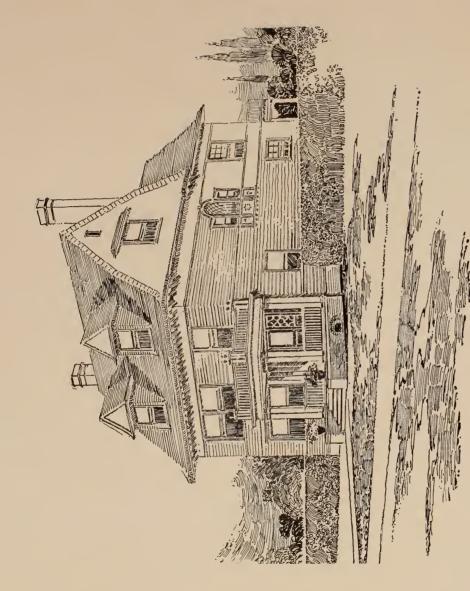




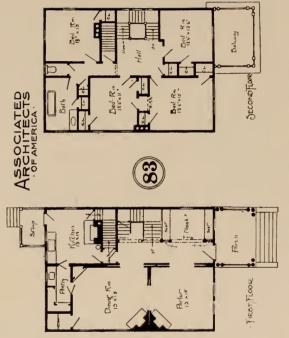
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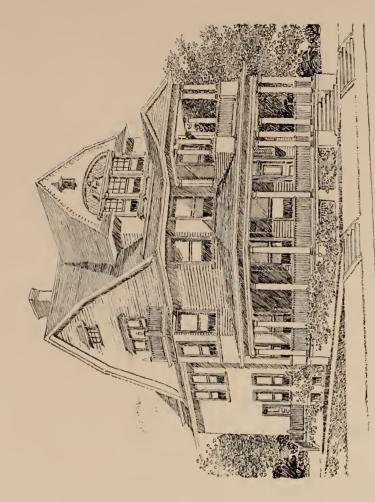
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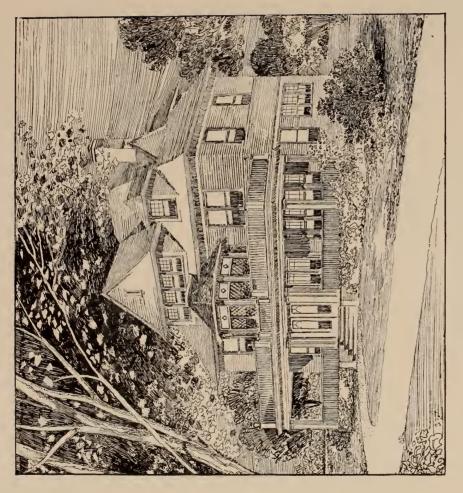
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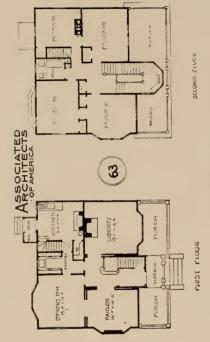
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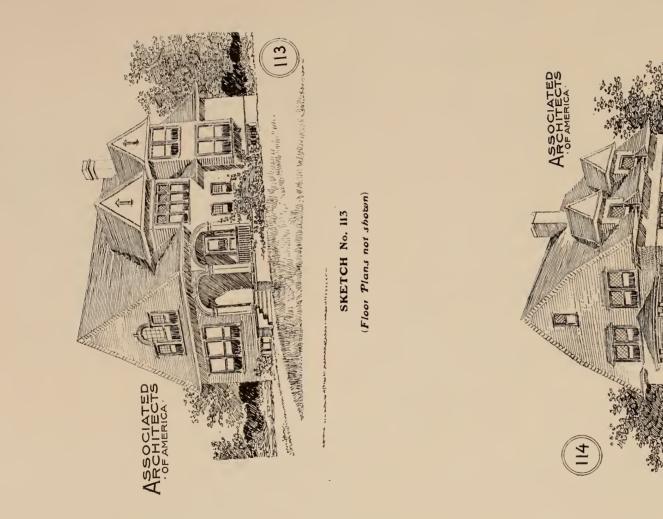
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Dimensions. 37x30 feet, without porches or bays

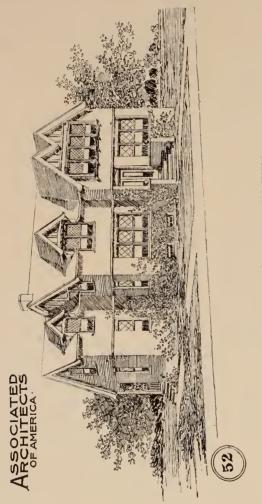


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Dimensions, 47x23 feet, without porches



DESIGN NUMBER TEN



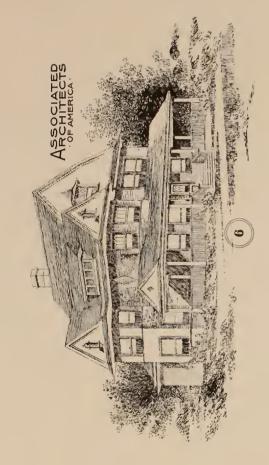
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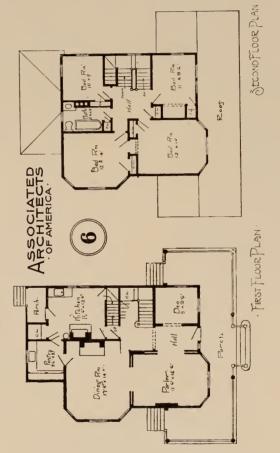
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Dimensions, 40x51 feet, without porches, front bays or library extension



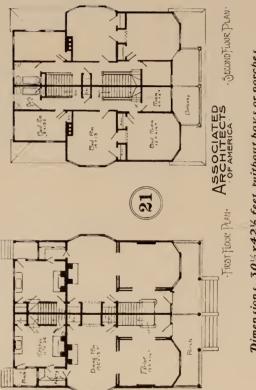
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Dimensions, 27%x38% feet, without bays or porches



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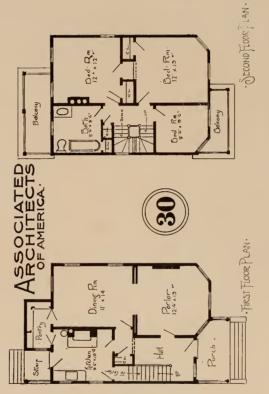


porches 01 s. 30%x42% feet, without bays Dimension

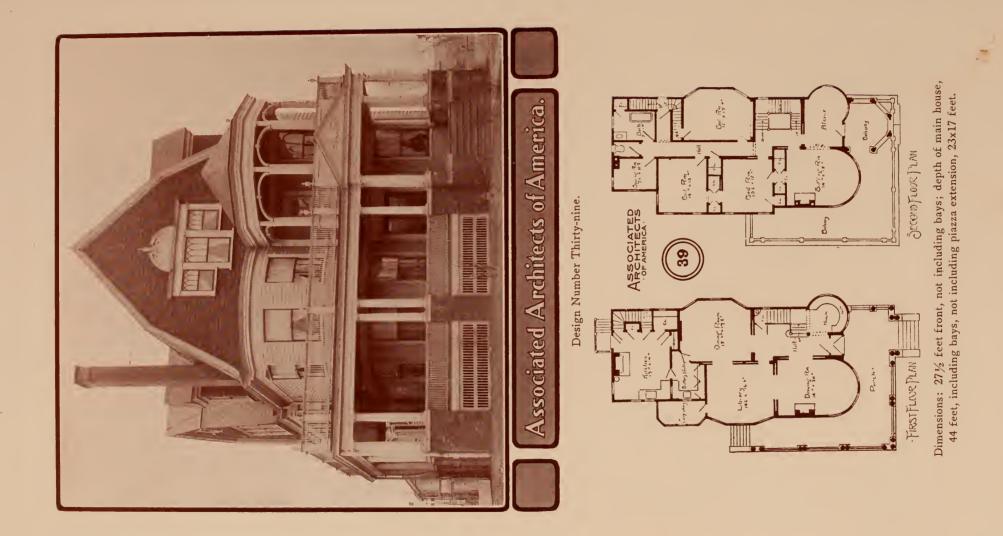


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Dimensions, 22x34 feet, including pantry extension and bay





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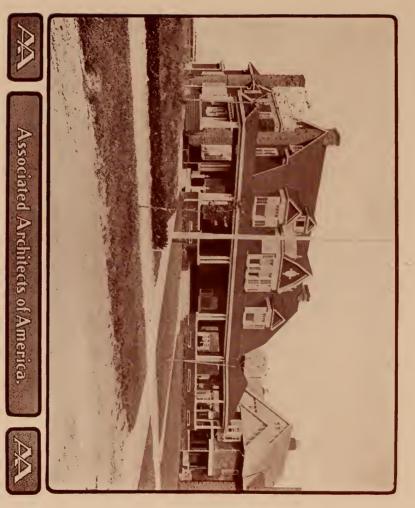
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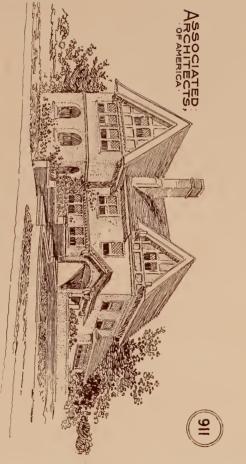
Design Sixty-three. Library.



Design Ninety-two. Dining Room.



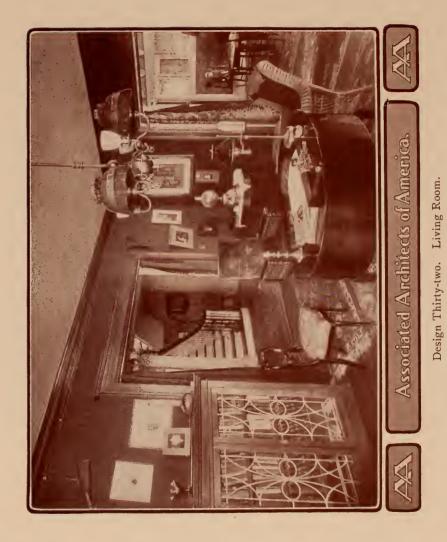
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Design Thirty-two. Music Room.



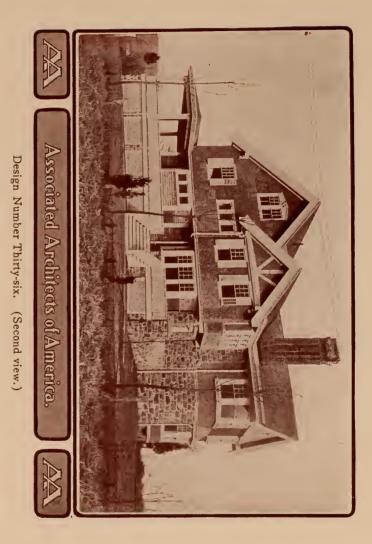


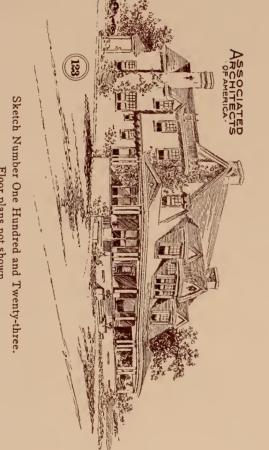
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Design Thirty-six. Hall, showing Dining Room.

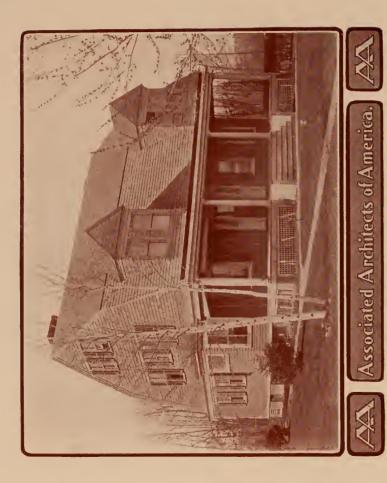


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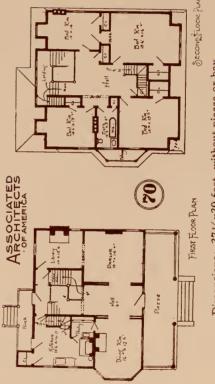




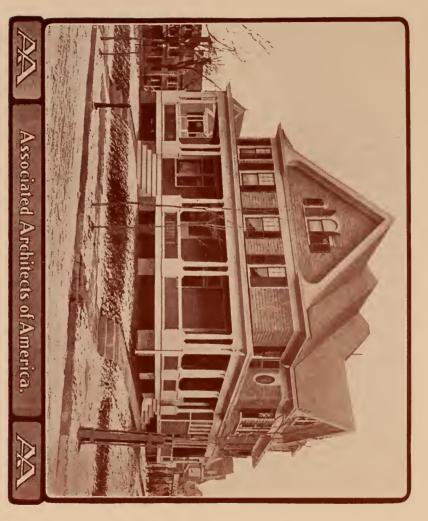
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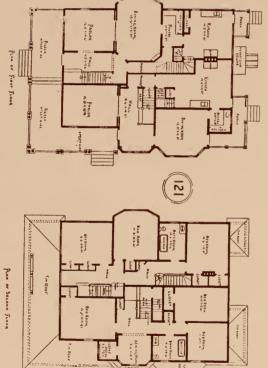
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Dimensions: 37/2x30 feet, without piazza or bay.



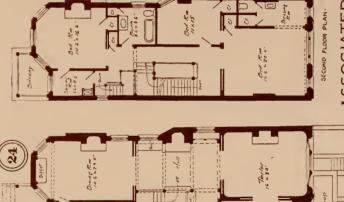
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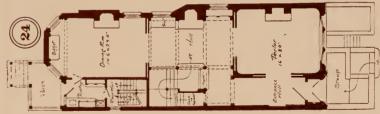


Dimensions: 41x50 feet, without bays or porches.









Design Number Twenty-four.



Design Thirty-three. Dining Room.



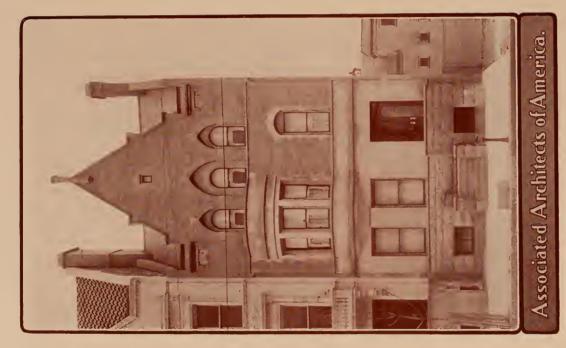
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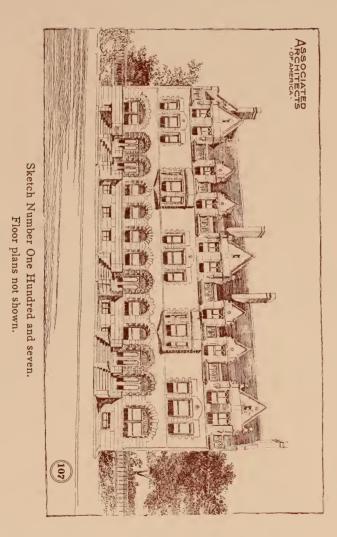


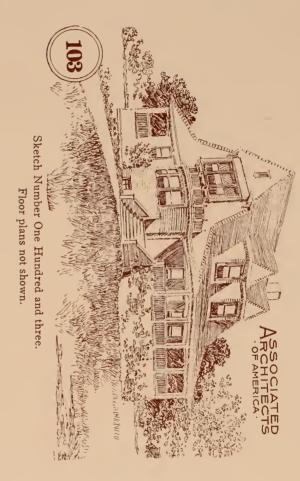
Design Twenty-four. Billiard Room.



Design Number Forty-two.





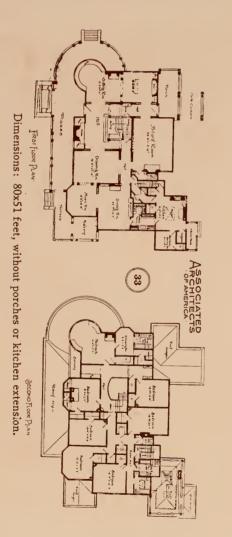








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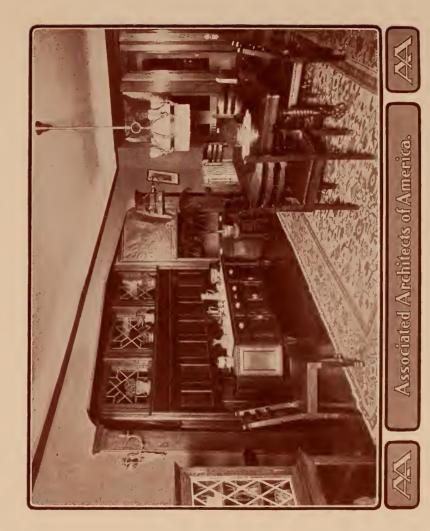


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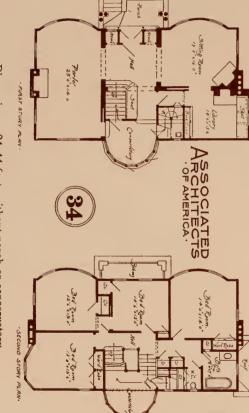
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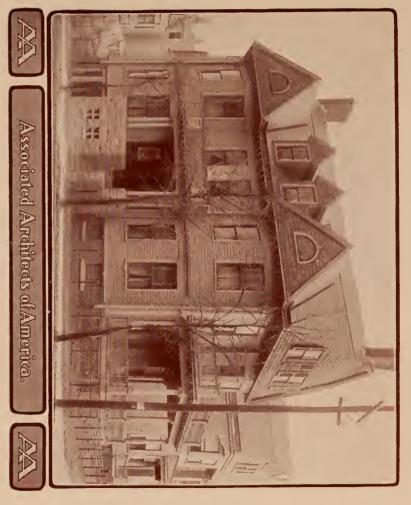


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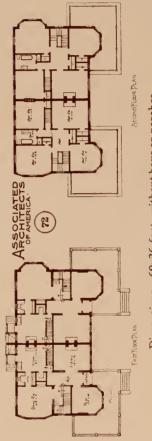
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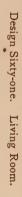




Design Number Seventy-two.



Dimensions: 69x36 feet, without bays or porches.





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Design Thirty-eight. Hall.







Design Number Thirty-eight.



Dimensions: 34x46 feet, without bays or porches.

Design Thirty-eight. Dining Room.



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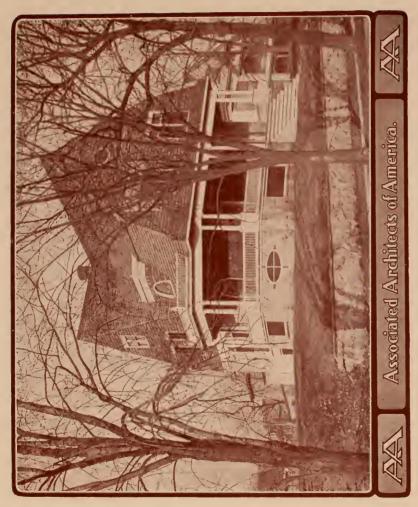


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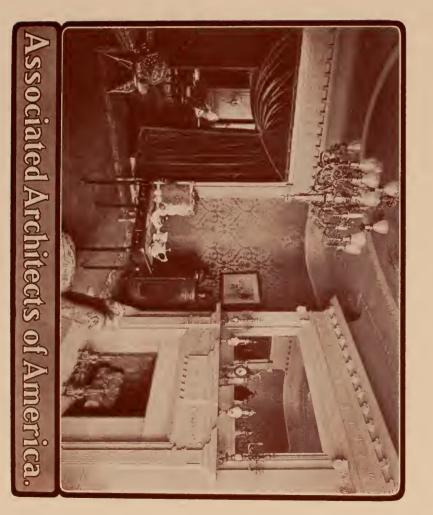




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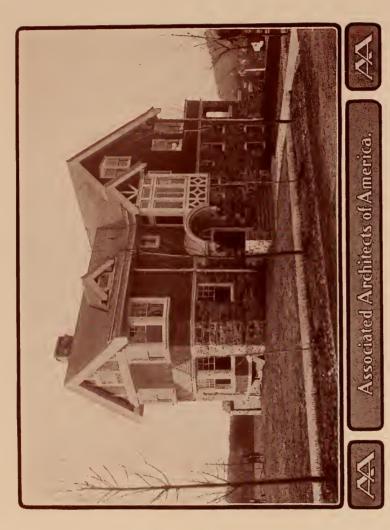


Design Twenty-four. Drawing Room.



Design Twenty-four. Dining Room.

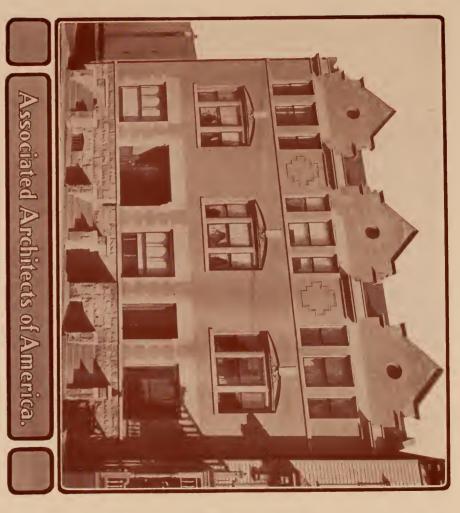




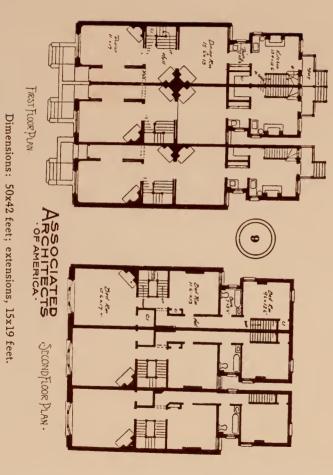
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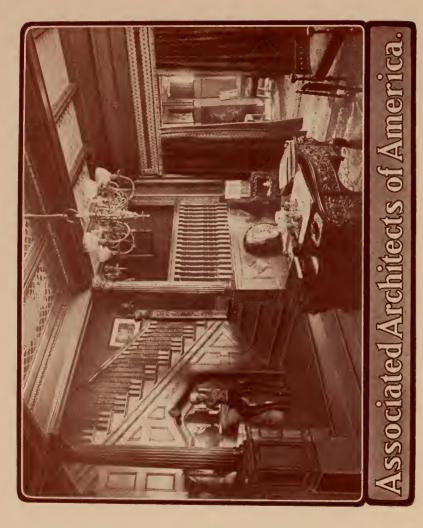


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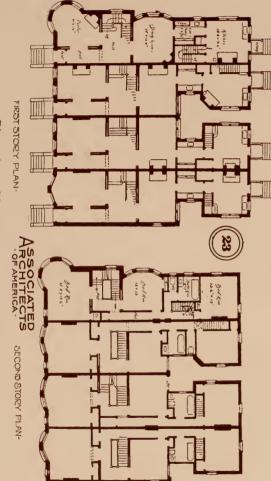
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Design Twenty-nine. Dining Room.



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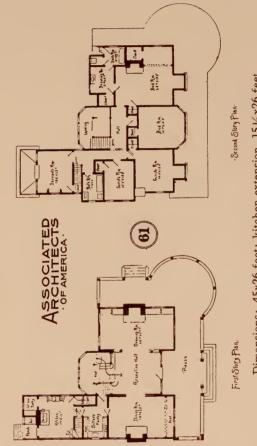


Dimensions: 73x41 feet; extensions, 15x21 feet.

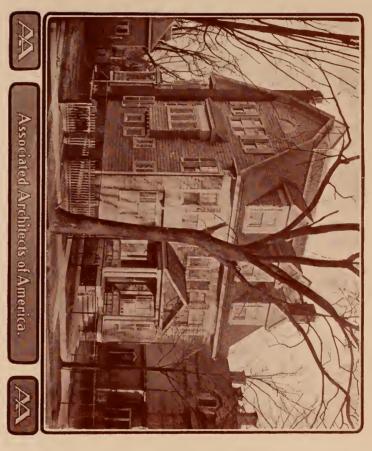


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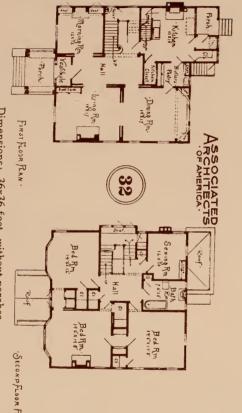
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Dimensions: 45x26 feet; kitchen extension, $15\frac{1}{2}x26$ feet.

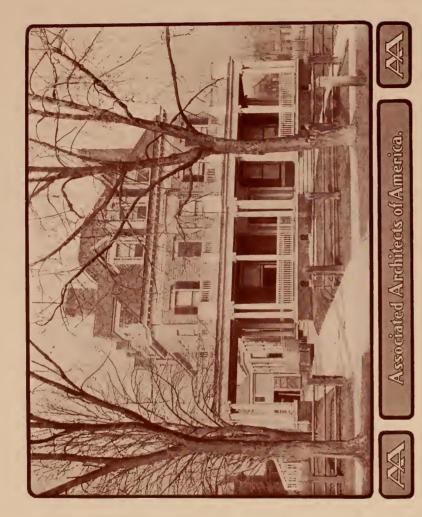


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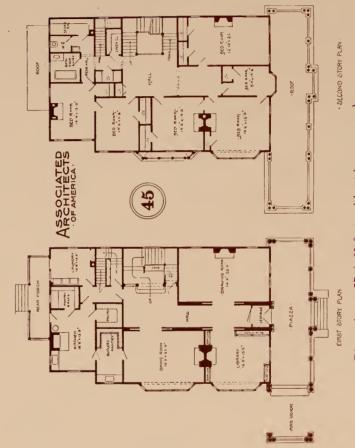


Dimensions: 36x36 feet, without porches.

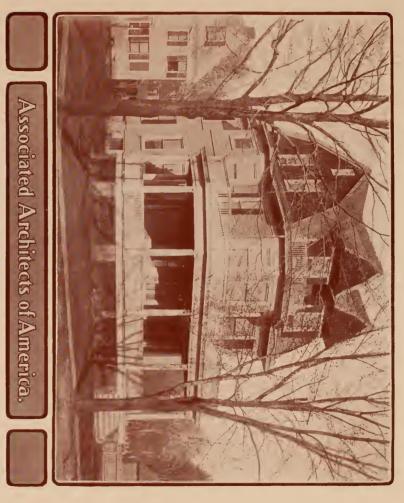
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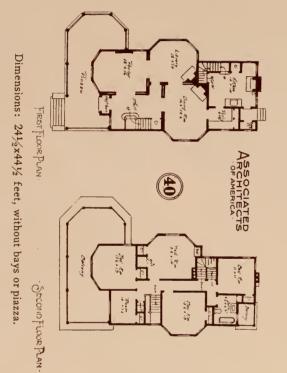
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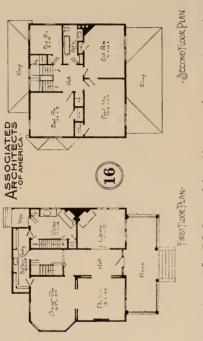


Dimensions: $37/_2 x 61$ feet, without bays or porches.



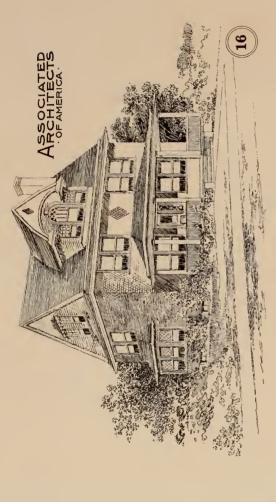
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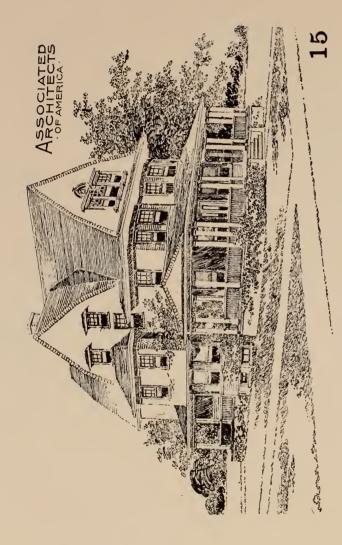




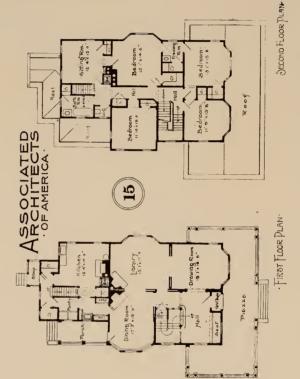
or pantry extension porch Dimensions, 32x30 feet, without bay



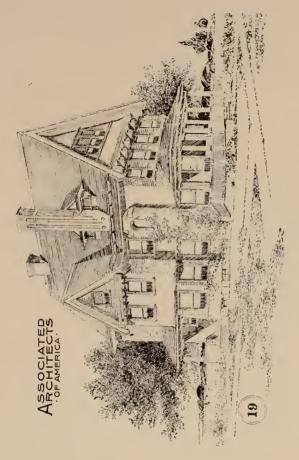




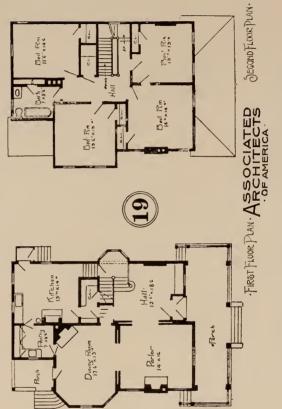
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Dimensions, 30x54 feet, without bays or porches



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Dimensions, 28% x40 feet, without porches or bay



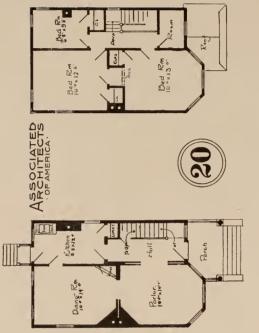
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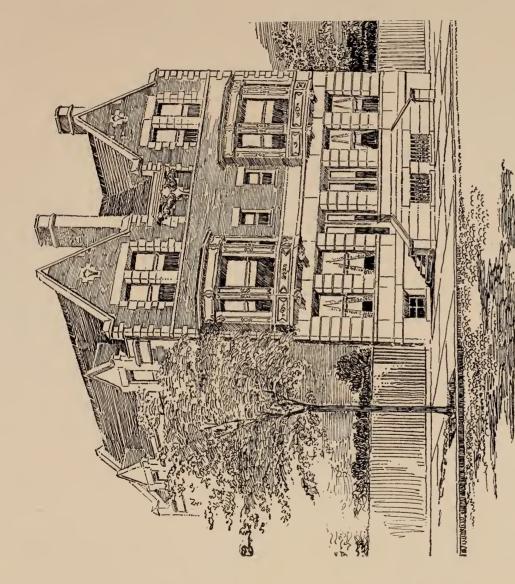
Dimensions. 18x291/2 feet, including bay



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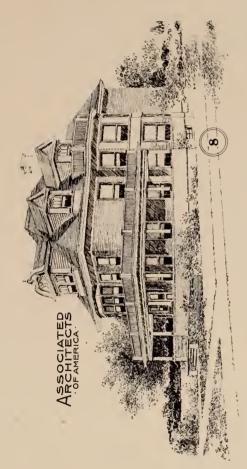


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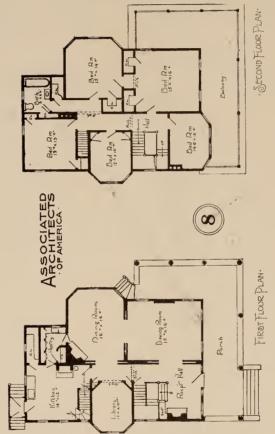


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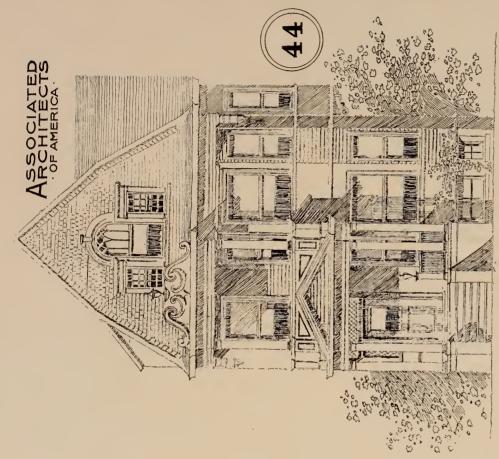
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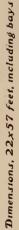


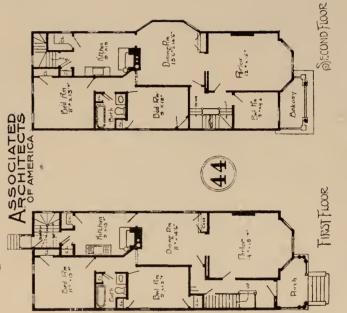
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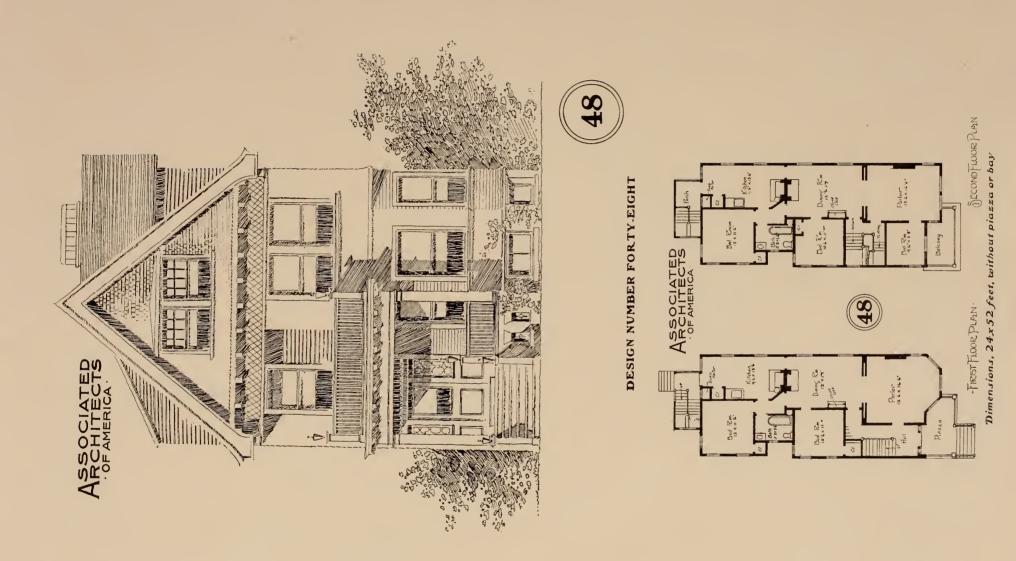
side bay or piazza Dimensions, 24% x 34% feet, without

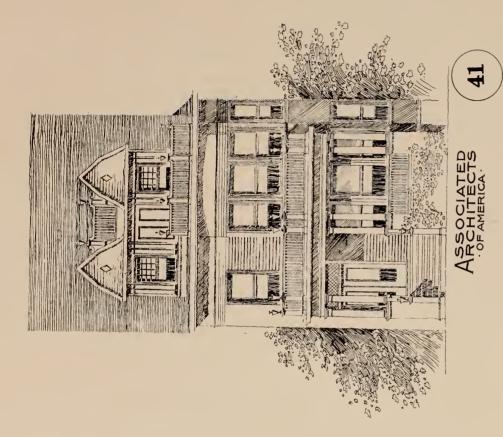




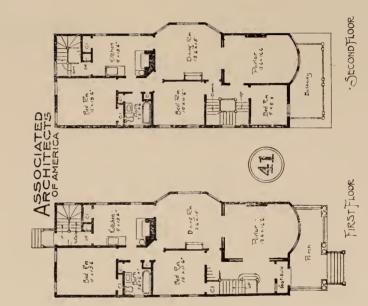


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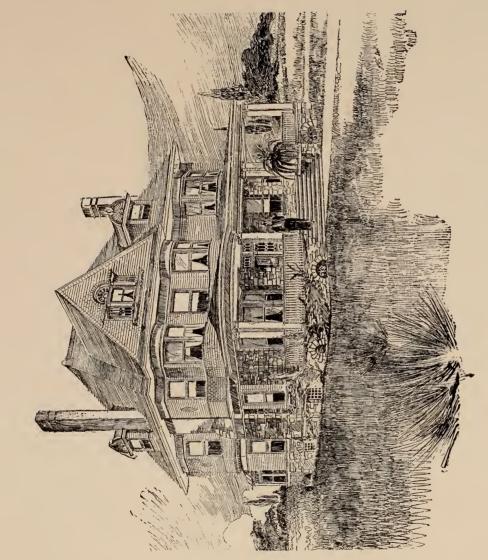




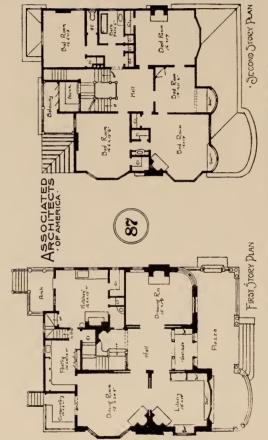
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Dimensions, 21%x56 feet, including circular bay



DESIGN NUMBER EIGHTY-SEVEN



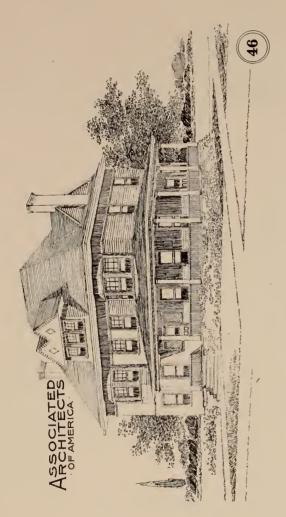
Dimensions, 47x56 feet, including piazza 12 feet wide



DESIGN NUMBER FOURTEEN



Dimensions, 20x42 feet



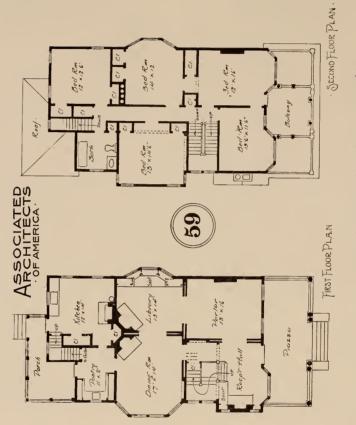
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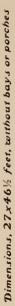


Dimensions, 44x31 feet, without bays









Free Plans

Builder and Architect

You don't go to a blacksmith for watch repairs; to a tailor for dentistry, or to a lawyer when you wish plumbing done. The proper place to get a set of reliable plans and specifications is from a competent architect and not from a carpenter or builder, even if he styles himself "Builder and Architect," as some do. You should no more trust your plans to such an individual than you would depend in a lawsuit on your opponent's attorney for your legal advice. Scripture truly says, "No Man can serve two masters," and a thoroughly honest builder will not attempt to place himself in the inconsistent and ludicrous position of attempting to give you the best services and greatest value as an architect and at the same time save labor and material at every turn, so as to make the greatest possible profit for himself as builder.

It is only fair to state, however, that many communities are without competent architects, and thus builders have been forced many times against their inclinations to prepare plaus. This is now happily avoided by the enterprise of the "Associated Architects," and many builders have not only ceased to furnish plans for other people, but find it now more economical and satisfactory to procure all their own plans from us.

But of all follies the wide world over avoid this. Here is a true experience repeated many a time and oft: Mr. Jones is thinking of building, speculates as to the kind of house he better erect, and what it will cost, and either to avoid the apparently great expense of an architect or because there is not one in his vicinity or else because he has heard of Brown, the builder, he goes to the latter and discusses the subject, the conference likely ending in an offer from Brown to get up a set of plans and specifications for Jones on condition that if Brown builds the house there will be no charge for the plans, and if some one else builds it Jones shall pay \$15 or \$25 for them (those are the usual sums mentioned). Brown is careful to explain that Jones can get any one else he chooses to bid and makes the proposition look so attractive and apparently fair that Jones readily assents, thinking he will get the plans cheap in any event and thus save the usual architectural fees. Foolish Jones forgets that any one else who bids on Brown's specifications is at a tremendous disadvantage because of their obscurity or incompleteness, and to protect himself must bid very high. Result : Brown is low, secures the job and having things pretty thoroughly in his own hands gets paid for the plans several times over in the savings in materials and labor if not by extras. The result many times is a house of poor construction, bad arrangement, and miserable appearance. Jones's new house is not "a thing of beauty and a joy forever," and in case he desires to sell he finds it difficult to do so except at a loss.

Specifications

The specifications and details are generally more important than the plan itself, and upon their being accurate and complete will largely depend whether or not a house will be satisfactory when finished.

Our specifications describe in detail the materials to be used and the work to be performed, how prepared and applied. They are complete and accurate so that the necessary estimates can be obtained, the proper contracts made and the construction of the building progress to the complete satisfaction of the owner, the architect and the contractors as well.

Artistic Effects

In many cases our plans will produce houses of better construction, more convenient arrangement, more complete as to details, more artistic in appearance, and yet, owing to our superior designs, at actually lower cost than a house less skilfully planned.

For artistic, pleasing effects we depend on simple treatment, harmonious outlines and correct proportions rather than much ornamentation, scroll work, festoons, etc., as the lack of the former and the use of the latter have spoiled the appearance of many a house.

New York as an Architectural Centre

Within a radius of fifty miles from the New York City Hall there dwells one-fifteenth of the entire population of the United States and in no like area in the world is there so good an opportunity for the study of architecture of every design. On Fifth Avenue or Riverside Drive the modern Croesus builds a palace for a city home, while he selects mountain, river, sea or sound as a site for his country place. Men of wealth as well as those of moderate circumstances for years have shown a tendency to erect homes in the suburbs and a vast number, steadily increasing, travel to the city each morning and return in the evening. Much of the best architectural talent of England and Europe finds it way to New York, bringing the aesthetic and practical achievements of all ages the world over, and by our system you receive the benefit.

The city and country homes of thousands of wealthy and cultured people in and about New York contribute to our clients' advantage. Many features and conveniences of the mansion and palatial domicile we are able to incorporate in the house of moderate cost.

We do not depend on the country immediately surrounding New York for ideas but through our resident Associates in every part of the country and by the travel and personal observation of different members of our staff, each of our Associates is constantly in touch with the architectural requirements and achievements over all America.

Apartment Houses

A special feature of our business is the planning of model, modern apartment houses. In many cities apartment houses are growing in favor and with the introduction of convenient features and the elimination of the objectionable they will become still more popular in the near future.

In New York as in no other city in the world have we so many examples of the undesirable features of tenament life nor so great an opportunity to study the improvements and perfections introduced in modern apartment houses. In one single block in New York 6,888 people live, an average of twenty-two families in each of the thirty-three houses. There are but two bath rooms in the block and only forty of the families are supplied with hot water.

A wide range between these tenaments and such high grade apartments as the Osborne and Dakota, long the finest and most expensive, each apartment renting for \$3,000 to \$4,000 a year. Many people abundantly able to maintain private homes in any degree of luxury prefer this mode of living as they enjoy greater comfort, independence and privacy, at the same time, sacrificing absolutely nothing which the individual home provides.

There are more than a hundred apartments in New York renting for \$10,000 to \$16,000 yearly and they are increasing by the score, while an unlimited number rent for \$600 to \$1,000, from \$1,200 to \$2,500 and upward per annum. Those of late construction contain every comfort and convenience.

An extended experience in planning houses of this class has perfected our designs so as to overcome the last remaining objections to the usual apartment house. In some sections of Greater New York and its suburbs and in cities where land is less valuable than in Manhattan Island the addition of yard room and the introduction of private front and rear porches make these houses extremely desirable and the difference in cost of site and of construction and maintainance makes the cost of living actually less than to maintain an independent establishment, while one retains the privacy of home life, dispensing with the care of a yard, avoiding the dirt and expense of heating, trouble of repairs, etc., and really enjoying the luxury and conveniences usually found only in the best hotels or the palatial private mansion.

In our high class apartment houses every room opens to the outside air as we discard air shafts altogether and make the apartments perfectly sound proof and practically fire proof. Gas is usually exclusively employed for cooking, there is abundant closet room in each apartment and additional storage room and vegetable cellars and facilities for bicycles and baby carriages are provided in the basement. Rooms for general use suitable for library, social entertainments, gymnasium, lounging or billiards are generally included and also a cafe if the house contains bachelor or boarding apartments.

A fire and burglar proof vault can be included for storing silver, important papers or other valuables. A well equipped laundry in the basement relieves the apartments of the annoyances usually incident to wash day. The telephone connects the various occupants with the outside world, while a house telephone connects each apartment with all the others and with the laundry, janitor, dining room and office. A U. S. mail chute receives letters from every floor. A cold storage plant is frequently provided and a dark room for those using the camera.

We cannot here enumerate all the conveniences and arrangements whose introduction contribute to the joy and luxury of house-keeping, eliminating at the same time the drudgery and bothersome features, without increasing and in many cases decreasing the usual living expenses.

Our Advertisers

You will find represented in our advertising pages some of the best firms connected with trades of interest to home builders or buyers. Great care has been exercised in their selection and we believe that there are no better goods or more competent artisans in the various lines than those here designated. No advertisement lacking such qualification has been accepted. In the limited space at our disposal all possessing merit could not be represented, but those which do appear have been carefully selected and recommended to your consideration and confidence as thoroughly reliable in every way, and the goods they furnish are of the best in their respective classes, and most of the latter have been repeatedly used in our houses for many years and have never failed to give entire satisfaction. Many articles of general interest are also represented and careful perusal of our advertising pages will be interesting, instructive and profitable.

An advertiser is always pleased to know which of his announcements has attracted a customer's attention. If you will kindly mention this book in writing to or dealing with any firm represented you will confer a favor on them as well as the publishers, and in most cases such mention will prove directly to your benefit, as a majority of the firms have agreed to give their very best attention and most favorable terms to all inquiries and orders received from our readers.

Remember in building a home that the best is none too good and is the cheapest in the end.

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