



LIVING-ROOM, HOUSE NO. VI.

flagged terrace across the front. The materials used in construction are of the simplest. The house is built of brick with roughcast finish; narrow brick quoins set out a trifle from the face of the plaster appearing at the corners and giving an effect of quaintness in keeping with the general design. A point to be noticed in the roof treatment is the way in which the shingles are laid, the usual and it might be said the natural method of placing same is rather forced from the accustomed line. The shingles in the body of the roof are cut and laid irregularly, which seems to soften the texture of the covering, while at the gables several thicknesses of shingle give a heavy line rather like tile. The effect produced is perhaps worthy of the effort, as it seems to be entirely in keeping with the character of the design. The house owes much to its coloring, subdued and pleasing, with a weathered appearance which suits the house admirably. The wood work is stained brown except for the window frames, which are green. Overlooking the lawn at the back of the house is a narrow porch and above this is the usual sleeping balcony, the treatment making this feature more of an adjunct than a part of the main body of the house.

The living room is panelled in brown oak with a moulded frieze and capping in connection with a white plaster cornice; the oak capping breaking out over the window heads to form a canopy for the window curtains. The ingle at the end of the room is furnished with built-in settees, above which are recesses for bookshelves. The dining-room woodwork is white, the walls being a plain grey finished with a white plaster cornice. The treatment of the bay is very pleasing and a noticeable feature is the way in which the trim is dropped below the head of the frame to form a canopy for the curtains. The hall is treated in a manner similar to the living-room. The second floor woodwork is simply detailed and finished in white enamel.

Starting with a bare prairie lot, it can easily be seen how much a house of this kind will be improved when the planting about it has had an opportunity to grow and provide an appropriate setting. The cost of this house was approximately \$15,000.

*Houses Nos. II and III, Oxford Street and St. John's Avenue; Ross & Macdonald and H. B. Rugh, Associated Architects.*—The square type of plan which in the small house is so satisfactory both as regards arrangement and economy is exemplified in this design and also in the