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The pleasantest heat! It is radiant heat. No heat is so pleasant as that from a good fireplace. Our bodies absorb the radiant heat from the flames and the hot logs, the gases go up the chimney. Most of the indoor heating is done by contact; that is, the air is warmed and in turn warms us by contact. Recently radiant has come into limited use, especially in Europe. The method is to have radiating elements in the ceiling of the room. In this way we may live in and breathe invigorating cool air and at the same time be pleasantly warmed by radiant heat as we are when standing in the sunshine.
