

man cousin who accuses him of parsimony.

This method of travel may appear *outré* and not *at all distingue*; in fact, if you intend to write a book of travels, I advise you sincerely *not to adopt it*; for you would lack the inevitable "guide" and "Custom-house official," with which two memorable personages, those works, of course, must be filled. In reality, however, the advantages of the plan are inestimable. He who travels the prescribed thoroughfare finds everything prepared for him. Everybody he sees is there for his sake. He sees but an artificial life. A real insight into the character and habits of the masses as they are he never gains.

The ordinary traveler takes his seat in a "sedan chair," closely curtained, and is borne through a series of churches and picture galleries, and then boasts that he has seen Europe! You however will take the people by surprise, and thus gain, not only all that the more favored of Fortune gain, but also an acquaintance with the great throbbing seething mass of the populace.

What University should I select? The South German cities are, on the whole, cheaper than those of North Germany. One can live, for example, at less expense in Munich, than in Berlin or Leipzig. For you, however, there is no perceptible difference. One hears often, that the language of the North is purer than that of the South. As to the language of the lower orders, this may be true, but so far as a student, learning the language, is concerned, there is not a particle of difference. Those with whom he associates, will speak *der Sprache nach*, High German. Spend a season in both North and South Germany, by all means.

You should adopt the life of the German student, in its main features. In every university town are hundreds of rooms for rent, designed especially for students; these are plainly and almost similarly furnished.

Thus at a cost of 14 to 15 Marks (one Mark = 25 cents) per month in Munich, one can obtain a comfortably furnished room, including service.

The German student takes his breakfast in his room. This is extremely light and plain, but, therefore, all the better adapted to his sedentary life: a cup of coffee with a couple of *Semmel*, or biscuit. His sup-

per is of a similar character, either taken in his room or "picked up" at random; for example, he purchases a few Pfennigs worth of cold meat, or sausage, from a *Charcutier*, with, together with a glass of beer and a piece of *Hausbrod*, or coarse rye-bread, constitutes his repast. The student's dinner is his substantial meal. This he obtains in one of the numerous *Gasthauser*, whose bill of fare is designed expressly for the inevitably slender purse of the average German student. In the *Schelling Salon*, a popular students' dining-hall in Munich, the dinner costs sixty Pfennigs, (15 cents) including a pint of beer at three cents.

Thus, with strict attention to your principles of economy, your board, together with room-rent, fuel, washing, and light, will not cost you more than \$140 per annum. In addition to this, your fees in the University, including matriculation, will amount to about \$25 or \$30.

The cost of clothing is about three-fifths American prices. Hats and shoes however, are dear, and the latter of inferior quality. Books are extremely cheap. All general literary and classic works cost about one-fifth American prices. A well-bound volume of Goethe or Schiller costs about twenty or thirty cents. New scientific works and text books, however, are dearer than in the United States. English books can be procured at less than home prices.

The following programme of study and travel, tested by personal experience, is unhesitatingly recommended to those who are willing to pursue the same course.

Select Munich as the scene of your first year's study. Land at Antwerp, and spend two weeks viewing that city, Brussels, Aachen, Cologne and other points along the route to your destination. Spend the first year, beginning with the winter Semester on the first of November, in the diligent study of the language in the University. In the summer vacation of three months, make a four week's trip through the German Alps and to Vienna. Return to Munich, and make a tour of equal length through Western Germany and along the Rhine. During your second year, spend three months in Italy.

All of this can be accomplished a total expense for the two years of \$575, books and clothing *not included*.

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