A LOOK AT STUTTGART.

A German Town in Which People Are Much Like Americans.

Its Schloss Platz With Its Many Statues of Men Known in History—The Big University at Tuebingen.

STUTTGART is about the most livable town, or the most habitable city, as you like, in Germany.

In the first place the climate does much toward this end. The town is protected on three sides by hills, on the fourth it opens upon a suburb, Kanstadt, situated on the river Neckar, which here becomes navigable. Hence, "es liegt im Kessel," as the Germans say, and by reason of its lying in this narrow little hill-bordered basin, it does not suffer from the cold and chilling blasts which sweep over and through the cities of the plain, such as Munich and Augsburg.

In the second place, the small cost of living induces many foreigners as well as Wurtemberges to come here to pass the winter. Yet Stuttgart does not overflow with the English-speaking people, as does Dresden, for instance. One thing is noticeable, however, viz.: The large number of attractive and contented faces seen, a circumstance due perhaps in part to this lessened cost of living.

It will be at once and correctly surmised that the third reason for this livableness is to be found in the many and varied educational advantages. They are as good as those of the Saxon capital above mentioned. The opera, however, is by no means as good as it is there, though both music and drama are very worthily represented here as compared with cities of the same size and rank in other countries. They satisfy any one not spoiled by the metropolitan attractions of larger places.

The majority of travelers, too, will likely unite in the judgment that Stuttgart is the most beautiful of the German capitals, as well as the most picturesquely situated. The new Royal Palace is the building which, by reason of its size, if not of its architectural merit, attracts the first attention. Its interior, too, must be worth something, aside from the collections, for Napoleon said it was the most habitable palace in Europe. He ought to have known, for he tried most, whether they belonged to him or not.

ONE OF THE PRETTIEST SQUARES

Imaginable is certainly the Schloss Platz. On one side is the King's Palace, of course, then on the next the Princes' Palace, and opposite to this the opera-house. The fourth side is occupied by what is known as the Koenigsbau, a long Ionic colonnade, the magnificent portico to a building devoted, the lower story to shops, the upper to exhibition, concerts and clubrooms. The crest of the massive pile as seen from a distance, however, gives the stranger the impression that it can be nothing less monumental than a court-house or museum. At all events it recalls the idea of those edifices which must have bordered the Roman Forum.

Adorning this Schloss Platz are some remarkable modern statues. In the middle stands a column, sixty or seventy feet high, surmounted by a gigantic Concordia. On each side are exquisite fountains which, appropriately enough, are like those of the Place de la Concorde in Paris. Then comes a perfect peopling of the place by splendid bronze statues of past rulers. The marble bust of the sculptor Dannecker is quite the equal of these, and is a pleasing contrast. In the adjoining square, really a part of this, stands Thorvaldsen's statue of Schiller, erected by the nation to adorn this town, so associated with his youth. For it was here at the Karlsschule that Schiller, when 16 years old, began his medical studies. Here he wrote his first drama. Here he became "Medikus" to a grenadier regiment at 18 florins a month. And from here the young man, now 23 years of age, in whom the world had become stronger than the doctor, deserted and fled to Mannheim because his liege lord had forbidden him ever again "to write comedies or such like."

The most interesting adornment of this Schloss Platz, however, is the old Palace standing diagonally with the newer and adjacent buildings, and so abutting but a corner tower into view. Albert Schwegler says it is one of the most picturesque buildings going, with its great arcaded court, its grim outer facades and its huge towers. It does not require much stretch of the imagination to fancy doughty old Duke Christopher there now. He must have matched the palace.

STUTGART POSSESSES NO MEAN GALLERY

That is if they made a bonfire of nine out of every ten pictures. The rest would then form a very choice collection. As to the latter, there is a grotesqueness about the naming, though many mistakes have been rectified. It seems that the late King bought a whole row of supposed Titians. Most of them are, indeed, very remarkable and beautiful pictures, but more modern critics have discovered them to be Palmas, Giorgiones and Bonifazios. And why not? They ought to be still as valuable, for were not these less-known artists as noteworthy in their way as the mightier Titian? The gems of the collection, however, and also of that in the library not far away, are found in the works of Zeitblom, a German painter of the Nuremberg school, and living in the age of Duerer. Whatever restoration may have done or spoiled, there still remains the marvelous meaning, realism and beauty of that far-away thinker who painted and to whom the histories of art have done scant justice.

There is no university at Stuttgart, although there is a notable polytechnical school. The great University of Wurtemberg is not far from Stuttgart, at Tuebingen, the poet Uhland's home. One thousand to thirteen hundred students are in attendance and the professorial list of the university comprises nearly a hundred names. The medical and theological faculties here are most prominent. Indeed, the "Tuebingen School" is known everywhere among theologians. And what scholars, such as Melanchthon, Reuchlin, Baur, this university has numbered in its professors. Very romantically situated is Tuebingen, the oldest German university town may vie with it in this respect save Heidelberg.

Two things are continually impressed upon the stranger in Stuttgart; one, that he is in as essentially a court city as any, the other that he is in the midst of a people who seem more like Americans than any other German race.

As to the court itself, it may or may not be on its last legs. However attached the Bavarians or Wurtembergers may be to their royal houses it cannot be denied that in comparison with that of Hohenzollern these are decrepid. Indeed, to the friends of

THAT NOW IMPERIAL RACE,

As well as to the friends of Prussian centralization, or better, German unity, it is desirable that these subordinate royalties cease holding too many strings of temporal power, no matter upon how many heart-strings they may play. Still there are enough local fires to burn a long time yet.

But in spite of subordination Stuttgart impresses one as being in its very essence a court city. There is a certain effective grouping of royal buildings about a common center. From the New Palace, indeed, a great royal park extends two miles right through Stuttgart, if you please, to Kannstadt, and then, when you are at that Neckar-town, there are a series of royal if very charming villas, the Berg, the Rosenstein, the Wilhelma. At 12 o'clock every day it is the royal parade in the Schloss Platz, which absorbs every one's attention. Why, there's a royal protection to every endeavor and charity! Stuttgart seems to exist but by the grace of the King.

And yet, strange to say, even judged from a republican standpoint, nowhere does this pervasive monarchical sentiment and expression seem to be preposterous, out of place, disagreeable. There's a comfortable assurance about every one's talk that after all the thing's quite right, at all events the best under the circumstances. Possibly one reason for this responsiveness is that there has been some genuine looking out for the enjoyment and profit of the people. That tells in the long run.

It is then even stranger that this monarchically inclined folk should remind an American of his countrymen. The reason, however, is found in the prevalent and enlightened industry, whether in the country in the production of field and vineyard, or here in this city, whose most prominent branch of labor is that of publishing. Indeed Stuttgart ranks only after Heidelberg in this regard. The wide-awakeness of head as well as hand industry naturally leaves its impress in the faces of the Stuttgarters. They seem, as a class, more refined and interesting than elsewhere. Young and old seem more alive, impressionable, vivacious. They are not apparently just going to sleep nor just waking up. Indeed, one might go further and say that with the possible exception of the Swedes the Wurtembergers seem constitutionally readier to be assimilated into America than any other race of the Old World.—Correspondence Cleveland Leader.

The Memphis Appeal-Avalanche.

The grand souvenir edition of the Memphis Appeal-Avalanche, with its magnificently illuminated cover, illustrative of the changes through which the parent paper, the Appeal, passed between the years 1840 and 1890, covering half a century of experience and vicissitudes, has been received. It contains the names and photographs of all of its present staff, but among the entire number not one of the old, familiar faces is seen, and, with the exception of McClanahan and Dill, not one of the old names are mentioned. The souvenir edition shows the wonderful growth and prosperity of the paper. Since the merging of Colonel Galloway's paper, the Avalanche, into the concern it has become the leading paper of the South. The fiftieth anniversary number in every detail of its make-up is exceedingly handsome.

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FRATERNAL NOTES.

The Knights of the Golden Eagle Steadily Growing.

Golden Gate Lodge, No. 30, F. and A. M., installed its newly elected officers on Tuesday evening.

Oriental Rebekah Degree Lodge, No. 90, I. O. O. F., met last evening and had a good attendance of members and visitors.

Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 44, F. and A. M., installed its newly elected officers on Wednesday evening, 17th inst.

Templar Lodge, No. 17, I. O. O. F., had a well-attended meeting last evening, when considerable business was transacted.

California Commandery, No. 1, Knights Templar, will install its newly elected officers to-morrow evening.

Court Robin Hood, No. 5931, Ancient Order Foresters of America, held a splendid meeting on Tuesday evening last.

California Lodge, No. 1, F. and A. M., will install its newly elected officers on Saturday evening (St. John's day).

Amity Rebekah Degree Lodge, No. 161, I. O. O. F., will entertain the Odd Fellows' Literary and Social Club on Saturday evening next with a musical and literary programme of exercises.

Excelsior Lodge, No. 166, F. and A. M., will install its newly elected officers on Wednesday evening, January 7th.

Court Aurora, No. 6450, A. O. F. of A., held a special summoned meeting last evening, when officers were elected to serve for the ensuing term.

The Masonic Home in Philadelphia, Pa., has nineteen inmates and can accommodate forty. The property is worth $55,000. The cost for maintaining the home last year was about $4000. There are 105 Masonic bodies contributing to its support, besides the individual members.

Six new commanderies of the Knights of the Golden Eagle have been organized in the past thirty days.

The largest encampment of the I. O. O. F. in Illinois is Excelsior, No. 2, of Chicago, which has 221 members. The smallest is Dosia, No. 166, of Bluffs, with 6 members.

The Supreme Secretary of the Royal Arcanum, reports having received 76 applications for membership from Massachusetts during the month of October last, and from the entire order he received 1075 during the same period.

The final initiation of the term will take place in Temple Rebekah Degree Lodge, I. O. O. F., on Saturday evening next. A number of candidates will be initiated, and a large attendance is expected.

Doric Lodge No. 216, F. and A. M., installed its officers on Thursday evening last.

The Boston Traveler says: During the dark days of the I. O. O. F., from 1848 to 1855, when the feeling against secret societies was so strong throughout the country, and to which a large number of lodges in this jurisdiction succumbed, surrendering their charters, Friendship Lodge stood firm to its trust. From June 30, 1849, to December 31, 1856, a period of more than seven years, the lodge gained but three members by initiation. During this time a handful of brothers adhered to the path of duty, visited the sick, buried the dead, conferred upon their fellow-men, and dispensed charity in aid of the needy and distressed. For a period of one year, embracing a portion of 1854 and 1855, the average attendance at the lodge meetings was about twelve. During the civil war the lodge remained almost inactive. Additions to the roster by initiation, which twelve years previous had throughout the States segregated thousands, at the term ending June 30, 1865, numbered but 490. At this time Friendship Lodge, which numbered 121 at the end of its first year, was reduced to 71. Since then, however, the lodge has been highly prosperous, and is now in a most flourishing condition.

CUPID IN A NEW HOLE.

A Beauty Makes the Little God Remove Her Surplus Adipose.

Beauty doesn't always wait for age to disappear. Really it is a sad and depressing thing for a young and beautiful girl to grow stout, unless plumpness is becoming to her style of loveliness, says a New York correspondent of the Pittsburg Dispatch. Some of us look better fat and some look better thin; and for one of the latter sort to watch her Grecian profile sink into a dudgy pinkness of flesh while her slender graces bulge into superfluous billows is worse than the discovery of silver threads among the gold.

So it befell that when a tender beauty of twenty-two summers, who made a sensation when she came out three years ago, found the delicate lines of her form expanding with balloon-like promise, she wept bitterly and did everything in her power to arrest the aggregation. Nothing availed for a long time, and then patent medicine, and athletic exercise, but still she waxed fat, and it seemed as though her reign as a belle had ended. When she had quite despaired of training herself down to classical limits, she fell in love with a clubman who had the reputation of being the handsomest man in town.

This fellow has treated half a dozen girls most shamefully. One was said to have committed suicide for him. Fathers loathed him. The young lady who suffered from obesity loved him, and he led her a terrible dance. For months she tossed upon her sleepless pillow and sat dejectedly before her untouched plate at table. Jealousy and chagrin always controlled her, and the object of her great love only laughed at her anxiety. In a thousand different ways did his tyrannical cruelty show itself, and he took a grim pleasure in watching the torture of his worshiping slave.

A night came when the pitiless man found himself alone with the girl in the conservatory at some one or other's ball. He looked upon her, and in her found a perfect loveliness that he had not before been aware of. Such symmetry had not fallen under his eye in many a day, and as the beauty turned her irresistable eyes upon him from the tender lantern light he leaned toward her and would have taken her hand, but she stepped back and avoided him. Seeing her recoil from him he started with amazement and said: "Why do you shrink from me? Can't you see that I am overpowered by the beauty of your presence? Don't you see that I love you?"

The girl laughed. "I am very sorry for you," she replied. "I have quite got over my sentiment for you."

The blow to the man's conceit was complete and terrible. He clutched his brow, staggered back and demanded of the girl a reason for her change of heart.

"Why," she said, as she struck a bewitching attitude, "do you not see that I am now as slender as I ought to be?"

WENT UNDER THE ICE,

Two Children Drown in the Presence of Their Playmates.

Entwined in each other's arms, Minnie Sharp and May Roberts broke through the ice that thinly sheets Lake Calumet yesterday afternoon and were drowned, says the Chicago Herald. Scores of their little schoolmates skimming on the ice or romping on the banks of the pretty lake at Pullman saw them disappear under the crackling ice and were powerless to save them. The fated girls were only ten and twelve years old respectively.

When school was dismissed the children raced to the lake with their clanking skates, as they have done ever since winter locked the waters. For half an hour they whirled on the slippery ice, hugging the shore with childish timidity. But, growing bolder, Minnie and May ventured further out. Hand in hand they swung along. The other children paused and watched them. They, intoxicated perhaps with their own bravery, went further on and out. Their feet scarcely snapped behind them. Their faces grew ruddy in the wind and they screamed with delight. Their comrades heard them and joined in the shouts. Suddenly they saw the ice bend and roll like a long swell and then they heard it creak. Long cracks rushed toward them and the girls went down. The other children heard the two little ones scream again, but the scream was not like the others. They saw the red scarfs flutter and the bright heads go down under the gray ice. The children were too small to have presence of mind enough to save their playmates. They were bound to the banks for a while and they ran wildly up One Hundred and Eleventh street and told of the accident.

The word got to the Pullman Police Station and the big officers dashed down to the lake. It was just 4 o'clock when the girls went down. The police, with long planks, worked carefully on the swaying ice, but could not see the girls, and it was 5 o'clock before they drew the dripping bodies from the water. They tenderly carried them to the banks and laid them side by side before the staring crowds and the sobbing parents.

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THE OLD STORY AGAIN.

Where There's a Will There's a Way. From Chicago to Racine.

A Racine special to the Chicago Inter Ocean says: The midnight train arriving from Chicago last night brought a timid young couple who, immediately on arriving at a hotel, sent for a Justice of the Peace, stating that they desired to get married. They awaited the coming of the Justice in great suspense, but they were soon made one. The groom admitted that his name was A. C. Cowen and that he was the son of a wealthy real-estate dealer in Chicago. The bride's name is Alvena H. Schwafeld, and her parents reside in Bloomington, Ill. The groom's father objected to the match and followed them to the depot in Chicago. The couple bought tickets to Kenosa, and the father, who had missed the train, telegraphed to that place, asking the authorities to stop their marriage. The young people, however, fooled him by going on to Racine. They will take a short wedding trip and then return to Chicago and ask paternal forgiveness.

LANGUAGE OF GEMS.

The Sentiment Connected With Various Precious Stones.

From the most remote period of history significance has been attached to precious stones, and they have been supposed to exert a baneful or blessed influence over the destinies of the wearers. Among other curious old fancies about them is that which connects one with each month in the year, and with all who are born in that month. Thus, to January belongs the garnet and the jacinth, which preserves the wearer from pestilence and from lightning. To February belongs the amethyst, signifying temperance. It protects the wearer from evil thoughts and cures or prevents inebriety. It makes him diligent, and procures him the favor of princes. The stone of March is the jasper, which cures hemorrhage, when worn or applied to a wound. Those born in April should wear the sapphire, significant of purity. To May belongs the agate, which protects from poison and appeases pain. If single in color it renders the wearer invincible. June has the emerald, significant of hope; teaching the knowledge of secrets, bestowing eloquence and wealth. It betrays inconstancy by crumbling to pieces when it cannot avert the evil. Achmet Steiram says that "He who dreams of green gems will become renowned and meet with truth and fidelity." The failing of an emerald from its setting is an evil omen to the wearer. When Cleopatra met Antony she crowned a large emerald fell from the crown. America was lost to Great Britain during his reign. To July belongs the onyx, which excites melancholy and vain terror to the wearer, but fortunately the month also possesses cornelian, which cures these evils and secures success, particularly in law suits. To August belongs the sardonyx, which brings riches to the wearer. To September belongs the chrysolite. To October belongs the beryl or aqua-marin, which renders the wearer successful in navigation, and insures safe voyages. The opal also belongs to this month, a stone which unites the colors and qualities of all others, and has been beautifully called by a poet and artist, "A pearl with a soul in it." Its meaning is child-like fairness and loveliness. November has the topaz, which signifies courage and cheerfulness. It shows the presence of poison by loss of color; it gives light in the dark, and dispels enchantment if worn on the left arm or around the neck. It also strengthens intellects and brightens wit. Those whose birthday is in December have the choice between the ruby, turquoise, malachite, or can wear all three. The ruby signifies passionate love and joy and gives pleasant dreams, but it shortens the sleep of the wearer and disturbs the circulation of the blood, inclining to anger. The turquoise is the noblest of all opaque stones and signifies self-sacrificing love. It appeases hatred and reconciles lovers, and it relieves or prevents headaches. It also protects the wearer by drawing upon itself the evils that threaten him, becoming dark, dull and apparently worthless, but regaining its color and brightness when the danger is past. This valuable property, however, belongs to it only when given—not when bought. Diamonds and stars in rhetorical language have become almost synonymous terms, while the pearl has been described by Pliny as being nothing more or less than a dewdrop swallowed by the oyster.—Jewelers' Review.

THE STOCK MARKET.

The stock boards adjourned at noon yesterday. The close was characterized by a flurry in Bullion, which sold up to $2 20, and active sales in Potosi at $4 35@4 90.

Local securities were dull, with no particular change.

The boards will reopen at the usual hour to-morrow morning.

At the adjourned annual meeting of the Hawaiian Commercial Company Tuesday Claus, A. B. and J. D. Spreckels, H. L. Dodge and John Roster were elected Trustees by a vote of 50,000 out of 100,000 shares capital stock. The product for the year was 8000 tons sugar instead of 12,000 as expected. The proposition to double capital was deferred to January 19th.

The French Savings and Loan Society has declared a semi-annual dividend at the rate of 5.40 per cent on term and 4.50 per cent per annum on ordinary deposits, payable January 5th.

The Savings and Loan Society (Clay-street Bank) has declared a semi-annual dividend at the rate of 5.40 per cent per annum on term and 4.50 per cent per annum on ordinary deposits, payable January 2d.

BOARD SALES.

Following were the sales yesterday in the San Francisco Stock Board:

REGULAR SESSION—9:30 A. M.

200 Alta	.90	100 C C & V	2.60	300 Overm	1.70
200 Andes	.03	200 Clip	.20	200 Potosi	.45
100 Belcher	1.35	400 Con N Y	.25	250	.44½
50 Benton	.14½	50 Crown P	1.10	50	4.55
100 B & S	.25	100 Gould & C	1.35	100 Savage	1.55
850 Bullion	1.85	100 H & C	.14	200 S King	.25
50	1.90	100 H & N	1.35	200 Union	.11½
100 Gould C	.17½	50 Mexican	2.30	100 Utah	.09
100 Comth	.85	100 N Com	.61	100 W Com	.40
100	.90				

Following were the sales in the Pacific Stock Board yesterday:

REGULAR SESSION—10:30.

300 Alpha	.08	50 Chall C	2.55	100 Ophir	3.65
200 Alta	.70	100 Challar	2.20	200	3.70
100 Andes	.02½	100	.20	100	.23½
100 Belcher	1.35	100	.21½	500 Peer	.13
200 B & B	2.00	200	.20	100	.12
100 Bullion	.02½	100	.17	200 Potosi	.45
1350 Bullion	1.90	300 Con N Y	.25	100	.45
50	1.75	300 Crocker	.11	100	4.60
100	1.90	100 Point	.14½	100	4.65
100 Comth	.85	100 E Sel	.01	100	4.70
300	2.05	200 H & N	1.35	350	4.75
100	2.10	200	1.36	150 Savage	1.55
100	2.15	100 Julia	.17	100	.15½
200	2.15	100 Kentuck	.9	200 Scorpion	.12
100	2.25	200	1.00	500 S K M	37½
300 Belcher	.14	50 Mexican	2.40	500 Sierra N	.10
100 C C & V	2.65	50	2.30	500 S Hill	.23
100	2.60	50	2.35	200 Union	1.55
200 Caledon	.32	200 Occident	.76	100 Y Jacket	1.70

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24—12 M.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Alpha Con	.90	.95	Julia	.15	.17
Alta	.70	.75	Justice	.85	.90
Andes	.05	.70	Kentuck	.95	1.00
Belcher	1.35	1.40	Lady Washgn	.20	.25
Belle Isle	.40	.60	Mexican	2.30	2.35
Bentons Con	.14	—	Mono	.40	.45
Best & Belcher	2.00	2.05	Navajo	.60	.65
Bodie	.60	.65	Nev Queen	.40	.50
Bullion	2.15	2.25	N Belle Isle	.75	.80
Buwer	.10	.15	N Commonwlth	.60	.70
Caledonia	.30	.35	Occidental	.70	.80
Central	.05	.10	Ophir	2.70	2.75
Challenge Con	1.50	1.60	Overman	1.75	1.80
Chollar	2.25	2.30	Peerless	.15	.20
Commnwealth	.85	.95	Potosi	4.90	4.95
Con Cal & Vir	2.50	2.65	Savage	1.50	1.55
Con New York	.20	.25	S B & Mides C	.85	.90
Confidence	4.95	—	Scorpion	.10	.15
Con Imperial	.15	.20	Sierra Nevada	1.55	1.60
Crown Point	.10	.15	Silver Hill	.20	.25
Del Monte	—	.50	Union Con	1.55	1.60
Exchequer	.50	.55	Utah	.40	.45
Gould & Curry	1.30	1.35	Weldon	.05	.10
Grand Prize	.15	.20	W Comstock	.40	.45
Hale & Norcrs	1.35	1.40	Y Jacket	1.70	1.75

MISCELLANEOUS SECURITIES.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24—2 P. M.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U S Bds 4's	118¾	119½	Pacific Lightg	75	77¾
Cities Gas Bds	109¾	110¾	S F Gaslight	56¾	57½
Dupt st Bds	118	140	Stkton G & H	30	52
F & C Hse Rfd	—	108	Cal-st R R	108½	—
M & R Hse Bds	—	102	Central R R	—	14½
Mkt-st R R Bds	—	123¾	City R R	—	100
N P Coast R R	99	102	F & C Hse Ry	—	40
N P R R Bds	112	116¾	Geary-st R R	92	—
N Ry of Cal Bds	—	115	N B & M R R	55	—
Omnibus Cbd	116¾	117½	Omnibus R R	—	76
P & O R R Bds	117	—	Presidio R R	—	28½
Pac Ely Bds	90	100½	Sacramento R R	94½	98
Powl-st Ry Bd	112	118	California Ins	—	114½
S P R R 1st Bds	—	107½	Commercial Ins	82½	—
S P R R Land Bds	—	113½	Fireman's Ins	—	160
S P R R Calif Bds	99½	—	Home Mutual	150	156
S P R R Mid Bds	—	110	State Investm	76	—
S V Water 6's	—	120	Union Ins	85	87½
S V Water 4's	—	95	Atlantic Pow	—	43
Anglo Cal Bnk	—	80	Cal Powder	150	—
Bank of Cal	—	280	Giant Powder	—	63
Cal Safe Deposits	—	43	Nev Nitrofow	—	9
First Nat Bank	—	173½	Vigorit Pow	—	5
Lf & Am Bank	122	127	Vulcan Pow	—	14
L & S F Bank	35	—	Cal Elec Light	16½	17
Pacific Bank	—	170	Cal Elec Wks	2½	7
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