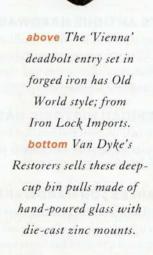
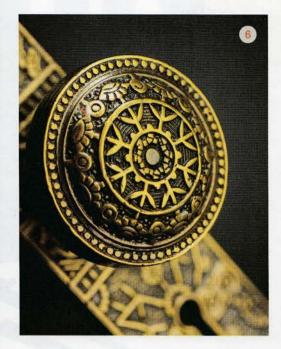
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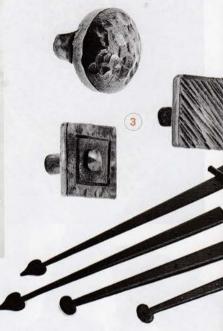
and Romantic Revival houses shared some common roots.

The era's hardware (and lighting, too) fits comfortably in a range of house styles. Rustic black strap hinges, for example, are equally at home in a half-timbered Tudor Revival cottage in New Jersey and a Spanish Revival hacienda in California.

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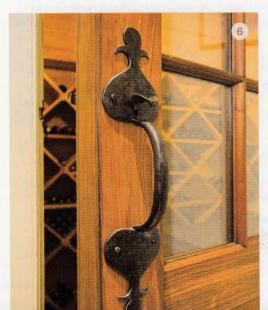
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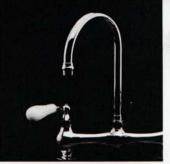
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