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And specially let this be thy prayere
Unto them all that thee will read or hear,
Where thou art wrong, after their help to call,
Thee to correct in any part or all."

CHAUER.
PREFACE.

The chief objects of the Handbook for Belgium and Holland are to supply the traveller with a few remarks on the progress of civilisation and art in these interesting countries; to render him as far as possible independent of the embarrassing and expensive services of commissionnaires, guides, and other members of the same fraternity; to place him in a position to employ his time, his money, and his energy to the best advantage; and thus to enable him to derive the greatest possible amount of pleasure and instruction from his tour.

The Handbook has been compiled almost entirely from the Editor's personal observation, and he has used every endeavour to furnish information acceptable to travellers of every class. The present edition, which corresponds to the 17th German edition and the 12th French, has been carefully revised and remodelled from the most recent timetables, catalogues, government statistics, and other sources. The Editor has also frequently availed himself of the valuable information kindly afforded by travellers, which he gratefully acknowledges.

The introductory article on art has been contributed by Professor Anton Springer of Leipsic, and has been adapted for the use of English travellers with the kind assistance of Mr. J. A. Crowe, author of 'The Early Flemish Painters'. Other valuable remarks on many of the principal works of art mentioned in the Handbook are also from Professor Springer's pen.

The arrangement of the pictures in some of the Belgian galleries is frequently changed; but, as a general rule, the
data afforded by the Handbook will enable the traveller to dispense with the costly and often bewildering catalogues.

The Maps and Plans, on which the utmost care has been bestowed, will prove of material service to the traveller when threading his way through the intricacies of the curious mediæval cities of Belgium, or when entangled in the network of railways, rivers, and canals with which the Netherlands are overspread.

Heights and Distances are given in English measurement.

The Hotels indicated by asterisks are those which the Editor has reason to consider the most comfortable and worthy of commendation; and in awarding these asterisks he has entirely disregarded the self-laudations of innkeepers and other persons of a similar class. During the continuance of the International Exhibition at Antwerp, when the ordinary economy of the hotels will be seriously disturbed, he has deemed it advisable to refrain from any commendation of particular houses in that city. The average charges and prices stated in the Handbook, although constantly tending to rise, will enable the traveller to form some idea of his probable expenditure.

To hotel-proprietors, tradesmen, and others the Editor begs to intimate that a character for fair dealing and courtesy towards travellers forms the sole passport to his commendation, and that advertisements of every kind are strictly excluded from his Handbooks.
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Abbreviations.

R. = Room.
B. = Breakfast.
D. = Dinner.
A. = Attendance.
L. = Light.
M. = English mile.
ft. = English foot.
N. = North, northern, etc.
S. = South, etc.
E. = East, etc.
W. = West, etc.
r. = right.
l. = left.
hr. = hour.

The letter d with a date, after the name of a person, indicates the year of his death. The number of feet given after the name of a place shows its height above the sea-level. The number of miles placed before the principal places on railway-routes and high-roads generally indicates their distance from the starting-point of the route.

Asterisks are used as marks of commendation.
BELGIUM.

I. Plan of Tour.

Belgium is now so completely intersected by a network of railways, that the traveller will rarely have occasion to travel by any other conveyance; but a steamboat-trip on the Meuse, and a few excursions on horseback or on foot in the neighbourhood of Liège, Namur, Dinant, Spa, etc., should not be omitted; for these are foremost among the many beautiful and historically-interesting districts of which Belgium can boast. On the whole, however, the works of the painter and the architect are Belgium’s great attractions; and as a large proportion of the traveller’s time will probably be spent in the cities and larger towns, he is recommended to select the spring or autumn in preference to the summer for his tour. Those who are already acquainted with the towns and their treasures of art, or whose object is retirement and repose, will find many delightful spots for spending the summer on the banks of the Meuse, or in the environs of Spa.

The following tour, beginning at Ostend and terminating at Antwerp, will serve to convey an idea of the time requisite for a glimpse at the chief attractions of Belgium. Travellers entering Belgium from France, Holland, or Germany, will find no difficulty in planning other tours with the aid of the map.

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In order to prevent loss of time in exploring towns, the traveller should carefully consult the plans before leaving his hotel, and if pressed for time he had better hire a cab or vigilante by the hour, dismissing it, however, when a prolonged visit to a picture-gallery or museum is contemplated. The Handbook renders the services of commissionnaires and guides entirely superfluous (half-a-day 2-3, whole day 4-5 fr.), and the traveller is particularly cautioned
against employing those of an inferior class by whom he is importuned in the streets.

II. Money and Travelling Expenses.

Money. The Monetary System of France was introduced into Belgium in 1833; and by the Convention of Paris of 1865 Belgium belongs to a monetary league with France, Switzerland, and Italy. One franc, 100 centimes, 80 German pfennigs, 40 Austrian kreu zers, 47 Dutch cents, 20 American cents, and 9 3/4 pence are all nearly equivalent (see the money-table at the beginning of the book). The coins in common circulation are French Napoleons (20 fr.) in gold; 5, 2 1/2, 1, 1/2, and 1/5 fr. pieces in silver; 10, 5, 2, 1 c. in copper; 20, 10, 5 c. in nickel. English and French bank-notes and English gold are received at all the principal towns, hotels, and railway-stations at their full value (1l. = 25 fr.). Belgian notes from 20 to 1000 fr. are current in all parts of Belgium, but do not realise their full value in France or elsewhere. English circular notes are recommended for the transport of large sums, in preference to banknotes or gold, as they always realise a favourable exchange, and as, if lost, their value is recoverable. Money should not be changed except at the shops of the larger and more respectable money-changers; the small dealers at the railway-stations seldom give the due rate of exchange.

Expenses. Hotels of the highest class are somewhat expensive at Brussels and the principal Belgian watering-places, but in most other parts of the country they will be found cheaper than in England. The average charges are as follows: bed 3 fr., coffee and rolls 1 1/2 fr., dinner 3-5 fr., 1/2 bottle of Bordeaux 1 1/2-2 fr., attendance 1 fr. The table d'hôte dinner in the larger towns is generally between 4.30 and 6 p.m. Supper may be ordered at a fixed charge of 2 fr. or upwards. The charges at hotels of the second class are about one-third lower, while the accommodation is sometimes quite as good, although less pretending. Hotel-expenses therefore need not exceed 10-15 fr. per day; the fees payable at picture-galleries, museums, and churches amount to 3-4 fr. per day, and travelling expenses to 8-10 fr.; so that most travellers should be prepared for a daily expenditure of at least 25-30 fr. each. On the other hand the 'voyageur en garçon', the artist, the student, and the pedestrian may easily reduce their expenditure to half that sum without much diminution of comfort.

III. Passports. Custom House.

Passports. These documents are now dispensed with in Belgium, but they are occasionally useful in proving the traveller's identity, procuring admission to private collections, etc., and they must be shown in order to obtain delivery of registered letters.
Custom House. The formalities of the douane are generally very lenient. The traveller should always, if possible, superintend the examination of his luggage in person. In crossing a frontier even the smaller articles of luggage usually kept in the railway carriage have to be submitted to inspection. The traveller is allowed 1 lb. of tobacco or cigars duty free, but he should declare it to the custom-house officers. When a frontier is to be crossed, ordinary passengers' luggage should never be sent by goods-train. The risk of detention, pilfering, and other vexations, far outweighs any saving of trouble or expense which this plan affords.

IV. Language.

The linguist, the ethnologist, and indeed every observant traveller will be interested in the marked differences between the various races of which the Belgian nation is composed. The Walloons (of Namur, Liège, Verviers, etc.), who are believed to be partly of Celtic extraction, are remarkable for their enterprising and industrious, and at the same time passionate and excitable character. The Flemings, who constitute about five-eighths of the population, are a somewhat phlegmatic race of Teutonic origin; they are pre-eminently successful in agriculture and those pursuits in which energetic action is less requisite than patient perseverance, and their language is of the Teutonic stock, being closely akin to the Dutch. Antwerp and other seaports, however, also possess a thriving commercial and seafaring Flemish population. A third element is the French. Political refugees and obnoxious journalists frequently transfer the sphere of their labours from Paris to Brussels, while a considerable proportion of the Belgian population in the principal towns affect French manners and customs, are frequently educated in France, and are often entirely ignorant of the Flemish language. A valuable and interesting work, to which reference is frequently made in the Handbook, is the 'Descrip­tion totius Belgii' by the learned Florentine Guicciardini (d. 1589), who in his capacity of Tuscan ambassador resided for several years in the Netherlands. 'Leodicum' (Liège), he says, 'utitur lingua Gallica, Aquis­granum (Aix-la-Chapelle) Germanica: viri Leodicenses alaces, festivi, tractabiles; Aquisgranenses melancholici, severi, difficiles. In summa, tantum alteri et natura et moribus, totaque adeo vitae ratione ab alteris different, quantum Galli discrepant a Germanis'.

The boundary between the Walloon and Flemish languages is a tolerably-straight line drawn from Liège southwards past Brussels to Calais, Walloon being spoken in a few isolated districts to the N., and Flemish here and there to the S. of the line.

French is the language of the government, the legislature, the army, of most of the newspapers, of public traffic, of literature, and indeed of all the upper classes, as it has been since the time of the crusades.
The Walloon language, which resembles a very corrupt dialect of French, or rouchi français as it is termed by the French, is a Celtic-Franconian-Romanic patois, occurring occasionally in ancient documents and poems, and not entirely without its literature, but almost as unintelligible to a Frenchman as to an Englishman or a German. Guicciardini describes it as 'sermo communiter Gallicus; sed quia Galliam inter atque Germaniam positi, corruptus valore et perabsurdus'. The linguist who desires to form some acquaintance with the Walloon language is referred to two excellent works published at Liège in 1845: 'Poésies en patois de Liège, précédées d'une dissertation grammaticale sur ce patois, et suivies d'un glossaire par Simonon', and the 'Dictionnaire étymologique de la langue Wallonne par Ch. Grandgagnage', the latter unfortunately uncompleted. Liège also possesses an excellent Société de Littérature Wallonne, the object of which is to disseminate useful literature. The following popular rhymes from the 'Almanach par maître Matthieu Laensbergh' will serve as a specimen of the language:

**January:**

Il gna pu d'broûli ki d'poussir.

Il y a plus de brouillard que de poussière.

**February:**

Li chôd' sop' so on vi stonmak,
Sô n'frent poi, on bon spet casak,

La chaude soupe sur un vieil estomac,
Dans un pays froid une bonne épaiss casaque,

Ni fri nin pu d'bin ki l'solo,
Si voléf' luir on po sor no.

Ne ferait pas plus de bien que le soleil,
S'il voulait luir un peu sur nous.

**April:**

C'est l'usage dist'on d' s'attrapé
Lonk et l'aut', li prumi d'avri:
Si c'nest eu ko qu'po s'diverti,
Quon koirah' in' got' à s'dupé!
Mais c'n'est pu po riv' quon s'surprin,

C'est l'usage, dit-on, de s'attraper
L'un et l'autre le premier d'avri:
Si ce n'était que pour se divertir,
Qu'on cherchât un peu à se duper!
Mais ce n'est plus pour rire qu'on se
surprend,

Démon si on ce reie, ci n'est k' de gros
des dîn.
On s'tromp', on s'dispoie al tournaie:

Du moins si l'on en rit ce n'est que du
gros des dents.
On se trompe, on se dépouille tour
à tour:

C'est l'prumi d'avri tol l'année!

C'est le prem. d'avril toute l'année.

The Flemish language differs but slightly from the Dutch, both being branches of the same family of Germanic languages. In the middle ages they formed but one tongue, and even at the present day the Flemish spoken language differs no more from the Dutch than some German dialects do from each other, while the written languages are almost identical, especially since about 1864, when the Flemish writers ceased to use certain unimportant orthographical peculiarities that had previously distinguished the languages. Flemish, although a rich and expressive language, cannot be called a highly-cultivated tongue, being spoken by the uneducated classes only, and possessing but little original literature. Centuries of
Spanish, Austrian, and French domination have left the Flemish language unaltered for the simple reason that it was never used as a written language, except for catechisms, prayer-books, legends, etc., for the use of the lower classes. Since the year 1840 several scholars of eminence and a number of learned societies have zealously striven to procure the introduction of Flemish into the higher political and social circles, but their efforts have hitherto met with indifferent success. A law was passed in 1873 permitting a more general use of Flemish in judicial proceedings than had previously been competent, and in 1883 the use of the Flemish speech was re-introduced into the middle-class schools of the Flemish provinces. While, however, this may tend to preserve and purify the language, the fact remains unchanged, that a knowledge of French is still considered indispensable to all but the lowest agricultural and labouring classes.

The following peculiarities of pronunciation are common to Flemish and Dutch: y (in Dutch ij) is pronounced like the English i in time (but in West Flanders like e), u like the French u, eu like the French eu, eeu like the English a (in fate), oe like oo, ae like ah, ou as in English, wi like the French eu-i, oei like we, sch like s and the guttural ch in the Scotch toch, and sch at the end of a word almost like s.

After what has been said, it need hardly be added that a slight knowledge of French will enable the traveller in Belgium to converse with every one with whom he is likely to come in contact, and that an acquaintance with the Flemish and Walloon dialects will probably be of little use except to the philologist. Those who are ignorant of French will be glad to know that English is spoken at most of the principal hotels throughout the country.

V. Churches, Picture Galleries, and Collections.

The Churches (Roman Catholic) are usually open from 6 a.m. till noon, but in the afternoon the visitor must apply to the sacristan. If the architecture or the pulpit be the chief object of interest it may be inspected in the forenoon, but when pictures are to be seen the attendance of the sacristan is necessary, as they are often covered with curtains or concealed in side-chapels. The best hours in this case are 12-4 p.m., when there is no service. Fee for one person 1/2-1 fr., and for a party more in proportion. In many churches the fees are fixed by tariff, but here also a fee to the sacristan is occasionally expected.

Picture Galleries and Collections are generally open gratis from 10 or 11 a.m. till 3, 4, or 5 p.m., but on certain days a trifling fee for admission (1/2-1 fr.) is sometimes charged. For admission to town-halls and similar sights, the fee is usually about the same. In visiting a private collection a single traveller is expected to give a gratuity of about 2 fr.
VI. Railways.

The most trustworthy time-tables are contained in the "Guide officiel des voyageurs sur tous les chemins de fer de Belgique", published monthly, and sold at all the principal railway-stations (edition in yellow cover, with map, 25 c.).

The fares on the Belgian lines are probably the lowest in the railway-world. The charges per Engl. M. are now about 17 c. for the first, 11 c. for the second, and 8½ c. for the third class; express fares are somewhat higher. Return-tickets are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent., and are available from 1 to 3 days according to the distance.

Luggage must be booked and paid for separately. On most of the international through-routes 56 lbs. are free, but on the inland routes the cost of its transport not unfrequently amounts to as much as a second or third class fare. The traveller is therefore recommended to restrict his requirements if possible to the limits of a travelling-bag or moderate valise, which when necessary he can wield unaided, and take with him into the railway-carriage, so as to avoid the delay and expense incurred in booking it for the luggage-van. Anything over 56 lbs. in weight, however, must be booked, and should be at the office at least ¼ hr. before the train starts. The luggage-offices are closed 3 min. before the hour of departure. An advantage peculiar to the Belgian railways is that, in the case of the inland traffic, luggage may always be forwarded by passenger-train whether the sender takes a personal ticket for the journey or not. Luggage may be insured at a charge of 10 c. per 100 fr. of the value.

There are Refreshment Rooms at a few of the Belgian stations only. Their charges are mentioned in the above-noted official guide (Buffets-Restaurants).

VII. History and Statistics.

The country called Belgium at the present day, which was originally peopled with a race of Celtic origin, and was subsequently overrun by Teutonic invaders, was conquered by Caesar, and remained under Roman supremacy until the beginning of the 5th century, when the Salic Franks established themselves in the district between the Schelde, the Meuse, and the Lower Rhine.

In the 9th century the country formed part of the Empire of Charlemagne. By the treaty of Verdun (843) the western provinces, Flanders and Artois, became part of France, while the eastern, including Brabant, fell to the share of Germany. With the development of the feudal system various hereditary principalities were established here as elsewhere. Thus arose the states of Flanders, Artois, Hainault, Namur, the duchies of Brabant and Limburg, the principality of Liège, the county of Antwerp, and the lordship of Malines, which at a later period rendered
themselves independent of their powerful neighbours. Flanders, which attained to great prosperity by means of its manufactures and commercial enterprise, carried on a long-continued struggle against France, the result of which, chiefly through the strenuous exertions of the cities of Ghent and Bruges, was the establishment of its complete independence. On the extinction of the male line of the Counts of Flanders in 1385, Flanders became annexed to Burgundy by the marriage of Philip the Bold with a daughter of the Flemish princely race, and by the beginning of the 15th cent. most of the other states were also united, by means of later marriages and other contracts, inheritance, etc., under the supremacy of the Dukes of Burgundy. This change of dynasty was most favourable to the growth of art in the Netherlands. The splendour-loving Philip the Bold (d. 1404) employed artists of every kind, particularly goldsmiths, while the name of his grandson Philip the Good (1419-1467), to whom Jan van Eyck was court-painter, is inseparably connected with the first bloom of Flemish painting.

In 1477 the Netherlands came into the possession of the House of Hapsburg by the marriage of Mary of Burgundy, the daughter of Charles the Bold, the last Duke of Burgundy, with Maximilian, afterwards Emperor of Germany. The children of this marriage were Philip the Handsome (d. 1506), Duke of Burgundy and King of Castle (in right of his wife, Johanna the Mad), and Margaret of Austria, regent of the Netherlands from 1506 to her death in 1530. Philip's son, Charles V., who was born at Ghent in 1500, and subsequently became Emperor of Germany and King of Spain, succeeded also to the Netherlandish provinces, which on his abdication in 1555 came under the sway of his son Philip II. Thenceforward the Netherlands were subject to Spanish Supremacy. Philip appointed his half-sister, Margaret of Parma, regent of the Netherlands (1559-67), and selected Granvella, Bishop of Arras, as her counsellor and assistant. Religious agitations, the excessive increase of the number of the bishops (1559), the burdensome presence of the Spanish troops, and other grievances led to numerous tumults, to suppress which the king dispatched the Duke of Alva to the Netherlands with an army of 20,000 men. The extreme cruelty with which Alva fulfilled his task resulted in the famous revolt of the United Netherlands in 1568. Success was achieved by the northern provinces only, which now constitute the Kingdom of Holland, whilst the southern districts, the present Kingdom of Belgium, after protracted and fierce struggles, still continued to groan under the oppressive yoke of the Spaniards. At length, under the régime of Alexander Farnese, Duke of Parma (1578-96), the third governor after Alva, Belgium also succeeded in recovering the civic liberties in behalf of which the war had originally broken out.

In 1598 the 'Spanish Netherlands' were ceded by Philip II. as a fief to his daughter Clara Isabella Eugenia on the occasion of her
marriage with Albert, Archduke of Austria, the Spanish governor. Under their régime the wounds which the country had suffered during the war began to heal. The princely pair exerted themselves in every way to promote the welfare of the provinces under their care; industry and commerce once more flourished, and the administration of justice was reorganised. Their religious zeal, of a strong anti-reformation type, was displayed in the foundation of new monasteries, colleges, and other Roman Catholic institutions, but at the same time materially contributed to the development of art. Numerous churches, in the gorgeous but somewhat degraded taste of the period, were built and decorated with brilliant altar-pieces. The Archduke and his wife, moreover, rendered the country an important service by securing the services of Rubens, the greatest of Belgian painters, who in 1609 had made up his mind to settle in Italy. They appointed him their court-painter, permitting him at the same time to reside at Antwerp, the centre of Flemish art.

After Albert's death without issue (1621) the Netherlands reverted to Spain, which during the wars of the latter half of the 17th cent. was obliged to cede many of its provinces (Artois, Thionville, etc.) to France. In 1714 these provinces were awarded by the Peace of Rastadt to the House of Austria.

The 'Austrian Netherlands' were wisely and beneficently governed by the archdukes of Austria, who held the office of Stadtholder, and for a brief period the glorious days of the Burgundian régime appeared to have returned. The governors of that period, especially under the Empress Maria Theresa, are still gratefully remembered by the Belgians. The opposition which the reforms of the Emp. Joseph II. encountered at length (in 1789) gave rise to the 'Brabant Revolution', headed by Van der Noot and Vonk, but the independence thus attained lasted for a single year only, and under Emp. Leopold II. the Austrians again took possession of the country.

This revolution, however, paved the way for the interference of the French, whose aid had been invoked by the ecclesiastical and the liberal parties. In 1794 the whole of Belgium was occupied by French Republicans, who divided it into nine departments. In 1814 the French supremacy was finally shaken off.

The Treaty of London, of 28th June, 1814, and the provisions of the Congress of Vienna, of 7th June, 1815, united Belgium and Holland under the name of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, and elevated William of Orange, son of the former stadtholder of the Seven Provinces, to the newly-constituted throne. Belgium was again severed from her constrained union with Holland by the Revolution of 1830. On 10th Nov. the provisional government summoned a national congress, by which the Duc de Nemours, son of Louis Philippe, was invited to become the sovereign of Belgium. The French monarch having declined the dignity in behalf of his
son, *Leopold of Saxe-Coburg* was next selected by the congress, and that prince accordingly ascended the throne on 21st July, 1831.

The treaty of the intervening powers, signed at London on 15th Nov., 1831, by the representatives of the five great powers and of Belgium, although not finally recognised by the exasperated King of Holland till 1839, constituted the *Kingdom of Belgium* one of the independent European states, and determined the boundaries and the relations between the two disunited kingdoms.

*King Leopold II.*, born in 1835, the son of Leopold I. (b. 1790, d. 1865) and of Louise, his second consort, daughter of Louis Philippe (d. 1850), ascended the throne on 10th Dec., 1865. His *Queen* is Marie Henriette, daughter of the late Archduke Joseph. The royal family consists of the Princesses Louise (b. 1858; married in 1875 to Prince Philip of Saxe-Coburg), Stephanie (b. 1864; married in 1881 to Rudolph, Crown Prince of Austria), and Clementine (b. 1872). Leopold, the only son (b. 1859), died at the age of ten. The Count of Flanders (b. 1845), who is married to a German Princess, is the King’s brother. Charlotte, the widow of Maximilian, Emp. of Mexico (d. 1867), is a sister of Leopold II.

**Extent.** The extreme length of the kingdom, from N.W. to S.E., is 179 Engl. M., breadth from N. to S. 110 M., area 11,235 sq. M.

**Population** (in 1882) 5,655,197 (in 1831, 3,785,864 only), of whom about 21½ millions are Flemings, and about 2 millions Walloons. The Roman Catholic religion is greatly predominant, about 15,000 only of the population being Protestants, and 3,000 Jews; and of these two sects more than half are resident in the provinces of Antwerp and Brabant.

**Provinces.** The country is divided into nine provinces, viz. *Antwerp, Brabant, W. Flanders, E. Flanders, Hainault, Liège, Limburg, Luxembourg,* and *Namur.* The density of population amounts to nearly 500 per sq. M., and varies from 800 per sq. M. in Brabant to 135 per sq. M. in Luxembourg. Brabant, E. Flanders, and Hainault, are, with the exception of some of the manufacturing districts of England, among the most densely peopled districts in the world.

**Army.** The Belgian army is destined on principle only for the defence of the country and of the neutrality assured to it by the Treaty of London (p. xviii). It consists of 103,680 men, of whom 3373 are officers, and in time of peace, of 47,872 men. The army is composed of the following regiments: 1 Carabineers, 3 Riflemen, 14 Infantry of the line, 1 Grenadiers; 2 Chasseurs-a-à-cheval, 2 Lancers, 2 Guides, whose celebrated band is one of the best in Europe; 4 Field Artillery (40 batteries of 6 guns each, 4 mounted), 3 Fortress Artillery; 1 Engineers; 1 Telegraph, and 1 Railway company. There are also several companies of the military train and pontoniers. The country is divided into four military districts, each containing four active and one dépôt division. The principal military dépôt
is at Antwerp. — The Garde Civique, or militia, consists of 32,000 men.

The national colours, adopted in 1831, are red, yellow, and black, placed in three perpendicular stripes, which were the colours of the ancient Duchy of Brabant. The armorial bearings of Belgium consist of the Lion of Brabant, with the motto 'L'union fait la force'.

Belgium possesses 62 merchant-ships, including 46 steamers, of an aggregate burden of 82,647 tons, and 299 fishing-boats of 10,476 tons. It has no navy.

Characteristics. Those indicated by the following monkish lines are said to exist to some extent even at the present day:

‘Nobilibus Bruxella viris, Antwerpia nummis,
Gandavum laqueis, formosis Bruga puellis,
Lovanium doctis, gaudet Mechlinia stultis’.

(Brussels rejoices in noble men, Antwerp in money, Ghent in halters, Bruges in pretty girls, Louvain in learned men, and Malines in fools.) Halters are mentioned in connection with Ghent in allusion to the frequent humiliations to which its turbulent citizens were subjected by their sovereigns. The unenviable reputation of the citizens of Malines originated in the story that they once mistook the moon shining through their cathedral-tower for a conflagration, and endeavoured to extinguish it by means of the fire-engines.
HOLLAND.

I. Plan of Tour.

The following tour of a week is recommended to the traveller whose time is limited: —

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A hasty glance at the principal places in Holland may thus be obtained in a week or ten days, but the traveller whose time permits should devote a longer period to this interesting country. The following will be found a pleasant and instructive tour of a fortnight: —

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II. Money and Travelling Expenses.

Money. The Dutch currency consists of florins (gulden or guilder) and cents. The florin (1s. 8½d.) contains 100 cents, or 20 stuivers, or 10 dubbeltjes. The only gold coins now issued are pieces of 10 fl., known as Gouten Hentjes; and the gold pieces of smaller denomination still occasionally met with cannot be exchanged without a slight loss. The silver coins are pieces of 2½ (ryksdaalder) and 1 florin, and of 50, 25 (kwartje), 10 (dubbeeltje), and 5 (stuiver) cents. A stuiver, or 5 cents, is worth 1d. English. English, French, or German money is taken at the hotels and railway-stations. The average exchange for a Napoleon is 9 fl. 45 cents, for a sovereign 11½-12 fl., for a 20 mark piece 11 fl. 80 cents.

Expenses. The hotels at the principal towns and resorts of travellers are generally clean and comfortable, but inferior to those of Belgium and Germany. In some respects they resemble the
hotels in England more than those in other parts of the continent. The usual charge for a bedroom is 1-1\(\frac{1}{2}\) fl., breakfast (plain) 70-80 cents, table d'hôte 2\(\frac{1}{2}\)-3 fl., attendance \(\frac{1}{2}\) fl. — Luncheon is generally taken at 1, dinner at 5 or 6 o'clock. Although, as a nation, the Dutch are enlightened and well-educated, the class with whom the traveller comes in contact will perhaps impress him unfavourably; but quite as much real comfort and civility will be met with in Holland as in any other part of the continent.

Fees at museums, churches, etc., should not exceed 2 fl. per day. Hotel expenses amount to 7-8 fl. daily, and travelling and other expenses to 4-5 fl., so that the total cost of a tour in Holland will be 13-15 fl. a day. The 'voyageur en garçon' may reduce his expenditure to one half of this sum by breakfasting at the cafés, dining at unpretending restaurants, and avoiding the more expensive hotels. It may also be remarked that the steamboats on the canals, the Rhine, Meuse, Yssel, etc., afford a cheaper, and often pleasanter mode of travelling than the railways.

III. Passports, Custom House.

Passports may be dispensed with in Holland, as in Belgium, but the traveller had better be provided with one if he contemplates a prolonged tour.

Custom House. All new articles, especially if not wearing-apparel, are liable to pay duty according to their value, which must be declared beforehand. New articles not previously declared are liable to confiscation.

IV. Language.

A slight acquaintance with the Dutch language will contribute greatly to the instruction and enjoyment afforded by a tour in Holland. German, however, is very generally understood, and English and French are spoken at all the best hotels and other principal resorts of travellers. Those who have a knowledge of German, Danish, or Swedish will recognise the identity of the roots of the great majority of the words in these languages with those of the Dutch. The language, which may be described as a Lower Frankish dialect, and which existed in a written form as early as the 13th century, developed its individuality more strongly during the wars of independence of the 17th century. It is expressive and highly cultivated, and free from the somewhat vague and ungrammatical character which stamps Flemish as a mere patois. Like other languages of purely Teutonic origin, it has admitted a considerable number of Romanic words to the rights of citizenship: thus, kantoor (comptoir), kwartier (quartier), katoen (coton), kastrol (casserole), rekwest (requête), gids (guide), etc. Words of foreign origin, however, have been imported from motives of convenience or fashion, rather than absolute necessity. The language
is remarkably rich and full of vital energy, and words of purely native growth are to be found in almost every branch of science and art. The following lines from two popular ballads will serve as a specimen:

Wien Neêrlandsch bloed in de aderen vloeit,
Van vreemde smetten vrij,
Wiens hart voorland en Koning gloeit,
Verhef den zang als wij:
Hij stel met ons, vereend van zin,
Met onbeklemden borst,
Het gudevallig feestlied in
Voor Vaderland en Vorst.

(Literal translation: "Let him, in whose veins flows Netherlandish blood, free from foreign stain, and whose heart glows for country and king, raise the song with us, united in sentiment, with unburdened breast, in the festal song, pleasing to God, for Fatherland, and Sovereign").

The pronunciation of Dutch somewhat resembles that of German, but is more guttural, and therefore more difficult for the English student. The vowels a, e, i, o, u are pronounced as in French, and are lengthened, but not altered in sound, by being doubled (thus oo = å); ei and ij, or y, are like the vowel sound in the French pays; au and ou like ow in now, but broader (aw-oo); eu like the French eu or the German ö; oe like the English oo or the German u; ui has a sound fluctuating between oi and ow (as in now). In most other combinations of vowels each retains its usual sound. All the consonants are pronounced as in English, except g and ch, which have a guttural sound like the ch in the Scotch word loch, or the g in the German Tag; w, which is pronounced like v; j like the English y or ee; and v like f. Final n is often dropped in colloquial speech (e.g. Leyde' for Leyden).

The definite article is de for the masculine and feminine, and het for the neuter; genitive des, der, des, or van den, van de, van het; dative den, der, den, or aan den, aan de, aan het; plural for all genders de, der, den, de.

The declension of substantives and adjectives resembles the German. The plural of substantives is formed by the addition of s or of en (dative plural always en).

The pronouns are ik, I; mij, me, to me; gij, thou, you; u, thee, to thee, you, to you; hij, he; hem, him, to him; het, it; zij, she; haar, her, to her; zij, they; hun, to them; hen, them. Mijn, mijne, my; uw, uwe, thy, your; zijn, zijne, his; haar, hare, her; onze, ons, our; hun, hunne, their. Wie, who (interrog.); wat, what; hoe, how; wanneer, when.

Cardinal numbers: een, twee, drie, vier, vijf, zes, zeven, acht, negen, tien, elf, twaalf, dertien, veertien, vijftien, zestiën, zeventiën,
tien, achtien, negentien, twintig, een en twintig, etc., dertig, veertig, vijftig, zestig, zeventig, tachtig, negentig, honderd, duizend. **Ordinal numbers**: de eerste, de tweede, de derde, de vierde, achtste, etc., de twintigste, de tachtigste (8th), etc. **Partitive numbers**: een half, een derde, een vierde, etc.

**Auxiliary verbs.** *Hebben, to have; zijn or wezen, to be; zullen, the infinitive of shall or will (future sense); worden, to be* (in the formation of the passive voice).

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The conjugation of verbs and the construction of sentences closely resemble the German.

The form of address among the upper classes is always *U* (properly *Uwe Edele*, Your lordship, Ital. Vossignoria), with the third person singular, and often with the addition of *Mynheer*. A married lady is addressed as *Mevrouw* (pronounced Méfrow), a young lady as *Jungjuffrouw*. *Juffrouw* is uniformly used in addressing bar-maids, female attendants in shops, etc. — Among the common people *gij* or *jij*, abbreviated into *je*, is used with the second person plural. *Je* is also made use of in familiar speech by persons of the upper ranks, but the stranger is recommended to abide by the more formal mode of address.

**Mag ik v vragen, hoe ga ik naar . . . ?**  
**Welke is de kortste weg naar . . . ?**  
**Ga regt uit, en dan de eerste straat links, regts.**  
**Ik dank v, mijnheer.**  
**Ik zal met den spoorweg (or simply met het spoor) rijden.**  
**Kruijer, breng de bagage naar het spoor.**  
**Ik getoof het is te laat.**  
**In welke klasse gaat gij?**  
**Ik zal een kaartje vor de tweede klas nemen.**  
**Hoe laat is het?**  
**Het is kwartier voor tweeën, over drieën, halftien.**  
**De trein vertrekt om vijf uur en komt om tien aan.**  
**Hoe lang houden wij hier still?**  
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**May I ask you how I am to go to . . . ?**

**Which is the shortest way to . . . ?**

**Go straight on, and then by the first street to the right, to the left.**

**Thank you, Sir.**

**I shall travel by railway.**

**May I ask you how I am to go to . . . ?**

**Which is the shortest way to . . . ?**

**Go straight on, and then by the first street to the right, to the left.**

**Thank you, Sir.**

**I shall travel by railway.**

** Porter, take the luggage to the station.**

**I believe it is too late.**

**In which class will you go?**

**I shall take a ticket for the second class.**

** What o'clock is it?**

**It is a quarter to two, a quarter past three, half past nine.**

**The train starts at 5 o'clock and arrives at ten.**

**How long do we stop here?**
Waar zijn wij nu?
Dit is de laatste station.
Koetsier, breng ons naar...
Wacht, ik moet nog mijne bagage halen.
Bij het hotel... ophouden.
Hoelat is de vracht?
Een fooi.
Kan ik een kamer hebben? met één bed, twee bedden.
Zeker, mijnheer.
Kellner, wat hebt gij te eten? het ontbijt, het middageten, het avondeten; drinken.
Breng mij gebraden rundvlees, schapenbout, kalfsborst, ham, visch, aardappelen, groente (fem.), brood, boter, vruchten, kaas, wijn, bier. Mes, vork, lepel, glas, bord, eene flesch.
Ik zal morgen om zeven uren vertrekken; wek mij om zes.
Hoelat bedraagt onse nota?
Wat moeten wij v betalen?
In welke straat is het museum?
Hoe ver is het van hier?
Wanneer is het geopend?
Dagelijks kosteloos, van tien tot drie uur, behaue—
'S woedags en 's zaturdays tegen entregeld.
Zondag, maandag, dingsdag, donderdag, vrijdag.
Heden, morgen, gisteren.
Ik wensche eenige photographien te koopen, gezichten van...; kopijen naar de schilderijen van...
Laat mij zien wat gij hebt.
Dat is niet mooi.
Wat is de prijs?
Wat vraagt gij er voor?
Ik heb geen klein geld bij mij; kunt gij mij wisselen?
Ja, mijnheer; neen, mijnheer.
Als 't v belijft.
Met vragen komt men te Rome.
Where are we now?
This is the last station.
Coachman, drive us to...
Wait, I must fetch my luggage.
To stop at the... hotel.
What is the fare?
A fee.
Can I have a room? with one bed, with two beds.
Certainly, Sir.
Waiter, what have you to eat? breakfast, dinner, supper; to drink.
Bring me roast beef, leg of mutton, breast of veal, ham, fish, potatoes, vegetables, bread, butter, fruit, cheese, wine, beer. Knife, fork, spoon, glass, plate, bottle.
I shall start to morrow at 7 o'clock; wake me at 6.
How much does our bill come to?
What must we pay you?
In which street is the museum?
How far is it from here?
When is it open?
Daily, gratis, from ten to three, except—
Wednesdays and Saturdays on payment.
Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday.
To-day, to-morrow, yesterday.
I want to buy some photographs, views of...; copies of the paintings of...
Let me see what you have.
That is not pretty.
What is the price?
What do you ask for this?
I have no change with me; can you change me (some money)?
Yes, sir; no, sir.
If you please.
By questioning one gets to Rome.
V. Picture Galleries and Collections.

Picture Galleries and Collections are generally open from 10 a.m. till 3 or 4 p.m. In all collections belonging to the state gratuities are forbidden; sticks and umbrellas must be given up at the door, but no charge is made for taking care of them. These last remarks do not apply to municipal collections. The usual gratuity at private collections is 1 fl.

VI. Railways.

Most of the remarks made with regard to Belgian railways apply to the Dutch also, except that the fares in Holland are considerably higher. In 1883 there were about 650 M. of government, and 600 M. of private lines in use. Holland also possesses an extensive system of steam-tramways.

The best railway, steamboat, and diligence time-tables are contained in Van Santen's Officiele Reisgids voor Nederland, published monthly (with map, price 25 cents). The hours of departure of the fast trains (1st and 2nd class) are printed in Italics; vertrek (departure), a. (aankomst) arrival. To change carriages is overstappen.

VII. Dutch Characteristics.

Towns. Most of the Dutch towns, especially those in Noord-Holland, Zuid-Holland, Friesland, and Groningen, as well as the open country, are intersected in every direction by canals (Grachten), which are generally enlivened with numerous barges. The different quarters of the towns are connected by means of drawbridges (ophaalbruggen), now being replaced, however, by swing-bridges (draaibruggen). The roads and streets skirting the canals are usually planted with trees, which render them shady and picturesque.

The Dutch houses are generally lofty and narrow, and constructed of red brick and white cement. The beams occasionally seen projecting from the gables are used for hoisting up goods to the lofts, which are used as magazines. The windows of the ground-floor being generally of ample dimensions, and polished with the scrupulous care which characterises the Dutch of all classes, the houses present a far more cheerful and prosperous appearance than is usual in large towns. At the cellar-doors in the side-streets, sign-boards with the words 'water en vuur te koop' (water and fire to sell) are frequently observed. At these humble establishments boiling-water and red-hot turf are sold to the poorer classes for the preparation of their tea or coffee. Many of the houses and public buildings are considerably out of the perpendicular, a circumstance due to the soft and yielding nature of the ground on which they stand.

In many Dutch towns the custom prevails of affixing bulletins to the doors of houses in which persons are sick, in order that their
friends may be apprised of the state of their health without
knocking or ringing. At Haarlem and Enkhuizen the birth of a
child is announced by means of a small placard adorned with red
silk and lace, and the friends of the family are entertained on
these occasions with ‘kandeel’ (a kind of mulled wine) and
‘kaneel-koekjes’ (cinnamon-cakes). Betrothals are celebrated by an
unlimited consumption of ‘bruidsuiker’ (‘bridal sugar’, or sweet
cakes) and ‘bruidstranen’ (‘bridal tears’, as the spiced wine is
figuratively called).

The Chimes in the towers of the churches, or other public build-
ings, proclaim the quarters of every hour by playing a few bars
of some popular or operatic air, a pleasing custom, of which how-
ever the effect is destroyed by too frequent repetition.

The ‘Gaper’ (gaper), a painted Turk’s or Moor’s head, is the
customary sign of the druggists’ shops. A large crown, decorated
with box-leaves and gilding, suspended beneath the Dutch flag,
is an indication that new herring have arrived in the shop thus
adorned. ‘Tapperij’ (tap-room), or ‘hier verkoop man sterke
dranken’ (strong drinks are sold here), with the addition of ver-
gunning (licensed), are the common signs for taverns. ‘Dit huis is te
huur’ (this house is to hire, or let) is also frequently observed.

Stoofjes, or foot-warmers, are universally employed by the
female members of the community, and are seen in great numbers
in the churches.

The Dutch love of cleanliness sometimes amounts almost to a
monomania. The scrubbing, washing, and polishing which most
houses undergo once every week, externally as well as internally,
are occasionally somewhat subversive of comfort. Spiders appear
to be regarded with especial aversion, and vermin is fortunately
as rare as cobwebs.

Country Houses (buitenplaatsen, or buitens). Although na-
ture has not bestowed her charms lavishly on Holland, the careful
cultivation of the fields, gardens, and plantations imparts a pictur-
esque and prosperous appearance to the country. In the vicinity
of the larger cities, especially on the Vecht between Utrecht and
Amsterdam, and also at Arnhem, Haarlem, etc., numerous villas
and country-seats are seen near the roads and canals, frequently
enclosed by carefully kept gardens, parks, and pleasure-grounds.
These paradises of the Dutch gentry and retired merchants, which
are too often built in bad taste, and disfigured with paint and
stucco, usually bear inscriptions characteristic of the sentiments
of their proprietors, and breathing a spirit of repose and comfort.
Thus: ‘Lust en Rust’ (pleasure and repose), ‘Wel Tevreden’ (well
content), ‘Mijn Genoegen’ (my satisfaction), ‘Mijn Lust en Leven’
(my pleasure and life), ‘Vriendschap en Geselschap’ (friendship and
sociability), ‘Vreugde bij Vrede’ (joy with peace), ‘Groot Genoeg’
(large enough), ‘Buiten Zorg’ (without care). Many villas rejoice
in much lengthier titles, which perhaps appear peculiarly appropriate to the occupants, but cannot fail to excite a smile when read by strangers. Few of these country-houses are seen from the railway, and the traveller should therefore endeavour to visit some of the more attractive of those mentioned in the following pages.

The Village Feasts (‘kermis’, literally ‘church-mass’, i.e. the anniversary of the foundation of the church) form a substitute for the Carnival of Roman Catholic countries, but the gaieties on these occasions too frequently degenerate into scenes of drunken revelry. The popular refreshments at these festivities are ‘Hollands’ and ‘Poffertjes’, a kind of cake sold in the booths erected for the purpose. The picturesque national Costumes, which are fast disappearing from the larger towns, are seen to advantage on these festive occasions.

The Trekschuit (literally ‘draw-boat’), or passenger- barge, was formerly a conveyance universally employed in Holland, where canals are as common as roads in other countries, but it is now almost entirely superseded, partly by the railways and partly by screw-steamers.

Windmills (molens) are a characteristic of almost every Dutch landscape, and often occupy the old ramparts and bastions of the towns, which they appear to defend with their gigantic arms. Many of them are used in grinding corn, sawing timber, cutting tobacco, manufacturing paper, etc., but one of their most important functions is to pump up the superfluous water from the low ground to the canals which conduct it to the sea. The highly-cultivated state of the country bears testimony to the efficiency of this system of drainage. Many of the windmills are of vast dimensions, each sail sometimes exceeding 60 ft. in length.

Dykes. Holland, as a whole, is probably the lowest country in the world, the greater part of it lying many feet below the sea-level. The safety of the entire kingdom therefore depends upon the dykes, or embankments, by which the encroachment of the sea is prevented. In many places these vast and costly structures are equally necessary to prevent inundation by the rivers, the beds of which are gradually raised by alluvial deposits.

The first care of the constructor of dykes is to lay a secure and massive foundation, as a preliminary to which the ground is stamped or compressed in order to increase its solidity. The dykes themselves are composed of earth, sand, and mud, which when thoroughly consolidated are entirely impervious to water. The surface is then covered with twigs of willows, interwoven with elaborate care, the interstices of which are filled with clay so as to bind the whole into a solid mass. The willows, which are extensively cultivated for the purpose, are renewed every three or four years. Many of the dykes, moreover, are planted with trees,
the roots of which contribute materially to the consolidation of the structure. Others are provided with bulwarks of masonry, or protected by stakes against the violence of the waves, while the surface is covered with turf.

The most gigantic of these embankments are those of the Helder, and of Westcapelle on the W. coast of the island of Walcheren (p. 214). The annual cost of maintaining the latter alone amounts to 75,000 fl., while the total expenditure throughout Holland for works of this description is estimated at six million florins. A corps of engineers, termed De Waterstaat, is occupied exclusively in superintending these works. The constantly-imminent nature of the danger will be thoroughly appreciated by the stranger, if he stands at the foot of one of the great dykes at high tide, and hears the breakers dashing against the other side of the barrier, at a height of 16-18 ft. above his head. The force of the old Dutch proverb 'God made the sea, we made the shore', will also be apparent.

Canals intersect the country in every direction. They serve a threefold purpose: (1) as high-roads, for purposes of traffic; (2) as drains, by which superfluous water is removed from the cultivated land; (3) as enclosures for houses, fields, and gardens, being as commonly used for this purpose in Holland as walls and hedges in other countries. The Dutch canals differ from those in most other countries in being generally broader, but variable in width, while locks are rare, as the level of the water is nearly always the same. Those canals, however, which are connected with the sea are closed at their extremities by massive flood-gates, to prevent the encroachment of the sea when its level is higher than the water in the canal.

The principal canals are about 60 ft. in width, and 6 ft. in depth. Not only the surface of the water, but the bed of the canal is often considerably above the level of the surrounding country. The three most important works of this kind in Holland are the great North Holland Canal (p. 279), 42 M. in length, 43 yds. in width, and 20 ft. in depth; the North Sea Canal across 'Holland op zyn smaalst' (p. 280), connecting Amsterdam and the North Sea; and the Willems-Canal in N. Brabant.

Polder is a term applied to a morass or lake, the bed of which has been reclaimed by draining. A great part of Holland and Flanders has been thus reclaimed, and rendered not only habitable, but extremely valuable for agricultural purposes.

The first step in the process of drainage consists in enclosing the marsh with a dyke, to prevent the admission of water from without. The water is then removed by means of water-wheels of peculiar construction, formerly driven by windmills, now by steam-engines. The marsh or lake to be reclaimed is sometimes too deep to admit of the water at once being transferred to the main canals, and
thus carried off. In these cases a system of dykes, one within the other, and each provided with a canal on its exterior, forms an ascending series of levels, from the lower of which the water is gradually transferred to the higher, and thence finally into the principal channels. An excellent example of this is seen in the Schermer Polder (p. 285), where four different levels have been formed. These canals, although separate from one another, are all provided with means of communication, by which if necessary the water from the higher can be discharged into the lower.

The extraordinary fertility of the land thus reclaimed is chiefly accounted for by the fact, that superfluous water can be removed by means of the water-wheels on the shortest notice, while in dry seasons a thorough system of irrigation is constantly available.

The appearance of these polders differs materially from that of the rest of the country. The speculators by whom they are drained map them out with mathematical precision into parcels, separated by canals and rows of trees at right angles, and furnished with houses of precisely uniform construction, all affording manifest indications of the artificial nature of the ground. The polders often lie under water in winter, but this by no means impairs the fertility of the soil, provided the water is not salt.

The principal polders are the Beemster, Purmer, Schermer (pp. 282, 285), that of Haarlem (p. 226), reclaimed in 1840-53, and the recently-drained polder of the Y (p. 280). It is now proposed to convert the whole of the Zuider Zee into a polder, whereby Holland would gain an additional province of 687 sq. M. in area at an estimated cost of 120 million florins, or about 34l. sterling per acre.

Dunes, or downs, are the low sand-hills, 30-160 ft. in height, which extend along the coast of Holland and Flanders, having been thrown up by the action of the wind and waves. Those nearest the sea are of very unsubstantial consistency, and being frequently altered in shape by the wind they afford little or no support to vegetable life. Between the central downs (the highest and broadest) and those farther inland, is situated an almost uninterrupted tract of pasture and arable land, studded with cottages, and producing excellent potatoes. Most of the downs are honeycombed with rabbit-warrens, which often afford excellent sport.

In order to prevent the sand of the downs from covering the adjacent land, they are annually sown with the plants that most readily take root in such poor soil, especially the reed-grass (Dutch, helm; arundo arenacea). In course of time the roots spread and entwine in every direction, thus gradually consolidating the sand. A substratum of vegetable soil once formed, the arid and useless sand-hill is converted into a smiling and fertile agricultural district, in which even plantations of pines appear to thrive.
VIII. History and Statistics.

The earliest inhabitants of the district at the embouchures of the Rhine are said to have accompanied the Cimbri and Teutones in their expedition against Italy. Several banished tribes of the Catti, who settled in the deserted island of Betuwe (p. 289), were conquered by the Romans, whose supremacy over this part of the country continued from the failure of the great rebellion of Claudius Civilis till the end of the 4th cent., when the Salic Franks, the inhabitants of the banks of the Yssel, took possession of the Betuwe, and established themselves between the Schelde, Meuse, and Lower Rhine. The district to the N. E. of the Salic Franks was occupied by the Frisians, to the E. of whom were the Saxons.

The supremacy of Charlemagne extended over the whole of the Netherlands. Under his successors the system of investing vassal-princes with the land gradually developed itself. The most powerful of these were the Bishops of Utrecht, the Dukes of Guelders, and the Counts of Holland. In 1274 Count William II. of Holland was elected German Emperor through the influence of Pope Innocent IV. In 1512 the Dutch provinces were enrolled as a part of the Burgundian section of the Germanic Empire.

Under the Emperor Charles V. the whole of the Netherlands were united (1543), and they now enjoyed a golden era of prosperity, in consequence of the powerful protection accorded by that monarch to commerce and navigation. Under his bigoted son and successor Philip II. of Spain, after the Duke of Alva's arrival at Brussels (1568), began that memorable, and at first apparently-hopeless struggle which lasted for 80 years, and terminated in the recognition of the Northern Netherlands as an independent state by the haughty Spaniards, and the establishment of the powerful Dutch Republic.

The great founder of Dutch liberty was William of Nassau, 'the Taciturn', Prince of Orange, a German nobleman, who was born at Dillenburg in the Duchy of Nassau in 1533. He was a great favourite of the Emperor Charles V., who appointed him, when 22 years of age only, 'stadtholder' or governor of the provinces of Holland, Zealand, and Utrecht. The Low Countries having come into the possession of the Duke of Alva, the Spanish Governor, William retired to Dillenburg, but in 1572 was invited by Holland and Zealand to take the command of their troops against the Spaniards. He shortly afterwards captured Middelburg, and succeeded in raising the siege of the distressed town of Leyden. On 29th Jan., 1579, was formed the famous defensive league of the N. Netherlands, known as the Utrecht Union. William was shortly afterwards condemned to banishment by Philip II., but the States General bravely defied the king's authority, and in 1581 formally threw off their allegiance to the Spanish crown. On 10th July, 1584, William fell by the hand of an assassin at Delft (p. 224), very shortly before
the day on which the States intended to have conferred upon him the dignity of an hereditary count of Holland. The year following his death his son Maurice was elected stadtholder in his stead.

Under his presidency (1585-1625) the power and wealth of the Republic rapidly increased, active hostilities were frequently undertaken against the Spaniards, and the E. Indian trading company was formed (1602). Meanwhile, however, there arose serious dissensions between the democratic and the government parties, which were greatly aggravated by the pernicious theological controversies of the Arminians and the Gomarists (p. 309). Contrary to the sound advice of the stadtholder, the States in their anxiety for commercial prosperity concluded a twelve years' peace with Spain in 1609. Incensed over the quarrels which now ensued, Maurice caused the influential John van Oldenbarnevelt, the pensionary or chancellor of the province of Holland, then in his 72nd year, to be arrested and condemned to death by a partial tribunal in 1619 (p. 229), but by this judicial murder he did not succeed in intimidating his refractory subjects. Maurice died in 1625, and was succeeded by his brother Frederick Henry (1625-47), under whom the unity of the Republic became more consolidated, and the prosperity of the States reached its climax. Both by land and by sea they triumphed over the Spaniards in the hostilities which now broke out afresh; and in 1628 the gallant admiral Piet Hein captured the Spanish 'silver fleet'. The Dutch commerce of that period was the most widely extended in the world.

The great Dutch navigators Houtman, Heemskerk, Davis, Schouten, Lemaire, Hartog, Edels, Schapenham, Nuyt, Vianen, Caron, Tasman, De Vries, Van Campen, and Berkel, explored the most distant coasts in the world during this period, while the E. Indian factories, especially that of Batavia, which had been established in 1619, yielded a rich harvest. The Dutch school of painting now attained its culminating point (comp. p. lIII), and the sciences were also highly cultivated during this prosperous epoch, as the well-known names of Grotius, Vossius, Heinsius, Gronovius, etc., abundantly testify.

Frederick Henry died in 1647, shortly before the Peace of Westphalia, by which the independence of the United States of the Netherlands was formally recognised, and was succeeded by his son William, then in his 21st year.

The renewal of dissensions between the States and the stadtholder determined them, on the early death of this prince in 1650, not to elect a new governor, and the reins of government were now entrusted to the distinguished Grand Pensionary John de Witt, an able and energetic senator.

During this period the navigation acts were passed by Cromwell, placing restrictions on the Dutch trade, and thus giving rise to the war which called into activity the talents of Tromp, De
Witt, De Ruyter, and other naval heroes, whose memory is still justly cherished by the Dutch. Within the brief period of sixteen months (1652-54) no fewer than twelve great naval battles were fought, in most of which the arms of the Republic were crowned with success. By the peace concluded in 1654, however, the States were obliged to recognise the authority of the navigation acts. In 1665 a war with England again broke out, during which, in 1667, De Ruyter even entered the estuary of the Thames with his fleet, endangering the safety of London itself, to the great consternation of the citizens. Notwithstanding this success, the peace concluded shortly afterwards was again productive of little benefit to Holland.

Meanwhile Louis XIV. of France had disclosed his designs against the Netherlands, and had taken possession of the part belonging to Spain. His proceedings against Holland, however, were checked for a time by the triple alliance between England, Holland, and Sweden, concluded by the advice of the Grand Pensionary de Witt. In 1672, after the dissolution of the alliance, Louis renewed his attacks on the now almost defenceless Union, whose army had been entirely neglected since the death of Prince William. Condé and Turenne took possession of the provinces of Guelders, Over-Yssel, and Utrecht almost without a blow, while that of Holland, with its capital Amsterdam, only succeeded in averting the same fate by means of an artificially caused inundation. The people, believing that they had been betrayed by their government, now broke out into a rebellion to which De Witt fell a victim (p. 238), and which resulted in the revival of the office of stadtholder.

William III. (1672-1702), the last, and after its founder greatest, scion of his house, was accordingly elected, and the office of stadtholder declared hereditary. Under his auspices, with the aid of the Elector of Brandenburgh and the Spanish troops, the French were defeated, and the war was at length terminated by the Peace of Nymegen in 1678.

William III., who had thus been instrumental in asserting the liberties of Europe against the usurping encroachments of the ‘Grand Monarque’, married the daughter of the Duke of York, afterwards King James II. of England. In 1688 he undertook that bold expedition across the Channel which resulted in the deliverance of England from the arbitrary government of the Stuarts and the final establishment of constitutional liberty and Protestantism in Great Britain. The following year he was elected King by parliament, retaining at the same time the office of stadtholder of the Netherlands. In his new position he continued strenuously to oppose the increasing power of France. The united fleets of England and Holland gained a decisive victory over the French near La Hogue in 1692, and by the Peace of Ryswyk in 1697 Louis was compelled to restore a considerable part of his conquests. William was now
estranged from his native country, but shortly before his death, without issue, in 1702, he brought about the ‘Great Alliance’ which disputed the right of the French monarch to succeed to the crown of Spain.

Following the example of the States General (p. xxxi), the five most important provinces now declared the office of Stadtholder abolished. Their foreign policy, however, underwent no alteration on this account. Prince John William Friso (d. 1711, see p. 159), stadtholder of Friesland and cousin of William III, succeeded to the command of the army of the Republic, which took part in the war of the Spanish succession. Under his presidency the power of the States General manifested itself anew. The flower of the Dutch army fell at the bloody victory of Malplaquet (p. 164), and in 1714 the Peace Congress assembled at Utrecht, on Dutch soil.

The events of the 18th cent. scarcely require special mention. The Republic had lost its prestige, and in the continuing alliance with England the preponderating power of the latter became more and more marked. When the French entered the territory of the Republic during the Austrian war of succession, the people compelled the States to appoint William IV., Prince of Orange, the son and successor of John William Friso, General Stadtholder over all the seven provinces; and in 1748 this dignity was once more declared hereditary. A revolution which broke out towards the close of the century ended in the expulsion of the Stadtholder William V.; but he was reinstated in his office by the Prussian army which had advanced almost unopposed to the gates of Amsterdam itself.

The importance of the Republic had now dwindled to a mere shadow. In 1795 the French Republicans, led by Dutch exiles, took possession of the country, founded the ‘Batavian Republic’, and at the same time caused heavy taxes to be levied. Schimmelpennink, an able statesman, was created president of the new Republic, under the old title of Grand Pensionary, but in 1805 was compelled to yield up his authority to Louis Bonaparte, who had been created King of Holland by his brother Napoleon I. This semblance of independent existence came to an end in 1810, when Napoleon annexed Holland to France, declaring it to have been formed by the alluvial deposits of French rivers.

At length in November, 1813, the French were expelled from Holland by the Dutch, aided by the Russians and Prussians; and the Prince of Orange, son of William V., the last stadtholder, who died in exile in 1806, ascended the throne of Holland as an independent sovereign.

By the Congress of Vienna in 1815, the southern, or Belgian provinces of the Netherlands, were united with the northern into a single Kingdom, and the Prince of Orange was created King of the Netherlands, under the title of William I. This bond of union between two races differing materially in language, religion, and
character was severed by the Belgian Revolution of 1830 (comp. p. xvii). Ten years later William I. abdicated in favour of his son William II., who died in 1849, and was succeeded by William III., the present king (born in 1817, married first in 1839 to Princess Sophia of Wurtemberg, who died in 1877, and secondly to the Princess Emma of Waldeck in 1879). The heir-presumptive to the throne is the Princess Wilhelmina (b. 1880), daughter of the King, as his only surviving son, Alexander, Prince of Orange (b. 1851), died in June, 1884.

Area and Population. The Kingdom of the Netherlands, including the Province of Limburg, is 13,000 sq. M. in area, and has (1883) a population of 4,225,065 (2/3ths Rom. Cath., 81,000 Jews). Amsterdam is the capital of the kingdom, and the Hague is the residence of the king. The Netherlands are divided into eleven provinces: N. Brabant (capital Hertogenbosch), Drenthe (Assen), Friesland (Leeuwarden), Guelderland (Arnhem), Groningen (Groningen), N. Holland (Amsterdam), S. Holland (Hague), Limburg (Maastricht), Over-Yssel (Zwolle), Utrecht (Utrecht), Zeeland (Middelburg). Besides these provinces, the district ofLuxembourg (210,000 inhab., capital of the same name) is governed by the king of Holland as grand-duke.

Revenue. The annual income of the government (exclusive of the colonies) amounted in 1884 to 113,703,025 florins (about 9,475,000L. sterling), and the expenditure to 143,259,769 fl., leaving a deficit of almost 30 million florins. The national debt in 1884 amounted to 1,080,707,600 florins (about 90,000,000L.).

The national colours are red, white, and blue, placed in horizontal lines (the French are placed vertically); the motto, 'Je maintiendrai'.

Colonies. The most important Dutch colonies in the E. Indies are Java (capital Batavia), Sumatra, Borneo, and Celebes; in the W. Indies Surinam, St. Eustache, and Curaçao; to which must be added a number of factories on the coast of Guinea. The total area of these possessions amounts to 680,000 sq. M., the population to 29 million souls.

Commerce. The merchant fleet of Holland on Jan. 1, 1883, numbered 797 vessels (including 96 steamers), of an aggregate burden of 375,000 tons. The imports in 1882 amounted to 992 million, the exports to 752 million florins.

The Army consists of 1 regiment of Grenadiers and Riflemen, 8 regiments of Infantry, 3 regiments of Hussars, 3 regiments of Field-Artillery (18 batteries), 1 regiment of Horse Artillery (2 batteries), and 4 regiments of Fortress Artillery (40 companies), corps of the military train, pontoniers, 'depôt-battalions', instruction battalions, etc., amounting in all to 65,000 men. Beside the regular army there are the 'Schutterys', a kind of national guard,
and the 'landsturm', or militia. — The army in the colonies has a strength of about 30,000 men.

The Navy consisted in 1884 of 140 vessels of war, commanded by two vice-admirals, 4 rear-admirals ('schout-by-nacht'), 25 captains, 37 commanders, etc., and manned by upwards of 6800 hands.
An Historical Sketch of Art in the Netherlands.

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The traveller who would explore the Netherlands without taking account of the Art Treasures still preserved there, heedlessly disregards a source of the highest gratification. The collections in the cities, as well in Belgium as in Holland, can boast that they include many of the most remarkable creations of the art of a bygone period: works, moreover, which have not found their way hither by mere accident, but grow out of the very soil, so to speak, of these Low Countries, and have their raison d'être in the land, in those forms and fashions which to this day repeat themselves alike in the native landscape and in the habits of the people. How much more lively is the impression received from works of art when seen amidst their natural surroundings, is a matter of common and approved experience. Everything that is essentially characteristic in a picture, atmosphere and light, form, whether natural or otherwise, fashion and custom, present themselves to the beholder. The sources of the artist's inspiration, all that served to feed his fancy, are clearly manifest; while many a characteristic incident, which would otherwise escape observation or remain altogether unintelligible, receives its requisite interpretation. It is true that the aesthetic value of individual pictures may be always in all places recognised. A Titian is lustrous even in St. Petersburg; Dürer's incisive pencil asserts itself in Madrid. Nevertheless the historical significance of Art, the necessary cause of her development, can be understood by those only who will explore the scenes which witnessed her life's first dawn, particularly when lapse of time has failed materially to alter the character of such scenes.

A distinction which the Netherlands enjoy in common with Italy consists in the opportunity afforded of obtaining the best possible insight into the mysterious quickening of the artistic spirit; a comprehensive survey, too, of art's earliest promise and maturity, and her identity with the national life. That continuity and many-sidedness of national art, which in Italy is so pronounced, the Netherlands do not, however, possess. Twice only — once in the 15th, and once in the 17th century — do they furnish remarkable material for the history of modern art. Earlier centuries reveal a poor art life, and the intervals between the two periods referred to fail to make
any profound impression. Nor does Art prosper equally in all its branches. Sculpture and Architecture in their several domains offer nothing to compare with the brilliant achievements in the province of painting.

**Churches.** During the centuries of the Middle Ages, art in the Netherlands did not by any means keep pace with the advance made in Germany and France: it was slow to move, and followed in the wake first of German, and later of French art. The number of Romanesque buildings in Belgian territory—for Holland must first be noticed in connection with the Gothic era—is not great. Of these the Cathedral of Tournai (p. 52) is the most prominent example. The influence of lower Rhenish architecture (that of Cologne), is exhibited in this cathedral, which, in respect of scale, surpasses all the older churches. At the same time there is an evident approximation to the French style, which, after the 13th century, pervaded the entire land. It is much to be regretted that our acquaintance with the history of this church is so imperfect. Certain it is, that the present edifice was begun in the 13th century and completed in the 14th. Whilst the nave retains the impress of the pure Romanesque, an approach to the Gothic style is observable in the slender proportions of the shafts in the transept. The transept is after the model of Cologne, and was probably built by French workmen, who carried the experience thus acquired to Noyon and Cambrai, whose cathedrals closely resemble that of Tournai. When in the adjacent territory of Northern France the Gothic Style had acquired completeness, the Netherlands adopted this model. The southern portion of the land now became, in the realm of architecture, a mere province of France; and indeed French influence extended gradually to politics and culture also. Stately Gothic cathedrals rear themselves in the more considerable Belgian towns. With the church of St. Gudule in Brussels are associated the choir of the church of Notre Dame at Bruges, St. Bavon at Ghent, St. Rombaut at Malines, the Cathedral of Louvain, and, lastly, the renowned Cathedral of Antwerp, where a lamentable want of structural harmony must be noted, more particularly in the spire, whose toppling height rather astonishes by its audacity than delights by its beauty. Although there is an evident preference for lofty towers (the double tower is seldom seen, but rather a single tower in advance of the western extremity), yet, as a rule, an endeavour to secure a spacious area visibly determines the general proportions, while the soaring height and slender support which give so marked a character to the interiors of the cathedrals of France and Germany, are but slightly regarded. Double aisles are frequent in the churches; but the height of the nave seldom exceeds 80 or 90 feet, being but twice, not as was usual elsewhere, three times, the width. The Dutch churches are of similar construction. Gothic architecture was much more preva-
lent in Holland than is generally supposed; Utrecht, Amsterdam, Haarlem, Leyden, and Rotterdam, for example, possess Gothic churches on a grand scale. The building material, however, namely brick, which has been used (the Germans learned its use from the Dutch), gives a ponderous appearance to these edifices; while the wood covering which conceals the vaulted roof, the absence of architectural ornamentation, and, finally, change in the forms of worship, have done much to destroy their original beauty. But we do not visit Holland to study ecclesiastical Gothic.

Secular Buildings. Of far greater interest are those Gothic buildings erected for secular and civic purposes, in which Flanders is especially rich. So early as the 12th century, mighty towers to serve as belfrys were erected in the midst of fortified towns, for the purpose of mustering the citizens by sound of bell in the event of an enemy's approach or of alarm from fire. Attached to the belfries, or erected separately, are spacious Halles, imposing edifices, used for the display of those products of Flemish industry which were once foremost in the markets of the world. The Hôtel de Ville adorns the principal square of the town. Its façade generally exhibits the wealth of decoration belonging to the later Gothic; while, in the interior, sculptor and painter found occasion for the exercise of their respective arts. The belfries at Tournai and Ghent, the 'halles' of Bruges and Ypres, and the 'hôtels de ville' of Bruges, Brussels, and Louvain, call for especial notice from the traveller; and, in case he should be interested in antiquated domestic architecture, he will find a rich treat provided for him in Bruges and Antwerp, once chief among Hanseatic towns. These buildings date as far back as the 15th and 16th centuries, a time when painting in the Netherlands bore its first fruits.

Painting. To connect these early efforts with the power and wealth of the old Hanseatic League, and to find in the sumptuous habits of the Burgundian Princes the chief impulse to the rapid development of the painter's art in the Netherlands, is obviously natural and reasonable. How the eye of the painter must have revelled in the varied costumes, in the manifold and sharply defined types, whether of native or foreigner, which he encountered in the motley assemblage that thronged these cities of the League! We may well conceive the artist's imagination to have been fascinated by the wealth of colour presented by a picture composed of weather-beaten mariners, sturdy labourers, burly citizens, and sagacious traders. The early practice of portrait-painting may also be attributed to the spirit prevailing in the Hanseatic towns. The interest in this branch of the painter's art originated probably in the self-complacency which naturally possesses a community of substantial burghers, proud of their vocations and achievements. Further, the Burgundian Princes, in the gratification of their love of splendour, found, as trustworthy accounts
assure us, abundant employment for the artist as well as artizan. In their luxurious court, with its brilliant retinue, there must have been robes of state, glittering weapons, costly furniture, besides courtly manners, to captivate the eye and engage the attention of the painter. Undoubtedly, however, as the effect of such influences was in giving a particular direction to painting in the Netherlands, they assuredly were not the source from which it sprung. It was not until the painter’s art was emancipated from the trammels of a traditional practice, that it found favour at Court, and in the towns of the League.

Up to the beginning of the 15th century Art was in neither a better nor worse condition than in adjacent lands, though the painters of Cologne could undoubtedly claim pre-eminence. Such specimens of wall-painting in the Low Countries as are still preserved, show an entire want of professional training. The works of the miniature painters, however, rank higher. Encouraged by commissions from French Princes, they were elaborately finished, and both in colour and drawing give evidence of a higher education in the artists. Sculpture, too, could boast of sterling work. If any general inference is to be drawn from monumental effigies preserved in Tourmai, and dating from the beginning of the 15th century, a school of sculpture existed there, which successfully aimed at a truthful rendering of nature. The practice of painting works of sculpture brought the sister arts into more intimate relation. So far, however, was sculpture in advance, that painters found themselves reduced to the expedient of adopting the plastic mode of treatment in the disposal of groups, as well as in drawing and the treatment of drapery. A long interval elapsed ere painting acquired a style of its own, and until every trace of the plastic relief had disappeared. Such was the condition of the painter’s art in the Netherlands, when the two brothers Van Eyck made their appearance, but we are not in a position to indicate their immediate predecessors, nor to determine with certainty the circumstances of their early training.

The two brothers Van Eyck were natives of Maaseyek, near Maastricht, where Hubert, the elder, was born somewhere about the years 1360-70. Wolfram von Eschenbach, in his ‘Perzival’, had already pronounced the painters of Maastricht and Cologne to be the best of his time, but how painting at Maastricht or Limburg was employed in Hubert’s time we know not. Absolutely nothing is known of the course of Hubert’s early training, of his school, or early works. About the year 1420, we find him settled at Ghent, where a guild of painters had already long existed, along with his brother. Whether while here he was the teacher or the taught, whether the local influences of Ghent first modified his conceptions and method, or whether the guild in Ghent derived new light from him, cannot be determined. We know of only one work from Hubert van Eyck’s hand, indisputably identified as his, and it
was painted in the concluding years of his life, and remains unfinished. This is the gigantic Altarpiece which Jodocus Vydt commissioned him to paint for the St. Bavon church in Ghent. In it he still clings to the traditional rules of composition in the observance of the severely-symmetrical proportions of an architectural structure. But while he fails to dispose the crowd of figures in separate groups, he succeeds in giving to the heads a portrait-like individuality; he is careful to render the varied texture of the draperies, and in modelling the nude figure he closely imitates nature in every minute particular. For example, in the figure of Adam (now detached from the original picture and preserved along with Eve in the Brussels Museum), even the short hairs of the arms and legs are carefully elaborated. But the most surprising innovation is in the colouring, to which he gave wonderful force and harmony, using it to give effect to an appearance of reality almost deceptive. The old belief that Hubert invented oil-painting cannot indeed be unreservedly accepted. But, although oil had long been in use as a vehicle, Hubert's merit is not the less conspicuous. He is still the first who adapted the invention to the purposes of art, by employing the fluid medium for the more subtle blending of colours. By this means he so far facilitated the process of painting, that the endeavour to give a faithful, life-like rendering of nature was completely successful. He possessed himself of the means by which alone effect could be given to the new impulse in art. We can have no better proof of the importance attached to this new method of painting introduced by Hubert, than in the sensation it made in Italy, where the invention and its publication were invested with the attributes of romance.

Hubert's connection with his brother Jan van Eyck (born 1381-1395) is involved in some obscurity, but the latter came to be regarded as the more capable of the two. Unjustly so, however, as the younger brother with his own hand bears record, in an inscription on the Altar-piece at Ghent, in these words: 'Hubertus — major quo nemo repertus', — thus showing that Hubert was at least his equal. We are, at the same time, very imperfectly informed of Jan's early training, though we know a good deal about his public career. While Hubert, it would appear, found favour with the wealthy burghers of Ghent, Jan took service in the courts, first of John of Bavaria, afterwards of Philip the Good. He lived for some years at the Hague, later in Lille, and after Hubert's death removed to Ghent, in order to finish the Altar-piece. In 1432 he migrated to Bruges, where he died on 9th July, 1440, about fourteen years after his brother. His peculiar art can best be studied in Bruges; not that many of his works are to be found there, but that the same genius still pervades the place which inspired the school of early Flemish painters. Bruges still remains outwardly very much what it was in the 16th century. The old houses have lost
nothing of their character and dignity by contact with the newer buildings which have sprung up in their midst; while, in the quiet of the comparatively-forsaken thoroughfares, there is nothing to disturb the wanderer in quest of reminiscences of the Bruges of bygone days. Just as Nuremberg, some half-century ago, vividly recalled the age of Dürrer, so in Bruges a perfectly clear conception may still be had of the period which witnessed the labours of the Eycks and Memling. But, in any case, two admirable works by Jan van Eyck in the Academy at Bruges afford a valuable opportunity of appreciating his art. In keeping with a strong determination towards a more portrait-like and realistic conception of nature, is the endeavour, observable in his method, after a greater fulness of outline and an exact rendering of textures. The direction of his aim is indicated by the fact of his having painted genre pictures with a definite motive — the ‘Bath-room’ for example.

There can be no doubt that Jan van Eyck had pupils; but there can be as little doubt that there were painters, both in Ghent and Bruges, who adopted Van Eyck's method, and imitated his style, though not recognised as members of his school. Owing to the scanty information possessed of art in the Netherlands during the 15th century, nothing can be conclusively affirmed on the subject. Petrus Cristus may be mentioned as a pupil of Jan van Eyck, at Bruges; as independent masters Gerard van der Meire and Hugo van der Goes, of Ghent.

The people were as averse to centralisation in the domain of art-training as in the conduct of state affairs. While the Van Eycks were carrying their art from the Valley of the Meuse to Bruges and Ghent, another great artist was founding a school of painting at Brussels. Roger van der Weyden is apparently identical with that Roeyelet de la Pasture who, in 1426, worked as a pupil of Robert Campin at Tournai, and in 1432 was admitted as master in the Painters' guild. We find Van der Weyden installed as painter to the town of Brussels in 1436. In 1450 he appears in Rome, as the first northern painter of undisputed fame whose name was honoured by the Italians, uncompromising though he was in adhering to the practice of his native art. On his return he again took up his abode in Brussels, still painting, and died in 1464. In the absence of any signature, his works are confounded with those of Jan van Eyck, with whom he had nothing in common, and with those of Memling, who was his pupil. They are, moreover, scattered far and near, and have to be sought for at Madrid, Rome, Frankfort, Munich, Berlin, etc. The Museum of Antwerp, however, possesses in the Seven Sacraments one of the most prominent works of this master, who was peculiarly successful in depicting scenes of dramatic interest (Descent from the Cross); too often, however, his power of animated expression betrays a want of feeling for beauty of form, and is continually suggestive of tinted reliefs.
Hans Memling, the pupil of Van der Weyden, bears the least possible resemblance to him. According to a legend, which in earlier times received general credence, Memling, having been wounded at the battle of Nancy, was carried to Bruges, where, in gratitude for the tender care bestowed upon him in the Hospital of St. John, he painted numerous pictures. This story may be placed in the same category as those of Dürer's malevolent spouse, and of the licentiousness of the later Dutch painters. Memling was born (in Guelders?) about the year 1430; was, in 1472, already actively engaged as painter; in 1478 was permanently established in Bruges, a well-to-do house proprietor in the Vlaminckdamm (now Rue St. George), and died in 1495. The little we know of him personally is in some measure compensated for by the great number of his works still extant. Bruges, in particular, can boast of possessing literally a Memling museum. In the Academy is the Triptych with the St. Christopher, in the Hospital of St. John the so-called St. John Altar, the Adoration of the Magi, the Madonna with Martin Nieuwenhoven, the portrait of Catharine Moreel, and, finally, the Ursula casket, the most ornate and captivating illustration of legendary lore bequeathed by the art of this early period. In Memling, indeed, it may be said the school of Van Eyck exhibits its highest attainments. Pure and luminous colouring is combined with correct drawing; a keen perception of Nature with a coherent sense of the beautiful. Crowe and Cavalcaselle in their history of old Flemish Painters, speak of Memling as a lyric bard, and if his forms lack ideality, he knows how to give them the impress of a winsome beauty. His Madonnas, whose golden hair falls over the shoulders, or is gathered up in luxuriant tresses, combine dignity with a painted loveliness.

Among later masters of this school may be mentioned Dieric Bouts, of Louvain (1465-1475), and Gerard David, of Bruges (1483-1523), recently recovered from oblivion. The latter is a painter of the first rank, whose forte is in quiet Holy Family scenes, and in the tender sweetness of his female figures. The exceeding fineness of his manipulation, which envelopes his pictures as with a tender haze, is evidently due to his constant occupation as a miniature painter. — In Holland an analogous position was filled by Jacob Kornelissen (J. van Oostzanen; ca. 1506-30), another fine colourist whose merits have only of late met with adequate recognition.

We have, indeed, abundant cause to deplore the ravages of time, when we proceed to sum up the number of authenticated old Flemish pictures still in existence. Scarcely, indeed, do we possess mementoes of ten painters, such as enable us to form a really distinct and vivid conception of their character as artists; yet this old Netherlands school was busy for eighty years; nor was its activity confined to Bruges and Ghent alone, but was shared by Antwerp, Brussels, and in the North by Leyden and Haarlem. One important cause of this absence of reliable accounts, lay in the new
direction taken by the Netherlands school of painting in the 16th century, which had the effect of depreciating the works of their predecessors in the general estimation, and finally of committing them to oblivion. For the Netherlands, like the rest of the North, became subject to the spirit of the Italian Renaissance. Under the Burgundian rule, literature had already been alienated from the popular sympathies, and even so it was now with pictorial art. Lucas van Leyden, and Quinten Massys, of Antwerp (1466-1531), are the last distinguished masters who were not carried away by this current. The importance of the former, however, is chiefly due to his admirable engravings; while Massys sometimes displays a vigour of sentiment at variance with the hitherto habitual conception. Quinten Massys is, indeed, generally regarded as the connecting link between the old school of the Van Eycks and Rubens.

Those who would give themselves up to the enjoyment of art in their tour through the Netherlands, need hardly concern themselves about the Flemish Painters of the 16th Century. By the historian they cannot be overlooked, because they indicate the course taken by painting in the Netherlands; but for the lover of art their individual works, owing to the incongruities apparent in them, are anything but satisfactory. These classical figures which they affect, this idealised drawing which they imitate, this parade of learning which they make, with their scraps of mythological lore, has the effect of a mask forcibly concealing all natural form. Just as we prefer the popular ballad to the Latin verse of our school days, so we prize the unadorned Flemish style more highly than unsuccessful imitations of the Italian. The 16th century was, it is true, of a different way of thinking, and hailed this inroad of the Renaissance upon their native art as a sign of progress! Antwerp especially was for a long time the capital of art in the Netherlands, whence Duke William of Bavaria, as well as the Emperor Rudolph II., the two most enlightened patrons of art among German princes, supplied their requirements; while Flemings, too, provided for England's needs. It is evident, then, that the Netherlands had no lack of renown nor yet of highly-gifted spirits, whose achievements, had a more auspicious fate attended them, would have been considerable. The earlier pictures of Gossart, or Mabuse (painting from 1503 to 1532), please by force of their masterly modelling and intense colouring. Bernard von Orley (1471-1541) turned his residence in Rome to good account in mastering the style of the Raphaelesque school, which both in composition and drawing he reproduced with considerable cleverness. If we can praise the industry only of Michael van Coxe in Coxecken (1499-1592), and find the insipidity in conception and the exaggeration of form in the work of Frans de Vriendt, surnamed Floris (1520-70), simply repulsive; if, again, Karel van Mander is famous principally for his literary acquirements, and Hubert Goltzius for his versatility, still one branch of
the art remains in which the Flemings achieved and sustained a marked success, viz. Portraiture, represented in the 16th century by Jan van Schorel or Schoorel (1495-1562), Ant. Moor (1518-1588), the elder Peter Pourbus (1540-1580), and Geldorp. The earliest approaches to genre and landscape painting which later attained to such majestic proportions must not be allowed to escape observation. Their germs are, in fact, already to be detected in the works of Van Eyck. The principle of a careful study of Nature, and delight in every phase of life, early asserted itself, giving to every object, however insignificant, however obscure, an artistic charm. The painting of still life, the pourtraying of those humorous incidents, never wanting in domestic experience, which served to illustrate everyday life among the people, came early into vogue, though at first disagreeably qualified by the intermixture of the grotesque (in the shape of Devils' dances). Old Brueghel (see below) and Vinck-Boons had already painted rustic subjects, Patinir of Dinant and Paul Bril landscapes, with richness of effect, and Roelant Savery animal pictures.

Among all these painters, the members of the family of Brueghel or, as sometimes written, Breughel, attract our interest most effectually. They not only afford the most striking example of that highly propitious practice, the hereditary prosecution of the same craft, but also excellently illustrate the transition from the old to the new style of art. Peter Brueghel the elder, or 'Peasant Brueghel' (about 1525-69), the earliest representative of this race of painters, travelled in Italy for the purpose of studying art, but remained faithful to the subjects and treatment of his native land. His figures are of a purely Flemish type, while his delicate colouring is content to reveal the study of nature in northern climes alone. Of his two sons Peter or 'Hell-fire' Brueghel (1565-1637) and Jan or 'Velvet' Brueghel (1568-1678), the latter, who acquired his surname from his partiality for wearing velvet, is the more important. He acquired eminence not only in paying homage to the widely-extended national taste for flower-pieces, but also by his landscapes, which are distinguished for the tender bluish tone of their middle distance and background (not, however, always true to nature), and for the marvellous finish of detail in the small figures occupying the foreground. The sons of the two brothers bore the same Christian names as their fathers, followed the same profession, and perpetuated the manner of the Brueghels down to the close of the 17th century.

All previous attainments, however, sink into insignificance beside the extraordinary capacity displayed by the Flemish artists of the 17th century. The eighty years' revolt of the Dutch against Spanish oppression was at an end. Though bleeding from a thousand wounds, the youthful Republic had triumphantly maintained itself, and conquered for itself virtual recognition. Two worlds separate and distinct from one another were here compressed into their narrow confines.
In the still Spanish Netherlands, forming the Southern division, the old régime in politics as in faith remained intact; in the States General of Holland, not only was a new form of government established, but new political and economical views, and a new form of faith, were in the ascendant. Both these worlds find in contemporary art a clearly-defined expression. The art of Peter Paul Rubens serves to glorify the ancient régime and the ancient faith, and was by this means in effect assimilated to the art of Italy, and beguiled by the mythological ideal. Dutch art, on the other hand, grew out of the new life and the new faith, and thus reflects the provincialism and civic pretensions which now became the characteristic features of the body politic. Here the schools of Haarlem, the Hague, Leyden, Delft, and Amsterdam, possess equal merit. Historical pictures are superseded by portrait groups of the civic functionaries and rulers; the veil of mystery is withdrawn from the representation of sacred subjects, and, in its place, a bare matter-of-fact and modernised treatment is introduced, in conformity with the Protestant views of the 16th and 17th centuries, which regarded the Bible in a very different light from the old Church. An historical notice of the condition of national culture would not in itself serve to throw much light on the relations of Flemish and Dutch painting of the 17th century, but is, notwithstanding, not altogether superfluous. Such a study would be the means of putting in its true light, the contrast, so often overlooked, between Rubens and the Dutchmen. Irrespective of much superficial resemblance (e.g. a similar tone of colour), the two styles have entirely different sources and aims; and while in the school of Rubens the old notions, old practices, disappeared, that art began to reveal itself in Holland which to this day is received with unqualified approbation. In the study of Rubens, the mind must frequently be guided by reference to history; the Dutch, on the other hand, we hail as bone of our bone, and flesh of our flesh.

Rubens.

For centuries Cologne and Antwerp have contended for the honour of having given birth to the greatest of Belgian painters. Latterly, however, their claims have been surrendered in favour of the little town of Siegen, formerly in Nassau. Our artist's father, the Antwerp justice Johannes Rubens, being suspected of a leaning towards the Reformation, sought refuge in flight from the Spanish Inquisition, and joined the party of William of Orange. Arrived at the Rhine, where the emigrants assembled, he formed an intimacy with Anna of Saxony, the crazy, sensuous wife of William, of such a nature as furnished the Prince with sufficient grounds for a divorce. The guilty lover was consigned in 1571 to the fortress Dillenburg. His wife, Marie Pypeling, who had followed him into exile, was induced by the severity of his punishment to forgive the offender the disgrace he had brought upon her, and
to join him at Siegen, the place assigned to him in 1573 as his abode. Here accordingly, on 29th June, 1577, on SS. Peter and Paul’s day, Peter Paul Rubens was born. In the following year, John Rubens received permission to remove to Cologne. It is conceivable that his lot should have damped his ardour for service with the Princes of Orange, and encouraged a desire to be reconciled to the Spanish government. John Rubens, however, died pending the negotiations which ensued, but his wife finally made her peace with the Spanish ecclesiastical authorities, returned in 1588 to Antwerp, and as a pledge for the genuineness of her conversion placed her son in a Jesuit school. In the character of the man, however, there was nothing jesuitical; but in the sensuous splendour of his religious pictures, in the accessories of his classical representations, which however brilliant are often superficial, it is easy to discern the effects of his training in the then flourishing schools of the all powerful Jesuits.

He received instruction in painting from Adam van Noort, a thorough master of his art as we are assured, though no authenticated works of his are preserved, and from Otto van Veen, commonly called Otto Vaenius, court-painter to the Dukes of Parma, and an artist more distinguished for erudition than force of imagination. The Trinity and the Holy Family with the Parrot (‘La Vierge au Perroquet’) in Antwerp Museum are reckoned among the first of Rubens’s works. If this be really the case the painter must have developed some of his peculiar characteristics at a surprisingly early period, and to a great extent have acquired his style before his sojourn in Italy. In the year 1600, Rubens undertook, according to the then prevailing custom with artists, who looked upon Italy as the high school of art, a journey to the South. The following year we find him in the service of Duke Vincenzo Gonzaga, in his time the most pleasure-loving, most enthusiastic connoisseur of all princes. Rubens was sent in 1603 to Spain, as bearer of costly gifts, in the shape more particularly of numerous pictures, to the court of King Philip III. On his return he took up his abode successively in Mantua, Rome, and Genoa, until the year 1608, when he returned home.

Now what did Rubens bear away as the fruits of his eight years’ residence in Italy? It is of no great moment that several of his pictures savour of Italian prototypes; in his celebrated Descent from the Cross, we see a reflection of Daniele da Volterra’s picture, in the Baptism of Christ (lost), of which the original drawing is preserved, he produces single figures from Michael Angelo’s battle-c cartoon; the Communion of St. Francis recalls a composition of Annibale Carracci; while a work of Titian served as model for the battle of the Amazons. It is of greater importance that Rubens was fortified by his Italian experiences in his resolution to rely mainly on ideas engendered by the study of mythological-historical subjects.
for his inspiration, and to devote his art to their illustration. By this means he establishes a bond of union between the art of Italy and that of the North, without in any wise sacrificing his individuality. Rather does a comparison with contemporary Italian painters show how far he surpassed them in virtue of his spontaneous sympathies and the abounding force of his character.

Rubens, married in 1609 to Isabella Brandt, and again, after her death (1626), to Helena Fourment, in 1630, had settled in Antwerp, where he led an uncommonly active life. As he himself assures us, while in the service of the Regent Albrecht and his consort Isabella, he had one foot always in the stirrup, making repeated trips to London, Paris, and Madrid, and devoting as much of his time to politics as to art. Certainly the varied occupations of his life are not to be discovered in the astounding number of his works. Nearly a thousand pictures, many of them of colossal dimensions, bear his name. This amazing fertility may be explained by the circumstance that the numerous pupils who frequented his workshop were employed upon his pictures, and that he himself possessed wonderful rapidity of execution. It is not an easy matter to render justice to Rubens in all cases, partly because so many works have been attributed to him with which he had very little to do, partly, also, because his rendering of form frequently took directions repugnant to our modern notions. Perhaps in his manner of treating the female form only he can be charged with flagrant want of taste. The capacity of depicting the unsullied purity of maiden beauty is one of the attributes in an artist we most prize, while, on the other hand, we naturally recoil from the spectacle of naked females disfigured by the labours of maternity. Nevertheless, we must not forget that in these coarse unwieldy shapes, in the ponderous limbs and violent action of these female forms so constantly recurring in Rubens' pictures, we behold the direct manifestation of such impassioned energies and irrepressible vitality as the master seeks to embody.

Rubens' earlier pictures have this marked superiority over his later works, that with all their depth and warmth of colouring, they preserve a certain unity, and exhibit a broad but careful finish. The most important of the works executed soon after his return from Italy is unhappily no longer in the possession of his native land, but rests in the Belvedere collection at Vienna. The central portion represents St. Ildefons receiving a rich chasuble from the Virgin; on the wings are portraits of the donors, and on the outside the Rest on the Flight into Egypt, or the Virgin under the apple-tree. The painter is here seen at the apex of his artistic excellence, and never subsequently produced so perfect a work in so lofty a style. So long as Italian models were fresh in his mind his imagination and his sense of form were chastened and refined, but at a later period they were not unfrequently somewhat too exuberant. Of similar beauty is the Doubting Thomas in the Museum at Antwerp,
with the two accompanying portraits of Burgomaster Rockox and his wife. The celebrated Descent from the Cross in the Cathedral and the Crucifixion in the Museum (‘Le Coup de Lance’) are also of the highest value as undoubtedly works of the artist’s own hand.

In his later large ecclesiastical paintings Rubens availed himself to a large extent of the assistance of his pupils; so that a less exalted idea of the master than he deserves may be derived from the study of these pictures. Another circumstance may help to lead the traveller in the Netherlands to a similar conclusion. Owing to the wide-spread renown of the artist, his works did not all remain at home, but found their way, even in his lifetime, far and wide. England, Madrid, Paris, Munich, Vienna, and St. Petersburgh contain, in their respective galleries, many of Rubens' choicest works. The Antwerp Museum, however, preserves a whole series of valuable pictures by the master, thus affording an opportunity of studying him on the spot where he achieved greatness.

Though, however, it may not be possible to find unalloyed satisfaction in separate works of the master, no one can deny that Rubens is a figure of great historical importance. This is owing to the fidelity, with which he has adhered to the traditions of the national art, to the power, with which he has harmonised these traditions with an altered condition of art and life, and to the universality which rendered him capable of working in every department and of making the age subservient to his purposes. He is master of the whole range of artistic material. To the greatest fertility in the domains of ecclesiastical art he adds an intelligent and enthusiastic appreciation of the ancient gods and heroes. He looks upon these latter more with the eye of a Virgil than of a Homer, and often depicts them in the spirit of an orator rather than in that of a poet. He shows that he has most affinity for the fleshy figures of the Bacchic myths, and paints them with a freshness and energy possessed by none of his contemporaries. His brush is as much at home in important historical compositions as in the richly-coloured allegories, by which his age tried to make up to itself for the want of genuine poetic sensibility. He paints alike portraits and landscapes, the battles of men and the fighting of brutes, the gallant love-making of the noble and the coarse pleasures of the vulgar. This versatility is peculiarly his own, although he possesses certain characteristics in common with his contemporaries, just as he shares with them the same national atmosphere and the same traditional precepts.

Rubens occupied this field along with several other painters. No wonder, then, that similar characteristics are observable in his works and those of others, and that they so closely resemble one another as occasionally to be confounded. Abraham Janssens (1587-1631) comes very near to Rubens in freedom of brush and in the impassioned action of his figures. Indeed there were few of
Rubens' contemporaries who escaped his influence, pervading as it did the whole field of art, inspiring in an especial manner the engraver. The most notable of Antwerp artists who were contemporaries of Rubens are Gerard Seghers (1591-1651), Theodore Rombouts (1597-1637), Gaspar de Crayer (1582-1669), who evinced in his quiet compositions a charming vein of thought, and Lucas van Uden (1595-1662), who painted in many instances the landscape in the background of Rubens' pictures, as well as Frans Snyders (1597-1657), who placed his extraordinary talent for animal painting at the disposal of the great chief.

Of Rubens's most distinguished disciple, Anthony Van Dyck (born at Antwerp 1599, died in London 1641), owing to the shortness of his sojourn in his native city, few important works are retained. After being initiated in painting first by Henry van Balen, later by Rubens, he visited Italy in his 24th year, where Genoa especially fascinated him, as it had done his master before him. From 1626 to 1632 he lived at Antwerp, after that in London, in the service of Charles I. It was not only the fashion then prevailing in aristocratic circles which engaged Van Dyck in portraiture. Portraiture made the strongest appeal to his proclivities as an artist. He does not shine in the invention of gorgeous or stirring scenes; but in the refined and animated portrayal of distinguished personages in particular, there are few who are his peers. His portraits are not only instinct with life: they fascinate by their dignity of conception and grace of delineation, which, without sacrifice of truthfulness, impart a certain stateliness as well as beauty to the individual represented. In what a rare degree Van Dyck possessed this faculty is best seen in his admirable etchings which are still preserved, and in which he presents us with an invaluable gallery of portraits illustrative of the 17th century.

Of the remaining pupils of Rubens, few acquired distinction; but, owing to the copiousness of their works, they are by no means unimportant. They occupy in the department of religious art the entire century. From Diepenbeeck, Erasmus Quellinus, and Cornelis Schut, Jacob Jordaens (1593-1673) may be distinguished by a marked individuality. No study in Italy had estranged his thoughts from his native art. His profession of the reformed faith made him unwilling to contribute to the exaltation of the Church's ideal, so he applied himself to depicting scenes from domestic life and the unrestrained mirth of popular festivities, and thus prepared the way for the formation of that school of genre painting, in which the art of the Netherlands subsequently acquired its chief renown. His often-repeated pictures of the crazy house-concert ('as the old ones sung, so will the youngsters twitter'), for example, are well known. Jordaens's humour is unsophisticated; his figures are as devoid of grace, as they well can be; but so surpassing is the quality of colour in his pictures that one must condone the vein of almost coarse vulgarity
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which runs through very many of them. Pictures by him at the Bosch, near the Hague, which celebrate the deeds of Prince Frederick Henry of Orange, show what he could accomplish as an historical painter, and belong to the very best contributions of the entire school. — Among the less-known though by no means unimportant pupils of Rubens is Jan van den Hoecke (1598-1651), who in delineating scenes of quiet feeling runs his master very hard and, indeed, is not unfrequently mistaken for him.

Even upon David Teniers (1610-1685), the greatest genre painter to whom the southern Netherlands have given birth, Rubens exercised an enduring influence. The fairs and rustic scenes which he delighted in depicting, fascinate not only by the spirit of vivacity which animates them, but bear witness to a searching observation of nature; and the subtlety of colouring serves of itself to invest the scenes depicted with a true poetic charm. In gradation of tone, in wondrous harmony of colour, in artistic combination, he retains an undisputed supremacy. It is not less wonderful how he can by the most delicate modifications so manipulate a dominant tone of colour as to make it effective, and how he can at his pleasure either assert or dispense with the most marked contrasts. The pictures of his fortieth year, where the peculiar silvery tone first appears, are those which afford the best insight into this painter's method and style. His works are unfortunately widely scattered, and are rarely to be met with in his native country.

The same may be said of the majority of genre painters of the southern Netherlands. The neighbourhood of France lured away, if not the painters themselves, certainly many of their works; nor were either wealth or love of art at this time sufficiently diffused in Belgium to allow of the creations of native art being retained in the land. In this respect painting was more advantageously circumstanced in Holland. There it was unmistakably associated with the people, and to this day indeed is identified with their habits and predilections. The greater number as well as the best of its productions are still retained in Holland, coveted though they be by the lovers of art from every quarter, who at last have learned to estimate them at their true value.

Rembrandt.

The grandeur of the 17th century school of Dutch painters has partially obscured the excellencies of their predecessors, and thrown into the shade what was of sterling value in the Dutch school before Rembrandt's time. It is only in recent times that research has succeeded in bringing to light the earlier history of Dutch painting, and has surrounded Rembrandt, who hitherto had dazzled as the flash of a meteor in the horizon, with precursors and associates. Art flourished in the Dutch towns as early as the 15th century, but it would be more than difficult to separate it from the con-
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temporaneous art of Flanders; indeed, owing to the similarity of the two peoples, no very essential difference could have existed. When, accordingly, at the beginning of the 16th century, painting in the North became Italianised, the Dutch painters succumbed to the prevailing influence. It must be noted, however, that the particular manner which most nearly responded to the national taste was generally preferred, and most successfully imitated; that of Caravaggio, for example, distinctly coarse as it is in its broad realism. After Karel van Mander, Heemskerck, and Bloemaert, exponents of a more imaginative treatment, came Honthorst (Gherardo della Notte) and his associates, whose art was entirely based upon this realism. These painters fearlessly grapple with nature; they concern themselves little about grace and beauty; they do not despise what is vulgar and repulsive, if only it supplies life and energy. Lamp-light, abounding as it does in glaring contrast, served admirably to enforce startling effects and an impassioned exuberance of expression often bordering upon distortion, and was freely resorted to with evident relish. Along with Caravaggio, another artist had considerable influence upon the Dutchmen, viz. Adam Elsheimer (1578-1620), of Frankfort, who, however, lived and died in Rome. He painted as if nature were only to be seen through a camera obscura; but his pictures are harmonised by the utmost minuteness and indescribable delicacy of finish, and receive their compensating breadth from a masterly management of colour. Lastman, Poelenburg, Goudt, etc., learned from him.

In the desperate struggle during the 16th century with the twofold yoke of Spain, artistic enterprise in the Netherlands was necessarily crippled. It is principally owing to this circumstance that so many Dutch painters found their way to Italy, and there completed the training which their native land, sorely distracted as it was, could not afford them. But just as the Netherlands finally came forth from their eighty years' struggle as glorious victors, and in corresponding measure secured for themselves wealth and political power, while their antagonist, Spain, once mistress of the world, but now hopelessly impoverished, subsided into political insignificance, Dutch Art received during and at the conclusion of the war its noblest impulse. It was now that the painters of the Netherlands were enabled correctly to discern what, amidst all the surrounding wealth of material, was best suited to their needs, and what form most strongly appealed to them; they created, in a word, a national art. The war had made a nation of heroes. Stern necessity had steeled their courage and quickened their sense. Brave men, experienced in war as well as state affairs, pious of heart, yet joyous withal, met the eye at every turn. To portray these, not only as single and impressive personalities, but assembled in groups, in the council-chamber, or sallying forth to the tilting ground, or engaged in festive celebrations, was the artist's favorite task.
Pictures of a peaceful, happy life, the charms of existence amidst privacy and comfort, were doubly attractive in a time so heavily charged with fateful events. The pleasurable abandonment too, which, taking no thought for the morrow, is content to enjoy the passing hour, captivated the imagination and furnished material for numerous paintings. But the victorious Netherlanders not only created for themselves a new field of pictorial matter, in which national sentiment should find expression; the appropriate form of expression was also provided. Though nearly all the Dutch painters are great colourists, some indispensable attributes of the artistic faculty are wholly wanting in them. The single figures lack ideal grace, the groups do not conform to the rules of perspective. On the other hand, they know how to impart such an artistic charm by means of colour alone, as effectually compensates for these defects. The use of the word 'compensate', however, may mislead. It must not be inferred that any particular means of expression can singly avail in painting. The Italians are guided by established laws in the disposal of individual figures, as well as in composition, and rightly so; for these laws were the product of their particular culture and habits of mind. With equal right, however, the Dutch painters framed for themselves rules for the guidance of their art in harmony with national views and sentiments. It must not be supposed that these Dutchmen, after they had carefully completed the drawing of a picture, were content to overlay their pictures with colour for the sake of mere beauty of effect. They thought, they felt in colour, and composed in colour. The delicate gradation of colour, the disposal of light and shade in the mass, and chiaroscuro, are their natural means of expression. It is a matter of common observation that colour beautifies many an object which without it would be utterly insignificant, and to such objects the Dutch artists knew how to impart an ideal charm by the modulation of colour-tone. Household furniture, for example, was highly valued by the Dutchmen. In its carefully-ordered splendour and subdued brightness were reflected the delights of peaceful domestic life. Applied to art-purposes, it transcended meaner objects only in so far as it was richer in colours than they: and thus it was with scenes from every-day life, which were in like manner idealised by this mysterious witchery of colouring. It is impossible to convey in mere words any adequate idea of the effect of colour thus wielded. The eye alone can comprehend it, and has its opportunity in the study of the various galleries of Holland.

The 'Regent' and 'Doelen' pictures are among the most conspicuous creations of the Dutch school of painters. It was the custom for the presidents (Regents) of the various corporations, public and charitable institutions, to place in the guild-halls and shooting galleries (Doelen) portraits in groups of members of the various guilds, especially of the shooting societies. Among the earliest
pictures of this kind is the Commemoration Banquet of Bowmen, painted by Cornelis Anthonissen, in Amsterdam (1533); but it was later than this that the 'Regent-pieces' acquired their complete artistic significance. The Haarlem Museum possesses a 'Corporation-picture' by Cornelis Cornelissoon, dating from 1583, and four similar pieces by Frans Pieterssoon Grebber, the later of which are specially distinguished by the freshness of their colouring. In the hospital of Delft is a 'Regent-piece' by that prolific portrait-painter Michael van Mierevelt (born in Delft, 1568; died 1651), who has been erroneously described as painter to William of Orange (assassinated 1584). It is a so-called anatomical lecture, in the painting of which Mierevelt's son, Peter, took part. Jacob Gerritsz Cuyp,† founder of the painters' guild in Dordrecht, and Paul Moreelse, a pupil of Mierevelt, do not appear to have attempted the execution of the 'Regent' pictures proper; the greater is the number thereof to be ascribed to Thomas (Theodore) de Keyser and Jan van Ravesteyn. Thomas de Keyser was born probably in 1595. He was the son of an architect of Amsterdam, Hendrik de Keyser, and began to paint in 1616. His masterpieces are preserved in the new Ryks Museum in Amsterdam, and the gallery of the Hague. In the town-hall of the Hague, too, his contemporary, Jan van Ravesteyn can best be studied. But the treatment of the 'Regent' pictures and portrait groups generally was brought to its highest perfection first by Frans Hals, of Haarlem (p. lix), and more especially by that greatest of all the painters of the north, Rembrandt.

Slandered and grossly abused as Rembrandt has been by dilettanti scribes of the 18th century, the enthusiastic eulogium bestowed upon him by the youthful Goethe must be noticed as an exceptional tribute. It is only in quite recent times that the researches of Dutch savants, particularly of Scheltema and Vosmaer,‡, undertaken in a spirit of affectionate devotion, have vindicated the truth concerning him. Rembrandt Harmensz van Ryn, the son of a miller of Leyden, was born probably in 1607. That he first saw light in his father's mill is a story for which there is as little foundation as that he first studied art amongst his father's flour sacks. Jacob Swaneburgh, who had studied in Italy, and was married to a Neapolitan, and Peter Lastman were his first instructors. His earliest recognised work bears the date 1627; he removed to Amsterdam in 1630. Amsterdam had gradually outstripped the other towns of the Republic, and had become virtually its capital, ascendant not only in the domain of politics, but prescribing also the direction to be given to the study of art. A new and stately

† The termination 'szen' or 'szoon', abbreviated 'sz', which occurs so frequently in Flemish names, signifies son; thus Gerritsz = son of Gerhard, Harmensz = son of Harmen or Herman.
‡‡ Rembrandt, sa vie et ses œuvres, par C. Vosmaer. 2nd ed. The Hague, 1877.
architecture, which subsequently exercised extraordinary influence in Germany, testifies to the splendour of the town at that period. *Vondel, Huygens,* and *Hooff* represent the muse of Poetry, while numerous engravers and painters, of whom several connected themselves later with Rembrandt, such as *S. Koninck, Livens,* and *Van Vliet,* found employment in Amsterdam.

Rembrandt very soon made himself famous as an artist; fortune smiled upon him, too, in his love affairs. From the year 1633 the face of a good-tempered, handsome woman appears from time to time in his pictures. This is *Saskia van Ulenburgh,* the daughter of a Friesland lawyer, whom he brought home as his bride in 1634. The numerous portraits of Saskia, painted by the great artist with evident gusto, have familiarised us with her countenance; the best are those in the galleries of Dresden and Cassel. That in the Antwerp Museum is either a copy, or was painted from memory. After Saskia’s death (1642), Rembrandt’s private affairs took a turn for the worse. The great financial collapse, which since 1653 had continued in Amsterdam, bringing wide-spread and ruinous disaster upon the community, did not suffer our painter to escape. He was declared bankrupt in 1656, and an inventory of his effects was taken by the Commissioners of the ‘desolate-boedelkamer’, who brought them to the hammer in the following year. This inventory is still preserved, and is an all-sufficient reply to those who maintained that Rembrandt was destitute of refined tastes. The walls of his spacious apartments were covered not only with works from his own and his pupils’ hands, but such Italian masters as Palma, Giorgione, etc., were likewise represented. He also possessed numerous antique busts and miscellaneous curiosities, as well as a choice collection of engravings. Besides all this, the confidential intercourse which he maintained with Huygens and Jan Six sufficiently belies the opinion once current as to Rembrandt’s low-lived habits. Rembrandt did not marry a second time, but contented himself henceforth with the faithful affection and ministrations of his servant Hendrickje Stoffels (d. 1661). The close of his life found him poor and living in complete retirement; still busy notwithstanding, and still capable of laughter, as a portrait of himself from his own hand (painted about 1668), and now in a private collection in Paris, gives evidence. He died on 8th October, 1669.

In Rembrandt’s career as a painter we notice an uninterrupted and brilliant process of development. It is true that even his early works show his fondness for effects produced by strong and full light thrown upon the principal figures, but it is not till after several years residence in Amsterdam that his pictures are suffused with that rich golden brown tone which invests his masterpieces with their subtle and peculiar charm. About 1654 his pictures receive a still warmer and more subdued tone, and are brown even to dimness, but retain, nevertheless, an unaltering breadth in exe-
cution. These several methods of Rembrandt are admirably illustrated in his masterpieces exhibited in the various galleries of Holland. The 'Regent' picture in the Hague Collection, known as 'The Anatomical Lecture', which contains portraits of Professor Nicholas Tulp, and the members of the Surgeons' guild, belongs to the year 1632. This picture is an excellent example of the master's art, which has enabled him to animate a momentary action of this portrait group with dramatic life, by force of a concentrated expression and accentuation of tone. The 'Night Watch', preserved in the museum at Amsterdam, Rembrandt's greatest work, was painted ten years later. It bears the date 1642, and shows with what skill this master of chiaroscuro could, by its means, convert a prosaic occurrence, such as that of this band of citizen musketeers sallying forth from their guild-house, into a scene abounding in poetical expression, and exciting the liveliest emotions in the beholder. In the so-called 'Staalmeesters' picture, portraits of the syndics of the Clothmakers' guild in Amsterdam (belonging to the year 1661), the entire tone seems to be permeated by a golden-brown medium. Art has never again created a greater wealth of stirring imagery or poetry of colour so entrancing as these three pictures reveal to us. Unconsciously our thoughts recur to Shakespeare's familiar creations, and we recognise in these two mighty art-champions of the north kindred natures and a corresponding bent of fancy.

It must not, however, be assumed that Rembrandt confined himself to the representation of 'Regent' pieces, portrait groups (as the 'Jewish bride' in the Van der Hoop Collection in Amsterdam), and single portraits (e.g. Jan Six and Anna Six, in the collection of J. P. Six in Amsterdam). We possess many scriptural pictures by him, scenes from the New as well as Old Testament, for the most part scattered in other countries. The Hague, however, possesses examples of this class of pictures in 'Susanna at the bath', and 'Simeon in the Temple' (bearing the date 1631). Here, too, Rembrandt preserves a mode of treatment peculiarly his own. In representations of our Saviour's passion the tragic event is portrayed in a harsh matter-of-fact spirit, and might serve to illustrate the well-known hymn, 'O Head once full of bruises'. A serener, happier expression of solemnity prevails in the Parables, which enables us fully to realise their significance, often sufficiently obscure. Scenes from the youthful life of Christ have an idyllic charm of their own, and in all Rembrandt's religious compositions the endeavour is apparent to bring them within the range of human apprehension — a fact important for a right understanding of the Protestantism of the 17th century. Rembrandt touched also the regions of Mythology; but, as will be readily understood, with more doubtful success. On the other hand his landscapes, devoid of incident though they be, wide, unbroken, plain, exhibit the master's feeling for colour and poetical expression in the most favourable light.
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It need hardly be mentioned that in order to become intimately, and as it were personally acquainted with Rembrandt, the collection of his etchings, over 300 in number, must be carefully studied. Among the best-known, the rarest and most beautiful, are 'Rembrandt's portrait with the Sword', 'Lazarus Rising from the Dead', the 'Hundred Florin Plate' ('Healing of the Sick'; the former name, by which it was popularly known in the 18th century, now no longer applies, inasmuch as in 1867 the sum of 1000£ was paid for a single impression), 'Annunciation', 'Ecce Homo', 'The good Samaritan', 'The great Descent from the Cross', the portraits of Tolling, Bonus, Six, the landscape with the mill, and that with the three trees.

A goodly array of pupils and imitators are gathered around Rembrandt. His influence was not confined to Amsterdam alone, but extended to the neighbouring schools, that of Haarlem, for example. Amongst his more immediate followers may be mentioned Gerard van den Eeckhout (1621-74), whose works frequently bear Rembrandt's name (the Museum of Amsterdam possesses one of the best of his pictures — The Adulteress), and Ferdinand Bol of Dordrecht (1609-81), who deserted his native style after the death of his master. The 'Regent' picture, formerly in the Lepers' Hospital, and now in the new Ryks Museum, at Amsterdam, belongs to his best time.

Govert Flinck, of Cleves (1615-60), may be said almost to have rivalled Rembrandt at the outset of his career. Besides his two best 'Regent' pieces (dated 1642 and 1648), there is in the Museum of Amsterdam a scriptural picture by him. It represents Isaac in the act of blessing Jacob, a favourite subject with the school of Rembrandt. Amongst the number of Rembrandt's satellites are also Jan Livens and Jan Fictoor or Victors, a name by which several artists are known; Ph. Koninck, the landscape painter; Salomon Koninck, whose scriptural pictures and portraits bear so strong a superficial resemblance to those of Rembrandt that they are often mistaken for his; Jacob Backer (1609-51), intimately associated in his youth with Govert Flinck, and his companion in Rembrandt's workshop; Nicholas Maes, of Dordrecht, whose best works belong to the time of his youth (1650-60), as, having in after-life settled in Antwerp, he seriously deteriorated under the influences of the school of Rubens; Karel Fabritius, who came to a premature end by a powder explosion in Delft (1654); and Bernard Fabritius.

Another of the most eminent contemporaries of Rembrandt was Jan van der Meer (1632-70), of Delft, who must not be confounded with the landscape painter of the same name (p. lxii). Van der Meer pursued a course of great independence and seems to have been influenced by no other master except, to a slight extent, Karel Fabritius. Young women engaged in all kinds of household work, or in the more congenial occupation of love-making, interiors, street scenes, and landscapes, are his favourite subjects, all wond-
rously pure in colour, abounding in delightful effects of perspective, full of life, at once truthful and charming, entitling them to rank amongst the gems of Dutch art. Scarcely inferior to him is Peter de Hooch, celebrated for his fascinating effects of light, whereby he is frequently confounded with Van der Meer of Delft. And last, but not least, of this artist array who, whether as pupils or followers, are associated with Rembrandt, comes Gerard Dou (born at Leyden 1613; died 1680), the great master of minuteness of finish, whose 'Night Schools', 'Maidens by candle light', and 'Hermit's are in so much favour with the public, commanding prices commensurate with the admiration bestowed upon them, though it must be said of his works that skillful and delicate manipulation takes the place of poetical expression, and that the range of his fancy is contracted in measure corresponding with his painstaking elaboration of finish. This latter quality, however, must receive its due meed of praise.

On the other hand, Dou is connected with a number of painters of declining excellence, such as Frans van Mieris the Elder, of Leyden (1635–81), Pieter van Sligeland, of Leyden (1640–91), Godfrey Schalcken (born at Dort, 1643; died at the Hague, 1706), A. van Gaesbeek, Abraham de Pape (d. 1666), and many others.

It will be seen, then, that Rembrandt's influence was as weighty and comprehensive as the products of his easel were great in number and surpassing in quality. Painters of the most widely differing motives acknowledge him as their master and example, and he has led the way, not only in historical and portrait painting, but in landscape too, and in the so-called genre painting. In this respect Bartholomea van der Helst, to whom many would assign a place amongst the foremost realists next to Rembrandt, cannot compare with him. Van der Helst was born at Haarlem in 1611 or 1612, and ended his days there in 1670, in the enjoyment of great wealth and general esteem. Nothing is known of his teachers, nothing of his relations with Rembrandt, whose path he appears to be continually crossing without compromising his independence. He was the favourite portrait painter of the wealthy burghers of Amsterdam, and confined himself almost entirely to the painting of 'Regent' pieces and portraits. His most celebrated work, the Arquebusiers' Banquet (1648), is in the Museum of Amsterdam (which also possesses the Arquebusiers' Guild of 1639, and the 'Doelenstukk' of 1657), and when compared with Rembrandt's 'Night Watch', admirably illustrates the points of difference between the two masters. Van der Helst presents to us Nature as she is, unrelieved, a bare reality. If Nature herself could paint she would have given us a picture such as Van der Helst's. It is otherwise with Rembrandt. Upon all his works he sets the seal of his individuality. As the reality presents itself to his eye, so he reproduces it with just that degree of truthfulness which his intention prescribes. Van der Helst's are mere imitations, illusive in their fidelity, but leaving no enduring impression.
Frans Hals, of Haarlem, a somewhat earlier painter, so far at least as the effects of his training in the great Master's school are concerned, is more akin to him than Van der Helst. Though of Haarlem parentage, he was born at Antwerp (about 1584). When he returned to Haarlem is not known. He married in 1610, unhappily as the event proved, for in 1616 he was brought before the Burgomaster for ill-treating his wife, and had to promise to abstain for the future from 'dronkenschappe'. Of the joys of conviviality which he could so well depict he freely partook, and thus got into difficulties which his prolific pencil failed to avert. His goods and chattels were sold by auction in 1652 to pay his debts, and he became in his old age a pensioner of the State. His death took place in 1666, at the age of 82, his labours having extended over half-a-century. The earliest of his paintings known to us bears the date 1616, the Banquet of Officers of the George's Guild of Musketeers, in the Museum of Haarlem, where the most considerable of this master's 'Regent-pieces' are collected. Amongst these the Assembly of Officers of the Andreas Guild (1633), and Assembly of Officers of the George's Guild (1639), are the best. Rembrandt's influence is still apparent in pictures of the succeeding decade, without however impairing the individuality of the artist. The utmost vivacity of conception, purity of colour, and breadth of execution, which in his latest works betrays a handling of the brush so uncompromising that drawing is almost lost in a maze of colour-tone, are distinguishing characteristics of Frans Hals, who, besides the 'Regent-pieces' referred to, was the author of numerous portraits; and he has immortalised such popular figures as the 'Rommelpott-players', 'The tipsy old wife, Hille Bobbe', 'The jolly shoemaker, Jan Barentz', ready either for a drinking bout or for service in the fleet with Admiral van Tromp.

His best known pupils are Adrian Brouwer (b. at Oudenarde, 1605; d. Antwerp, 1638), and Adrian van Ostade (b. Haarlem, 1610; died there, 1685). As we do not possess more correct biographical data concerning the former of these, we must accept as true the stories told of him and his fellows by authors of the 18th century. He is his master's most formidable rival in the naïve conception of national character, as well as in mere technical skill; and had he lived long enough to mature his natural powers, he must have borne away the palm now conceded to Adrian Ostade. In the earlier efforts of Adrian van Ostade, we are reminded of Brouwer; it was after the year 1640, or thereabouts, when the influence of Rembrandt was in the ascendant with him, that he first displayed those technical qualities and artistic predilections which have made him a favourite with the most fastidious connoisseurs. Grace and beauty are attributes which the forms crowded into his cottage-interiors or animating his court-yard scenes certainly do not possess; but they always abound in lusty life, characteristic and appropriate, whether playing cards, intent upon the enjoyment of pipe and glass, or dancing accompanied
by the ever-present fiddler; and with such marvellous effect is colour accentuated, so complete is his mastery of chiaroscuro, that nearly every picture may be said to provide a new ‘feast for the eye’. With Ostade are connected his brother, *Isaac van Ostade* (1620-57?), *Cornelis Bega* (1620-64), and *Cornelis Dusart* (1660-1704).

And thus we are brought to the almost innumerable throng of **Genre Painters**, who have imparted to Dutch art its peculiarly distinctive attributes, and have secured its greatest triumphs. It would be difficult to distinguish amongst the genre painters of Holland various degrees of excellence, inasmuch as each in his respective, and, as a rule, contracted sphere, has asserted an indisputable supremacy. It is unfortunate that the greater number of their works have been transferred to foreign galleries, and are rarely to be met with in Dutch collections, so that Holland is no longer exclusively the place where the genre and landscape-painters of the Netherlands can be studied. It must suffice, therefore, to mention the most conspicuous names.

The genre painters are usually divided into several groups, according to the subjects which they make peculiarly their own; pictures, for example, belong to the higher or lower genre as they set before us the more refined or coarser aspects of social life, the world of fashion, or the vulgar herd. These, however, are merely adventitious distinctions, and do not by any means sufficiently account for this latest development of Dutch art, resolving itself as it did into a number of local schools. *Dirk Hals* (probably a younger brother of Frans Hals, to whom many genre works by Dirk have been ascribed), *Anton Palamedesz*, *J. A. van Duck*, *Pieter Codde*, and others, abound in pictures of soldiers and cavaliers contending with Venus and Bacchus, or engaged in the sterner encounter of pitched battle and skirmish; in illustrations, too, of the fierce licence engendered by the wars of the 17th century; figures roaming hither and thither without restraint, lusty and light-hearted. In striking contrast to such scenes as these are the pictures of a peaceful and refined domestic life, occasionally disconcerted by the vicissitudes of love, which formed the favourite theme of *Gerard Terburg*, born at Zwolle in 1608, a man who had travelled much and who died at Deventer in 1681. He, together with his successors, *Gabriel Metsu*, of Leyden and Amsterdam (b. 1630, d. after 1667), *Caspar Netscher* (b. at Heidelberg, 1639; died at the Hague, 1684), etc., are generally known as ‘stuff’ painters, owing to the attention they bestow upon drapery stuffs, especially silks and satins. It must be borne in mind, however, that in the absence of these external properties, thus carefully supplied, the refinements of life could not be invested with appropriate pictorial splendour. But that these painters were not the mere imitators of stuff and texture, that they were capable of emotion, and could give utterance to the sentiments of romance, will be sufficiently evident to those who study the ‘Paternal Warning’ of *Terburg* in the Museum at
Amsterdam. As a portrait painter, too, Terburg has made a great reputation. (His 'Peace Congress of Münster', his most celebrated piece, was lately sold with the Demidoff collection for 182,000 fr.)

Jan Steen, the so-called jolly landlord of Leyden (1626-79), who, however, painted also at the Hague and Haarlem, was likewise a painter of social subjects, but in a line and in a manner quite his own. That he was a low-lived tippler is simply one of those wholly gratuitous slanders with which it was once the fashion to besmirch the painters of Holland. A jovial life was probably not repugnant to his tastes; and what is more to our purpose is the fact that a spontaneous joyousness pervades his works, and a sparkling sense of humour too; while as a colourist he must be looked upon as the foremost of the entire school. His pictures might be entitled comedies of life, in which man's follies are chastised with satire, and his weaknesses held up to ridicule, but without the glaring exaggeration and obtrusive moralising which make Hogarth's pictures (with whom Jan Steen has much in common) so unpleasant to look upon. Family feasts and merry makings, the wedding of ill-assorted couples, quacks and their quackeries, lovelorn maidens ('hier baat geen medecijn, want het is minne pijjn'), tavern brawls and similar scenes are his favourite subjects. Jan Steen has, and with justice, been likened to Molière. The greater number and the best of his works are in England. He is very partially represented in the museums of Amsterdam and the Hague. The Duc d'Arenberg possesses in his Brussels collection one of the very rare scriptural pieces by this master, the 'Marriage at Cana'.

Jan Steen is a solitary personage. He stands alone, and has no followers. So much the more numerous, and at the same time intimately associated, are the painters whose genius found employment in the domain of landscape, which they rendered with true artistic appreciation, and enriched as well as animated by the addition of living forms. Very frequently these 'landscapes with figures' are the result of friendly co-operation. Thus Adrian van de Velde (1635-72), one of the most estimable as well as gifted of Dutch painters, supplied the figures for the landscapes of his master Wynants, for Moucheron, and even for Hobbema and Ruysdael. Philip Wouwerman (1620-68) has perhaps the greatest reputation for these figure pictures, of which some 800 may still be reckoned. Cavalry combats, hunting scenes, in which horses always play a conspicuous part, he has repeated with endless variations, without however passing the bounds of mediocrity. To enumerate the names of all who occupied this particular field is simply impracticable, for it is precisely in this field that Dutch art was most prolific. We must, however, mention (as akin to the foregoing) Paul Potter (b. 1625; d. Amsterdam, 1654), chief of animal painters, to whose pictures landscape lends idyllic charms, and whom we must accept as a classical example of the entire fraternity. A con-
summate draughtsman, he was at least as eminent as a colourist, especially in his smaller pictures. *Karel du Jardin* (1625-78), an exuberantly fertile painter, owes his best qualities to the foregoing, but the inequality of his works shows his inability to resist other less favourable influences. Other 'idyllic' painters are *Jan Asselty* (1610-60) and *Nicolas Berchem* (1620-83), both of Amsterdam.

As landscape painters must be named *Jan van Goyen* of the Hague (1596-1656); *Albert Cuyp* of Dordrecht (1620-91), son of Jacob Gerritsz (p. liv), also eminent as a painter of portraits and animals; *Jan Wynants* of Haarlem (1600-70), famous for the number of his pupils and his own steady development; *Allart van Everdingen* (Alkmaar, 1621-75); *Jacob Ruysdael* (born 1625, at Haarlem; d. 1681), 'exceling all other masters in a feeling for the poetry of northern landscape combined with the power of graphic embodiment'; and *Meindert Hobbema*, whose merits have only recently come to be appreciated. Hobbema was born at Amsterdam, 1638, and died in 1709. His works exhibit a moderate talent only for composition; the same motive constantly recurs in his pictures (the figures are for the most part by another hand); but in delicacy and thoroughness of elaboration, more particularly in his treatment of atmosphere and light, his pictures must be highly prized as works of genius of the highest order. — *Jan van der Meer* of Haarlem (1678-91) shows himself near of kin to Jacob Ruysdael. Numerous other landscape painters remained true to their national scenery, but in many cases they lapsed into a kind of mannerism, which is very apparent in the moonlight scenes of *Aaart van der Neer* (of Amsterdam, 1603-82). Fashion also began to demand the study of Italian landscapes, and in the second half of the 17th cent. compositions of this kind are decidedly predominant. Among the earliest examples of this tendency are *Jan Both* of Utrecht (c. 1610-50), *Adam Pynacker* (1621-73), and *Herman Swanevelt* (1620-59?).

It is well known how marine painting (Willem van de Velde, the Younger, 1633-1707; Hendrik van Vliet, d. 1675 at Delft), and architectural painting (*Jan van der Heyden*, 1637-1712, and *Emanuel de Witte*, 1607-92), prospered in Holland, and how the national art, as it were with its last breath, gave birth to the so-called 'still-life' (*W. van Aelst* of Delft) and flower painting (*Jan Davidsz de Heem*, 1600-1674, Utrecht and Amsterdam; *Rachel Ruysh*, 1664-1750, Amsterdam; *Jan van Huysum*, 1682-1749).

We conclude these slight observations with the wish that they may induce to a more searching study of Dutch art in a careful examination of the works themselves, and we recommend all who take an interest in the subject to read *Burger's* well known book on the 'Musées de la Hollande', in which Dutch painting is most exhaustively treated.
1. From London to Ostend.

There are two direct routes from London to Ostend: 1. Via Dover, twice daily, in 6½-8 hrs.; 2. By Gen. Steam Nav. Co.'s steamers, twice weekly, in 10-12 hrs. The former route is recommended to those whose time is limited; the latter is pleasant in fine weather, and considerably less expensive (chief cabin 15s., fore cabin 10s.): — Comp. R. 11.

Ostend. — The Central Railway Station (Pl. B, 4) lies on the S. side of the town, at a considerable distance from the sea and the principal hotels, but is connected with the steamboat-pier (Pl. C, D, 4) by rails used for the through-traffic with England via Dover. Omnibuses from the hotels meet both the trains and the steamers (fare usually 50 c.). Cab from the station to the town 1 fr.; luggage under 56 lbs. free; for over-weight 21/2 c. per lb. Travellers proceeding direct to Antwerp through the Waesland (p. 56) should book to Bruges only, and there take a fresh ticket via Ghent (see p. 9 and R. 10). If a through-ticket from Ostend to Antwerp be taken, the traveller is conveyed by the longer route via Malines.

Hotels. On the Digue, with unimpeded views of the sea, nearly all large, new, and very expensive. In the height of the season the 20-30 fr. per day are demanded for a room on the first floor, facing the sea. To the S.W. of the Cursaal: Hôtel Continental (Pl. p; B, 2), an imposing establishment, D. 5 fr. Adjacent, Hôtel de l'Océan (Pl. b; B, 2); Hôtel de la Plage (Pl. a; B, 2); Hôtel Souvenir. Rooms may also be procured at the Pavillon du Rhin (see next page), farther on. Lastly, beyond the royal villa (p. 4), Hôtel du Chalet Royal, with restaurant. — To the N.E. of the Cursaal: Hôtel Royal Belge; Grand Hôtel d'Ostende, with a restaurant; Grand Hôtel du Littoral (Pl. m; C, 2, 3), at the corner of the Rue du Cerf; Hôtel de Russie, between the Rue de Flandre and Rue Louise; Hôtel Villa Nemrod, a smaller house with a café-restaurant; Grand Hôtel du Phare (Pl. g; D, 2), almost at the end of the Digue, with restaurant.

Adjoining the Digue: Hôtel Royal de Prusse (Pl. h; D, 2), at the corner of the Boulevard du Nord and the Rue des Capucines, R. 5, A. 1, B. 1½, D. 5, 'pens.' 10-12 fr.; Hôtel Imperial (Pl. e; B, 2), just beyond the Cursaal, D. 4 fr.; Hôtel de la Digue (Pl. s; D, 2); Hôtel des Arcades (Pl. t; B, 2), with restaurant; these all command a view of the sea from the upper windows.

In the Town. Between the Digue and the Place d'Armes: Hôtel Mann (Pl. j; C, 2), in the Rue Louise, close to the Boulevard van Iseghem. Adjacent, Hôtel du Boulevard, with café-restaurant. Hôtel de Flandre (Pl. k; C, 2), first-class; Welt's Hôtel du Nord (Pl. t; C, 2), D. 2½ fr., both in the Rue de Flandre. Grand Hôtel Fontaine (Pl. m; C, 2), a large first-class house, with spacious dining-room containing several old pictures by Netherlandish artists, D. 5 fr.; Hôtel Frank (Pl. n; C, 2), Hôtel de Vienne (Pl. o; C, 2); these three in the Rue Longue, between the Rue Louise and the Rue de Flandre; Hôtel de l'Union, Rue Longue 85, with café-restaurant. Hôtel Mertian (Pl. p; C, 2), first-class; Cercle Catholique (Pl. q; C, 2), with chapel, both in the Rue de l'Ouest. — More to the W.: Hôtel du Suède (Pl. r; B, 2), Place du Théâtre, with restaurant. In or near the Place d'Armes: Hôtel du Grand Café (Pl. v; C, 2, 3), corner of the Rue Louise and the Rue de Brabant, first-class; opposite, Hôtel de l'Empereur (Pl. w; C, 2, 3), with restaurant; Hôtel du Lion d'Or (Pl. u; C, 2), corner of the Rue de Flandre and the Rue St. Sébastien, old-fashioned Belgian house, D. 3 fr.; Hôtel de Grand et d'Albion (Pl. x; C, D, 3), in the Marché aux Herbes; Hôtel-Pension Victoria (Pl. y; C, 3), Rue de l'Eglise. COUR D'ANGLETERRE (Pl. z; C, 3). Rue de la Bardeker's Belgium and Holland. 8th Edit.
Chapelle 10; opposite, Hôtel de Bavière, Rue de la Chapelle 15; Europe (Pl. a; D. 2), Rue des Capucins, D. 2½ fr., and Étoile (Pl. b ; C. 3), more unpretending; Hôtel St. Pierre, Rue Christine.

Still farther from the sea, *Grand Hôtel Marion (Pl. c; C. 3), Rue de l'Eglise 33, first-class; Hôtel de la Marine (Pl. d; C. 3), Cour de France (Pl. e; C. 3), D. 2½ fr., side by side in the Rue de la Chapelle; opposite, Hôtel St. Denis (Pl. f; C. 3), No. 44; Hôtel des Nations (Pl. g; C. 3), No. 60; Hôtel de l'Agnau, Rue St. Paul 36, moderate. *Hôtel d'Allemagne or Straké (Pl. i; C. 3), Rue du Quai 24, first-class, B. 1½, D. 4, 'pens' 8-12 fr.; Hôtel du Rhin (Pl. k; C. 4), Place St. Joseph. Couronne, Quai de l'Empereur, near the railway-station; Ship Hotel, near the steamboat-pier. — All the hotels on the Digue and many of those in the town are open during the season only, but the last-named are always open.

Hôtel Garnis and Private Lodgings abound both on the Digue and in the town. Even at the beginning or the close of the season (1st June to 15th Oct.), a room cannot be obtained under 3-5 fr. a day, or 15-30 fr. per week. The rent of a small suite of rooms (dining-room, drawing-room, three bedrooms, kitchen) in June is about 300 fr., in July 500 fr., August 800 fr., and September 600 fr. — The contract should be committed to writing; if the hirer contemplates a prolonged stay. The usual charge for a plain breakfast is 75 c.-1 fr., for attendance 50 c. per day. French is often imperfectly understood by the Flemish servants. — The hirer should see that attendance is expressly included in the agreement, both in private apartments and at the hotels garnis, as otherwise he is liable to an extra charge of 1 fr. per day.

Restaurants in the Town: *Frères Provençaux, Rue de Flandre 22, good, but expensive; *Taverne Allemande (ground-floor of Welt's Hôtel du Nord, see above), beer. Many of the summer-residents at Ostend cater for their own breakfast and luncheon at one of the 'charcutiers' or purveyors of preserved meats, such as *Raeymackers, Rue de l'Ouest 4; Au Gourmet, in the Hôtel du Nord, Rue de Flandre. — Wine at Michens-Verhœst, Rue de Flandre 15 (claret from 1 fr. 10 c. per bottle; ale or porter 10 fr. per dozen; or 1 fr. per bottle; also tea, etc.). — Beer at several taverns and beer-saloons.

Restaurants on the Digue, dear, and attendance often bad. The Cursaal (Pl. B. 1, 2), an extensive establishment with restaurant, café, a reading-room, a large hall, and galleries commanding an extensive view of sea and land, open to subscribers only, is the principal resort of visitors during the bathing season. With its gardens it occupies an area of about 13,000 sq. yards. Subscribers for a week or upwards are admitted to the balls at the Casino (see below). Belgian, French, and other newspapers. Subscriptions: per day 3, 4 days 9, per week 17, per fortnight 31, per month 53½, six weeks 68½, per season 76 fr.; 2 pers. 6, 17, 32½, 59½, 76, 83½, 91 fr.; three pers. 9, 25, 44½, 68½, 83½, 94½, 106 fr. — Restaurants in the above-mentioned hotels, Continental, de l'Océan, de la Plage, and Beau-Rivage; also at the Pavillon du Rhin (Pl. f; A. 1), the farthest to the S., with an oyster and lobster-park. — At the opposite (N.) end of the Digue: Hôtels Royal Beige, Ostende, Littoral, Beau-Site, de Russie, see p. 1. Adjacent, the Hôtel du Phare (Pl. g, D. 2 ; see p. 1), 'plats du jour' from 10 to 2 o'clock 1½-1½ fr., D. from 2 to 7 p.m. 4 fr. — Farther on, between the approaches to the Estacade, is an Estaminet where oysters are sold. — Table d'hôte at the hotels, the Cursaal (for subscribers), and the Pavillon du Rhin (4 fr.). — It is customary at all these establishments to give a few sous to the waiter at each repast.

Cafés, besides those above mentioned: Grande Pâtisserie, Rue de Flandre 32, also a restaurant (Déj. 3, D. 5 fr.); *Noppeney, corner of the Rue de Flandre and the Rue Longue (confectioner); Cave de Munich, Rue de Flandre, in the Hôtel de Flandre (p. 1). The Société Littéraire on the ground-floor of the Hôtel de Ville (Pl. 7; C. 3), to which strangers are not admitted unless introduced by a member (first 5 days gratis, afterwards 3 fr. per month), contains a restaurant and reading-room.

Water. The drinking-water of Ostend is indifferent. Seltzer-water
or other aerated waters in 'siphons' (50 c.) will be found wholesome for 
drinking, and may be procured at Noppeney's, Rue de Flandre (see above).

**Baths** (p. 5). Bathing-time from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. — Tickets must be 
obtained at the office on the beach: machine (for not longer than 40 min.) 
including costume and two towels 1 fr., two additional towels 20 c. (re-
gular bathers should purchase these requisites for themselves). At the 
'Paradis', where a bathing-costume is not obligatory, the charges are 
the same. Near the old lighthouse (Pl. D, E, 2), is the 'Section Est', a bathing-
place for the less robust bathers. — Invalids and persons unaccustomed 
to sea-bathing may procure the services of a 'baigneur' or 'baigneuse' for 
50 c. more. The driver of the machine generally receives 5 c., and 5 c. 
given for cleaning the machine. Valuables should be left at home. 
— Tents and 'marquises' for sitting on the beach 1-1 1/2 fr. per day, or 
6-9 fr. per week. Chairs, 10 c.

**Warm Salt-Water Baths** at Tratsaert's, Rue St. Sébastien 26, with 
douche, 3 fr., per doz. 30 fr.; fresh-water bath 4 fr., per doz. 40 fr.; 
shower-bath ('douche de force') 5 fr., per doz. 50 fr.; Hoed's, Rue de 
l'Eglise 23, bath 2 1/2 fr., per doz. 24 fr.

**Cabs** (Voitures de place; stands at the railway-station and in the mar-
ket-place) 1 fr. per drive in the town; first hour 1 1/2 fr.; each 1/2 hr. ad-
ditional 50 c.; at night 1 1/2 fr. per drive, 2 1/4 fr. per hour. The fares for 
'paniers', carriages of a superior description, are higher: drive in the town 
1 1/2 fr., 1 hr. 3, each following hr. 2 fr. — There is no tariff for drives 
outside the town.

**Donkeys** for hire at the S. end of the Digue, 1 fr. per hour; **Ponies**, 
2 fr. per hour.

**Sailing Boats** with 2 men for 1/2 hr. 3, 1 hr. 5, 2 hrs. 6 fr.; with 3 
men 5, 6, 8 fr.; with 4 men 6, 8, 12 fr. Previous agreement necessary 
when the party consists of more than 4 persons, as otherwise 1 fr. more 
for each may be demanded. — Beggars are a great annoyance in Ostend.

**Concerts and Balls.** Concerts daily at the Cursaal and every evening 
in the new Music Pavilion, near the old lighthouse (Pl. D, 2). Balls on 
Sun., Tues., and Thurs. in the Casino, a handsome ball-room on the first 
floor of the Hôtel de Ville (p. 4); admission for non-subscribers to the 
Cursaal 3 fr. ('toilette de ville', i.e. a black coat).

**Panorama,** near the Cursaal, containing at present the 'Storming of 
Cabul' (adm. 50 c.).

**Horse Races** are held in the Hippodrome Wellington (p. 4) several 
times during the season.

**Circulating Libraries** (Cabinets de lecture). Godtfurneau, Marie 
Asseloes, both in the Rue Longue. Newspapers are sold by Daniels-Dubar, 
Rue de la Chapelle 25. The Saison d'Ostende, which appears daily, is 
the official organ of the Cursaal authorities; the Sunday issue is furnished 
gratis to the subscribers to the Cursaal.

**Physicians.** Dr. Corbisier, Rue St. Georges; Dr. de Hondt, Rue de la 
Chapelle 62; Dr. de Jumné, Rue Longue; Dr. Janssens, Marché-aux-
Herbes; Dr. van Oye, Rue St. Sébastien; Dr. Schramme, Rue des Capucins; 
Dr. Verscheure, Boul. van Iseghem.

**Bankers.** Agency of the Banque Nationale, Rue de Flandre; Bach & Co, 
Rue des Capucins 9.

**Post and Telegraph Office,** Rue des Sœurs Blanches 10, open 7 a.m. 
to 7 p.m.

**English Church** (Pl. 9; D, 2, 3) at the E. end of the Rue Longue; ser-
tices at 11 a.m. and 3.30 p.m.; chaplain, Rev. H. W. Overstreet Fletcher, M. A.

**Ostend** (19,400 inhab.), the second seaport of Belgium, owes 
most of its importance to the great passenger-traffic between Lon-
don and the continent, of which it has long been one of the prin-
cipal avenues. It also possesses 160 fishing-boats, manned by 850 
men, being fully one-half the number belonging to the whole king-
dom; and of late years it has become a great sea-bathing resort.
The town was once strongly fortified. In 1601-1604 it sustained one of the most remarkable sieges on record, and was only surrendered to the Spanish general Spinola in consequence of orders received from the States General. In the Spanish War of Succession, after the Battle of Höchstädt, Ostend was occupied by the allies under Marlborough. In 1745 Louis XV. took the fortress after a siege of 18 days, and in 1794 it was again taken by the French, who held it until 1814. The fortifications were demolished in 1863, and have been converted into promenades. Since then many fine buildings have been erected along the beach.

The main street of the town is the Rue de la Chapelle (Pl. C, 4, 3), leading from the station to the market-place (Place d'Armes), where it changes its name to Rue de Flandres or Vlaanderstraat (Pl. C, 2). It has lately been extended hence as far as the Digue, near which the principal shops, including some large emporiums of shells, are situated.

Few of the public buildings of Ostend are worthy of note. The Church of SS. Peter and Paul (Pl. 6; C, 3, 4) contains a monument to Queen Louise (p. 99), who died here in 1850, by Fraikin. — The large Town Hall (Pl. 7) is in the Place d'Armes (Pl. C, 2, 3). The ground-floor is occupied by the Société Littéraire, mentioned on p. 2, while the ball-rooms of the Casino (p. 3) are on the first floor. The tower is surmounted by an anemometer, or wind-gauge. — The Church of St. Catharine, in the Rue Christine, finished in 1883, has been built in the style of the 13th cent. and is a copy of an old church of Ghent, now pulled down. The interior contains finely-carved choir-stalls and pulpit. — The Parc Léopold (Pl. B, 3) is tastefully laid out and will be a pleasant resort when the trees are larger.

Ostend is one of the most fashionable and cosmopolitan watering-places in Europe. During the season (1st June-15th Oct.) it attracts 12,000 visitors from all parts of Europe, especially from Belgium and France. The chief promenade is the Digue, a stone dyke or bulwark upwards of 1 M. in length, about 33 yds. wide, and 33 ft. in height, extending along the coast from N.E. to S.W. With the exception of the carriage-road, 13 yds. in breadth, the whole is laid with terracotta bricks. Several approaches ascend to it from the town. Along the Digue stretches a row of handsome new buildings, including the hotels and restaurants mentioned on pp. 1, 2, and numerous private villas, some of which are tasteful structures in the Flemish Renaissance style. Near the middle rises the handsome Cursaal (Pl. B, 1, 2; p. 2), erected in 1876-78, from the designs of Naert of Brussels. Farther on, upon a lofty dune, stands the Palais du Roi (Pl. A, 1), or royal villa, beyond which the Digue extends to Fort Wellington. Adjacent is the new Hippodrome Wellington (p. 3). The scene presented by this promenade and its environs during the height of the season
will strike the English traveller who witnesses it for the first time as novel and amusing. The fact that a very large proportion of the visitors are inlanders, who have never seen the sea, and are now for the first time in their lives rejoicing in its health-restoring breezes and ever-changeful aspect, sufficiently accounts for the popularity of a place which affords few other attractions. The traveller, therefore, by visiting the Digue on a warm summer-evening, will at a glance witness the most characteristic phase of Ostend life.

The Bathing Places (Pl. A, B, 1) adjoin the Digue on the S.W. side, and there are about 400 bathing-machines. Most of the visitors bathe in the morning. There is here, as at French watering-places, no separation of the sexes; but the strictest propriety is observed, and every bather is provided with a costume. Ladies may avoid publicity by bathing at a very early hour. Gentlemen who prefer bathing 'sans costume' should go to the 'Paradis' (Pl. A, 1), where, as its name imports, they may dispense with a bathing-dress. This privileged spot is at the end of the Digue, towards the S.W.

At the N.E. end of the Digue is the Estacade (Pl. E, 2), consisting of two estacades, or piers (the W. about \( \frac{1}{3} \) M. in length, the E. a hundred paces longer), which shelter the entrance to the harbour and afford a view of the arriving and departing steamers. They are provided with seats, and serve as a public promenade.

The entrance to the harbour (Chenal; Pl. E, 2) is 165 yds. in length. The Harbour itself consists of the Avant-Port, the Bassin du Commerce, and the Arrière-Port. The Bassin de Chasse (Pl. E, 3, 4), with its massive gates, was constructed for the purpose of sweeping away the sandbanks at the mouth of the harbour, the water being confined within it at high tide, and allowed to escape suddenly at low tide. The other parts of the harbour and the locks of Slykens (p. 6) were constructed under Emp. Joseph II. — At the upper end of the New Basin lies the Fish Market (Marché aux Poissons; Pl. D, 4), a circular building with an open court, where the auctions described at p. 6 take place from 7 to 8 a.m. on the return of the fishing-boats.

Beyond the entrance to the harbour and the Bassin de Chasse just mentioned, which we skirt for 10 min., rises the Lighthouse (Nouveau Phare; Pl. F, 4), 174 ft. in height, which should be inspected by those who have never seen the interior of such a structure. (As there is no tariff for excursions by boat to the lighthouse, a bargain should be made beforehand; 25-30 c., or, there and back, 50-75 c., is sufficient.) The lantern (fee \( \frac{1}{2} \) fr.) contains a series of prisms, resembling beehives in shape, and reflectors of copper plated with platina, by which arrangement the light is said to be intensified a thousand-fold, and to be visible at a distance of 45 M. The top commands an extensive view in fine weather. Nieuport, Furnes, and even Dunkirk are seen towards the S.W., the Cursaal of Blankenberghe to the N.E., and the towers of Bruges to the E.
The Oyster Parks (Huitrières) are extensive reservoirs on the N.E. and S.W. sides of the Digue (several near the Bruges Gate), where vast quantities of these favourite bivalves are stored throughout the greater part of the year. They are imported from the English coast, and kept here in prime condition by daily supplies of clarified sea-water. Their price varies from 5 to 8 fr. per hundred, and upwards. Abundant and fresh supplies may therefore always be procured, except in the height of summer, when they are out of season. Lobsters, brought chiefly from Norway, are kept in separate receptacles in the huitrières, and fetch from 2 to 6 fr. each. Fish is generally plentiful, especially in summer, when transport is difficult. A large turbot may often be bought for 10-15 fr.; soles, cod, haddocks, mackerel, and skate are of course less expensive. Crabs, shrimps, and mussels are also abundant. Shells of every variety may be purchased.

All these different kinds of fish are sold by public auction in the fish-market (p. 5), under the supervision of the municipal authorities. The principal sales take place on fast days (Wed. and Frid.). The salesman fixes a high price in sous for each lot, and then gradually descends, until a bidder calls out 'myn' and thus becomes the purchaser. The great advantage of this 'Dutch auction' is that a single bid settles the matter, and much confusion is thus prevented. Most of the purchasers are women, who afterwards retail the fish in the market. The Flemish language alone is spoken on these occasions, and the spectator has an excellent opportunity of witnessing a characteristic scene of Belgian life. — An immense number of rabbits are killed annually on the Dunes around Ostend.

The luminous appearance of the sea, caused by the presence of innumerable mollusca, almost invisible to the naked eye, is brightest on sultry summer nights, and is a never-failing source of interest to many of the visitors. It is best observed when the lock-gates of the Bassin de Chasse (p. 5) are opened at low water, provided, of course, the hour be suitable. Tide-tables are to be found in the Guide Officiel (p. xvi), and may also be purchased at the book-shops.

Several ecclesiastical and popular Festivals are celebrated at Ostend in July and August, including the 'Kermesses', at which the Belgian archers, of whom there are numerous clubs, always act a prominent part, displaying extraordinary strength and skill. The most interesting church-festival is the Procession on St. Peter's Day (29th June), when the ceremony of blessing the sea is performed before a large concourse of fishermen and their families.

Slykens (Café de la Concorde), 1 1/4 M. to the E. of Ostend, a village on the road to Bruges, may easily be visited on foot.

A pleasant walk along the beach may be taken to Mariakerke (Zwaan), a village about 2 M. to the S.W., separated from the sea by lofty sandbanks. It is intended to prolong the Ostend digue from Fort Wellington (p. 4) to Mariakerke, which is also frequented for sea-bathing (bathing-coach 50 c.). About 3 M. beyond Mariakerke lies Middelkerke (Hôtel des Bains), the starting-point
of the submarine telegraph cable to the English coast. There is nothing to mark the spot except the watchman's hut on the sand-hill. Middelkerke is now frequented as a watering-place, and from 1st July to Oct. has omnibus communication (3/4 hr.) with the station at Ostend (fare 1 fr.). It is much quieter and cheaper than Ostend or Blankenberghe (see below). The Hospice Roger de Grimberghe, for sickly children, was opened in 1884.

Near Plasschendael (p. 9), the first railway-station on the road to Bruges, lies Oudenburg, in the midst of a sandy district, with an oasis of productive gardens which supply Ostend with fruit and vegetables. Oudenburg is said once to have been a flourishing commercial town, and to have been destroyed by Attila about the middle of the 5th century. — Nieuport, another of this group of watering-places, 10 M. to the S.W. of Ostend, is described at p. 29.

2. Blankenberghe and Heyst.

Blankenberghe. — Hotels. *On the Digue,* often overcrowded in the height of the season. Grand Hôtel des Bains et des Familles, to the right of the principal approach to the Digue, containing upwards of 300 apartments; ‘pension’ with R. towards the sea 8-15 fr., towards the land less expensive. Farther on, Hôtel du Rhin, with café-restaurant; Pavillon des Princes; Hôtel Continental, well spoken of. — To the left of the principal approach, Hôtel Godderis, table d'hôte at 1 (3 fr.) and 7 o'clock (2 fr.), ‘pension’ 7-15 fr.; Cursaal, with 120 rooms (5-20 fr.), see below; Hôtel Pauwels d'Hont, large, ‘pens.’ 8-15 fr.; Hôtel Victoria, D. at 1 and 5 p.m. 3 fr.; Hôtel de l'Océan, moderate; Hôtel de Venise; Hôtel de l'Univers. Farther to the W., at the entrance to the harbour, Hôtel du Phare, D. 2½ fr.

*In the Town.* In the Rue de l'Eglise, close to the principal approach to the Digue: Hôtel du Lion d'Or, and Hôtel de Bruges, with several ‘dépendances’, well spoken of. Farther on in the Rue de l'Eglise, on the way from the Digue to the railway-station: Hôtel de Bellevue, second-class, with restaurant; Hôtel d'Allemagne; Hôtel de la Paix, D. at 1 p.m. 2½, at 5 p.m. 3 fr.; Hôtel Tach; Hôtel de Gand, in a side-street; Grand Hôtel d'Hont, Rue de l'Eglise 22, much resorted to by Belgians of the middle class, ‘pension’ 8-10 fr. Adjacent is the boarding house of Dr. Verhaeghe, Market 32, ‘pension’ 8-10 fr. — Near the station: Hôtel du Chemin de Fer, Mille Colonnes (D. 2 fr.), Lion Rouge, which may all be described as restaurants with rooms to let.

On the Digue are situated numerous Hôtels Garnis, in which rooms facing the sea cost 4-15 fr. per day (with two beds 2 fr. extra). In the town furnished apartments abound in almost every street (2-5 fr. per day), but are sometimes all engaged in the height of the season. Those who have not previously written for rooms should arrange to reach Blankenberghe early in the day, so that they may return to Bruges the same evening in case of disappointment. The following houses are recommended: Dr. Cosyn, Rue du Moulin 23; Dr. van Mullem, Grande Maison Leroy, Rue de l'Eglise.

Restaurants. The above hotels; also the Cursaal, to which subscribers only are admitted, D. at 1:30 and 5 o'clock 2½-3 fr.; Cave de Munich, in the Hôtel de l'Univers.

Physicians. Dr. Cosyn, see above; also, Drs. van den Abeele, van der Ghint, Schramme, and others, who come over from Bruges in the season.

Bathing Machines 75 c., children 40 c.; the attendants expect a trifling fee from regular bathers. — Tents, for protection against sun and wind (not against rain), may be hired on the beach for 1 fr. per day. — Bath-
Dresses may be purchased in the town for 5-8 fr. — Warm Baths in the Grand Hôtel des Bains, see above.

**Boats.** For a row of 1-2 hrs. the charge is 5 fr.; for a party 1 fr. each.

**Donkeys** for rides on the beach: per ½ hr. 50 c.; to Heyst 2-3 fr.

*La Vigie de la Côte*, published on Sundays, contains a list of the visitors, tide-tables, etc. — **Balls** daily at the Cursaal during the season, for subscribers.

**English Church Service** during the season at the Chapel in the Rue Breydel.

Blankenberghe, 12 M. to the N.E. of Ostend, and 9 M. to the N. of Bruges, a small fishing town with 2800 inhab., consists of small one-storied houses, and resembles Scheveningen (R. 37). It first came into notice as a sea-bathing place in 1840, and of late has become a rival of Ostend, being visited by 10,000 persons annually. It is, however, quieter and somewhat less expensive.

The 'dunes' (downs, or sand-hills) are paved so as to form a kind of 'digue', like that at Ostend, which affords a promenade 22 yds. wide and upwards of 1 M. in length, flanked with hotels and villas. In the centre is the Cursaal (subscriptions lower than at Ostend), with a Music Pavilion in front of it. On the other side of the chief approach, adjoining the Grand Hôtel des Familles, is a large new Casino, which will not be ready before 1887. At the S.W. end of the Digue rises the new Lighthouse, situated at the entrance of a small Harbour, constructed for the use of the fishing-boats, many of which, however, continue as of old to be hauled up on the beach. Like that of Ostend the harbour is protected from sitting by piers, which extend into the sea for about 350 yds. The pier-heads are provided with seats.

Lissewege, ¾ M. to the S.E. of Blankenberghe, has a small station on the Bruges railway, from which, however, it is 1 M. distant (see p. 9). The Church, a handsome structure of the 13th century in the transition style, formerly belonged to an abbey, and has been restored with little taste. At the end of the left aisle is a Visitation by J. van Oost the Elder. The truncated tower, although two-thirds of it only are completed, is a very conspicuous object in the landscape.

From Blankenberghe to Ostend, by the coast, is a somewhat monotonous walk (12 M.). The finest point of view is the hut of a 'douanier' on the highest hill near Wenduine, where there is a hospice for delicate children (Dr. Abeele). — The walk along the beach to Heyst (5 M.) affords the traveller an opportunity of observing the operations constantly required for the protection of the dunes (comp. p. xxviii).

Railway to Bruges and to Heyst, see p. 9.

**Heyst. — Hotels and Pensions.** On the Digue: *Cursaal,* 'pension' 7-11 fr.; Grand Hôtel, on the seaward side of the Cursaal; Hôtel de la Plage, frequented by Roman Catholic clergy, good cuisine; Hôtel du Phare, 'pension' from 6½ fr., well spoken of; Hôtel Royal, Hôtel de Flandre, smaller; Hôtel Garni de l'Océan, to the landward of the Cursaal. — *In the Village,* 3 min. walk from the beach: Hôtel Leopold II., good cuisine; Hôtel Pauwels; Hôtel des Bains; these three unpretending. — Bath 75 c.; arrangements somewhat deficient. — Donkeys 1 fr. per hour. — The Railway Station lies a little to the N. of the village. Railway to Blankenberghe (¼ hr.) and Bruges, see next page.

Heyst, a village with 1700 inhab., and terminus of the railway mentioned at p. 9, is also a sea-bathing resort and attracts
SLUIS.  

about 3000 visitors annually. As at Ostend and Blankenberghe, there is here a long Digue, 22 yds. broad, paved with brick, and flanked with lodging-houses and restaurants, besides the above-mentioned hotels. The beach is studded with fishing-boats, all of exactly the same size, and ranged at equal distances from each other. On their return from fishing the boats and their crews present a busy and picturesque scene. — The village possesses a large brick Roman Catholic Church, in the Gothic style.

About 1/2 M. to the S.W. of Heyst are the mouths of two canals (Canal de dérivation de la Lys, constructed in 1857-63), which drain an extensive plain, and are closed by huge lock-gates. The unpleasant odour from the canal-water is noticeable at ebb-tide even at Heyst when the wind is from the W.

A favourite walk from Heyst is to Knokke, 2 M. to the N.E., a village with a life-boat station and a lighthouse. — Thence by Westcapelle and Sint Anna ter Muiden, a village of Dutch character, to (6 M.) Sluis, French l'Ecluse (Hôtel de Koornbeurs, second-rate), a small and ancient seaport, situated beyond the Dutch frontier, and connected with (3 hrs.) Bruges by a canal (comp. p. 11). Sluis possesses a belfry of the 14th century. — A favourite way of making an excursion from Heyst to Bruges and Sluis is to take the train to Bruges, and walk thence along the canal, which is bordered by trees and pleasure-grounds, to Damme (p. 26) and Sluis. The shadeless walk between Sluis and Heyst is thus left to the evening. — A steamer plies daily (except Sun. and Mon.), in 2 hrs., between Sluis and Bruges, leaving the former in the morning and the latter in the afternoon. Dillgence between Sluis and Westcapelle twice daily.

3. From Ostend to Brussels by Bruges and Ghent.

76 M. RAILWAY (Chemin de Fer de l'État). Express to Bruges in 1/2 hr., to Ghent in 1 1/2 hr.; to Brussels in 2 1/2 hrs.; ordinary trains in 3/4, 2, and 4 hrs. respectively. Fares to Bruges 1 fr. 75, 1 fr. 30, 90 c.; to Ghent 4 fr. 90, 3 fr. 60, 2 fr. 45 c.; to Brussels 9 fr. 25, 6 fr. 95, 4 fr. 65 c.; express 1/4th more.

The express-trains in connection with the Dover steamboats start from the quay, the ordinary trains from the station in the town.

At (4 1/2 M.) Plesschendael the line crosses the canal diverging from the Ostend canal to the S.W., and leading by Nieuport and Furnes to Dunkirk. Oudenburg (p. 7) is visible to the right. — 83/4 M. Jabbeke.

14 M. Bruges, see p. 11, and Map, p. 7.

From Bruges to Blankenberghe (9 1/2 M.) and Heyst (15 M.) by railway in 25 and 50 min. respectively (fares 1 fr. 15, 90, 60 c., and 1 fr. 85, 1 fr. 40, 95 c.). The outside seats (3rd class) on the top of the carriages afford a good survey of the rich plain of Flanders, but are very draughty. — Stations: 2 M. Bruges-Bassin, the port for Bruges, with large timber stores and a few ships. — 5 M. Dudzeele, 7 M. Lissewege (p. 8), 8 M. Blankenberghe (p. 7), 15 M. Heyst (p. 8).

To Thourout (Courtrai and Ypres), see p. 29.


42 1/2 M. Ghent, see p. 32. From Ghent to Antwerp, see R. 10; to Courtrai, see R. 8.
From Ghent to Terneuzen (22½ M.) by railway in 1½ hr. (fares 3 fr., 2 fr. 30, 1 fr. 50 c.). The train starts from the Station du Chemin de Fer de l'Etat, stopping at the Station du Pays de Waes (see p. 32), and then follows the direction of the canal mentioned at p. 32. Stations Wondelgem (see below), Langerbrugge, Cluysen-Terdoenck, Erivelde, Selzaete (junction of the line from Bruges to Lokeren, p. 56, and the last Belgian station), Sas (i.e., lock) van Ghent (the first Dutch station, where the locks of the above-mentioned canal are situated), Philippeine, Sluyskyl, and Terneuzen (Nederlandsch Logement), a small fortified town at the mouth of the important canal which connects Ghent with the Schelde. Steamboat thence twice daily in 1½ hr. to Flushing (p. 212); omnibus from the station at Flushing to the (2¾ M.) steamboat-pier.

From Ghent to Bruges there is a private railway (30 M.), the continuation of the Waesland line (p. 56), as well as the Chemin de Fer de l'Etat. Trains run in 65-95 min. (fares 2 fr. 70, 1 fr. 30, 1 fr. 35 c.), starting from the Station d'Eecloo, on the N.E. side of the town. Stations Wondelgem, Everghem, Steydinge, Waerschoot, Eecloo (a busy town with 10,400 inhab., where the Bruges, Selzaete, and Lokeren line diverges to the right), Ballgerhoeke, Adeghem, Maldegem, Syseele, Donck, Steenbrugge, and Bruges (p. 11).

45 M. Melle (p. 55), beyond which a line diverges to the S. to Ath (see above), Quatrecht, Wetteren, and Schellebelle, where the line to Malines diverges to the left (p. 55).

56½ M. Alost, Flem. Aalst (Hôtel de Flandre; Duc de Brabant; Mille Colonnes), a town with 21,000 inhab., on the Dender, was formerly the capital of the county of Keizer-Vlaanderen, and the frontier-town of the province in this direction. A considerable trade in hops is carried on here. The Church of St. Martin, in the late-Gothic style (about 1498), is little more than a fragment, two-thirds of the nave, as well as the tower and portal, being entirely wanting. It contains an admirable picture by Rubens, said to have been painted in 1631 in one week: Christ appointing St. Rochus tutelary saint of the plague-stricken. The museum at Ghent possesses a copy of this work. A statue by Jos. Geefs was erected in 1856 in front of the Hôtel de Ville to Thierry Maertens, the first Belgian printer, who exercised his craft at Alost. The beautiful belfry of the Hôtel de Ville was severely injured by fire in 1879. The old town-hall, built early in the 13th cent., is now a meat-market.

From Alost to Antwerp, 30 M., railway in 1¾ hr. (fares 3 fr. 65, 2 fr. 75, 1 fr. 35 c.). — 5½ M. Opwyck, the junction of the Brussels, Dendermonde, and Ghent railway (p. 55). 10 M. Steenhuffel, with a church containing stained glass of the 16th century. 12 M. Londerzeel, the junction of the Malines and Ghent line (p. 122). — 20 M. Boom, see p. 55. 27 M. Hoboken, near the Schelde, with numerous villas of Antwerp merchants and a large ship-building yard belonging to the Cockerill establishment (p. 193). Branch-line to Oude God (p. 123). — 30 M. Antwerp, see p. 123.

Stations Erembodeghem, (61 M.) Denderleeuw (where a line diverges to Ninove and Ath, p. 62), Esschene-Lombeek, Ter Nath, Bodeghem-St. Martin, Dilbeek, Berchem-St. Agathe, Jette (where the Dendermonde line diverges), and Laeken (p. 102), where the royal château is seen on the left. The train finally stops at the Station du Nord at (76 M.) Brussels (p. 65).
4. Bruges.

Hotels. *Hôtel de Flandre* (Pl. a; B, 5), Rue Nord du Sablon, R. & L. 3 fr. and upwards, B. 11/2, A. 3/4, D. 4 fr.; *Grand Hôtel du Commerce* (Pl. b; B, 4), Rue St. Jacques 20, an old-established and comfortable family-hotel, frequented by English travellers, B. 11/4, R. 21/2-4, D. at 1 p.m. 3, at 5 p.m. 31/2 fr.; in both hotels excellent fish-dinners on Fridays. — *Hôtel de l'Univers* (Pl. c; A, 5), conveniently situated for passing travellers, R. 2, B. 1, D. 21/2 fr.; *Hôtel de Londres* (Pl. d; A, 5); *Comte de Flandre; Singe d'Or* (Pl. e; A, 5), all with cafés, opposite the station. *Hôtel St. Amand* (Pl. f; B, 5), Rue St. Amand, well spoken of; *Hôtel de l'Ours d'Or* (Pl. g; B, 5), Rue Courte d'Argent; *Panier d'Or* (Pl. h; B, 4), opposite the covered market, on the N. side of the large market-place, unpretending.

Cafés-Restaurants. *Café Foy*, in the Grand Place, at the corner of the Rue Philipp Stok; *Aigle d'Or* (Pl. k; B, 4), Place de la Monnaie 16, and *La Vache* (Pl. 1; C, 5), Place des Tanneurs 59, both much visited; *Vogel*, Grand Place; *Taverne Allemande*, Rue St. Amand 14.

*Gã»bs* 1 fr. per drive; one hour 11/2 fr., each additional 1/2 hr. 75 c.; open carriages 11/2, 2, and 1 fr. respectively.

Postal and Telegraph Office, Rue de Cordoue (Pl. C, 7).

English Church in the Rue d'Ostende.

Principal Attractions: Cathedral (p. 12), Hospital of St. John (p. 17), Notre Dame (p. 14), Chapelle du Saint Sang (p. 20), Palais de Justice (p. 22), Academy (p. 22). — Commissionnaires and beggars are numerous and importunate at Bruges.

Bruges, the capital of W. Flanders, lies 71/2 M. from the North Sea, with which it is connected by two deep canals, navigable for sea-going vessels of considerable tonnage. One of these terminates at Sluis (p. 9), the other at Ostend. There are also canals from Bruges to Ghent, Ypres, Nieuport, and Furnes. The broad streets and numerous old houses, chiefly of late-Gothic architecture, recall its ancient glory; and of all the cities of Belgium, Bruges has best preserved its mediaeval characteristics (p. xli). With the exception of the quarter between the large market-place and the railway-station, the town now presents a melancholy and deserted appearance, its commerce being quite insignificant. Nearly one-third of the 44,700 inhab. are said to be paupers.

The Railway Station, a tasteful Gothic structure, is in the old Marché du Vendredi (Pl. A, 5). Here, on 30th March, 1128, the townspeople, after having elected Count Théodoric of Alsace to be Count of Flanders, returned the following spirited answer to the deputies of the king of France, who had sent to object to their choice: 'Go, tell your master that he is perjured; that his creature William of Normandy (usurper of the sovereignty of Flanders) has rendered himself unworthy of the crown by his infamous extortions; that we have elected a new sovereign, and that it becomes not the king of France to oppose us. That it is our privilege alone, asburghers and nobles of Flanders, to choose our own master.'

In the 14th cent. Bruges (which in Flemish means bridges, a name due to the numerous bridges crossing the canals) was the great commercial centre of Europe. Factories, or privileged trading companies from seventeen different kingdoms had settled here; twenty foreign
ministers resided within the walls; and inhabitants of remote districts, of which the very names were almost unknown, visited the renowned city every year. Early in the 13th cent. Bruges became one of the great marts of the Hanseatic League and of the English wool trade. Lombards and Venetians conveyed hither the products of India and Italy, and returned home with the manufactures of England and Germany. Richly-laden vessels from Venice, Genoa, and Constantinople might be seen simultaneously discharging their cargoes here, and the magazines of Bruges groaned beneath the weight of English wool, Flemish linen, and Persian silk. In 1301, when Johanna of Navarre, with her husband Philippe le Bel of France, visited Bruges and beheld the sumptuous costumes of the inhabitants, she is said to have exclaimed: 'I imagined myself alone to be queen, but I see hundreds of persons here whose attire vies with my own.' Bruges was long the residence of the Counts of Flanders. It attained the culminating point of its prosperity during the first half of the 15th cent., when the Dukes of Burgundy held their court here. During this period a brilliant colony of artists was retained at Bruges in busy employment, and their works still shed a lustre on the name of the city.

To the right in the street leading from the railway-station into the town is situated the Cathedral (St. Sauveur; Pl. B, 5), an early-Gothic brick structure of the 13th and 14th cent. (choir, end of 13th cent.; nave and transept, 1358-62; the five chapels of the choir, 1482-1527; vaulting of the ambulatory, 1527-30). Externally it is a cumbrous building, destitute of a portal, disfigured by later additions, and surmounted by a W. tower resembling a castle, the lower part of which dates back to the 12th cent., while the upper part was completed in 1843.

The *interior is remarkable for its fine proportions, and is adorned with numerous paintings (sacristan 1/2-1 fr., more for a party). It measures 110 yds. in length, 41 yds. in breadth, and across the transept 58 yds., and is 90 ft. high. The modern polychrome decoration is by Jean Béthune.

North Aisle (left). The entrance doorway, the carved doors of which have been removed to the Ancien Greffe (p. 20), is surmounted by five groups of carved wood, painted and gilded, representing scenes from the Passion, and dating from about 1460. — At the entrance of the Baptistery are two monumental *Brasses, the one on the right, of excellent design, dating from 1430, that on the left from 1518. This chapel contains a Crucifixion, painted about 1390 by an unknown master of the Cologne school, and a handsome candelabrum of wrought iron. Another picture (beginning of the 16th cent.) represents scenes from the lives of SS. Joachim and Anna.

On the West Wall: Jacob van Oost the Elder (1600-1671; in the 17th cent. the chief painter of Bruges, which still contains a number of his works), Descent of the Holy Ghost, (left) the portrait
of the master, (right) that of his son; Jan van Hoeck, Crucifixion. In 
the square space under the tower: *P. Pourbus, Last Supper, with 
Abraham, Melchisedech, and Elijah on the wings; on the outside, 
Christ appearing to one of the Popes, and 13 good portraits of bro-
thers of the Order of the Holy Sacrament (1559). To the right, 
Ant. Claesensens, Descent from the Cross (1530); to the left, Mein-
derhout, Battle of Lepanto (1672). Farther on, Backereel, St. Carlo 
Borromeo administering the Eucharist to persons sick of the Plague. 
Adjacent, a gilded copper relief (Pietà) by P. Wolfgangck. Then, 
above the door leading to the Churchwardens' Room (p. 14), Van 
Oost, Triumph of Christ over Time and Death. Farther on, Seghers, 
Adoration of the Magi. — Above the S. entrance door is the wing 
of an altarpiece of the 15th cent., in carved wood and gilded, 
representing the Holy Family and various saints.

S. Aisles: *Dierick Bouts, formerly ascribed to Memling, Martyr-
dom of St. Hippolytus (covered).

The principal picture represents the saint about to be torn to pieces 
by four horses, mounted, or led by men on foot. The unfounded local 
legend is that these horses were copied by Memling from the famous 
horses of St. Mark at Venice. The most pleasing part of the picture is 
the landscape in the background, which possesses greater depth and a 
better atmosphere than most of the landscapes of the Van Eyck school. 
On the left wing is a scene from the life of St. Hippolytus, on the right 
the donor and his wife in a beautiful landscape. — The saints on the 
outside of the wings are by an inferior hand.

Farther on in the S. aisle: Lancelot Blondeel (d. 1561; of 
Bruges), Virgin with SS. Luke and Eligius. Then, Crucifixion, 
erroneously attributed to Gerard van der Meire. Lastly: Jan Maes 
(18th cent.), SS. Agatha and Dorothea.

Transsept: Modern stained glass by Dobbelaer (1861). A heavy 
marble rood-loft, in the degraded-Renaissance style, constructed 
by Corn. ver Hoeve in 1679-82, separates the transept from the 
choir. The colossal statue of God the Father above it is by A. 
Quellin the Younger (1682). — Two chapels adjoin the transept. 
On the right is the Chapel of St. Barbara, with a handsome door 
(1516-39), and modern Gothic altar. The Chapel of the Shoe-
makers' Guild (Chapelle des Cordonniers), on the left, possesses a 
finely-carved door dating from the latter half of the 15th cent., and 
contains a carved wooden Crucifix of the 14th cent., a winged 
picture representing the members of the guild, by Fr. Pourbus 
the Younger (1608), and several interesting brasses (on the left, 
*Walter Copman, 1387, and Martin de Visch, 1453; on the right, the 
learned Schelewaerts, 1483, and Adr. Bawe with his wife and 
son, 1555).

The Choir contains two large marble monuments of the bishops 
Castillon (d. 1753) and Susteren (d. 1742), both by Pulinx. High-
altar piece, Resurrection by Janssens; Van Oost the Elder, Peter 
and John. The Gothic choir-stalls date from the early part of the 15th 
cent., but have been frequently altered. They are adorned with the
armorials of the Order of the Golden Fleece (Toison d'Or), which was founded at Bruges by Philip the Good, Duke of Burgundy and the Netherlands, on 10th Jan., 1429, on the occasion of his marriage with Isabella, daughter of John I. of Portugal.

**Ambulatory** (beginning at the N. or left transept). 1st Chapel: Handsome door of 1513; altar of 1517, with a beautiful painted crucifix; on the wall to the left, two memorial tablets of copper (1387 and 1457); opposite, a tasteful coat-of-arms of the 16th century. — 2nd Chapel: above the altar, *Unknown Master of the 15th Century*, the Virgin and St. Bernard. By the pillar opposite: marble tomb of Jan de Schietere (d. 1575) and his wife, with a Crucifixion and figures of the married couple and their patron saints, by *G. de Witte*. — 3rd: Stained glass of the 16th cent.; *Jac. van Oost the Elder*, The infant Saviour in the workshop of his father Joseph, painted for the guild of carpenters; tomb of Bishop Carondelet, 1544; *Van Oost*, Flight into Egypt. — The 4th Chapel contains nothing worthy of note. — 5th Chapel, at the back of the high-altar: modern stained glass by *J. Béthune* (1861). — 6th: *J. van Oost*, the Saviour predicting his Passion to his Mother, and His last interview with his Mother before the Passion; in the floor two monumental brasses, the one, richly gilt and enamelled, being that of John van Coudenbergh (d. 1525), the other that of Bernhardin van den Hoeve (d. 1517). — 7th Chapel: *A. Janssens* (d. 1631), Adoration of the Shepherds; *M. de Vos*, Consecration of St. Eligius. — Farther on in the ambulatory: *Jan Er. Quellin*, St. Simon Stock receiving the scapulary from the Virgin; by the pillar opposite, Tomb of 1642, with statuette after Michael Angelo's Madonna; *Van Baclen*, Assumption.

The *Chambre des Marguilliers*, or Churchwardens' Vestry, at the W. end of the S. aisle (p. 18), contains several works of art formerly hung in the church itself. Among these are four small pictures by *Continuloo (?)*: the Paschal Lamb, Manna, David dancing before the Ark of the Covenant, and the Disciples at Emmaus. Then, Portrait of Philippe le Bel (son of Maximilian I. and father of the Emp. Charles V.) on a gold ground, master unknown (about 1505). The inscription below styles him 'Philippus Stok' (a sobriquet applied to him by the citizens of Bruges in allusion to his habit of carrying a stick), and mentions him as the founder of the 'Broeder-seap der Weé'n' (i.e., the 'brotherhood of suffering'), a fraternity which still exists. Also a small and fine wooden relief of the 14th cent., representing the crowning of St. Eligius (Sacre de St. Eloi). The ivory crozier of St. Maclou (6th cent.), some ancient missals, and other relics are preserved in a cabinet here.

*Notre Dame* (Flem. *Onze Vrouw*; Pl. B, 6), in the immediate vicinity, another Gothic structure, was originally erected on the site of an earlier chapel in the 12th cent., but in its present form dates from the 13-15th centuries. The tower, 390 ft. high, was restored
in 1854-58, and provided with turrets at the angles in 1873. The small late-Gothic Addition on the N. side was originally a portal, named 'Het Paradys', and is now fitted up as a baptistery (see below). The church contains some admirable works of art.

The Interior (sacristan, who shows the pictures, 1/2 fr. for one person; additional fee for the burial-chapel, see below) is 80 yds. long, 55 yds. broad, and 70 ft. high, and consists of a nave and double aisles, without a transept. The outer aisles with their rows of chapels date from 1344-60 (N. side) and 1450-74 (S. side). Round the choir runs an ambulatory.

North Aisles. Pictures by J. Maes, J. A. Gaeremyn, and other painters of the 18th century. Also, in a niche covered with a Gothic canopy, a statue of the Virgin, dating from 1485 (?). The Baptistery was once a doorway (see above). The Chapelle de la Ste. Croix, at the end of the outer aisle, fitted up in 1437, contains some worthless paintings, representing the History of the Cross.

In the inner aisle: Er. Quellin, Marriage of St. Catherine of Siena with the Infant Saviour.

West Wall: De Cramer, Adoration of the Infant Jesus, with numerous saints, an excellent work, 1662; Francken, Mary Magdalen at the feet of Christ; Seghers, Adoration of the Magi, with saints (considered the painter's masterpiece); large winged picture, representing in the middle the Crucifixion, and on the wings the Bearing of the Cross, the Crown of Thorns, the Descent from the Cross, and Christ in Hades, begun by B. van Orley, and restored by Pourbus the Younger in 1589 after the iconoclastic outrages.

South Aisles. By the second pillar: J. van Oost the Elder, Virgin, with numerous saints, 1648. — 3rd Chapel: Ant. Claessens (?), Virgin and Child in a landscape, with portraits of the donor Nic. van Thienen and his wife, and the Annunciation in grisaille on the wings; to the right, a triptych of the Virgin, Child, and an angel, with portraits of Don Diego de Villega, his wife and children, by an unknown painter, 1579. — 4th Chapel: *P. Pourbus, Transfiguration, with portraits of the donor Ans. de Boodt and his wife, along with their patron-saints, 1573 (the central picture appears to be older than the rest and has been ascribed to Jan Mostert, 1480); Van Oost, The Angel warning Joseph and Mary to flee to Egypt. — Adjoining the confessional: Herri met de Bles, Annunciation, and Adoration of the Magi, on a gold ground. — Farther on, to the right, Copy of Van Dyck's Crucifixion; tomb of Adrian van Haveskerke; above, P. Pourbus, Last Supper, 1562.

Over the altar, in the old Chapel of the Host, in a black marble niche, stands a small Statue of the Virgin and Child, a life-size marble group of exquisite beauty, ascribed to Michael Angelo, probably identical with the statue ordered by Peter Moscron, a merchant of Bruges, and erroneously spoken of by Vasari as a bronze work. It would therefore belong to the great master's early period, and date
from about 1503. The composition is undoubtedly by Michael An-
gelo, but the execution, which is delicately and softly rounded, 
was probably entrusted to one of his pupils. The life-size study for 
the head of the Madonna, by Michael Angelo's own hand, is in the 
S. Kensington Museum. Horace Walpole, who was a great admirer 
of art, is said to have offered 30,000 fl. for the statue. The French 
carried it off to Paris during the Revolution.

**Nave.** Pulpit of 1743, with reliefs and figures (Wisdom bearing
the terrestrial globe). The nave is separated from the choir by a 
wooden rood-loft of 1722, above which is a Crucifix dating from 1594.

**Choir.** The armorial bearings above the choir-stalls serve as 
a memento of the eleventh Chapter of the Order of the Golden 
Fleece, held here in 1468. High-altar of the 18th century.

In the **Ambulatory**, beginning by the above-named Chapel of 
the Host: **J. van Oost the Elder**, St. Rosalia, after Van Dyck's
painting in the Belvedere at Vienna.

Then in a closed chapel to the right (1 person 1 fr.; for a party 
1/2 fr. each) the *Tombs of Charles the Bold (d. 1477), Duke of 
Burgundy, and his daughter Mary (d. 1482), wife of the Emp. 
Maximilian, the last scions of the House of Burgundy and of the 
native princes of the S. Netherlands.

The life-size recumbent figures of the duke and his daughter, in 
bronze, richly gilded, repose on marble sarcophagi; at the sides are the 
enameled armorial bearings of the duchies, counties, and estates which 
the princess, the richest heiress of that age, brought to the House of 
Austria on her marriage with Maximilian. The tomb of the Princess, in 
the Gothic style, and by far the more valuable as a work of art, was 
executed by *Pieter de Beckere of Brussels in 1495-1502, aided by five or 
six assistants. The Duke's tomb, an imitation of the other, was 
erected in 1558 by Philip II., a descendant of Charles the Bold, who is 
said to have paid the sculptor Jongelinck of Antwerp the then very large 
sum of 24,385 fl. The Emp. Charles V. caused the remains of the duke, 
his great-grandfather, to be conveyed hither from Nancy. The tomb of 
Charles bears his motto: 'Je l'ay empris, bien en avingne!' ('I have made 
the venture; may it prosper'). The sumptuousness of these tombs, the 
historical associations attaching to the illustrious father and daughter, 
and the touching story of the death of the latter in consequence of a fall 
from her horse while hunting with her husband near Bruges, all combine 
to render these monuments deeply interesting. They were first erected 
in the choir, and only since 1816 have they stood in this chapel, which 
was originally dedicated to *P. Lanchals*, unjustly beheaded in 1488, whose 
tombstone is still to be seen to the right of the entrance.

The former **Chapel of the Virgin**, behind the high-altar, gau-
dily ornamented, with an altar by L. Blanchaert (1863) and stained 
glass by J. Béthune, now contains the Host. On the N. side of 
the choir, to the left, *Unknown Master* (according to Waagen by 
Jan Mostert), The Mourning Mary, surrounded by seven small 
representations of her Seven Sorrows. Farther on, above, is a 
richly-carved Gothic bench in oak, of 1474, formerly the property 
of the family of Van der Grunthuus, with whose house, adjoining 
the church on the N.E., it was connected by a passage. Then, **Jac. 
van Oost, Triumph of the Church, 1652; De Crayer (?), St. Thomas**
Aquinas released from prison by two angels; under it (covered), Claeissens, Foundation of the church of St. Maria Maggiore at Rome; opposite, Van Oost the Elder, Jesus calling Matthew to the Discipleship; Caravaggio, Christ at Emmaus (1604). — Opposite the last-named picture is the Chapel of the Trinity, founded by the Breidel family, which was long used as a warehouse, but has been restored since 1888.

A gateway (at which visitors ring on the right) opposite the W. side of Notre Dame leads to the Hospital of St. John (Pl. B, 6), which has existed for upwards of five centuries, and where the sick are attended by Sisters of Charity. The interesting sculptures above the gate date from the 13th century. Strangers are admitted on week-days, 9-12 a.m. and 1-6 p.m. (fee ½ fr.). The hospital contains a number of Pictures by Memling, which alone would amply repay a visit to Bruges (comp. Introd., p. xlii). These are preserved in a building in the court, which was formerly the chapter-room. In the centre, on a rotary pedestal, is the Châsse of St. Ursula, a reliquary of Gothic design, the scenes painted on which form Memling's finest work. It is said to have been ordered by the Hospital in 1480, and completed in 1486.

'The shrine of St. Ursula is a Gothic chapel in miniature, its long sides being divided into archings containing six episodes, its cover adorned with six medallions; one incident fills each of the gables. In the medallions are the coronation of the Virgin, the glory of St. Ursula, and four angels; on the gables, St. Ursula shelters the band of maidens under her cloak, and the Virgin in a porch is worshipped by two hospital nuns. Of the six designs on the long sides, one represents the fleet arriving at Cologne, where Ursula prepares to land with her companions. We recognize the shape of the old cathedral, the steeples of several churches, and one of the city towers, most of them true to nature but not in their proper places; in one of the distant houses Ursula sees the vision of the Pope bidding her to visit Rome. Another scene is laid on the quays of Bâle, where St. Ursula has taken to the shore, whilst a part of her suite awaits its turn to disembark. A third shows the Pope surrounded by his court in the porch of a church awaiting St. Ursula who kneels on the steps leading up to the portal. In a gallery close by, the British neophytes are baptised and confessed, or partake of the Holy Communion. The Pope, in the fourth picture, accompanies the maidens on their return to Bâle; he sits with his cardinals in the vessel which carries St. Ursula, whilst the suite of both still winds through the passes leading from the Alps. On the fifth panel, the background is a camp on the Rhine shore, where boats have landed some of their living freight, and others approach with crowded loads; the knights and virgins are set upon by soldiers and are vainly defended by their steel-clad champions. The sixth picture is that in which St. Ursula is seen in a passive attitude of prayer, awaiting the arrow of a executioner; the men about her, armed in proof, or shrouded in mantles, are spectators or actors in the massacre of the saint's companions; and the distance is filled with tents behind which the Kölner Dom rears its solid walls'

'The freedom and grace with which these scenes are composed are partly due to the facility with which Memling treated groups and figures of small proportions, but they tell of progress in the art of distribution and arrangement. It would be difficult to select any picture of the Flemish school in which the 'dramatis personae' are more naturally put together than they are in the shrine of St. Ursula, nor is there a single panel in the reliquary that has not the charm of rich and well-contrasted colour.'

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A rich fund of life and grace is revealed in shapes of symmetrical proportions or slender make and attitudes of becoming elegance. Nothing is more striking than the minuteness of the painter's touch, or the perfect mastery of his finish'.

_Crowe and Cavalcaselle. The Early Flemish Painters. 1872._

A second picture by Memling, bearing the date 1479, the genuineness of which has been questioned, is the 'Marriage of St. Catherine' (No. 1), a winged picture. The signature here is written MEMELING, and the somewhat unusual form of the initial M gave rise to the erroneous belief that the name of the artist was Hemeling or Hemling.

'The Virgin sits on a throne in a rich church-porch; angels hold a crown above her; the infant on her lap bends to give a ring to the bride kneeling in regal raiment at his feet; to the right and left, the Baptist, Evangelist, and St. Barbara stand gravely in attendance; an angel plays on an organ; another holds a missal. Close behind St. Catherine, a monk of the order of St. Augustin contemplates the scene; further back, outside the pillars of the porch, another monk handles a gage for wine and spirits; and in a landscape watered by a river the Baptist prays to God, preaches to a crowd, wends his way to the place of execution, and burns — a headless trunk — at the stake; elsewhere, St. John Evangelist seethes in boiling oil, and rows in a boat to Patmos. On the right wing of the triptych the daughter of Herodias receives the Baptist's head, and dances before Herod. On the left wing St. John Evangelist is seated and looks towards heaven, preparing to note the vision before him. He sees the king of kings, the elders, the lamps of the Apocalypse, the lamb, the symbols of the Evangelist, and Death on the pale horse, bursting with his three companions on the men who flee; on the placid surface of the sea, the vision is reflected and forms a grand and imposing picture. On the outer face of the wings, Jacques de Keuninc, treasurer, Antoine Seghers, director, Agnes Cazemambre, superior, and Claire van Hultem, a nun of the hospital, are depicted under the protection of their patron saints.' — _Ibid._

By the entrance is a smaller work (No. 3) by Memling, also with wings, the *Epiphany*, representing the Adoration of the Magi, and the Presentation in the Temple, painted in 1479, and the best example of the master's early manner (under glass).

The thin, bearded man looking in at the window, with the cap which is still worn by the convalescents of the hospital, is said to be a portrait of the master himself. To the right, Brother Jan Floreins van der Rijst, the donor, kneeling. On the inside of the shutters, the Nativity, and Presentation in the Temple; outside, John the Baptist and St. Veronica. In this picture the influence of Roger van der Weyden, Memling's teacher, is most distinctly visible, but the heads are more delicate and pleasing, and the execution bolder. The picture has unfortunately been much injured by cleaning.

A small picture (No. 4; under glass), a diptych, painted in 1487, represents the Virgin with a red mantle, offering an apple to the Child; on the other wing the donor, Martin van Newenhowen.

'There is no more interesting specimen of portrait by Memling extant than this, none more characteristic for the large fair oval of the Madonna's face, or for that peculiar clearness which is so surely produced by scant shadow and spacious, even light.' — _Crowe & Cavalcaselle._

Another picture by Memling (No. 5) represents a female Bust, with high cap and white veil, styled by the modern inscription 'Sibylla Sambetha'.

_An Entombment (No. 6), with portrait of the donor A. Reins, and SS. Adrian, Barbara, Wilgefortis, and Mary of Egypt on the_
wings (the last two on the outside), also sometimes attributed to Memling, but probably by an inferiour contemporary, possesses far less life and richness of colouring than the other pictures. There are also several good pictures by the two Van Oosts (a Philosopher, No. 11, is a masterpiece of the Elder), a Madonna ascribed to Van Dyck (No. 29), portraits by Pourbus (Nos. 33, 34), the Miraculous Draught of Fishes by D. Teniers the Younger (No. 32), the Good Samaritan by Nic. Maes (No. 39), several works by unknown masters of the 15-16th cent., etc.

The Hospital itself (containing 240 beds) is well worthy of a visit. The large, open hall, divided by partitions into bedrooms, kitchen, and other apartments, and remarkable for its cleanliness and order, is interesting from having retained its mediæval aspect unchanged. A new and more commodious building, fitted up in modern style, has been erected adjacent to the original hospital.

The street from the station to the town passes a small open space planted with trees, and adorned with a poor Statue of Simon Stevin (Pl. 11; B, 5), the inventor of the decimal system (d. 1635), and leads to the Grande Place (Pl. B, C, 5), or market-place. One side of the square is occupied by the Halles, a large building erected in the 13th and 14th centuries, and partly altered in 1561-66 from designs by Peter Diericx. The building forms a rectangle, 48 yds. broad and 93 yds. deep. The E. wing, originally intended for a cloth-hall, now contains the municipal offices; the other has been used as a meat-market since 1819. The Belfry (Tour des Halles, or Grande Tour), begun in 1291 and finished at the end of the 14th cent., 350 ft. in height, rises in the centre of the façade and leans slightly towards the S.E. It consists of two massive square stories, flanked with corner-turrets, and surmounted by a lofty octagon, which was erected in 1393-96. The summit commands a very extensive view. The chimes date from 1748. (Entrance in the court to the right, upstairs; ring the bell in the gallery; doorkeeper 1/2 fr., custodian at the top 1/2 fr.) In the court to the left is the entrance to an interesting Collection of Antiquities, chiefly of local origin, exhibited in a series of rooms on the groundfloor (Sun. 11-1, free; on other days, 10-4, on application to the concierge, fee 50 c., for 3 pers. 1 fr.).

On the W. side of the market-place, at the corner of the Rue St. Amand, is the house called ‘Au Lion de Flandre’, now a shop, a handsome old building in the mediæval style. According to a popular but probably erroneous tradition, it was occupied for a time by Charles II. of England, while living here in exile about the middle of the 17th century. The citizens of Bruges conferred upon him a title of royalty by creating him ‘King of the Guild of Archers’.

In the opposite house, called the Craenenburg (Pl. 4; B, 5), now tavern, the citizens of Bruges kept the German King Maximilian, the ‘last of the knights’, prisoner during twelve days, in the year
1488, on account of his refusal to concede the guardianship of his son Philip, heir to the crown of the Netherlands, to the king of France. The Pope threatened them with excommunication, and the Imperial army was directed to march against the city, notwithstanding which Maximilian was not liberated until, in the presence of the guilds and the townspeople, he had solemnly sworn to renounce his claim to the guardianship of his son, to respect the liberties of Bruges, and to forget the affront he had received. A few weeks later, however, he was released from his oath by a congress of Princes convened at Malines by his father, the Emp. Frederick III.

The Hôtel de Ville (Pl. 5), in the adjacent Place du Bourg (Pl. C, 5), an elegant Gothic structure with six turrets, three in front and three at the back, was begun about 1376 (the façade was probably finished in 1387), and restored in 1854-1871. The 48 niches in the principal façade, between the windows, are filled with statues of Counts of Flanders, which replace those destroyed by the French sansculottes in 1792. The Counts of Flanders, on their accession to the throne, used to show themselves to the people from one of the windows or balconies in front of this building, and swear to maintain the privileges of the city (p. 11).

Interior. A battle-piece in the hall below (Finding of the body of Charles the Bold after the Battle of Nancy, in 1477), by H. Dobbelaere, was purchased for Bruges by the citizens with the aid of the government. The council-chambers contain some modern pictures and a few objects dating from the 17th cent. (ink-stands, the silver chain of the burgomaster’s hand-bell). Upstairs, in the vestibule, are representations of the principal squares of the town; also a large picture by Dobbelaere, representing the Works of Charity. The Great Hall, which occupies almost the entire length of the building, is worthy of a visit on account of its fine Gothic roof of pendent wood-work, dating from the 14th century.

Adjoining the Hôtel de Ville on the left is the Maison de l’Ancien Greffe (Pl. 14), or old municipal record office, a Renaissance edifice built by J. Waultot in 1534-37, recently restored and profusely adorned with gilding; it is now a court of law. The carved doors of the court-room, executed by Ant. Lambronck in 1544, were formerly in the cathedral. — The vaulted passage below the Ancien Greffe emerges on the bank of a canal, whence a good view is obtained of the back of the Palais de Justice (p. 22), the Hôtel de Ville, and the towers of St. Sauveur and Notre Dame. On the other side of the canal is the Fish Market.

In the corner, adjoining the Hôtel de Ville on the right, is the church of St. Basile, usually called *Chapelle du Saint-Sang (Pl. 13; C, 5), a small and elegant church of two stories, the lower of which dates from 1150, the upper probably from the 15th cent.; the portal and staircase, constructed in 1529-33, in the richest Flamboyant style, and seriously damaged by the sansculottes during the Revolution, were handsomely restored in 1829-39. The chapel derives its appellation from some drops of the blood of the Saviour, which Theodoric of Alsace, Count of Flanders (p. 11), is said to
have brought from the Holy Land in 1149, and to have presented
to the city.

The Lower Chapel (entrance at the corner), founded by Theo-
doric of Alsace and Sibylla of Anjou, and consecrated in 1150, con-
sists of nave and aisles, with choir of the same breadth as the nave, and
rests on low round pillars. The carved altar dates from 1536.

The Upper Chapel, now undergoing restoration, is reached from
the Place by the staircase mentioned above (open free Sun.,
7-9, Frid. 6-12, fee at other times 50 c.); it has no aisles. The
stained-glass windows in the vestibule date from the 16th cent.;
those in the chapel itself, comprising portraits of the Burgundian
princes down to Maria Theresa and Francis I., were executed in
1845-47 from old designs. The large W. window, representing
the history of the Passion and the conveyance of the Holy Blood
to Bruges, was executed by Capronnier from designs by Jean
Béthune, 1856. The window with SS. Longinus and Veronica is
by Jean Béthune. The polychrome decoration of the choir was exe-
cuted in 1856 from designs by T. H. King, in four compartments.
The altar, a specimen of modern sculpture in the Gothic style, was
executed by Michael Abbeleois from drawings by Jean Béthune.
The pulpit consists of a half-globe, resting on clouds, with the
equator, meridian, and a few geographical names.

On the wall to the left of the entrance: piece of lace of 1684
(under glass); old Flemish painting of the 15th cent. representing
Count Theodoric receiving the ‘Holy Blood’ from Baldwin III. of
Flanders, King of Jerusalem (?); other pictures of little value. —
In the opposite wall are three arches opening on to a Chapel,
where the Holy Blood is exposed to view. Above the arches: De
Cruyder, Pietà; to the right, an early-Flemish winged painting of
the Crucifixion, and others. The marble altar of the chapel, bear-
ing a massive silver crucifix, dates from the 17th cent.; the pulpit,
where the Holy Blood is exhibited every Friday from 6 to 11.30 a.m.,
was constructed in 1866. To the right and left are good portraits
of members of the Brotherhood of the Holy Blood, painted by P.
Pourbus (1556). Farther on is a winged picture of the early-Flemish
school, containing a vast number of figures, and portraying the
Bearing of the Cross, the Crucifixion, and the Resurrection.

The most important picture in the church, however, is the *Des-
cent from the Cross, a winged picture by Gerard David.

The central scene represents the body of Christ supported by the aged
Nicodemus on the right. Mary, with her hands folded, kneels before
her son, supported by St. John, who at the same time raises the left
arm of Christ. On his right are Mary Salome and, in the corner, a man
with a box of ointment. On the wings are Mary Magdalene with Cleo-
phas, and Joseph of Arimathea with an unknown man. In the back-
ground is Mt. Calvary with the Cross. The picture was probably painted
late in life by the master, whose merit has only recently been discov-
ered, and exhibits a brownish tone, attributable to the influence of Quin-
ten Massys.
Above the exit: J. van Oost the Elder, Descent from the Cross. The Sacristy contains a silver-gilt reliquary (4 ft. 3 in. high, 2 ft. broad), studded with gems, which was made in 1617 by Jean Crabbe, and presented to the church by the Archduke Albert; the miniature crown resting on it is said to have been a gift from Princess Mary of Burgundy (p. 16), but is doubtless nearly two centuries later in date.

On the N. side of the Hôtel de Ville is the Palais de Justice (Pl. C, 5), formerly the town-hall of the France de Bruges, or district of the ‘Buitenpoorters’, i.e., inhabitants ‘outside the gate’, who were not subject to the jurisdiction of the city. It occupies part of the site of an old palace of the Counts of Flanders, which was presented by Philippe le Bel to the ‘Liberty of Bruges’. The first building, erected in 1520-1608, was destroyed by fire, and was replaced by the present edifice in 1722-27.

The Court Room (Chambre Echevinale; castellan in the quadrangle, ½ fr.) belongs to the original edifice. It contains a magnificent Renaissance chimney-piece, occupying almost the entire side of the room, executed in 1529-31 by Guyot de Beaugrant, probably to commemorate the battle of Pavia, and the peace of Cambrai, by which France was obliged to recognize the independence of Flanders. The lower part consists of black marble; the upper, which is of carved oak, was executed from designs by the painter Lancelot Blondeel, and restored in 1850 by the sculptor Geerts. The statues, finely carved and nearly life-size, represent Charles V. (in the centre), his paternal ancestors Mary of Burgundy and Maximilian of Austria on the left, and his maternal ancestors Ferdinand of Arragon and Isabella of Castile on the right of the spectator; to the right and left of Charles are small medallions, held aloft by children, representing his parents Philippe le Bel and Johanna of Castile; also the armorial bearings of Burgundy, Spain, &c.; the whole decorated with genii and foliage. On the frieze of the chimney-piece proper are four reliefs in white marble, of the same period, representing the history of Susanna. The tapestry on the walls was manufactured at Ingelmünster (p. 30) in 1850, in imitation of the original, of which portions were found in the cellar.

Crossing the Place adjacent to the Place du Bourg, which is planted with horse-chestnuts, traversing the Burgstraat, and proceeding a little farther in the same direction, we reach the small Place Jean van Eyck (Pl. C, 4), surrounded by interesting mediaeval buildings, and bounded on the E. by a canal. The statue of Jan van Eyck, by Pickery, was erected in 1878. On the W. side of the Place is the Academy of Arts and on the N. the Municipal Library.

The Municipal Library (Pl. 2; C, 4), which is now established in the ancient Tontieu, or custom-house of 1477 (restored in 1878), contains 16,000 vols., numerous interesting old MSS., many of them with miniatures, missals of the 13th and 14th cent., and the first books printed by Colard Mansion, the printer of Bruges (1475-84). It is open daily, 10-1 and 3-5, Sat., Sun., and holidays excepted.

The *Académie des Beaux Arts (Pl. C, 4) was founded in 1719 by the painters Jos. van den Kerckhove, J. B. Erregouts, Marc Duvenede, and Josse Aerschoot, specimens of whose works are
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frequently encountered in Bruges. The Academy, a Gothic edifice of the 14th cent., called De Poorters Loodze (i.e., Citizens' Lodge; 'poorters', those who live within the 'poort' or gate), and formerly an assembly-hall for the townspeople, was entirely remodelled in 1755. The façade is in course of being decorated with statues by sculptors of Bruges. The Museum, exhibited in the upper story, is of great interest to the student of early Flemish art. (Critical catalogue by James Weale, to be obtained at the booksellers, not at the Museum, 2 fr.) The entrance is in the Rue de l'Academie, at the side (admission on Sundays gratis, 11-1 o'clock; at other times 1/2 fr.).

In the first Passage, modern works. — Room I. To the left, J. van Oost the Elder, 26. Portrait of a man; 28, 29. St. Anthony in his trance, St. Anthony resuscitating a dead man. Jan van Goyen, 34. View of Dort; two smaller landscapes. In the centre of the room is a poor statue of Jan van Eyck, in marble, by Calloigne (1820).

Room II. To the right and left of the entrance: 7, 8. Gerard David (?), The sentence of Cambyses against the unjust judge Sisamnes. The first picture represents the bribery in the background, and the sentence of the King in the foreground; the second the executioners flogging Sisamnes. Both pictures (completed in 1498) are boldly painted, with a brownish tone of colouring, and admirably finished. The composition is well conceived on the whole, and the backgrounds are excellent. Most of the heads exhibit a marked individuality, and the hands are drawn with perfect accuracy. — Then on the right wall: 14. Memling, Triptych (1534). In the central picture is St. Christopher, with a blue garment and ample red cloak, looking up with astonishment at the Infant Christ sitting on his shoulders, as if unable to comprehend the continual increase of his burden. In a grotto is the hermit, leaning on a stick, with a lantern in his hand. To the left is St. Maurus reading, to the right St. Egidius with the dog. The ground is strewn with violets and other flowers. On the left wing is the donor with his five sons and his patron St. William, on the right wing his wife with eleven daughters and St. Barbara. On the outsides are St. John the Baptist and St. George, in grisaille. This picture occupies a high rank among Memling's works. The heads of the three saints in the central picture are of great beauty, and the reflection of the rocky bank in the water is admirably rendered. The picture has unfortunately been much injured by the removal of the original varnish. St. George is probably by a different hand. — Above, to the right: 9. Jean Prevost (d. 1529), The Last Judgment, a very impressive picture, notwithstanding several eccentricities. In the upper part the heads are very beautiful and varied. To the left: 25. Ant. Cooissens, Banquet; 20. P. Claets, Allegorical representation of the Treaty of Tournai in 1534.

Most of the back-wall is occupied by paintings by P. Pourbus of Gouda, who early emigrated to Bruges and died there in 1554. No. 17. Last Judgment (1554); 18. Descent from the Cross, with wings in grisaille (1570); 15, 16. Portraits (1551). No. 23. The Adoration of the Shepherds and the Magi, is by an unknown master.

Left Wall: 6. Death of Mary, by an unknown master of the Brabant School, formerly attributed to Schooreel; a copy in the cathedral. — 3. After Jan van Eyck, Head of Christ, with the spurious inscription, 'Joh. de Eyck inventor 1429', a reduced copy of the work in the museum at Berlin. — 2. Jan van Eyck, Portrait of his wife, 1439, evidently unflattered, but admirably finished, and faithful in every detail. — 1. Jan van Eyck, Madonna with the Infant Christ, St. Donatian and St. George, and the donor Canon George de Pala. This picture is strongly realistic. The Madonna is the ugliest ever painted by Van Eyck. the Child, with its aged expression (meant to indicate the presence of Deity?), is lean and unattractive, and St. George has much the appearance of a rude common
soldier. The portrait of the donor, however, is masterly, and St. Donatian is a dignified personage. The figures are two-thirds of life-size, being the largest which the master is known to have painted. The museum at Antwerp contains a copy of this picture. — "5. Gerard David, Triptych, formerly ascribed to Memling. In the central picture the Baptism of Christ, on the right wing the donor Jean des Trompes and his son, with their patron St. John the Evangelist; on the left wing Elizabeth van der Meersch, the first wife of the donor, with her four daughters, under the protection of St. Elizabeth of Hungary. On the outsides of the wings are the Madonna and Magdalen Cordier, the donor's second wife, with her infant daughter and her patron saint. This picture shows the great skill of the master in landscape painting. The background of the inner pictures, with its rich gradation and varied accessories, is remarkably pleasing. The work was executed about the year 1507. — 19. Modern repetition (18th cent.) of Jan van Eyck's sketch of St. Barbara in the Antwerp Museum (perhaps drawn for engraving). — "12. Gerard David, two charming small coloured drawings on parchment: Preaching of John the Baptist and the Baptism of Christ.

Near the Academy is the Marché du Mercredi, now called Place de Memling (Pl. C, 4), where a Statue of Memling (Pl. 10) in marble, by Pickery, was erected in 1871.

Opposite the Pont de la Paille (Pl. D, 4), No. 23, is the house of Dr. de Meyer, who possesses a good collection of Dutch and Flemish pictures, which he is always ready to show to lovers of art at a day's notice. The forenoon is the time which best suits Dr. de Meyer. The house is tastefully fitted up in the roccoco style.

The Church of St. Anna (Pl. D, 4) was reconstructed in the Renaissance style in 1607-12. The church, which is destitute of aisles, has a carved wooden panelling of 1699; pulpit of 1675; rood-loft of 1642; and pictures by the elder Van Oost and L. de Deyster.

The Eglise de Jérusalem (Pl. D, 4; entrance from the back, Rue de la Balle, first door to the right), a small and simple late-Gothic edifice of the middle of the 15th cent., contains below the high-choir an imitation of the Holy Sepulchre, founded by 'Messire Anselm Adornes', burgomaster of Bruges, who undertook two journeys to Jerusalem with a view to ensure the resemblance. The nave contains a bronze monument to him (d. 1483) and his wife (d. 1463). The stained glass dates from the 15th and 16th centuries.

In the vicinity, at the W. end of the town, is the Couvent des Dames Anglaises (Pl. E, 4), an English nunnery, with which an excellent school is connected. The church of the convent, a Renaissance structure with a dome, was built by Pulinx in 1736-39, and contains an altar, executed at Rome, and composed of rare Persian and Egyptian marbles. — To the right, a little farther on in the same street, is the handsome late-Gothic guild-house of the Arquebusiers of St. Sebastian (Pl. E, 4), with a slender octagonal tower, containing portraits from the middle of the 17th cent. downwards, and various antiquities. Charles II. of England (p. 19) and the Emp. Maximilian were both members of the guild. Close by are the ramparts, on which rise several windmills.
The Hospice de la Potterie (Pl. E, 2; entrance No. F, 76, Quai de la Potterie), an asylum for old women, established about 1164, contains old paintings, particularly a good picture by Peter Claesens, representing Mary and the Child beside a tree ('Van't Boomtje'), with God the Father, and the Holy Ghost in the form of a dove at the top (1605).

The Church of St. Jacques (Pl. B, 4), a late-Gothic brick building, erected in 1457-1518, also contains several objects of interest.

Of the numerous pictures of the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries, arranged to some extent in rows as in a picture-gallery, and provided with the names of the artists and the dates, we can only specify a few. The painters mostly belong to Bruges (L. de Deyster, d. 1711; Jos. van den Kerckhove, d. 1724, among others). Left Aisle. 1st Chapel: Fine chased copper monumental tablets of Spanish families, one of which, with the date 1461, is to the memory of Catherine, daughter of Coland d'Ault, represented between her brother and her guardian angel; another, dating from 1577, is to the memory of Don Francisco de Lupuebba and his wife, and is very elaborately executed; a third, of date 1615, is in memory of Don Pedro de Valencia and his wife. 2nd Chapel: Lancelot Blondeel, Martyrdom of SS. Cosmas and Damianus, painted in 1523 for the guild of Barber-Surgeons; P. Pourbus, The Seven Woes of the Virgin, 1556. At the end of the left aisle: *Jac. van Oost the Elder, Presentation in the Temple. — On the High Altar: J. van Bockhorst (d. 1668), Adoration of the Magi. — At the end of the Right Aisle: to the right, Madonna, with the donors, by P. Pourbus, 1556; also a small Chapel, with polychrome ornamentation (restored in 1876), containing the tomb of Ferry de Gros, Seigneur de Oyenhem, Nieuwenlande, etc. (d. 1544) and his two wives (the recumbent figure of the second wife is particularly beautiful); on the small altar in this chapel is a fine glazed terracotta of the school of Della Robbia, representing Mary and the Child encircled with a chaplet of fruits. — The pulpit, rood-lofts, and choir-stalls were put up in the latter part of the 17th century.

The Cour des Princes (Pl. 3; B, 4), the ancient palace of the Counts of Flanders, where the nuptials of Charles the Bold with Margaret of York were celebrated in 1468, and where Philippe le Bel, father of Charles V., was born, has entirely disappeared, with the exception of a few fragments within the precincts of a private house.

The Béguinage (Pl. A; 6, 7), at the S.W. end of the town, founded in the 13th cent., is inferior to that of Ghent (p. 47). The entrance is in the right angle of the Place de la Vigne; we cross a bridge and pass through a gateway of 1776. The low, whitewashed houses surround a court shaded by lofty trees. The Church, dedicated to St. Elisabeth, was founded in 1245 and rebuilt in 1605; the altarpiece and some pictures in the left aisle are by the elder Van Oost.

Dante (Inferno xv., 4-6) compares the barrier which separates the river of tears from the desert, with the embankments which the Flemings have thrown up between Sluis (or rather the island of Cadzand) and Bruges, to protect the city against the encroachments of the sea: —

'Quale i Fiamminghi tra Gazzante e Bruggia,
Temendo il fiotto che inver lor s'avventa,
Fanno lo schermo, perché 'l mar si fuggia'.

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Damme, a village 1 hr. N.E. of Bruges, on the canal leading to Sluis (comp. p. 9), was once a considerable and fortified seaport, but has been in a state of decadence since the sea began to retire from it in the 15th century. The picturesque Halles were built in 1464-68, and restored with little success in 1860; in front of the building is a statue of the Flemish poet Jacob de Coster van Maerlant (13th cent.), by Pickery (1860). The church of Notre Dame, founded in 1180, but never completed, and much altered at later periods, and the Hospital of St. John also merit inspection.

5. The Railways of S.W. Flanders.

These lines all belong to private companies, and pass so many small stations that the speed of the trains is extremely slow. The flat, agricultural district traversed by them presents the usual Flemish characteristics. The towns of this part of Flanders are now dull and lifeless, but more than one of them has had a stirring past. Every lover of art will find much to interest him in Ypres, and the rood-loft of Dixmuiden (p. 25), the cloth-hall of Newport (p. 29), and various edifices of Furnes (p. 29) also deserve a visit.

1. From Ostend to Ypres, 35 M., railway in 1¾ hr. (fares 4 fr. 35, 3 fr. 25, 2 fr. 20 c.).

Stations: Snaeskerke, Ghistelles (Hôtel de l’Europe), often visited by strangers from Ostend, Moere, Erneghem, Ichteghem, and Wynendale (see below).

15 M. Thourout (Duc de Brabant; Cygne; Union), a town with 8500 inhab., derives its name from a grove once consecrated here to the worship of the Germanic god Thor (Thorhout = grove of Thor). It contains a seminary for teachers in connection with the diocese of Bruges, and a handsome new church. In the neighbourhood, 1½ M. to the W., is the old castle of Wynendale, lately restored, once the property of the Counts of Flanders. Thourout is the junction of the line from Bruges to Courtrai (p. 29).

19½ M. Cortemarck, the junction for the Ghent and Dunkirk line (p. 28). — Then Staden, Westroosebeke, Poelcapelle, Langhemarck, Boesinghe.

35 M. Ypres, Flem. Ypcren (*Tête d’Or, in the wide Rue de Lille, which begins at the belfry; Épee Royale, Grande Place, R. 1½, D. 2, B. 3¼ fr., well spoken of; Chatellenie, Grande Place; Hôtels Fournier, du Nord, etc., near the station), an old town with remains of ancient fortifications, on the Yperlee, situated in a fertile district, contains 15,500 inhab., who are chiefly occupied in the manufacture of linen and lace, and possesses broad and clean streets. It was formerly the capital of West Flanders. In the 14th cent. Ypres had a population of 200,000 souls, and upwards of 4000 looms were in constant activity. These days of prosperity, however, have long since passed away. A succession of popular risings, and the siege of the town and burning of the suburbs by the burghers of Ghent in 1383, caused a large number of the weavers to migrate to more peaceful abodes, and the industry of Ypres became almost entirely restricted to lace-making. Its subsequent capture by Louis XIV., who converted it into a strong fortress, was
fatal to all prospect of revival. Ypres thus possesses now but a shadow of its former greatness, but it still contains many memorials of its golden period, which make it one of the most interesting towns in Belgium. *Diaper (i.e. d’Ypres) linen takes its name from this town.

From the railway-station we first follow the Rue des Bouchers (Vleescherstraat), at the end of which we take the Rue du Temple on the left, and then turn to the right into the Marché-au-Beurre (Botermarkt), which brings us to the Grande Place. Here stands the *Cloth Hall, the most considerable edifice of its kind in Belgium, begun in 1201, but not completed till 1304. The façade, of simple design, is 460 ft. long, and is pierced by two rows of pointed windows, all in the same style. It is flanked by two corner-turrets, while in the centre rises the massive, square Belfry (230 ft.), with turrets at the angles, the oldest part of the building, the foundation stone having been laid by Count Baldwin IX. of Flanders (p. 49) in the year 1200. The edifice is said to have suggested to Sir Gilbert Scott the idea of his successful design for the Town Hall of Hamburg. The 44 statues which adorn the façade, executed by P. Puyenbroeck of Brussels in 1860, replace the original figures of 31 sovereigns who bore the title of ‘Count of Flanders’ from Baldwin of the Iron Arm (d. ca. 879) to Charles V., with their consorts. The Town Hall, a charming Renaissance structure from designs by Jan Sporeman (1575), was attached to the E. part of the Cloth Hall in the beginning of the 17th century. The ground-floor consists of an elegant open hall, 20 ft. in width, boldly supported by columns. Entrance at the back, No. 1, opposite St. Martin’s Church. The former Salle Echevinale, now the Salle des Mariages, is adorned with frescoes by Guffens and Sweerts, painted in 1869 (Festal Entry of Philip the Bold of Burgundy and his wife, the last Countess of Flanders, in 1384, and other scenes from the town’s history), and contains a fine modern chimney-piece by Malfait of Brussels, and some old wall-paintings (restored) of the Counts of Flanders from 1322 to 1476. All these are, unfortunately, in a bad light. The whole of the first floor formerly consisted of a single large hall, which was used as a cloth-market. In 1876-84 the walls were embellished with twelve *Mural Paintings by Ferd. Pauwels, representing the chief events in the history of Ypres. The series begins with the foundation of the Hospital of the Virgin in 1187 and ends with the siege of 1383 (p. 26). One of the most powerful scenes depicts the ravages of the plague in 1316. Fee to the attendant 1/2-1 fr.

The *Cathedral of St. Martin, behind the Cloth Hall, was built in the 13th cent. on the site of an earlier edifice founded in 1083; the choir dates from 1221, the nave and aisles from 1254. The tower was added about 1254 by Master Utenhove. The finest parts are the choir and the portal of the S. transept with its magni-
ficient rose-window and handsome gable. The doors are good examples of rich late-Gothic carving. Between the pillars of the W. porch is a triumphal arch, constructed in 1600 by Urban Taillebert of Ypres. The interior contains some fine Renaissance choir-stalls, carved by C. van Hoveke and Urban Taillebert in 1598; old frescoes in the choir, unskilfully restored in 1826; in the left aisle, a winged picture of the Fall of Man and his Redemption, dating from 1525 (covered); a brazen font; late-Gothic organ loft. In the Sacristy are some fine old ecclesiastical vessels. A flat stone in the late-Gothic cloister marks the grave of Jansemnus (d. 1638), Bishop of Ypres, founder of a sect named after him, and still existing in Holland (see p. 297).

The Meat Market, a double-gabled house in the Marché-au-Beurre, nearly opposite (to the S.W. of) the Cloth Hall, contains the Museum (entrance at the back, 1/2 fr.), consisting of a collection of antiquities, ancient and modern pictures, and drawings of several of the numerous picturesque dwelling-houses of the 14-17th cent., of which Ypres still possesses a few. — Ypres is the seat of the Belgian Ecole de Cavalerie, or army riding-school.

From Ypres to Roselaere, see p. 29.

From Ypres to Poperinge, 12 1/2 M., railway in 1/2 hr. Intermediate station Vlamertinghe. — Poperinge, a town with 11,200 inhab., possesses a church of about 1300 with an interesting W. portal and a carved oaken pulpit. — Beyond Poperinge the line crosses the French frontier and joins the Lille and Calais railway at (7 M.) Hazebrouck (p. 57).

Beyond Ypres the line is continued to Comines (p. 31), Armenières, and Lille.

2. From Ghent to Dunkirk via Lichtervelde, 67 M., railway in 3 1/2-4 1/2 hrs. (fares 8 fr. 25, 6 fr. 20, 4 fr. 15 c.).

4 1/2 M. St. Denis-Westrem; 6 M. La Pinte, where the line from Ghent to Oudenaarde, Leuze, and Mons diverges to the left (see p. 48); 7 1/2 M. Deurle; 10 1/2 M. Deynze, on the Ley or Lys, with an old church, the junction of the line to Courtrai (p. 49); 14 M. Grammene; 16 M. Aerseele.

20 1/2 M. Thiet, an old town with 10,300 inhab., formerly a busy cloth-making place, as its Cloth Hall and Belfry indicate. Branch-line hence to (7 M.) Ingegmünster, see p. 30.

23 1/2 M. Pitthem; 26 M. Ardoye. 31 M. Lichtervelde, the junction of the Bruges and Courtrai line (see p. 29). — 35 M. Cortemarck, the junction of the Ostend and Ypres line (see p. 26).

Next stations: Handsaeme, Zarren, Eessen.

42 M. Dixmuiden, Fr. Dixmude, the parish-church of which contains a fine rood-loft of the beginning of the 16th cent., in the richest Flamboyant style, an Adoration of the Magi by Jorduens (1644), and other works of art. Dairy-farming is practised with great success in this neighbourhood, and a brisk trade in butter is carried on with England.
From Dixmuiden to Nieuport, 11 M., railway in 1½-3¼ hr. — 5 M. Pervyse; 8 M. Ronse-Beek. 9½ M. Nieuport (Hôtel de l’Espérance), the town, a small and quiet place on the Yser, with 3500 inhab., formerly fortified, and noted for its obstinate resistance to the French in 1389. The most interesting buildings are the Cloth Hall of 1480, with a Belfry of still earlier date; the Gothic Church; and the Hôtel de Ville, begun in 1513. Outside the town, on the side next the sea, is a Lighthouse built in 1269. 11 M. Nieuport-Bains (Hôtel de la Digue, ‘pens’ 7-10 fr.; Hotel des Bains; Hôtel de la Mer, unpretending), the watering-place, consists, besides the above hotels, of the Cursaal, a row of villas, and a small Roman Catholic church. As at other Belgian watering-places a Digue has been constructed along the dunes, at one end of which is an Estacade (see p. 5), ¾ M. long, protecting the entrance to the Yser and forming an admirable promenade. Fine view of Ostend and Dunkirk. Good sea-bathing (bathing-machine 75 c.).

48 M. Oostkerke; 49 M. Ave-Cappelle. 51½ M. Furnes (Hôtel de la Noble Rose), Flemish Veurne, now a dull town with 4000 inhab., was formerly of much greater importance. The Hôtel de Ville in the market-place, a Renaissance structure of 1596-1612, contains some interesting wall-hangings of Spanish leather and two finely-carved doors. Adjacent is the old Chatellenie, now the Palais de Justice, dating from the first half of the 17th century. The tall Belfry, ending in a spire, was erected in 1624. The Church of St. Walburga is of very ancient origin; the present building was designed at the beginning of the 14th cent. on so extensive a scale that only the choir, with its radiating chapels, has been completed. It contains a Descent from the Cross attributed to Pourbus and a reliquary of the 15th cent. (in the sacristy). The Church of St. Nicholas, with a huge, unfinished tower, dates from the 14th century. — Near Furnes is La Panne, a small sea-bathing place.

The next station, Adinkerke, is the last in Belgium. Ghyvelde is the first French station. Then, Zuydcoote, Roosendaal, Tente-Verte. 67 M. Dunkirk, French Dunkerque (Grand Hôtel; Hôtel de Flandre; Hôtel de la Paix), a strongly-fortified town with 37,400 inhab., in the Département du Nord, was taken by the English in 1388, by the Spaniards in 1583, again by the English during the Protectorate in 1658, and was finally purchased by Louis XIV. from Charles II. in 1662. It is now a busy commercial place and fishing-station. A considerable English community resides here (English church).

3. From Bruges to Courtrai, 33 M., railway in 1½-2 hrs. (fares 4 fr. 20, 3 fr. 20, 2 fr. 10 c.). The first stations are Lophem and Zedelgem. 11 M. Thourout, see p. 26. 14 M. Lichtervelde, see p. 28. Then Gits and Beveren. 19 M. Roselaere, French Roulers (Duc de Brabant), a town with 16,800 inhab., high above which rises the handsome Gothic tower of the church of St. Michael. Roselaere carries on a busy trade in linen goods. Here, on 13th July, 1794, a fierce conflict took place...
between the Austrians under Clerfait, and the French under Pichegrut and Macdonald, in which the latter were victorious. This defeat was the prelude to that of Fleurus (p. 183), thirteen days later.

Branch-line to Ypres (14 M.) in 40 min. (fares 2 fr., 1 fr. 40, 90 c.). Stations Moorslede-Passchendaele, Zonnebeke, Ypres (p. 26).

21 M. Rumbeke possesses a fine Gothic church and a château of Count de Thiennes. 23½ M. Iseghem, with 9000 inhab., contains numerous linen-factories. Tobacco is extensively cultivated in the environs. Between Iseghem and (26 M.) Ingelmünster, a small town with extensive carpet-manufactories, is the handsome château of Baron Gillés.—From Ingelmünster branch-lines diverge to Thiett (p. 28) and to Waereghem (see p. 49). — 28 M. Ledeleeze; 30 M. Heule, the Gothic church of which has a clumsy tower. Near Courtrai the train crosses the Ley (or Lys).

33 M. Courtrai, see p. 49.

6. From Brussels to Courtrai and Ypres.

Railway from Brussels to Courtrai, 54 M., in 2-2½ hrs. (fares 6 fr. 60, 4 fr. 95, 3 fr. 35 c.; express 8 fr. 25, 6 fr. 20 c.); from Courtrai to Ypres, 21 M., in 1 hr. (fares 2 fr. 70, 2 fr., 1 fr. 35 c.). — Departure in Brussels from the Station du Nord (p. 65).

From Brussels to (15 M.) Denderleeuw, see p. 10. The line to Ghent and Ostend (R. 3) here diverges to the N.W., and that to Grammont and Ath-Jurbise (p. 62) to the S.W. Our line enters E. Flanders, and passes Haeltert, Burst (branch to Alost), and Herzelee. 27 M. Sotteghem, a small town of 2900 inhab., with several boot and shoe manufactories, is the junction of the Ghent and Grammont line (R. 20). A line from Sotteghem to Ellezelles (p. 63) is in progress.

The next stations are Rooborst, Boucle-St.-Denis-Nederzwalm, and Eenemene.

33½ M. Oudenarde, Fr. Audenarde (Pomme d'Or, Grand'Place; Saumon, Rue Haute, both near the Hôtel de Ville; Hôtel de Bruxelles, with café, opposite the station), a very ancient town with 5700 inhab., situated on the Schelde, possesses considerable manufactories of linen and cotton goods. It was the birthplace of Margaret of Parma (b. 1522), regent of the Netherlands under Philip II., a natural daughter of Emp. Charles V. and Johanna van der Gheenst. Under the walls of the town, on 11th July, 1708, the Allies commanded by Marlborough and Prince Eugene of Savoy gained a decisive victory over the French. An hour should be devoted to a visit to the beautiful Hôtel de Ville, or town-hall.

The street to the right, nearly opposite the station, leads in 10 min. to the centre of the town. At the entrance to the town stands a monument in memory of volunteers from Oudenarde who perished in Mexico while serving under Emp. Maximilian, by Giefs, erected in 1867.

We next reach the Place in which is situated the **Town Hall,
a small, but very elegant building, erected in the late-Gothic style by H. van Peede and W. de Ronde in 1525-35, and recently restored. The ground-floor consists of a pointed hall borne by columns, and above it are two stories with pointed windows. The tower which rises from the pointed hall in the centre of the façade is particularly rich. It consists of five stories, and is covered with a crown-shaped roof. The numerous statuettes with which the building was once embellished have all disappeared. We ascend the flight of steps opposite the Hôtel Pomme d'Or, leading to the Salle des Pas Perdus, which contains a late-Gothic chimney-piece. Passing through the door beyond, to the right, we find an attendant (50 c.), who opens the council-chamber. The portal of this room, a masterpiece of wood-carving, was executed by Paul van Schelde in the Renaissance style in 1531; the handsome late-Gothic chimney-piece dates from 1529.

In the S.E. corner of the Place, to the right as we quit the town-hall, is the Church of St. Walburga, partly in the Romanesque style of the 12th cent., and partly in the Gothic style of the 14th and 15th, with a very prominent transept. The massive and well-proportioned tower has unfortunately been left unfinished. The interior contains paintings by De Crayer, Van Thulden, and others, and a rich polychrome altar decoration of the late Renaissance (first chapel on the N. side).

The church of Notre Dame de Pamele, 8 min. farther to the S., on the other bank of the Schelde, an interesting example of the transition-style of the 13th cent., with later additions and a rectangular tower above the cross, has just been successfully restored. It contains two monuments of the 16th century.

From Oudenarde to Ghent or Mons, see p. 48.

The next stations are Peteghem and Anseghem, the first place in West Flanders, whence a branch-line runs to Waereghem and Ingelminster (p. 29). Then Vichte and Deerlyck.

54 M. Courtrai, see p. 49.

58½ M. Wevelghem. 61½ M. Menin, Flem. Meenen, a town on the Ley with 11,700 inhab., once fortified, where the Prussian General Scharnhorst (d. 1813) first distinguished himself against the French. 65 M. Wervicq, with 7000 inhab., possesses a number of tobacco-manufactories; the Church of St. Medardus dates from the middle of the 14th century. The right bank of the Ley or Lys here is French territory. — 67 M. Comines, formerly a fortified town, was the birthplace of the historian Philip of Comines (d. 1509). Branch-line hence to Armentières and Lille, in France. — 69 M. Houthem.

75 M. Ypres, see p. 26.

Arrival. Ghent has three railway-stations: 1. Station du Chemin de Fer de l'Etat (Pl. D, 5, 6), for the trains of the government-lines to Brussels, Antwerp, Malines, Bruges, Courtrai, and Braine-le-Comte. 2. Station du Pays de Waes (Pl. E, 3, 4), for the trains through the Waesland to Antwerp (R. 10). — 3. Station d'Eecloo (Pl. E, 3), for the trains to Terneuzen (p. 10) and Bruges via Eecloo (p. 10). The last two, adjoining each other, are on the N.E. side of the town, 1 M. from the government-station.

Hôtels. °Hôtel Royal (Pl. b; C, 5), in the Place d'Armes, R. 3, D. 4 fr.; °Hôtel de la Poste (Pl. c; C, 5), Place d'Armes 13, R. from 2½, L. ½, A. ½, B. 1½, D. 4 fr. — Hôtel de Vienne (Pl. a; C, 4), in the Marché aux Grains, R. from 2½, B. 1½ fr., table d'hôte at 1.30 p.m. 3 fr., at 5 p.m. 4 fr.; Hôtel de l'Etoile (Pl. d; C, 4), Rue de l'Etoile 27, near the Marché aux Grains; Hôtel du Lion d'Or (Pl. e; C, 4), Place du Lion d'Or 9; Hôtel d'Allemagne, Marché aux Grains, unpretending, well spoken of, E. & B. 3, D. 2 fr. — At the Government Station: Grande Cour Royale, Rue de la Station 3; Cour d'Autriche, opposite the station, etc.

Restaurants. Mottez, Avenue Place d'Armes 3; Bouard, Rue Courte de la Croix 2, near the cathedral; Rocher de Cancale, corner of the Marché aux Oiseaux and the Rue Courte du Jour ('plat du jour', 75 c.); Taverne St. Jean, Marché aux Oiseaux 2; Taverne du Théâtre, opposite the Theatre, at the corner of the Place d'Armes. — °Café des Arcades, on the E. side of the Place d'Armes (Pl. C, 5); Café Royal, in the Theatre (Pl. 25), etc. Uytzet, a kind of strong beer brewed in Ghent, is famous.

Cabs per drive 1 fr.; first hour ½ fr., each following hour 1 fr.; after 11 p.m., per drive 1½ fr. — Tramway, see Plan.

Theatre (Pl. 25; C, 5), adjoining the Place d'Armes. Boxes and stalls 4, parquet 2½, pit 1 fr. Performances in winter only. Flemish Theatre or Schouwburg (Pl. 26; D, 5), Rue St. Pierre.

Post and Telegraph Office (Pl. 22; C, 5), adjoining the Theatre, and opposite the Palais de Justice.

English Church in the Rue Digue de Brabant; services at 11 and 7.

American Consul, Mr. Polachek.

Principal Attractions: Cathedral (p. 35), view from Belfry (p. 39); Hôtel de Ville, exterior only (p. 40); Marché du Vendredi (p. 41), Marché aux Herbes (p. 48), Marché aux Grains (p. 42), Béguinages (p. 47).

Ghent or Gand, the capital of Flanders, with 136,200 inhab., lies on the Schelde and the Ley (Lys), as well as on the insignificant Lieve and Moere, which flow through the city in numerous arms. The city is of considerable extent, being upwards of 6 M. in circumference, and covering an area of 5750 acres, part of which, however, is occupied with gardens and bleaching-grounds. A canal, originally constructed in order to protect the town from inundations, 11 yds. in width, and 16 ft. in depth, and falling into the Schelde at Terneuzen (p. 10), connects the city with the sea, but since the separation of Belgium from Holland has been comparatively little used on account of the heavy imposts levied by the latter on vessels passing through. Another canal connects the Ley with the canal from Bruges to Ostend. Corn, rape-oil, and flax are important articles of commerce, but the commodities for which Ghent has long been famous are cotton and linen goods and lace. Of late years its engine-factories have become considerable.

Ghent is mentioned in history as early as the 7th century. At the beginning of the 13th cent., when the County of Artois was united to France, Ghent became the capital of Flanders and the
usual residence of the Counts. At a very early period a spirit of independence developed itself among the inhabitants, more especially the weavers; and they succeeded in obtaining from their sovereigns those concessions which form the foundation of constitutional liberty. At one period the citizens had become so powerful and warlike that they succeeded in repulsing an English army of 24,000 men, under Edward I. (1297), and a few years later they were the principal combatants in the 'Battle of Spurs' (p. 51), to the issue of which their bravery mainly contributed. Their subjection to the Counts of Flanders and the Dukes of Burgundy appears to have been little more than nominal; for whenever these princes attempted to levy a tax which was unpopular with the citizens, the latter sounded their alarm-bell, flew to arms, and expelled the obnoxious officials appointed to exact payment. During the 13th, 14th, and 15th centuries revolutions seem almost to have been the order of the day at Ghent. John of Gaunt (d. 1399) was born here.

One of the most remarkable characters of his age was Jacques Van Artevelde, the celebrated 'Brewer of Ghent' (born 1290), a clever and ambitious demagogue, who, though of noble family, is said to have caused himself to be enrolled as a member of the Guild of Brewers in order to ingratiate himself with the lower classes. Owing to his wealth, ability, and remarkable eloquence, he acquired immense influence, and in 1337 was appointed 'Ruwaerd', or Protector, of Flanders. He was an ally of Edward III. in the war between England and France (1335-45), in which the democratic party of Ghent supported the former, and the Counts of Flanders the latter; and it is recorded that Edward condescended to flatter him by the title of 'dear gossip'. For seven years Artevelde reigned supreme at Ghent, putting to death all who had the misfortune to displease him, banishing the nobles and those who betrayed symptoms of attachment to their sovereign, and appointing magistrates who were the mere slaves of his will. Artevelde at length proposed that the son of Edward should be elected Count of Flanders, a scheme so distasteful to the Ghenters that an insurrection broke out, and Jacques was slain in his own house (Kalanderveen No. 19, between the Place d'Armes and the Cathedral, marked by an inscription in French), 17th July, 1345, by Gerard Denys, the leader of his opponents. During this period, in consequence of the alliance with Ghent, the manufacture of wool became more extensively known and practised in England. Ghent also realised vast profits from its English trade, a circumstance which induced the citizens to submit so long to the despotic rule of Jacques, to whom they owed their advantageous connection with England.

Philip Van Artevelde, son of Jacques, and godson of Queen Philippa of England, possessed all the ambition but little of the talent of his father. He was appointed dictator by the democratic
party in 1381, during the civil war against Count Louis of Flanders, surnamed 'van Maele', and his administration was at first salutary and judicious, but he soon began to act with all the caprice of a despot. In 1381, when Ghent was reduced to extremities by famine, and the citizens had resolved to surrender, Philip counselled them to make a final venture, rather than submit to the humiliating conditions offered by the Count. He accordingly marched at the head of 5000 men to Bruges, and signally defeated Louis, who sallied forth to meet them. Elated by this success, Philip now assumed the title of Regent of Flanders, and established himself at Ghent in a style of great magnificence. His career, however, was brief. In 1383 war again broke out, chiefly owing to the impolitic and arrogant conduct of Philip himself, and Charles VI. of France marched against Flanders. Philip was soon afterwards defeated and slain at the disastrous Battle of Roosebeke, where 20,000 Flemings are said to have perished. The city was obliged to submit to the Count, and after his death came into the possession of Burgundy.

The turbulent spirit of the Ghenters ultimately proved their ruin. In 1448, when Philippe le Bon of Burgundy imposed a heavy tax on salt, they openly declared war against him; and the best proof of the vastness of their resources is that they succeeded in carrying on the war for a period of five years (1448-53). The day of retribution and humiliation, however, at length arrived, and the burghers, brave but undisciplined, were compelled to succumb. On 23rd July, 1453, they were defeated at Gavre on the Schelde, and lost no fewer than 16,000 men. Philip now levied enormous contributions on the city; the corporation and principal citizens were compelled to march out at the gate with halters round their necks, and to kiss the dust at the feet of their master and conqueror; and the most valuable privileges of the city were suspended or cancelled. A complete stagnation of commerce was the disastrous consequence of this war.

In 1477 the nuptials of the Archduke Maximilian were celebrated at Ghent with Mary of Burgundy, heiress of Charles the Bold, who by her marriage brought the wealthy Netherlands into the power of Austria (see p. 16). Here, too, on 24th Feb., 1500, the Emperor Charles V. was born in the Cour du Prince, a palace of the Counts of Flanders long since destroyed, but the name of which survives in a street (see p. 45). During his reign Ghent was one of the largest and wealthiest cities in Europe, and consisted of 35,000 houses with a population of 175,000 souls. Charles V. is said to have boasted jestingly to Francis I. of France: 'Je mettraï votre Paris dans mon Gand (glove)'. The turbulent spirit of the citizens having again manifested itself in various ebullitions, the emperor caused a Citadel (Het Spanjaerds Kasteel) to be erected near the Antwerp Gate in 1540, for the purpose of keeping them in check. No trace of the structure now remains. Counts Egmont and Hoorn were im-
prisoned in this castle in 1568 for several months before their execution. Within its precincts lay the ancient Abbey of St. Bavon, of which Eginhard, secretary and son-in-law of Charlemagne, is said once to have been abbot. The ruins of the Chapel of St. Macaire (Pl. 14; E, 4), which was connected with the abbey, and dates from the 12th cent., are interesting to architects. The moats of the old citadel have recently been filled up, and the remains of the ramparts removed in order to make room for new streets.

The Cathedral of St. Bavon, or Sint Baafs (Pl. D, 4), externally a cumbrous and unattractive Gothic structure, is in the interior one of the most richly-decorated churches in Belgium. The crypt was consecrated in 941, the W. portions about 1228; the choir was founded in 1274, and completed in 1300; the late-Gothic chapels date from the 15th cent.; and the nave and transept were completed in 1533-54. During the same century it suffered severely from Puritanical outrages.

The Interior is of noble proportions, and rests on massive square pillars with projecting half-columns. (The Cathedral is open for the inspection of its art-treasures from 10 a.m.; between 12 and 4 admission is obtained by knocking loudly on the side-door to the left of the principal entrance; fee to the sacristan who opens the chapels, 1 franc for each person.)

On the walls of the Nave are the names and armorial bearings of Knights of the Golden Fleece, the last chapter of which was held here by Philip II. in 1559. The Pulpit, by Delvaux, half in oak, half in marble, represents the Tree of Life, with an allegory of Time and Truth.

S. Aisle. 1st Chapel: G. de Crayer, Beheading of John the Baptist (1657). 3rd, behind the pulpit: De Cauwer, Baptism of Christ.

North Aisle. 1st Chapel: Rombouts, Descent from the Cross; A. Janssens, Pietà. — The 3rd Chapel is embellished with tasteful modern ornamentation in the Gothic style. — 4th: De Crayer, Assumption. A marble slab opposite records the names of the priests who refused to recognize Bishop Lebrun, appointed by Napoleon in 1813.

Transsept. To the right and left of the entrance to the choir are statues of the Apostles by C. van Poucke, 1782. The N. arm contains the font in which Charles V. was baptised in 1500. — Ten steps lead up to the choir.

Choir. The walls are partly covered with black marble, and the balustrades are of white or variegated marble. The high-altar is adorned with a Statue of St. Bavon in his ducal robes, hovering among the clouds, by Verbruggen (17th cent.). The choir-stalls are of carved mahogany. The scenes in grisaille from the Old and New Testament are by Van Reysschoot (1774). The four massive copper Candlesticks bearing the English arms are believed once to have decorated St. Paul’s in London, and to have been sold during the Pro-
tectorate of Cromwell. On each side of the choir, adjoining the altar, are two monuments to bishops, with large sculptures of the 17th and 18th cent., the best of them being that of Bishop A. Triest by Duquesnoy, the first to the left.

Retro-Cloir, beginning by the S. transept. 1st Chapel: *Pour-bus. Christ among the doctors; most of the heads are portraits: left, near the frame, Alva, Charles V., Philip II., and the master himself; on the inner wings the Baptism and Circumcision, on the outer the Saviour and the donor of the picture, 1571. — 2nd: Monument to the brothers Goethals, by Parmentier, 1846. — 3rd: Gerard van der Meire (p. xlii), Christ between the malefactors, with Moses striking water from the rock and the Raising of the brazen serpent on the wings, the whole of mediocre merit. — By the choir-screen, monument of Bishop Van Smet (d. 1746). — 4th and 5th: Nothing worthy of note. — We now ascend the steps.

6th: **Jan and Hubert van Eyck, Adoration of the Immaculate Lamb, 'prestantissima tabula, qua representatur triumphus Agni Dei, et si quidem improprie dicunt Amadi et Eva, opus sanctum et admirandum' (Guicciardini, 1560; comp. also p. xli). This work originally consisted of twelve sections, but has been dismembered, and is in part only in its original place, the wings being now, with the exception of the Adam and Eve (at Brussels, p. 81), in the gallery of Berlin.

In the centre of the altarpiece, and on a panel which overtops all the others, the noble and dignified figure of Christ sits enthroned in the prime of manhood with a short black beard, a broad forehead, and black eyes. On his head is the white tiara, ornamented with a profusion of diamonds, pearls, and amethysts. Two dark lappets fall on either side of the grave and youthful face. The throne of black damask is embroidered with gold; the tiara relieved on a golden ground covered with inscriptions in semicircular lines. Christ holds in his left hand a sceptre of splendid workmanship, and with two fingers of his right he gives his blessing to the world. The gorgeous red mantle which completely enshrouds his form is fastened at the breast by a large jewelled brooch. The mantle itself is bordered with a double row of pearls and amethysts. The feet rest on a golden pedestal, carpeted with black, and on the dark ground, which is cut into perspective squares by lines of gold, lies a richly-jewelled open-worked crown, emblematic of martyrdom. This figure of the Redeemer is grandly imposing; the mantle, though laden with precious stones, in obedience to a somewhat literal interpretation of Scripture, falls from the shoulders and over the knee to the feet in ample and simple folds. The colour of the flesh is powerful, brown, and glowing, and full of vigour, that of the vestments strong and rich. The hands are well drawn, perhaps a little contracted in the muscles, but still of startling realism. — On the right of Christ the Virgin sits in her traditional robe of blue; her long fair hair, bound to the forehead by a diadem, flowing in waves down her shoulders. With most graceful hands she holds a book, and pensively looks with a placid and untroubled eye into space. On the left of the Eternal, St. John the Baptist rests, long-haired and bearded, austere in expression, splendid in form, and covered with a broad, flowing, green drapery. On the spectator's right of St. John the Baptist, St. Cecilia, in a black brocade, plays on an oaken organ supported by three or four angels with viols or harps. On the left of the Virgin a similar but less beautiful group of singing choristers standing in front of an oaken desk, the foremost of them dressed...
in rich and heavy red brocade. (Van Mander declares that the angels who sing are so artfully done that we mark the difference of keys in which their voices are pitched.) — On the spectator's right of St. Cecilia once stood the naked figure of Eve, now removed to the Brussels museum — a figure upon which the painter seems to have concentrated all his knowledge of perspective as applied to the human form and its anatomical development. Counterpart to Eve, and once on the left side of the picture, Adam is equally remarkable for correctness of proportion and natural realism. Here again the master's science in optical perspective is conspicuous, and the height of the figure above the eye is fitly considered. (Above the figures of Adam and Eve are miniature groups of the sacrifices of Cain and Abel and the death of Abel.)'

'Christ, by his position, presides over the sacrifice of the Lamb as represented in the lower panels of the shrine. The scene of the sacrifice is laid in a landscape formed of green hills receding in varied and pleasing lines from the foreground to the extreme distance. A Flemish city, meant, no doubt, to represent Jerusalem, is visible chiefly in the background to the right; but churches and monasteries, built in the style of the early edifices of the Netherlands and Rhine country, boldly raise their domes and towers above every part of the horizon, and are sharply defined on a sky of pale grey gradually merging into a deeper hue. The trees, which occupy the middle ground, are not of high growth, nor are they very different in colour from the undulating meadows in which they stand. They are interspersed here and there with cypresses, and on the left is a small date-palm. The centre of the picture is all meadow and green slope, from a foreground strewed with daisies and dandelions to the distant blue hills.'

'In the very centre of the picture a square altar is hung with red damask and covered with white cloth. Here stands a lamb, from whose breast a stream of blood issues into a crystal glass. Angels kneel round the altar with parti-coloured wings and variegated dresses, many of them praying with joined hands, others holding aloft the emblems of the passion, two in front waving censers. From a slight depression of the ground to the right, a little behind the altar, a numerous band of female saints is issuing, all in rich and varied costumes, fair hair floating over their shoulders, and palms in their hands; foremost may be noticed St. Barbara with the tower and St. Agnes. From a similar opening on the left, popes, cardinals, bishops, monks, and minor clergy advance, some holding croziers and crosses, other palms. This, as it were, forms one phase of the adoration. In the centre near the base of the picture a small octagonal fountain of stone, with an iron jet and tiny spouts, projects a stream into a rill, whose pebbly bottom is seen through the pellucid water. The fountain and the altar, with vanishing points on different horizons, prove the Van Eycks to have been unacquainted with the science of linear perspective. Two distinct groups are in adoration on each side of the fountain. That on the right comprises the twelve apostles, in light greyish violet cloaks kneeling bare-footed on the sward, with long hair and beards, expressing in their noble faces the intensity of their faith. On their right stands a gorgeous array of three popes, two cardinal monks, seven bishops, and a miscellaneous crowd of church and laymen. The group on the left of the fountain is composed of kings and princes in various costumes, the foremost of them kneeling, the rest standing, none finer than that of a dark bearded man in a red cloth cap stepping forward in full front towards the spectator, dressed in a dark blue mantle, and holding a sprig of myrtle. The whole of the standing figures command prolonged attention from the variety of the attitudes and expressions, the stern resolution of some, the eager glances of others, the pious resignation and contemplative serenity of the remainder. The faithful who have thus reached the scene of the sacrifice are surrounded by a perfect wilderness of flowering shrubs, lilies, and other beautiful plants, and remain in quiet contemplation of the Lamb.'

'Numerous worshippers besides are represented on the wings of the triptych, moving towards the place of worship. On the left is a hand
of crusaders, the foremost of whom, on a dapple grey charger, is clad in
armour with an undercoat of green slashed stuff, a crown of laurel on
his brow, and a lance in his hand. On his left two knights are riding,
also in complete armour, one on a white, the other on a brown charger,
carrying lances with streamers. Next to the third figure, a nobleman in
a fur cap bestrides an ass, whose ears appear above the press; on his
left a crowned monarch on a black horse; behind them a crowd of kings
and princes. In rear of them, and in the last panel to the left, Hubert
Van Eyck with long brown hair, in a dark cap, the fur peak of which
is turned up, ambles forward on a spirited white pony. He is dressed
in blue velvet lined with grey fur; his saddle has long green housings.
In the same line with him two riders are mounted on sorrel nags, and
next them again a man in a black turban and dark brown dress trimmed
with fur, whom historians agree in calling John Van Eyck. The face
is turned towards Hubert, and therefore away from the direction taken
by the cavalcade; further in rear are several horsemen. The two groups
proceed along a sandy path, which yields under the horses' hoofs, and
seems to have been formed by the detritus of a block of stony ground
rising perpendicularly behind, on each side of which the view extends
to a rich landscape, with towns and churches in the distance on one
hand, and a beautiful vista of blue and snow mountains on the other.
White fleecy clouds float in the sky. There is not to be found in the whole
Flemish school a picture in which human figures are grouped, designed,
or painted with so much perfection as in this of the mystic Lamb. Nor
is it possible to find a more complete or better distributed composition,
more natural attitudes, or more dignified expression. Nowhere in the
pictures of the early part of the 15th century can such airy landscape
be met. Nor is the talent of the master confined to the appropriate
representation of the human form, his skill extends alike to the brute
creation. The horses, whose caparisons are of the most precious
material, are admirably drawn and in excellent movement. One charger stretches
his neck to lessen the pressure of the bit; another champs the curb
with Flemish phegma; a third throws his head down between his fore
legs; the pony ridden by Hubert Van Eyck betrays a natural fire, and
frets under the restraint put upon it.'

"On the right side of the altarpiece we see a noble band of ascetics
with tangled hair and beards and deep complexities, dressed in frock
and cowl, with staves and rosaries, moving round the base of a rocky
bank, the summit of which is wooded and interspersed with palms and
orange trees. Two female saints, one of them the Magdalene, bring up
the rear of the hermit band, which moves out of a grove of orange trees
with glossy leaves and yellow fruit. In the next panel to the right, and
in a similar landscape, St. Christopher, pole in hand, in a long red cloak
of inelegant folds, overtops the rest of his companions — pilgrims with
grim and solemn faces. Here a palm and a cypress are painted with
surprising fidelity."

"The altarpiece, when closed, has not the all-absorbing interest of
its principal scenes when open. It is subdivided first into two parts, in
the upper portion of which is the Annunciation, in the lower the portraits
of Jodocus Vydts and his wife, and imitated statues of St. John the
Baptist and St. John the Evangelist. In the semicircular projection of
the upper central panel are the Sibyls, whilst half figures of Zachariah
and Micah are painted in the semicircles above the annunciate angel and
Virgin. With the exception of Jodocus and his wife and the Annun-
ciation, the whole of this outer part of the panels may have been executed
under supervision by the pupils of the Van Eycks." — Crowe & Cavalcaselle.

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This work, the most extensive and imposing of the Flemish
School, has undergone various vicissitudes. Philip II. endeavoured
to obtain possession of it, but at length was obliged to be satisfied
with a copy executed for him by Cozie. In 1566 it was with
difficulty rescued from Puritanical outrage, and in 1641 saved from
danger of burning. An expression of disapproval by the Emp.
Joseph II., in 1784, regarding the nude figures of Adam and Eve
induced the churchwardens to keep the picture under lock and key.
In 1794 it was taken to Paris, and when it was restored in 1815
the central pictures only were replaced in their original positions,
while the wings were ignorantly, or from avaricious motives, sold
to a dealer, from whom they were purchased by the museum of Berlin
for 410,000 fr. The two wings with Adam and Eve were kept con-
cealed at Ghent, as being unsuitable for a church, down to 1861,
when they were removed to the museum at Brussels in return for
copies of the wings. The work was begun by Hubert van Eyck for
Joodous Vydts, an important patrician of Ghent, and his wife Isa-
abella Birluut, about the year 1420, and finished by John in 1432.
The share which each of the brothers took in this work cannot
be precisely ascertained. The central piece, and the figures of
God the Father, Mary, John, Adam, and Eve, are usually attributed
to Hubert, and the rest of the work to his brother.

7th Chapel: *Honthorst*, Christ on the Cross; at the side, De
Craay, Crucifixion. — 8th: Monument of *Bishops Ph. E.* and
A. van der Noott, of the 18th cent., with a Scourging of Christ and
a Virgin, by Helderenberg and Verschaffelt. — 9th. The altarpiece,
representing the so-called Betrothal of St. Catherine with the Infant
Christ, and the Virgin with the holy women, is by Roose, surnamed
Liemaecckere. — 10th: *Rubens*, St. Bavon renounces his military
career in order to assume the cowl. The figure of the saint is said
to represent the master himself in the upper part of the picture,
where he is received on the steps of the church by a priest, after
having distributed all his property among the poor. To the left are
two women, said to be portraits of the two wives of Rubens, both in
the costume of that period; one of them appears to be disengaging
a chain from her neck, as if she would follow the example of the
saint. At the altar: O. Vaenius, Raising of Lazarus, adjoining which
is the monument of Bishop Damant (d. 1609). — We now descend
the steps to visit the rest of the chapels, which, however, contain
little of special merit except M. Cozie’s Seven Works of Mercy (in
the 15th and last).

Of the Crypt beneath the choir the W. parts only, resting on
low pillars, belong to the original structure, which was consecrated
in 941. The E. part, with its numerous chapels, is Gothic.
Hubert van Eyck and his sister Margaret are said to be buried here.

The Tower (446 steps) affords a fine prospect, similar to that
from the Belfry (fee 2 fr. for 1-4 persons).

The Episcopal Palace is a modern building on the E. side of
the Church.

The Belfry (*Belfrood*, or *Beffroi*; Pl. C, 4), a lofty square tower
which has attained two-thirds only of the projected height, rises near
the cathedral, almost in the centre of the city, of which it commands
a fine panorama. In 1839-53 it was provided with an iron spire.
According to a note written upon the original design, which is pre-
served in the city archives, the construction was begun in 1183; in
1339 the works were suspended. Etymologists differ as to the
origin of the word ‘belfrood’ or belfry, but the most probable
derivation is from bell (Dutch bellen, to sound, to ring) and frood
or fried (jurisdiction). One of the first privileges usually obtained
by theburghers from their feudal lords was permission to erect
one of these watch or bell-towers, from which peals were rung on
all important occasions to summon the people to council or to arms.

The concierge, who accompanies visitors to the top of the tower
(1 pers. 1 fr., more for a party), lives in the tower itself, entrance
in the St. Janstraat. The third gallery, at a height of 270 ft., is
reached by 386 steps; the total height to the point of the spire is
375 ft. The staircase is dark and rather steep. The spire is sur-
mounted by a vane, consisting of a gilded dragon, 10 ft. in length,
which was taken by Count Baldwin VIII. from the church of St.
Sophia at Constantinople in 1204, and presented to the Ghenters.

The view embraces a great portion of Flanders, as well as an ad-
mirable survey of the city. When the Duke of Alva proposed to Charles
V. that he should destroy the city which had occasioned him so much
annoyance, the monarch is said to have taken him to the top of the
belfry, and there to have replied: ‘Combien faudrait-il de peaux d’Espagne
pour faire un Gant de cette grandeur?’ — thus rejecting the cruel sug-
gestion of his minister.

The mechanism of the Chimes may be examined at the top of the
tower. They are played by means of a cylinder, like that in a barrel-
organ, the spikes on which set the tongues and hammers of the bells in
motion. They may also be played by a musician who uses an apparatus
resembling the keyboard and pedal of an organ. The tower contains
44 bells. A hole in one of them was made by a cannon-ball fired at the
belfry by the Austrians from the old citadel in 1789, in order to prevent
the citizens from ringing the alarm. The ball did not miss its aim, but
failed to effect its purpose, for the tone of the bell continued unimpaired.
One of the oldest and heaviest bells, which was recast in 1658, bears the
inscription: ‘Myn naem is Roeland; als ik kippe dan is’t brandt; als ik
beyde, dan is’t storm in Vlaenderland’ (My name is Roland; when I am
rung hastily, then there is a fire; when I resound in peals, there is a
storm in Flanders).

An unfinished Gothic building in the Rue St. Jean, adjoining
the Belfry, erected in 1325, was formerly the Cloth Hall.

The lower part of the Belfry, used as a town-prison, is called
‘Mammelokker’, a Flemish word applied to the colossal relief over
the entrance from the place of the Hôtel de Ville, representing a
woman giving sustenance from her own breast to an old man in chains
at her feet, and expressive of the filial act she is performing (‘Charité
Romaine’). The portal and figures belong to the 18th century.

In the same place is situated the *Hôtel de Ville (Pl. C, 4),
which consists of two entirely different parts. The picturesque faç-
dade towards the Rue Haut-Port, constructed in 1481-1533, in the
florid-Gothic (Flamboyant) style, from designs by Dominicus van
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Waghemakere and Rombout Keldermans (p. 122), was restored in 1829, and again quite recently; it is perhaps the most beautiful piece of Gothic architecture in Belgium. The E. façade, towards the market-place, with its three tiers of columns, was constructed in 1595-1628, in the Renaissance style. The 'Pacification of Ghent', a treaty drawn up by a congress of the Confederates who assembled here in 1576 with a view to expel the Spaniards from the Netherlands, was signed in the throne-room, which contains some modern paintings and portraits of Austrian princes. The lofty Council Chamber now serves as the Salle des Mariages, or office for civil marriages. The Archives are very important, containing documents reaching back to the 13th century.

Opposite the N. façade of the Hôtel de Ville is the Rue des Grainiers, ending in the Rue Basse, which we cross obliquely to the Rue du Serpent, leading to the *Marché du Vendredi (Vrydagmarket; Pl. C, D, 3, 4), an extensive square, surrounded by antiquated buildings. The most important events in the history of Ghent have taken place here. Homage was here done to the Counts of Flanders on their accession, in a style of magnificence unknown at the present day, after they had sworn, 'all de bestaende wetten, voorregten, vryheden en gewoonten van't graefschap en van de stad Gent te onderhouden en te doen onderhouden' (to maintain and cause to be maintained all the existing laws, privileges, freedoms, and customs of the county and city of Ghent). Here the members of the mediæval guilds, 'ces têtes dures de Flandre', as Charles V. termed his countrymen, frequently assembled to avenge some real or imaginary infringement of their rights, and here the standard of revolt was invariably erected. One of the most disastrous civic broils took place here in 1341, when Gerard Denys at the head of his party, which consisted chiefly of weavers, attacked his opponents the fullers with such fury that even the elevation of the host failed to separate the combatants, of whom upwards of 500 were slain. Jacques van Artevelde, the famous 'Brewer of Ghent' (see p. 33), then in power, was afterwards assassinated by Denys. This fatal day was subsequently entered in the civic calendar as 'Kwaede Maendag' (Wicked Monday). Under the rule of the Duke of Alva his auto-da-fé's were enacted in the Marché du Vendredi, and many thousand Ghenters were then compelled to emigrate, thus leaving the city half untenanted. A statue of Charles V. stood here down to 1796, when it was destroyed by the French sansculottes. It is now replaced by a bronze Statue of Jacques van Artevelde (Pl. 24; D, 3), over life-size, executed in bronze by Devigne-Quyvo, and erected in 1863. The powerful demagogue is represented fully accoutred, in the act of delivering the celebrated speech in which he succeeded in persuading the citizens of Ghent and the inhabitants of Flanders to enter into an alliance with England against the will of the Count of...
Artois. The three reliefs on the pedestal have reference to the three most important treaties concluded by Artevelde in behalf of Flanders. — A view of the principal towers of the city is obtained from the N. side of the market. The Pont du Laitage (p. 44) lies to the N.W. of this point.

At the corner of a street on the W. side of the Marché du Vendredi is placed a huge cannon, called the ‘Dulle Griete’ (Mad Meg), 19 ft. long and 11 ft. in circumference (resembling ‘Mons Meg’, a similar cannon cast at Mons, and now in the Castle of Edinburgh). Above the touch-hole is the Burgundian Cross of St. Andrew, with the arms of Philippe le Bon; the piece must therefore have been cast between 1419 and 1467.

At the back of the E. side of the Marché du Vendredi rises the Church of St. Jacques (Pl. 8; D, 4), originally founded about the year 1100. The present edifice dates from the end of the 15th or beginning of the 16th cent., but the towers are perhaps older.

The Interior, which has recently been restored, contains several pictures by Jan van Cleef. In the left aisle are two paintings by G. de Crayer: Members of the Order of the Trinity ransoming Christian captives, and the Virgin. In the right aisle is the Departure of the youthful Tobias, by Jan Maes-Camini. The two pictures of Apostles in the choir are by Van Huffel. Near the pulpit is a statue of the Apostle James by Van Poucke.

The Botanic Garden (Plantentuin, Pl. D, 3), in the immediate vicinity, is the finest in Belgium. (The entrance is at No. 21 Rue St. Georges, a street traversed by the tramway running to the Antwerp Gate.) It was founded in 1797, and is commonly known as the Baudeloohof. The hot-houses are extensive. — The suppressed Baudelooh Convent contains the University Library (100,000 vols.; 700 MSS., some of them very rare). The reading-room is open to the public.

In the Marché aux Grains (Pl. C, 4) rises the Church of St. Nicholas (Pl. 10), the oldest in Ghent. It was founded in the 10th cent., but the greater part of the present building, which in the main is in the early-Gothic style, probably dates from the beginning of the 15th century. The ten turrets on the lower tower have given rise to the ‘bon mot’: ‘L'église a onze tours et dix sans (same pronunciation as cents) cloches’.

The Interior has been modernised. Most of its venerable treasures of art disappeared from the church during the religious wars and the wild excesses of the iconoclasts, but have been partly replaced by modern works. High-altarpiece by N. Roose (Liemaeckere), Call of St. Nicholas to the episcopal office. 2nd Chapel, to the right: Maes-Camini, Madonna and Child with St. John. 3rd Chapel, on the left: Steyaert, Preaching of St. Anthony. An inscription under a small picture on an opposite pillar in the nave records that Oliver Minjau and his wife are buried here, ‘ende hadden tezamen een en dertich kinderen’ (i.e., they had together one-and-thirty children). When Emp. Charles V. entered Ghent, the father with twenty-one sons who had joined the procession attracted his attention. Shortly afterwards, however, the whole family was carried off by the plague. — The other pictures include specimens by J. van Cleef and Van den Heuvel. The stained glass in the windows of the choir is by Capronnier and Laroche, 1851.

On the Garslei, or Quai aux Herbes (Pl. C, 4), behind the W.
side of the Corn Market, there are several interesting old buildings. The handsome Skipper House (No. 15) was erected in 1531 by the Guild of the Skippers.

St. Michael's Church (Pl. 9; C, 4), a handsome Gothic edifice begun in 1445 (nave completed 1480, tower unfinished), was employed in 1794 as a 'Temple of Reason', and lost most of its treasures of art at that period. The pictures which it now contains are, with the exception of a few by Van Nius, Van Dyck, De Crayer, etc., productions of the first half of the present century. The modern stained-glass windows are by Capronnier. (Sacristan 1 fr., more for a party.)

N. Aisle, first entered in approaching from the bridge: 4th Chapel: Van Nius, Raising of Lazarus. 2nd: De Crayer, St. Bernhard, St. Joseph, and St. George worshipping the Trinity. 1st: Van Balen, Assumption. — The 'Pulpit' by Franck, 1746, a masterpiece of taste and execution, rests on the trunk of a fig-tree in marble; Christ healing a blind man forms the principal group below; the staircase railings are of mahogany. — South Aisle. 3rd Chapel: Model of the tower as originally designed. Van Bockhorst, Conversion of St. Hubert.

S. Transept. Francois, Ascension; Lens, Annunciation.

N. Transept: 'Van Dyck's celebrated Crucifixion, said to have been painted for this church in six weeks, for 800 fl. A horseman extends the sponge to the Saviour with his spear; John and the Maries below, weeping angels above. Paëlinck, Finding of the Cross by the Empress Helena.

Choir. To the right, 2nd Chapel: Van der Plaetsen, The Pope exhorting Louis XI. to submit to the will of God, painted in 1535; Spagnoletto, St. Francis. 3rd: De Crayer, Assumption of St. Catherine, one of the master's best works. 4th: Ph. de Champaigne, Pope Gregory teaching choristers to sing. 5th: Van Mander, St. Sebastian and S. Carlo Borromeo. 6th, at the back of the high-altar: Van Bockhorst, Allegory, Moses and Aaron typical of the Old Testament; St. John, St. Sebastian, and the Pope typical of the New. 7th: Maes-Canini, Holy Family. 9th: Seghers, Scourging of Christ. 10th: Ph. v. Thulden, Martyrdom of St. Adrian. 11th: De Crayer, Descent of the Holy Ghost.

Adjoining the Marché aux Grains, on the N., lies the Marché aux Herbes (Groenselmarkt), on the left of which rises the extensive Grande Boucherie (Groot Vleeschhuis, Pl. 16; C, 4) erected in 1408-17, but of no architectural interest; it is unused at present. An interesting mural painting in oil, executed by Nabor Martins in 1445 (freely painted over), was discovered in the old chapel of the building in 1854. The iron rings and collars on the wall to the right are mementoes of the public executions and tortures which formerly took place here. The same association is commemorated in the name of a small adjacent café, Café de la Potence or t'Galgenhuis. — The members of the Ghent Guild of Butchers were known as 'Prince Kinderen' (Prince's children), being the descendants of Charles V. and the pretty daughter of a butcher, who secured for her son and his descendants the sole right of slaughtering and selling meat in the city. The son of the emperor had four sons, the ancestors of the four families of Van Melle, Van Loo, Minne, and Deynoot, of whom alone the guild consisted down to 1794.

Crossing the bridge to the left, we reach the Place Stf. Pharailde,
which is surrounded with quaint mediæval buildings. The Gateway in the corner to the left, erected in imitation of one on the same site by Arthus Quellin, which was burned down in 1872, and adorned with sculptures by De Kesel (Neptune, the Schelde, and the Lys), leads to the Marché aux Poissons (Pl. 19; C, 4). — On the N. side of the Place, at the corner of the Rue de la Monnaie, the Oudeburg (s'Gravenkasteel, Gravensteen, Château des Comtes; Pl. 2; C, 3), a massive old castellated-looking gateway, with loophole, rises among a number of modern houses. It is a remnant of the ancient palace of the Counts of Flanders, where Edward III. with his Queen Philippa were sumptuously entertained by Jacques van Artevelde in 1339, and where their son John of Gaunt (i. e., Gand or Ghent) was born in 1340. Here, too, the beautiful Jacqueline, Countess of Holland, was kept a prisoner for three months by Philippe le Bon of Burgundy in 1424. The palace was built in 868, but the gateway not before 1180. A subterranean passage, 21/2 M. in length, leading to a point outside the city, and probably employed for admitting soldiers to the palace in case of an emergency, has recently been discovered here. — The adjacent Rue du Vieux Bourg, at the end of the Pont du Laitage (p. 42), a bridge which crosses to the Marché du Vendredi, contains two interesting houses of the 17th cent., embellished with numerous terracotta reliefs (one of them called ‘den vliegenden Hert’).

In the Rue Ste. Marguerite (No. 5), which forms a continuation of the Rue de la Monnaie, is situated the Royal Academy of Art, established in the old Augustine Monastery, adjoining the considerable Augustine Church (Pl. 4; C, 3), and containing a Musée with about 250 pictures. There are no works of pre-eminent merit, but the collection is worth a visit. Among the old works, besides a specimen of Rubens, are several by G. de Crayer, who migrated from Brussels to Ghent in the latter part of his life, and died here in 1669 at the age of 87. The collection is arranged on the second floor, and is open to the public, Sun. 10-1 free, at other times 50 c. (conciere at No. 7).

Room I. To the left: 49. Fr. Pourbus, Isaiah announcing to Hezekiah his recovery, with the miracle of the sun going ten degrees backward; on the wings a Crucifixion and the donor, the Abbot del Rio; on the outside, Rising of Lazarus, in grisaille. 95. Fr. Pourbus, Large winged altarpiece, with 22 scenes from the life of Christ; on the back, the Last Supper. 51. M. de Vos, Holy Family. Also several good works by unknown masters. — To the right —

Room II. (large, and lighted from the roof). To the left: 47. Peter Neefs the Elder, Peter liberated from the prison: 15. De Crayer, St. John in Patmos; 45. G. Maes, St. Nicholas (1689); 18. De Crayer, Solomon’s Judgment, one of the artist’s masterpieces; 1. Th. Boeyermans, Vision of St. Mary Magdalene de’ Pazzi; 75. Th. van Rombouts, Allegorical representation of Justice, formerly in the Hôtel de Ville; 2 Th. Boeyermans, S. Carlo Borromeo dispensing the Sacrament to persons stricken with the plague; 39. Jan van Cleef, Holy Family, with the Infant Saviour crowning Joseph with a wreath of roses; 19. De Crayer, Martyrdom of St. Blasius (his last work, painted in 1668 at the age of 86); 38. Peter Thys, St.
Sebastian receiving the martyr's palm from angels; 13. De Crayer, Tobias with the Archangel Raphael; 56. W. Heda, Still-life; 17. De Crayer, Resurrection; No number, Artois, Landscape; 10. Adv. van Utrecht, Fishmonger; *9. Rubens, St. Francis receiving the stigmata, painted in 1632 for the Franciscan Church at Ghent, and similar to the picture in the Museum of Cologne; *14. De Crayer, Coronation of St. Rosalia; 11. Duchatel, Procession in the Marché du Vendredi, at the reception of Charles II. of Spain as Count of Flanders (1666; in the middle of the foreground is a portrait of the artist, holding a paper); 12. Verhaeghen, Presentation in the Temple; 22. De Crayer, The Virgin handing the scapulary to St. Simon Stock; *76. Th. van Rombout, The five senses; No number, Van Dyck, Portrait of himself, in grisaille; 4. Jordaeus, St. Ambrose; No number, Hondekoeter, Pelican and other foreign birds; 82. P. van den Avont, Holy Family in a landscape, surrounded by angels. —

In the middle of the room: Péllicon Bouré, Boy lying in wait for a lizard (marble); J. Joris, 'Mon Cavalier'; P. Comein, Girl with a doll (marble); Devigne-Quyse, Eve and the Serpent (plaster).

On the third floor of the entrance-hall are two rooms with modern pictures. Room III. 172. H. Pille, Festival in Brittany; P. Parrot, Spring; X. de Cock, Cows; Josselin de Jong, The petition; M. Müller (Düsseldorff). Norwegian landscape; Devigne, Medieval fair; C. Richter, 'Truands et Ribandes' (after Victor Hugo; 1832); Gabriel, Canal; Gerard, 'A la santé du Pasteur'; 152. Verboeckhoven, At pasture (1799); A. Roll, Bacchic dance; Gussow (Berlin), Return of the soldier; Coosemans, 'La mare aux corbeaux'; Verhas, The little painter; Maes-Camini, Juno; Rosseels, Moonlight-scene.

Room IV. To the left, M. Coxie, Last Judgment; Prior, Bacchante and young satyr; Meunier, Lamentation for Stephen the martyr; 155. Robert, 'Un regret' (1849); J. van Upppen, Scene in Luxembourg; Tylgadt, Death of St. Stephen; Karel de Kesel, Maiden entering her bath; Delvin, Fishermen; Sigard, Servant plucking a goose; Cogen, Stranded ship; 178. De Braekeleer, Peasants quarrelling; Vanvossen, St. Lavinus giving sight to the blind; Bourc, Cherries ripe; De Bèvre, Widow of Count Egmont; Meckel, Eastern landscape; L'Hermite, Grandmother's precepts; Picque, Hebe.

The neighbouring street, Cour du Prince (Pl. B, C, 3), derives its name from the old palace of the Counts of Flanders (p. 34). —

A little farther on is the Rue du Rabot, leading to the city-gate called Le Rabot (Pl. B, 3). Here in 1488 the army of Emperor Frederick III., advancing to support the claims of his son Maximilian (p. 19), made an assault which was successfully resisted. The old Flemish inscription on the outside of the gate records the bravery of the guilds which fought under Count Philip of Cleve.

The extensive Beguinage, which formerly existed in this neighbourhood, has been removed to a site outside the town.

On the right bank of the Coupure, a canal completed in 1758, connecting the Ley with the great Bruges Canal (pleasant promenade in the evening), is situated the handsome Casino (Pl. B, 4, 5), built in 1835 by L. Roelandt. Open-air concerts are held in summer in the large garden. The Casino belongs to a horticultural society (Maatschappij van Kruidkunde), and is employed for the famous flower-shows of Ghent, which were established in 1808 and occur twice a year. Ghent, which is not unfitly surnamed 'La Ville de Flore', has a specialty for horticulture, and annually exports whole cargoes of camellias, azaleas, orange-trees, and other hothouse plants to Holland, Germany, France, Russia, and America. There are upwards of eighty nursery-gardens in the environs of the
city, the most important of which are those of the Compagnie Continentale d'Horticulture, Rue du Chaume 52 (Pl. B, 5), and of L. van Houtte, in Gentbrugge (visitors readily admitted).

Nearly opposite the Casino, on the other side of the canal, rises the Maison de Force (Pl. A, B, 4), a prison formerly of European celebrity. The building was begun under Maria Theresa in 1772, but not completed until 1825. A new wing has lately been erected, which contains 158 cells for solitary confinement, on the Auburn, or silent system. Its present inmates are mostly prisoners to whom the strict silent system is unsuited. — Near this is a new prison, the Maison de Sûreté, with 325 cells, accommodating 420 convicts.

Belgium has perhaps done more for the reform of the Prison System than any other country. The strict separation of the convicts by day and night, at work, at meals, at church, in the schools, or at exercise in the prison court, has been adopted throughout the land. The efforts made for the mental and moral improvement of the inmates merit all praise. The most important establishments next to those at Louvain and Ghent are the prisons at Antwerp, Mons, Arlon, Tournai, and Malines. Visitors (with the exception of superior prison officials) are not admitted without permission from the Minister of Justice at Brussels.

The Kouter, or Place d'Armes (Pl. C, 5), is a large open space planted with a double row of lime-trees, where a military band plays on Sunday and Wednesday evenings in summer. On Sunday mornings an abundantly supplied flower-market is held here. On the E. side of the Kouter is the Café des Arcades, occupying the site of the house of the brothers Hubert and Jan van Eyck, where they painted their celebrated picture. — The S.W. corner is occupied by the Theatre (Pl. 25; C, 5), erected by Roelandt in 1848.

The Palais de Justice (Pl. 21; C, 5), an imposing edifice by Roelandt, completed in 1844, is bounded on two sides by the Ley. The chief facade to the N. has a peristyle of the Corinthian order, and is approached by a lofty flight of steps.

The Salle des Pas Perdus (85 yds. long, 25 yds. wide), usually entered by a flight of steps from the Rue du Commerce, contains a few pictures. On the principal wall, opposite the entrance: G. de Crayer, Francis I. of France surrendering his sword to the knight Lannoy after the Battle of Pavia (1525), Charles V. landing in Africa, Charles V. and his son Ferdinand, three large pictures painted for the decoration of a triumphal arch, which the city erected at the entry of the Infante Ferdinand. In spite of the slightness of their execution, they are of great interest as bearing testimony to the pomp and luxury that were customary on occasions of this kind during the 16th century. Also some modern paintings: Math. van Brée, Conclusion of the Pacification of Ghent in the Hôtel de Ville; L. de Gaege, Charles Martel's victory over the Saracens near Poitiers (732); Van Severdonck, Cavalry-skirmish between Flemings and Spaniards.

The University (Pl. C, 4), another edifice by Roelandt, has its façade, with a Corinthian peristyle, towards the Rue des Foulons. The Aula, reached through a covered court and a vestibule, which is adorned with frescoes by De Cloysenaar (Henry IV. at Canossa, Leaders of the Reformation, Renaissance, and French Revolution), is a rotunda supported by marble columns in the style of the Pan-
Béguinages.

THEON, and capable of containing 1700 persons. The inscription on the chief façade records the foundation of the building under William I., in 1826. The *Natural History Museum* is a collection of some merit; there are also cabinets of *Coins, Medals,* and a few Roman antiquities. — An *Ecole du Génie Civil* and an *Ecole des Arts et Manufactures* are connected with the university. The number of students is about 600.

The new Jesuit church of *St. Barbe* (Pl. 6; C, 5), to the S. of the Kouter, on the opposite bank of the Ley, built by Steyaert in the Renaissance style, has a finely-proportioned interior.

The **Church of St. Pierre** (Pl. 11; D, 6), picturesquely situated on a height at the S. extremity of the town, is said to have been founded in 610 on the site of a temple of Mars. It has been several times renewed, and after its destruction by the iconoclasts in 1578 was restored in 1629-1718 from plans by *Van Sante.* The interior contains a few pictures.

**South Aisle:** *N. Roose (Liemaekere), Nativity of Christ; Fr. Quel-" lin the Younger, Triumph of the Catholic religion. — North Aisle:* *Van Thulden,* pictures representing the triumph of Roman Catholicism. — **Retro-Coir,** to the right: *Janssens,* Liberation of Peter; *Van den Avont,* Holy Family, with dancing angels; *A. Janssens,* Miraculous Draught of Fishes, as an accessory to a large landscape. Also five small pictures by *Van Dourselaer,* of the period of the Spanish supremacy, illustrative of the virtues of the miraculous image of the Virgin on the altar. On the other side: *Seghers,* Raising of Lazarus; *De Crayer,* St. Benedict recognizing the equerry of the Gothic King Totilas; *Reysschool* (d. 1795), Landscape, the healing of a blind man as accessory; *Janssens,* Landscape with two hermits. — *Isabella,* sister of Charles V., and wife of Christian II. of Denmark, is interred in this church, but no monument marks the spot.

The open space in front of the church has been formed by the demolition of part of the old abbey-buildings. Another part serves as a barrack.

Ghent, like Antwerp and Brussels, possesses its *Jardin Zoologi-que* (Pl. D, 6), situated near the station of the government railway (admission 1 fr.). The interior of the neighbouring *Church of St. Anne* (Pl. 3; E, 5), erected from *Roelandt's* designs in 1853, is gaudily decorated by Canneel.

The **Béguinages** (*Beggynhoffen*) of Ghent, two extensive nunneries, founded in 1234 and 1235, are exceedingly interesting establishments.

The name is derived by some authorities from *St. Begga,* the mother of Pepin of Heristal, and by some from *Le Béc,* a priest of Liège (end of the 12th cent.); while others connect it with *beggen,* to beg. The objects promoted by the Béguinages are a religious life, works of charity (tending the sick), and the honourable self-maintenance of women of all ranks. These institutions have passed almost scathless through the storms of centuries. Joseph II. spared them, when he dissolved the other religious houses, and they also remained unmolested during the French Revolution, their aim having steadfastly been the support of the needy and the care of the sick. There are at present about twenty Béguinages in Belgium, with about 1300 members, nearly 1000 of whom are in
Ghent. With the exception of those at Amsterdam and Breda, these nunneries are now confined to Belgium, though at one time they were common throughout the districts of the lower Rhine.

The members of the Béguinages are unmarried women or widows of unblemished character, and pay a yearly board of at least 110 fr., besides an entrance-fee of about 150 fr. for the maintenance of the dwellings and the church. Two years of novitiate must be undergone before they can be elected as sisters. They are subject to certain conventual regulations, and are bound to obey their superior, the Groot Jufvrouw or Grande Dame (whom they elect themselves), but are unfettered by any monastic vow. It is, however, a boast of the order that very few of their number avail themselves of their liberty to return to the world. (When a member leaves the order, her entry-money is returned to her.)

*Le Grand Béguinage*, the removal of which from its former position near the Porte de Bruges was necessitated by the construction of some new streets, was transferred in 1875 to the site secured for it on the N.E. of the town through the influence of the Duc d’Arenberg. [To reach it take one of the tramway-cars plying from the Church of St. Jacques to the railway-stations for Eecloo and Antwerp (8 min.; 20 c.); about 3 min. walk from the terminus of the tramway-line the narrow Oostacker-Straat diverges to the right, by following which for 5 min. we arrive at the entrance; comp. Pl. E, 3.] The Béguinage forms a little town of itself, enclosed by walls and moats, with streets, squares, gates, 18 convents, and a church, the last forming the central point of the whole. The houses, though nearly all two-storied Gothic brick buildings, present great variety of appearance and form a very picturesque ensemble. The Béguinage was planned by the architect Verhaegen.

This Béguinage contains about 700 members. The younger Sisters live together in the convents. After having been members for six years, however, they have the option of retiring to one of the separate dwellings, which contain rooms for two to four occupants. The doors of these houses are inscribed with a number and the names of tutelary saints. In many cases the Béguines have the society of other women who are not members of the order, such as an aged mother, or other friend or relative, whose board forms a small addition to their funds. Lace-making is the principal occupation of the Béguines, beautiful specimens of whose work (*Kanten*) may be obtained from the Groot Jufvrouw, opposite the entrance of the church, at much more reasonable prices than in the town.

The Sisters must attend divine worship twice or thrice a day, the first service being at 5 a.m., and the last at Vespers. The latter presents a very picturesque and impressive scene, when the black robes (*faïlles*) and white linen head-gear of the Sisters are dimly illuminated by the evening light and a few lamps. Novices have a different dress, while those who have been recently admitted to the order wear a wreath round their heads.

*Le Petit Béguinage* (entrance Rue des Violetttes; Pl. E, 5) is similarly arranged, and contains about 300 members.
8. From Ghent to Courtrai and Tournai.

Railway from Ghent to Courtrai (27½ M.) in 1½ hr. (fares 3 fr. 35, 2 fr. 50, 1 fr. 70 c.); from Ghent to Tournai (19 M.) in 1 hr. (2 fr. 15, 1 fr. 60, 1 fr. 10 c.). From Tournai to Brussels, see R. 11.

From Ghent to (6 M.) La Pinte, see p. 28. The line to Oudenaarde, Leuze, and Mons here diverges to the left.

From Ghent to Oudenaarde, 17 M., railway in 50 min. (fares 2 fr. 5, 1 fr. 55, 1 fr. 5 c.); to Leuze, 36½ M., in 1¾ hr. (4 fr. 50, 3 fr. 35, 2 fr. 25 c.); via St. Ghislain to Mons, 58 M., in 3½ hrs. (7 fr. 15, 5 fr. 40, 3 fr. 60 c.). — Stations: Ecke-Nazareth, Gavre-Asper, Synghem, Eyne, and Oudenaarde (p. 30), the junction of the line from Brussels to Courtrai (R. 6). Then Leupegem, Etikhove, Renaix (where branches diverge to Courtrai and Bassilly, p. 63), Anvaing, Frasnes, Leuze (junction of the Brussels-Lille line, p. 62), Basècles, Blaton (p. 62), Pommeroeul, St. Ghislain (p. 169). 58 M. Mons, see p. 162.

7½ M. Deurle; 10 M. Deynze (route thence to Thielt and Ingelmünster, see p. 28); 14 M. Machelen; 15½ M. Olsene; 19 M. Waerdegem, junction for the connecting line between Ansegem (p. 31) and Ingelmünster (p. 28); 22 M. Desselgem; 24 M. Haerlebeke, where tobacco is extensively grown.

27½ M. Courtrai, Flem. Kortryk (*Lion d'Or, moderate; Hôtel du Damier, both in the Grand' Place; Hôtel Royal and Hôtel du Midi, at the station; opposite, Hôtel du Nord; Rail. Restaurant; Café Belge and Café Français, in the market-place), a manufacturing town with 27,000 inhab., situated on the Ley (Lys), is famous for its table-linen and its lace, in the manufacture of which 5000-6000 women are employed. The flax of Courtrai enjoys a high reputation, and is manufactured in various districts of Belgium, as well as in the town itself. It is prepared with great care and skill. After being cut, it is carefully sunned and dried, stored for a year, then steeped in the water of the Ley, and sent to the factory. About one-twentieth of the soil in the environs produces flax. There are also extensive bleaching-grounds in the vicinity. — Two or three hours suffice for seeing the town.

The street (Rue du Chemin de Fer) running straight from the station, and then turning to the right, leads to the large marketplace (Groote Markt or Grande Place) where the town-hall rises on the left and the belfry on the right.

The *Town Hall, erected in 1526-28, has been completely restored since 1846, and the façade embellished with statues in the original style. Two richly-decorated *Chimney-pieces in the interior are worthy of notice. One of them, in the Salle Ecchevinale on the ground-floor, is adorned with the coats-of-arms of the allied towns of Ghent and Bruges, the standard-bearers of the knights of Courtrai, a figure of the Virgin, and statues of Archduke Albert and his wife. This room has been embellished with well-painted frescoes from the history of Flanders by Guffens and Swerts, completed in 1875. The principal of these represent the Departure of Baldwin IX., Count of Flanders, at the commencement
of the fourth Crusade (1202), and the Consultation of the Flemish
leaders in the Court Room the day before the Battle of the Spurs,
1302 (see p. 51). — The other and more interesting Chimney-
piece, in the Council-Chamber upstairs, in the richest Flamboyant
style, was completed before 1527. Two rows of well-executed sta-
tuette represent the different Virtues and Vices: in the upper sec-
tion we see faith, humility, liberality, chastity, brotherly love,
temperance, patience, and watchfulness; in the middle section,
idolatry, pride, avarice, voluptuousness, envy, gluttony, anger, and
sloth. The reliefs below indicate the punishments which follow in
the train of these vices. On corbels are placed statuette of Charles
V., the Infanta Isabella (on the right), and Justice (on the left). —
The walls are covered with large plans of the town and its juris-
diction ('castelany'), painted in oil (1641).

Nearly opposite the Town-Hall rises the Belfry. — We next
proceed to St. Martin’s Church, the Gothic tower of which is
visible from the Grande Place; the nave was erected in 1390-1439,
the transept about 1415. In 1862 the church was struck by lightning
and partly burned down, but it has since been restored. Beautiful
W. portal. The handsome pulpit of carved wood and the beautiful
ciborium in stone (in the choir, to the left), executed in 1385, were
saved from the fire. The left aisle contains a winged picture by B.
de Ryckere (of Courtrai; 1587), representing the Descent of the Holy
Ghost, the Creation, and Baptism.

The Rue Notre Dame leads from the market-place, opposite
the Lion d’Or, to the church of Notre Dame, founded by Count
Baldwin IX. of Flanders, and completed in 1211. The choir,
which is decorated with marble, and the portal were rebuilt in the
18th century. The chapel behind the choir contains the *Raising of
the Cross, one of Van Dyck’s best pictures, unfortunately badly
lighted; resembling a Rubens in boldness of design, it is inferior
in freshness of colour, but the profound expression of tenderness
and pain depicted in the countenance of the Crucified are unsur-
passed. The altars to the right and left are adorned with good reliefs
in marble of the 18th cent., by Lecreux, representing St. Rochus
among the plague-stricken, and Mary Magdalene with angels. The
Chapel of the Counts on the right, added to the church in 1373, is
adorned with wall-paintings of the 14th cent., representing the
counts and countesses of Flanders, recently restored by Van der
Platz, who continued the series down to Emp. Francis II. The Last
Judgment, on the W. wall of the chapel, is also by Van der Platz.

Farther to the left, on the Ley, are two massive old bridge-
towers. — In the Rue du Béguinage (No. 14), which leads from
Notre Dame to St. Martin’s, is a Muséum containing several good
modern pictures (fee 25 c.). The following are among the best:
Nic. de Keyser, Battle of the Spurs (see below); L. Verboeckhoven,
Sea-piece; Robbe, Cattle; Van Dewin, Grey horse; Steinicke, Tyrolese
landscape; *Dobbelaare*, Memling in St. John's Hospital at Bruges (see p. 17).

Below the walls of Courtrai, on 11th July, 1302, was fought the famous *Battle of the Spurs*, in which the Flemish army, consisting chiefly of weavers from Ghent and Bruges, under Count John of Namur and Duke William of Julliers, defeated the French under the Count of Artois. Upwards of 1200 knights and several thousand soldiers fell. The victors afterwards collected 700 golden spurs, an appendage worn by the French knights alone, and hung them up as trophies in a monastery-church which has since been destroyed. A small *Chapel* outside the Ghent Gate, erected in 1831, marks the centre of the battle-field.

From Courtrai to Brussels and to *Ipres*, see R. 6. — Courtrai is also connected by a branch-line with *Renaix* (p. 49).

At Courtrai the Tournai line quits the flat land and enters an undulating and picturesque district. The Flemish language gives way to the French. 31 M. *Lauwe*; 35 M. *Mouscron* (the *mute*), the Belgian douane for travellers arriving from France.

From *Mouscron* to *Lille*, 11 M., railway in 37 min. (fares 2 fr. 20, 1 fr. 65, 1 fr. 20 c.). — 2 1/2 M. *Tourcoing*, a busy manufacturing town of 52,000 inhab., with a monument commemorating the defeat of the English and Austrians by Pichegru in 1794. — 5 M. *Roubaix* (Hôtel *Ferraille*), another important manufacturing town, the population of which has risen during the present century from 8000 to 92,000. — Near *Croix-Wasquehal* the train crosses the Roubaix Canal, which connects the Deule with the Schelde. — 11 M. *Lille*, see p. 57.

The next station, *Herseaux-Estaimpuis*, is connected by a branch-line with the railway from *Renaix* (p. 49) to Courtrai. Between *Néchin* and *Templeuve* the Belgian line quits the province of West Flanders for that of *Hainault* (Germ. Henegau). To the left rises *Mont St. Aubert* (p. 55), 325 ft. in height, also called *Ste. Trinité*, from the small church on its summit. It is 4 M. distant from Tournai, and is much visited for the sake of the fine view it commands. Near *Tournai* the train crosses the Schelde, and finally stops on the handsome quay constructed by Louis XIV.


**Arrival.** The *New Station* (Pl. D, 2, 3), opened for traffic in 1879, is a handsome building by *Beyaert* of Brussels. The old station (Pl. C, 2) is now used for goods-traffic only.

**Hotels.** *Hôtel de l'Impératrice* (Pl. a; A, 3), Rue de Manx 12; *Hôtel de la Petite Nef* (Pl. c; B, 2), Rue du Cygne 36; *Hôtel de Bellevue* (Pl. d; C, 2), Quai Dumon 6, R. 1 1/2 fr.; *Hôtel Méné*, Rue Royale 27 (Pl. C, D, 3), near the railway-station, moderate. — Table-d'hôte in all at 1 p.m.

**Restaurants.** *Taverne Alsacienne* and *Restaurant Banaro-Belge*, in the Grand' Place; *Taverne du Globe* (English beer) and *Café Vénitien*, in the Rue Royale, near the new station; all with good cuisine.

About 3-3 1/2 hrs. will suffice for a visit to the Cathedral, the Church of St. Quentin, and the pictures in the *Hôtel de Ville*.

**Tournai,** Flem. *Doornik*, with 32,600 inhab., the most important and prosperous town of Hainault, and one of the most ancient in Belgium, was the *Civitas Nerviorum* of Cæsar, afterwards called *Tournacum*. In the 5th and 6th centuries it was the seat of the Merovingian kings. At a later period the town belonged to France, but in
1525 it was united with the Spanish Netherlands in accordance with the Peace of Madrid. In 1581 Tournai was heroically defended against Alexander of Parma by the Princess d'Epínony, who, although wounded in the arm, refused to quit the ramparts, and did not surrender the fortress until the greater part of the garrison had fallen. In 1667 the town was taken after a protracted siege by Louis XIV., who caused it to be fortified by Vauban, and in 1709 it was captured by the Imperial troops under Prince Eugene and the Duke of Marlborough. In 1745 Tournai again fell into the hands of the French, and in 1748 it was assigned to the Netherlands by the Treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle. The fortifications were demolished by Joseph II. in 1781, but were renewed in 1815-69. The numerous sieges it has undergone have greatly altered the external appearance of the town, and have left little trace of its venerable age, with the exception of a few interesting mediaeval houses. The old walls have been converted into promenades. — The pretender, Perkin Warbeck, was born here.

The Schelde (Escaut) divides the town into two nearly equal parts, of which that on the left bank is by far the busier and more important; but considerable improvements have taken place on the right bank since the completion of the new railway-station. The handsome, broad quays, planted with trees, contribute to render Tournai one of the pleasantest-looking towns in Belgium. The river is generally crowded with barges, most of which are laden with coal from the mines of Mons, and are bound for Ghent and other important places on the river.

The *Cathedral* (Notre-Dame; Pl. 4, B 3), a noble example of the Romanesque style, rises conspicuously above the houses on the left bank. It is a cruciform basilica borne by pillars, with a retro-choir and a series of chapels, and has five towers. The nave, which was not vaulted until the 18th cent., dates from the middle of the 12th, and was probably consecrated in 1171. The transept was erected in the 13th cent. by French masters, on the model of the Cologne churches. The beautiful Gothic choir is of later date, and was consecrated in 1338, and the façade, originally Romanesque, was altered and provided with a porch in the pointed style about the same period (comp. p. xxxviii). Among the sculptures in the porch, which were executed at various periods from the 13th to the 17th century, are interesting reliefs representing the Creation, Fall, and Expulsion from Paradise, by sculptors of Tournai, dating from about the year 1200 (see p. xl).

The interior was purged in 1852 of the unsuitable additions with which it had been disfigured in the course of centuries, and is now strikingly impressive. It consists of nave and aisles 136 yds. in length; nave 78 ft. wide and 78 ft. high; breadth of transept 73 yds.; height of choir 107 ft. The walls above the aisles are relieved by a triforium. The large chapel adjoining the left aisle
was added in 1516-18. The capitals of the pillars, which are associated with columns, are particularly rich and varied. The proportions of the transept are more graceful, and the galleries lower.

The church contains a few pictures. In the first chapel of the S. (right) Aisle, on the posterior wall, a Crucifixion by Jordaens. The chapel of the N. Aisle (Chapelle Paroissiale de Notre-Dame), which contains some stained glass of the 16th cent., is used for the ordinary services of the cathedral, the choir being reserved for episcopal functions. — In the Transept, right, a Holy Family with a glory of angels, painted by M. de Nègre in 1850. Most of the stained-glass windows were executed by Stuertz of Haarlem about the year 1465. Their subjects refer to the history of the bishopric of Tournai, which received important privileges in the 6th cent. from King Chilperic for services rendered in his war against his brother, the Austrasian monarch Sigebert (right transept), and in the 12th cent. from Pope Eugenius III. (left transept). — The richly sculptured rood-loft, which separates the choir from the nave, executed by Corn. de Vrient in the Renaissance style, with marble reliefs from the Old and New Testament, was erected in 1366, and is surmounted by a large group in bronze by Lecreux, representing St. Michael overcoming Satan. — The stained glass of the Choir by Capronnier is modern.

Retro-Choír, beginning on the left side of the rood-loft: Lancelot Blondel, Annunciation, Visitation, Nativity, etc.; Gallait, Christ restoring the blind to sight, one of the master's earliest works. Further on, adjoining the high-altar, is the Gothic Reliquary of St. Eleutherius, the first Bishop of Tournai (6th cent.), elaborately executed in gilt silver in the year 1247, and adorned with the figures of the Twelve Apostles. At the back of the high-altar a monument by Duquesnoy (17th cent.) has been erected to the memory of all the bishops and canons of Tournai. On the other side of the high-altar is the Reliquary of St. Piat, of about 1280. — Then in the Chapel to the left, which is adorned with stained glass commemorating the Council of 1870, is a large picture by Rubens, Rescue of souls from Purgatory, a bold composition.

The Sacristy contains a very valuable crucifix in ivory by Duquesnoy, a reliquary of the Merovingian period in the shape of a Greek cross, and an ivory diptych of the 11th century.

Opposite the Episcopal Palace (Pl. 17; B, 3) is the public Library, containing about 8000 early painted works and 250 MSS., including a psalter that belonged to Henry VIII. of England and a 'Livre d'Heures' of the 15th cent., embellished with miniatures.

The Belfry (Pl. 3; B, 3), to the S.W. of the cathedral, dates from 1187, but was partly rebuilt in 1391 and restored in 1852. The spire is modern. A set of chimes, placed in the tower in 1878, plays every half-hour. The ascent is recommended, particularly for the sake of the view of the cathedral (260 steps to the platform; door-keeper at the entrance and custodian at the top, 25 c. each.).

The triangular Grand Place (Pl. B, 3) in the centre of the town is embellished with a statue of Marie de Lalainy, Princesse d'Epinoy (Pl. 20), in bronze, designed by Dutriveau. The heroic lady is represented in complete armour, with a battle-axe in her hand, leading her fellow-citizens against the enemy (see p. 52). — To the S. of this statue is the site of the old Cloth Hall, which fell in 1881. A new building, now being erected from the designs of Carpentier, is intended for the reception of the drawing academy and collections of paintings and antiquities.

On the N. side of the Place is situated the church of St. Quentin.
(Pl. 12), sometimes called 'La Petite Cathédrale', a remarkably elegant structure, erected about the same period as the cathedral. The façade and interior form an excellent example of the transitional style. The large paintings in the nave represent the Foundation of the Order of the Trinitarians for the purpose of ransoming Christian captives (1198), and the Battle of Lepanto (1571). The stained glass is by Béthune (1858).

The priory-buildings of the suppressed Monastery of St. Martin, situated in a garden on the S.W. side of the town, now serve as an Hôtel de Ville (Pl. 15; A, 3, 4), the tympanum of which contains the arms of the town, a tower with three lilies. The small picture-gallery (fee 1/2-1 fr.) contains a Virgin and a Descent from the Cross, wrongly ascribed to Jan van Eyck; portraits attributed to Rembrandt, Rubens, and Van Dyck; and an equestrian portrait of Louis XIV. by Lebrun. Among the modern works are: Gallait (b. 1810, at Tournai), Dead bodies of Counts Egmont and Hoorne; Van Severdonck, Defence of Tournai by the Princess d'Epinoy. Other rooms contain a cabinet of antiquities, works in metal, fayence, and coins. Some of the ivory carvings are very fine, such as Nos. 175 and 170, dating respectively from the 11th and the 14th century. — In a building at the side (Pl. 15) is a museum of natural history.

The church of St. Jacques (Pl. 6; B, 2), dating from the 13th and 14th cent. and recently restored by Bryenne, somewhat resembles that of St. Quentin. The pulpit is in the form of a huge trunk of oak, wreathed with vines, and adjoined by a grotto, all carved in wood. The side altarpiece to the left is a copy of Rubens' Purgatory in the Cathedral (p. 53).

St. Brice (Pl. 5; C, 3, 4), a church of the 12th cent., on the right bank of the Schelde, once contained the tomb of Childeric (d. 480; father of Clovis), King of the Franks.

A number of interesting curiosities, most of which are now preserved in the National Library at Paris, were found in a coffin here in 1850; among them were upwards of 300 small figures in gold, resembling bees, with which the royal robes are said to have been decorated. Napoleon, on the occasion of his coronation, preferred them to the fleurs-de-lys as insignia of the imperial dignity. A clasp for fastening a cloak is still in the possession of the church and is exhibited in the sacristy, along with two silver cups and two reliquaries of the 14th century.

Near the church of St. Brice are a few mediaeval houses. — The new Palais de Justice and the Theatre also deserve mention.

The old bridge called Pont des Trous (Pl. C, 1), which crosses the Schelde at the lower end of the town in three pointed arches, was built in 1290. Both ends are defended by strong towers. Near the bridge is the Square Du Mortier, which is embellished with a marble statue of B. Du Mortier (b. at Tournai in 1797; d. 1878), the Belgian statesman and naturalist, executed by Fraikin and erected in 1883.

Stockings, fayence, and carpets are the staple manufactures of
Tournai. The latter are generally known as Brussels carpets. The art of weaving carpets is said to have been brought to Europe by Flemings, who learned it from the Saracens at the time of the Crusades. Most of the carpets are made by the work-people in their own dwellings, and as there are few large factories in the town, it presents a much cleaner and pleasanter appearance than the other large industrial towns of Belgium. The largest manufactory is the Manufacture Royale.

Mont St. Aubert (p. 51), sometimes called Ste. Trinité from the small church of that name on the top, commands a very extensive panorama, although only 325 ft. in height, being the only eminence in the district, and is well worthy of a visit. The summit is about 4 M. distant. Carriage in ¾ hr. (3-4 fr.).

10. From Ghent to Antwerp.

a. State Railway via Dendermonde and Puers.

Ghent, see p. 32. — The line crosses the Schelde. 2½ M. Meirelbeke. 4 M. Melle, the junction of the line to Charleroi and Braine-le-Comte (R. 20). 6 M. Quatreicht. The train follows the winding course of the Schelde. 8 M. Wetteren. At (10 M.) Schelrebelle our line diverges from that to Brussels via Alost (R. 3). 12½ M. Wichelen; 14 M. Schoonaerde; 16 M. Audaghem, beyond which the train crosses the Dendre.

18 M. Dendermonde, Fr. Termonde (Plat d’Étain; Aigle; Demi-Lune), a small fortified town (8300 inhab.) at the confluence of the Dendé and Schelde. Louis XIV. besieged this place in 1667, but was compelled to retreat, as the besieged, by opening certain sluices, laid the whole district under water. The Emp. Joseph II. caused the fortifications to be dismantled in 1784, but they were reconstructed in 1822. The old church of Notre Dame possesses two good pictures by Van Dyck, a Crucifixion, and Adoration of the Shepherds; also a work by De Crayer, and a Romanesque font of the 12th century. The Hôtel de Ville, which was originally the cloth-hall, dates, with its belfry, from the 14th century. Adjacent is the Grande Garde, or guard-house, with an octagonal tower and a rococo portico of the 18th century.

From Dendermonde to St. Nicolas, via Hamme, 12½ M., by railway in 38-35 min. (see p. 56); to Lokeren, 8½ M., in ½ hr. (see p. 56); to Alost, 7½ M., in 22 min. (p. 10); and to Brussels, 20 M., via Opwyck (p. 10) and Jette (p. 10), in ¾-1 hr.

At (21 M.) Baesrode the line to Malines diverges (see p. 122). 24 M. St. Amand-les-Puers; 27 M. Puers, where our line crosses that from Terneuzen to Malines (p. 122). The train now traverses a marshy district and crosses the Rupel, which is formed about 2½ M. to the E. by the union of the Dyle and the Nethe.

31 M. Boom, a town with 14,000 inhab., where our line crosses the line from Alost to Antwerp (see p. 10). 33½ M. Reetz. 36 M. Contich, and thence to Antwerp, see p. 123.
b. Waesland Railway.

31 M. Railway in 11/4-2 hrs.; the crossing of the Schelde at Antwerp takes 1/2 hr. more (fares 41/2, 3, or 2 fr.). Carriages bad. This is the direct route. Travellers from Ostend or Bruges intending to take this route, book to Ghent only, where they take a fresh ticket at the station of the Waesland line, 1 M. from that of the state-railway.

The train starts from the Station d'Anvers. Immediately on the right is the new Béguinage (p. 47). This line traverses the Waesland, or Pays de Waes, one of the most populous (about 700 pers. to the sq. M.), highly-cultivated, and productive districts in Europe. During the civil wars in Flanders, the Waesland was a sterile moor, but at the present day every square yard is utilised. The train traverses arable land, pastures, gardens, woods, and plantations in rapid succession, while comfortable farm-houses and thriving villages are seen at intervals. It is said that the attention usually devoted to a garden or a flower-bed is here given to every field; for the natural soil, being little better than sand, requires to be artificially covered with garden-soil. The agriculture of this tract is therefore worthy of the notice of farmers. In other respects the country is uninteresting.

4 M. Loochristy, with an old château; 7 M. Beirvelde. 12 M. Lokeren (Hôtel du Miroir, in the Grand Place; Hôtel des Stations) is a manufacturing town with 17,500 inhabitants. The Church of St. Lawrence contains some ancient and modern works of art. Extensive bleaching-grounds in the vicinity. Lokeren is the junction of the lines to Dendermonde and Alost (see p. 55), and to Selzaete (p. 10). 151/2 M. Mille-Pommes.

191/2 M. St. Nicolas (Quatre Sceaux, in the market; Miroir), a pleasant-looking town with 25,600 inhab., is the busiest manufacturing place in the Waesland. In the market-place, 1/2 M. from the station, are situated the new Hôtel de Ville, a handsome building in the Flemish Renaissance style, containing a collection of antiquities from the Waesland, and several mediaeval dwelling-houses. The Church of St. Nicolas was completed in 1696. The church of Notre Dame, built by Overstraeten in 1844, contains well-executed mural paintings by Guffens and Swerts, the first attempts at frescoes in Belgium (p. 71). — A branch-line runs from St. Nicolas to Hamme and Dendermonde (p. 55). Near St. Nicolas the train crosses the Malines and Terneuzen railway (p. 123).

22 M. Nieukerken. 251/2 M. Beveren, a wealthy village with 7000 inhab. and an interesting church, with a tomb of 1540, noted for its lace. 281/2 M. Zuyndrecht, where the train passes the outlying fort of that name on the right and a rampart extending to Fort Ste. Marie on the left. At Vlaamsch-Hoofd or Tête de Flandre, the tête-de-pont of Antwerp, on the left bank of the Schelde, a steam ferry-boat awaits the arrival of the train (p. 123).

During the Siege of Antwerp (1832) the Dutch succeeded in cutting through the embankment above Tête-de-Flandre, in consequence of which the entire surrounding district, lying considerably below high-water mark,
was laid under water to a depth of 4 ft., and remained so for three years. Twelve Dutch gunboats cruised over the fields and canals, cutting off all communication with the city in this direction. The rise and fall of the tide covered a vast area with sand; and the once productive soil, becoming saturated with salt-water, was converted into a dreary waste. Those parts from which the water was not thoroughly drained became unhealthy swamps, a disastrous result of the war felt most keenly in the environs of the city, where land was of great value. Enormous sums were expended on the work of restoration; the repair of the embankment alone cost 2 million francs. Almost every trace of the calamity is now happily obliterated.

31 M. Antwerp, see p. 123.

11. From London to Brussels via Calais.

Via Dover and Calais Brussels is reached in 9 hrs.; sea-passage 1½-2 hrs. (fares 2l. 11s. and 1½ 18s.). Luggage registered at London is not examined till the traveller arrives at Brussels. — [From London to Brussels via Dover and Ostend 1½ hrs. 6d. and 1½ 9s. — Comp. RR. 1, 3. — Brussels may also be reached from London via Antwerp by the Gen. Steam Nav. Co.'s steamers twice or thrice weekly, direct from London to Antwerp; or by the Great Eastern Rail. Co.'s steamers six times weekly from Harwich.]

Calais (Hôtel Meurice, Sauvage, Rue de Guise; Dessin, Rue Neuve; du Commerce, Rue Royale 51; de Londres, Rue de la Cloche; two English Churches, one at Calais itself, the other in the Basse Ville), a fortified town with 13,530 inhab., is an unattractive place, where few travellers will make a voluntary stay. The N. side is bounded by the Bassin à Flot, the Fort de l'Echouage, and the Bassin du Paradis. To the right of the latter is situated the suburb of Courgain, inhabited exclusively by a fishing and sea-faring community. The Quai de Marée affords a pleasant walk. The white cliffs of the English coast are visible in clear weather. The English residents at Calais still number nearly 2000, although they have comparatively deserted the town since the days of railways. Many of them are merchants and lace-manufacturers.

St. Omer (Hôtel de la Porte d'Or et d'Angleterre), the first important station, is an uninteresting fortified town with 21,556 inhab.; environs flat and marshy, but not considered unhealthy. The Cathedral is a fine structure in the transitional style. The English Roman Catholic Seminary here, at which O'Connell was educated, is now almost deserted. A number of English families reside at St. Omer for purposes of retrenchment and education. English Church resident chaplain. — Stat. Hazebrouck is the junction of this line with the railways N. to Dunkirk, N.W. to Ypres (p. 26), and S. to Amiens and Paris.

Lille. — Hotels. Hôtel de l'Europe, Rue Basse 30-32; Hôtel de France, Rue Esquermoire 77; Hôtel de Flandre et d'Angleterre, Place de la Gare; Grand Hôtel de Lyon, Grand Hôtel de Lille, both in the Rue de la Gare; Singe d'Or, Place du Théâtre 36-38. Rooms may also be obtained at the station (dépendance of the Hôtel de l'Europe).

Restaurants. Grand Café, Rue de la Gare 2; Désiré, to the right of the theatre, opposite the Rue de la Gare, first floor.

Cafés. Grand Café, see above; Richard, in the Hôtel de Lyon, see
above; Café du Grand Hôtel, to the right of the Hôtel de Lille; Bellevue, in the Grande Place; Café du Boulevard, corner of Rue Nationale and Boulevard de la Liberté. — Taverne de Strasbourg, in the Grande Place.

Cabs: per drive 19/4 fr., per hr. 2 fr., each succeeding hr. 19/4 fr.

Post Office (Pl. 28; E, 3), Boulevard de la Liberté, near the Préfecture.

English Church. Resident chaplain.

Lille, originally L'Isle, Flem. Ryssel, the capital of the French Département du Nord, with 178,000 inhab., formerly belonged to Flanders, but was taken by Louis XIV. in 1667, and was finally awarded to France by the Peace of Utrecht in 1713. It is a fortress of the first class, and is situated in a well-irrigated and fertile plain on the Deule, a navigable river with which numerous canals are connected. In 1856 the population numbered 78,000 souls, but it has more than doubled since the extension of the fortifications in 1858. Since that period numerous handsome streets and squares have sprung up, particularly on the S. side of the town, to the right of the station. Lille is a very important manufacturing place. Its staple commodities are linen and woollen goods, cotton, cloth, machinery, oil, sugar, and chemicals.

Leaving the station (Pl. F, 3), we proceed in a straight direction to the Theatre (Pl. 29; E, 3), turn to the left through the Rue des Mameliers, passing the Bourse (Pl. 5), the court of which contains a bronze statue of Napoleon I. by Lemaire (1854), and soon reach the Grand' Place, a Column in the centre of which commemorates the gallant defence of the town against the Austrians in 1792. On the side of the Place opposite the Rue des Mameliers rises the —

Hôtel de Ville (Pl. 23; E, 3), erected since 1846 in the Renaissance style, and containing the Bibliothèque Communale (open daily), a valuable *Picture Gallery, and a *Collection of Drawings, the last of which is the most important in France after that of the Louvre. The collections are on the 2nd floor, and are open to the public daily, 10-5 in summer, and 10-4 in winter (Tues. 2 to 4 or 5). Entrance on the left side of the building, where a staircase ascends. Catalogue of the picture-gallery 1 1/4 fr.; of the drawings 13/4 fr.

Room I. ITALIAN SCHOOLS. To the left. 830. After Raphael, Madonna with the fish (original at Madrid); above, 487. Blanchet, Copy of Raphael’s fresco of the Battle of Constantine, in the size of the original (1746); 98. Paolo Veronese, Martyrdom of St. George; 450. Tintoretto. Portrait of a Senator; 820. After Raphael, Holy Family (original in the Louvre); 500. Andrea Schiavone, Esther before Ahasuerus; 650. L. Zustris (of Amsterdam, a pupil of Titian), Christ appearing to Mary Magdalene after his resurrection; Jac. Bassano, 420. Crown of Thorns, 422. Peasant wedding; Allori, Madonna and Child with the young John the Baptist, the composition by Andrea del Sarto; 546. Andrea del Sarto, Same composition. — 117. Cignaroli (Verona, d. 1770), Death of Rachael; 649. Zustris, Judith. — 414. Piazzetta (Venice, d. 1754), Assumption; 545. After Andrea del Sarto, Madonna and Child, with four angels; 423. Leonadro Bassano, Christ driving the money-changers from the Temple; 354. Mignard, Punishment of Midas, on a gold ground; 310. Lanfranco, Pope Gregory the Great; 824. Ricci, Last Supper; *233. Don. Ghirlandajo, Madonna and Child, a finely-executed school-piece; *179. G. Dughet, surnamed Poussin, Scene in the Campagna. 486, 488, 489. Copies of the frescoes of Raphael in the Vatican, size of the originals.
Room II. Flemish and Dutch Schools. 462. Rubens, Madonna and the Infant Christ appearing to St. Francis; 245. J. van Goyen, River-scene; 267. Barth. van der Helst, Portrait; Jordaens, Huntsman and hounds; 460. Rubens, Descent from the Cross, formerly an altarpiece in the convent of the Capuchins. 465, 466. School of Rubens, Abundance and Providence, from the decorations of a triumphal arch (comp. p. 141); 796. Holbein, His wife and children, old copy of the original in Bâle Museum, here with the title 'Caritas', and the inscription: 'Die Liebe zu Gott heisst Charitas, wer Liebe hatt der tragt kein Hass' (Love toward God is called Charity; he who has love bears no hate); 543. A. van Utrecht, Fighting cocks; 841. Neuchâtel, Portraits of Neudorfer and his son; 283. Barth. van der Helst, Portrait of a lady (1645); 497. A. van Dyck, Assumption; 110. G. Janssens, Portrait of Anna Maria von Schurmann (1660); 257. Fr. Hals, Girl laughing, erroneously called 'Hille Bobbe'; 278. Honthorst, Triumph of Silenus; 252. Jordaeus, Christ and the Pharisees; 194. Van Dyck, Miracle of St. Anthony of Padua; 375. Moucheron, Landscape, with figures by Adrian van de Velde; 550. W. van de Velde, Sea-piece; Rembrandt, The angel leaving Tobias (copy; the original is in the Louvre); 527. Teniers (? or Gonzales Coques), Portrait of a woman, in a painted architectural frame; 5. Camphuysen, Two horsemen in a wood, a masterpiece; 493. Van Dyck, Crucifixion; 557. J. Victor, Poultry-yard; 191. Duveau, Persens and Andromeda; 526. Dan. Teniers the Younger, Temptation of St. Anthony; 143. G. de Crayer, Martyrs buried alive (1642); 293. J. Jordaeus, The Prodigal Son (a similar picture of this master is in the Dresden gallery); 90. J. Brueghel, Garland of flowers, surrounding a Madonna by S. Franck; 815. A. van Ostade, Children at dinner; W. de Geest, Full-length portrait (1650).


Room IV. Louis and François Watteau, whose works occur so often in this room, were the nephew and grand-nephew of the celebrated Antoine Watteau of Valenciennes, of whom, however, the gallery possesses no specimen; their works are far inferior to those of their kinsman. 457. J. van Ravesteyn, Portrait of a lady; above, 411. Parrocel, Landscape; 222. F. Francken, Bearing of the Cross; 382. Musiano, Christ washing his disciples' feet; 852. Dutch School of the 17th cent., Portrait of a man with an open Bible; 311. Largillière, Portrait of the landscape-painter Jean Forest; 172. Donré, Portrait of the painter Sauvage; 513. J. van Son, Flowers; above, 299. Jourenet, Raising of Lazarus; 153. J. L. David, Belisarius asking alms (1785); 659. Unknown Master, Portrait; 434. A. de Pujol, Joseph in prison (1822); 637. Wicar, Christ raising the son of the Widow of Nain; 436. J. van Ravesteyn, Portrait.


Room VI. Various Schools. 570. S. de Vos, Resurrection; 292. J.
van Es, Oysters and fruit; *Barth. van der Heist, Family-portraits; 874. V. Gilbert, Fish-market in the morning; *131. P. de Coninck, Gallic boy committed to the Rhine; 114. Chardin, The learned ape; 227. Gautier, Surprised at the bath; 78. Brandon, Roman improvisatore; 254. Guillaume, Arab market in the desert; 211-213. Flaudrin, Tower of Babel, Samson, Baruch, three sketches for the mural paintings in the church of St. Germain des Prés in Paris; 413. O. Penguilly l’Haridon, Landscape in the stone-age; 244. Goya, On the scaffold; 813. Nattier, Portrait of a lady; 502. Le Nain, ’Scène d’intérieur’.

Room VII. 691. Venetian School, Portrait of a woman (1500); Ascribed to Pannini, Preaching of John the Baptist; 5. Alma Tadema, Roman girl; 812. Ascribed to Q. Massys, Tarquin and Lucretia; 122. (above the door) Colas, Raising of the Cross; 828. C. Rossetti, Mary Magdalene; 317. Leconte-Dubreuil, Appeal to Neptune; 342. School of Siena, St. Catharine of Siena in prayer; 67. Boulanger, Procession on Corpus Christi Day in Rome; 196. Van Dyck, Portrait of Marie de Médicis; 871. E. de Botiscomte, Diogenes; 345. (above the door) Van der Meulen, Battle of Dôle in 1688 (painted as a design for Gobelins tapestry, hence the weapons in the left hand); E. Salomé, Roman woman; 795. Barth. van der Heist, Venus; 69. Jean de Boulogne, Crown of Thorns. — 863. C. Crauk, Portrait bust in marble of General Faidherbe.

Room VIII (Cabinet). Early Masters of the Italian and Northern Schools (mostly of the 15th and 16th cent.). 876. Israel van Meckenem, Assumption; 91. P. Brueghel the Elder, Paying tithes; 523. Steurbout (?), The fairy-well; 341. (in the middle) Ascribed to Steurbout, Two portraits. On the other side of Room VII lies —


The two succeeding rooms contain Ethnographical Collections, and the next after these Coins and ancient Gobelins Tapestry. The last room is occupied by pictures bequeathed by A. Leleux in 1873: 238. Janssens, Minuet on a terrace; 331. Leys, Faust and Margaret; 279. P. de Hoogh, Interior; 551. W. van de Velde, A dead-calm; 344. Vermeer (of Delft), Kitchen; *300. Th. de Keyser, Family-group; *519. Jan Steen, Peasantdance (1670); 403. J. van Ostade, Stable (1645); 645. Willems, Hawking; 448. Poeltenburg, Baccus, Pomona, and Venus, with Cupids; 84. Brekelengkomp, Lady and gentleman (1662); 25. J. van der Bent, Italian landscape, sunset; *386. A. van der Neer, Moonrise; 520. J. Steen, A merry company; 283, and, opposite, 282. Hurdrel, National Guard of 1849; 498. Ary Scheffer, ’The dead ride fast’, from Bürger’s Leonore. — 509. Siberchets,

From Room IV. we enter the —

*Musée Wicar*, a collection of upwards of 1400 drawings by the most celebrated masters, chiefly of the Italian school, formed by the painter J. B. Wicar (b. at Lille 1762, d. at Rome 1834), and bequeathed by him to his native city. It is arranged in schools, the masters of each being placed in accordance with the dates of their birth, and their names being in most cases inscribed on the frames. Beside the most important sketches are placed engravings from the corresponding pictures, affording an opportunity for most instructive comparisons. This collection is open at the same hours as the picture-gallery.

On the stands in the middle of the First Room are placed the most important drawings of Raphael (the authenticity, however, not in all cases certain). On the walls are sketches of the later Florentine and Roman Schools. On the end-wall are a few reliefs, among which is the Daughter of Herodias, by Donatello. — In the Passage, in a niche to the left, is a famous Head of a girl, in wax, long ascribed to Raphael but now recognised as ancient; the drapery of the bust is of terracotta. This unique work was probably found in a Roman tomb. — Large Saloon: Stand I. Late-Byzantine miniatures and early-Florentine drawings (Fra Bartolomeo and others). Stand II. Michael Angelo and Baccio Bandinelli. Stands III and IV. Architectural drawings. Stand V. Later Florentine artists (Santi di Tito, etc.). Stand IV. Venetian and Bolognese Masters (Veronese, Guercino). The drawings on the walls are mostly by second-rate masters of the 17th century. — Last Room. Stand I. Early-German Masters (Schongauer, Dürrer). Stand II. Flemish Masters. Stands III and IV., and also the walls, are devoted to the French School.

Leaving the Hôtel de Ville, we now cross the large Place in an oblique direction to the Rue des Débris St. Etienne in the opposite corner, and proceed by this street, the Rue des Prêtres, the Rue Basse (right), and the Rue du Cirque (first to the left) to Notre Dame-de-la-Treille (Pl. 8; E, 2), a church in the style of the 13th cent., designed by the London architects H. Clutton and W. Burges, and begun in 1855. The building was planned on so ambitious a scale that little has been completed.

The Rue Basse leads hence to the Rue Esquermoise (Pl. E, 2, 3). one of the principal streets of the old town, the appearance of which has been much altered by the construction of the wide Rue Thiers.

The Gothic church of Ste. Catherine (Pl. 10; D, 2) contains a high-altarpiece by Rubens, representing the saint's martyrdom.

The handsome Boulevard de la Liberté forms the boundary between the old town and the new quarters built in the modern Parisian style. In the Place de la République rises the spacious new Préfecture (Pl. 26; E, 3).

The Porte de Paris (Pl. 27), belonging to the old fortifications, but spared on their removal, was built in 1682 in the form of a triumphal arch in honour of Louis XIV. — The church of St. Maurice (Pl. 14; E, 3), near the Grande Place and the railway-station, dates from the 13th century.

From Lille to Brussels (68 M., in 2$\frac{1}{4}$-3$\frac{1}{2}$ hrs.; fares 8 fr. 30, 6 fr. 25, 4 fr. 15 c.). About 4 M. to the S.E. of (4 M.) Ascq is
situated the village of Bouvines, where Emp. Otho IV. was defeated by Philip Augustus of France in 1214. 5½ M. Baisieux is the last French, and (11 M.) Blandain the first Belgian station, at each of which there is a custom-house. 14 M. Froyenne.

16 M. Tournaí, see p. 51. Thence to Courtrai (3/4 hr.), see R. 8.

From Tournaí to Mons, via Blaton, 30 M.; railway in 1½-1¾ hr. (fares 3 fr. 75, 2 fr. 80, 1 fr. 90 c.). Route via Leuze, (29 M.), see p. 48. — Stations: Vaulx, Antoing, Maudray, Callenelle, Péruwelz (branch to Valenciennes), Blaton (where the line from Leuze to Mons is rejoined), Hurchies, Pommerviel, La Hamaide, Boussu-Haine, St. Ghislain (p. 49), Quaregnon-Wasmuel, Jemappes; Mons, see p. 162.

Beyond Tournaí the undulating and well-cultivated province of Hainault is traversed. Mont St. Aubert (p. 55) long remains conspicuous to the left. 20½ M. Havrinnes; 24½ M. Bary-Maulde. 23 M. Leuze, a small town on the Dendre, the junction of the Ghent-Oudenarde-Leuze-Blaton line (p. 49). 30 M. Chapelle-à-Wattines; 32 M. Ligne, which gives a title to the princely family of that name.

35 M. Ath (Cygne; Pauvre d’Or; Hôtel de Bruxelles, near the station; Hôtel de l’Univers, opposite the station), on the Dendre, formerly a fortress, with 9000 inhab., contains nothing to detain the traveller. The Hôtel de Ville was erected in 1600. The church of St. Julian, founded in 1393, was re-erected in 1817 after a fire. The Tour de Burbant, the most ancient structure in the town, dates from 1150. A monument to Eugène Defacqz, a native of Ath who played a prominent part in the events of 1830, was erected in 1880. Numerous lime-kilns in the environs.

Ath is the junction for the line from Denderleeuw (Alost) to Grammont, Ath, and Jurbise, 35 M., railway in 2 hrs. (fares 4 fr. 55, 3 fr. 30, 2 fr. 30 c.). — Denderleeuw, see p. 10. The train ascends the left bank of the Dender or Dendre. 2½ M. Okegem. Then (5 M.) Ninove, an old town with 6400 inhab., the seat, as early as the middle of the 12th cent., of a Premonstratensian abbey, of which no trace remains; the parish-church contains two paintings by De Crayer. — The next stations are Santbergen, Idegem, and Schendelbeke. 14 M. Grammont, see p. 164. — 17 M. Acren, the first place in Hainault; 18 M. Lessines, with porphyry quarries, is the junction of the Bassilly-Renaix line (see below); Papignie; Rebaix. — 25 M. Ath, see above. — Then by Maffles, Mevergnies-Attres, Brugette (with a large orphan-asylum conducted by nuns), and Lens to (35 M.) Jurbise, where the Brussels and Paris line is reached (see p. 162).

From Ath to Blaton, 12 M., railway in 40 min. (fares 1 fr. 45, 1 fr. 10, 7½ c.). — The stations are small and uninteresting, with the exception of (7 M.) Beloeil, a village with the celebrated château and estate of the Prince de Ligne, which has been in possession of the family upwards of 500 years. Prince Charles Joseph of Ligne (1735-1814), the eminent general and statesman, gives a long account in his letters of this estate with its park and gardens. Delille, in his poem ‘Les Jardins,’ describes Beleil as ‘tout à la fois magnifique et charmant.’ The château contains numerous curiosities of artistic as well as historic interest; a considerable library, with many rare MSS.; admirable pictures, including works attributed to Dürer, Holbein, Van Dyck, Velasquez, Leonardo da Vinci, Michael Angelo, and Salvator Rosa, and also specimens of many modern artists; relics (fragments of the ‘True Cross’ and the ‘Crown of Thorns’), and numerous gifts presented to the family by emperors and kings, from Charles V. to Napoleon I. Admission to the château is rarely denied by the proprietor.

Blaton is the junction for the lines to Leuze and Tournaí (see above), Péruwelz-Tournai (see above), and St. Ghislain-Mons (p. 49).
Beyond Ath are several small stations at which the express does not stop. From (44 M.) Bassilly a branch-line diverges to Lessines (see above), Ellezelles (p. 30), and Renaix (p. 49).

50 M. Enghien, the next important place, a town with 3900 inhab., many of whom are occupied in lace-making ('point de Paris'), is the junction of the line from Ghent to Braine-le-Comte and Charleroi (R. 20). The fine *Park of the Duc d’Arenberg formerly contained the ancestral château of the Ducs d’Enghien, which was destroyed during the French Revolution. The old chapel, with its carved oaken door, still remains. Adjacent is a Capuchin Convent, the church of which contains the beautiful alabaster *Tomb of Guillaume de Croye, Archbishop of Toledo (d. 1521), richly adorned with figures and ornaments in the style of the early Italian Renaissance.

The train now quits the province of Hainault, and enters that of Brabant. 53 M. Bierges; 55 M. Saintes; 56 M. Brages-Bellinghen.

59 M. Hal (Cygne; Trois Fontaines; Univers), a town situated on the Senne and the canal of Charleroi, with 9000 inhab., is celebrated throughout Belgium as a resort of pilgrims, on account of the miracle-working image of the Virgin in the church of Notre Dame, an edifice in the purest Gothic style, begun in 1341, and consecrated in 1409. The church possesses numerous costly treasures presented by Emp. Maximilian I., Charles V., Pope Julius II., Henry VIII. of England, the Burgundian Dukes, and the Spanish governors. The *High-altar is a fine Renaissance work in alabaster, executed by Jan Mone in 1533, with reliefs representing the seven Sacraments, statuettes of the four Evangelists and the four great Fathers of the Church, and a figure of St. Martin sharing his cloak with a beggar. The font, in bronze, was cast in 1446. A monument in black marble, with the figure of a sleeping child, is dedicated to the son of Louis XI., who died in 1460. Another chapel contains 33 cannon-balls, caught and rendered harmless by the robes of the wonder-working image during a siege of the town. — The Hôtel de Ville, built in 1616 and distinguished by its lofty roof, was successfully restored a short time ago.

From Hal to Braine-le-Comte and Mons (Brussels and Paris railway), see R. 19.

60½ M. Buysingen; 62 M. Loth. The country traversed is hilly. The line runs for some distance parallel with the canal of Charleroi. 64 M. Ruysbroeck was the birthplace in the 14th cent. of the mystic of that name. Near (66 M.) Forest the train crosses the winding Senne, which waters a rich pastoral district. The train crosses the Boulevards of Brussels, commanding a view of the Porte de Hal (p. 100) to the right, and soon stops at the Station du Midi.

68 M. Brussels, see below.
Key to the Plan of Brussels.

1. Abattoirs (Slaughter-houses) B3, F2
2. Bains Léopold D4
3. Bain Royal E3
4. Banque Nationale E3
5. Bibliothèque Royale (Royal Library) D4
7. Casernes (Barracks) C1.2, E3, E5
8. Chapelle de l'Expiation, or Ch. Salazar D4
9. Colonne du Congrès E3
10. Conservatoire Royal de Musique D5
11. Ecole vétérinaire B5
12. Eglise du Béguinage C2
13. — St-Boniface E6
14. — Ste-Catherine C2
15. — Ste-Gudule (cathedral) E3
16. — St-Jacques-sur-Caudenberg E4
17. — St-Jean et St-Etienne D5
18. — des Jésuites F2, C4
19. — St-Joseph F4
20. — Ste-Marie de Schaerbeek F1
21. — St-Nicolas D3
22. — Notre-Dame de Bon Secours C3, 4
23. — — de la Chapelle C4
24. — — des Victoires D5
25. Entrepôt Royal (Custom House) C1
26. Etablissement Géographique (Van der Maelen's) B2
27. Galerie St-Hubert (Passage) D3
28. — du Commerce D2
29. — du Nord D2
30. Hôpital St-Jean (St John's Hospital) E2
31. Institut des Aveugles (Blind Asylum) C6
32. Manneken-Pis (Fountain) C4
33. Marché Couvert or Marché de la Madeleine D4
34. Monument des Martyrs D2
35. — of Counts Egmont and Hoorn D5
36. Musée des Antiquités, see Porte de Hal.
37. — of Paintings (Picture Gallery).
38. — Wiertz G5
39. — Observatory F2
40. — Palais du Duc d’Arenberg D5
41. — des Beaux Arts E4
42. — de Justice (old) D4
43. — — (new) E3
44. — de la Nation (Legislative Assembly) E3
45. — du Comte de Flandre (Crown-Prince) E4
46. — des Académies E4
47. — Royal E4
48. — Prison des Petits-Carmes E5
49. — Porte de Hal (Museum of Antiquities) C6
50. — Post Office D2
51. — Station du Nord E1
52. — du Midi B5
53. — du Quartier Léopold F5
54. — de l’Allée-Verte (Goods Station) D1
55. — de l’Assemblée des Princes de Lorraine, in the court of the Royal Library.
56. — of the Astronomer Quetelet, in front of the Académie E4
57. — of the Anatomist Vesalius, in the Place des Barricades F2
58. — Synagogue, New D5
59. — Telegraph, Central Office E1
60. — Théâtre Royal de la Monnaie D3
61. — des Galeries St-Hubert D3
62. — du Parc E3, 4
63. — Molière E5
64. — des Déshabillages E1
65. — Theatre, Flemish (Alhambra) D2
66. — University D4
67. — Vauxhall E3, 4

Arrival. There are three railway-stations at Brussels: 1. STATION DU NORD (Pl. E, 1) for Oostend, Antwerp (and Holland), Louvain, Liége, and Germany. 2. STATION DU MIDI (Pl. B, 5) for Charleroi, Namur via Baillers, Braine-le-Comte, Tournai, and France (entrance by the ticket-office in the Rue Fonsny). 3. STATION DU QUARTIER LÉOPOLD (Pl. F, G, 5) for Ottignies, Namur, Givet (France), Luxembourg, Bâle (and Germany); but most of the trains on this line also start from the Station du Nord. A fourth station (Pl. C, D, 1) is used for goods-traffic only. The Chemin de Fer de Ceinture connects the several railway-lines, and also carries on a local traffic. — Cab with one horse from the station into the town 1 fr.; trunk 10 c., small articles free; the driver expects an additional fee. The traveller should insist on being driven to the hotel he has selected, and disregard any representations of the driver to the contrary.

Hotels. Upper part of the Town, near the park: BELLEVUE (Pl. d; E, 4), Place Royale 9, frequented by royalty and the noblesse, high prices, D. 6, B. 2, A. 1 1/2 fr.; "Hôtel de Flandre (Pl. b; E, 4), Place Royale 7-8; "Hôtel Mengele (Pl. d; E, 2), Rue Royale 75, to the N. of the Colonne du Congrès, R. 2½-6, A. 1, B. 1 1/2, déj. 3-4, D. 5, "pens." in summer from 12, in winter from 10 1/2 fr.; "Hôtel de l'Europe (Pl. c; D, E, 4), Place Royale 12; "Hôtel de France (Pl. c; E, 3, 4), Montagne du Parc 4-8; GRAND HÔTEL BRITTANNIQUE, Place du Trône 3 (Pl. E, 5), behind the Royal Palace, D. 4 fr. All these hotels are good, well situated, and expensive. Table d'hôte at 5, 5.30, or 6 p.m. — WINDSOR (Pl. g; D, 4), Rue de la Régence 51, somewhat less expensive, D. 3 1/2 fr.; CULLIFORD's ENGLISH HOTEL, Rue Bodenbroeck 20, D. at 6 p.m. 3 1/2 fr.

Lower part of the Town: "GRAND HÔTEL de BRUXELLES (Pl. a; C, D, 3), Boulevard Anspach, a large establishment with about 200 rooms, of which those opening on the glass-roofed court should be avoided; R. & A. from 4, L. 1, B. 1 1/2, D. at 6 p.m. 5 1/2 fr.; café and restaurant on the ground-floor. — "Hôtel de Scède (Pl. b; D, 3), Rue de l'Evêque 29, R. from 3, L. 1, A. 1, B. 1 1/2, D. at 6 p.m. 4 1/2 fr.; "Hôtel de l'Univers (Pl. f; D, 2), Rue Neuve 38-40, D. 4 fr.; "Hôtel de l'Empereur (Pl. k; D, 2), Rue Neuve 63, B. 1 1/2, D. at 5.30 p.m. 4 fr.; "Hôtel de Saxe (Pl. f; D, 2), Rue Neuve 77-79, R. from 3 fr., L. & A. 1 1/2, D. 3 1/2 fr.; "Hôtel de Hollande (Pl. n; D, 4), Rue de la Justice 61, an old-fashioned house, R. 3, B. 1 1/2, D. at 3 p.m. 4 fr.; "Hôtel de la Poste (Pl. o; D, 3), Rue Fossé-aux-Loups 28, R. 2½-3, D. at 5.30 p.m. 3 1/2 fr.; "Roche de Cancale, Rue Fossé-aux-Loups 17-19 (Pl. D, 3), R. from 2½, no table d'hôte (best known as a restaurant, see below). — "GRAND MIRROIR (Pl. s; D, 3), Rue de la Montagne 28, D. at 6 p.m. 3 fr.; "Hôtel du GRAND CAFÉ, Rue des Épiciers 24-26 (Pl. D, 3, 4); "Hôtel de Vienne (Pl. n; D, 3), Rue de la Fourche 24-26, R. 2½-3, B. 1 1/4, D. 3 fr.; "GRAND MONARQUE (Pl. r; D, 3), Rue des Fiers 17; "Hôtel de la CAMPINE, Marché aux Puces 45; "Hôtel de BORDEAUX, Rue du Midi 135 (Pl. C, 4), rather out of the way, R. 2, D. with wine 3 1/4 fr.; "Hôtel FRANK, Place des Martyrs 13, quiet; "Hôtel de COLOGNE, Rue de la Fourche 15-15. — Near the Station du Nord: "GRAND HÔTEL GERNAY, Boulevard Botanique 15; "HÔTEL-CAFÉ DES BOULEVARDS, Place des Nations 1; "Hôtel de Bavière, unpretending; "ENGLISH HOTEL, Rue de Brabant 44, commercial. — Near the Station du Midi: "HÔTEL DES ACACIAS, DE L'EUROPE, DE CALAIS, DE L'ESPERANCE, and others. — Some of the Tavernes mentioned at p. 66 contain cheap and comfortable rooms for gentlemen.

A number of Pension like those in Switzerland have also recently sprung up: S. Bernard, Rue Belliard 50; Mrs. Wiltcher, Boul. de Waterloo 23 ("pens." 8-11 fr. per day); Mrs. Bourneoud, Rue Jourdan 6, Avenue Louise; De Boeck, Avenue de la Toison d'Or 45; Mme. Van Loo, Rue Belliard 22; G. Janssens, Rue de Vienne 26; Hoffmann, Rue Montoyer 51-53; Mme. Bachet, Rue Carlyle 10; Mme. Massignon, Rue de la Concorde 61, Avenue Louise; Mme. Merlier, Rue Veydt 1, Chaussée de Charleroi; Mme. Schutte, Rue Joseph Deux 19. Furnished Apartments at Rue du Prince Royal 42 (Mrs. Mathys) and at Avenue Marnix 11.

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Restaurants. *Frères Provencaux, Rue Royale 40, by the park, D. from 5 to 7.30 p.m. 5 fr., cheapest wine 3 fr. per bottle, beefsteak 3 fr.; *Mengelle, see above; *Perrin, Rue Fossé-aux-Loups 35, to the N. of the theatre; *Dubost, Rue de la Putterie 23; *Café Riche, Rue de l'Ecuyer 23, corner of the Rue de la Fourche, D. from 5 fr., patronised by the Brussels 'Jeunesse dorée'; Maison Dorée, Rue Léopold, corner of the Rue des Princes, D. from 4 fr.; *Restaurant du Grand Hôtel, Boul. Anspsach, sometimes overcrowded; *Rocher de Cancale, see above. All these are elegantly fitted up, and resemble the leading restaurants of Paris. The viands and wine are excellent, but expensive. The portions are generally ample, so that one is enough for two persons.

Next in order to the above houses come the Cafés-Restaurants and Taverns, at which the cuisine is somewhat less elaborate and the charges correspondingly lower. Between 11 a.m. and 1-2 p.m. (déjeuner) and between 5 and 7 p.m. (dinner) a choice of three or four dishes (plats du jour) may always be obtained; the charges are déj. 3½-1½ fr., D. 1-1½ fr.; soup or cheese (English, Dutch, or 'Gruyère') 40-50 c. extra. Dinners à prix fixe, 2-5 fr., may also be obtained in many of these houses. Waiter 15-20 c. The usual beverage is English ale or stout or German beer. The former is best obtained in the Taverns of the upper town and in other houses with English names (30 c. per half-pint), while the latter (30-40 c. per glass) is found chiefly in the cafés of the lower town. The following are the most conveniently-situated of these establishments. In the Upper Town: *Taverne du Globe, *Taverne de la Régence, both in the Place Royale; Restaurant Duvivier, Carter's English Tavern (with rooms to let), Brasserie du Musée (R. with 'pens.' 5 fr.), British Tavern, all in the Place du Musée; Taverne Léopold, Rue du Commerce 66. — In the Lower Town, near the Place de la Monnaie: *Restaurant Tortoni, Rue de l'Ecuyer 38; Café du Cercle, Rue Léopold 3 and Rue de l'Ecuyer 24; Café de la Monnaie, Rue Léopold 7; *Taverne Goldschmidt, Rue de l'Ecuyer 45; Aux Caves Rhénanes ('English Restaurant'), Rue Léopold 9, D. from 2½ fr., including a glass of wine; Taverne de Strasbourg, Rue Léopold, at the corner of the Rue Fossé-aux-Loups; Taverne de Londres, Rue de l'Ecuyer 15-17; *Taverne Royale, Passage St. Hubert, Galerie du Roi, and Rue d'Amberg; Taverne St. Jean, Rue St. Jean, to the W. of the Montagne de la Cour. In or near the Boulevard Anspsach: *Restaurant Jean Dubois, Place de Brouckère, to the W. of the post-office; Parc aux Huitres, Boul. Anspsach 29; Restaurant de la Bourse, at the back of the exchange; *Au Filet de Sole, Rue Grétry 1, near the Halles Centrales. — The two following are somewhat inconveniently situated: Café Puth, Rue de Stassart 24 (Pl. E, 5), D. from 3 fr.; Duranton, Avenue Louise 82, on the way to the Bois de la Cambre.

The following are good Eating Houses in the side-streets to the N.E. of the Place de l'Hôtel de Ville, chiefly frequented by natives: Au Gigot de Mouton, Au Filet de Boeuf, Rue des Harengs; A la Faisle déchirée, Rue Chaf et Pain; Grand Eperon, Marché aux Herbes 105. Oysters, steaks, and chops are their strong points; wine is usually drunk, but beer may also be obtained.

Beer Houses. English Ale and Stout: Prince of Wales, Rue Villa Hermosa 8, first cross-street to the right in descending the Montagne de la Cour (rooms to let); Old Tom Tavern, Place de la Monnaie. — German Beer: Taverne Clarenbach, Rue de la Madeleine 60; Tav. Jean, Impasse du Parc (Pl. E, 3); Trois Suisses, Rue des Princes; Grande Cave de Munich, corner of the Rue Léopold and the Rue de la Reine; Tav. Bass, Boul. Anspsach 8; Tav. Clarenbach, Galerie de la Poste; Tav. Salvator, Rue des Fripiers 13; Roï de Baviére, Rue des Chapeliers 2. — Belgian Beer (Faro, Louwain, Lambique, Vigtet, Bock National) is largely consumed by the natives, but will probably be found unpalatable by the traveller. The Estaminets, or beer-houses, are very numerous.

Cafés are very numerous and generally good (coffee 30 c., beer 30-35 c., ices 70 c.). *Mille Colonnes and Grand Café Suisse, in the Place de la Monnaie; Café du Cercle, Rue Léopold, see above; *Café du Grand Hôtel, Boulevard Anspsach 23, to the N. of the Exchange; Sesino, Boul. Anspsach 3;
Café Central, Boul. Anspach 83, to the S. of the Exchange. — Ices at the cafés, and also at the following confectioners: Briss & Co., Rue Cantenersteen 5 (Pl. D, 4); Brost, Rue Treurenberg 8, Mathis, Rue Treurenberg 25 (at these two 50 c. per portion); Marchal, in the Park (Vauxhall), N. E. corner, by the Théâtre du Parc.

**Baths.** Bain Royal (Pl. F, 3), Rue de l'Enseignement 62 (cold and swimming baths) and Rue du Moniteur 10-12 (warm baths, 1 fr. 20 c. to 2 fr.). Bains St. Sauveur (Pl. 3; D, 3), Montagne aux Herbes Potagères 33; Bains Léopold (Pl. 2; D, 4), Rue des Trois Têtes 8, both with good swimming basins (1 fr.).

**Shops.** The best are in the Rue de la Madeleine and Montagne de la Cour, the principal streets leading from the upper to the lower part of the city; also in the Rue Neuve, the Passages, and Boul. Anspach. — Money Changers in the Montagne de la Cour (No. 81), Marché aux Herbes, Rue des Fripiers, etc.

**Brussels Lace.** The following are the most important houses for this speciality: Verdi Delisle (Compagnie des Indes), Rue de la Régence 1; Daimeris-Petitjean, Rue Royale 2; Bival De Beck, Rue Royale 74; Miser & Co., Rue Fosse-aux-Loups 1; Baert, Boul. du Nord 23; Junckers, Rue du Midi 132; Robyt, Rue du Midi 4; De Vergnies & Soeurs, Rue des Paroissiens 26; Des Marés, Rue Chancellerie 15; Sacré, Place des Martyrs 20; Buchholts, Rue Léopold 3; Duden, Rue Fosse-aux-Loups 75; Schürmann, Rue Grétry 13. — The lace is less expensive than formerly, as the flowers or 'sprigs' are now sewn on a ground of tulle instead of one made by hand. The flowers are either manufactured with the bobbin (fleurs en plat) or with the needle (fleurs en point). About 130,000 women are employed in this manufacture in Belgium, and the value of their work is about 50 million fr. annually.

**Bookshellers.** Office de Publicité (Lebègue & Co.), Rue de la Madeleine 46; Kießling & Co., with lending library, Montagne de la Cour 72; Maquardt, Rue de la Régence 45; Armes Successeurs, Rue de Namur 3. — Engravings: Goupil & Co., Montagne de la Cour; Geruzet, Rue de l'Ecuyer; Leroy & Fils, Montagne de la Cour 83; Bernheim, Montagne de la Cour 94.

**Post Office.** The central office (Pl. D, 2) is now in the old Augustine Church, Boulevard Anspach; open from 5 a.m. to 8 p.m. There are also numerous branch-offices, open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., all with telegraph-offices. Pillar letter-boxes in all the principal streets.

**Telegraph Office.** Central office (Pl. 64; E, 1) at the Station du Nord, Rue de Brabant; 'bureaux succursales' at the other railway-stations, the above-mentioned post-offices, etc.

**International Intelligence Office.** Montagne de la Cour 25, for securing railway-tickets and sleeping-carriages, forwarding luggage, etc.

**Cabs (Voitures de Place).** The following is the tariff of the Brussels municipal district for one-horse cabs, holding 1-3 persons. There is no fixed tariff for the two-horse cabs. — From 6 (in winter 7) a.m. till midnight, for 1/2 hr. 1 fr., for each 1/4 hr. additional 50 c. From midnight to 6 or 7 a.m., for 1/2 hr. 2 fr., each 1/4 hr. additional 1 fr.

Trunk 15 c., small luggage free. Gratuity of 10-25 c. to the driver usual. This tariff includes drives in the Bois de la Cambre and the Park of Laeken, provided the hirer returns to town in the same cab. If not, 1 fr. extra is paid as return-money.

The fares of the 'Voitures de Grande Remise', superior vehicles, with coachmen in livery, are higher.

**Tramway** (Chemin de Fer Américain). Brussels possesses a very complete network of tramways, which are marked in the Plan. The cars run every 10 or 20 min.; fares 10-60 c. according to the distance traversed.

1. From Schaerbeek (Pl. F, 1) through the Rue Royale, and then either across the Place des Palais and through the Boulevard de Waterloo (yellow name-boards and lamps), or through the Rue de la Régence (red boards and lamps), to the Avenue Louise (Pl. D, 6) and the Bois de la Cambre.

2. From the Station du Nord by the Upper Boulevards (Pl. E, F, 2-5) to the Station du Midi.
3. From the Station du Nord to the Station du Midi by the Lower Boulevards (Pl. C, B, 1-6).
4. From Laeken through the Rue du Progrès to the Station du Nord and by the Inner Boulevards (Pl. D, C, 1-5) to the Station du Midi (white boards and green lamps).
5. From the Rue du Pavilion in Schaerbeek to the Station du Nord and via the Inner Boulevards to the Station du Midi and St. Gilles (black boards and yellow lamps).
6. From the Place Liedts in Schaerbeek to the Station du Nord (Pl. E, 1) and via the Inner Boulevards to the Station du Midi and Forest (yellow boards, red lamps).
7. From Laeken by the Chaussée d'Anvers, Rue de Laeken, Rue van Artevelde, and Chaussée de Mons to Cureghem and and Anderlecht.
8. From the Impasse du Parc (Pl. E, 3) through the Rue de la Loi to the old drill-ground.
9. From the Place Royale (Pl. E, 4) through the Rue Belliard to the Parc Léopold (Pl. G, 5).
10. From the Place Royale through the Rue de la Régence, Avenue Louise, Chaussée de Charleroi, and Avenue Brugman to Uccle (Pl. D, 6).

Steam Tramway from the Place Madou (Pl. F, 3) to the Central Cemetery at Evere and from the Place de Nommur, at the beginning of the Rue de Namur (Pl. E, 5), to the Bois de la Cambre.

Theatres. Théâtre Royal de la Monnaie (Pl. D, 3), Place de la Monnaie, for opera only; open almost every day in autumn, winter, and spring. Performances begin at 7, and last till 11 or later. Fauteuils d'orchestre and premières loges 6 fr.; balcon (reserved seats in front of the best boxes) and secondes loges 5 fr.; parquet (between the stalls and pit), and secondes loges, at the side, 4 fr.; troisièmes loges and parterre (pit) 2 fr.; seats previously secured ('en location') cost 1/2-1 fr. each additional; bureau de location open daily 12-3 o'clock. — Théâtre Royal des Galeries St. Hubert (Pl. 66, D 3); operas, dramas, comedies, vaudevilles, in the passage of that name (p. 94), with accommodation for 1500 spectators; best boxes 5 fr. — Théâtre du Parc (Pl. 67; E, 3, 4), comedies, vaudevilles, dramas; best seats 5 fr. — Théâtre Mollière (Pl. 68; E, 5), Rue du Bastion, for dramas and vaudevilles; best seats 5 fr. — Alcazar Royal, Rue d'Arenberg (Pl. D, 3; opéra bouffe); best boxes 4 1/2 fr. — Eden Théâtre, Rue de la Croix de Fer (Pl. E, F, 3), for spectacular pieces; adm. 2 fr., reserved seats extra. — Théâtre Flamand or Alhambra ('National Tooneel'; Pl. 71, D 2), Rue du Cirque.

Concerts in winter in the new Conservatoire de Musique (Pl. 11; D, 5), Rue de la Régence, at the corner of the Petit-Sablon, given by the members of the Conservatoire Royal de Musique; admission 1-3 fr. — 'Concerts populaires et classiques' generally twice a month, on Sundays at 1 p.m., in the Alhambra (see above). — Open-air concerts in the Park daily in summer (1st May to 31st August) 3-4.30 p.m. (Sun. 1-2.30 p.m.); at the Vauxhall (Pl. E, 3, 4), at the N.E. corner of the Park, concert by the orchestra of the royal theatre at 8 p.m. (1 fr.).

Popular Festivals. 'Kermesse' about the end of July, and the anniversary of the Revolution, 23rd-26th Sept. (Procession in the Cathedral), on which occasions Flemish merriment becomes somewhat boisterous. — Horse Races, several times annually, at the Hippodrome, on the road to Boitsfort (see p. 103).

Embassies. American Minister, Hon. N. Fish, Rue Ducale 47; Consul, J. Wilson, Esq., Place du Trône 1. — British Envoy, Hon. Hussey Vivian, Rue de Spa 2; Vice-Consul, T. J. Mattby, Esq., Rue d'Edimbourg 35.

English Church Service at the Church of the Resurrection, Rue Slassart (Pl. E, 6; services at 8.30, 11, 3.45, and 7); at Christchurch, Rue Crespel, Avenue de la Toison d'Or (11 a.m. and 7 p.m.); and at the Protestant Church in the Rue Belliard (12 noon and 4 p.m.). French Protestant services in the last-named church, in the Chapelle du Boulevard de l'Observatoire, and in the Chapelle du Musée. German Protestant services also in the last-named. Flemish Protestant service at Rue Blaes 70. — Synagogue, Rue de la Régence, see p. 90.
Collections, Museums, etc.: — Armour and Antiquities at the Porte de Hal (p. 100), daily 10-3, Mon. 1-3.

Bibliothèque Royale (p. 77), daily 10-3, in summer 10-4.

Botanical Garden (p. 98), daily till dusk; admission to the hot-houses by payment of a fee, 10-12 and 2-4 (not on Sundays).

Exchange (p. 96), daily; business-hours 1-3 p.m., corn-exchange later.

Hôtel de Ville (p. 92); interior best seen before 9 a.m. or after 4 p.m.

Musée Wiertz (p. 99), daily 10-4.

Natural History Collection (p. 88), daily 10-3.

Palais des Académies (frescoes in the hall; p. 73), daily; 50c.

Palais Arenberg (picture-gallery, p. 89), shown on week-days, 10-4, in the absence of the Duke; visitors write their names in a book at the porter's lodge (strangers are sometimes admitted when the Duke is at home on sending in their cards); fee 3-5 fr.

Palais Royal (p. 72), shown in absence of the King only, and by special permission of the 'mamégal du palais', or minister of the household.

Picture Gallery (p. 78), daily 10-3, 4, or 5.

Pictures, see also Musée Wiertz, Palais Arenberg, Palais Ducal.

Principal Attractions: Park (p. 72) and its environs; Congress Column (p. 74); Cathedral (p. 74); Museum (p. 78); Palais de Justice (p. 90); Markel-place and Hôtel de Ville (p. 92); Mannikin Fountain (p. 94); Rue Neuve (p. 95) and Martyrs' Monument (p. 96); the new Boulevards and Exchange (p. 96); Galerie St. Hubert (p. 94), in the evening by gas-light; Musée Wiertz (p. 99); Antiquities at the Porte de Hal (p. 100); Drive in the Bois de la Cambre (p. 103).

Brussels, the capital of Belgium, the residence of the royal family, and the seat of government, is situated nearly in the centre of the kingdom, on the small river Senne, a tributary of the Schelde. The city consists of the lower part on the N.W. side, traversed by several canals and ramifications of the Senne, most of which are now vaulted over, and the upper part on the S.E. side, covering the slope which gradually rises from the river. In 1882 the population was 166,350, or including the ten suburbs (named from the N. towards the E., Schaarbeek, St.-Josse-ten-Nooie, Etterbeek, Ixelles, St. Gilles, Cureghem, Anderlecht, Koekelberg, Molenbeek-St-Jean, Laeken) 388,781. There are upwards of 6000 English residents. Most of the latter reside in or near the Quartier Léopold (p. 99), the highest and pleasantest part of the town. The commerce of Brussels is comparatively small in extent, but its manufactures of lace (p. 67), furniture, bronzes, carriages, and leather articles are very important.

The chronicles of the 8th cent. make mention of a village named 'Brucella' (broek, marsh; broeksele, dwelling on the marsh), and a document of Otho the Great proves that there was a church here in 966. In the 11th cent. the town was considerably extended and surrounded by walls, and soon became an important station on the great commercial route between Bruges and Cologne. The princes and nobility erected their mansions on the heights rising gradually from the Senne, among them the Counts of Louvain, the sovereign lords of the country, who afterwards assumed the title of Dukes of Brabant (12th cent.). The Burgundian princes, who subsequently resided here (15th cent.), were generally surrounded by a large retinue of French knights, in consequence of which, even at that period,
French became the most fashionable language among the nobility of the Netherlands. The character of the city and its inhabitants thus gradually developed itself, the court and the nobility, with their French language and manners, being established in the upper part, while the lower quarters were chiefly occupied by the trading community and the lower classes, whose language and character were essentially Flemish.

After the Netherlands passed into the possession of the Hapsburgs in 1477, Brussels became the seat of a brilliant court, which attained the height of its magnificence under Charles V. Philip II. made it the official residence of the Stadtholder of the Netherlands, and Margaret of Parma (p. xvii) here performed the duties of that office. Brussels was the scene of the first rising of the Netherlands against the Spanish dominion (1566; see p. 90), but at the end of the protracted conflict the city remained in the hands of the Spaniards. During the wars of Louis XIV. and Louis XV. Brussels had much to suffer. Its refractoriness under the galling yoke of the Austrian governors was another source of disaster (see p. 92), but a better state of affairs was introduced by the mild rule of Maria Theresa and her stadtholder, Duke Charles of Lorraine (1741-80). After the wars of the French Republic and the First Empire, Belgium was united in one monarchy with Holland, and Brussels alternated with the Hague as the seat of the States General and the residence of the king. The revolution which ended in the separation of Belgium and Holland broke out at Brussels in 1830; and on July 21st of the following year, the new King of Belgium, Leopold of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, entered the city in state. At that time Brussels contained about 100,000 inhabitants.

The half French half Flemish character of the city, of which we have spoken above, is still recognisable at the present day. The upper part of the city, which was rebuilt after a great conflagration in 1731, contains the Royal Palace, the ministerial offices, the embassies, and the mansions of the nobility and gentry. The well-known ball given by the Duchess of Richmond on the eve of the Battle of Waterloo took place in the house in the Rue Royale nearest to the former Porte de Schaerbeek. The lower town, on the other hand, is devoted almost entirely to industry and commerce. The spacious marketplace, with the magnificent Hôtel de Ville and the mediaeval guild-houses, presents a very striking picture, and affords an idea of the ancient glory of the city, but the irresistible advance of modern improvement has left few other relics of antiquity. The most conspicuous step in this direction has been the construction of the Inner Boulevards.

Sketch of Art in Brussels. During the two golden ages of Flemish art in the 15th and again in the 17th cent., Brussels held a subordinate position, when compared with other Belgian towns, such as Ghent, Bruges, and Antwerp; but the appointment of Roger van der Weyden the Elder to the office of civic painter in 1436 (p. xlii) is sufficient proof that art
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was not neglected here. The prosecution of the fine arts, as indeed that of liberal pursuits in general, fell entirely into abeyance in the 18th century. The name of Brussels, however, again became known in connection with painting after the year 1815, when Jacques-Louis David, the famous head of the modern French school, banished from Paris as a regicide, took up his abode here. David was too old to found a new school, but it was owing to his influence that the classical style remained longer dominant in Brussels than in other Belgian art-centres. Navez, Portaels, and Mathieu, who flourished here during the third and fourth decades of the present century, are good representatives of the correct and careful, though at the same time cold and lifeless style which then prevailed at Brussels, particularly in the domains of sacred art.

In the remarkable revolution in taste and practice which took place in Belgium after 1830, Brussels took little part, the movement being headed by Antwerp. The political importance and wealth of the city, however, have assembled here the chief colony of artists in Belgium, though it is impossible to classify them together as forming a school.

The most distinguished names about 1840-50 are those of Louis Gallait (b. at Tourna, 1810) and Edouard de Biefere (b. at Brussels, 1808), whose 'Abdication of Charles V' (p. 86) and 'Compromise of the Belgian Nobles' (p. 87) won them ardent admirers far beyond the confines of Belgium. Gallait in particular cultivates a careful naturalism, coupled with the utmost attention to details, in which, however, he still falls far short of the technical skill of the present day. The fact of their having given expression to national ideas, and celebrated the praises of Egmont in particular, has contributed not a little to the popularity of both these masters. At one period Gallait was very partial to a kind of sentimental style, which in some cases degenerated into the melodramatic. In a later generation the following have acquired eminence as historical and genre painters: Stingeneyer, Markelbach, Wallaert (a pupil of Gallait), De Friedt, Madou (d. 1877), and Stallaert. Emile Wanters is the most distinguished living painter who can be said to belong to a properly indigenous school. The French influence, which has already submerged the national literature, promises gradually to superecede the national art as well. This is shown by the increasing resort of Belgian artists to Parisian studios, by their not unfrequent migrations to Paris, and lastly and mainly by their ready acceptance of the traditions observed by Parisian artists since the time of the Second Empire. Leading representatives of this French element on Belgian soil are the genre painters Alfred Stevens and Willems, the first of whom in particular is more at home in Paris than in his native country.

Another style, marked by its correct drawing, and resembling the German school, is exemplified by G. Guffens and Jan Swerts, who made many joint efforts to naturalise fresco-painting in Belgium (Antwerp, p. 150; Ypres, p. 27; Courtrai, p. 49). — As a specialist may be mentioned the animal-painter E. Verbeeckhoven, with whom the names of Robbe and Tschagggeny may be coupled. In landscape-painting Belgium has no contemporary artists comparable to those of Holland.

The eccentric painter Wiertz, nearly all of whose works are collected and preserved in a gallery of their own (p. 99), occupies a perfectly unique position. Although naturally quite capable of acquiring the technical skill of Rubens, to which indeed he in some measure attained, Wiertz was unfortunately led by personal disappointment and literary quarrels to embark on an entirely mistaken career, bordering on madness.

The art of Sculpture is pursued at Brussels with great success, as is proved by such names as Eng. Simonis, A. Fratin, and Jehotte. Still happier results have been attained by sculptors of ecclesiastical subjects, and particularly in wood-carving, in which Belgium has regained some of its 17th cent. reputation. Its chief seats are Brussels and Louvain, and its most eminent masters Geerts and the brothers Govers. The works of this school are so frequent in new and restored churches, that it is superfluous to adduce examples here.

In Architecture the Gallic proclivities of the people are shown by
the overwhelming number of houses in the so-called French Renaissance style (from Louis XIII. to Louis XVI.) which have sprung up within the last few years and completely altered the appearance of the old Brabant capital. It must be mentioned on the other hand that the Flemish Renaissance style of the 16th cent. has also become extremely popular, and has been followed not only in private houses, in which the most striking feature is the small proportion borne by the breadth to the height, but also in various public edifices.

The *Park (Pl. E, 4), situated in the centre of the upper part of the town, originally the garden of the Dukes of Brabant, and laid out in its present form in 1774, is an attractive spot, although of limited extent (500 yds. in length, 300 yds. in width). Among the sculptures it contains are a Diana and Narcissus, at the fountain opposite the Palais de la Nation, both by *irupello; a Magdalene by Duquesnoy; a bust of Peter the Great, presented to the city by Prince Demidoff; two figures of Meleager by Lejeune; and a Venus by Olivier. The groups at the entrance opposite the Palace, by Poelaert and Melot, represent Summer and Spring. The park is a fashionable resort in summer on Sundays from 1 to 2.30 p.m., and on week-days from 3 to 4.30 p.m., when a military band plays. There is also music here on most summer-evenings at 8 o'clock (at the Vauxhall, p. 68). The park is closed about an hour after dusk, when a bell is rung to apprise visitors of the shutting of the gates. During the eventful 23rd-26th of September, 1830, the park was one of the chief scenes of the conflict. Prince Frederick of the Netherlands entered Brussels with an army of 10,000 men on the 23rd, and occupied the palace and park. He was, however, unable to pass the barricades which guarded the streets, and evacuated the park on the night of the 26th.

The streets surrounding the park, the Rue Royale, Rue Ducale, Rue de la Loi, and Place des Palais, together with the adjoining Place Royale, received their present architectural character at the time of the formation of the park (last quarter of the 18th cent.), having been mainly designed by the talented architect Guimard. The Rue Royale, which bounds the park on the W., runs along the margin of the eminence on which the upper town is situated. As in other streets in this quarter, the traffic is comparatively insignificant, though several attractive shops have recently been opened here. On the W. the row of houses is often broken by small terraces, intended by Guimard to afford views of the lower town, but many of them have unfortunately been built up. On the first of these terraces rises the marble Statue of Count Belliard (Pl. 59; E, 4), a French general (d. 1832), who was ambassador at the newly-constituted court of Belgium in 1831-32, by G. Geefs.

The Palais Royal (Pl. E, 4), in the Place des Palais, originally consisted of two buildings erected during last century, which were connected by an intervening structure adorned with a Corinthian colonnade in 1827. It is at present being entirely remodelled
from designs by Balat, and two new wings projecting into the royal gardens at the back have lately been completed. The interior (adm., see p. 69) contains a number of apartments handsomely fitted up, and a considerable number of ancient and modern pictures. The best among the former are specimens of Rubens, Van Dyck, Hobbeima, and Frans Hals; among the latter are works of De Braekeleer, Coomans, Gallait, Verboeckhoven, and Wappers. A flag hoisted on the palace announces the presence of the king.

Near the Royal Palace, at the corner of the Rue Ducale, is situated the Palais Ducal, or Palais des Académies (Pl. E, 4), formerly that of the Prince of Orange. It was erected at the national expense, and presented to the Prince, afterwards King William II. of Holland (d. 1849), in 1829. Since 1842 it has been the property of the Belgian government. The ground-floor now contains a Musée des Plâtres, or collection of casts of antique and modern sculptures (open daily, 10-4). The upper floor has been occupied since 1877 by the Académie Royale des Lettres, Arts, et Sciences, and the Académie Royale de Médecine.

The Grande Salle on the first floor, a very handsome room, has been decorated by Stingeneyer with twelve finely-executed mural paintings, representing the most important events in the political and social history of Belgium: 1. The ancient Belgians under Ambiorix swearing to deliver their country from the Roman yoke, B.C. 54; 2. Clovis at the battle of Tolbiac, vowing to introduce Christianity, A.D. 496; 3. Influence of Charlemagne: the Emperor in the school of Herstal, 769-814; 4. The culminating period of chivalry: Godfrey de Bouillon visiting the Holy Sepulchre after the conquest of Jerusalem, 1099; 4. Culminating period of civic prosperity: Jacques Van Artevelde advising the Flemish towns to remain neutral in the wars between France and England, 1337; 6. Culminating period of the power of the guilds: Ansemsens (p. 92), the energetic defender of the rights of the guilds against the Austrian supremacy, before his execution, 1719; 7. Establishment of the present reigning family, 1831; 8. The fine arts: Albert and Isabella of Austria, after their entry into Louvain, attend the historical teaching of Justus Lipsius; 9. Music: Willaert, Clement, Lassus, Gretry, etc.; 10. Ancient art: Philippe le Bon of Burgundy visiting Jan and Margaret Van Eyck; on the wall a portrait of Hubert Van Eyck; 11. Modern art: Rubens returning to his native country, and received by Van Dyck, Snyders, Jordaens, etc.; 12. Natural science: Vesalius the anatomist on the field of battle as the military physician of Charles V.

The garden which surrounds the palace is adorned with a marble statue of Quetelet the Astronomer (p. 98), by Fraikin, erected in 1880 (in front of the palace), and with the Victor, a statue in bronze by J. Geefs, Cain, by Jhotte, and a discus-thrower by Kessels (at the back).

In the Rue de la Loi, which skirts the N. side of the park, rises the Palais de la Nation (Pl. E, 3), erected in 1779-83 from a design by Guimard for the assemblies of the old Council of Brabant, used as the Palais des États Généraux from 1817 to 1830, and now for the sittings of the Belgian Senate and the Chamber of Deputies. The reliefs in the pediment, by Godecharle (1782), are illustrative of the administration of justice. The interior of the main building
was entirely destroyed by fire in 1883, and the sittings of the Chamber of Deputies take place at present in the hall of the Senate in the right wing.

The buildings adjoining the Palais de la Nation on the E. and W. are occupied by government-offices. — Opposite, in the N.E. angle of the park, stands the building known as Vauxhall (Pl. E, 3, 4; comp. p. 68), partly occupied by the Cercle Artistique et Littéraire; near it is the Théâtre du Parc (Pl. 67).

At Rue Ducale No. 22, bis (Pl. F, 3), Th. Smaelen, the painter, has erected a wooden house in the Flemish style of the 16th cent., chiefly with original materials. It is called T'Lucashuys. — Adjacent, No. 22, is the Musée Scolaire de l'État (open daily, except Frid. and Sat., 10-4), containing an extensive collection of educational appliances.

In the Rue Royale (Pl. E, 4-1), midway between the Rue de la Loi and the Boulevard Botanique, is situated the Place du Congrès, adorned with the Colonne du Congrès (Pl. 10; E, 3), a monument erected to commemorate the Congress of 4th June, 1831, by which the present constitution of Belgium was established, and Prince Leopold of Saxe-Cobourg elected king. The column, of the Doric order, 147 ft. in height, is surmounted by a statue of the king in bronze, by W. Geefs. The nine figures in relief below, representing the different provinces of Belgium, are by Simonis. The female figures in bronze at the four corners are emblematical of the Liberty of the Press, the Liberty of Education, both by Jos. Geefs, the Liberty of Associations, by Fraikin, and the Liberty of Public Worship, by Simonis. The names of the members of the Congress and of the provisional government of 1830 are recorded on marble tablets. The summit, which is reached by a spiral staircase of 192 steps (trifling fee to the custodian), commands a magnificent panorama. The two bronze lions at the door are by Simonis. The foundation-stone of the column was laid by King Leopold I. in 1850, and the inauguration took place in 1859. At the foot of the flight of steps which descend to the lower part of the town are situated two Marchés Couverts.

The church of Ste. Marie de Schaerbeek is the most conspicuous object at the N. end of the Rue Royale, beyond the Boulevard (comp. p. 98).

The Cathedral (Ste. Gudule et St. Michel; Pl. E, 3) in the vicinity, situated on a somewhat abrupt slope overlooking the lower part of the town, is an imposing Gothic church consisting of nave and aisles, with a retro-choir, and deep bays resembling chapels. The church was begun about the year 1220, on the site of an earlier building, consecrated in 1047. A few traces of the transitional style of this period are still observable in the retro-choir. The rest of the choir, the transept, the arcades of the nave, and the S. aisle are early-Gothic, and were completed in 1273. The N. aisle,
and the vaulting and windows of the nave were constructed between 1350 and 1450. The windows of the high choir and the unfinished W. towers date from the 15th cent., the large (N.) chapel of the Sacrament from 1534-39, the (S.) chapel of Notre Dame de Délivrance from 1649-53, and the whole was restored in 1848-56. The façade in its principal features rather resembles the German than the French Gothic style. The numerous statuettes recently placed in the niches and consoles of the portal are unfortunately out of keeping with the Gothic character of the building. The W. entrance is approached by a handsome flight of steps, completed in 1861.

The Interior (the works of art are shown from 12 to 4 only, when 1 fr., or, if a party, 50 c. each, must be contributed to the funds of the church, besides which the sacristan expects a fee for opening the chapels; entrance by the S. transept) is of simple but noble proportions, and measures 118 yds. in length by 55 yds. in breadth. The nave rests on twelve round pillars and six buttresses, the choir on ten round columns.

The beautiful *Stained Glass* dates from different periods, from the 13th cent. down to modern times. The finest is that in the *Chapel of the Sacrament* (N.; adjoining the choir on the left), consisting of five windows presented in 1540-47 by five of the most powerful Roman Catholic potentates of Europe, in honour of certain wonder-working Hosts (comp. p. 99). Each window bears the portraits of the donors with their patron-saints: 1st window (beginning from the left), John III. of Portugal and his queen Catherine, a sister of Charles V.; 2nd, Louis of Hungary and his queen Maria, another sister of Charles V.; 3rd, Francis I. of France and his queen Eleonora, a third sister of Charles V.; 4th, Ferdinand I. of Austria, brother of Charles V., and his queen; 5th (above the altar) Charles V. and his queen Eleonora Louise. The first two windows were executed by Jan Haeck from designs by Michael Cosxie, the third is by Bernard van Orley, and the fifth is a skilful modern reproduction (1848), by Capronnier from designs by Navez, of the old one, which had been unfortunately destroyed. The representations in the upper half of the windows depict the story of the Hosts, which were stolen by Jews and sacrilegiously transfixed in their synagogue. The scoffers were so terrified by their miraculous bleeding that they determined to restore them; but their crime was denounced and expiated by death. The top of the 5th window represents the adoration of the Lamb and the Sacred Hosts. The Gothic altar in carved wood (by Goyers, 1849) is beautifully executed.

The windows of the *Chapel of Notre Dame de Délivrance* (S. side), executed in 1666 by J. de la Baer of Antwerp, from designs by Theod. van Thulden, are inferior both in drawing and colouring to those just described, but are notwithstanding excellent examples of 17th cent. art (school of Rubens). They represent episodes from the life of the Virgin, with portraits of Archduke Leopold (d. 1662), Archduke Albert (d. 1621), and the Archduchess Isabella Clara Eugenia (d. 1633); then Emp. Ferdinand II. (d. 1658) and Leopold I. (d. 1705). The same chapel contains a *Monument in marble, by W. Geefs, to Count Frederick Merode*, who fell in a skirmish with the Dutch at Berchem in 1830. The armorial bearings of the Merode family have the commendable motto: *Plus d'honneur que d'hommes*. Over the monument, the Assumption, a large modern picture by Navez. This chapel also contains a marble monument to Count Philip Merode (d. 1807), an elder brother of the last-named, a well-known Belgian statesman, by Frainkin, and one of the Spanish general Count Isenburg-Grensen (d. 1664), the last of a noble Rhenish family.

The five stained-glass windows of the High Choir, dating from the middle of the 16th cent., contain portraits of Maximilian of Austria and his queen Mary of Burgundy; their son Philippe le Bel and his queen Johanna of Castile; Emp. Charles V. and Ferdinand, sons of the latter; Philip II., son of Charles V., with his first wife, Maria of Portugal: Phi-
libert, Duke of Savoy, and Margaret of Austria. — Below is the monument of Duke John II. of Brabant (d. 1312) and his duchess Margaret of York, in black marble, with a recumbent lion in gilded copper, cast in 1610; opposite to it, the monument, with recumbent figure, of Archduke Ernest (d. 1595), brother of Emp. Rudolph II. and stadtholder of the Netherlands. Both monuments were erected by Archduke Albert (brother of Ernest) in 1610. A white marble slab covers the entrance to the burial-vaults of the princes of the House of Austria.

The Retro-Choir contains four stained-glass windows executed by Capronnier in 1879 from designs by Navez; the subjects are taken from the history of the Patriarchs and the Children of Israel, from the life of Christ, and from the history of the Christian church. — In the roccoco chapel behind the high-altar is an altar from the Abbaye de la Cambre (p. 106). The stained glass, bearing figures of saints and the arms of the Merode family, is also by Capronnier (1843).

TRANSEPT. Stained glass: Charles V. and his queen, with their patron-saints (N.); Louis III. of Hungary and his queen, by Bernard van Orley, 1538 (S.). Opposite the N. chapel, winged picture representing scenes from the life of St. Gudule, by Coixie (1592); opposite the S. chapel, Crucifixion, by the same artist.

The well-executed and richly-coloured stained glass in the Nave is all by Capronnier, having been presented by the king, the royal family, and wealthy Belgian citizens, and put up in 1860-80; the subjects also refer to the story of the stolen Hosts (see p. 75), beginning in the S. aisle, by the transept. The window of the W. Portal, a Last Judgment by F. Floris, remarkable for the crowd of figures it contains, dates from 1528, but has been frequently restored. Four of the massive statues of the Twelve Apostles on the pillars of the nave (Paul, Bartholomeew, Thomas, Matthew) are by Jer. Duquesnoy; three others (John, Andrew, Thaddæus) are by Faydherbe (d. 1694). The *Pulpit, originally in the church of the Jesuits at Louvain, was executed in 1689 by the celebrated Verbruggen. It is a representation in carved wood of the Expulsion from Paradise. Among the foliage are all kinds of animals, — a bear, dog, cat, fox, eagle, vulture, peacock, owl, dove, squirrel, ape eating an apple, etc. Above is the Virgin with the Child, who crushes the head of the serpent with the cross. — In the aisles: confessionals by Van Delen (18th cent.); in the S. aisle is the monument of Canon Triest (d. 1846), noted at Brussels for his benevolence, by Eug. Simonis; a marble monument to Count Cornelis de Wuyts-Ruwart, by Geefs, 1872 (Faith supporting old age and elevating youth). The marble-reliefs of the stations on the way to Calvary are by P. Puygenbroeck. The government and the city have for many years expended considerable sums annually on the embellishment of the sacred edifice.

The Tower commands a beautiful view; ascent, 1 pers. 2 fr., 2 or more pers. 3 fr.

The handsome new building opposite the cathedral, to the N., is the *Banque Nationale (Pl. 4; E, 3), one of the best modern buildings in Brussels, designed by H. Beyaert and Janssens, and exhibiting a free treatment of the Louis Seize style. The allegorical figures of Industry and Commerce over the pediment are by Wiener, the rest of the sculptural ornamentation by Houtstout. The interior is also worth inspection (entrance in the Rue Berlaimont).

The Place Royale (Pl. E, 4), adjacent to the S.W. corner of the Park, owes its present appearance to the architect Guimard, 1778 (comp. p. 72). On the left stands the church of St. Jacques sur Caudenberg (Froidmont, 'cold mountain'; Pl. 16), a handsome and chaste edifice with a portico of the Corinthian order, begun by Guimard in 1776 on the site of an old Augustine abbey, and com-
pleted by Montoyer in 1785. Above the portico are statues of Moses by Olivier, and David by Janssens. The tympanum contains a fresco, by Portaels, representing the Virgin as the comforter of the afflicted (1852). The interior contains, to the right and left of the choir, allegorical figures of the Old and New Testament, by Godcharle.

In front of the church rises the equestrian Statue of Godfrey de Bouillon (Pl. 60), the hero of the first Crusade, grasping the banner of the Cross in his right hand, probably the finest modern Belgian work of the kind, designed by Simonis. It was erected in 1848, on the spot where, in 1097, Godfrey is said to have exhorted the Flemings to participate in the Crusade, and to have concluded his appeal with the words 'Dieu li volt' (God wills it).

Opposite is the Montagne de la Cour, which contains several of the most attractive shops in Brussels, and through which, in spite of its steepness, passes a constant stream of omnibuses, carriages, and other vehicles (comp. p. 95). — To the S.W., between the palace of the Count of Flanders and the new Palais des Beaux Arts, diverges the Rue de la Régence (p. 88).

The archway in the W. angle of the Place Royale leads to the oblong Place du Musée (Pl. D, 4), the right side of which is flanked by the hotels and restaurants mentioned at pp. 65, 66, while to the left rises the Royal Library (Pl. 5), with a court facing the street and separated from it by a railing. In the court is a statue in bronze (by Jehotte, 1846) of Duke Charles of Lorraine (p. 70). Behind the statue is the entrance to the Library.

The Library consists of six departments: (1) Printed Books; (2) MSS.; (3) Engravings, Maps, and Plans; (4) Coins and Medals; (5) Offices; (6) Periodicals.

The Department of the Printed Books (300,000 vols.) is in the left wing of the Palais de l'Industrie. The nucleus of the collection was the library of A. van Hulthem, purchased by the state in 1837 for 315,000 fr., and incorporated with the old municipal library. The Library Hall (10-3; in summer 10-4; closed during Passion Week) contains a series of portraits of the sovereigns of the country down to Maria Theresa and Joseph II. In a cabinet here are exhibited some beautiful Chinese drawings. The Chambers grant an annual subsidy of 60,000 fr. for the support of the Library.

The Department of the MSS. consists chiefly of the celebrated Bibliothèque de Bourgogne, founded in the 15th cent. by Philippe le Bon, Duke of Burgundy, and contains about 12,000 MSS., comprising many of great value. It is especially rich in MSS., some of which are illuminated with beautiful miniatures of the old Flemish school. Worthy of notice are: the missal of the Dukes of Burgundy, by Attavante of Florence (1483), afterwards in possession of Matthew Corvinus, King of Hungary; the chronicles of Hainault in seven folio volumes with miniature illustrations, and an illustrated title-page (the author Jacques de Guise presenting his work to Philip the Good), ascribed, though without sufficient grounds, to Roger van der Weyden; and a copy of Xenophon's Cyropedia, used by Charles the Bold. Also, 'Pardon accordé par Charles V. aux Gantois' (p. 40) of 1540, MSS. as far back as the 7th cent., playing-cards manufactured at Ulm in 1594, autographs of Francis I., Henri IV., Philip II., Alva, Luther, Voltaire, Rubens, etc. Most of the books in the Burgundian Library are bound in red morocco. The most valuable MSS. have twice been carried away to Paris by the French.
The admirably-arranged Collection of Engravings (60,000 in number) is worthy of notice; it is entered from the Musée de Peinture. The Flemish masters are admirably represented. One of the most interesting plates is an engraving of 1418, found at Malines. — The Collection of Coins is also of importance; adm. 12-3, entrance Rue du Musée 5.

Part of the ground-floor is occupied by the Ecole Industrielle.

L' Ancienne Cour, a building adjoining the Palais de l' Industrie on the E., was the residence of the Austrian stadtholders of the Netherlands after 1731, when the old ducal palace (in the present Place Royale) was destroyed by fire. Part of the ground-floor is now fitted up as a library and part contains the cabinet of natural history (p. 88; entrance from the court), while the upper story is devoted to the picture-gallery (Musée). The chapel on the right of the entrance, erected in 1760, and devoted to Protestant worship in 1803, is known as l'Eglise du Musée (French and German services on Sundays).

The **Musée Royal de Belgique (Pl. D, 4), or royal picture-gallery, which was purchased from the city by the state in 1845, is growing in importance every year. Formerly inferior to the gallery at Antwerp, it must probably now be considered as the chief collection in Belgium. The Early Flemish School of the 15th cent. is represented by various important pictures, such as Adam and Eve by Hubert van Eyck (No. 13), Madonna by Petrus Cristus (No. 21), the Legend of the Iping empress and the innocent nobleman by Dieric Bouts (Nos. 51, 52), and the Holy Family by Quinten Massys (No. 38). Flemish and Dutch art of the 17th cent. has also, through judicious purchases, gradually come to be most favourably represented. The pictures by Rubens at Brussels cannot indeed be compared, either in number or beauty, with those at Antwerp; but his Adoration of the Magi (No. 410) ranges among the finest treatments of this subject, and his portraits and the Virgin in an arbour of roses (No. 412) also deserve attention. The full-length portrait of Willem van Heythuysen (No. 283) and a half-length portrait (No. 282) by Frans Hals, the portraits by Van der Helst (Nos. 291, 292) and Dou (No. 285), and the large Village Feast by Teniers (No. 465) may also be specified. — Good Catalogue, by E. Fétis, 1 fr. The names of the painters are affixed to the frames. As the collection is constantly being augmented, the pictures are often re-arranged, and some of the more recent acquisitions are not yet numbered.

The Entrance (comp. p. 69) is in the crescent at the N.W. end of the Place du Musée. From the circular entrance-hall we proceed through the glass-door to the left to the staircase, at the foot of which is a statue of Hercules by Delvaux. Sticks and umbrellas are left here with the custodian (no charge). [The door in the rotunda opposite the entrance-door leads to the inner court, on the left side of which is the hall containing the natural history collection (p. 38).]

At the top of the staircase we reach another rotunda, where a
door to the left leads to the Musée Ancien, and another to the right to the Musée Moderne. Passing through the former we enter a Corridor, hung with Flemish tapestry of the 17th century. It also contains some sculptures, chiefly by modern Belgian artists: W. Geefs, C. A. Fraikin (Cupid taken captive), Ad. Fassin, J. de Brackeleeer, Eug. Simonis, J. J. Jaquet, Jos. Geefs (Fallen Angel, one of his best-known works), Barth. Frison, etc. The cabinets contain terracotta sculptures of the 17th and 18th centuries. — At the end of the corridor, to the left, is a door leading to the Gallery of Ancient Art (Musée Ancien).

Room I. Dutch School. End-wall to the left of the entrance: 344. Van der Meulen, Army of Louis XIV. at the siege of Tournai; *467. Teniers the Younger, Temptation of St. Anthony; 359. Mouderne, Landscape; 518. German School, Portrait (1557).

Wall opposite the entrance: 270. Gov. Flinck, Portrait (1640); 253. Van Delen, Portico of a palace, with accessories by Palamedesz (1642); Jan de Bray, Portrait; *425. Sal. van Ruyssdael, Riverscene; 387. F. Pourbus, Portrait (1575); 278. J. van Goyen, View of Dort, figures by A. Cuyp; 356. Sir A. More, Duke of Alba in full armour, with a general's baton; 261. Dusart, Consecration of a Dutch church (1695); 421. Rachael Ruysch, Flowers; 314. Jor-
daens, Head of an Apostle, a sketch, in colours. — High up on this wall are three large ceremonial works: 430. Sallaert, The Infanta Isabella witnessing a competition of the Grand-Serment Archers at Brussels (1615); 473. Tilborgh, Knights of the Golden Fleece passing in front of the house of the Duke of Brabant in Brussels (with portraits of the Prince de Ligne, Prince de Chimay, Duke of Arenberg, etc.); 431. Sallaert, Procession.

End-wall: 315. Jordaeus, Eleazer and Rebecca at the well, in a landscape by Wildens; Bont, Boudewyns, Landscapes.

Entrance-wall: 254. J. W. Delff, Portrait; 288. J. de Heem, Still-life; 176. N. Berchem, Cattle at pasture; 354. Sir A. More, Portrait of Hubert Goltzius (1576); No number, G. and J. Berckheyde, Church of Haarlem; 297. Hondecoeter, Dead cock hung on a wall; 394. J. van Ravesdyrn, Portrait; 193. A. Brouwer, Boors carousing on the ramparts of Antwerp, bought in 1882 for 13,000 fr.; 319. Koedyk, Dutch interior; 321. Phil. Koninck, Dunes. — Above are two large pictures by D. van Alsloot (Nos. 155, 156), representing the Procession of St. Gudule in the market-place of Brussels; in the centre of the second is the old ‘Halle au Pain’, opposite the Hôtel de Ville. — We now return to the Corridor, and from it enter —


Room III. Early Flemish School of the 14-16th centuries. Most of the masters here also are unknown, as the number of pictures of this period which have come down to us certified by external evidence (i.e. by signature or documents) is comparatively limited. To the left: Unknown Master, Madonna, with St. Francis of Assisi and the donor, a winged picture; 2. Herri met de Bles, Temptation of St. Anthony.

On the end-wall: **38. Quinten Massys or Metsys, History of St. Anne, a large winged picture, purchased in 1879 for 200,000 fr. from the church of St. Peter at Louvain, for which it was painted in 1509.

The principal picture represents the family of St. Anne, including the Virgin and Child, to the latter of whom St. Anna holds out a grape; in front, to the right, is Salome with her two sons, James the Elder and John; to the left, Mary Cleophas, with her sons, James the Younger,
Simon Thaddæus, and Joseph the Just; behind the balustrade, in the archway through which a rich landscape is visible, are Joachim, Joseph, Zebedee, and Alphæus, the husbands of the four women. 'The heads are full of life, the garments are richly-coloured and disposed in large masses, and the whole scene is illuminated with a light like that of a bright day in spring.' — On the inside of the left wing is an Angel announcing to Joachim the birth of the Virgin, on the outside, Offerings of Joachim and Anna on their marriage (with the signature 'Quinte Metsys 1500'); on the right wing are the Death of St. Anne, and the Expulsion of Joachim from the Temple on account of his lack of children.

On the side-wall: 28. J. Jost van Calcar, Holy Family; 21. School of Van Eyck (according to Mr. Weale by Petrus Cristus), Madonna and Child; 24. Jan Gossart, surnamed Mabuse, Mary Magdalene washing the feet of Christ in the house of Simon the Pharisee, with the Raising of Lazarus on the left wing, and the Assumption of Mary Magdalene on the right; 57-64. School of Royer van der Weyden, History of Christ, of little value.

*51, *52. Dieric Bouts, Justice of Otho III.

The subject is the mediaeval tradition that the Emp. Otho beheaded a nobleman who had been unjustly accused by the Empress, but his innocence having been proved by his widow submitting to the ordeal of fire, Otho punished the empress with death. This picture was originally hung up in the judgment-hall of the Hôtel de Ville at Louvain, according to an ancient custom of exhibiting such scenes as a warning to evil-doers.

*19. Hubert van Eyck, Adam and Eve, two of the wings of the celebrated Adoration of the Lamb in the church of St. Bavon at Ghent (see p. 36), ceded by the authorities to government, as being unsuitable for a church, in return for copies of the six wings at Berlin.

'It would be too much to say that Hubert rises to the conception of an ideal of beauty. The head (of Eve) is over large, the body protrudes, and the legs are spare, but the mechanism of the limbs and the shape of the extremities are rendered with truth and delicacy, and there is much power in the colouring of the flesh. Counterpart to Eve, and once on the left side of the picture, Adam is equally remarkable for correctness of proportion and natural realism. Here again the master’s science in optical perspective is conspicuous, and the height of the picture above the eye is fitly considered'. — Crowe and Cavalcaselle, Early Flemish Painters, 1872. — (Comp. p. xii.)

At the back are figures of the Erythraeo Sibyl, with a view of Ghent, and the Cumæan Sibyl, with an interior, by the Van Eycks.

113. Unknown Master, Christ and the Woman taken in adultery, with the donors and their patron-saints on the wings (1525); 47. School of B. van Orley, Madonna and Child.

On the end-wall at the back: 152. French School, Edward VI. of England(?); 69. Flemish School, Descent from the Cross; 76. Flemish School, Willem van Croy; 145, 146. Maximilian II. and Anne of Austria as children; 42. Bernard van Orley, The physician George de Zelle; 40. Van Orley, Pietà, with portraits of the donors on the wings, painted before 1522, under Italian influence.

Side Wall: 44. B. van Orley(?), Wings of an altarpiece of 1528 with scenes from the life of St. Anne: Birth of the Virgin and Rejection of the offering of Joachim (on the back: Marriage of St.
Anne and Appearance of Christ). 56. Roger van der Weyden (?), Head of a weeping woman, faded; *34. Memling, Portrait of a man; 29. Lombard, Last Supper (1531); *55. Roger van der Weyden, Portrait of Charles the Bold; 39. Jan Mostert, Miracles of St. Benedict; 49. Martin Schoen, Mocking of Christ. *31. Memling (?), Crucifixion, with the Virgin and St. John; in the foreground kneels Duke Francesco Sforza of Milan with his wife and son; on the wings, Birth and Resurrection of Christ with Saints; on the back SS. Jerome and George, in grisaille. *32, *33. Memling, Portraits of the Burgomaster W. Moreel and his wife, models of plain burgher simplicity; 43. B. van Orley, Guillaume de Norman (1519); 41. B. van Orley, Trials of Job; 20. Jan van Eyck (more probably by Gerhard David, according to Mr. Crowe), Adoration of the Magi, the figures somewhat stiff though not unnatural, the colouring vigorous; 53. Dieric Bouts (Stuerbout), Last Supper; 12. Cornelis van Coninxloo, Relatives of the Virgin; 8, 9. Jan van Coninxloo, Birth and death of St. Nicholas.


Adjoining is the Salle Flamande, an irregularly-shaped room with a carved wooden chimney-piece and wainscoting, and leather hangings of the 17th cent.; it contains at present cartoons and ecclesiastical compositions by J. Sweerts and Guffens, and the latter’s large cartoon for the mural painting at Ypres (see p. 27); also copies of a painting by Jan van Eyck at Madrid and of another by Campano at Seville. The windows command a good view of the lower town. We now (comp. the Plan, p. 79) enter the —

Large Gallery, which is divided by clustered columns into five sections. Beside the pillars in each section are four bronze busts of Flemish painters; in the first section, to the right, Rubens, to the left, Jordaeens.

Vos, The painter and his family. — Right side-wall: 157. J. van Arthois, Return from the festival, with figures by Teniers the Elder; 406. Rubens, Christ hurling thunderbolts against the wicked world, while the Virgin and St. Francis are interceding, painted for the Franciscans of Ghent; 413. Rubens, Venus in Vulcan's forge; 411. Rubens, Martyrdom of St. Livinus, whose tongue the executioner has torn out and offers to a hungry dog, one of the great master's most repulsive pictures, painted for the Church of the Jesuits at Ghent; 311. Jordaens, Satyr and peasant; *410. Rubens, Adoration of the Magi, painted for the Capuchin friars of Tournai; 300. C. Huysmans, Landscape.

Second Section: Portraits of Archduke Albert and his consort Isabella. — A passage leads hence into the rooms devoted to modern pictures (p. 86). — Opposite, to the right, 273. F. Franck, Solon in the palace of Croesus.


We now retrace our steps to the second section of this hall, and turn to the right into the Gallery of Modern Paintings, founded in 1835, and transferred hither from the Palais Ducal (p. 73) in 1877. It consists of about 180 works by Belgian masters. The subject and painter of each picture are indicated by inscriptions.


Room II. To the right: L. de Winne, Full-length portrait of Leopold I.; Gallait, Leopold II. and his queen.

Room III. P. J. Clays, Sea at Ostend (1863). — André Hennembieq, Labourers in the Roman Campagna; G. J. van Luppen, Spring landscape; Ch. Ooms, The forbidden book. — E. de Schamphelaere, River-scene near Gouda; Gallait, Art and Liberty. — Henri Bource, Bad news; Fr. Stroobant, The old guild-houses in the market-place at Brussels; Ferd. Pauwels, Widow of Jacques van Artevelde giving up her jewels for the state.

Room IV. (large room). To the right: P. J. Clays, Calm on the Schelde; J. B. Madou, The mischief-maker; K. Tschaggeny, Dilligence in the Ardennes. Above the last, Van Brée, Interior of St. Peter's at Rome on Corpus Christi Day. — E. de Block, Reading the Bible; Louis Robbe, Cattle; Al. Robert, Plundering of the Carmelite Convent in Antwerp at the end of the 16th cent.; Eug. Verboeckhoven, Flock of sheep (1839); Jos. Stevens, Streets of Brussels in the morning (1848). — *Louis Gallait, Abdication of Emperor Charles V., a masterpiece of composition, drawing, and colouring (1841): Charles V. is under the canopy of the throne, supported on the left by William of Orange, at his feet kneels his son Philip II., on his right is his sister Maria of Hungary in an arm-chair. A. Thomas, Judas on the night after the condemnation of Jesus; Ch. de Groux, Junius preaching the Reformation in a house at Antwerp, with the light from the stake shining through the window; G. Wappers, Charles I. on the way to the scaffold. — J. Lies, Prisoners of war; De Haas, Cattle; Jos. Stallaert, Death of Dido. — *J. Czermak, Spoils of war in the Herzegovina (Christian girl captured for the slave-market by Bashi Bazouks); J. Stevens, Dog-market in Paris; Al. Markelbach, Rhetoricians of Antwerp preparing for a debate (comp. p. 85); Eug. Delacroix, Apollo and the Python, a sketch; L. J. Mathieu, Entombment (1848); L. Gallait, Count Barth. du Mortier. — *Ch. Verlat, Godfrey de Bouillon at the storming of Jerusalem; Fourmois, Landscape; Leys, Joyful entry of Charles V. into Antwerp.
(repetition of the fresco in the Hôtel de Ville at Antwerp, see p. 134); W. Roelefs, Landscape; Leys, Restoration of the Roman Catholic service in Antwerp Cathedral (1845); Verboeckhoven, Shepherd in the Roman Campagna; E. Wauters, The Prior of the Augustine monastery to which Hugo van der Goes had retired tries to cure the painter's madness by means of music; Lies, Baldwin VII. of Flanders punishing robber-knights; L. Gallait, Johanna the Mad by the corpse of her husband, Philip the Handsome.

Room V. P. J. Clays, Antwerp Roads; Madou, Village-festival; Hipp. Boulenger, Landscape; J. Quinaux, Scene in Dauphiné; Leys, Studio of the painter Frans Floris. — V. Lagye, The visit to the sorceress; Alf. Stevens, Lady in a light pink dress. — Ch. Hermans, Early morning in the capital; Cam. van Camp, Death of Mary of Burgundy (p. 16). — Th. Gérard, Village-festival in Swabia; J. Coomans, The 'loving cup'; L. Robbe, Cattle.

Room VI. J. B. van Moer, View in Brussels; E. J. de Pratere, Cattle-market in Brussels. — C. Meunier, Peasants of Brabant defending themselves in 1797; F. Willems, 'La fête des grands parents'; De Groux, Drunkard by the corpse of his neglected wife. — J. B. Madou, A question of fate; De Braekeleer, The geographer; E. van Bosch, Cats playing. — J. T. Coosemans, Marshy landscape at dusk. — We now turn to the left and enter —

Room VII., which contains several large pictures. To the left: *E. de Biève, The Compromise, or Petition of the Netherlandish nobles in 1565. Count Hoorne is represented as signing the document, Egmont in an arm-chair; at the table Philip de Marnix, in a suit of armour; in the foreground William of Orange, in a dark-blue garment; beside him, Martigny in white satin, and behind him the Duc d'Arenberg. The Count Brederode, under the portico to the left, is inviting others to embrace the good cause. This picture and Gallait's Abdication of Charles V. mark a new epoch in the history of modern Belgium art. They were exhibited in most of the European capitals in 1843, where they gained universal admiration, and they have contributed materially to the development of the realistic style of painting, in which colour plays so prominent a part. — E. Slingeneyer, Battle of Lepanto. G. Wappers, Beginning of the Revolution of 1830 at the Hôtel de Ville in Brussels; the people tearing the proclamation (24th Sept.) of Prince Frederick of the Netherlands. — H. Decaisne, Belgium crowning her distinguished sons, from Charlemagne down to the 17th cent. (an allegorical work). — *N. de Keyser, Battle of Worringen (1288); Siegfried of Westerburg, Archbishop of Cologne, standing before his captors Duke John I. of Brabant and Count Adolph of Berg (1839). — Among the smaller pictures, by the door: A. de Knyff, Forest of Stolen; on the back-wall, N. de Keyser, Justus Lipsius; J. van Lerius, Erasmus; De Braekeleer, The Golden Wedding, and Distribution of fruit at a school (‘le compte de la mi-carême’).
The *Natural History Collection* (Pl. 41, D 2; adm., see p. 69) on the first floor is the most extensive in Belgium. In the arcades of the court are a few sculptures: *Paul Bouré*, *Prometheus Bound*; *L. Mignon*, *Bulls fighting*, bronzes. — A glass-house in the court contains the fossil skeletons of several animals, including two specimens, 25 ft. high, of the enormous *Iguanodon Bernissartensis*, the largest representative of the Saurian family of reptiles. These were found, along with eighteen similar skeletons, in the coal-measures of Bernissart, in the province of Hainault, and are the first perfect skeletons discovered of this gigantic lizard. The department of fossils and objects of the stone age is altogether of great scientific importance, owing to the richness of the discoveries which have been made among the limestone hills of Belgium.

In the Vestibule is a statue of *J. J. Omalius d’Halloy* (1783-1875), the founder of Belgian geology, by *W. Geefs*. Along the walls are a series of skeletons found in the course of the construction of the new fortifications of Antwerp (p. 127). — The Salle d’Anvers (corresponding to the large hall of the Musée Ancien, see the ground-plan, p. 79) contains those of the fossil bones found in the earthworks of Antwerp, which could be fitted together, including a tolerably complete skeleton of a *Mosasaurus*. — In the adjacent rooms, corresponding to Nos. III-VI. of the Musée Ancien (p. 79), is the collection of *Mammalia* and *Birds*. A staircase descends hence to the ground-floor, containing the *Mollusca*, the *Fossil Plants*, and the *Minerals*. — The room below the Rubens Room is devoted to the *Mammoth*. — The rooms corresponding to the Musée Moderne (plan, p. 79) contain the *Reptiles*, the *Fishes*, and the very extensive *Osteological Collection*, including the skeletons of two large whales.

The Rue de la Régence (Pl. E, D, 4, 5), which leads from the Place Royale (p. 76), is now one of the finest streets in Brussels. Immediately to the left stands the Palais du Comte de Flandre (Pl. 49), which contains a handsome staircase and is embellished with sculptures by *Van der Stappen* and pictures by *E. Wauters, Verlat, Stallaert*, and others. On the right is the new Palais des Beaux Arts (Pl. 45), a building in the classical style, by *Balat*, the portal of which is flanked by four massive granite columns with bronze bases and capitals. On the tops of the columns are four colossal figures, representing *Music*, *Architecture*, *Sculpture*, and *Painting*, executed by *Degroot, Samain, W. Geefs*, and *Melot*. Above are three bronze medallions: Rubens (in the centre; by *Van Rasbourgh*), Jean de Boulogne (by *Cuypers*), and Jan van Ruysbroeck (see p. 92; by *Bouré*); and two marble reliefs, the Graphic Arts and Music, by *Brunin* and *Vinçotte*. In the interior is a large hall intended for art-exhibitions and public banquets.

The street crosses the Rue de Ruysbroeck by means of a small viaduct, called the Pont de la Régence, and soon reaches the Petit Sablon, or Klein Zeavelplaats (Pl. D, 5). To the right rises the church of —

**Notre Dame des Victoires** (Pl. 24; D, 5), also called *Notre Dame du Sablon*, founded in 1304 by the guild of Cross-bowmen,
but almost entirely rebuilt in the 15th and 16th centuries. It has lately been purged of disfigurements, and is now undergoing a thorough restoration.

The Interior, which has been recently restored, measures 71 yds. in length by 23 yds. in breadth (61 yds. across the transepts) and is decorated with stained glass. A tablet of black marble in the S. transept records that the remains of the author Jean-Baptiste Rousseau, who died in exile at Brussels in 1741, were transferred hither in 1842 from the Church des Petits-Carmes (see p. 90). — The adjacent 1st Chapel in the S. Aisle contains the monument of Count Flaminio Garini, secretary of the Duke of Parma, consisting of six reliefs in alabaster from the life of the Virgin (about 1570; lately restored). At the W. end of this aisle is a monument erected in 1856 to Aug. del Pozzo, Marquis de Voghera (d. 1781), commander of the Austrian forces in the Netherlands. — The burial-chapel (17th cent.) of the Princes of Thurn and Taxis, in the N. Transept, sumptuously adorned with black and white marble, contains sculptures of no artistic merit; a St. Ursula over the altar, by Hen. Duquesnoy, merits attention; on the right is an angel holding a torch, by Grupello; in the dome are numerous family armorial bearings. — The Choir contains mural paintings of saints, being an exact reproduction of the originals of the 15th cent. discovered here in 1860 in a state beyond restoration; also some stained glass of the 15th century. — The pulpit, carved in wood, is borne by the symbols of the four Evangelists.

At the upper end of the Petit Sablon, a small square surrounded by a handsome railing, rises the Monument of Counts Egmont and Hoorn (Pl. 39), by Fraikin, which formerly stood in front of the Maison du Roi (p. 93). The lower part is a fountain, above which rises a square pedestal in the later Gothic style. The two small bronze figures on the right and left are soldiers of the corps commanded by the two counts. The colossal figures in bronze above represent Egmont and Hoorn on their way to execution. The 48 small bronze figures on the pillars of the railing represent the Artistic and Industrial Guilds of the 16th century; they were cast in 1882-83 by the Compagnie des Bronzes at Brussels from models by J. Cuypers, P. Comein, J. Courroit, A. Desenfans, A., J., F., and t., van den Kerkhove, Ch. Geefs, J. A. Hambresin, J. Laumans, B. Martens, E. Lefever, A. J. van Rasbourgh, and others. — Behind the monument is the —

**Palace of the Duc d'Arenberg** (Pl. 44; D, 5), once the residence of Count Egmont, erected in 1548, restored in 1753, with a modern right wing. It contains a small but choice picture-gallery (admission, see p. 69).

The Pictures are all in excellent preservation, and furnished with the names of the artists. — Long Room, to the left of the entrance: Rembrandt, or more probably Sal. Konineck, Tobias restoring his father's sight; Van Dyck, Portrait of a Spanish countess; Crasbeek, His own studio; A. van Ostade, A. Brouwer, Tavern scenes; Jac. van Ruisdael, Waterfall; Hobbema, Landscape; P. Potter, Resting in a barn; Rubens, Two portraits and three sketches of angels' heads; Berck-Heyde, Canal; P. de Hooch, Interior; G. Dou, The painter's parents; G. Metsu, The billet-doux: Jan van der Meer van Deft, Girl; Jan Steen, Wedding at Cana; Rubens, Small portrait; A. van der Neer, Moonlight on the sea (1644); G. Dou, Old woman counting money; G. Terbuz, Musical entertainment; Jordaens, 'Zoo de ouden zongen, zoo piepen de jongen' (when the old quarrel, the young squeak); Teniers, Playing at bowls; G. Dou, Hermit; N. Maes,
The scholar; G. Miers, Fishwoman. — Above the door: Berck-Hepde, Inner court of the Amsterdam Exchange. — To the right of the door: J. Ruysdael, Landscapes; A. Cuyp, Horses; D. Teniers, Farmyard, Peasant smoking; Van der Helst, Dutch wedded couple, Portrait of a man; A. van Dyck, Portrait of a Duc d’Arenberg; Teniers, Man selling shells; Fr. Hals, The drinker; Everdingen, Waterfall; Terburg, Portrait; Fr. Hals, Two boys singing; Rubens, Two portraits and a sketch. — On the window-wall: Portrait of Marie Antoinette, painted in the Temple by Koharsky, shortly before the unfortunate queen was removed to the Conciergerie.

The Library contains antique vases, statuettes, and busts in marble, including the admirable "Head of Laocoon, found about the year 1710 under a bridge in Florence, and purchased by an ancestor of the duke. It is supposed to be an Italian copy of the head of the well-known Roman Laocoon (a cast of which is placed beside it for comparison), executed soon after the ancient sculpture was discovered in 1506.

The adjoining Gardens are kept in admirable order (see 1 fr.).

A few houses above the palace, to the left, is the prison of Les Petits Carmes (Pl. D, E, 5), the front of which (set apart for female convicts) was built in 1847 by Dumont in the English Gothic style. A Carmelite monastery formerly occupied this site.

Somewhat higher up stood the house of Count Kuylenburg, memorable under Philip II. as the place of assembly of the Netherlands nobles who began the struggle against the supremacy of Spain. Here, on 6th April, 1566, they signed a petition (‘Request’) to the vice-regent Margaret of Parma (natural daughter of Charles V. and sister of Philip II.), praying for the abolition of the inquisitorial courts, after which between three and four hundred of the confederates proceeded on horseback to the palace of the Duchess, in the Place Royale. At the moment when the petition was presented, Count Barlaumont, one of the courtiers, whispered to the princess, whose apprehensions had been awakened by the sudden appearance of the cortège, 'Madame, ce n’est qu’une troupe de gueux' (i.e., beggars), in allusion to their supposed want of money. The epithet was overheard, and rapidly communicated to the whole party, who afterwards chose it for the name of their faction. On the same evening several of their number, among whom was Count Brederode, disguised as a beggar with a wooden goblet (jatte) in his hand, appeared on the balcony of the residence of Count Kuylenburg and drank success to the "Gueux"; while each of the other confederates, in token of his approval, struck a nail into the goblet. The spark thus kindled soon burst into a flame, and a few years later caused the N. provinces of the Netherlands to be severed from the dominions of Spain. When the Duke of Alva entered Brussels in 1567, he fixed his residence in Count Kuylenburg’s house and here caused the arrest of Counts Egmont and Hoorn. Afterwards he ordered it to be razed to the ground.

Farther on, to the left, stands the new Conservatoire de Musique (Pl. 11; D, 5), designed by Cluysenaar. The Conservatoire possesses an interesting collection of old musical instruments from the 16th cent. onwards, which was augmented in 1879 by the acquisition of the Tolbecque collection from Paris, and is now exhibited at No. 11 Rue aux Laines, at the back of the building (adm. on Thurs., 2-4). — On the same side rises the new Synagogue (Pl. 63), a building in a simple and severe style by De Keyser.

The new **Palais de Justice (Pl. C, D, 5), which terminates the Rue de la Régence on the S., an edifice designed on a most ambitious scale by Poelaert, and begun in 1866 under the superintendence of Wellens, was formally inaugurated in 1883, at the jubilee of Belgium’s existence as a separate kingdom. The cost of the
building amounted to 50 million francs (2,000,000£). It is the
greatest architectural work of the present century, and is certainly
one of the most remarkable, if not one of the most beautiful
of modern buildings. The substructions rendered necessary by
the inequalities of the site added greatly to the magnitude
of the task. The area occupied by the building amounts to
270,000 sq. ft., considerably exceeding that of St. Peter's at Rome
(see p. 129). The huge and massive pile stands upon an almost
square basis, 590 ft. long by 560 ft. wide, and forcibly sug-
gests the mighty structures of ancient Egypt or Assyria. Indeed
the architect avowed that his guiding principle was an adaptation
of Assyrian forms to suit the requirements of the present day. The
general architectural scheme may be described as pyramidal, each
successive section diminishing in bulk. Above the main body of
the building rises another rectangular structure surrounded with
columns; this supports a drum or rotunda, also encircled with col-
ums, while the crown of the whole is formed by a comparatively
small dome, the gilded cross on the top of which is 400 ft. above
the pavement. The rotunda is embellished with colossal figures
of Justice, Law, Strength, and Clemency. The principal façade,
with projecting wings and a large portal, is turned towards the
Rue de la Régence. In details the Graeco-Roman style has been
for the most part adhered to, with an admixture of rococo treatment,
and curved lines have been generally avoided; an example of this is
the rectilinear termination of the porch, which is enclosed by huge
pilasters. The flights of steps ascending to the vestibule are adorn-
ed with colossal statues of Demosthenes and Lycurgus by A. Cattier
(1882; to the right) and of Cicero and Domitianus Ulpian by A. F.
Bouré (1883; to the left). The interior includes 27 large court-
rooms, 245 other apartments, and 8 open courts. The large Salle
des Pas Perdus, or waiting-room, with its galleries and flights of
steps, is situated in the centre, under the dome, which has an
interior height of 320 ft. Guides in uniform are in waiting to con-
duct visitors through the interior (daily, except Sun., 9-4.30).

A little to the N.E. of the Petit Sablon (p. 88) is the Place
du Grand Sablon (Groote Zaavelplaats; Pl. D, 4), in the centre
of which is an insignificant monument erected by the Marquis of
Aylesbury in 1751, in recognition of the hospitality accorded to him
at Brussels.

The old Palais de Justice (Pl. 46), formerly a Jesuit monastery,
stands on the N. side of the Grand Sablon. The wing facing the
Rue de la Paille contains the Archives of the kingdom. The principal
front, on the N.W., faces a small Place, with the marble sta-
tue of Alex. Gendebien (d. 1869), a member of the provisional
government of 1830, by Ch. Van der Stappen, erected in 1874.

In the Rue Haute, or Hoogstraat, in the immediate vicinity, is
situated the Gothic Notre Dame de la Chapelle (Pl. 23; C, 4), begun in 1216 on the site of an earlier chapel; the choir and transept date from the middle of the 13th cent., and the nave and W. towers were completed in 1483.

The interior (concierge, Rue des Ursulines 24) is worthy of a visit on account of the numerous frescoes (Chapelle de la Sainte Croix, to the right of the choir) and oil-paintings (14 Stations of the Cross) by Van Eycken (d. 1483). The first three pillars of the chapels in the S. Aisle bear the remains of frescoes of the 15th cent. (saints). — The stained-glass in the 1st and 2nd chapels, with scenes from the life of the Virgin, is by J. van der Poorten (1867). The 3rd chapel contains the tomb of the painter Jan Brueghel ('Velvet Brueghel'), with a picture by him (Christ giving the keys to Peter). In the 4th Chapel, De Crayer, Christ appearing to Mary Magdalene. — In the N. chapel of the choir: Landscapes by J. d'Artois (d. 1665) and Achtschelling (d. 1731). Near the altar: De Crayer, S. Carlo Borromeo administering the Holy Communion to the plague-stricken; Van Thulden, Intercession for souls in Purgatory. Monument of the Spinola family by Plumiers (d. 1721). On a pillar a monument, with bust, to Duke Ch. Alex. de Croy (d. 1624). A tablet of black marble at the back of the pillar, put up by Counts Merode and Beaufort in 1834, bears a long Latin inscription to the memory of Francis Anneessens, a citizen of Brussels, and a magistrate of the Quarter of St. Nicholas, who was executed in the Grand Marché in 1719 for presuming to defend the privileges of the city and guilds against the encroachments of the Austrian governor (the Marquis de Princ). — The choir has recently been decorated with fine polychrome paintings by Charle-Albert. The somewhat incongruous high-altar was executed from designs by Rubens. — The carving on the pulpit, by Plumiers, represents Elijah in the wilderness, and is simpler and in better taste than that of the pulpit in the cathedral.

The Rue Haute ends at the Porte de Hal (p. 100).

In the centre of the lower part of the town lies the **Grande Place, or market-place (Pl. D, 3), 120 yds. long and 74 yds. wide, in which rise the Hôtel de Ville and several old guild-houses. It is one of the finest mediæval squares in existence, presenting a marked contrast to the otherwise modern character of the city, and occupies an important place in the annals of Belgium. In the spring of 1568 twenty-five nobles of the Netherlands were beheaded here by order of the Duke of Alva, the most distinguished victims being Lamoral, Count Egmont, and Philip de Montmorency, Count Hoorn (p. 89).

The *Hôtel de Ville (Pl. D, 3) is by far the most interesting edifice in Brussels, and one of the noblest and most beautiful buildings of the kind in Belgium. It is of irregular quadrangular form, 66 yds. in length and 55 yds. in depth, and encloses a court. The principal façade towards the market-place is in the Gothic style, the E. half having been begun in 1402, the W. in 1443. The graceful tower, 370 ft. in height, which, however, for some unexplained reason does not rise from the centre of the building, was completed in 1454. The first architect is said to have been Jacob van Thienen (1405), and the next Jan van Ruysbroeck (1448), a statue of whom adorns the first niche in the tower. The façade has lately been restored. It is doubtful whether the niches on the façade
were all intended to receive statuettes, or were in some cases meant to be purely decorative; at all events the central story of the S. wing and the tower now seem overladen by the multitude of modern statues of Dukes of Brabant with which they have been adorned. The open spire, which was damaged by lightning in 1863, terminates in a gilded metal figure of the Archangel Michael, which serves as a vane, 16 ft. in height, but apparently of much smaller dimensions when seen from below. It was executed by Martin van Rode in 1454. The back of the Hôtel de Ville dates from the beginning of the 18th century. In the court are two fountains of the 18th cent., each adorned with a river-god, that on the right by Plumiers. The concierge (fee 1 fr.), who lives in the passage at the back, shows the interior of the Hôtel de Ville (see p. 69). The rooms and corridors contain several pictures (Stallaert, Death of Eberhard Tserclaes, 1588, a magistrate of Brussels; Coomans, Defeat of the Huns at Châlons, 451), and portraits of former sovereigns, among whom are Maria Theresa, Francis II., Joseph II., Charles VI., Charles II. of Spain, etc.; in the following passage, the Emperor Charles V., Philip III. of Spain, Philip IV., Archduke Albert and his consort Isabella, Charles II. of Spain, and Philip II. in the robe of the Golden Fleece. In the spacious Salle du Conseil Communual, on the first floor, Counts Egmont and Hoorn were condemned to death in 1568. The present decoration of the hall, with its rich gilding, recalling the palace of the Dukes at Venice, dates from the end of the 17th century. The ceiling-painting, representing the gods in Olympus, is by Victor Janssens. The same artist designed the tapestry on the walls, of which the subjects are the Abdication of Charles V., the Coronation of Emp. Charles VI. at Aix-la-Chapelle, and the ‘joyeuse entrée’ of Philippe le Bon of Burgundy, i.e., the conclusion of the contract of government between the sovereign, the clergy, the nobility, and the people. On an adjacent table, in a chased and gilded copper salver, are the keys of the city, which were presented to the regent on that occasion. — The adjoining rooms are hung with tapestry from designs by Lebrun and Van der Borght, representing the history of Clovis and Clotilde. — The large Banquet Hall, 65 yds. long and 27 yds. wide, recently decorated with beautiful Gothic carved oak, from designs by Jamaer, also deserves notice. The tapestry, representing the guilds in characteristic figures, was executed at Malines from designs by W. Geets. — The Salle d’Atente contains views of old Brussels, before the construction of the present new and spacious streets (pp. 96, 98), by J. B. van Moer, 1873. — The Salle des Mariages is lined with oaken panelling and adorned with allegorical frescoes. — The Staircase is adorned with two pictures by Em. Wauters: John III., Duke of Brabant, resigning to the guilds of Brussels the right of electing the burgomaster (1421), and Mary of Burgundy swearing to respect the privileges of the city of Brussels (1472).

The Tower (key kept by the concierge; 1 fr. for 1 pers., 50 c. each for a party) commands an admirable survey of the city and environs. To the S. the Lion Monument on the Field of Waterloo is distinctly visible in clear weather. The best hour for the ascent is about 4 p.m.

Opposite the Hôtel de Ville is the *Halle au Pain (Pl. 35; D, 3), better known as the Maison du Roi, formerly the seat of the government authorities. The building was erected in 1514-25, in the transition style from the Gothic to the Renaissance, restored about 1767 in egregiously bad taste, and rebuilt in 1877-84 according to the original plan. It is now fitted up for the municipal authorities, and joined with the Hôtel de Ville by a subterranean passage. Counts Egmont and Hoorn passed the night previous to their exc-
cution here, and are said to have been conveyed directly from the balcony to the fatal block by means of a scaffolding, in order to prevent the possibility of a rescue by the populace.

The *Guild Houses* in the Grande Place are well worthy of notice. They were re-erected at the beginning of last century, after having been seriously damaged during the bombardment by Louis XIV. in 1695. The old hall of the *Guild of Butchers* on the S. side is indicated by a swan. The *Hôtel des Brasseurs*, recently restored with considerable taste, bears on its gable an equestrian statue of Duke Charles of Lorraine (p. 70), designed in 1854 by *Jaquet*. On the W. side is the *Maison de la Louve*, or *Hall of the Archers*, which derives its name from a group representing Ronulus and Remus with the she-wolf. To the left of the Louve is the *Hall of the Skippers*, the gable of which resembles the stern of a large vessel, with four protruding cannon; to the right of the Louve, the *Hall of the Carpenters* (1697), richly adorned with gilding. On the W. side, to the right of the *Halle au Pain*, is the *Taupe*, or *Hall of the Tailors*, built in 1697 and lately restored. — The extensive building occupying almost the entire S.E. side of the square was formerly the public Weighing House.

At the back of the *Hôtel-de-Ville*, about 200 yds. to the S.W., at the corner of the Rue du Chêne and the Rue de l'Etuve, stands a diminutive figure, one of the curiosities of Brussels, known as the *Mannikin Fountain* (Pl. 36; C, 4). He is a great favourite with the lower classes, and is invariably attired in gala-costume on all great occasions. When Louis XV. took the city in 1747, the mannikin wore the white cockade, in 1789 he was decked in the colours of the Brabant Revolution, under the French régime he adopted the tricolours, next the Orange colours, and in 1830 the blouse of the Revolutionists. Louis XV., indeed, invested him with the cross of St. Louis. He now possesses eight different suits, each of which is destined for a particular festival, and even boasts of a valet, who is appointed by the civic authorities and receives a salary of 200 fr. per annum. Some years ago an old lady bequeathed him a legacy of 1000 florins. In 1817 the figure was carried off by sacrilegious hands, and his disappearance was regarded as a public calamity. The perpetrator of the outrage, however, was soon discovered, and the mannikin reinstated amid general rejoicings.

In the Rue du Marché aux Herbes, near the N.E. corner of the Grande Place, is the entrance to the *Galerie St. Hubert*, or *Passage* (Pl. D, 3), constructed from a plan by *Cluysenaar* in 1847, a spacious and attractive arcade with tempting shops (234 yds. in length, 26 yds. in width, and 59 ft. in height). It connects the Marché-aux-Herbes with the Rue des Bouchers (*Galerie de la Reine*), and farther on with the Rue de l'Ecuyer (*Galerie du Roi*, with the *Galerie des Princes* diverging on one side). The sculptural decorations are by *Jaquet*. The arcade is crowded at all hours of the day. (Cafés, shops, and theatre, pp. 66, 68.)

About 150 yds. higher, in the Rue de la Madeleine, and also in the Rue Duquesnoy and Rue St. Jean, are entrances to the *Marché Couvert* (Pl. D, 4), or *Marché de la Madeleine*, an extensive market-place for fruit, vegetables, and poultry, erected by *Cluysenaar*
in 1848. Like the Halles Centrales (p. 97), it is well worth visiting in the early part of the morning. A gallery in the interior, chiefly occupied by dealers in flowers and game, runs round the whole building. Adjoining this gallery is the Galerie Bortier, occupied by dealers in second-hand books.

The Rue de la Madeleine (Pl. D, 4) contains numerous houses with façades of the 17th cent. in the Renaissance style. It is continued by the busy Montagne de la Cour, which leads to the Place Royale (p. 76). — A side-street between the Rue de la Madeleine and the Montagne de la Cour leads to the left to the University (Pl. 74; D, 4), an ‘université libre’, established in the old palace of Cardinal Granvella, Rue de l’Impératrice, near the Palais de l’Industrie. It was founded by the liberal party in 1834, as a rival of the Roman Catholic University of Louvain (p. 181), and comprises the faculties of philosophy, the exact sciences, jurisprudence, and medicine, along with a separate pharmaceutical institution. The École Polytechnique, founded in 1873, embraces six departments: mining, metallurgy, practical chemistry, civil and mechanical engineering, and architecture. The number of students is upwards of 1000. The court is adorned with a Statue of Verhaegen (d. 1862), one of the founders, who, as the inscription records, presented a donation of 100,000 francs to the funds, by Geefs.

A few paces from the University, in the Rue des Sols, is the so-called Chapelle Salazar, or de l’Expiation (Pl. 9; D, 4), erected in 1436 as an ‘expiation’ for a theft of the host from St. Gudule in 1370 (see p. 75), and occupying the site of the synagogue where the sacred wafers were profaned. It has recently been restored; the interior is gaudily decorated (scenes from the Passion by G. Payen).

The busy streets to the N. of the market and the Passage St. Hubert lead to the Place de la Monnaie (Pl. D, 3), in which rises the royal Théâtre de la Monnaie, with a colonnade of eight Ionic columns, erected by the Parisian architect Damesne in 1817. The bas-relief in the tympanum, executed by Simonis in 1854, represents the Harmony of Human Passions (in the centre). Harmony, surrounded by allegorical figures of heroic, idyllic, lyric, and satiric poetry; on the left Love, Discord, Repentance, and Murder; on the right Lust, Covetousness, Falsehood, Hope, Grief, and Consolation). The interior, which was remodelled after a fire in 1855, is decorated in the Louis XIV. style and can contain 2000 spectators. — Opposite the theatre is the Hôtel de la Monnaie, or Mint, which will shortly be converted into a General Post Office. — Cafés, see p. 66.

From the Place de la Monnaie the handsome Rue Neuve (Pl. D, 2), one of the chief business-streets of Brussels, leads towards the N. in a straight direction to the Station du Nord. In this street, to the right, is the new Galerie du Commerce (Pl. D, 2), a glass arcade, similar to the Galerie St. Hubert (see above), but smaller.
To the left is the Galerie du Nord, leading to the Boul. du Nord (see below) and containing the Musée du Nord, a hall for concerts and dramatic representations.

Turning to the left at the end of the Galerie du Commerce, or following the next side-street to the right in the Rue Neuve, we reach the Place des Martyrs, built by Maria Theresa, in the centre of which rises the Martyrs' Monument (Pl. 38; D, 2), erected in 1838 to the memory of the Belgians who fell in Sept., 1830, while fighting against the Dutch (see p. 72). It represents liberated Belgium engraving on a tablet the eventful days of September (23rd to 26th); at her feet a recumbent lion, and broken chains and fetters. At the sides are four reliefs in marble: in front the grateful nation; on the right the oath taken in front of the Hôtel de Ville at the beginning of the contest; on the left the conflict in the Park (p. 72); at the back the consecration of the tombs of the fallen. The monument was designed and executed by W. Geefs. The marble slabs immured in the sunken gallery record the names of the 'martyrs', 445 in number.

An entirely modern feature in the lower part of the city is formed by the *Inner Boulevards (Pl. B, C, D, 2-5; tramways, see p. 68), which lie to the W. of the Rue Neuve and the Place de la Monnaie, and extend from the Boulevard du Midi (near the Station du Midi) to the Boulevard d'Anvers (near the Station du Nord), partly built over the Senne, and intersecting the whole town. The construction of the street, and the covering in of the bed of the Senne for a distance of 1 1/3 M., were carried out by an English company in 1867-71. The names of the boulevards are Boulevard du Nord, Boulevard de la Senne, Boulevard Anspach, and Boulevard du Hainaut. The pleasing variety of the handsome buildings with which they are flanked is in great measure owing to an offer by the municipal authorities of premiums, from 20,000 fr. downwards, for the twenty finest façades.

The Boulevard du Nord (Pl. D, 2) and the Boulevard de la Senne (Pl. D, 2) meet at the beginning of the Boulevard Anspach, by the Church of the Augustines, erected in the 17th cent., and now used temporarily as the Bureau Central des Postes. — The tall and narrow house, to the N.E. of the church, No. 1, Boulevard du Nord, built by Beyaert in 1874, received the first prize in the above-named competition.

In the centre of the city, between the Boulevard Anspach (Pl. C, 3) and the Rue des Fripiers, rises the *New Exchange (Bourse de Commerce), an imposing edifice in the Louis XIV. style, designed by Suys. Its vast proportions and almost excessive richness of ornamentation combine to make the building worthy of being the commercial centre of an important metropolis; but it has been sadly disfigured by the application of a coat of paint, necessitated by the friable nature of the stone. The principal façade
is embellished with a Corinthian colonnade, to which a flight of twenty steps ascends. On each side is an allegorical group by J. Jaquet. The reliefs in the tympanum, also by Jaquet, represent Belgium with Commerce and Industry. The two stories of the building are connected by means of Corinthian pilasters and columns. Around the building, above the cornice, runs an attic story, embellished with dwarfed Ionic columns, and forming a curve on each side between two pairs of clustered columns. The effect is materially enhanced by means of numerous sculptures.

The principal hall, unlike that of most buildings of the kind, is cruciform (47 yds. by 40 yds.), and covered with a low dome (about 150 ft. high) in the centre, borne by twenty-eight columns. At the four corners of the building are four smaller saloons. Two marble staircases ascend to the gallery, which affords a survey of the principal hall, and to the other apartments on the upper floor. The cost of the whole structure amounted to 4 million francs.

In the Boul. Anspach, nearly opposite the Exchange, is the Hôtel des Ventes, built in 1881. — A little to the W., in the Place St. Géry (Pl. C, 3), is a Market, in the Flemish style, opened in 1882.

In the Boulevard du Hainaut, to the left, is the Circus, formerly a panorama. To the right, in the Place Joseph Lebeau (Pl. C, 4), is a School in the Flemish style, by Janlet. A little farther along the boulevard, on the left, rise the École Modèle (No. 80), by Hendrickx, and the large Palais du Midi, for exhibitions.

On the W. side of the Boulevard Anspach are the Halles Centrales (Pl. C, 3), a covered provision-market resembling its namesake at Paris, but on a much smaller scale. A morning walk here will be found interesting. In approaching from the Boulevard Anspach through the Rue Géry, we have the meat, poultry, and vegetable market on the left, and the fish-market on the right. At the end of the latter the baskets of fish arriving fresh from the sea are sold by auction to retail-dealers (comp. p. 6). The auctioneer uses a curious mixture of French and Flemish, the tens being named in French and all intermediate numbers in Flemish. French alone is used at the auctions in the poultry and vegetable market.

Beyond the Halles rises the Church of Ste. Catherine (Pl. 15; C, 2), on the site of the old Bassin de Ste. Catherine, designed by Poelaert (p. 90), in the French transition style from Gothic to Renaissance. It contains paintings by De Crayer and Vænius, an Assumption ascribed to Rubens, and other works from the old church that stood on the same spot.

The Eglise du Béguinage (Pl. 13; C, 2), in the vicinity, contains a colossal statue of John the Baptist by Puytenbroek, an Entombment by Otto Vænius, and paintings by Van Loon.

The Musée Commercial, Rue des Augustins 17 (Pl. D, 2), instituted in 1880 for the encouragement of Belgian commerce, contains collections of foreign manufactures.
The old *Boulevards*, or ramparts, were levelled about the beginning of the century and converted into pleasant avenues, which have a total length of 4½ miles. The boulevards of the upper part of the town (to the N. and E.), together with the Avenue Louise connecting them with the Bois de la Cambre (p. 103), are thronged with carriages, riders, and walkers on fine summer-evenings, and present a very gay and animated scene. The portion between the Observatoire (Pl. 43; F, 2) and the Place du Trône (Pl. E, 5), adjoining the palace-garden, is also much frequented from 2.30 to 4 p.m. (chairs 10 c.). The traveller who has a few hours at command is recommended to walk round the inner town by these Boulevards, a pleasant circuit occupying 1½-2 hrs., which, however, he may shorten by availing himself of the tramway on the S. and W. sides.

Immediately to the E. of the Station du Nord (built by Coppens), on the right, rises the Hospital of St. John (Hôpital St. Jean; Pl. E, 2), an imposing structure erected by Partoes in 1538-43 and admirably fitted up (admission 9-5 o'clock, 1 fr.; attendant 1½-1 fr.; entrance, Rue Pacheco).

On the opposite slopes are the grounds of the Botanic Garden (Pl. E, 2; adm., see p. 69), with hot-houses erected in 1826. It is entered from the Rue Royale (p. 74), a little to the N. of the point where that street intersects the Boulevard du Jardin Botanique. From this part of the Rue Royale, which is borne by arches, we obtain a fine view of the N. boulevards, extending to the hills which enclose the valley of the Senne. — To the E. of the Botanic Garden is the new Jesuit Church (Pl. 18; F, 2), built by Parot in the early-Gothic style.

At the N. end of the Rue Royale rises the church of St. Marie de Schaerbeek (Pl. 20; F, 1), an octagonal edifice in the Byzantine style, begun many years ago by Von Overstrachten, but still unfinished.

On the left side of the Boulevard, farther on, rises the Observatory (Pl. 43; F, 2), erected in 1837, and long presided over by the celebrated astronomer Quetelet (d. 1874). — To the right, higher up, lies the circular Place des Barricades (Pl. F, 2), adorned with a statue of the anatomist Vesalius, by Ed. Geefs.

Vesalius, the court physician of Charles V. and the founder of modern anatomy, was born at Brussels in 1514. His parents were natives of Wesel, of which the name Vesalius is a Latinised form. He was condemned to the stake as a sorcerer by the Inquisition, but this penalty was commuted into a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. On his way back he was wrecked on the coast of Zante, where he died in 1564.

The streets to the S.W. of this point, extending to the Palais de la Nation and the ministerial offices (p. 74), were almost entirely constructed within the last few years.

To the E. of the Boulevards lies the modern and handsome, but somewhat monotonous Quartier Léopold, in the centre of which
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rises the church of St. Joseph (Pl. 19; F, 4), a Renaissance building of 1849, by the elder Suys. The façade and towers are constructed of blue limestone. The altarpiece is a Holy Family by Wiertz. On the E. side of the Quartier Léopold lies the Parc Léopold (Pl. G, 5), formerly laid out as a zoological garden.

In the open space in front of the Station du Quartier Léopold (Pl. F, 5), a Statue of John Cockerill (d. 1840), the founder of the iron-works of Seraing (p. 192), by A. Cattier, was erected in 1872. The lofty limestone pedestal is surrounded by figures of four miners. The inscription is: ‘travail, intelligence’.

Near the Station du Quartier Léopold rises the *Musee Wiertz* (Pl. G, 5; entrance in the Rue Vautier), formerly the country residence and studio of the painter of that name (b. 1806; d. 1865), after whose death it was purchased by government (admission, see p. 69). It contains almost all the productions of this highly-gifted but eccentric master, who could not be induced to dispose of his works. Interesting catalogue, containing also a sketch of the artist’s life, 1/2 fr. A monument to Wiertz has been erected in the Place de la Couronne in the suburb of Ixelles (p. 103), with a medallion and a group in bronze by Juquet.

We first enter two rooms containing designs and sketches in colours. To the right is the principal saloon, which contains seven large pictures: 1. Contest for the body of Patroclus, 1845; to the right, 3. Homeric battle; 4. One of the great of the earth (Polyphemus devouring the companion of Ulysses), painted in 1860; 14. The beacon of Golgotha; 16. The triumph of Christ, 1848; 8. Contest of good with evil, 1842; 52. The last cannon, 1855. The following are smaller works: 26. Vision of a beheaded man; 36. The young witch; 15. Entombment, with the Angel of Evil and the Fall on the wings; 21. Orphans, with the inscription ‘Appel à la bienfaisance’; 5. Forge of Vulcan (1855?); 21. Hunger, Madness, and Crime; in the corner, 94. Curiosity; 19. Resurrection of a person buried alive; 22. The suicide; 95. Concierge; 26. ‘Le souffre d’une dame Belge’; 28. Napoleon in the infernal regions; 37. The rose-bud; 76. Portrait of the painter; 73. Portrait of his mother; 71. Education of the Virgin. The three marble groups in the middle of the room, representing the development of the human race, are also by Wiertz. Adjacent is a mask of his face, taken after death. Some of the pictures are painted in a kind of distemper invented by Wiertz himself.

In the Boulevards, farther to the S., is the monumental Fontaine de Brouckère (Pl. E, 5), with a bust of *M. de Brouckère*, an able burgomaster of Brussels (d. 1860), by Fiers, and a group of children by D'Union, erected on the site of the former Porte de Namur. — In the Boulevards de Waterloo, to the left, rises the Eglise des Carmes (Pl. D, 6; interior adorned with painting), beyond which the Avenue du Bois de la Cambre (p. 103) diverges to the left.

Then, to the right, is the Hospice Pachéco (Pl. D, 6), founded in 1713 by Isabella Desmares, widow of Don Aug. Pachéco, for necessitous widows and spinsters above 50 years old. The present building dates from 1835. On the opposite side of the boulevard is the Avenue d’Ucelle (Pl. C, 6), which leads to the new Mint, completed in 1879 (to the right, beyond the Rue de la Victoire).
The Porte de Hal (Pl. C, 6), at the S. extremity of the inner town, is the sole remnant of the old fortifications. It was erected in 1381, and two centuries later became the Bastille of Alva during the Belgian 'reign of terror'. It is a huge square structure with three vaulted chambers, one above the other, and a projecting tower. The interior, fitted up as a Museum of Weapons and Antiquities in 1847, was skilfully adapted for this purpose by Beyaert. Admission, see p. 69. The collections are, however, very crowded and the light is not good. The name and origin of the various objects are inscribed on tickets attached to them. Catalogues have been issued for some of the sections.

Ground Floor. First Section. Cabinets and other furniture in the Gothic style; decorative sculptures from Gothic buildings. On a table in the centre: Model of the Bastille. — Second Section. To the left is the ascent to the upper rooms. To the right is a passage with sculptures, chiefly from funereal monuments. In the middle, three stone fonts in the Romanesque style (12th cent.); on the walls, grave-slabs of the 14th cent., originally inlaid with metal. Farther on, to the right, small reproduction of the tomb of Godfrey de Boulogne; painted and stamped tiles of the 16-17th centuries. At the end are large brasses with engraved figures (14th and 16th cent.), the finest of which is on the left, with a coat-of-arms in enamel (1555). — Third Section. Wood-carvings; to the right, two cabinets and a fine Renaissance door. In the window-recess is an old breech-loading cannon, a carrousel found in 1858 in the well of the château of Bouvignes (p. 169), into which the French had thrown it together with the defenders of the castle in 1554. Large marble chimney-piece of the 17th cent., with a finely-carved and inlaid wooden top. — On the wall of the staircase: Casts of the reliefs on Trajan's Column at Rome.

First Floor. Chiefly weapons and suits of armour, most of which are arranged round the room in the form of trophies. The hall is divided into three sections by six pillars. Opposite the entrance is a figure in German armour of the 15th cent. ('Armure Maximilienne', made at Nuremberg), and mounted upon the stuffed body of the horse that bore the Prince of Orange at Waterloo. To the right and left are similar suits of armour. Farther to the right is a Spanish suit of mail of the end of the 16th cent. ('Armure Philippe II.'). The stuffed horses in the right aisle are those on which the governor Arch-duke Albert of Austria and his consort Isabella rode on the occasion of their public entry into Brussels in 1599. In the first section formed by the pillars (r.): glass-cabinets with artistically wrought and chased weapons and armour; German arquebuses of the 16th and 17th cent., the stocks inlaid with ivory; at the window, a Renaissance helmet, richly ornamented with reliefs (David, with the head of Goliath, and Saul; Judith with the head of Holophernes), and said to have belonged to Charles V.; beside it, steel gauntlet with gilded ornamentation which was used by Charles V. and the Archduke Albert; German, Italian, and Spanish armour of the 15th and 16th cent.; the cloak and bow of Montezuma (d. 1520), the last emperor of Mexico; shield of wood and leather used by crossbow-men, 14th century. In the window-niches: weapons of officers of Napoleon; helmets and other pieces of defensive armour; Japanese and American armour and weapons. — In the second section are old firearms, artillery models, old Roman weapons, and weapons of the flint period. — The third section also contains armour, and a collection of swords of the 16th and 17th centuries. At the windows, Oriental weapons. Handsome chimney-piece from the château of Montaigle (p. 169).

Second Floor. Smaller works of art, of the middle ages, the Renaissance, and the 18th century. On the right, glass-cabinets with silver, gold, and crystal goblets of the 16th-17th cent.; portable altar of the 12th cent. and other works in enamel (Limoges, etc.); furniture in various
styles; pottery, fayence, and porcelain; Venetian and German glass; tapestry of the 16th and 17th cent.; stained glass. — In the window-niche, ecclesiastical antiquities: crucifixes in wood, ivory, and bronze; enamelled crosses and reliquaries of the 12th and 13th cent.; fine woven fabrics and embroidery. In the glass-cabinet opposite, life-size head of Pope St. Alexander, in silver, on a richly-enamelled socket, 13th cent.; small reliquary with enamelled figures of the Apostles, whose heads are in relief; a crystal cross with statuettes in ivory, 17th century. Then, in the middle, handsome late-Gothic altars in carved wood, with scenes from the life of the Virgin and Christ, the "Martyrdom of the Maccabees, by John Borremans, 1493, and the martyrdom of SS. Ludgerus and Agnes of 1530; handsome carved confessional, etc. — In the third of the sections formed by the pillars, also furniture (cradle of Charles V.); credences of the 15th and 16th cent.; weights and measures; German pottery; bronze and braben vessels; fine specimens of smith's work. Above, tapestry of the 16th cent., representing the Descent from the Cross. Farther on, a glass-cabinet containing finely-executed works in ivory, including: 48c. Diptych of the 9th cent., with representations of (l.) Christ in triumph and (r.) the Annunciation and the Visitation; 47c. the famous Romanesque Diptychon Leodiense, two tablets of carved ivory executed at the beginning of the 6th cent., with scenes from the Passion, purchased for 20,000 fr.; reliquary in the form of a Romanesque church, 12th century.

Third Floor. Greek, Roman, and Etruscan antiquities in terracotta and bronze, forming the Musée de Ravestein, presented to the Museum by M. Ravestein, for many years Belgian minister at the Vatican. The most valuable objects in the collection are grouped together in the semicircular window-recess in the back-wall. On the right side are the terracottas: 350. Greek vase with black figures, signed Nikosthenes; 408. Vase from Cumae, with hands of figures in gilt relief; terracotta figures from Italy and Greece, many of them from Tanagra; 486. Terracotta doll found at Viterbo. To the left are the bronzes: 821. Jupiter with the thunder-bolt; primitive archaic figures: Roman Lares; Venus; Warriors; 860. Victoria; 861 et seq. Mercury; 870-880. Hercules; 903. Ajax plunging his sword into his breast (of doubtful antiquity); Comic figures and caricatures; 835 et seq. Minerva; Gladiators; Animals; 946. Statuette of a Samnite warrior; Fortuna; small busts used as weights; small vessels with figures or heads of animals.

Near the entrance is an insignificant collection of Egyptian objects, including several mummies.

The section of the boulevards skirting the W. side of the old town of Brussels is generally known as the 'Lower Boulevards'. Of these we first reach the Boulevard du Midi (Pl. B, 6, 5, 4). On the right stands the Blind Asylum of the Philanthropic Society of Brussels (Pl. 34; C, 6), a brick Gothic building with a clock-tower, designed by Cluysenaar (1858). On the left is the Cité Fontainas (Pl. B, 6), an asylum for unemployed teachers and governesses. — Farther on is the Station du Midi (Pl. A, 5, 6), built by Payen. Opposite diverge the broad Avenue du Midi, the continuation of which is the Rue du Midi, ending behind the Bourse (p. 96), and the Boulevard du Hainaut (p. 97). [At the N. end of the Avenue du Midi is the Place Rouppe (Pl. C, 4), embellished with a fountain-monument to N.J. Rouppe, burgomaster of Brussels from 1830 to 1838, by Fraikin.]

In the Lower Boulevards, farther to the N., stands the Ecole Vétérinaire (Pl. 12; B, 5), and beyond it are the extensive Abattoirs (slaughter-houses; Pl. 1, B 3). Near the latter begins the Canal, 45 M. long, which unites Brussels with the Sambre near Charleroi.
Finally, the tasteful Caserne du Petit Château (barracks) and the Entrepôt Royal (Pl. 25; C, 1), or custom-house, with its spacious warehouses.

At the W. end of the Boulevard d'Anvers (Pl. C, D, 1), and immediately adjoining the custom-house, begins the Allée Verte, a double avenue of limes extending along the bank of the Willebroeck Canal, which connects Brussels with Malines and Antwerp. The trees were planted in 1707, and were considerately spared by Marshal Saxe in 1746 during the siege of Brussels in the War of the Austrian Succession. This avenue was formerly the most fashionable promenade at Brussels, but is now completely deserted.

At the end of the Allée Verte a bridge crosses the canal, the road beyond which leads in a straight direction to Laeken (Pavillon de la Reine, near the canal-bridge, at the entrance to the town; Grande Grille, to the right, near the church, 'plat du jour' 75 c.; several other cafés with gardens), a suburb of Brussels with 20,000 inhab., and the summer-palace of the king of Belgium. It is connected with Brussels by two tramway-lines (cars every 10 min.), one running via the Rue de Progrès (Pl. E, 1) and the other via the Chaussée d'Anvers (Pl. D, 1). The two tramway-lines unite farther out, on the Laeken road, which leads to the new Church of St. Mary, designed by Poelaert. The exterior is still unfinished, especially as regards its destined Gothic ornamentation, but the interior is finely-proportioned. The place of the choir is occupied by an octagon, forming the royal burial-vault, and containing the remains of Leopold I. (d. 1865) and Queen Louise (d. 1850).

The Cemetery of Laeken has sometimes been styled the Père-Lachaise of Brussels, but can of course bear no comparison with the great burial-ground of Paris, either in extent or in the interest of the monuments. A small chapel here contains the tomb of the singer Malibran (d. 1836), adorned with a statue in marble by Geefs. The curious Galeries Funéraires in the S. part of the cemetery, resembling catacombs, were constructed a few years ago.

The new street passing the E. side of the church and skirting the royal garden and park (generally closed) ascends to the (1/4 br.) Montagne du Tonnerre (197 ft.), an eminence crowned with the Monument of Leopold I., erected in 1880. The statue of the king, by W. Geefs, is surmounted by a lofty Gothic canopy resting on massive round pillars, somewhat in the style of the Albert Memorial in London. A winding stair ascends to the base of the spire, whence a fine view is obtained of Laeken and of Brussels, with the conspicuous dome of the new Palais de Justice. — The monument is surrounded with pleasure-grounds; on the W. lies the Ferme Royale.

To the S.E. of the monument, on the right of and visible from the road to it, rises the Royal Château, erected from a design by the Archduke Albert of Saxe-Teschen when Austrian stadtholder of
he Netherlands in 1782-84. From 1802 to 1814 it was in the possession of Napoleon I., who dated here his declaration of war against Russia in 1812. In 1815 the château became the property of the crown. Leopold I. died here on 16th Dec., 1865. The château contains many objects of art, but is accessible only in the absence of his royal family.

About 3½ M. to the N. of Laeken, and ¾ M. from the village of Steyse, is the beautiful château of Bouchout, fitted up in 1879 as a residence for the unfortunate Princess Charlotte, widow of the Emp. Maximilian of Mexico, who was shot in 1867.

In the Central Cemetery at Evere, which is reached by the steam-railway (Pl. 6, 2, 3) mentioned at p. 68, a tasteful monument has been erected to the German soldiers who died in Belgium during the Franco-German war.

The pleasantest promenade in the environs of Brussels is the Bois de la Cambre, on the S. E. side, being a part of the Forêt de Bois de la Cambre, converted into a beautiful park resembling the Bois de Boulogne of Paris, under the auspices of M. Keilig, a landscape gardener. It covers an area of 450 acres, and is reached from the boulevards by the broad and handsome Avenue Louise (Pl. D, E, 6), or Avenue du Bois de la Cambre, 1½ M. in length, which is lined by a number of handsome new houses. Before the Bois is reached, on the left, are the church of St. Croix and the two roads of the suburb of Ixelles; farther on, on the same side, is the abbaye de la Cambre de Notre Dame, below the road, now a military school. A tramway line (No. 1, p. 67) runs to the entrance of the park, where there are several cafés and restaurants. In the park itself is the 'Laiterie', and farther on, by the small lake, the Trianon restaurant. Beyond the Bois de la Cambre is the Hippodrome, used for horse-races.

13. From Brussels to Charleroi by Luttre.

Battle Field of Waterloo.

35 M. RAILWAY in 1 ½-2¾ hrs. (fares 4.25, 5.20, 7.20, 15 c.).—This line, which was opened a few years ago, affords a new and convenient route to the Field of Waterloo, especially for a single traveller. Those who merely desire a general view of the battle-field should take the train to Raine l'Albœuf, whence the hill of the lion is ½ M. distant. The walk described below, from Waterloo to Mont St. Jean, La Haye Sainte, La Ville Alliance, Plancenoit, and back by Hougmont and the Lion Hill to Raine l'Albœuf, in all 7½ M., is, however, far more interesting. If the walk be prolonged from Plancenoit to the S. to Genappe, the whole distance will be about 12 M. — A coach leaves Brussels daily (except Sundays) between 9 and 10 a.m. for Waterloo, allowing 2 ½ hrs. to visit the battle-field, and arrives again in Brussels about 5 p.m. (drive of 2 hrs.; turn fare 7 fr.). It starts from the Place Royale and calls at the principal hotels in the upper town. One-horse carriage from Brussels to Waterloo, 20 fr.; two-horse, 30 fr.

The train starts from the Station du Midi at Brussels (p. 65), and traverses a pleasant country, passing through numerous cuttings. Stations Forest-Stalle, Uccle, Calevoet, and Rhode-St. Genêse.
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9½ M. Waterloo, celebrated for the great battle of 18th June, 1815, and the headquarters of the Duke of Wellington from 17th to 19th June. The village lies on the Brussels and Charleroi road, ¾ M. from the station. The church contains Wellington's bust, by Geeafs, and numerous marble slabs to the memory of English officers. One tablet is dedicated to the officers of the Highland regiments, and a few others to Dutch officers.

The garden of a peasant (a few paces to the N. of the church) contains an absurd monument to the leg of the Marquis of Anglesea (d. 1854), then Lord Uxbridge, the commander of the British cavalry, who underwent the amputation immediately after the battle. The monument bears an appropriate epitaph, and is shaded by a weeping willow.

Battle Field. A visit to Mont St. Jean, the two monuments on the battle-field, the Lion, and the farms of La Haye Sainte and Hougmont, occupies 2 hrs.; to La Belle Alliance and Plancenoit 2 hrs. more. The traveller will, however, obtain a general survey of the field during the first 2 hours.

Guides. The annexed plan and the following brief sketch of the battle will enable the visitor to form a distinct conception of the positions occupied by the respective armies without the services of a guide. The usual fee for the principal points of interest is 2fr.; if the excursion be extended to Plancenoit or Planchenois and the château of Frichemont, 3-4 fr.; but an agreement should invariably be made beforehand.

Relics. Old bullets, weapons, buttons, and other relics are still occasionally turned up by the plough, but most of those which the traveller importuned to purchase are spurious.

Inns at Mont St. Jean: Hôtel Mont St. Jean and (to the right where the road to Nivelles diverges from the Namur road) Hôtel des Colonnes, where Victor Hugo is said to have finished his 'Misérables'. On the mound of the Lion, Hôtel du Musée, moderate.

Sketch of the Battle. A detailed history of the momentous events of 18th June, 1815, would be beyond the scope of a guide-book; but a brief and impartial outline, with a few statistics derived from the most trustworthy English and German sources, may perhaps be acceptable to those who visit this memorable spot.

The ground on which Wellington took up his position after the Battle of Quatre Bras was admirably adapted for a defensive battle. The high-roads from Nivelles and Genappe unite at the village of Mont Saint Jean, whence the main route leads to Brussels. In front of the village extends a long chain of hills with gentle slopes, which presented all the advantages sought for by the Allies. The undulating ground behind this range afforded every facility for posting the cavalry and reserves so as to conceal them from the enemy. In this favourable position Wellington was fully justified in hoping at least to hold his own, even against a stronger enemy, until the assistance promised by Blücher should arrive.

The first line of the Allied army, beginning with the right wing (on the W.) was arranged as follows. On the extreme right were placed two brigades of the British household troops, consisting of two battalions of Foot-Guards under Gen. Maitland, and two battalions of the Coldstream Guards under Gen. Byng. Next came a British brigade of four battalions under Gen. Sir Colin Halkett, adjoining whom were Kielmannsegge with five brigades of Hanoverians and a corps of riflemen, Col. Ompteda with a brigade of the German Legion, and finally Alten's division. The whole of this portion of the line occupied the hills between the Nivelles and Genappe roads. Beyond the latter (i.e., farther to the E.) Kemp was stationed with the 28th and 32nd regiments, a battalion of the 79th, and one of the 95th Rifles. Next came Bylant with one Belgian and five Dutch battalions, sup-
ported by Pack's brigade, posted a short distance in their rear, and consisting of the 44th. These four battalions had suffered severely at Quatre Bras and were greatly reduced in number, but their conduct throughout the battle abundantly proved that their discipline and courage were unimpaired. Beyond the Dutchmen were drawn up Best's Hanoverians and Picton's infantry division, the latter partly composed of Hanoverians under Col. von Vincke. Next to these were stationed Vandaleur's brigade, the 11th, 12th, and 16th Light Dragoons, and finally on the extreme left (to the E.) three regiments of light cavalry, consisting of the 10th and 18th British, and the 1st Hussars of the German Legion.

The first line of the Allies was strengthened at various distances by Grant's and Dernberg's cavalry-brigades, consisting of three English regiments and three of the German Legion respectively, and posted near the Guards and Sir Colin Halkett. Next to them came a regiment of Hussars of the German Legion under Col. Arentschild; then, to the E. of the Genappe road, two heavy brigades, the Household and the Union, to support Alten's and Picton's divisions. The former of these brigades was composed of the 1st and 2nd Life Guards and the 1st Dragoon Guards under Lord Ed. Somerset; the latter of the 1st Royal Dragoons, the Scots Greys, and the Irish Inniskillens, commanded by Gen. Sir W. Ponsonby. Besides the first line and the troops destined to cover it, various other forces were distributed as the circumstances and the formation of the ground required. Thus a brigade under Col. Mitchell, Sir Henry Clinton's division, Du Plat's German brigade, Adam's light brigade, and Halkett's Hanoverians were drawn up on the W. side of the Nivelles Chaussée and near the village of Merbe Braine. Finally the reserve of Brunswickers and Netherlands, comprising infantry and cavalry, formed a line between Merbe Braine and Mont St. Jean, supported by Lambert's British brigade of three regiments, which had just arrived by forced marches from Ostend. — The artillery, consisting chiefly of British troops, were distributed as occasion required. Every battery present was brought into action during the day, and nobly fulfilled its duty.

In front of the centre of the Allied army lay the Château of Hougomont, which with its massive buildings, its gardens and plantations, formed an admirable point d'appui for the defence of the heights above. It was garrisoned by two light companies under Lord Saltoun, and two under Col. Macdonnel, strengthened by a battalion of Nassovians, a company of Hanoverian riflemen, and about 100 men of the German Legion. This point holds a prominent place in the history of the battle, both on account of the fury with which it was attacked by the French, and the heroic and successful defence of its occupants. Farther to the left, and nearer the front of the Allies, lay La Haye Sainte, a farm-house which was occupied by 400 men of the German Legion under Major von Baring, but after a noble defence was taken by the French. The defence of the farms of Papelotte and La Haye on the extreme left was entrusted to the Nassovian Brigade under Duke Bernard of Weimar.

Napoleon's army was drawn up in a semicircle on the heights to the E. and W. of the farm of La Belle Alliance, about one mile distant from the Allies. It was arranged in two lines, with a reserve in the rear. The first line consisted of two corps d'armée commanded by Beille and D'Erlon respectively, and flanked by cavalry on either side. One corps extended from La Belle Alliance westwards to the Nivelles road and beyond it, the other eastwards in the direction of the château of Frichemont. The second line was composed almost entirely of cavalry. Milhaud's cuirassiers and the light cavalry of the guards were drawn up behind the right wing, Kellermann's heavy cavalry behind the left. A body of cavalry and a portion of Lobau's corps were also stationed in the rear of the centre, whilst still farther back the imperial guard, consisting of infantry and artillery, were drawn up in reserve on each side of the chaussée.

The Duke of Wellington's army consisted of 67,600 men, 24,000 of whom were British, 30,000 troops of the German Legion, Hanoverians, Brunswickers, and Nassovians, and 13-14,000 Netherlanders. Of these 12,400 were cavalry, 5,000 artillery with 180 guns. The army brought...
into the field by Napoleon numbered 71,900 men, of whom 15,700 were cavalry, 7,200 artillery with 246 guns. Numerically, therefore, the difference between the hostile armies was not great, but it must be borne in mind that no reliance could be placed on the Netherlanders, most of whom fled at an early stage of the battle. The staunch Dutch troops who formed part of this contingent did their utmost to prevent this dauntlessly act, but their efforts were unavailing. Had they formed a separate corps they would have been most valuable auxiliaries, but when mingled with the Belgian troops their bravery was utterly paralysed. Practically, therefore, the Duke's army consisted of barely 50,000 men, composed of four or five different elements, and a large proportion of them were raw recruits, whilst the soldiers of Napoleon constituted a grand and admirably-disciplined unity, full of enthusiasm for their general, and confident of victory. The superiority of the French artillery alone was overwhelming.

After a wet and stormy night, the morning of the 18th of June gave some promise of clearing, but the sky was still overcast, and rain continued to fall till an advanced hour. The ground, moreover, was so thoroughly saturated that the movements of the cavalry and artillery were seriously obstructed. This was probably the cause of Napoleon's tardiness in attacking the Allies, and of the deliberation with which he spent several of the best hours of the morning in arranging his army with unusual display. It is not known precisely at what hour the first shots were fired; some authorities mention 8 o'clock, others half-past eleven or twelve, while the Duke himself, in his published despatch, names ten as the hour of the commencement of the battle. It is, however, probable that the actual fighting did not begin till between eleven and twelve.

The first movement on the part of the French was the advance of a division of Reille's corps d'armée under Jérôme Buonaparte, a detachment of which precipitated itself against the château de Hougomont, and endeavoured to take it by storm, but was repulsed. They soon renewed the attack with redoubled fury, and the tirailleurs speedily forced their way into the enclosure, notwithstanding the gallant resistance made by the Hanoverian and Nassovian riflemen. The British howitzers, however, now began to pour such a deadly shower of shells on the assailants that they were again compelled to retreat. This was but the prelude to a series of reiterated assaults, in which the French skirmishers in overwhelming numbers were more than once nearly successful. Prodigies of valour on the part of the defenders, vigorously seconded by the artillery on the heights, alone enabled the garrison to hold out until the victory was won. Had the French once gained possession of this miniature fortress, a point of vital importance to the Allies, the issue of the day would probably have been very different.

Whilst Hougomont and its environs continued to be the scene of a desperate and unremitting conflict, a second great movement on the part of the French was directed against the centre and the left wing of the Allies. Supported by a cannonade of 72 pieces, the whole of Erlon's corps and a division of Kellermann's cavalry, comprising upwards of 18,000 men, bristled in columns of attack on the heights above La Haye Sainte, presenting a magnificent but terrible spectacle. Their object was to storm La Haye Sainte, break through the centre of the Allied army, and attack the left wing in the rear. At the moment when Ney was about to begin the attack, Napoleon observed distant indications of the advance of new columns on his extreme right, and an intercepted despatch proved that they formed a part of the advanced guard of Bulow's Prussians, who were approaching from Wavre. The attack was therefore delayed for a short time, and Soult despatched a messenger to Marshal Grouchy, directing him to manoeuvre his troops so as to intercept the Prussians. Owing, however, to a series of misunderstandings, Grouchy was too far distant from the scene of action to be of any service, and did not receive the order till seven in the evening.

It was about two o'clock when Ney commenced his attack. The four divisions of Erlon's corps moved rapidly in four columns towards the Allied
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line between La Haye Sainte and Smouhen. Papelotfc and Smouhen were stormed by Durette's division, but the former was not long maintained by the French. Donzelat's division took possession of the gardens of La Haye Sainte, notwithstanding the brave resistance of a Hanoverian battalion, while the two other French divisions, those of Alix and Marconet, pressed onwards without encountering any obstacle. Hardly had the two latter opened their fire on Bylant's Netherlandish contingent, when the Belgians were seized with a panic and thrown into confusion. All the efforts of their officers and the remonstrances of their Dutch comrades were utterly unavailing to reassure them, and amid the bitter execrations of the British regiments they fairly took to flight. Picton's division, however, now consisting solely of the two greatly-reduced brigades of Pack and Kemp, and mustering barely 3000 men, prepared with undaunted resolution to receive the attack of the two French divisions, numbering upwards of 13,000 infantry, besides cavalry. The struggle was brief, but of intense ferocity. The charge of the British was irresistible, and in a few moments the French were driven back totally discomfited. The success was brilliant, but dearly purchased, for the gallant Picton himself was one of the numerous slain. During the temporary confusion which ensued among Kemp's troops, who, however, soon recovered their order, the Duke communicated with Lord Uxbridge, who put himself at the head of Lord Edward Somerset's Household Brigade, consisting of two regiments of Life Guards, the Horse Guards, and Dragoon Guards. Meanwhile, too, a body of Milhaud's cuirassiers had advanced somewhat prematurely to La Haye Sainte and endeavoured to force their way up the heights towards the left centre of the Allied line. These two movements gave rise to a conflict of unparalleled fury between the elite of the cavalry of the hostile armies. For a time the French bravely persevered, but nothing could withstand the overwhelming impetus of the Guards as they descended the slope, and the cuirassiers were compelled to fly in wild confusion. Somerset's brigade, regardless of consequences and entirely unsupported, pursued with eager impetuosity. At this juncture two columns of the French infantry had advanced on Pack's brigade. The bagpipes yelled forth their war-cry, and the gallant Highlanders dashed into the thickest of the fight, notwithstanding the terrible majority of their enemy. This was one of the most daring exploits of the day; but the mere handful of Northmen must inevitably have been cut to pieces to a man, had not Col. Ponsonby with the Inniskillens, the Scots Greys, and the Royal Dragoons opportunely flown to the rescue. The cavalry charge was crowned with brilliant success, and the French infantry were utterly routed. Pack's troops now recovered their order, and were restrained from the pursuit, but Ponsonby's cavalry, intoxicated with success, swept onwards. The Royals encountered part of Alix's division, which was advancing towards Mont St. Jean, where a gap had been left by the flight of the Belgians. A fearful scene of slaughter ensued, and the French again endeavoured to rally. This charge was simultaneous with that of Lord Uxbridge on the cuirassiers, as mentioned above. At the same time the Greys and Inniskillens, who were in vain commanded to halt and rally, madly prosecuted their work of destruction. Somerset's and Ponsonby's cavalry had thus daringly pursued their enemy until they actually reached the French line near Belle Alliance. Here, however, their victorious career was checked. A fresh body of French cuirassiers and a brigade of lancers were put in motion against them, and they were compelled to retreat with considerable confusion and great loss. At this crisis Vandeleur's Light Dragoons came to the rescue, and the tide of the conflict was again turned; but the French, whose cavalry far outnumbered those of the Allies, again compelled the British to abandon the unequal struggle. Retreat was once more inevitable, and the loss immense, but the French gained no decided advantage. Vandeleur himself fell, and Ponsonby was left on the field dangerously wounded.

While the centre and left of the Allied line were thus actively engaged, the right was not suffered to repose. At a critical juncture, when Lord Saltoun and his two light companies were suffering severely in the
defence of the orchard of Hougmont, and had been reduced to a mere handful of men, a battalion of Guards under Col. Hepburn was sent to their relief and drove off the French tirailleurs, whose loss was enormous. The château had meanwhile taken fire, and the effects of the conflagration were most disastrous to the little garrison, but most fortunately for the sufferers the progress of the flames was arrested near the doorway, where a crucifix hung. The sacred image itself was injured, but not destroyed; and to its miraculous powers the Belgians attributed the preservation of the defenders. There was now a pause in the musketry fire, but the cannonade on both sides continued with increasing fury, causing frightful carnage. Erlon's and Reille's corps sustained a loss of nearly half their numbers, and of the former alone 3000 were taken prisoners. Nearly 40 of the French cannon were moreover silenced, their gunners having been slain. Napoleon now determined to make amends for these disasters by an overwhelming cavalry attack, while at the same time the infantry divisions of Jérôme and Foy were directed to advance. Milhaud's cuirassiers and a body of the French Guards, 40 squadrons in all, a most magnificent and formidable array, advanced in three lines from the French heights, crossing the intervening valley, and began to ascend towards the Allies. During their advance the French cannonade was continued over their heads, ceasing only when they had nearly attained the brow of the opposite hill. The Allied artillery poured their discharge of grape and canister against the enemy with deadly effect, but without retarding their progress. In accordance with the Duke's instructions, the artillerists now retired for shelter behind the line; the French cavalry charged, and the foremost batteries fell into their possession. The Allied infantry, Germans as well as British, had by this time formed into squares. There was a pause on the part of the cavalry, who had not expected to find their enemy in such perfect and compact array; but after a momentary hesitation they dashed onwards. Thus the whole of the cuirassiers, followed by the lancers and chasseurs swept through between the Allied squares, but without making any impression on them. Lord Uxbridge, with the fragments of his heavy cavalry, now hastened to the aid of the infantry, and drove the French back over the hill; but his numbers were too reduced to admit of his following up this success, and before long the French, vigorously supported by their cannonade, returned. Again they swept past the impenetrable squares, and again all their efforts to break them were completely baffled, while their own ranks were terribly thinned by the fire of the undaunted Allies. Thus foiled, they once more abandoned the attack. Donzelat's infantry had meanwhile been advancing to support them, but seeing this total discomfiture and retreat, they too retired from the scene of action. The Allied lines were therefore again free, and the cannonade alone was now continued on both sides.

After this failure, Napoleon commanded Kellermann, with his dragoons and cuirassiers, to support the retreating masses, and Gueyot's heavy cavalry of the Guards advanced with the same object. These troops, consisting of 37 fresh squadrons, formed behind the shattered fragments of the 40 squadrons above mentioned, and rallied them for a renewed attack, and again the French line assumed a most threatening and imposing aspect. Perceiving these new preparations, the Duke of Wellington contracted his line so as to strengthen the Allied centre, immediately after which manoeuvres the French cannonade burst forth with redoubled fury. Again a scene precisely similar to that already described was re-enacted. The French cavalry ascended the heights, where they were received with a deadly cannonade, the gunners retired from their pieces at the latest possible moment, the French rode in vast numbers between the squares, and again the British and German infantry stood immovable. The cavalry then swept past them towards the Allied rear, and here they met with partial success, for a body of Netherlanders whom they had threatened at once began to retreat precipitately. As in the earlier part of the day, Lord Uxbridge flew to the rescue with the remnants of his cavalry, vigorously seconded by Somerset and Grant, and again the French horsemen were discomfited. Lord Uxbridge now ordered a brigade of Belgian
and Dutch carabiniers, who had not as yet been in action, and were stationed behind Mont St. Jean, to charge the French cavalry who had penetrated to the allied rear; but his commands were disregarded, and the Netherlands took to flight. A body of Hussars of the German Legion, however, though far outnumbered by their enemy, gallantly charged them, but were compelled to retreat. The battle-field at this period presented a most remarkable scene. Friends and foes, French, German, and British troops, were mingled in apparently inextricable confusion. Still, however, the Allied squares were unbroken, and the French attack, not being followed up by infantry, was again a failure. The assailants accordingly, as before, galloped down to the valley in great confusion, after having sustained some disastrous losses. Lord Uxbridge attempted to follow up this advantage by bringing forward a fresh regiment of Hanoverian Hussars, but he was again doomed to disappointment; for the whole troop, after having made a pretence of obeying his command, wheeled round and fled to Brussels, where they caused the utmost consternation by a report that the Allies were defeated.

During the whole of this time the defence of Hougomont had been gallantly and successfully carried on, and Du Plat with his Brunswickers had behaved with undaunted courage when attacked by French cavalry and tirailleurs in succession. The brave general himself fell, but his troops continued to maintain their ground, whilst Adam's Brigade advanced to their aid. Overwhelming numbers of French infantry, however, had forced their way between them, and reached the summit of the hill, threatening the right wing of the Allies with disaster. At this juncture the Duke at once placed himself at the head of Adam's brigade and commanded them to charge. The assault was made with the utmost enthusiasm, and the French were driven from the heights. The entire Allied line had hitherto held its ground, and Hougomont proved impregnable. Napoleon therefore directed his efforts against La Haye Sainte, a point of the utmost importance, which was bravely defended by Major von Baring and his staunch band of Germans. Ney accordingly ordered Donzelot's division to attack the miniature fortress. A furious cannonade opened upon it was the prelude to an attack by overwhelming numbers of tirailleurs. The ammunition of the defenders was speedily exhausted, the buildings took fire, and Baring with the utmost reluctance directed the wreck of his detachment to retreat through the garden. With heroic bravery the major and his gallant officers remained at their posts until the French had actually entered the house, and only when further resistance would have been certain death did they finally yield (see p. 114) and retreat to the lines of the Allies. After this success, the French proceeded to direct a similar concentrated attack against Hougomont, but in vain, for arms and ammunition were supplied in abundance to the little garrison, whilst the cannonade of the Allies was in a position to render them efficient service. La Haye Sainte, which was captured between 5 and 6 o'clock p.m., now became a most advantageous point d'appui for the French tirailleurs, in support of whom Ney, during upwards of an hour, directed a succession of attacks against the Allied centre, but still without succeeding in dislodging or dismaying the indomitable squares. Their numbers, indeed, were fearfully reduced, but their spirit was unbroken. There was, moreover, still a considerable reserve which had not yet been in action, although perhaps implicit reliance could not be placed on their steadiness. It was now nearly 7 p.m., and the victory on which the French had in the morning so confidently reckoned was still entirely unachieved.

Meanwhile Blücher, with his gallant and indefatigable Prussians, whose timely arrival, fortunately for the Allies, prevented Napoleon from employing his reserves against them, had been toiling across the wet and spongy valleys of St. Lambert and the Lasne towards the scene of action. The patience of the weary troops was well-nigh exhausted. 'We can go no farther', they frequently exclaimed. 'We must', was Blücher's reply. 'I have given Wellington my word, and you won't make me break it!'. It was about 4.30 p.m. when the first Prussian battery opened its fire
from the heights of Frichemont, about 2\(\frac{1}{4}\) miles to the S.E. of the Allied centre, whilst at the same time two cavalry regiments advanced to the attack. They were first opposed by Domont’s cavalry division, beyond which Lobau’s corps approached their new enemy. One by one the different brigades of Bulow’s corps arrived on the field between Frichemont and Planchenois. Lobau stoutly resisted their attack, but his opponents soon became too powerful for him. By 6 o’clock the Prussians had 48 guns in action, the balls from which occasionally reached as far as the Genappe road. Lobau was now compelled to retreat towards the village of Planchenois, a little to the rear of the French centre at Belle Alliance. This was the juncture, between 6 and 7 o’clock, when Ney was launching his reiterated but fruitless attacks against the Allied centre, 2\(\frac{1}{4}\) miles distant from this point. Napoleon now despatched eight battalions of the guard and 24 guns to aid Marshal Lobau in the defence of Planchenois, where a sanguinary conflict ensued. Hiller’s brigade endeavoured to take the village by storm, and succeeded in gaining possession of the churchyard, but a furious and deadly fusillade from the houses compelled them to yield. Reinforcements were now added to the combatants of both armies. Napoleon sent four more battalions of guards to the scene of action, while fresh columns of Prussians united with Hiller’s troops and prepared for a renewed assault. Again the village was taken, and again lost, the French even venturing to push their way to the vicinity of the Prussian line. The latter, however, was again reinforced by Tippelskirch’s brigade, a portion of which at once participated in the struggle. About 7 o’clock Zieten arrived on the field, and united his brigade to the extreme left of the Allied line, which he aided in the contest near La Haye and Papelotte. Prussians continued to arrive later in the evening but of course could not now influence the issue of the battle. It became apparent to Napoleon at this crisis that if the Prussians succeeded in capturing Planchenois, while Wellington’s lines continued steadfast in their position, a disastrous defeat of his already terribly-reduced army was inevitable. He therefore resolved to direct a final and desperate attack against the Allied centre, and to stimulate the flagging energies of his troops caused a report to be spread amongst them that Grouchy was approaching to their aid, although well knowing this to be impossible.

Napoleon accordingly commanded eight battalions of his reserve Guards to advance in two columns, one towards the centre of the Allied right, the other nearer to Hougomont, while they were supported by a reserve of two more battalions, consisting in all of about 5000 veteran soldiers, who had not as yet been engaged in the action. Between these columns were the remnants of Erlon’s and Reille’s corps, supported by cavalry; and somewhat in front of them Donzelat’s division was to advance. Meanwhile the Duke hastened to prepare the wreck of his army to meet the attack. Du Plat’s Brunswickers took up their position nearly opposite La Haye Sainte, between Halkett’s and Alten’s divisions. Maitland’s and Adam’s brigades were nominally supported by a division of Netherlands under Gen. Chassé, while Vivian with his cavalry quitted the extreme left and drew up in the rear of Kruse’s Nassovians, who had already suffered severely, and now began to exhibit symptoms of waverings. Every available gun was posted in front of the line, and the orchard and plantations of Hougomont were strengthened by reinforcements. The prelude to the attack of the French was a renewed and furious cannonade, which caused frightful havoc among the Allies. Donzelat’s division then advanced in dense array from La Haye Sainte, intrepidly pushing their way to the very summit of the height on which the Allies stood. At the same time several French guns supported by them were brought within a hundred yards of the Allied front, on which they opened a most murderous cannonade. Kielmannsegge’s Hanoverians suffered severe loss, the wreck of Ompteda’s German brigade was almost annihilated, and Kruse’s Nassovians were only restrained from taking to flight by the efforts of Vivian’s cavalry. The Prince of Orange then rallied the Nassovians and led them to the charge, but they were again driven back, and the Prince himself severely wounded. Du Plat’s Brunswickers
next came to the rescue and fought gallantly, but with no better result. The Duke, however, rallied them in person, and the success of the French was brief. At the same time the chief fury of the storm was about to burst forth farther to the right of the Allies. The Imperial Guard, commanded by the heroic Ney, Friant, and Michel, and stimulated to the utmost enthusiasm by an address from Napoleon himself, formed in threatening and imposing masses on the heights of Belle Alliance, and there was a temporary lull in the French cannonade. The two magnificent columns, the flower of the French army, were now put in motion, one towards Hougmont and Adam's brigade, the other in the direction of Maitland and his Guards. As soon as the Guards had descended from the heights, the French batteries recommenced their work of destruction with terrible fury and precision, but were soon compelled to desist when they could no longer fire over the heads of their infantry. The latter had nearly attained the summit of the heights of the Allies, when the British gunners again resumed their work with redoubled energy, making innumerable gaps in the ranks of their assailants. Ney's horse was shot under him, but the gallant marshal continued to advance on foot; Michel was slain, and Friant dangerously wounded. Notwithstanding these casualties, the Guards gained the summit of the hill and advanced towards that part of the line where Maitland's brigade had been ordered to lie down behind the ridge in the rear of the battery which crowned it. The Duke commanded here in person at this critical juncture. The French tirailleurs were speedily swept away by showers of grape and canister, but the column of French veterans continued to advance towards the apparently unsupported battery. At this moment the Duke gave the signal to Maitland, whose Guards instantaneously sprang from the earth and saluted their enemy with a fierce and murderous discharge. The effect was irresistible, the French column was rent asunder and vainly endeavoured to deploy; Maitland and Lord Saltoun gave orders to charge, and the British Guards fairly drove their assailants down the hill. — Meanwhile the other column of the Imperial Guard was advancing farther to the right, although vigorously opposed by the well-sustained fire of the British artillery, and Maitland's Guards returned rapidly and without confusion to their position to prepare for a new emergency. By means of a skilful manœuvre, Col. Colborne, with the 52nd, 71st, and 85th now brought his forces to bear on the flank of the advancing column, on which the three regiments simultaneously poured their fire. Here, too, the British arms were again successful, and frightful havoc was committed in the French ranks. A scene of indescribable confusion ensued, during which many of Chasse's Netherlanders in the rear took to flight, knowing nothing of the real issue of the attack. At the same time Maitland and his Guards again charged with fierce impetuosity from their 'mountain throne,' and completed the rout of this second column of the Imperial Guard. In this direction, therefore, the fate of the French was sealed, and the Allies were triumphant. Farther to the left of the Allied line, moreover, the troops of Donzelat, Erlon, and Recille were in the utmost confusion, and totally unable to sustain the conflict. On the extreme left, however, the right wing of the French was still unbroken, and the Young Guard valiantly defended Planchenois against the Prussians, who fought with the utmost bravery and perseverance notwithstanding the fearful losses they were sustaining. Lobau also stoutly opposed Bülow and his gradually-increasing corps. Napoleon's well-known final order to his troops — 'Tout est perdu! Sauve qui peut!' was wrung from him in his despair on seeing his Guard utterly routed, his cavalry dispersed, and his reserves consumed. This was about 8 o'clock in the evening, and the whole of the Allied line, with the Duke himself among the foremost, now descended from their heights, and notwithstanding a final attempt at resistance on the part of the wreck of the Imperial Guard, swept all before them, mounted the enemy's heights, and even passed Belle Alliance itself. Still the battle raged fiercely at and around Planchenois, but shortly after 8 o'clock the gallant efforts of the Prussians were crowned with success. Planchenois was captured, Lobau and the Young Guard defeated after a most obstinate
and sanguinary struggle, the French retreat became general, and the victory was at length completely won. Not until the Duke was perfectly assured of this did he finally give the order for a general halt, and the Allies now desisted from the pursuit at a considerable distance beyond Belle Alliance. On his way back to Waterloo, Wellington met Blücher at the Maison Rouge, or Maison du Roi, not far from Belle Alliance, and after mutual congratulations both generals agreed that they must advance on Paris without delay. Blücher, moreover, many of whose troops were comparatively fresh, undertook that the Prussians should continue the pursuit, a task of no slight importance and difficulty, which Gen. Gneisenau most admirably executed, thus in a great measure contributing to the ease and rapidity of the Allied march to Paris.

So ended one of the most sanguinary and important battles which history records, in the issue of which the whole of Europe was deeply interested. With the few exceptions already mentioned, all the troops concerned fought with great bravery, and many prodigies of valour on the part of regiments, and acts of daring heroism by individuals, are on record. The loss of life on this memorable day was commensurate with the long duration and fearful obstinacy of the battle. Upwards of 50,000 soldiers perished, or were hors de combat, whilst the sufferings of the wounded baffle description. The loss of the Allies (killed, wounded, and missing) amounted to about 14,000 men. Of these the British alone lost 6032, including 456 officers; the German contingents 4494, including 246 officers. The total loss of the Prussians was 6682 men, of whom 223 were officers. The Netherlands estimated their loss at 4000 from the 15th to 18th June. The loss of the French has never been ascertained with certainty, but probably amounted to 30,000 at least, besides 7800 prisoners taken by the Allies. About 227 French guns were also captured, 150 by the Allies, the rest by the Prussians.

Napoleon's errors in the conduct of the battle were perhaps chiefly these, that he began the battle at too late an hour of the day, that he wasted his cavalry reserves in a reckless manner, and that he neglected to take into account the steadiness with which British infantry are wont to maintain their ground. The Duke of Wellington is sometimes blamed for giving battle with a forest in the rear, which would preclude the possibility of retreat; but the groundlessness of the objection is apparent to those who are acquainted with the locality, for not only is the Forêt de Soignes traversed by good roads in every direction, but it consists of lofty trees growing at considerable intervals and unencumbered by underwood. It is a common point of controversy among historians, whether the victorious issue of the battle was mainly attributable to the British or the Prussian troops. The true answer probably is, that the contest would have been a drawn battle but for the timely arrival of the Prussians. It has already been shown how the Allied line successfully baffled the utmost efforts of the French until 7 p.m., and how they gloriously repelled the final and most determined attack of the Imperial Guard about 8 o'clock. The British troops and most of their German contingents, therefore, unquestionably bore the burden and heat of the day; they virtually annihilated the flower of the French cavalry, and committed fearful havoc among the veteran Guards, on whom Napoleon had placed his utmost reliance. At the same time it must be remembered that the first Prussian shots were fired about half-past four, that by half-past six upwards of 15,000 of the French (Lobau's corps, consisting of 6600 infantry and 1000 artillery, with 30 guns; 12 battalions of the Young Imperial Guard, about 6000 men in all; 18 squadrons of cavalry, consisting of nearly 2000 men) were drawn off for the new struggle at Planchenois, and that the loss of the Prussians was enormous for a conflict comparatively so brief, proving how nobly and devotedly they performed their part. The Duke of Wellington himself, in his despatch descriptive of the battle, says that the British army never conducted itself better, that he attributed the successful issue of the battle to the cordial and timely assistance of the Prussians, that Bülow's operation on the enemy's flank was most decisive, and would of itself have forced the enemy to retire, even if he (the Duke) had
not been in a situation to make the attack which produced the final result*. The French colonel Charras, in his 'Campagne de 1815' (pub. at Brussels, 1858), a work which was long prohibited in France, thus sums up his opinion regarding the battle: 'Wellington par sa ténacité inébranlable, Bücher par son activité audacieuse, tous les deux par l'habilité et l'accord de leurs manœuvres ont produit ce résultat'. — The battle is usually named by the Germans after the principal position of the French at Belle Alliance, but is is far more widely known as the Battle of Waterloo, the name given to it by Wellington himself.

About halfway to Mont St. Jean, which is about 3 M. from Waterloo, is the monument of Col. Stables, situated behind a farm-house on the right, and not visible from the road. The road to the left leads to Tervueren, a Royal château, once the property of the Prince of Orange. The royal stud was kept here till 1857, when it was transferred to the old abbey of Gembloux (p. 171).

The road from Waterloo to Mont St. Jean (Hôtel des Colonnnes, p. 104) is bordered by an almost uninterrupted succession of houses. At the village, as already remarked, the road to Nivelles diverges to the right from that to Namur. To the right and left, immediately beyond the last houses, are depressions in the ground where the British reserves were stationed.

About $2/3$ M. beyond the village we next reach a bye-road, which intersects the high-road at a right angle, leading to the left to Wavre, and to the right to Braine l'Adlud. Here, at the corner to the right, once stood an elm, under which the Duke of Wellington is said to have remained during the greater part of the battle. The story, however, is unfounded, as it is well known that the Duke was almost ubiquitous on that memorable occasion. The tree has long since disappeared under the knives of credulous relic-hunters.

On the left, beyond the cross-road, stands an Obelisk (Pl. i) to the memory of the Hanoverian officers of the German Legion, among whose names that of the gallant Ompeda stands first. Opposite to it rises a Pillar (Pl. k) to the memory of Colonel Gordon, bearing a touching inscription. Both these monuments stand on the original level of the ground, which has here been considerably lowered to furnish materials for the mound of the lion. In this neighbourhood Lord Fitzroy Somerset, afterwards Lord Raglan, the Duke's military secretary, lost his arm.

About $1/4$ M. to the right rises the Mound of the Belgian Lion (Pl. 1), 200 ft. in height, thrown up on the spot where the Prince of Orange was wounded in the battle. The lion was cast by Cockerill of Liège (p. 193), with the metal of captured French cannon, and is said to weigh 28 tons. The French soldiers, on their march to Antwerp in 1832, hacked off part of the tail, but Marshal Gérard protected the monument from farther injury.

The mound commands the best survey of the battle-field, and the traveller who is furnished with the plan and the sketch of the battle, and has consulted the maps at the Hôtel du Musée, will here be enabled to form an idea of the progress of the fight. The range of
heights which extends past the mound, to Ohain on the E. and to Merbe-Braine on the W., was occupied by the first line of the Allies. As the crest of these heights is but narrow, the second line was enabled to occupy a sheltered and advantageous position on the N. slopes, concealed from the eye of their enemy. The whole line was about 1½ M. in length, forming a semicircle corresponding to the form of the hills. The centre lay between the mound and the Hanoverian monument.

The chain of heights occupied by the French is 1 M. distant, and separated from the Allied position by a shallow intervening valley, across which the French columns advanced without manœuvring, being however invariably driven back. The Allied centre was protected by the farm of La Haye Sainte, situated on the right of the road, about 100 paces from the two monuments. It was defended with heroic courage by a light battalion of the German Legion, commanded by Major v. Baring, whose narrative is extremely interesting.

After giving a minute description of the locality and the disposition of his troops, he graphically depicts the furious and repeated assaults successfully warded off by his little garrison, and his own intense excitement and distress on finding that their stock of ammunition was nearly expended. Then came the terrible catastrophe of the buildings taking fire, which the gallant band succeeded in extinguishing by pouring water on it from their camp-kettles, although not without the sacrifice of several more precious lives. "Many of my men", he continues, "although covered with wounds, could not be induced to keep back. 'As long as our officers fight, and we can stand', was their invariable answer, 'we won't move from the spot!' I should be unjust to the memory of a rifleman named Frederick Lindau, if I omitted to mention his brave conduct. He had received two severe wounds on the head, and moreover had in his pocket a purseful of gold which he had taken from a French officer. Alike regardless of his wounds and his prize, he stood at a small sideway of the barn, whence he could command with his rifle the great entrance in front of him. Seeing that his bandages were insufficient to stop the profuse bleeding from his wounds, I desired him to retire, but he positively refused, saying: 'A craven is he who would desert you as long as his head is on his shoulders!' He was, however, afterwards taken prisoner, and of course deprived of his treasure." He then relates to what extremities they were reduced by the havoc made in the building by the French cannonade, and how at length, when their ammunition was almost exhausted, they perceived two fresh columns marching against them. Again the enemy succeeded in setting the barn on fire, and again it was successfully extinguished in the same manner as before.

"Every shot we fired increased my anxiety and distress. I again despatched a messenger for aid, saying that I must abandon the defence if not provided with ammunition, — but in vain! As our fusillade diminished, our embarrassment increased. Several voices now exclaimed: 'We will stand by you most willingly, but we must have the means of defending ourselves!' Even the officers, who had exhibited the utmost bravery throughout the day, declared the place now untenable. The enemy soon perceived our defenceless condition, and boldly broke open one of the doors. As but few could enter at a time, all who crossed the threshold were bayonetted, and those behind hesitated to encounter the same fate. They therefore clambered over the walls and roofs, whence they could shoot down my poor fellows with impunity. At the same time they thronged in through the open barn, which could no longer be defended. Indescribably hard as it was for me to yield, yet feelings of
humanity now prevailed over those of honour. I therefore ordered my men to retire to the garden at the back. The effort with which these words were wrung from me can only be understood by those who have been in a similar position.”

"As the passage of the house was very narrow, several of my men were overtaken before they could escape. One of these was the Ensign Frank, who had already been wounded. He ran through with his sabre the first man who attacked him, but the next moment his arm was broken by a bullet. He then contrived to escape into one of the rooms and conceal himself behind a bed. Two other men fled into the same room, closely pursued by the French, who exclaimed: 'Pas de pardon à ces brigands verts!' and shot them down before his eyes. Most fortunately, however, he remained undiscovered until the house again fell into our hands at a later hour. As I was now convinced that the garden could not possibly be maintained when the enemy was in possession of the house, I ordered the men to retreat singly to the main position of the army. The enemy, probably satisfied with their success, molested us no farther.”

The door of the house still bears traces of the French bullets. Several of the unfortunate defenders fled into the kitchen, adjoining the garden at the back on the left. The window was and is still secured with iron bars, so that all escape was cut off. Several were shot here, and others thrown into the kitchen-well, where their bodies were found after the battle. An iron tablet bears an inscription to the memory of the officers and privates who fell in the defence of the house.

Farther to the W. are Papelotte, La Haye, and Smouhen, which served as advanced works of the Allies on their extreme left. They were defended by Nassovians and Netherlanders under Duke Bernhard of Saxe-Weimar, but fell into the hands of the French about half-past 5 o'clock.

The defenders of Goumont, or Hougmont, another advanced work of the Allies, situated about 1/2 M. to the S.W. of the Lion, were more fortunate. This interesting spot formed the key to the British position, and had Napoleon once gained possession of it, his advantage would have been incalculable. The buildings still bear many traces of the fearful scenes which were enacted here. It is computed that throughout the day the attacks of nearly 12,000 men in all were launched against this miniature fortress, notwithstanding which the garrison held out to the last (see below). The French stormed the orchard and garden several times, but they did not succeed in penetrating into the precincts of the buildings. The latter, moreover, caught fire, adding greatly to the embarrassment of the defenders, but happily the progress of the flames was arrested. Hougmont was at that time an old, partly dilapidated château, to which several outbuildings were attached. The whole was surrounded by a strong wall, in which numerous loop-holes had been made by express orders of the Duke in person, thus forming an admirable though diminutive stronghold. Notwithstanding these advantages, however, its successful defence against the persistent attacks of overwhelming numbers was solely due to

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the daring intrepidity of the little garrison. The wood by which
it was once partly surrounded was almost entirely destroyed by the
cannonade. The loop-holes, as well as the marks of the bullets,
are still seen, and the place presents a shattered and ruinous aspect
to this day. The orchard contains the graves of Capt. Blackman,
who fell here, and of Sergt. Cotton, a veteran of Waterloo who died
at Mont St. Jean in 1849 (1½ fr. is exacted from each visitor to
the farm). Hougomont is about 1 M. from Braine l'Alleud (p. 118).

Prodigies of valour were performed by the Coldstreams and their
auxiliaries at Hougomont, and fortunately with a more successful result
than that which attended their heroic German allies at La Haye Sainte.
At one critical juncture the French were within a hair's breadth of
capturing this fiercely-contested spot. They forced their way up to the
principal gate, which was insufficiently barricaded, and rushing against
it in dense crowds actually succeeded in bursting it open. A fearful strug-
gle ensued. The Guards charged the assailants furiously with their
bayonets, whilst Col. Macdonnel, Capt. Wyndham, Ensign Gooch, Ensign
Hervey, and Sergt. Graham, by dint of main force and daring courage,
contrived to close the gate in the very face of the enemy. — At a later
hour a vehement assault was made on the back-gate of the offices, the
barricades of which threatened to yield, although crowds of the assailants
were swept away by a well-directed fire from the loop-holes. At the
same time one of the French shells set fire to the buildings, and the flames
burst forth with an ominous glare. Sergt. Graham immediately requested
leave of Col. Macdonnel to retire for a moment, which the latter accorded,
although not without an expression of surprise. A few moments later
the gallant sergeant re-appeared from amidst the blazing ruins, bearing
his wounded brother in his arms, deposited him in a place of safety, and
at once resumed his work in strengthening the barricades, where the
danger was rapidly becoming more and more imminent. Suddenly a French
grenadier was seen on the top of the wall, which he and his comrades were
in the act of scaling. Capt. Wyndham, observing this, shouted to Graham:
'Do you see that fellow?' Graham, thus again interrupted in his work,
snatched up his musket, took aim, and shot the Frenchman dead. No
others dared to follow, the attack on the gate was abandoned by the
enemy, and the danger again successfully averted. Similar attacks were
launched against the château with unremitting energy from half-past
11 in the morning until nearly 8 in the evening, but were repelled with
equal success. Most fortunately for the defenders, their supply of ammu-
nition was abundant. Had it been otherwise, Hougomont must inevitably
have met with the same fate as La Haye Sainte; Napoleon would then
have been enabled to attack the Duke's right flank, and the Allies would
most probably have been defeated, or rather virtually annihilated.

The neighbourhood of Hougomont is said to have been the scene of
the following well-authenticated anecdote. Colonel Halkett's brigade,
consisting of raw levies of troops, most of whom now faced an enemy for
the first time, were exposed to a galling fire from Cambronne's brigade,
which formed the extreme left of the enemy's line. Halkett sent his
skirmishers to meet the vanguard of the French, somewhat in advance
of whom Gen. Cambronne himself rode. Cambronne's horse having been
shot under him, Halkett immediately perceived that this was an admir-
able opportunity for a 'coup de main' calculated to inspire his troops
with confidence. He therefore galloped up alone to the French general,
thrashing him with instantaneous death if he did not surrender. Cam-
bronne, taken by surprise, presented his sword and surrendered to the
gallant colonel, who at once led him back to the British line. Before
reaching it, however, Halkett's horse was struck by a bullet and fell.
Whilst struggling to disengage himself, he perceived to his extreme morti-
fication that the general was hastening back to his own troops! By dint
of great efforts, however, Halkett got his horse on his legs again, gal-
loped after the general, overtook him, and led him back in triumph to his own line.

The field-road to Belle Alliance from the gate of the farm skirts the wall to the left. It soon becomes narrower, and after leading about 50 paces to the right passes through a hedge, traverses a field, and passes an embankment. After a walk of 5 min. a good path is reached, leading to the high-road in 12 min. more. Coster's house (see below) lies to the right. In a straight direction the road leads to Planchenois (see below). Belle Alliance is situated on the left. This name is applied to a low white house of one story on the road-side, now a poor tavern, 1 M. to the E. of Hougoumont.

A marble slab over the door bears the inscription: 'Rencontre des généraux Wellington et Blücher lors de la mémorable bataille du 18. Juni 1815, se saluant mutuellement vainqueurs'. The statement, however, is erroneous. It is well ascertained that Blücher did not overtake the Duke until the latter had led his troops as far as La Maison du Roi, or Maison Rouge, on the road to Genappe, about 2 M. beyond Belle Alliance, where he gave the order to halt. This was the scene of the well-known anecdote so often related of the Duke, who when urged not to expose himself unnecessarily to danger from the fire of the straggling fugitives, replied: 'Let them fire away. The victory is gained, and my life is of no value now!'

The house of Belle Alliance was occupied by the French, and their lines were formed adjacent to it. Napoleon's post during the greater part of the battle was a little to the right of the house, and on the same level.

On the N. side of Belle Alliance a field-road diverges from the high-road, and leads to Plancenoit, or Planchenois, a village situated 1 M. to the S.E., which the traveller who desires to appreciate the important part acted by the Prussians in the battle should not fail to visit. To the left, on a slight eminence near the village, rises the Prussian Monument (Pl. m), an iron obelisk with an appropriate inscription in German. It was injured by the French when on their way to the siege of Antwerp in 1832, but has since been restored.

The battle between the French and the brave Prussians raged with the utmost fury at and around Plancenoit from half-past six till nearly nine o'clock. Nine regiments of infantry, a regiment of hussars, and the cavalry of the 4th Corps d'Armée commanded by Prince William of Prussia were engaged in the action, and fiercely contested the possession of the village. The churchyard was the scene of the most sanguinary struggles, in which vast numbers of brave soldiers fell on both sides. The village was captured several times by the Prussians, and again lost; but they finally gained possession of it between 8 and 9 o'clock. The combatants of both armies in this conflict were all comparatively fresh, and the fury with which they fought was intensified by the bitter hostility of the two nations, and a thirst for vengeance on the part of the Prussians for previous reverses. The victory on this part of the field was therefore achieved towards 8 o'clock, and the defeat of the French was rendered doubly disastrous by the spirited and well-organised pursuit of Gneisenau.

The French retreat, which soon became a disorderly sauvé qui peut, followed the road to Genappe (p. 165), a village about 4 M. to the S. of Plancenoit. Near Genappe, where the road was blocked with cannon and wagons, the Prussians captured Napoleon's travelling carriage, which the emperor had probably just quitted in precipitate haste, as it still contained his hat and sword.
Continuation of Railway Journey. The next station beyond Waterloo is (12 M. from Brussels) Braine l’Alleud (Hôtel du Midi; Hôtel de l’Etoile), a manufacturing town with 6600 inhab., whence the mound of the lion (p. 113) on the field of Waterloo, which is visible to the left, is $1\frac{1}{2}$ M. distant. The road to it leads directly N. from the station.

$15\frac{1}{2}$ M. Lillois. 18 M. Baulers, the suburb of Nivelles, the junction of the Manage and Wavre line (p. 165).

19 M. Nivelles (Hôtel du Mouton Blanc), Flem. Nyvel, on the Thines, a manufacturing town with 10,000 inhab., owes its origin to a convent founded here about the middle of the 7th cent. by Ida, wife of Pepin of Landen. The Romanesque church of the convent, built in the 11th cent., still exists, but the interior suffered defacement in the 18th century. The tower was restored in 1859, after a fire, with little success. The treasury contains many interesting objects. The station is called Nivelles-Est, and lies at some distance from the town (Nivelles-Nord, see p. 165).

The Baulers-Fleurus-Châtelineau line diverges at Nivelles-Est: 19 M., in 1-1/4 hr. (fares 2 fr. 30, 1 fr. 80, 1 fr. 20 c.). Fleurus, see p. 183.

23 M. Obaix-Buzet; 25$\frac{1}{2}$ M. Luttre, the junction of a line to Jumet (Charleroi, Châtelineau). Our line here unites with the Ghent and Braine-le-Comte railway, which the train now follows, via (29 M.) Gosselies and (30 M.) Roux, to —

35 M. Charleroi, see p. 166.

14. From Brussels to Antwerp by Malines.

27$\frac{1}{2}$ M. Railway to Malines in 25-45 min. (fares 1 fr. 60, 1 fr. 20, 80 c.), to Antwerp in 1-1/2 hr. (fares 3 fr. 35, 2 fr. 50, 1 fr. 70 c.). Express fares one-fifth higher.

The train starts from the Station du Nord. Travellers starting from the Station de Quartier Léopold change carriages at (2 M.) Schaerbeek (p. 176). A fertile and grassy plain, through which the Senne winds, is traversed. — $4\frac{1}{2}$ M. Haeren.

6$\frac{1}{4}$ M. Vilvorde, a small town on the Senne, one of the most ancient in Brabant, with the military penitentiary.

A melancholy interest attaches to Vilvorde as the scene of the martyrdom of William Tyndale, the zealous English Reformer and translator of the Bible. He was compelled to leave England on account of his heretical doctrines in 1523, and the same year he completed his translation of the New Testament from the Greek. He then began to publish it at Cologne, but was soon interrupted by his Romish antagonists, to escape from whom he fled to Worms, where the publication was completed in 1525. Copies soon found their way to England, where prohibitions were issued against them, in consequence of which most of them were burnt. 'They have done no other thing than I looked for; observed the pious translator; on hearing of this; 'no more shall they do, if they burn me also.' Notwithstanding the vehement opposition of Archbp. Warham, Card. Wolsey, and Sir Thomas More (who vainly strove to refute the new doctrine in a work of 7 vols.), four new editions rapidly found their way to England. In 1529 Tyndale began to publish the first four books of the Old Testament at Antwerp, where he now acted as chaplain to the British merchants settled in that city. He was at length arrested through
the treachery of a spy, and sent to Vilvorde, where he was imprisoned for two years. He was then tried, and condemned as a heretic. On 6th Oct., 1536, he was chained to the stake, strangled, and finally burnt to ashes. His last words were: 'Lord, open the King of England's eyes!' He was a man of simple and winning manners, indefatigable industry, and fervent piety. His New Testament, which was translated independently of his illustrious predecessor Wyckliffe, and his still more celebrated contemporary Luther, forms the basis of the Authorised Version. It is a remarkable fact, that the year after his martyrdom the Bible was published throughout England by royal command, and appointed to be placed in every church for the use of the people.

We catch a distant view here, on the right, of the village of Perck (3 M. from the railway), near which is the farm-house of Dry Toren, once the country-seat of David Teniers the Younger (d. 1685; buried in the church of Perck).

Near (8 M.) Eppeghem, to the E., but scarcely visible from the railway, stands the old château of Steen, purchased by Rubens in 1635 as a summer-resort for 93,000 florins. — 10 M. Weerde. The huge tower of the cathedral of Malines now becomes conspicuous in the distance. The train crosses the Louvain Canal.

12½ M. Malines. — Hotels. Hôtel Buda, opposite the cathedral tower, R. 1 ½ fr.; Hôtel de la Coupe, near the Cathedral; Hôtel de Beffer, Rue de Beffer 34, near the Grande Place; Cheval d'Or, Rue des Béguines 2, near the cathedral; Cigogne, Rue Notre Dame 88. — Hôtel de la Canpine and Hôtel de la Couronne, opposite the station. — Restaurant at the station.

A visit to the Cathedral and the paintings by Rubens in the churches of St. Jean and Notre Dame may be accomplished in 2½ hrs.

The ancient town of Malines, Flem. Mechelen (44,700 inhab.), situated on the tidal river Dyle, which flows through the town in numerous arms and is crossed by 35 bridges, is the seat of a cardinal-archbishop, the primate of Belgium. Notwithstanding its broad and regular streets, handsome squares, and fine buildings, it is a dull place, and totally destitute of the brisk traffic which enlivens most of the principal Belgian towns. The quietness of the town forms a strong contrast to the busy scene at the station, which possesses extensive railway-workshops and is the focus of several of the most important railways in Belgium (Liège-Ostend, Antwerp-Brussels, Malines-St. Nicolas). The unenterprising character of the inhabitants is more tersely than politely described in the monkish lines mentioned in the Introduction (p. xx).

In order to reach the town, which is more than ¼ M. from the station, we follow the broad Rue d'Egmont bearing to the right, traverse the Place of that name, cross the Dyle, and proceed in the same direction through the Brulstraat, leading to the Grande Place (Pl. C, 3), where a Statue (Pl. 20) by Tuerlinckx of Malines was erected in 1849 to Margaret of Austria (d. 1530), daughter of Maximilian I. and Mary of Burgundy (p. xvii), celebrated as regent of the Netherlands and instructress of Charles V. The circle described on the ground round the monument indicates the size of the cathedral clock (see below). The Place still boasts of several
medieval buildings. The old Cloth Hall (Pl. 10), begun in 1340, but left uncompleted, with a superstructure of the 16th cent., is now used as the Guard House.

The Hôtel de Ville (Pl. 18), between the Grande Place and the cathedral, was entirely remodelled during the last century. Opposite this building, and standing a little way back from the Place, is an old late-Gothic building called the 'Schepenen-Huis' (or house of the bailiffs), with the inscription 'Musée' (Pl. 21; C, 3), containing a collection of civic antiquities, reminiscences of Margaret of Austria, a few ancient and modern pictures (including a small Crucifixion by Rubens), etc. (The concierge lives in the market-place, No. 2, in the house next door to the Hôtel de Ville; fee 1/2 fr.).

The *Cathedral of St. Rombold (St. Rombaut, Pl. 4; closed from 12 to 2.30, and after 5.30 p.m.), begun at the end of the 12th cent., completed in 1312, but to a great extent rebuilt, after a fire, in the 14th and 15th centuries, is a cruciform Gothic church with a richly-decorated choir and a huge unfinished W. tower (324 ft. in height; projected height 460 ft.). The face of the clock on the tower is 49 ft. in diameter. The church was almost entirely erected with money paid by the pilgrims who flocked hither in the 14th and 15th centuries to obtain the indulgences issued by Pope Nicholas V. On the increase of the hierarchy of the Netherlands in 1559 (p. xvii), the Cathedral of St. Rombold was raised by Pope Paul IV. to the dignity of being the archiepiscopal metropolitan church. The first archbishop was Antoine Perrenot de Granvella, the hated minister of Margaret of Parma, who was shortly afterwards created a cardinal. The church is now undergoing a thorough restoration.

The Interior of the church (length 306 ft., nave 89 ft. high) is imposing, and worthy of its archiepiscopal dignity. It is adorned by several admirable pictures, the finest of which is an *Altarpiece by Van Dyck, representing the Crucifixion, in the S. transept, painted in 1627, and successfully cleaned in 1848. This is one of the finest of the master's works, and is worthy of the most careful inspection. The composition is extensive and skilfully arranged; the profound grief and resignation depicted in the countenance of the Virgin are particularly well expressed. — In the N. (I.) transept: Erasmus Quellin, Adoration of the Shepherds. — In the N. aisle, 1st chapel on the left (reckoned from the chief entrance), Wouters, Last Supper; opposite is a monument in marble to Archbishop Méan (d. 1831), who is represented kneeling before the Angel of Death, executed by Jehotte, a sculptor of Liège. — In the S. aisle: twenty-five scenes from the history of St. Rombold, extending from his appointment to the office of bishop down to his martyrdom and the miracles wrought by his relics (Flemish school of the 14th cent., restored in 1857). — The Pulpit, carved in wood, like those in the principal
Belgian churches, by Boeckstuyns of Malines, represents the Conversion of St. Paul. Above, St. John and the women at the foot of the Cross; at the side, Adam and Eve and the serpent. By the pillars are statues of the Apostles (17th cent.). The large modern stained-glass windows in the transept were executed to commemorate the promulgation of the new dogma of the immaculate conception of the Virgin (1854), by J. F. and L. Pluys of Malines. — The Choir contains handsome modern carved stalls in the Gothic style. To the left in the retro-choir, near the N. portal, high up, is a Circumcision by M. Coxie, 1587. Farther on are a number of large pictures, chiefly by Herreyns and other painters of the early part of the present century, representing scenes from the life of St. Rombold. The Ascension in the chapel at the back of the high-altar is by Paelinck. The adjoining chapel contains the altar of St. Engelbert, Bishop of Cologne, with a chased brazen antependium or frontal, executed from Minguay's designs by L. van Ryswyck of Antwerp (1875). The choir also contains several monuments of bishops of the 17th cent., and modern stained-glass windows with full-length figures of saints.

The Archiepiscopal Palace (Pl. 1; C, 2), picturesquely situated a little to the N., and dating from the end of the 16th cent., has been allowed to fall into a state of disrepair.

St. Jean (Pl. 6; C, 3), near the Cathedral, is an insignificant church, but contains an interesting picture by Rubens, a High-altarpiece with wings, a large and fine composition, one of the best of the painter's ceremonial works. On the inside of the wings: Beheading of John the Baptist, and Martyrdom of St. John in a cauldron of boiling oil. Outside: Baptism of Christ, and St. John in the island of Patmos, writing the Apocalypse. The two latter are in the master's best style. Below is a small Crucifixion, probably also by Rubens. To the left in the choir is Christ on the Cross, by Ch. Wouters, 1860. In the chapel on the left, Christ and the disciples at Emmaus, by Herreyns. The pulpit in carved wood, by Verhaeghen, represents the Good Shepherd. The confessional, the carved wood on the organ, and several other pieces of carving are by the same sculptor. The Sacristan (1/2-1 fr.) lives in the Klapgat, adjacent to the church.

The Mont de Piété, Rue des Vaches 67 and Rue St. Jean 2 (Pl. C, D, 2, 3), formerly the house of Canon Buysleden, is an interesting building of the 16th cent., with gables and a tower of brick and limestone (1570), recently restored.

At the N.W. angle of the town are situated the church of St. Catherine (Pl. 5; C, 2) and that of the Grand Béguinage (Pl. 3; B, 2), containing pictures by L. Franshoys, Moreels, De Crayer, Th. Boyermans, E. Quellin, and others; the latter is also embellished with sculptures by L. Fayd'herbe and Duquesnoy. The church of St. Peter and St. Paul (Pl. 9; D, 3) contains pictures by
Boyermans, Eyckens, Coxie, and others, and sculptures by Verbruggen (pulpit) and J. Geefs (apostles).

The Tribunal (Pl. 25; D, 3, 4), or court of justice, consists of a picturesque assemblage of buildings, enclosing several courts, and was formerly the palace of Margaret of Austria. The older portions were erected by Bombout Keldermans in the late-Gothic style. The more modern portion, erected by Keldermans about 1617, along with the French artist Guyot de Beauprant (p. 22), is the earliest example of the Renaissance in Belgium. The building was skillfully restored a few years ago, by the architect Blomme of Antwerp, and contains some fine chimney-pieces and other interesting works of art.

On our way back to the station we may visit the church of Notre Dame (Pl. 7; B, 4), a late-Gothic building of the 16th cent., recently restored. A chapel behind the high-altar contains Rubens' Miraculous Draught of Fishes, a richly-coloured picture, with wings, painted in 1618 for the Guild of Fishers, from whom the master received 1000 florins for the work (about 90 l.). In the 3rd chapel of the retro-choir is the Temptation of St. Anthony by M. Coxie; high-altarpiece, a Last Supper by E. Quellin; pulpit and statues by G. Kerricx. The sacristan will be found at No. 58 Milsenstraat, the street opposite the chief portal.

On the adjacent Quai au Sel (Pl. B, 4), and particularly in or near the Rue Serment du Fer, are several interesting houses of the 16th century. Among the most interesting of these are the Salt Inn, with a Renaissance façade (1530-34), embellished with columns and arches, and a timber house near it, with exquisite details in the Franco-Flemish style and also dating from the 16th century. Throughout the whole town there still linger many picturesque relics of mediæval architecture.

The church of Notre Dame d'Hanswyck (Pl. 8; C, 5) contains two large reliefs by L. Fayd'herbe and a pulpit by Verhaeghen.

The Botanic Garden (Pl. C, 4; admission 50 c.) contains a bust of the botanist Dodoneus, a native of Malines (b. 1517). Count Mansfield, the celebrated general in the Thirty Years' War, and Michael Coxie, the imitator of Raphael, were also born here.

Mechlin lace, which once enjoyed a high reputation, is still manufactured here, but cannot compete with that of Brussels.

From Malines to Louvain, 15 M., railway in 25-40 min. (fares 1 fr. 70, 1 fr. 35, 90 c.). Stations Boortmeerbeeck, the church of which contains an altarpiece by Teniers the Younger; Haacht: Wespebaer, with a country-seat and park mentioned by Delille (b. 1738). The line crosses the Dyke, skirts the Antwerp-Louvain Canal (constructed in 1750), and reaches Louvain (p. 178).

From Malines to Ghent, 35 M., railway in 1-1 3/4 hr. (fares 4 fr. 45, 3 fr. 25, 2 fr. 20 c.). The line crosses the Louvain Canal and the Senne. 2 M. Hombeek; 5/2 M. Capelle; 8 M. Louderzeel, the junction of the Antwerp and Alost line (p. 10). Beyond (11 M.) Malderen, we quit Brabant and enter Flanders. 13 1/2 M. Buggenhout; 15 M. Buesrode. 17 M. Dendermonde, and thence to (38 M.) Ghent, see R. 10.
FROM MALINES TO ST. NICOLAS AND TERNEUZEN, 42 M., railway in 23/4 hrs. (fares 5 fr. 15, 3 fr. 70, 2 fr. 55 c.).
2 M. Hombeek; 6 M. Tiëstelt; 8 M. Willebroek, on a canal connecting the Senne with the Rupel; 11 M. Puers (branch to Dendermonde, p. 55); 14 M. Bornem. The train traverses a pleasant district, and crosses the broad Schelde, commanding a view of its picturesque wooded banks. To the left, on the left bank, is (16 M.) Turnhout, a manufacturing town with 9400 inhabitants. 21 M. St. Nicolas, the junction for Ghent and Antwerp (p. 55); 25 M. St. Gilles; 27 M. La Clinge, with the Belgian custom-house. — 30 M. Hulst, the Dutch frontier station, possesses an interesting Gothic church of the 15th cent.; the Landshuis contains a painting by Jordaens and the Hôtel de Ville another by Cornelis de Vos. — 35 M. Axel; 39 M. Stuyskilt. 42 M. Terneuzen (see p. 10).

Soon after quitting Malines, the train crosses the Nethe and reaches (18 M.) Duffel. To the right rises the old Gothic château of Ter-Elst. Then (20 1/2 M.) stat. Contich.

From Contich to Turnhout by a branch-railway in 1 1/2 hr. — Stations: Lierre (16,700 inhab.), junction for Antwerp, Diest, and Hasselt (p. 159); Nijlen, Bonnel, Herenthals, to which a line runs from Louvain (p. 178); Lichtaert, Thielen, and lastly Turnhout, the chief town of the district, with 16,100 inhab., a prosperous place, with cloth and other factories, and a leech-breeding establishment. The old Château of the Dukes of Brabant now serves as a court of justice and a prison. From Turnhout a diligence plies daily in 1 1/2 hr. to Hoogstraeten (p. 156; fare 1 fr. 70 c.). — Beyond Turnhout the line crosses the Dutch frontier to Tilburg (see p. 506).

Another branch-line runs from Contich to Hoboken, on the line from Alost to Antwerp (p. 10).

From (24 M.) Oude-God (Vieux-Dieu) a branch-line diverges to Bommel (p. 10). We now pass through the new outworks around Antwerp. 26 1/2 M. Berchem, the headquarters of the French during the siege of the citadel in 1832.

27 1/2 M. Antwerp, see below.

15. Antwerp.

Railway Stations. The Principal Station (Pl. D, 3, 4), for Malines (Brussels, Louvain, etc.), Dendermonde-Ghent, Hasselt-Maastricht, Turnhout-Tilburg, Roosendaal (Flushing and Rotterdam), is near the Zoological Garden (a new station in the Place de la Commune projected). — The temporary South Station (Pl. B, 6, 7) is used only by the trains of the Antwerp-Alost line (p. 10). — The direct trains to Ghent through the Waesland (R. 10) start from the station at Vlaamsch Hoofd (p. 56), on the opposite bank of the Schelde; ferry-steamerboat from the S. end of the quay (Pl. A, 5; comp. p. 56).

Hotels. Grand Hôtel d'Anvers (Pl. C, 4), Rue Gérard, a spacious new hotel and a large restaurant; St. Antoine (Pl. a; B, 4), Place Verte 40; Hôtel de l'Europe (Pl. b; B, 4), Place Verte 38; Hôtel de la Paix (Pl. c; B, 4), Rue des Menuisiers 9; Grand Laboureur (Pl. d; C, 4), Place de Meir 26. — Hôtel des Flandres (Pl. e; B, 4), Place Verte 9; Grand Miroir (Pl. f; B, 4), Vieux Marché Blé 58; Hôtel du Commerce (Pl. g; C, 3), Rue de la Bourse 10; Courrier (Pl. h; B, 4), Rempart du Lombard 52; Couronne (Pl. i; C, 3, 4), Rue des Israélites 6; Hôtel du Nord, Grande Place; Fleur d'Or, Rue des Moines 1; Cour d'Allemagne, Rue de l'Aqueduc, the last two near the Place Verte and unpretending. — On the Schelde: Hôtel du Rhin, Hôtel d'Angleterre, both on the Quai Van Dyck (Pl. B, 3, 4). In the vicinity: Hôtel de Hollande (Pl. 1; B, 4), Rue de l'Étuve 2. All these of the second class.
— Near the Principal Station are several new hotels, none of which can be recommended.

Restaurants. "Bertrand, Place de Meir 11, D. 4 fr. and upwards; "Café-Restaurant Degue-Ledevier, Place de Meir 25, D. 4 fr.; "Roche de Canalet, adjoining the Exchange and the Place de Meir; Tavern de l'Absinthe, Place Verte; Hôtel de Londres and Tavern de St. Jean, Avenue de Keyzer 5; Choral de Bronze, Marché aux Oeufs 31; also the above-named hotels. — Cafés: de l'Empereur, Place de Meir 19; Suisse, Place Verte; Grand Comptoir de la Bourse, corner of the Longue Rue Neuve and the Rue de la Bourse. — Confectioner: Pâtisserie Meurisse, Marché aux Oeufs 50. — Beer: Tavern de l'Absinthe, Place Verte; Münchener Hofbräu, Canal des Récolls 49; Central-Bierhalle, Courte Rue Neuve, with a garden; Salvator-Bier, Vieux Marché au Blé 26; "Renaissance Keider, Quai Van Dyck 19, in the Flemish style; also at the cafés (30-35 c. per glass).

Baths. Bain Royal, Rue Reynders, near the Place Verte; Bains St. Pierre, Rue Van Noort, near the Park. Warm and cold baths may also be obtained in the best hotels. — Swimming Bath (Pl. B, 7), at the corner of the Rue de Bruxelles and the Rue Briderode, open from April 15th to October 15th (for ladies on Monday and Friday before 12, and on Wednesday before 2 o'clock).

Post Office, Place Verte, S. side; several branch-offices. — Telegraph Offices at the railway-station, exchange, etc. — Public Telephones in the waiting-rooms of the tramways and in several restaurants (use for 5 min., 25 c.; communication with Brussels, 1 fr.).

Cabs are stationed in the Place Verte, the Place de Meir, etc. Per drive (la course) within the 8 municipal districts (with the exception of the Digue, a part of the seventh district), 1-2 pers. 1 fr., 3-4 pers. 1 fr. 50 c.; between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., 2 fr. or 2 fr. 50 c.; within the new fortifications, 1-4 pers. 1 fr. 50 or 2 fr. 50 c. — Open Vehicles, a degree better, within the town 1-4 pers. 1 fr. 50 or 2 fr. 50 c.; within the fortifications, 2 or 3 fr. — By time (à l'heure), first hour 1-4 pers., 1 fr. 50 or 2 fr. 50 c., each additional 1/2 hr. 75 c. or 1 fr. 25 c.; open cabs 2 fr. 50 or 3 fr., and 1 fr. or 1 fr. 50 c. — Each trunk 20 c. — Two-horse vehicles one-half more.

Tramways (comp. the Plan; fares 10-25 c.).
1. From the Wharf (Quai van Dyck; Pl. B, 3), skirting the Place Verte and following the Place de Meir, to the Principal Station (Pl. D, 3, 4), and then by the Boulevard Léopold to the Dryhoek (Trains Coin), near the Pépinière (Pl. D, 6).
2. From the Harbour (Entrepôt Royal; Pl. C, 2) through the Avenues du Commerce, des Arts, de l'Industrie, and du Sud to the main entrance of the International Exhibition (Pl. B, 6). — A branch-line diverges from the Avenue de l'Industrie to the ferry for the Woesland Station (Pl. A, 5).
3. From the Place St. Paul (Pl. B, 3) through the Canal des Récolls, Rue des Tanneurs, Rue de l'Hôpital, and Chaussee de Malines to the Porte de Malines (Pl. E, 7).
4. 'Tramway du Sud d'Anvers' from the Rue des Peignes (Pl. B, 4; near the Place Verte) through the Rue Gérard and Avenue du Sud to the main entrance of the Exhibition (Pl. B, 6), and on through the Rue Montigny to Kiel and Hopenk (p. 10).
5. From the Rue Kipdorp (Pl. B, C, 3) to the Porte de Turnhout (Pl. F, 3).
6. From the Place de la Comédie (Théâtre Royal; Pl. C, 4) through the Rue Léopold and the Longue Rue d'Argile to the end of the latter (Pl. E, 5).
7. 'Tramway du Nord d'Anvers' from the Rue Klapdorp (Pl. B, 3) by the Marché aux Chevaux and the Rue Viaduc (Pl. D, 1) to Mersem.
8. 'Tramway Maritime' from the Harbour (W. end of the Rue Digue de Terre; Pl. B, 2) by the Place de l'Entrepôt, Avenue du Commerce, Rue Vondel, and Rue Basse to the Rue Pothoek (Pl. E, 2).

Steamboats. To and from London: vessels of the Gen. Steam Nav. Co. (fares 16s., 11s.) three times, and the Baron Osy (fares 24s., 16s.) once weekly; average passage 18 hrs. — To Harwich by the vessels of the
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Great Eastern Railway. Co. six times weekly in 12-14 hrs., thence by railway to London in 2½ hrs. (fares to London 2½s., 21s., 1s. 6d.). — To Hull twice weekly in 22 hrs. (fares 20s., 15s.). — To Glasgow once weekly (fares 25s., 12s. 6d.). — To Goole twice weekly in 24 hrs. (fares 20s.). — To Grimsby twice weekly in 30 hrs. (fare 15s.). — To Newcastle once weekly in 30 hrs. (fares 22s. 6d., 11s. 6d.). — To Leith once weekly in 48 hrs. (fare 30s.). — To Hamburg once weekly in 35 hrs. (fares 40 fr., 32 fr.). — To Rotterdam, see p. 157. — A pleasant steamboat trip on the Schelde may be made to Rugenmoor, Boom (railway also to this point, 10 M.; comp. p. 123), and Temsche, starting from the upper end of the Quai Van Dyck (Pl. B, 3); return fare 1½ or 1 fr.

Theatres. Théâtre Royal (Pl. C, 4; p. 150), performances in French, four times a week in winter. — Flemish Theatre, or Schoonhoven (Pl. C, 3; p. 148), performances in Flemish. — Théâtre des Variétés (Pl. C, 5), performances in French and Flemish. — The Palais Indien, in the Rue Wappers, and the Scala, in the Rue Anneessens, are two popular cafés chantants.

Music. In summer, if the weather is favourable, bands perform in the Park (p. 153) on Sunday at 1 and on Tuesday at 8 p.m.; in the Pépinière (p. 153) on Monday and Friday, 8-10 p.m.; in the Place Verte (p. 128) on Wednesday and Saturday, 8-10 p.m.; and in the Place St. Jean on Monday and Thursday, 8-10 p.m.

Panoramas. Battle of Waterloo, by Verlat, in the Avenue Wappers (Pl. D, 4); Battle of Worth, by Alfred Chysenmaer, in the Zoological Garden (Pl. D, 4), entrance on Sun. by the Rue de la Charrue. Adm. on Sun. 50 c., on Mon. 1 fr., other days 2 fr.


English Church in the Rue des Tanneurs.

Shops. Booksellers. M. Kornicker, Rue des Tanneurs 50, by the Place de Meir; O. Forst, Rue du Jambon 12, close to the Place Verte; A. de Becker, Rue Nationale 35 (also second-hand books). — Photographs. O. Forst, see above; Zaccarini & Co., Marché aux Souliers 37; Dreyfuss-Michel, Marché aux Souliers 3; Ed. van Mol, Marché aux Souliers 17; Thirioux, Place Verte 17, adjoining the cathedral. — Articles in Embossed Copper, such as form so characteristic a part of the ornamentation of Flemish interiors, have long been successfully made at Antwerp, and may be purchased from Vve. J. Labaer, Longue Rue Neuve 76, and others.

Principal Attractions: *Cathedral (p. 128), *Museum (p. 133), Hôtel de Ville (p. 133), Exchange (p. 146), St. Jacques (p. 146), Musée Plantin (p. 151), Docks (p. 155), Zoological Garden (p. 153).

Antwerp, French Anvers, Spanish Ambres, with 201,429 inhabitants (1885; with the suburbs of Borgerhout and Berchem, about 240,000), one of the greatest seaports of Europe, serving as an outlet for the commerce of Germany as well as of Belgium, was once the capital of a county of the same name, belonging to the Duchy of Brabant, and was founded as early as the 7th century. Its advantageous situation on the Schelde (Escaut), which is here 1/3 M. broad and 30 ft. deep at high tide (60 M. from the sea), rendered it a very important and wealthy place in the middle ages. Commerce, which luxury and revolution had banished from other Flemish towns, especially Bruges, sought refuge at Antwerp about the close of the 15th century. Under Emp. Charles V. Antwerp was perhaps the most prosperous and wealthy city on the continent, surpassing even Venice itself. When at the height of its prosperity it numbered 125,000 inhab. (in 1568). At that period thousands of vessels are said to have lain in the Schelde at one time,
while a hundred or more arrived and departed daily. The great fairs held here attracted merchants from all parts of the civilised world. The Florentine Guicciardini, an excellent authority in these matters (p. xiii), records that in 1566 the spices and sugar imported from Portugal were valued at 1½ million ducats (750,000l., an enormous sum according to the value of money at that period), silk and gold wares from Italy 3 million, grain from the Baltic 1½ million, French and German wines 2½ million, and imports from England 12 million ducats. Upwards of a thousand foreign commercial firms had established themselves at Antwerp, and one of the Fuggers, the merchant-princes of Augsburg, died here leaving a fortune of 2 million ducats. The Flemish manufactures (carpets, clothing stuffs, gold and silver wares) also enjoyed a high reputation after the beginning of the 16th cent., and were exported from Antwerp to Arabia, Persia, and India.

Antwerp's decline began during the Spanish régime. The terrors of the Inquisition banished thousands of the industrious citizens, many of whom sought refuge in England, where they established silk-factories, and contributed greatly to stimulate English commerce. Fearful havoc was committed by the cruel Spanish soldiery in 1576, when the city was unscrupulously pillaged, and lost 7000 of its inhabitants by fire and sword; it afterwards suffered severely during a siege of fourteen months followed by its capture by Duke Alexander of Parma in 1585, when the population was reduced to 85,000; and in 1589 the population had further dwindled to 55,000. In addition to these disasters, the citizens were deprived of the greater part of their commerce by the intrigues of their Dutch rivals, who during the siege of the city by the Duke of Parma used secret means to prevent assistance being rendered to the besieged, and afterwards erected forts at the mouth of the Schelde to prevent its navigation by Antwerp vessels. The maritime trade of the city received its death-blow from the Treaty of Münster in 1648, by which Holland was declared independent of Spain, and it was agreed that no sea-going vessel should be permitted to ascend to Antwerp, but should unload at a Dutch port, whence merchandise should be forwarded to Antwerp by river-barges only. In 1790 the population had dwindled down to 40,000 souls. In Aug., 1794, the French obtained possession of Antwerp, re-opened the navigation of the Schelde, and dismantled the forts erected by the Dutch at its embouchure. Napoleon, who recognised the strategical importance of the situation of Antwerp, caused a harbour and new quays to be constructed, but the wars in which he was engaged prevented him from actively promoting the interests of commerce. In 1814 the city was defended against the Allies by Carnot, but was surrendered to the British under Gen. Graham, and afterwards incorporated with the newly-constituted kingdom of the Netherlands. The prosperity of Antwerp received a new impetus from
the trade which it now carried on with the Dutch colonies (in 1830 population 73,506), but it was again utterly ruined by the revolution of 1830, in which the citizens participated sorely against their will, and which diverted its trade to Rotterdam and Amsterdam. In 1830 the town was occupied by the Belgian insurgents and was bombarded from the citadel by the Dutch general Chasse, who in his turn was besieged here by the French for twenty-four days in 1832. At the end of this siege the unfortunate town presented a scene of frightful desolation, and it was many years before Antwerp began to recover from these calamities. Indeed the tide of prosperity did not again set in fully till 1863, when the right of levying navigation-dues on the Schelde, granted to Holland by the peace of 1839, was commuted for a sum of 36,000,000 fr., one-third paid by Belgium and the rest by the other powers interested. Since that date, however, its commerce has increased in a greater ratio than that of any other European seaport, the increase being due chiefly to the great augmentation of the steamer-traffic. In 1840-49 the port was entered annually by 1544 ships of 242,468 tons' burden; in 1850-59, by 1830 ships of 367,487 tons; in 1860-69, by 2957 ships of 822,533 tons; in 1870-78, by 4510 ships of 2,083,516 tons; in 1879-84, by 4333 ships of 3,683,190 tons. Fully three-fourths of the vessels are steamers. The average annual value of the imports for the last few years has been 21 million fr., that of the exports 15⅜ million fr.

Antwerp is the principal arsenal of the kingdom of Belgium, and one of the strongest fortresses in Europe. Since 1859 a number of advanced works have been constructed on modern principles, and the city and river are defended by broad and massive rampsarts upwards of 12 M. in length. Antwerp is intended to serve as the rendezvous of the Belgian army, should it be compelled, in case of the violation of the neutrality of the country, to retire before an enemy of superior force. It is calculated that it would require an army of 170,000 men to besiege it effectually, and at least a year to reduce it by starvation. — The removal of the old ramparts has allowed the town to expand to six times its former size.

Antwerp is the most interesting town in Belgium, and, the population being exclusively Flemish, it resembles a Dutch or a German city in many of its characteristics. The numerous masterpieces of painting which it possesses afford one of the best proofs of its mediaeval prosperity. The fascinating influence of Rubens (see Introd.) cannot be appreciated without a visit to Antwerp, where his finest works are preserved.

In our own times Antwerp has made a vigorous effort to regain the artistic pre-eminence which it so gloriously asserted during the 17th century. The modern revival of art, which began about the end of the first quarter of the present century, took its rise in Antwerp. Van Brée, Braekeleer, and others, who trod in the wont-
od paths of academic art, were succeeded by revolutionaries, whose works clearly betrayed their connection with the political agitation for the separation of Belgium from Holland. But this predominance of patriotic themes was transitory; and a more important and more lasting effort was next made to resuscitate the ancient national style of art, and to revive a just appreciation of Rubens and his contemporaries. *Gustav Wappers* (1803-74) was the first to break ground with his 'Burgomaster Van der Werff during the siege of Leyden', which, when exhibited in 1830, was received with great applause and awakened much imitation. *Nicaise de Keyser* (1813-80), whose battle-pieces are marked by great liveliness and freshness of colour, adopted a similar style. The Academy of Antwerp, which has been presided over by each of these masters in turn, deserves the credit of reviving in modern art-education the careful study of technique, and especially of colouring. Neither Wappers nor Keyser, however, has shown so much zeal in reverting to the early Flemish style of art as *Hendrik Leys* (1815-69), the founder of the so-called 'archaic school', who not only gave the preference to the subjects used in the 15th and 16th centuries, but has designed, painted, and grouped in precisely the same style as the painters of that epoch. The figures in the much-valued pictures by this master seem as if they had stepped out of ancient canvasses. The Dutch painter *Abma Tadema* (settled in London), who pursues the archaic style with such distinguished success, was a pupil of Leys. Among the other eminent modern artists of Antwerp may be mentioned *Van Lerius, Dyckmann, Jacobs, Stobbaerts, Verlat*, and *Van Beers*.

The traveller, especially if pressed for time, should at once direct his steps to the Cathedral. On its S. side is the *Place Verte* (Pl. B, 4), formerly the churchyard, adorned with a *Statue of Rubens*, in bronze, by *W. Geefs*. It was erected in 1840, the figure being 13 ft., the pedestal 20 ft. in height. The scrolls and books, together with the brush, palette, and hat, which lie at the feet of the statue, are allusions to the pursuits of the master as a diplomatist and statesman, as well as a painter. — A military band plays in the Place Verte twice a week on summer-evenings from 8 to 10 o'clock (p. 125).

The *Cathedral* (*Notre Dame*; Pl. B, 3), the largest and most beautiful Gothic church in the Netherlands, is of cruciform shape with triple aisles. It was begun in 1352 under the superintendence of *Jean Amel* or *Appelmans* of Boulogne. After his death in 1398 the work was continued by his son *Peter*, who was succeeded by *Jean Tac* in 1434 and *Master Everaert* in 1449. To this period (1352-1449) belong the choir with its ambulatory and chapels, the sacristies, and the tower up to the first gallery. The S. aisles were built in 1425-72, the N. aisles in 1472-1500. From 1502 to 1518 the building operations were directed by *Herman van Waghe-
macre and his son Dominic, the chief evidence of whose skill is
the upper part of the N. tower, in the Flamboyant style. The S.
tower was left unfinished in 1474. The nave and aisles were not
vaulted till 1611-16. The rich portal and the fine window over it,
adorned with tracery, should be examined. In 1566 the church
was seriously damaged by puritanical zealots, and again in 1794 by
French republicans. The exterior is unfortunately disfigured by
the mean houses clustered around it, but some of those near the
principal façade have been removed. The restoration of the edifi-
ce was superintended by Fr. Durlet of Antwerp (d. 1867).

*Interior. [The church is usually entered from the Place Verte
by the narrow lane on the S. side, at the end of which, on the right,
opposite the S. portal, is the house of the concierge (No. 19), where
tickets are obtained. Visitors ring. The principal pictures are shown
gratis on Sun. and Thurs. 8-12; on other days 12-4 p.m., admission
1 fr.] Internally the church is simple, but grand and impressive, and
the rich perspective of its six aisles is very effective. Its length is
128 yds.; width of nave 57 yds., of transept, 74 yds.; height 130 ft.
Its area amounts to 70,060 sq. ft. (that of Cologne Cathedral is
87,000, St. Paul's in London 109,000, St. Peter's at Rome 212,000
sq. ft.). The vaulting is supported by 125 pillars. The level of the
pavement has been several times raised.

The S. TRANSEPT, entered from the Place Verte, contains
Rubens's far-famed masterpiece, the **Descent from the Cross, a
winged picture, painted in 1612 (in Paris from 1794 to 1814;
restored in 1852). On the inside of the wings are the Salutation,
and the Presentation in the Temple, on the outside St. Christopher
carrying the Infant Saviour, and a hermit. The Mary in a blue
robe and the figure with a basket in the wings are portraits of the
master's first wife and his daughter respectively. In the N. transept
is Rubens's *Elevation of the Cross, painted in 1610, soon after his
return from a residence of eight years in Italy (also in Paris from
1794 to 1814).

The Descent from the Cross is the most magnificent of these
celebrated pictures. The white linen on which the body of the Saviour lies
is a peculiar and very effective feature in the composition, borrowed prob-
ably from a similar work by Daniele da Volterra at Rome. The principal
figure itself is admirably conceived and carefully drawn, and the attitude
extremely expressive of the utter inactivity of a dead body. Two of the
three Maries are more attractive than is usual with Rubens's female figures,
but the flabby countenance of Joseph of Arimathaea exhibits neither sen-
timent nor emotion. The arrangement of the whole is most masterly and
judicious, the figures not too ponderous, and the colouring rich and har-
monious, while a degree of sentiment is not wanting, so that this work is
well calculated to exhibit Rubens's wonderful genius in the most favourable
light. According to a well-known anecdote, this picture, when in an un-
finished state, fell from the easel in Rubens's absence. Van Dyck, as the most
skilful of his pupils, was chosen to repair the damage, which he did so suc-
cessfully, that Rubens on his return declared that his pupil's work sur-
passed his own. The parts thus said to have been retouched are the face
of the Virgin and the arm of the Magdalene.
The popular story with regard to the origin of this famous picture is another of those picturesque fictions which modern investigation has so rudely dispelled. Rubens is said to have been employed by the Guild of Arquebusiers to paint an altarpiece representing their patron saint 'St. Christopher' (i.e. 'the bearer of Christ'), as the price of which he was to receive a piece of ground from them as a site for his house. Instead of fulfilling the contract literally by painting a single picture of St. Christopher, Rubens generously determined to produce a far more noble work by representing the 'bearing of Christ' allegorically, viz. in the principal picture Christ borne by his friends, in one wing by his Virgin mother before the Nativity, and in the other by the aged Simeon in the Temple. The picture was finished and shown to the Arquebusiers, who could not fail to be gratified by its magnificence; but the allegorical mode of its execution was entirely lost upon them, and they complained that there was no St. Christopher. In order to satisfy them, Rubens then proceeded to paint St. Christopher in person on the outside of one shutter, while on the other he represented a hermit with a lantern, and an owl, emblematical, it was said, of the obtuseness of the worthy Arquebusiers. The facts of the case, however, were simply these. A dispute having arisen about the cost of a wall which separated Rubens's property from that of the Arquebusiers, the burgomaster Rockox, the captain of the guild and a friend of Rubens, persuaded him to paint this picture in order to equalise the price to be paid by each party. The hermit and the owl are well-known features in every picture relating to the legend of St. Christopher.

The Elevation of the Cross, although inferior, is also a magnificent work. The figures are remarkable for their easy and natural attitudes, although inclined to be too heavy. The great life which pervades the whole, and the variety of the composition, compensate to some extent for deficiency of sentiment. In the figures of Christ and his executioners, the master displays his thorough acquaintance with the anatomy of the human frame. The horses are noble and lifelike, and a dog has even been introduced to give greater diversity to the scene. The latter was added by Rubens in 1627, when he retouched the picture. The wings form part of the same subject. On the right is a group of women and children, with horror depicted in their countenances, behind them are the Virgin and St. John; on the left, mounted officers, behind them the thieves, who are being nailed to their crosses by the executioners.

Choir. The high-altarpiece is an Assumption by Rubens, said to have been painted in sixteen days, doubtless with the aid of his pupils, for the sum of 1600 florins. This picture, though less attractive than the two above mentioned, exhibits the transcendent genius of the master in an almost equal degree and ranks with the Assumption in the Belvedere at Vienna as one of the best of the ten canvasses Rubens devoted to this subject. The Virgin is represented among the clouds, surrounded by a heavenly choir, below whom are the apostles and numerous other figures. The colouring is less gorgeous than is usual in Rubens's pictures. — The high-altar dates from 1824. — The modern Stalls and the rich Gothic Episcopal Thrones, in the form of tabernacles, carved in wood, are adorned with groups from the life of the Virgin on the S. side and from that of the Saviour on the N. side, and with numerous small statues, which are admirably designed and beautifully executed. The architectural portions are by W. Durllet, the plastic by Ch. Geerts (p. 71).

The other works of art in the cathedral are all very inferior in interest to the three pictures by Rubens. As their position is frequently altered, the following description cannot claim to be
permanently accurate. We begin to the S., near the Descent from the Cross, in the —

Retro-Choir. 1st Chapel (on the S.): modern stained glass, by Didron of Paris (1872), representing the Mourning over the body of Christ. — 2nd Chapel: Rubens, the Resurrection, painted for the tomb of his friend the printer Moretus (see p. 151; portrait above), half life-size; on the inside of the shutters John the Baptist and St. Martina, on the outside angels. The best view of the Assumption is obtained from this chapel. — 3rd Chapel: Artus Quellin the Younger, Marble monument of Bishop Ambrosius Capello, the only monument of a bishop in the church which has escaped destruction. — 4th Chapel: De Bakker, Last Judgment, with portraits of the Plantin family (generally covered); beneath it the tombstone of Plantin, a celebrated printer (d. 1589; see p. 151), with inscription by Justus Lipsius. — 5th Chapel: Modern stained glass by J. Béthune. — Adjacent, a carved confessional by P. Verbruggen (d. 1686), of whose workmanship there are other similar specimens in the church. — 6th Chapel: Modern stained glass by Béthune; mural decoration in the 15th cent. style by J. Baetens, a pupil of Leys; Mater Dolorosa by A. Quellin (d. 1700). — At the back of the high-altar, the Dying Mary, a large picture by Matthias Smit (17th cent.). Below it, the Marriage of the Virgin, the Visitation, and the Meeting of Mary and Elizabeth, painted with great skill by Van Brée in imitation of half-relief. In front of it, Tomb of Isabella of Bourbon (d. 1456), wife of Charles the Bold, a recumbent figure in bronze. — 7th Chapel: Otto Vaenius, Entombment; Luc. de Heere, Descent from the Cross; modern stained glass. — 8th Chapel, at present undergoing restoration: Interesting altarpiece by a Cologne master of the 14th cent., representing St. Michael and the dragon with angels and saints; to the right a somewhat altered replica of Rubens’s Christ à la paille (p. 138); stained glass of 1648 representing the arms of the Guild of St. Luke, to which this chapel belonged. — 9th Chapel: Modern carved altar with polychrome ornamentation in the mediæval style, executed by J. de Bock and J. de Wint from the design of Jos. Schadde, with scenes from the life of St. Joseph, to whom this chapel is dedicated. Paintings by L. Hendrickx: Philip IV. dedicating Belgium to St. Joseph, Pius IX. appointing Joseph patron-saint of the Roman Catholic church in Belgium. Winged altarpieces by Arn. Mytens the Elder (Crucifixion, Journey and Adoration of the Magi) and Corn. de Vos the Elder (Descent from the Cross). The calling of St. Joseph and the Marriage of Joseph and the Virgin belong to the school of Roger van der Weyden. Stained glass from designs by A. Stalins and A. Janssens, representing the tree of Jesse. Confessionals with large statues, carved in wood by Verbruggen. — 10th Chapel: Crucifix in Parian marble by Van der Neer. — 11th Chapel: Altarpiece, a Madonna and Child, after Van Dyck. — 12th
Chapel (a large one, adjoining the last): A. Quellin, Statue of St. Anthony; stained glass of 1503, commemorating a commercial treaty between Henry VII. of England and Philip I. of Castile.

Transsept. Rubens's pictures, described on pp. 129, 130. Farther on, in the N. Transsept: Stained glass of 1615 and 1616 (that above the portal portraying Archduke Albert and his consort Isabella, Godfrey de Bouillon founding the Order of the Canons of St. Michael, etc.), restored in 1866. L. Francken the Elder, Christ and the Doctors, among whom are portraits of Luther, Calvin, and Erasmus; on the wings, church-fathers. S. Transsept: Large stained-glass window by Capronnier, Old and New Testament saints; Murillo, St. Francis; M. de Vos, Marriage at Cana; O. Vænius, Last Supper. — The dome above the intersection of the nave and transept was constructed by Dom. van Waghemakere in 1533; it is adorned with an Assumption by Corn. Schut (1647).

The Nave and aisles contain some ancient and modern stained-glass Windows, the former dating from the 16th and 17th cent., but to a great extent restored, the latter executed by Capronnier in the old style. The Pulpit, of the 17th cent., with its trees, shrubs, and birds carved in wood, is by Van der Voort.

The Lady Chapel in the N. aisle contains a white marble altar, constructed in 1825 in exact imitation of an altar by Art. Quellin the Younger and P. Verbruggen the Elder, which had been destroyed in 1798. The four reliefs, representing the Annunciation, Visitation, Presentation in the Temple, and Assumption, are the original ones by Quellin. The stained glass, referring to the worship of the Virgin, was presented by Leopold II. The much-belauded head of Christ on white marble, at the entrance to the chapel, is ascribed to Da Vinci, but is really the work of a Flemish artist, name unknown.

In the S. aisle, the Passion in 14 scenes, painted in the medieval style by Vinck and Hendrickx, pupils of Leys, in 1865-67. Another painting, by Corn. Schut, represents the Holy Ghost surrounded by angels. The Chapel of the Sacrament, at the E. end of the aisle, contains an altar of the beginning of the century, a Christ at Emmaus, by Herregyns (1825), and a tabernacle by Verbruggen. The subjects of the stained glass are: Last Supper, by Rombouts, executed in 1503 and restored in 1872; St. Amandus preaching Christianity at Antwerp, St. Norbert restoring the Roman Catholic form of worship at Antwerp, both by Didron; John the Baptist and John the Evangelist, of the 15th century. — The Chapelle des Mariages contains stained glass by Van Diepenbeeck, 1635. The altarpiece is a Holy Family by H. van Balen, in a landscape by J. Brueghel. The statue of the Virgin is by A. Quellin the Elder.

Musical works by the most celebrated composers are performed at high mass (10 a.m.) on Sundays and festivals (chair 5 c.).
The *Tower (402 ft.), a beautiful and elaborate open structure, was begun by Jean Amel or his son (comp. p. 128), and completed by Dom. Waghemakere, whose name is inscribed on the highest gallery. The S. tower has only attained one-third of the projected height. Charles V. used to say that this elegant specimen of Gothic architecture ought to be preserved in a case, and Napoleon is said to have compared it to a piece of Mechlin lace. The entrance to the tower is adjacent to the W. portal. The crucifix over the door was cast in 1635 with the metal of a statue formerly erected in the citadel by Philip II., 'ex aere captivo', to the Duke of Alva.

The concierge, who lives near, at Rue des Pèlerins 14 (Pl. B, 3, 4), is generally on the spot (fee for 1 person 75 c., for 2 persons 1 fr., for each additional person 25 c.). The ascent is fatiguing; 514 steps lead to the first gallery, and 108 more to the second and highest. The spire at the top of the tower perhaps dates from 1592. The view from the second gallery is hardly more extensive than that from the lower. With the aid of a good telescope, the spectator may in clear weather follow the course of the Schelde as far as Flushing, and distinguish the towers of Bergen-op-Zoom, Breda, Brussels, Malines, and Ghent. The Chimes are among the most complete in Belgium, consisting of 99 bells, the smallest of which is only 15 inches in circumference; the largest, cast in 1507, weighs 8 tons. On the occasion of its consecration, Charles V. stood 'godfather'.

An old Well, adjacent to the principal portal, and opposite the door of the tower, is protected by a canopy of iron, and surmounted by a statue of Salvius Brabo, a mythical hero who defeated and cut off the hand of the giant Antigonus. It was executed by Quinten Muyssys (d. 1529), 'in synen tyd grofsmidt, en daernaer famues schilder' ('at one time a blacksmith, afterwards a famous painter'), according to the inscription on his tombstone adjoining the entrance to the tower of the Cathedral. (The original tombstone, of which this is a copy, is now in the Museum; p. 139.) This remarkable and talented man was originally a blacksmith from Louvain, who came to seek his fortune at Antwerp, where this work is one of the specimens of his skill. Here, according to the romantic but apocryphal story (comp. p. 140), he became enamoured of the daughter of a painter, and to propitiate the father and win the daughter he exchanged the anvil for the palette. He wooed and painted successfully, and was chiefly instrumental in raising the School of Antwerp to a celebrity equal to that of Bruges and Ghent. He was one of the first Flemish masters who adopted the showy and effective style of the Italian schools, while his execution was hardly less elaborate and faithful to nature than that of his predecessors. His masterpiece is preserved in the Museum (p. 139). A slabimmured at the above-mentioned spot in 1629 by his 'grateful and admiring posterity', bears the inscription, 'Connubialis amor de Mulcibre fecit Apellem'.

The *Hôtel de Ville situated in the Grand' Place (Pl. B, 3) in the vicinity, towards the N. of the cathedral, was erected in 1561-65 in the Renaissance style by Cornelis de Vriendt, and restored in its present form in 1581, after its partial destruc-
tion by the Spaniards. The plain façade, 93 yds. in length and 125 ft. in height, rises over a rusticated ground-floor, with arcades in two principal stories (Doric and Ionic), resting on massive pillars. Above these is a colonnade which supports the roof. The central part, with its circular arched windows, rises in three additional stories, diminishing in size as they ascend, to a height of 180 ft. In a niche above stands the Virgin as the tutelary saint of the city, a figure placed here in 1585; below this, on the right and left, are allegorical figures of Wisdom and Justice.

The Interior (which should be visited before 9 a.m. or after 4 p.m.; concierge 1 fr.; entr. in the narrow side-streets to the right and left) is now undergoing a thorough restoration from designs of M. J. Dens. The Staircase is lavishly decorated with coloured Belgian marble, and the glass roof is supported by carved wooden CARYATIDES, representing different branches of industry. On the walls are views of Antwerp in the 16-17th centuries. The finest of the rooms, all of which are embellished with carved wooden panelling, is the great hall, or SALLE LETS, decorated with a series of admirably executed paintings by H. LEYS (1814-69).

1. (to the left of the entrance), Solemn entry of Charles V., who swears to respect the privileges of the city, 1514; 2. (farther to the right, on the principal wall), The Burgomaster as head of the military forces of the town, or the Burgomaster Van Ursele entrusting the magistrate Van Spangen with the command of the municipal guard for the defence of the city, 1542; 3. Municipal rights, or the rights of citizenship conferred on Batt. Palavicini of Genoa; 4. The Burgomaster as civil chief of the town, or Margaret of Parma committing the keys of the city to the burgomaster during the troubles of 1567. Also portraits of twelve princes celebrated in the annals of the country, from Godfrey de Bouillon (1096) to Philippe le Bel (1491), most of whom granted privileges to the town.

The architectural construction of the room, closely resembling the best Italian Renaissance style, is also noteworthy. The ceiling bears the arms of the city and of the guilds. The apartment of the burgomaster contains a Chimney-piece, finely sculptured in the Renaissance style, from the old Abbey of Tongerlo, representing the Marriage of Cana, above which are the Raising of the Serpent, and Abraham's Sacrifice. There are also a few modern pictures. The other rooms contain pictures of incidents from the history of Antwerp, and also views of the city as it existed in former centuries and of its appearance just before the great alterations caused by the levelling of the old Spanish fortifications. The Salle du Conseil Communal contains ceiling-paintings of the School of Rubens (Pellegrini), a Judgment of Solomon by Floris, life-size portraits of the royal family by De Keyser and Wappers, and an elaborately carved wooden balustrade of the 16th cent., said by tradition to be the work of a prisoner of the Inquisition. In the Salle des Mariages, completed in 1883, is a Renaissance chimney-piece of the 16th cent., in black and white marble.

The space in front of the Hôtel de Ville is the best point for a view of the cathedral-tower.

Most of the houses in the Grand' Place are Guild Houses, formerly belonging to the different corporations, and dating from the 16th and 17th centuries. The most conspicuous are, on the N., the Guild Hall of the Archers (No. 17), of 1513, and the Hall of the Coopers (No. 15), of 1579; on the S.E., the House of the Tailors (No. 36), rebuilt after the pillage of the town by the Spaniards in 1644; and the Hall of the Carpenters (No. 40), 1646.

A few streets to the N. of the Hôtel de Ville are the Vieilles
Boucheries (Pl. B, 3), or old flesh-market, a lofty, late-Gothic edifice constructed in 1501-3 of regular courses of red bricks and white stone, with four hexagonal turrets at the corners. It is used as a warehouse.

In the vicinity rises the Church of St. Paul (Pl B, 3), in the late-Gothic style, which formerly belonged to the adjoining Dominican monastery. It was erected in 1540-71, but the choir was not completed until after 1621. Entrance in the Rue des Soeurs Noires (adm. in the middle of the day; knock, fee 1 Fr.).

The wall of the N. Aisle of the church is adorned with fifteen pictures: Van Baten, Annunciation; J. Francken, Visitation; M. de Vos, Nativity and Purification of Mary; Scourging of Christ, after Rubens; Van Dyck, Bearing the Cross; Rubens, Adoration of the Magi; Jordaens, Crucifixion; Vanck-Boons, Resurrection. — TRANSEPT: De Crayer, Virgin and St. Dominic; Rubens, Scourging of Christ (covered); at the altar, after Corenaggio, the Virgin giving rosaries to St. Dominic for distribution (the original was sent to Vienna as a gift to the Emp. Joseph, who sent this copy as a substitute). — CHOIR. High-altar-piece. C'est, Descent from the Cross, a work of the beginning of the present century; at the side, tombs of Henry van Varick, Margrave of Antwerp (d. 1641), his wife Anna Damant, and Bishops Ambr. Capello and Mich. Ophovius (d. 1637). — S. Aisle: altar to the right, De Crayer, Body of Christ surrounded by the Magdalene, St. John, and angels; at the entrance, Teniers the Elder, The seven Works of Mercy, a curious assemblage of cripples of every description. The fine Renaissance wood-carving of the choir-stalls, the confessionals, etc., is worthy of examination. Excellent organ.

The inner court contains a Mt. Calvary, an artificial mound covered with pieces of rock and slag, garnished with statues of saints, angels, prophets, and patriarchs, and surmounted by a crucifix. The grotto below is intended to represent the Holy Sepulchre at Jerusalem.

Following the ‘Canal des Récollets’, a street to the E. of the Church, and turning to the left through the Rue des Récollets, we reach a small Place, formed by the junction of four streets, where the entrance to the museum is situated. In the centre of the Place (Pl. B, C, 3) rises a Statue of Van Dyck, executed and presented by Leonhard de Cuyper, in 1856.

The Museum (Pl. C, 3) is open daily from 9 or 10 to 4 or 5, according to the season (Sun. and Tues., free; other days 1 Fr.). Tickets of admission, one for the Ancient Pictures and one for the Musée Moderne (p. 143), are issued in the gateway through which we pass into the garden. From the garden a portico leads into the church of an old Franciscan monastery, which contains the older paintings. The other parts of the convent are now occupied by the Académie des Beaux Arts, the successor of the mediaeval guild of St. Luke, a corporation founded for the promotion of art by Philip the Good, Duke of Burgundy, about the middle of the 15th cent., and richly endowed by Philip IV. of Spain. The number of members never exceeds twenty-five, of whom ten may be foreigners.

The Entrance Hall contains several sculptures, chiefly busts of former members of the Academy. To the right, on a lofty bronze base, is a colossal marble bust of Rubens, by Pecher, erected in 1877, on the occasion of the tercentenary anniversary of the birth of the great
master. To the left is a Statue of Van Bree (p. 128), by J. B. de Cuyper. Then busts of Wappers (by J. de Braekeleer), Herreyns (by Van de Ven), Nic. de Keyser (by Jos. Geefs), W. Geefs, J. Debay, Kiss, and Rauch (by Rietschel); a marble group by Quellin, and a few other sculptures. The walls are decorated with paintings by Nicouise de Keyser, the subjects being taken from the history of the Antwerp School of Art (best viewed from the top of the staircase).

In the principal painting over the entrance, and in the large scenes on the right and left wall, the whole of the Antwerp masters are assembled, 52 in the first, and 42 in each of the other two. In the centre of the principal picture is Antwerpia on a throne; beneath are Gothic and Renaissance art; to the left Quinten Massys in a sitting posture, and Frans Floris standing; above Massys is a group of the architects of the cathedral of Antwerp; on the right side of the picture Rubens as the principal figure; in front of him, to the left, his teacher Otto Vanni; between them Jordans, leaning over the balustrade, in a yellow robe; in front of Rubens is Corn. Schut, sitting on the steps; next him on the right, Van Dyck, who partly hides from view David Teniers the Elder in a blue dress; in the centre of the first bay Casp. de Crayer, then Jan Brueghel in a red robe, etc. The picture to our right on entering contains figures of painters and sculptors, that to the left painters and engravers. The six smaller pictures, on the right and left of the principal pieces, are intended to embody the various influences which have affected the development of Flemish art, particularly those which emanated from Italy (Raphael, Michael Angelo, etc.). The six paintings on the fourth wall, on the left and right of the door by which the gallery is entered, indicate the appreciation with which the art of Brabant has been received at Vienna, London, Paris, Amsterdam, Bologna, and Rome. The minuter details are not intelligible without a key (which may be purchased in the museum for 1 fr.).

The Museum contains about 700 pictures, many of them collected from the suppressed monasteries and churches of Antwerp.

The collection of works of the Flemish school is ample and excellent. Both the early painters, who are usually classed as belonging to the school of Van Eyck, and the later, headed by Rubens, are admirably represented. Specially noteworthy are the following: St. Barbara, by Jan van Eyck (No. 410); the Seven Sacraments, by Roger van der Weyden; the Entombment, by Quinten Massys (No. 245); the Crucifixion, by Van Dyck (No. 406); St. Francis, by Van den Hoeck (No. 381); and, among the specimens of Rubens, Christ and the two Malefactors (No. 297), the Portraits of Burgomaster Rockox and his wife (wings of No. 307), the Pietà (No. 300), and St. Theresa (No. 299). The number of other than Flemish pictures is very limited; conspicuous among them are a Crucifixion by Antonello da Messina (No. 4), and the Fisher-boy by Frans Hals (No. 188).

The Catalogue of the Antwerp Museum was the first to be arranged on scientific principles, and it is still considered a model work of the kind (4 fr.; abridgment 1 fr.). The names of the painters are also attached to the pictures.

work bequeathed to the Museum in 1876; it has unfortunately been freely retouched. The group of five men dressing themselves, to the right, seems to have been suggested by the celebrated Bathing Soldiers of Michael Angelo.

*327. *Corn. Schut*, Martyrdom of St. George, a fine and well executed composition, one of his best works. 479-482. *O. van Veen* (Otto Venius, or Vaenius, p. xlvi), four pictures: Zacchæus in the fig-tree, Call of St. Matthew, Beneficence of St. Nicholas, St. Nicholas saving his flock from perishing by famine. The composition, colouring, and drawing of these pictures bear testimony to the painter's five years' residence in Italy.

In the centre of this wall: **297. Rubens**, Christ crucified between the two thieves ('le coup de lance'), a very celebrated picture, painted for the church of the Franciscans in 1620.

This picture is remarkable for its dramatic effect, and is by no means deficient in sentiment. Longinus, the Roman officer, mounted on a grey horse, is piercing the side of the Saviour with a lance. The penitent thief, a grey-haired man, is invoking the Saviour for the last time. To the left in the foreground stands the Virgin Mother, whom Mary the wife of Cleophas in vain endeavours to console. Farther back, St. John leans against the cross of the impotent thief, weeping. Mary Magdalene, on her knees at the foot of the Cross, implores Longinus to spare the sacred body of her master. This is considered by many to be Rubens's chef d'oeuvre, and deserves the minutest inspection. There is no inaccurate drawing here, as in almost all the master's other works, and at the same time the composition and colouring are inimitable. The profile of the Magdalene is remarkably beautiful, expressive of horror and supplication, without being distorted. The whole composition is a striking example of that marvellous boldness of imagination in which Rubens is unrivalled.


*298. Rubens*, Adoration of the Magi, painted in 1624.

This gorgeous and imposing composition, on a similar scale with the Elevation of the Cross, but far less impressive, contains about twenty figures over life-size, besides camels and horses in the suite of the Three Kings, crowded into the picture, while the sumptuousness of the costumes and vessels gives the whole an overloaded effect. The king holding the goblet is a somewhat awkward figure. It must, however, be admitted that the work exhibits marvellous freedom and boldness of outline, great skill in arrangement, and a wonderful variety of attitude—all genuine attributes of Rubens. The picture is said to have been painted in a fortnight.


282. *Erasmus Quellin*, The Pool of Bethesda, a picture of vast dimensions (29 ft. in height); the lunette of this picture (No. 283) hangs above the door of the second saloon.
In the centre of the first saloon: *Kiss*, Amazon fighting with a panther, a small replica of the marble group in the museum at Berlin; *Willemssens*, Bust of Rubens.

II. Saloon. On the left, 172. *Fyt*, Two sleeping hounds, with game. 77. *Mart. de Vos*, Christ convincing the doubting Thomas; on the wings the Baptism of Christ and the Beheading of John the Baptist. *104. Corn. de Vos*, Portrait of a functionary (*knap*, i.e. ‘knave’) of the Corporation of St. Luke, painted in 1620; the artistically executed cups of gold and silver on the table at which he stands were gifts to the Academy from princes and sovereigns.


*300. Rubens*, ‘Christ à la Paille’, the body of Christ resting on a stone bench covered with straw, partly supported by Joseph of Arimatheæ, and mourned over by the Virgin, with St. John and Mary Magdalene. On the wings the Virgin and Child, and St. John the Evangelist.

This most interesting altarpiece (painted about 1617) shows by its carefully-executed details that it is one of the master’s earlier works, produced before he had adopted his bold and dashing touch. Here, too, we have a full and flowing outline and admirable ease of attitude, but there is no symptom of the master’s subsequent abuse of his power, in producing overwhelming masses of flesh and crowds of figures in forced postures. A happy mean is here observed, and there is greater beauty and sentiment than in his later works. The colouring is delicate and harmonious. The weeping Mary Magdalene is a particularly expressive figure.

402. *After Rubens* (original at Windsor), Portrait of Malderus (d. 1633), Bishop of Antwerp, attributed in the catalogue to Van Dyck.

*357. Titian*, Pope Alexander VI. presenting the Bishop of Paphos, a member of the noble family of Pesaro, to St. Peter, on the appointment of the bishop as admiral (painted about 1503; the heads freely restored); *655. Hobbema*, Mill.

**245, 246, 248. *Quinten Massys*, The dead Saviour, a scene (technically termed a ‘Pietà’) between the Deposition from the Cross and the Entombment. It was formerly an altarpiece in the cathedral, completed in 1508, and is universally regarded as the master’s *chef d’oeuvre*.

Central Picture. The funeral cortège is represented as halting at the foot of Mt. Calvary, whilst on its way from the Cross to the Sepulchre. The dead Saviour is partly supported by Nicodemus, on whose right Joseph of Arimatheæ supports the head with one hand, while with the other he removes the remaining shreds of the crown of thorns. The mother in an agony of grief kneels near the body of her Son, and is supported by St. John. On the left Mary Magdalene, to her right Salome. The corpse itself bears evident traces of the master’s anxiety to attain anatomical accuracy. Its attitude is rigid, the countenance distorted by the pangs of the death-struggle. The face of the Virgin is almost as pale as that of the dead body itself. The man with the turban, bearing the
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Crown of thorns, appears rather indignant than mournful. The expression of Joseph of Arimathea is that of pain mingled with benevolence. St. John has the rigid and almost square features, disfigured by grief, which had become the usual type of the apostle in the earlier period of art.

The Wings, which are less satisfactory than the central picture, represent the martyrdom of St. John the Baptist and St. John the Evangelist. In the former Herod is represented banqueting in an open hall, whilst the daughter of Herodias brings in the head of the Baptist. The task of depicting frivolity and vanity in the countenances of the king and the hardened mother, contrasted with an expression of greater feeling in the daughter, has evidently been attempted by the master, though not very successfully. The motion of the girl, intended to be light and elastic, is hard and forced. Some of the heads, however, are admirably finished.

— The other wing represents St. John in the cauldron of boiling oil. The executioners, in the costume of Flemish peasants, with their sun-burnt, muscular arms, are attending actively to the fire. In the background the Emp. Domitian appears, mounted on a white horse, and attended by eight horsemen.

Below the picture is placed the painter’s tombstone, a copy of which is mentioned at p. 133.


*404. Van Dyck, The dead Saviour (‘Pietà’), painted soon after his return from Italy (1628).

The Virgin is represented supporting the head of the dead Christ on her knees; St. John shows the wound made by the nail in the left hand to two angels, one of whom veils his face. The features of Christ bear traces of intense physical suffering. St. John and the angel whose beautiful face is visible wear an expression of profound grief, which however they can still express in words, whereas the anguish of the Virgin is unutterable; her head is thrown back, her arms wildly extended. The picture is chaste, the colouring subdued (now unfortunately faded); yet the tendency of the master’s school to a full and somewhat sensual outline is apparent, although the work does not altogether lack sentiment.

*307. Rubens, The doubting Thomas, on the wings half-length portraits of the Burgomaster Nic. Rockox (p. 130) and his wife Adrienne Perez. The portraits are far finer than the figures in the central picture (comp. p. xlviii). Above, 242. A. Janssens, Personification of the Schelde; 390. A. van der Neer, Landscape by moonlight. 26. J. and A. Both, Italian scene; 54. J. de Heem, Fruit; 107. Corn. de Vos, St. Norbert receiving the Host and Sacred Vessels that had been hidden during a time of war and heresy; 358. Valentin, Card-players.

End wall: 108. Corn. de Vos, Adoration of the Magi; 335, 336. Snyders, Ducks and geese, Dead game.

404. Bern, van Orley and Joachim de Patinir, Adoration of the Magi; 646. J. van Ruysdael, Waterfall. *403. Van Dyck, Entombment: the finely-balanced composition of this expressive picture and its careful execution, in which the effect of brilliant colouring is intentionally renounced, assure it a place among the masterpieces of the first rank. — *293. Rembrandt, Portrait of Saskia van Ulenburgh, his first wife, a repetition with alterations of the famous picture at Cassel (1633), and painted, according to M. Bode, by a pupil.

406. Van Dyck, Christ on the Cross, a small picture, of ghastly, but most effective colouring; the full outline of the body, however, hardly accords with the suffering expressed by the features. Human resignation is admirably expressed, but there is perhaps a deficiency in divine dignity.


*305. Rubens, Communion of St. Jerome. The figure of the saint, who is receiving his last sacrament, produces a most painful impression. The picture was painted in 1619, and Rubens's receipt for the price is still preserved ('seven hondert en vyftig gulden, tot volcomen betalinghe van een stuck schilderye door myne hand ge-maeckt', i. e. 'seven hundred and fifty florins, in full payment for a piece of painting done by my hand').

112. Frans de Vriendt, or Frans Floris, Fall of the Angels, painted in 1554, and highly esteemed by his contemporaries.

This extensive work is crowded with figures falling headlong in every conceivable attitude, and is destitute of any depth of perspective. Many of the figures are beautiful, even in their distorted positions. A fly painted on the leg of one of the falling angels has given rise to the absurd story that it was painted by Quincent Massys, and that Floris, whose daughter Massys was wooing, having been deceived by it, was satisfied with this proof of his skill, and gave his consent to the marriage. The name of the painter whose daughter Massys perhaps married (see p. 133) is unknown, while Floris was only 16 years old when Massys died.

*299. Rubens, St. Theresa interceding for souls in purgatory, one of the most pleasing pictures of the artist's later period. — 576. Unknown Master, A large triptych, in the middle St. Eligius, the apostle of Antwerp, preaching. *401. Van Dyck, Christ on the Cross, at the foot of which are St. Catherine of Siena and St. Dominic, with a stone bearing the inscription, 'Ne patris sui manibus terra gravis esset, hoc saxum cruci advolvet et huic loco donabat Antonius van Dyck', in allusion to the history of the picture, which was executed for the Dominican Nunnery in 1629 (when Van Dyck was in his 30th year), at the dying wish of the artist's father. — Marten de Vos, 83. Christ and the Pharisees ('Render therefore unto Casar'); 85. The widow's mite (1601). — 185. Ant. Goubau, Art-studies in Rome, 1662.
In the centre of this long room: Debay the Elder. Girl holding a shell to her ear. Rauck, Victoria distributing wreaths. J. Ducaju, Statuette of Leopold II. W. Geefs, Genovefa.


V. Saloon. At the entrance: *530, 531, 255, 256. Four admirable little pictures on two diptychs, almost resembling miniatures. On one of them Mary is represented with a lofty and rich crown, standing in the interior of a Gothic church; on her right
arm the Child half wrapped in the swaddling-clothes. On the back, the Saviour in a white robe with the letters Alpha and Omega, and P. and F. (Pater et Filius) on a ground of red tapestry; beneath are the armorial bearings of the two donors, date 1499. The other diptych bears the portraits of the donors, Abbots of the Cistercian Monastery of Les Dunes near Bruges. These works were formerly attributed to Memling, but are now believed to have been executed by Cornelius Horeboult, a master who flourished at Bruges about the end of the 15th century.

Most of the pictures in this saloon were bequeathed to the Museum in 1840 by the Burgomaster Van Erthorn, whose bust stands in the middle of the room. Beginning on the left: —


Above, 132. Fouquet (early-French school), Madonna and Child; 29. Dieric Bouts (?), St. Christopher; 42. Cranach the Elder, Adam and Eve; 397. Roger van der Weyden (?), Portrait of Philip the Good of Burgundy (under glass); 410. Jan van Eyck, St. Barbara, an unfinished sketch of great beauty (1435); 181. J. Gossart (Mabuse), Ecce Homo; 243. Quinten Massys, Magdalene with the box of ointment; 3. Fra Angelico da Fiesole, St. Ambrose resisting Emp. Theodosius admission to the church at Milan on account of the massacre at Thessalonica; 28. Dieric Bouts (?), Madonna; 253. School of Roger van der Weyden, A canon of St. Norbert; 396. Roger van der Weyden, Annunciation, a small picture of most delicate execution, formerly in the Convent of Lichtenthal near Baden-Baden, once erroneously attributed to Memling (under glass). 41. Antonello da Messina (one of the first Italian masters to adopt Van Eyck's method of painting in oil), Mt. Calvary, Christ on the Cross with the malefactor at each side; in the foreground SS. Mary and John. The picture (which bears the date 1475) presents a
curious combination of the Flemish minuteness of detail with Italian forms. 250. Quinten Massys, Head of Christ. — *411. Jan van Eyck, Madonna in a blue robe, and the Child in her arms playing with a rosary; to the right a fountain; her feet rest on rich drapery held by two angels behind her. The picture, which bears the painter's name and motto, and the date 1439, resembles the so-called Madonna of the Seminary in the Archiepiscopal Museum at Cologne. — 124. A. Dürer (?), Elector Frederick III. of Saxony, in grisaille; 336. Gerard van der Meere (?), Crucifixion.

*393. Roger van der Weyden, Sacrament of the altar, flanked by two wings representing the six other Romish sacraments.

The scene is in a spacious Gothic church, the architecture of which seems to unite the groups. This picture, the gem of the burgomaster's collection, is brilliantly executed. The crucifixion in the foreground introduces an effective dramatic element into the picture; and the spectator can hardly fail to sympathise with the distress of the women mourning there, as well as with the holy joy which lights up the features of the dying persons receiving the extreme unction. The angels above the various groups, robed in symbolical colours, are particularly well drawn.


In another part of the building is the Musée Moderne, or Gallery of Modern Pictures, the entrance to which is between Nos. 32 and 34 in the Rue de Vénus (Pl. C. 3; comp. p. 135). Catalogue attached as a supplement to that of the Ancient Pictures. Every three years, between August and October, the great Belgian Exhibition of Art, held in the intervening years at Brussels and Ghent, takes place here.

After passing through the vestibule we turn to the left into Room I. To the left, 34. P. v. Cornelius, Hagen plunging the Nibelungen treasure


Near this point, Rue de l'Empereur 5, is the old house of Burgomaster Rockox, the façade of which was designed by Rubens. — The Military Hospital (Pl. 33; E, 4) was once the house of
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Burgomaster van Liere, who here entertained Charles V. during his visit to Antwerp in 1521. Dürer praises the building in his diary.

A few streets farther N., near the Avenue du Commerce (p. 149), is situated the small church of St. Antoine (Pl. C, 2), or Church of the Capuchins, erected in 1589, and containing two valuable pictures. On the W. wall of the left aisle, *Christ mourned over by his friends and two angels, by Van Dyck. In the choir, the first picture on the left, St. Anthony receiving the Infant Jesus from the arms of the Virgin, by Rubens. Opposite the last, St. Anthony with the stigmata, after Rubens.

Near the Museum are two Private Picture Galleries, the first of which is open to lovers of the fine arts daily, the other daily except Thurs. and Frid. (fee 1 fr.).

MME. J. J. Wuyts, Rue du Jardin 12 (near the Rue Zirk, Pl. B, 3), possesses a collection of about 100 pictures, by old painters, arranged in a hall lighted from above. The catalogue attributes some of them to the great masters: Rubens (Madonna), Van Dyck, Teniers (The jealous wife), Rembrandt (Portrait of a girl), Th. de Keyser, Jan Steen (The doctor's visit), Höbbema, Miériis, Maes, Brouwer, Velazquez (several portraits), Murillo, etc. The fees for admission are devoted to charitable purposes.

M. Notebohm, Rue du Fagot 3 (Pl. B, 3), possesses upwards of 60 good modern pictures: P. Delaroché, Holy Family; Ary Scheffer, Faust and Marguerite, The king of Thule; Bellangé, Napoleon visiting the wounded after the battle of Austerlitz; Gallait, The happy and unhappy mother; Koekkoek, Landscapes: Lessing, Luther burning the papal bull; Leop. Robert, Neapolitan fishermen playing the mandoline; Gude, Norwegian landscape; Calame, Swiss landscape; J. A. van der Ven, Eve and the Serpent, and Jos. Geefs, Girl at a brook, two marble statues. In a separate room, eight ancient works: Murillo, Assumption; Stingeland, Portraits.

Between the Museum and the Cathedral lies the former Jesuits' Church (St. Charles Borromée; Pl. D, 3), built in 1614-21 by the Jesuit Fr. Aquillon from plans by Rubens, and sumptuously adorned with marble and works of art. Rubens himself furnished for it no fewer than 30 pictures. The structure was unfortunately struck by lightning in 1718 and burned to the ground, with the exception of the choir with its two side-chapels containing three large altar-pieces (Assumption, Miracles of St. Ignatius Loyola, and St. Francis Xavier), now preserved in the Belvedere Gallery at Vienna. The church was rebuilt in the style of the original edifice, though with less magnificence. Handsome façade. Pleasing bell-tower in the Renaissance style.

The Interior is in the form of a basilica with galleries. Round the walls, to a height of about 10 ft. from the floor, runs a handsome carved wooden wainscoting with medallions representing scenes from the lives of SS. Ignatius and Francis Xavier, by Baurscheidt (d. 1745) and Van der Voort (d. 1737). The high-altar was designed by Rubens. Over the altar the three following paintings are exhibited alternately: C. Schut (d. 1655), Madonna enthroned; Seghers, Christ on the Cross; Wappers, The Virgin interceding. The statues of SS. Francis Borgia and Francis Xavier are by A. Quellin, those of SS. Ignatius and Aloysius by A. Collyns de Nole (17th cent.). The Virgin's Chapel still contains some specimens of the marble decoration of the building of 1618. The Chapel of St. Francis
Xavier contains a painting by Seghers, St. Francis kneeling before the Virgin. In the Sacristy is a handsome ivory crucifix of the 17th century.

The building to the W. of the church, recently restored, contains the Municipal Library, which is open to the public on weekdays, 9.30 to 4. In front of it is a monument to Hendrik Conscience, the Flemish novelist (d. 1883), by Fr. Joris.

The Longue Rue Neuve leads hence to the right to the *Bourse, or Exchange (Pl. C, 2), erected in 1869-72 on the site of a fine late-Gothic structure of 1531 (by Dom. van Waghemakere), which was burned down in 1858. The new edifice, designed by Jos. Schadde, is in the same style as its predecessor, but on a much larger scale, and has an entrance on each of the four sides. The hall, which is covered with glass, is 56 yds. long and 44 yds. wide, and is surrounded by a double arcade borne by 68 columns, opening towards the centre in Moorish-Gothic trefoil arches. Above these is a gallery borne by 38 columns, adjoining which are the Tribunal de Commerce and the Telegraph Office. The ceiling is borne by an elegant wrought-iron framework, and the walls are adorned with the arms of Antwerp, the Belgian lion, and the arms of the different provinces of Belgium. In the angles between the arches are the arms of the chief sea-faring nations. Business-hour 1-2 p.m.

The *Church of St. Jacques (Pl. C, 3), in the late-Gothic style, was begun in 1491 from designs by Her. van Waghemakere and carried on after his death by Dom. van Waghemakere, but was still unfinished in 1526 when the work was discontinued. In 1602 after the subsidence of the religious troubles of the latter half of the 16th century, the works were resumed, and the church completed in 1656 (the chief portal being added in 1694). It is a cruciform structure, flanked with chapels on each side and in the choir also, and is the principal church in Antwerp after the cathedral, which it far surpasses in the sumptuousness of its monuments and decorations. The wealthiest and most distinguished families at Antwerp here possessed their burial-vaults, private chapels, and altars, the most interesting of which is that of the family of Rubens, in the choir, at the back of the high-altar.

The principal entrance is on the S. side, in the Longue Rue Neuve (open for the inspection of the works of art between 12 and 4 p.m.; sacristan's fee 1 fr. for each pers.; visitors knock at the door).

The Interior, which is of harmonious proportions, is lighted by fine stained-glass windows, both ancient and modern, the former having been chiefly executed by A. van Diepenbeeck and Van der Veeken, the latter by J. Capronnier (p. 76).

S. Aisle. We begin to the W. 1st Chapel: A. van Dyck, St. George and the dragon; opposite, wooden figure of St. Sebastian, by A. Quellin. The reliefs, representing scenes from the Passion, in this chapel and several of those following are by J. Geefs, J. de Cuypers, and L. de Cuypers. — 2nd Chapel: M. de Vos, Temptation
of St. Anthony. Monument of the Burgomaster Van Ertborn (p. 142), with a Madonna by Guido Reni. — 3rd Chapel: E. Quellin, St. Rochus cured of the plague, 1660. This and the two following chapels contain twelve small scenes from the life of St. Rochus, executed in 1517. — 4th Chapel: Altarpiece and pictures opposite, by O. Vaenius. — 5th Chapel: Fr. Floris, Women occupied with the Infant Christ and St. John; opposite, monument of Church-warden Nicolas Mertens (d. 1586) and his wife, with portraits, by Ambr. Francken. — 6th Chapel: M. Coxie, Baptism of Christ; Marten de Vos, Martyrdom of St. James, the wings by Francken (Daughter of Jairus, Canaanite woman; on the back, Gethsemane).

TRANSEPT. Marble statues of the Apostles by Van der Voort, Kerricx, De Cuyper, and others. To the right and left at the beginning of the choir: Resurrection by E. Dujardin (1862), and Assumption by Boeyermans (1671). In the S. arm: Elevation of the Cross, a high-relief by Van der Voort, 1719. Above the portal: Honthorst, Christ expelling the money-changers from the Temple, the wings by De Crayer.

CHOR. The rocco high-altar is by Ykens, the ornamentation by Kerricx, L. Willemssens, etc. The choir-stalls were carved by the older and younger Quellin. The stained-glass window is by Van Diepenbeeck, 1644. — The S. transept is adjoined by the —

CHAPEL OF THE HOST, containing a marble altar and statues of SS. Peter and Paul, by P. Verbruggen, L. Willemssens, and Kerricx. The pictures are by P. Thys (Adoration of the Host; altarpiece), E. van Donk (Peter's repentance), Jan Massys (Madonna and Child), etc. The *Stained Glass of 1626 represents Rudolph of Hapsburg giving his horse to the priest carrying the monstrance, with the donors below.

RETRO-CHOR. — By the wall, Confessionals by A. Quellin, Willemssens, and others. Above the first of these: Goubau (d. 1618), Dead body of Christ; M. de Vos, Ecce Homo (1562); Verlinde, Madonna (1870). — 1st Chapel: H. van Balen the Elder, Trinity; opposite, Calling of St. Peter to the Apostleship (Peter giving Christ the fish with the piece of money), ascribed to A. van Noort, one of the masters of Rubens. Below, after Van Dyck, Christ on the Cross (original in the Museum). — On the wall of the choir opposite: Corn. Schut, Mary weeping over the body of Christ. — 2nd Chapel: Seghers, St. Ivo. — 3rd Chapel: Seghers, Appearing of Christ. Van der Voort, Christ scourged, a group in marble. Above the next door: Coronation of the Virgin, Nativity, and Adoration of the Magi, winged picture by A. Janssens (d. 1631).

4th. *Rubens Chapel. The tomb of the illustrious painter (d. 30th May, 1640, at the age of 64) was covered by a new tombstone in 1755, bearing a long inscription in Latin. The altarpiece of this chapel is a fine work by Rubens.

The Holy Child is represented sitting in the lap of the Virgin in
an arbour, and worshipped by St. Bonaventura. Behind the Madonna is St. Jerome, while on the other side is St. George with three holy women. According to tradition these saints are all family portraits. St. Jerome is said to be the father of Rubens, St. George the painter himself, and the three women his two wives and Mademoiselle Lunden, whose portrait in the National Gallery at London is famous under the name of the 'Chapeau de paille'. The tradition is, however, doubtful, for the execution of the work differs from that usual with Rubens in his later years, in which alone the portraits could have been painted.

The marble statue of the Virgin, the two angels, and the upper portion of the altar, are probably the work of Luc. Fayd'herbe (d. 1694), with whom Rubens was intimate. On the right and left are the monuments of two female descendants of Rubens, executed by W. Geefs in 1839 and 1850. Also, Th. Rombouts, Betrothal of St. Catherine.


The Chapel of the Virgin, in the N. transept, contains stained glass by De la Baer (1641); also, on the altar, A. Quellin the Elder, Pietà, a small painted sculpture in wood, 1650.


N. Aisle. 2nd Chapel: M. de Vos, Glory, a winged picture; Peter van den Avont, Madonna and the Child in a garden, surrounded by angel musicians; stained glass representing the Last Supper, with portraits of the donors, 1538. — 3rd Chapel: B. v. Orley, Last Judgment; on the wings St. George and the Burgomaster Rockox (p. 130), the donor of the picture, with his three sons; and St. Catherine and the wife of the burgomaster, with their eleven daughters. — 4th Chapel: Van Balen, Adoration of the Magi, on the wings Annunciation and Visitation; Ryckaert, Portrait of J. Doncker and his wife (above their tomb). — 5th Chapel: Altarpiece of no great merit; M. de Vos, Mary entering the Temple; Tomb of Corn. Lantschot (d. 1656). — 6th Chapel: Tomb of the Spanish general Del Pico (d. 1693). — In the nave, *Pulpit by Willemsens, with the Evangelists and allegorical figures of Faith, Religion, etc. (1675).

The Institut de Commerce (Pl. C, 3), in the Rue du Chêne, to the S. of the church of St. Jacques, contains a commercial museum.

At the E. end of the Longue Rue Neuve rises the new Flemish Theatre, or Schouwburg (Pl. C, 3), erected by Dens in 1869-72. Inscription on the W. side, towards the Place de la Commune:
‘Vrede baart kunst, kunst veredelt het volk’ (peace begets art, art ennobles the people).

At the Place de la Commune (Pl. C, 3), on the N.E. side of which stands the Athénée Royal, by Dens, completed in 1884, we reach the ring of spacious streets constructed on the site of the ramparts that formerly encircled the old town and were removed in 1859. To the N. runs the Avenue du Commerce, with a new Scandinavian Lutheran Church, in the Gothic style (near the Capuchin church, p. 145); to the S. are the Avenue des Arts, the Avenue de l’Industrie, and the Avenue du Sud, leading to the South Station and the International Exhibition of 1885. These avenues are all shaded with rows of trees.

Near the beginning of the Avenue des Arts, to the left, is the Panorama of Waterloo (p. 125). Opposite is the small Place Teniers (Pl. C, 3), embellished with a statue of David Teniers, by Ducaju, erected in 1867. The short Rue Leys, containing the house (No. 12) formerly occupied by Hendrik Leys, the painter, leads hence to the W. to the Place de Meir (see below).

Farther on, on the W. side of the Avenue des Arts, are the Avenue Marie Thérèse and the Avenue Louise Maria, both leading to the Park (p. 153). The latter is embellished with a statue of Hendrik Leys, by Jos. Ducaju, erected in 1873.

At the end of the Avenue des Arts, to the right, stands the new National Bank (Pl. C, 5), with its round corner-turrets, designed by Beyart, who has employed the Flemish Renaissance style in this case also (comp. p. 72). The architectural details are admirably executed. In time of war the building is intended to serve as the depository of the national treasury. In front of the bank is a fountain. Behind it is the Place Léopold (p. 150).

At the end of the Avenue de l’Industrie (Pl. C, 5), on the E. side, is the new Palace of Justice, erected by Baeckelmans in the French style, and resembling the châteaux of the period of Louis XIII.

The Avenue du Sud passes the art-gallery annexe of the International Exhibition and ends opposite the main entrance (p. 152).

Parallel with the Longue Rue Neuve (p. 146) runs the street called the Place de Meir (Pl. C, 3, 4), one of the broadest in Antwerp, formed by the arching over of a canal, and flanked with handsome new houses, most of them in the baroque or rococo style. No. 50 is the Royal Palace, erected in 1755 from plans by Jan Pieter van Baurscheidt, for a wealthy citizen of Antwerp. No. 52, a little farther to the E., is Rubens’s House, with two Corinthian columns, and richly decorated. It was built from the designs of Rubens himself in 1611, almost entirely rebuilt in 1703, and restored in 1864. On the top is a bust of its former illustrious owner,
who died here on 30th May, 1640. The only remaining part of the original house is a handsome portico with sculptures by Fayd’herbe, now in the garden of a house to the left (No. 7) in the neighbouring Rue Rubens (visitors admitted). — The Rue Leys (p. 149) forms a prolongation of the Place de Meir and leads to the Place Teniers (p. 149).

The streets diverging to the S. from the Place de Meir lead to the French Théâtre Royal (Pl. C, 4), completed in 1834. Over the windows of the circular part of the structure on the W. side are niches containing busts of distinguished dramatists and composers of all nations. On the parapet above are the nine Muses.

Adjacent is the well-kept Botanic Garden (Pl. C, 4), which contains a fine palm-house and a statue of P. Coudenberg, an Antwerp botanist of the 16th cent., by De Cuyper.

In the vicinity is the St. Elizabeth Hospital. — The small Place Léopold (Pl. C, 4) is embellished with an Equestrian Statue of Leopold I., in bronze, designed by J. Geefs. The stone pedestal bears a double inscription, in Flemish and French. — We now return, passing the National Bank, to the Avenue des Arts (p. 149).

The Maison des Orphelines, or girls’ orphanage, Longue Rue de l’Hôpital 29, was built in 1552. Above the door is a relief representing a school of the 16th century. The orphanage contains a small collection of ecclesiastical antiquities (‘Museum der Burgerlyken Godshuizen’), which is open on Sun. and Thurs., from 11 to 3 (50 c.; at other times apply to the Portier). In the chapel is a portrait of Burgomaster Rockox (p. 130).

The Gothic Church of St. George (Pl. C, 4, 5), by sluys, consecrated in 1853, with its two lofty spires, contains fine mural *Paintings by Guffens and Swerts (p. 71), executed in 1859-68.

The subjects are the Childhood and Youth of Christ, down to the Entry into Jerusalem (right aisle, beginning at the choir); the Sufferings of Christ, the Resurrection, Ascension, Descent of the Holy Ghost (left aisle, beginning at the door); Christ with the Virgin, Joseph, St. George, and the Apostles and Evangelists (in the choir).

From the S.W. corner of the Place Verte (p. 128) diverges a wide new street, named the Rue Nationale (Pl. B, 4, 5), which unites the centre of the old town with the growing quarter in the S.W. part of the new town. Near the beginning of it is a monument (Pl. B, 4) to the memory of Theod. van Ryswyck, a Flemish poet who died in 1849.

A little to the E. is the Church of the Augustines (Pl. B, 4), erected in 1615, which possesses a large altarpiece with numerous figures, by Rubens, representing the ‘Nuptials of St. Catherine with the Infant Jesus’. This excellent work is unfortunately in bad preservation.

Also, to the right of the principal entrance: Cels (1778), Elizabeth and Mary; Lens (d. 1872), Presentation in the Temple. On the left: Van
Brée, Baptism of St. Augustine. Further on, to the right, the Martyrdom of St. Apollonia as an altarpiece, by Jordaens; to the left, Van Dyck. The Vision of St. Augustine. The high-altar, over which is the above-mentioned work of Rubens, is by Verbruggen. On the right of the choir a modern chapel in the Romanesque style, with frescoes by Bellemans.

A side-street, diverging to the W. from the Rue Nationale, leads to the small Place du Vendredi, in the S.W. angle of which is the *Musée Plantin-Moretus* (Pl. B, 4), established in the house of the celebrated printer Christopher Plantin (1514-89), who set up his printing-office at Antwerp in 1555. From 1579 down to the present day the business was carried on in this building, at first by Plantin himself, and afterwards by the family of his son-in-law Moretus. After the middle of the 17th cent. the operations of the firm were confined to the printing of mass and prayer-books, for which Plantin had received a monopoly from Philip II. for the dominions of the Spanish crown. When this privilege was withdrawn in the year 1800, the printing-office was temporarily closed, and afterwards it was only used at intervals down to 1875, when the building with its antique furniture, tapestry, paintings (90 portraits, including 14 by Rubens and 2 by Van Dyck), and other collections, was purchased by the city of Antwerp. The house therefore now presents a unique picture of the dwelling and contiguous business-premises of a Flemish patrician of the end of the 16th century. Adm. daily 10-4, Sat. excepted, 1 fr. Interesting catalogue by Max. Rooses, 1 fr.

**Ground Floor.** In the vestibule we turn to the right at the foot of the staircase, and enter Room I, which contains some fine old Flemish tapestry and a tortoise-shell table. — Room II. contains several admirable family-portraits. To the right, above the modern mantel-piece in the Renaissance style, hangs a portrait of Plantin by Frans Pourbus the Elder (1578), which served as a model for the other portrait, by Rubens, to the right of the door of exit. Rubens also painted the portraits of Jeanne Rivière, Plantin's wife; of Martina Plantin (by the window); of John Moretus, son-in-law of Plantin (d. 1610); and of Adriana Gras, Arias Montanus, Justus Lipsius, Abraham Ortelius, and P. Plantin. Most, however, are merely school-pieces. On the exit-wall are two sketches by Rubens; also two fine portraits by Thos. Bosschaert, surnamed Willebords: Balthasar Moretus, under whom the printing-office enjoyed a new lease of success and fame in 1618-41, and Gévantius, the Town Clerk, a friend of Moretus and Rubens. In the centre, under glass: Drawings, Title-pages, Vignettes, partly by Rubens, who, as appears from receipts which are still preserved (in the middle of the window-wall), frequently drew designs for printers; also Erasmus Quellin, Bernard van Orley, Marten de Vos, and others. Two fine cabinets of the 17th century. — Room III. also contains portraits. To the left of the entrance: Balthasar Moretus on his death-bed, by Bosschaert (Willebords); Magdalena Plantin and her husband, Gilles Beyes, by an unknown painter. Among the other portraits are several copies by Rubens of Italian works, including Pope Leo X. after Raphael. In the centre: Miniatures from the 10th to the 16th cent.; specimens of Plantin's printing. Above the mantel-piece: Copy of the large boar-hunt by Rubens, now at Munich. — We now cross the medieval-looking Court, where we see numerous repetitions of Plantin's motto, 'Labore et constantia.' One side is entirely covered by the branches of an aged vine. Below the arcade, to the right, are the Sale Rooms, with a separate entrance from the street; they are embellished with old Flemish tapestry and oaken panelling (partly restored). One
of them contains a painted spinet of the 17th century. On the other
side of the court is the Printing Office, where everything is left ar-
 ranged as if 'work were to be resumed to-morrow. We first enter the
Proof-readers' Room, where old proof-sheets, first impressions, etc., are
still lying on the desks and benches. Next to this are the Propri
tor's Office, with gilt-leather hangings, and the so-called Room of Justus
Lipsius, with Spanish leather hangings, where the distinguished critic
and philologist is said to have been lodged when visiting his publisher
Moretus. A passage leads hence to the Type Room, with old matrices, etc.,
and to the Composing and Printing Room, by the exit-wall of which
stand two presses of the 16th century.

We now re-cross the court and ascend the stairs to the First Floor.
Two rooms here contain specimens of the work of several famous print-
ing-offices and Chinese porcelain, and two others a collection of wood-cuts
and a coloured view of Antwerp in 1565. We may next visit the library,
and a room containing the titles to the different privileges enjoyed by
Plantin. In other rooms are preserved copper-plates after Rubens, Jor-
daens, and Van Dyck, and numerous fine specimens of early printing.
There is also a type-foundry, etc.

A little to the S., but nearer the Rue Nationale, stands the
Church of St. Andrew (Pl. B, 4), a late-Gothic edifice of 1514-23,
containing several works of art.

The pulpit, in carved wood, is by Van Geest and Van Hool (18th cent.).
St. Peter and St. Andrew are represented in a boat on the sea, from
which they are summoned by the Saviour; life-size figures, finely exe-
cuted. In the N. Chapels of the Choir: Govaerts, Flight into Egypt;
Seghers, St. Anna instructing the Virgin. Choir: O. Vaeusius, Crucifixion
of St. Andrew; Erasmus Quellin the Younger, Guardian angel of youth.
S. Chapel of the Choir: Franck, Last Supper (altar-piece); Seghers,
Raising of Lazarus; E. Quellin, Christ at Emmaus; E. Quellin, Holy
Family. By the choir are two statues, (left) St. Peter by A. Quellin the
Younger, and (right) St. Paul by Ziegens. In the Transepts several modern
pictures, by Verlat, Van Eycken, and others. Side-altar on the S.:
Peyp, Crucifixion; on the N., Franck, St. Anna teaching children, a work
with numerous figures. The aisles contain a number of large modern pictures.
On a pillar in the S. Transept is a small medallion-portrait of Mary
Queen of Scots (by Pourbus), with an inscription in memory of that un-
fortunate sovereign, and of two of her ladies-in-waiting who are interred
in this church.

To the S. the Rue Nationale is continued by the Rue du Peuple
(Pl. B, 5), leading to one of the four entrances of the International
Exhibition. In the Place Marnix, to the E. of the Rue du Peuple,
a monument by Winders was erected in 1883 to commemorate the
abolition of the river dues of the Schelde in 1863, an event to
which Antwerp owes most of her present prosperity (see p. 127).
The Rue du Peuple passes the Place du Peuple, in which a new
building is being constructed for the museum.

The International Exhibition (Pl. B, C, 6), opened on May
2nd, 1885, lies in the S.W. corner of the town. It occupies a
space of nearly 80 acres, which is about double that of the London
Exhibition of 1862 and half that of the Paris Exhibition of 1878.
The main entrance is in the Avenue du Sud (p. 149), and there
are other entrances in the Place du Trône (Pl. B, 6), the Place du
Peuple (Pl. B, 5), and the Quai Flamand (Pl. A, B, 5). Admission
1 fr.; in the evening, with illumination, 50 c. to the park and 50 c.
to the building; season-ticket 20 fr.
The pleasantest Promenades within the town limits are the Zoological Garden, the Park, and the Pépinière, in all of which bands perform several times a week (see p. 125).

The *Zoological Garden* ("Dierentuin"; Pl. D, 3, 4), which is entered from the Rue Carnot, was founded in 1843 and then lay outside the town, between it and the suburb of Borgerhout. It is one of the best in Europe (admission 1 fr.). Concerts in summer on Sun., Tues., and Thurs. afternoons or evenings. The carnivora are fed daily at 5 p.m. (Sat. excepted), the seals at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. The *Panorama of the Battle of Wörth* (Pl. D, 4) has been mentioned at p. 125.

The old E. suburb of Borgerhout is adorned with a *Statue of Carnot*, the defender of the city in 1811, situated in the place of the same name (Pl. E, 3). To the N. is a large new Hospital (Pl. E, 2).

The *Park* (Pl. C, D, 4) occupies the site of an old lunette, the moats of which have been converted into an ornamental sheet of water, spanned by a lofty chain-bridge (view). In the W. angle of the Park is a statue of the painter *Quinten Massys* (Pl. D, 4), by H. de Braekeleer, erected in 1888. The space in front of the church of St. Joseph (see below) is embellished with the *Monument Loos*, erected in commemoration of the destruction of the old fortifications, which were built during the Spanish domination and existed down to 1859. It consists of a statue of Antwerpia on a lofty base, surrounded with figures representing commerce and navigation. In front is a marble bust of Burgomaster J. F. Loos (1848–62). The monument was designed and executed by *Jules Pecher*.

— Opposite, at the corner of the Avenue Quentin Massys and the Avenue Plantin (Pl. D, 4), is a magnificent house in the Flemish style, recently erected for M. Ed. Moretus-Plantin (comp. p. 151) from the designs of *J. Stordiau*. The medallions on the façade represent distinguished men connected with the history of the Plantin printing-house.

Between the Avenue Moretus, which leads hence to the E., and the Avenue Charlotte, leading to the S.E., rises the new *Church of St. Joseph* (Pl. D, 5), a Romanesque building by *Gife*. The interior contains fine altars and a handsome pulpit, and is adorned with stained glass and frescoes of the Passion, the latter by Hendrix. At the point where the Avenue Moretus meets the Boulevard Léopold rises the *Monument of Van Schoonbeke* (Pl. D, 5), one of the most distinguished citizens of Antwerp in the middle of the 15th century. In the Boul. Léopold, opposite the end of the Avenue Charlotte, is a colossal statue, designed by Ducaju, of *Boduognatus*, a Belgian chief, who opposed the invasion of Julius Caesar.

The Boulevard Léopold ends on the S.W. at the Chaussée de Malines, opposite the entrance to the *Pépinière* (Pl. D, 6), or arbaboricultural garden, which has been converted into a pleasant park,
in the English style, by Keilig, who laid out the grounds at the Bois de la Cambre, near Brussels (p. 103). The new Basilique du Sacré Coeur, in the adjacent Avenue de Mérode, built by Bilmeyer and Van Riel, contains some stained-glass windows by L. Lefèvre of Paris and an altar by Armand Calliat of Lyons.

Visitors who wish to inspect the new and formidable circumvallation of Antwerp may make use of one of the tramway lines which connect the interior of the city with the various gates, e.g. the Porte de Malines (in the former suburb of Berchem, Pl. E, 7), which is itself interesting in an architectural point of view.

The influence of the tide is perceptible on the Schelde a long way above Antwerp, and at the city the difference between high and low water amounts to 12-25 ft. (‘Bisque die refluo me flumen Scaldis honorat’). Along the river extend the handsome and busy Wharfs, or Quais, which are now nearing the conclusion of a process of complete reconstruction and extension. The river, the width of which at Antwerp formerly varied from 900 to 2000 ft., has been confined to a channel with a uniform width of 1150 ft. and a uniform depth of 25 ft. These alterations, the total cost of which is estimated at 38,275,000 fr. (1,530,000£.), have, along with the new Docks, made Antwerp one of the first harbours in the world. The quay-frontage is upwards of 2 M. long.

Along the quays lie the steamers of the regular lines, which ply at fixed intervals and to definite ports. The most interesting are the gigantic transatlantic liners ‘Noordland’ and ‘Westernland’, belonging to the Red Star Line, which lie either at the Quai Cockerill (Pl. A, 5) or the Quai du Rhin (Pl. B, 1, 2). Tickets admitting visitors to inspect the interior are granted, without charge, on application to Messrs. Van der Becke & Marsily, Rue du Rivage 2 (Pl. B, 4).

The picturesque appearance of the town as viewed from the river has unfortunately been much altered by the recent improvements. Almost the only older buildings that have been left standing are the Porte de l’Escaut and the Steen.

The Porte de l’Escaut (Pl. B, 4), a gateway designed by Rubens and adorned with sculptures by A. Quellin, has been removed from its position on the Quai van Dyck to the Quai Plantin, a little lower down; it bears an inscription dedicated by the ‘Senatus Populusque Antverpienses’ to the ‘Magnus Philippus’ (1624). This prince was Philip IV., great-grandson of the Emp. Charles V., who reigned from 1621 to 1665, and under whom Spain entirely lost her prestige, having been deprived of Portugal in 1640, and finally of the Netherlands in 1648.

The Steen (Pl. B, 3) originally formed part of the Castle of Antwerp, which remained in the hands of the lords of the soil till 1549, when Charles V. made it over to the burghers of Antwerp. It was afterwards the seat of the Spanish Inquisition, and is now
occupied by the Museum van Oudheden (daily, 10-4, free), a collection of antiquities, handsome furniture of the 15th-17th cent., weapons, and old views of Antwerp. The court is adorned with columns from the old Exchange (comp. p. 146). The dungeons, 'oubliettes', etc., still bear sombre witness to its former history.

The *Docks (Pl. B, C, 1, 2) lie at the N. end of the town and cover an area of upwards of 250 acres. They are filled with large steamers and merchantmen, which here receive or discharge their cargoes with the aid of gigantic and noiseless hydraulic cranes, worked by a subterranean aqueduct. The goods are transferred by the cranes directly from the vessels to the railway trucks, of which about 2500 leave Antwerp harbour daily for different parts of Europe.

The two older basins, the Grand and Petit Bassin, were constructed by Napoleon (1804-13), at a cost of 13 million francs, in consequence of a decree of 21st July, 1803, constituting Antwerp the principal naval station of the N.W. coast of France. The small dock is capable of containing 100, and the large one 250 vessels of moderate tonnage. The accommodation afforded by these docks proving insufficient, the Bassin du Kattendyck, 770 yds. long and 110 yds. wide, was constructed in 1859-60; it is connected with the river by a sluice and with the Grand Bassin by the Bassin de Jonction, added in 1869. To the N. of the sluice are several Cales Sèches, or dry docks, connected with the Bassin du Kattendyck by sluice-gates. To the E. are the Bassin aux Bois, the Bassin de la Campine, and the Bassin du Canal, all of large dimensions. Further extensions are being carried out on the site of the old N. citadel (above Pl. A, 1).

The Docks are surrounded with large warehouses, one of which, the Maison Hanséatique, possesses considerable historical interest. This massive and venerable building, 265 ft. long and 213 ft. broad, erected in 1564-8 from the plans of Cornelis de Vriendt, stands between the two older docks and was originally employed as the warehouse of the Hanseatic cities. It bears the inscription: Sacri Romani Imperii Domus Hansae Teutonicae, with the armorial bearings of the three cities of the League. It is named the 'Osterlingshuis' by the Flemings. In 1863 it was ceded by the Hanseatic towns to the Belgian government, as an equivalent for all river-dues exigible from their vessels. The building is now being restored.—The largest warehouse is the Entrepôt Royal (Pl. C, 3), to the E. of the Grand Bassin, erected in 1829-32 at a cost of 3,680,000 fr. as a royal custom-house and bonded warehouse, but recently purchased by the town for 31½ million francs. The powerful steam-elevators here are interesting.

A good survey of Antwerp is obtained from Vlaamsch Hoofd, or Tête de Flandre, on the left bank of the Schelde, to which a steamer crosses every 1¼ hr. (6 c.). Napoleon considered this a
more advantageous site than that of Antwerp, and proposed building a town here. — Railway through the Waesland to Ghent, see p. 56.

During the siege of Antwerp in 1832 (p. 127) the Dutch cut through the dyke above Vlaamsch Hoofd, thereby laying the whole of the surrounding country, even the high-road, under three feet of water, so that no vehicle could reach the tête-de-pont of Antwerp. Twelve Dutch gun-boats cruised over the polders or fields, which lie much lower than the sea-level. In this condition the environs remained for three years. The soil, covered with sea-sand by the action of the tides, and impregnated with salt, was rendered quite unfit for cultivation, and in many places resembled the sea-shore. The restoration of the dyke alone cost 2,000,000 fr.

About 21 M. to the N.E. of Antwerp (diligence daily in 4½ hrs.; fare 3 fr.), and about 10 M. from Turnhout (p. 123), lies Hoogstraten (Hôtel de la Campine), a village with 2000 inh., the centre of the Campine Anversoise, or moorland district round Antwerp. The late-Gothic Church of St. Catharine is an interesting brick building of the 1st half of the 16th century. The choir and transept contain beautiful stained glass of 1520-50, restored in 1846; fine stalls; and the alabaster tomb of Count Lolaing-Hoogstraten (d. 1540), the founder of the church, and his wife. The Hôtel de Ville, dating from the end of the 16th cent., is a plain brick structure in the Renaissance style. The old Château, now a poor-house, lies on the brook March, a little to the N. of the village.

16. From Antwerp to Rotterdam.

(A.) Railway Journey.

59 M. Railway in 3½-4 hrs.; fares 8 fr. 90, 6 fr. 70, 4 fr. 75 c. (or 4 fl. 75, 3 fl. 75, 2 fl. 45 cents). The only points of interest on the line are the handsome bridges over the Hollandsch Diep, the Maas at Dordrecht, and the Lek at Rotterdam.

The train starts from the central station, traverses the suburb of Borgerhout, passes the station Anvers-Dam, near the docks, and intersects the new fortifications. 7 M. Eeckeren, with numerous villas of well-to-do Antwerp merchants. We then traverse the monotonous moorlands of the Campine Anversoise. 7½ M. Cappellen, also with several country-seats. About 3 M. to the N.W., just beyond the Dutch frontier, lies the village of Putten, in the church-yard of which is buried Jacob Jordaens (d. 1678), the painter, who was denied a grave within the territory of Antwerp owing to his having been a Protestant; the old tombstone is still preserved, and a bronze bust by Lambeaux was set up in 1877. — 13 M. Calmpshout. — 18 M. Esselhout. (Belgian custom-house).

23 M. Roosendaal, the seat of the Dutch custom-house, and junction for the Breda and Flushing line (R. 33).

The railway next traverses a wooded district.— 28 M. Oudenhofsch, with a new domed church; 33 M. Zevenbergen. — (The Belgian Grand Central Railway goes on to Moerdijk on the Hollandsch Diep.) — 38 M. Zwaluwe, where the line joins the Maastricht-Rotterdam Railway, see p. 307.
(B). **Steamboat Journey.**

Steamboat on Tues., Thurs., and Sat. in 9 hrs. (2 1/2 or 1 1/2 fl.) from the Quai Van Dyck (Pl. B, 6), morning tide. The steamers are well fitted up, and provided with restaurants. Agents at Antwerp Van Maene & Co., corner of the Quai Van Dyck and the Canal au Beurre; at Rotterdam Verwey & Co., Boompjes (Pl. D, 6). — In stormy weather the voyage is rough at places.

The **Steamboat** threads its way between the nine islands forming the Dutch province of **Zeeland**, the character of which is indicated by its heraldic emblem of a swimming lion, with the motto: *Luctor et Emergo*. The greater part of the province, probably formed by the alluvial deposits of the Schelde, which here enters the sea, lies considerably below the sea-level, the only natural elevation being a few dunes, or sand-hills on the W. coast of the Islands of Schouwen and Walcheren. The rest of the province is protected against the encroachment of the sea by vast embankments, the aggregate length of which extends to 300 M. The land is extremely fertile and admirably cultivated, producing abundant crops of wheat and other grain.

Immediately after the departure of the steamboat, the passenger obtains a final view of Antwerp, extending in a wide curve along the bank of the Schelde. To the W. of the docks rises **Fort Austruweel** or **Oosterweel**.

Near the docks, in 1831, Lieutenant van Speyk, a gallant Dutch naval officer, sacrificed his life in vindication of the honour of his flag. A storm had driven his gunboat on shore, and a crowd of Belgians immediately hastened to the spot to secure the prize, calling on the commander to haul down his colours and surrender. The devoted Van Speyk, preferring death to capture, fired his pistol into the powder-magazine, which exploded instantaneously, involving friends and foes, as well as himself, in one common destruction.

Farther on, **Fort Calloo** rises on the left and **Fort St. Philippe** on the right. At this point, between Calloo on the left and **Oorderen** on the right bank, Duke Alexander Farnese constructed his celebrated bridge across the Schelde, in 1585, during the siege of Antwerp (see p. 126). All communication between the besieged and their confederates in Zeeland was thus entirely broken off. The citizens used every means in their power to destroy this formidable barrier, which was defended by numerous guns. After many fruitless attempts, the fire-ship of the Italian engineer Giambelli at length set the bridge on fire, and blew up a portion of it so unexpectedly that 800 Spaniards lost their lives. The besieged, however, were not in a position to derive any advantage from this signal success, and their auxiliary fleet anchored below Fort Lillo was too weak to attack the enemy single-handed. The damage to the bridge was speedily repaired, and Antwerp, notwithstanding a most obstinate defence, was shortly afterwards reduced by famine. — **Fort Frédéric** is now seen on the right. On the left, lower down, lies **Fort Lieffenshoek**, on the right **Fort Lillo**, both commanding the course of the river, and both retained by the Dutch till 1839 (comp. p. xix).
Then, on the left bank, Doel, a little beyond which is the Dutch frontier.

The first Dutch place at the entrance to the Kreek Rak, a narrow branch of the Schelde which was filled up when the railway embankment was constructed (p. 214), is Fort Bath, where the English fleet landed in 1809. The steamer continues to skirt the S. coast of the island of Zuid-Beveland, and at Hansweerd turns to the right into the Zuid-Beveland Canal, which intersects the island, having been constructed in 1866 to compensate for the filling up of the Kreek Rak. The E. coast of the island of S. Beveland, called the Verdrongen Land (literally ‘drowned land’), once a fertile tract, was inundated in 1532 by the bursting of a dyke, when 3000 persons are said to have perished. At the N. end of the canal, which is 5 M. in length, and is crossed by the railway to Goes (p. 214), lies Wemeldingen, the landing-place for Goes. At Yerseke, 3 M. to the E., oyster breeding is carried on with success.

The steamer now traverses the broad expanse of the Ooster-Schelde in a N. direction, and enters the narrow Canal de Keete, which separates the islands of Tholen and Duiveland. To the right, at the entrance, is situated Stavenisse, the landing-place for Tholen, a small town on the E. side of the island, connected with Bergen op Zoom by ferry and steam-tramway (p. 214). The old church of Stavenisse contains the marble monument of Jerome van Tuyll, executed by Verhulst in 1669. The vessel next touches at Zyp, on the left, at the end of the canal, whence an omnibus runs to Zierikzee (Hôtel Van Oppen); the lofty square tower of the cathedral is a conspicuous point. From Zierikzee we may visit Brouwershaven, another small town with an interesting church. To the right is the island of Philippsland.

In 1575 the Canal de Keete was the scene of a famous exploit by 1700 Spanish volunteers under Reguesens, the successor of the Duke of Alva, who crossed it with intrepid bravery, partly by wading and partly by means of small boats, notwithstanding the incessant and galling fire of the Flemish defenders of the island, many of whom crowded round the assailants in boats. The capture of Zierikzee was the reward of this determined attack.

We now quit the ramifications of the Schelde, and enter those of the Maas, the first of which is the Krammer, and the next the Volkerak. The towers of Nieuwe-Tonge and Oude-Tonge are now visible to the N.E. The entrance to the Hollandsch Diep, as this broad arm is named, is defended by two blockhouses, Fort Ruyter on the right, and Fort Oostensplaat on the left. Willemstad, a fortress with walls and ramparts erected by Prince William I. of Orange in 1583, next becomes visible. In 1792 it was bombarded by the French for a fortnight without success.

The steamer traverses the Hollandsch Diep for some distance. The water here is sometimes pretty rough. Nearing Moerdyk (p. 156), we obtain a view of the handsome railway-bridge which crosses the Diep from Moerdyk to Willemstad (see p. 307).
The steamer now turns to the left into the Dordsche Kil, a very narrow branch of the Maas. In 1711, John William, Prince of Orange, was drowned in crossing the Diep at Moerdyk, when on his way to the Hague to meet Frederick William I. of Prussia, with a view to adjust the difficulties of the Orange succession. Soon after we enter the broad Merwede (p. 305). Numerous wind-mills and tall chimneys are now observed, the latter belonging chiefly to saw-mills and cement works. Before reaching Dordrecht the steamer passes below the railway-bridge mentioned at p. 307.

Dordrecht, with its lofty church-tower, see p. 307.

The steamer (to Rotterdam 1 hr.) now leaves the Merwede and enters a side-channel called De Noord. On the right are Aalbusserdam, with large ship-building yards, and Kinderdyk, with ship-building yards and iron foundries. At the latter the Nord unites with the Lek, which now resumes the name of Maas. To the right, Krimpen, with a pointed spire; left, 't Huis ten Donk, a handsome country-house surrounded with trees; left, Iyselmonde (p. 309); right, Kralingen, with 12,000 inhab., extensively engaged in salmon-fishing; left, the large machine factory of Feyenoord (p. 223).

Rotterdam, see p. 214.

17. From Antwerp to Aix-la-Chapelle by Maastricht.

91 M. Railway in 4 1/2-5 hrs. (fares 12 fr. 80, 9 fr. 90, 6 fr. 40 c.; in the opposite direction 10 marks 80, 7 m. 90, 5 m. 20 pf.). The Dutch custom-house examination takes place at Maastricht, the German at Aix-la-Chapelle; in the reverse direction the Dutch examination is made at Simpelveld, the Belgian at Lanaken.

Antwerp, see p. 123. 51 1/2 M. Bouchout. 91 1/2 M. Lierre (Flem. Lier), a town of 16,700 inhab., with several silk-factories. The church of St. Gommaris, begun in 1425, completed in 1557, contains several fine stained-glass windows, three of which were presented by the Emp. Maximilian. Lierre is the junction of the Antwerp and Gladbach line (R. 18) and of a branch to Contich (p. 123).

Next stations Berlaer, Heyst-op-den-Berg, with leather factories and considerable traffic in cattle and grain; Boisschot; (26 M.) Aerschot on the Demer, where the railway crosses the Louvain and Herenthals line (p. 176), with a Gothic church containing a rich screen and handsome choir-stalls of the 15th century.

The line now follows the valley of the Demer. 32 M. Testelt; 34 1/2 M. Sichem, whence omnibuses run to the pilgrimage-church of (1 1/2 M.) Notre Dame de Montaigu. 37 1/2 M. Diest, with 7300 inhab., and many breweries and distilleries, the junction of a branch-line from Tirlemont (p. 176) to Moll (p. 161). The train crosses the Demer. 40 M. Zeelhem; 43 1/2 M. SchueLEN; 48 M. Kermit.

50 M. Hasselt (Hôtel Mauet), the capital of the province of Limburg, with 11,800 inhab., was the scene of a victory gained by the Dutch over the Belgians on 6th Aug., 1831.
From Hasselt to Maaseyck, 25½ M., railway in 1½ hour. Intermediate stations: Genck, Asch, Elen. — The small town of Maaseyck, on the left bank of the Meuse, was the birthplace of the brothers Van Eyck, to whom a handsome marble monument was erected here in 1864. Diligence several times daily to (1 hr.) Susteren (p. 304).

From Hasselt to Liège, see R. 44; to Eindhoven and Utrecht, see R. 44.
54 M. Diepenbeek; 56 M. Beverst, the junction of the line to Liège and Utrecht (p. 295); 58½ M. Munsterbilsen; 61 M. Eygenbilsen; 64 M. Lanaken, the Belgian frontier-station.
68 M. Maastricht, see p. 197. Route to Liège, see p. 197. The Meuse is crossed here.
71 M. Meersen; 75 M. Valkenberg, French Fauquemont, with picturesque ruins peeping from the trees on the right of the line; 79 M. Wybre; 83½ M. Simpelfeld, with the Dutch custom-house.
91 M. Aix-la-Chapelle, see Baedeker's Rhine.

18. From Antwerp to München-Gladbach
(for Düsseldorf).

98½ M. Railway in 4-4½ hrs. (fares 14 fr. 60, 11 fr. 30 c., 7 fr.; in the opposite direction 11 m. 80, 9 m. 20, 5 m. 90 pf.).
From Antwerp to (9½ M.) Lier, see R. 17. 14½ M. Nylen; 17½ M. Bouwel.
21 M. Herenthal, on the Canal de la Campine, the junction of the line to Louvain (p. 178) and Tilburg — 25½ M. Oolm.
30 M. Gheel (Hôtel de l'Agneau), a town of 10,000 inhab., which derives its principal interest from the colony of lunatics (about 1300 in number) established here and in the neighbouring villages. The district throughout which they are distributed is about 30 M. in circumference, and divided into four sections, each with a physician and keeper. The patients are first received into the Infirmierie, where their symptoms are carefully observed for a time, after which they are entrusted to the care of a nourricier, or hôte, who generally provides occupation for them. They are permitted to walk about without restraint within the limits of their district, unless they have shown symptoms of violence or a desire to escape. This excellent and humane system, although apprehensions were at one time entertained as to its safety, has always been attended with favourable results. — The handsome late-Gothic Church of St. Dymphna (who is said to have been an Irish princess, converted to Christianity, and beheaded at this spot by her heathen father) contains a fine *Altar, with the apotheosis of the saint. The choir contains the reliquary of the saint, painted with scenes from her life, probably by a contemporary of Memling. In the choir-chapels are two curious old *Cabinets, adorned with finely-executed carving and painting. A painted group in stone, protected by a railing, in the vicinity of the church, bears a Flemish inscription, recording that St. Dymphna was beheaded on this spot, 30th May, 600. The town originally owed its reputation for
the successful cure of lunatics to this saint, whose shrine was believed to possess miraculous powers.

34½ M. Mott, the junction of a line to Diest and Tirlemont (see p. 159). — 37 M. Baelen-Wezel; 42½ M. Lommel.

48 M. Neerpelt, the junction of the Liège-Utrecht line (p. 294). — 51 M. Liéle-St. Hubert-Achel. — 53½ M. Hamont, the last Belgian station (custom-house). — At (55 M.) Budel, the first station in Holland, luggage is examined by Dutch custom-house officers. — 60½ M. Weert; 68½ M. Baelen.

74½ M. Roermond, the junction for the Maastricht-Venlo line, see p. 304.

78 M. Melick-Herkenbosch. — 82½ M. Vlodrop, the last station in Holland, with the Dutch custom-house. — 83½ M. Dalheim, the Prussian frontier-station (luggage examined). — 88 M. Wegberg; 92 M. Rheindahlen; 96 M. Rheindt, where the line to Aix-la-Chapelle diverges to the right.

98½ M. Gladbach, or München-Gladbach, see Baedeker's Rhine.

19. From Brussels to Braine-le-Comte and Mons.

38 M. Railway in 1 hr. 10 min. or 2 hrs. (fares 4 fr. 65, 3 fr. 50, 2 fr. 35 c.; express 5 fr. 80, 4 fr. 35, 2 fr. 90 c.). Trains start from the Station du Midi at Brussels (p. 65).

From Brussels to (9 M.) Hal, see p. 63. The Mons train diverges here to the S. from the Tournai line (R. 11). — 10 M. Lembeq (line to Ecaussines, see below, in progress). 12 M. Tubize is the junction of branch-lines to Virginal and Roymon (and Braine-le-Comte, see below); railway to Braine l'Alleud in progress (p. 118). Paving-stones are largely exported from the quarries near Tubize. Tunnel. 15 M. Hennuyères.

19 M. Braine-le-Comte, Flem. 'S Graven Brakel, a town with 7300 inhabitants. The parish-church contains a large altar-decoration, with numerous figures, resembling that of Hal (p. 63), but inferior and of later date. Braine-le-Comte is the junction of the Enghien-Grammont-Plancou (p. 164), the Manage-Charleroi (p. 165), and the Brussels-Erquelinnes lines, which last follows the direction described in R. 20 to station Ecaussines, and then proceeds to the S. via Baume and Bonne-Esperance. From Braine-le-Comte to Erquelinnes, 26 M. The next station in the direction of Jurbise and Mons is —

22½ M. Soignies, a town with 7900 inhab., possessing a venerable abbey-church (St. Vincent) in the Romanesque style, perhaps the most ancient building in the kingdom, founded about 650, and erected in its present form in the 12th century. Many of the tombstones in the churchyard date from the 13th and 14th centuries. Extensive quarries of mountain-limestone in the neighbourhood. — Branch-line to Houdeng and Baume (see above).
The line then describes a wide curve, in a direction nearly opposite to that of Mons. 26 M. Neufvilles; 27½ M. Masmuy. 30½ M. Jurbise, where the connecting lines to Ath-Tournai (p. 62) and St. Ghislain (p. 163) diverge.

38 M. Mons, Flem. Bergen (Couronne, in the market, D. 2 fr.; St. Jean, Monarque, Avenir, all near the station and very unpretending; Grand Café, Café des Princes, Taverne Allemande, all in the market), on the Trouille, the capital of Hainault, with 24,100 inhab., owes its origin to a fortress erected here by Caesar during his campaigns against the Gauls. The town was fortified by Jean d' Avesnes in the 14th century. Prince Louis of Orange took Mons by surprise on 24th May, 1572, and maintained it against the Duke of Alva till 19th September, thus giving the northern provinces an opportunity of shaking off the Spanish yoke. The town was captured by Louis XIV. in 1691, restored to the Spaniards in 1697, and again occupied by the French from 1700 to 1707. It fell into the possession of Austria in 1714, and was twice afterwards taken by the French, in 1746 and 1792. The fortifications, which were dismantled by the Emp. Joseph II., but reconstructed in 1818, were again removed in 1862, and their site converted into a pleasant promenade. In the promenade, near the station, rises a Statue of Leopold I., by Simonis, erected in 1877.

The most interesting edifice at Mons is the late-Gothic Cathedral of St. Waltrude (St. Waudru), situated on the left as the town is entered from the station. It was begun about 1450 from a design by Matthew de Layens, the architect of the Hôtel de Ville at Liège, and his assistant Gilles Pole. The choir was completed in 1502, the transept in 1519, and the nave in 1589 (with finishing touches added in 1621). The projected tower was never built, and the church possesses only a small spire above the cross and a Gothic turret above the transept. The exterior was formerly somewhat disfigured by modern additions, but these have been removed and the building skilfully restored within the last 40 years.

The Interior, which is 355 ft. long, 116 ft. wide, and 80 ft. high, is a model of boldness and elegance. The slender clustered columns, 60 in number, are without capitals, rising immediately to the vaulting and keystones. The church contains several monumental reliefs of the 15th and 16th centuries, those of the latter period being by Jacob Dubocque; some good stained glass of 1523 (Crucifixion, Maximilian and his son Philip the Handsome; Flight into Egypt, with Maximilian's wife, Mary of Burgundy, his daughter Margaret, and their patron-saints), restored by Capronnier; and several pictures by Vanfius, Van Thulden, and other artists. A chapel in the ambulatory, to the left, contains an altar of the beginning of the 16th cent., with reliefs from the life of Mary Magdalene.

Traversing the Rue des Clercs, opposite the choir of the cathedral and then ascending to the left and passing through a gateway, we reach the highest ground in the town, formerly crowned with fortifications on the alleged site of Caesar's Castrum, and now laid out as a promenade. Fine views of the busy environs of Mons. To the right rises the Beffroi, or belfry, 275 ft. high, belonging to the
old palace, which is now fitted up as a lunatic asylum. The tower, which is the only belfry in Belgium built entirely in the Renaissance style, was erected in 1662 from a design by Louis Ledoux, and was restored in 1864. It contains a ‘carillon’, or set of chimes. Adjacent is the reservoir of the city waterworks.

The centre of the town is formed by the Grande Place, in which rises the Hôtel de Ville, a tasteful late-Gothic edifice, erected in 1458-67, but never quite completed. The slated roof was added in 1606, the tower in 1718. The small wrought-iron ape on the staircase to the left of the main entrance probably once formed part of a tavern-sign, but is now regarded as one of the emblems of the town.

Interior. One room contains a collection of portraits of eminent natives of Mons. The Gothic Room, recently restored with little success, is embellished with three large paintings of scenes from the history of the town, by Paternostre, Carlier, and Hennebicq. Another room is adorned with old Flemish tapestry after Teniers.

On the right and left of the Hôtel de Ville are two buildings with Renaissance façades, the Maison de la Toison d’Or and the Chapelle St. Georges. — A grand fête, called ‘La Parade du Lumeçon’, is celebrated in the Grande Place on Trinity Sunday.

The Library, in the Rue des Gades, possesses 40,000 printed works and numerous MSS. adorned with miniatures. The same building contains insignificant collections of antiquities and paintings.

The boulevards and promenades that surround the old town are about 3 M. in length. Besides the statue of Leopold I., mentioned at p. 162, they contain a handsome monument by Frison, erected in 1853 to the memory of the celebrated composer Orlando di Lasso; or Roland de Lettre, who was born at Mons in 1520, and an equestrian statue, by Jacquet, of Baldwin of Hainault and Flunders (d. 1205), who took part in the fourth Crusade and became king of Constantinople. Near this statue is a public garden called Vauxhall (adm. 1/2-1 fr.). — Among the buildings on the boulevards are a large Hospital, a Prison, and a Normal Seminary for teachers in elementary schools.

Mons is the centre of a great coal-mining district, known as Le Borinage. The annual yield of the mines of Hainault amounts to about 12 million tons, valued at 120 million francs, while the whole yield of Belgium does not exceed 16 million tons. Of the 100,000 miners in Belgium three-fourths belong to Hainault.

A general survey of the country around Mons may be obtained by taking the train to (12½ M.; in 40 min.) Quiévrain (see below) via Jennappes, Quaregnon, St. Ghislain (once the seat of a wealthy Bernardine abbey, now a centre of the coal-trade), Boussu (with the castle of that name to the right), and Thuin. From Quiévrain we return to Mons via Elouges, Dour, Warquignies, Wasmes, Pâturages, Flenu (with one of the richest coal-fields), and Cuesmes (in 55 min.).
At Jemappes (see above), Dumouriez, with an army of 50,000 men, defeated 22,000 Austrians under the Duke of Saxe-Teschen, who was compelled to retreat beyond the Meuse, 6th Nov., 1792.

Near Malplaquet, 3 M. to the S.E., Marlborough and Prince Eugene gained a victory over the French in 1709, but not without a loss of nearly 20,000 men. In the vicinity, Pichegru defeated the Duke of York on 18th May, 1794, capturing 60 guns and 1500 men.

From Mons to Paris there are two railways. The more direct is by Hautmont, St. Quentin, Noyon, Compiègne, and Creil (160 M.; fares 30 fr. 10, 22 fr. 60 c.). The other line leads via St. Ghislain, Quétigny (see above), Valenciennes, Douai, Arras, Longueau (Amiens), and Creil (177 M.; fares 35 fr. 40, 26 fr. 55 c.).

From Mons to Manage, see p. 165.

From Mons to Charleroi, 29 M., railway in 2 hrs. (fares 4 fr. 20, 3 fr. 10, 2 fr. 10 c.). Stations Cuesmes, Hyon, Hamoignies, Estinnes; (12½ M.) Bonne-Espérance, whence a branch-line leads to Erquelinnes (p. 161); 15 M. Binche, a town with 7500 inhab., where the female part of the community is chiefly engaged in the manufacture of ‘fleurs à plat’ for the Brussels lace-makers; 18 M. Baume (p. 161); 20½ M. Mariemont, connected by means of a branch-line with La Louvière (p. 165). Near Mariemont are the ruins of a château erected by the regent Mary of Hungary in 1548, but burned down six years later by Henry II. of France, and a modern château. Stations Mortainvilliers, Carières, Piiton (branch-lines to Manage, p. 165; to Gosselies, see p. 166; and to Bonne-Espérance, see above), Fontaine l’Evêque, Marchienne, and Charleroi (see p. 166).

20. From Ghent to Charleroi and Namur by Braine-le-Comte.

Railway to Charleroi (66½ M.) in 2½-3¼ hrs. (fares 7 fr. 90, 5 fr. 95, 3 fr. 95 c.); to Namur (90 M.) in 3¼-5½ hrs. (10 fr. 5, 7 fr. 55, 4 fr. 15 c.).

Ghent, see p. 32. The train crosses the Schelde, and beyond Meirebeke and Melle diverges to the S. from the Brussels line (R. 3). The first stations are unimportant.

14 M. Sotteghem, where the railway crosses the Brussels and Courtrai line (p. 30).

15½ M. Erweteghem; 18½ M. Lierde-St. Marie.

22½ M. Grammont, Flem. Geraardsbergen, an industrial place with 9200 inhab., on the slope of a hill, the junction of the Denderleeuw-Ath-Jurbise line (p. 62). The Hôtel de Ville contains an early-Flemish painting of Christ as the Judge of the earth, and the church of St. Barthélémy possesses two pictures by De Crayer.

The train enters the province of Hainault. Stations Viane-Moerbeke, Gammerages, Hérinnes. At (32½ M.) Enghien (p. 63) our line is crossed by the Brussels and Tournai railway (R. 11). From (37 M.) Rognon a branch diverges to Tubize (p. 161).

40½ M. Braine-le-Comte (p. 161). The line to Charleroi and Namur now diverges from that to Mons (R. 19). Carriages are sometimes changed here.

44½ M. Ecaussines possesses extensive quarries of blue limestone, which is cut in slabs and exported under the name of Flemish granite. Railways hence to Baume and Erquelinnes and to Lembeq (p. 161). Beyond Marche-les-Ecaussines and Familleureux the train
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crosses the Charleroi Canal, and near Manage enters a rich coal-
district.

50 M. Manage is the junction of our line with those to Mons, Piéton (p. 164), Ottignies, and Wavre.

From Manage to Mons (15 M.) a branch-railway (in 1 hr.; fares 1 fr. 35, 1 fr. 40, 95 c.) used chiefly for goods-traffic, intersects a valuable coal-field, called 'Le Centre'; the yield of which is brought into the market by means of an extensive network of railways. In connection with the coal-mines there is a rapidly increasing iron-industry. Stations La Louvière, Bois-du-Luc, Bracquegnies, all with extensive mines; then Havré, where the old château of that name rises to the left, Obourg, noted for its tobacco, and Nimy. The Haine, a rivulet from which the province derives its name (Hainaut), is occasionally visible. Mons, see p. 163.

The Manage and Wavre Railway (in 1 ½-2 hrs.; fares 3 fr. 20, 2 fr. 40, 1 fr. 60 c.) is the prolongation of this line to the N., but the trains do not always correspond. At (2¾ M.) Seneffe a battle was fought in 1674 between Prince Condé and William III. of Orange; and the Austrians were defeated here by the French under Marceau and Olivier on 2nd July, 1794. — 5 M. Ficy-Arquennes.

24¾ M. Nivelles-Nord, to the N. of Nivelles (p. 115); 25 M. Baulers, the junction of this line with that from Brussels to Luttre and Charleroi (p. 118).

20 M. Genappe (Hôtel des Voyageurs), a village with 1680 inhab., is frequently mentioned in connection with the Battle of Waterloo (comp. p. 115). About 4 M. to the S. is situated Quatrebras, which derives its name from the 'four arms' of the roads diverging hence to Charleroi, Nivelles, Brussels, and Namur. Here on 16th June, 1815, a battle was fought between Ney's division and a part of the British army with its German and Belgian contingents. The French numbered about 17,000 men, the Allies 18,000; but of the latter 8000 only were British and German, and on the remaining 10,000 no reliance whatever could be placed. Practically, therefore, the Allies were far outnumbered. At first, shortly after 2 p.m., the success of the French, who were opposed by the Belgians only, was complete; but their progress was soon arrested by the British and German troops, and the battle raged with the utmost fury till dusk. Prodigies of valour were, as usual, performed by the 93rd Highlanders; and most of the German troops (Hanoverians and Brunswickers) behaved with great bravery, although young and inexperienced. At one juncture the Duke of Wellington himself became involved, and only escaped by putting his horse to full gallop. About 4 o'clock the gallant Duke of Brunswick fell, while endeavouring to rally his troops. Towards the close of the battle the tide of success turned decidedly in favour of the Allies. Ney, to his great indignation, now learned that Er lion's corps, which had at first been ordered to support him, and would doubtless have ensured the victory to the French, had received fresh orders from Napoleon to move towards St. Amand to oppose the Prussians there. The brave marshal's disappointment was complete, his troops were totally defeated, and under cover of the increasing darkness they retreated to their original position at Frasne.

The village of Frasne, the headquarters of Ney on 16th June, lies ¾ M. beyond Quatrebras, in the direction of Charleroi. The spirited pursuit of the French by the Prussians on the night after the Battle of Waterloo extended thus far, more than 6 M. from the battle-field.

The ruined abbey of Villers (p. 182) lies 5 M. to the W. of Genappe. 32 M. Bousval; 33¾ M. Noirhat; 35¾ M. Court St. Étienne (p. 182), where the train reaches the Charleroi and Louvain line.

37½ M. Ottignies. Thence to Wavre and Louvain, see p. 182.

Beyond Manage are stations Godarville, Gouy-les-Piéton, Pont-à-Celles, and (57 M.) Luttre (p. 115). The train traverses a more hilly district, describing numerous curves, and crossing the Charleroi Canal several times. Beyond a deep cutting, a beautiful un-
dulating and wooded district is entered. Near (60 M.) Gosselies is
the town of that name on an eminence (branch to Courcelles and
Piéton, p. 164); 61 M. Roux; 63 M. Marchienne-au-Pont (to
Mons, see p. 164). All these places were the scene of sharp
skirmishes between the Prussians and French on 15th June, 1815,
the day before the Battle of Ligny (p. 183), a village which lies
4½ M. to the N. E. of Gosselies.

The environs of Marchienne and Charleroi are remarkable for
their picturesque scenery and industrial activity. Wooded hills,
thriving villages, and well-cultivated fields are passed in rapid suc-
cession, while the lofty chimneys of coal-mines, furnaces, iron-
foundries, and glass-works are seen in every direction. There are no
fewer than seventy different seams of coal in the vicinity of Char-
leroi, some of which extend to a depth of 3000 to 4000 ft. The
numerous barges on the canal give additional life to the scene. The
line now reaches the Sambre, which it crosses repeatedly before
arriving at Namur.

66½ M. Charleroi (*Hôtel Dourin; Grand-Monarque), a town
with 15,870 inhab., the central point of the Belgian iron industry,
was founded by Charles II. of Spain in 1666, in honour of whom
the name (Charnoy) of the village which then occupied the site was
changed to Charleroi. Under Louis XIV. it was fortified by Vauban.
In 1794 it was besieged four times by the French, to whom it was
ultimately surrendered on the eve of the Battle of Fleurus (p. 183),
after the garrison had been reduced to the utmost extremities. On
23rd May, 1794, the French were totally defeated here by the
The fortifications were reconstructed in 1816, but are now converted
into promenades. Near the station is a prison in the Gothic style.
The Musée Archéologique, in the Boul. de l'Ouest, contains pre-
historic, Roman, and Frankish antiquities found in this district,
and also a mineralogical cabinet.

Charleroi-Wavre-Louvain, see R. 25.
Charleroi-Vireux (40½ M.) in 2 hrs. (fares 5 fr. 50, 3 fr. 90, 2 fr.
60 c.). From (12 M.) Berzée branch-lines diverge to Beaumont and Laneffe;
from (14 M.) Watcourt two others diverge to Florenne and Philippeville
and to Morialmé; from (30 M.) Mariembourg (with the château and park
of M. A. Warvenue) another leads to Chimay, a town with 3000 inhab.,
where the park and château of the prince of that name are situated, and
to Hastière. 40½ M. Vireux, the French frontier-station, lies on the Meuse,
above the fortress of Givet (p. 171). Beyond Vireux the line proceeds to
Rheims and Paris.

Beyond Charleroi the Namur train crosses the Philippeville road,
and passes the numerous metal-works of (69 M.) Couillet and
(71 M.) Châtelineau, the junction of the lines to Fleurus (p. 183),
Jumet (6 M.), and Givet. Opposite Châtelineau lies the busy little
town of Châtelet, with 10,000 inhabitants.

Châtelineau-Givet (34 M.; in 1¾ hr.), a branch-line (fares 3 fr. 80,
3 fr., 1 fr. 90 c.), traversing a busy manufacturing and mining district,
and connected by another branch with Walcourt (p. 166). Doische is the last Belgian station, Givet (p. 171) the first French station.

The mines and manufactories gradually disappear. The Sambre winds peacefully through beautiful grassy valleys, sometimes skirting wooded hills. To the right of (751/2 M.) Tamines is situated the suppressed abbey of Ste. Marie d'Oignies, now an extensive mirror-manufactory. — [Branch-lines from Tamines to Fleurus (p. 183; 51/2 M.), to Jemeppe-sur-Sambre and Gembloux (p. 171; 12 M.), and to Forres and Mettet (13 M.).] — To the right of stat. Floreffe, picturesquely situated on an eminence, rises a seminary for priests, formerly a Premonstratensian abbey (in the baroque style). To the left, farther on, are the abbey-buildings of Malonne, now a normal school. — 861/2 M. Flavaines. The valley of the Sambre here is thickly studded with ancient châteaux, modern villas, and manufactories.


Namur, Flem. Namen, the capital of the province, with 25,400 inhab., lies at the confluence of the Sambre, which is crossed by several stone bridges, and the Meuse. From the natural advantages of its position Namur has always been a point of strategic importance, and it was fortified at an early period. The numerous sieges it has undergone (Louis XIV. in 1692, William III. in 1695) have left few of the older buildings. Its situation however, is picturesque enough to warrant a short stay here, with which may be coupled a visit to the attractive valley of the Meuse (RR. 21, 29).

In front of the station is the Square Léopold (Pl. C, 1), to the E. of which is another small place embellished with a Statue of Léopold I. by Geefs (Pl. 24). — On the W. side of the station begins the Boulevard Léopold, which contains a Monument to Omalius (Pl. 23), the geologist (p. 88), and leads to the small Parc Marie Louise (Pl. A, 2).

The Cathedral (St. Aubain, or St. Alban; Pl. B, 2), built in 1771-72 from the designs of Pizzoni, a Milanese architect, is a handsome Renaissance edifice, with a dome and a fine interior.

At the sides of the high-altar are statues of St. Peter and St. Paul in marble, by Delvaux (d. 1778), from whose chisel are also the figures of the four fathers of the church, Ambrose, Gregory, Jerome, and Augustine. The left transept contains the marble monument of a Bishop de Pisani (d. 1826), by Parmentier. At the back of the high-altar is a tombstone erected by Alexander Farnese to his 'amatisimo avunculo' Don John of Austria, the conqueror at Lepanto, who died in his camp near Bouge, 3/4 M. to the N.E. of Namur, 20th Aug., 1578; his body was removed to the Escurial. The pulpit, of carved wood, is by Geerts (1848). The treasury contains a golden crown of 1429, set with precious stones, and many other objects of value.

The church of St. Loup (Pl. 12; C, 3), situated in the Rue du Collège, was erected in the baroque style in 1621-53. The interior
is borne by twelve massive pillars of red marble. The choir is entirely covered with black marble, and the vaulted ceiling with sculptures. A large hole in the latter, made by a shell, is a reminiscence of the siege by Louis XIV. in 1692.

In the Grande Place (Pl. C, D, 3) stands the *Hôtel de Ville*, built in 1830. It contains the office of the Commandant, where permission may be obtained to visit the Citadel (see below). Farther to the E. are the large *Hospice d'Harscamp* (Pl. 16; D, 3) and the church of *Notre Dame* (Pl. 14), the latter containing the monuments of two Counts of Namur. In the garden of the hospice is a statue of its foundress, Isabella Gabriele d'Harscamp (Pl. 22). — In the vicinity, on the Meuse, is the *Cursaal*, a place of popular resort, erected in 1879.

To the left of the lowest bridge over the Sambre, to which the Rue du Pont leads direct from the *Hôtel de Ville*, is the hall of the *Ancienne Boucherie*, now containing the *Musée Archéologique* (Pl. 19; D, 3), an extensive and admirably-arranged collection of antiquities, chiefly of the Roman and Frankish periods. The objects were found in the Roman villa at Anthée, in the Frankish burial-ground at Turffooz, and in the Roman burial-ground at Flavion, where a large quantity of enamelled fibulae came to light. There are also several valuable objects both of earlier and later date. The museum is open to the public on Sundays, 10-1; to strangers daily on payment of a fee.

The *Citadeli* (Pl. B, C, 4; adm., see above), on the right bank of the Sambre, between that river and the Meuse, is believed by many authorities to occupy the site of the camp of the *Aquatici* described by Caesar (De. Bell. Gall. ii. 29). It was fortified on modern principles by Coehorn (p. 214) in 1691, was restored in 1794, and has been frequently strengthened since 1817. The summit commands a fine view of the valleys of the Sambre and Meuse.

An old stone bridge of nine arches (Pl. C, 4), 470 ft. long, crosses from the quarter below the citadel to the suburb of *Jambes* (p. 169), on the right bank of the Meuse. There is here a small Zoological Garden (adm. 50 c.; concerts in summer).

The cutlery of Namur enjoys a high reputation, and is said to be not inferior to the English.

On 20th June, 1815, the Liège and Brussels Gates of Namur were the scenes of hotly-contested engagements between the rear-guard of the French corps under Grouchy and the advancing Prussians. A monument in the *Churchyard*, about 1 M. beyond the Brussels Gate, was erected in memory of the fallen in 1857.

Railway to Luxembourg and Trèves, see R. 22; to Liège, see R. 29; to Tirlemont, see p. 176; to Dinant and Givet, see below.
21. From Namur to Dinant and Givet.

Railway to (17½ M.) Dinant in 1 hr. (fares 2 fr. 25, 1 fr. 70, 1 fr. 10 c.); to (31 M.) Givet in 1½ hr. (fares 4, 3, 2 fr.). The railway affords but little view of the beautiful valley of the Meuse. The left bank of the river is recommended to pedestrians. The village-inns on the banks of the river are generally good, but are often full in summer.

The valley of the Meuse above Namur is narrow, and enclosed by wooded hills and frowning cliffs. The banks are enlivened by picturesque villages and country-houses. Immediately after quitting the station, the train crosses the Meuse, remaining on the right bank until Dinant is nearly reached. 2 M. Jambes (p. 168); 5 M. Davé (see below); 9 M. Lustin; 10½ M. Godinne; 12½ M. Yvoir; 17½ M. Dinant (see below).

The following villages on the banks of the Meuse are seen by the pedestrian only, or the traveller by boat: 1. La Plante, a long village, the usual limit of the walks of the townspeople of Namur; r. Davé, with an ancient château entirely restored, near which rises a huge and precipitous rock; r. Trailletier, with iron-foundries; r. Prêche, with interesting rocks and grottoes; 1., opposite the latter, Profondeville, with marble-quarries; 1. iron bridge connecting the village and station of Lustin (see above); 1. Rivière, with the château of M. Perrapont; r. Godinne (in the neighbourhood of which, near the rock Frappe-Cul, is the cavern of Chauveau); 1. Rouillon, with the château of M. Demanet.

The scenery between Rouillon and Dinant is remarkably picturesque. Above the village rises a precipitous tuffstone-rock, named La Roche aux Corneilles (Roche aux Chauves in the patois of the district), from the flocks of jackdaws which generally hover round it. The rock is seen to the best advantage by the traveller descending the river.

R. Yvoir, at the influx of the Boos, is connected by means of a handsome new bridge with Moulins, on the opposite bank, a suppressed Cistercian Abbey converted into a foundry (1 hr. from which, in the valley of the Yvoir which opens here, is the ruined castle of *Montaigle, the finest relic of the kind in Belgium); 1. Anhée; r. Houx; r. Poilvache, with the ruins of a fortress on a lofty rock, destroyed by the French in 1554. Somewhat higher up are the ruins of the Tour de Monay.

L. Bouvigne, one of the most venerable towns in the district, which was formerly engaged in constant feuds with Dinant, has now dwindled down to a mere village. The old ruined tower of Crèvecoeur is a conspicuous object here. A romantic story attaches to it in connection with the siege of the town by the French in 1554. Three beautiful women are said to have entered the tower with their husbands, who formed part of the garrison, resolved to participate in the defence and to animate the defenders by their presence. The latter, however, after a heroic resistance, perished to a man, the three unhappy widows being the sole survivors. Determined not to fall into the hands of the enraged and brutal soldiery, they threw themselves from the summit of the tower in sight of the besiegers, and were dashed to pieces on the rocks below.

R. Dinant (*Hôtel des Postes, pleasantly situated, R. 2-4, B. 1½, D. 3, A. 3½, 'pens.' 8-10 fr.; *Tête d'Or, 'pens.' 7½ fr.; Hôtel des Ardennes; Hôtel de l'Europe; Bellevue, 'pens.' 6-7, R. from 1½ fr.; Dr. William's hydropathic establishment), a town with 6400 inhab., is very picturesquely situated at the base of barren limestone cliffs, the summit of which is crowned by a fortress. An iron bridge, commanding a fine view, crosses the river to the suburb of St. Médart on the left bank.

In 1467 the inhabitants of Dinant, having roused the anger of
Philippe le Bon, Duke of Burgundy, by acts of insubordination, paid dearly for their temerity. The Duke, accompanied by his son Charles the Bold, who succeeded him a few years later, marched against the town, besieged and took it, and treated the townspeople with great cruelty. He is said to have caused 800 of them to be drowned in the Meuse before his own eyes. The unfortunate town was pillaged and burned, and the walls demolished. In 1554 a similar fate overtook it, when it was taken by storm by the French under the Duc de Nevers, and plundered. In 1675 the town was again taken by the French. The 'dinanderie', or chased copper and brass wares of Dinant were formerly in high repute, but are now successfully imitated at Brussels. The 'couques de Dinant' are cakes not unlike gingerbread.

The church of Notre Dame, a handsome edifice of the 13th cent. in the Gothic style, but with a few remaining traces of the transition period, has been recently restored. The portal is worthy of notice. The tower is upwards of 200 ft. in height. At the back of the church are steps in the rock, 408 in number, leading to the citadel, which was sold in 1879 for 7 million francs. Fine, but limited view from the top (1 fr.).

Dinant was the birthplace of Ant. Jos. Wiertz, the painter (1806-65; comp. p. 99), some of whose works are in the possession of families in the neighbourhood.

Carriage to Freyr (see below) with one horse 5, two horses 8 fr.; to Montaigle (p. 169), 10 or 15 fr. — Carriage to Han (p. 172) in 4 hrs., 15-25 fr. The road leads by Celle, and passes Ardenne and Ciergnon, both belonging to the private domains of the King of Belgium. The picturesque lower part of the valley of the Lesse begins at Ardenne.

From Dinant to Givet the line follows the course of the Meuse. 22½ M. Waulsort. From (26 M.) Hastière (*Bellevue, unpretending) a branch-line diverges to Mariembourg (p. 166) and Anor. 28½ M. Heer-Agimont (Belgian douane).

Pedestrians may walk through the suburb of Rivage, a succession of houses and villas picturesquely situated, and then, 1 M. above Dinant, pass through a kind of natural gateway, formed by detached masses of rock on the left and a bold and isolated pinnacle of rock on the right, called the Roche à Bayard (the name of the horse of the 'Quatre Fils d'Aymon'). In the vicinity are quarries of black marble, near which is Anseremme (Beaustejour, 'pens.' 6-7 fr.), a pretty village with overhanging cliffs. (The traveller who desires to walk through the whole of the picturesque part of the valley should cross the river here by boat and then follow the left bank. Road bad at places.) The Lesse (p. 172) falls into the Meuse at Anseremme. Beyond this point the road ascends.

The finest point on the road is the Château of Freyr, the ancestral seat of the Beaufort-Spontin family, with well-kept gardens, situated at the foot of wooded hills on the left bank of the river. Immediately opposite to it rise precipitous rocks of grotesque shapes, occasionally overhanging the river. The banks are picturesquely flanked by lofty cliffs from this point to Falmignoul. [About 6 M. to the S. of Falmignoul lies Beauroing (Hôtel du Centre), with the magnificent old château of the Duc d'Ossuna, recently restored; thence to Givet 5½ M., the French frontier lying a little more than halfway.] The road next leads by Waulsort (1.), with a château and beautiful gardens, Hastière (1., see above), and
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Hermeton (1.). On the right bank are Blaimont, and then Heer, where red marble is quarried.

A fine view of Givet with its fortifications and the windings of the river is obtained from the summit of a hill rising above the road as the town is approached. 7½ M. Givet, see below.

31 M. Givet (*Mont d’Haur, R. 2, D. 3½ fr.; Ancre; Tête d’Or), with 5100 inhab., situated on the Meuse, which is crossed by a bridge here, is the first French town on the line (French custom-house), and consists of Givet-St. Hilaire on the left bank, at the base of a hill on which Charlemont lies, and Givet-Notre-Dame on the right bank. Both parts of the town are strongly fortified, and almost entirely surrounded by moats. The composer Méhul (d. 1818) was born here, and a monument has been erected to his memory. The château de Beauring, see p. 170.

Givet is connected with Charleroi by two railways, the Vireux-Charleroi (p. 166), and the Doische-Châtelaine line (p. 166); by the former the journey occupies 4½ hr., by the latter 2½ hr.

Railway from Givet in 2½ hrs. to Sedan (Hôtel de la Croix d’Or; Hôtel de France; Hôtel de l’Europe), a small town and fortress, prettily situated, where a memorable battle took place between the Germans and French on 1st Sept., 1870, terminating in the total defeat of the latter and the capture of the emperor and 83,000 men (including 1 marshal, 39 generals, 230 staff-officers, and 3000 other officers). The French army numbered 124,000 men, the German 240,000, but part of the latter only was actually engaged. Carriages and guides to the battle-field may be obtained at the hotels.

22. From Brussels to Luxembourg and Trèves, viâ Namur.

Rochefort. Han-sur-Lessee.

Railway to Luxembourg (136 M.) in 6½ hrs. (fares 16 fr. 30, 12 fr. 10 c., 8 fr.); from Luxembourg to Trèves (33 M.) in 1½ hr. (fares 4 marks 20, 2 m. 30, 1 m. 90 pf.).

The trains start from the Station du Quartier Léopold (p. 65), and some of them also from the Station du Nord. 1 M. Ritterbeek, a suburb of Brussels. The next stations, Watermael, Boitsfort, and Groenendael, with their pleasant woods and picturesque villas, are favourite resorts of the citizens of Brussels for picnics and excursions. From La Hulpe, a glimpse is obtained to the right of the Mound of the Lion (p. 113) on the distant field of Waterloo. On the left, near Rixensart, is a château of Count Merode.

15 M. Ottignies is the point of intersection of the Louvain-Charleroi (R. 25) and Louvain-Manage-Mons (p. 165) lines. — 17½ M. Mont St. Guibert, with pretty environs. On the right is the château of Birbaix with fine gardens. At Chastre the Province of Brabant is quitted, and that of Namur entered. — 24 M. Gembloux, junction for the lines to Fleurus and Ramillies-Landen (p. 177) and to Jemeppe-sur-Sambre (p. 167). An old abbey here contains the royal agricultural institution. 28½ M. St. Denis-Bovesse; 31 M.
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Rhisne. The train passes through several cuttings in the blue limestone rocks, and affords a strikingly picturesque view of —

34\(\frac{1}{2}\) M. Namur (see p. 167). The line now intersects the Forest of Ardennes, a wild, mountainous district, affording many picturesque views. Immediately after quitting Namur the train crosses the Meuse and commands another remarkably fine panorama of the town and its citadel. 40 M. Naninne; 44\(\frac{1}{2}\) M. Courrière; 45\(\frac{1}{2}\) M. Assesse; 48\(\frac{1}{2}\) M. Natoye. — 52\(\frac{1}{2}\) M. Ciney (Grand Hôtel), formerly the capital of the Condroz (Condruis of the Romans), as the district between the Meuse and Ourthe was once called. (Route to Huy and Landen, see p. 201.) 58 M. Leignon; 58\(\frac{1}{2}\) Haversin.

From (65 M.) Aye an omnibus runs (in \(\frac{1}{2}\) hr.; \(\frac{1}{2}\) fr.) to Marche (p. 197).

66\(\frac{1}{2}\) M. Marloie, where the direct line to Liège (Ligne de l'Ourthe) diverges (p. 197). The line now descends considerably, and affords a beautiful view of the valley of the Wamme to the left.

70 M. Jemelle, with numerous marble and limestone quarries and lime-kilns, lies at the confluence of the Wamme with the Lomme, a tributary of the Lesse. — Continuation of the Railway, see next page.

The new railway from Jemelle through the valley of the Lomme to Beaunaing is now open as far as (21\(\frac{1}{2}\) M.) Rochefort (fares 40, 30, 20 c.).

Rochefort (*Hôtel Byron, R. and A. 2 fr., "déjeuner à la fourchette" 2 fr.; *Hôtel de l'Etoile, D. 21\(\frac{1}{2}\) fr.), with 2400 inhab., and once the capital of the County of Ardennes, occupies an elevated site on the Lomme, commanded by the ruins of an old castle (private property, no admission). The environs are remarkable for a number of curious caverns in the limestone rock, many of which have been made accessible.

The entrance to the "Grotte de Rochefort, one of the finest and most easily visited, is at the upper end of the town. It is the property of a M. Collignon, who discovered it, and who keeps the paths in the interior in good condition (admission 5 fr., for parties of 20 or upwards 2\(\frac{1}{2}\) fr. each). A rapid visit to it takes 1\(\frac{1}{4}\)—2 hours. The stalactites are purer and even more varied than those in the grotto of Han, though the latter is far more imposing. The "Salle des Merveilles" and "Salle du Sabbat", the finest points, are illuminated with magnesium light; the height of the latter (said to be 300 ft.) is revealed by means of a lighted balloon.

In summer an omnibus plies regularly from Rochefort to the Grotto of Han, a visit to which should on no account be omitted (return-fare 2 fr.). The village of Han-sur-Lesse (Hôtel de Belvée) lies 31\(\frac{1}{2}\) M. from Rochefort, on the N. side of a range of hills, through which the Lesse forces its way by the so-called Trou de Han or de Belvée. The road to Han diverges, at the Hôtel Byron in Rochefort, to the right from the high-road (which continues straight on to St. Hubert; see below), and cannot be mistaken. [On this side of the 5th kilomètre-stone stands a finger-post indicating
the road to Hamerenne and Rochefort, which pedestrians may take on their way back.]

The entrance to the *Trou de Han* lies about 1½ M. from Han, on the S. side of the above-mentioned range of hills; the omnibus from Rochefort drives direct to the cavern without touching at Han. The pedestrian should, however, secure the services of a guide at the hotel in Han (one of the brothers Lanoy).

Admission for a single visitor 7 fr., two or more, 5 fr. each; 2 fr. more is exacted for awakening the echoes by a pistol-shot, for 1-4 pers., and 50 c. for each additional person; fee to the guide extra.

The *Trou de Han* is nearly 1 M. in length and consists of a series of chambers, opening into each other, and varying in height. The numerous stalactile- formations have been fancifully named in accordance with their forms, *Trône de Pluton*, *Boudoir de Proserpine*, *Galerie de la Grenouille*, etc. The most imposing chamber is the *Salle du Dôme*, which is 500 ft. long, 450 ft. wide, and 180 ft. high. A visit to the cavern is extremely interesting, and occupies 2-4 hrs. Visitors emerge at the other end in a boat. August, September, and October are the best months for inspecting the cavern; in spring the swollen state of the river often renders access impossible. The cave has been visited by tourists since 1814. The stalactites have unfortunately been sadly blackened by smoky torches, but the grotto is now lighted with naphthas and magnesium. — Scarcely ½ M. farther is the *Porte de la Lesse*, also well worth a visit, where the river dashes into a subterranean abyss.

The next station of the new railway is *Eprave*, 2½ M. beyond Rochefort, at the confluence of the *Lomme* and the *Lesse*, with another frequently-visited grotto. Valentin Guériz, the innkeeper and guide, will be found obliging and well-informed (fee 1½-2 fr.).

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7½ M. *Forrières*; 75 M. *Grupont*. The train follows the sinuosities of the *Lomme*. To the left, on a rocky buttress, rises the strikingly picturesque *Château Minvart*, with its four towers. From (84 M.) *Poix* an omnibus runs (in 1 hr.; 75 c.) to *St. Hubert* (Hôtel du Luxembourg), a town with 2500 inhab., celebrated for the chapel containing the relics of the saint who has given his name to the place. The abbey has been converted into a Reformatory for young criminals. The Church, in the Flamboyant style, with double aisles and interesting crypt, dates from the 16th cent. (façade and towers erected in 1700). A chapel on the left near the choir contains a *Sarcophagus* adorned with basreliefs by W. Geefs.

St. Hubert, the tutelary saint of sportmen, was once a profligate and impious prince, who did not scruple to indulge in the pleasures of the chase even on the solemn fast-days appointed by the Church. While thus irreverently engaged on the holy fast of Good Friday, he suddenly beheld the miraculous apparition of a stag with a cross growing out of its forehead between its antlers. Thus warned by Heaven of the danger of adhering to his sinful courses, he at once desisted from the hunt, voluntarily relinquished all the honours and advantages of his noble rank, and determined thenceforth to devote himself to a life of piety and self-abnegation. He accordingly presented the whole of his fortune to the Church, became a monk, and founded the abbey and church which are still called by his name. The holy man is said to have enjoyed miraculous powers during his life-time, and long after his death numerous miracles were wrought by means of his relics.

85 M. *Hatrival*. 90½ M. *Libramont*, on the watershed between
the Lesse and the Semois, is the station for Recogne, a village to the right, on the road to Bouillon (see below) and Sedan, the route by which Napoleon III., accompanied by French and Prussian officers and a Belgian escort, proceeded to Libramont on 4th Sept., 1870, to take the train for Germany.

From Libramont to Limerle, 32 M., branch-railway in 1½ hr. (fares 3 fr. 95, 2 fr. 95 c., 2 fr.). Stations: Bernimont, Wildeumont-Bercheux, Morhet, Sibret. — 17 M. Bastogne (Collin), an old town of 2000 inhab.; the church, dating from the 15th cent., contains ancient mural paintings and a figure of St. Christopher executed in 1520. Diligence to (14 M.) Wiltz (p. 210), and thence to (7 M.) Kautenbach (p. 204). This excursion is also suitable for the pedestrian. — The other stations are unimportant.

Another branch-line runs from Libramont to (7½ M.) Bertrix (see below).

96 M. Longlier, the station for Neufchâteau (Hôtel des Postes), a small town of 2000 inhab., once fortified, which lies 3/4 M. to the right; 101 M. Lavaux; 103 M. Mellier. — 106 M. Marbehan (*Cornet’s Inn), with a new church. A branch-line diverges here to Poncelle, Croix-Rouge, Ette, and (15½ M.) Virton (see below).

110½ M. Habay-la-Neuve; 113½ M. Fouches.

119½ M. Arlon, Flem. Arel (*Hôtel du Nord; *Hôtel de l’Europe), a prosperous little town with 7200 inhab., situated in a well-cultivated plain, 1330 ft. above the sea-level, is the capital of the Belgian province of Luxembourg. It was the Orolaunum Vicus of the Antonian itinerary, and was once fortified. Fine view from the church. The Hôtel du Gouvernement Provincial contains an unarranged collection of Roman antiquities found in the neighbourhood, including some interesting stone-carvings.

From Arlon to Longwy (for Longuyon and Nancy), 11 M., railway in ¾ hr. (fares 1 fr. 75, 1 fr. 35, 90 c.). Intermediate stations: Autel, Messancy, Athis (see below), and Mont St. Martin. Longwy is the French frontier-station and seat of the custom-house.

From Arlon to Gedinne, 70 M., railway in 3½ hrs. (fares 8 fr. 55, 6 fr. 40, 4 fr. 90 c.). — As far as (10 M.) Athis the line is the same as that to Longwy. It then turns to the W. 14 M. Halancy; 19 M. Signeuix; 21 M. Ruelle.

25 M. Virton (*Cheval Blanc; Croix d’Or), the junction of a line to Marbehan (see above), is a prettily-situated little town with 2500 inhab., whose chief occupation is farming and cattle-breeding.

28½ M. Meix-devant-Virton; 35 M. Belle-Fontaine-lez-Etalle; 37 M. Izel.

40 M. Florenville (*Poste; Hôtel du Commerce), a small town near the French frontier, from which many pleasant excursions may be made into the forest of Ardennes. The winding valley of the Semois, the brook on which Florenville lies, is very picturesque. About 4½ M. to the S. of Florenville lie the ruins of the abbey of Orval, founded in 1124. The church was rebuilt in the 16-17th centuries. Adjacent is a tolerable inn.

47 M. Straimont; 49 M. St. Médard; 53 M. Bertrix (branch to Libramont, see above). — 60 M. Paliseul, on the road to Sedan (p. 171). About halfway lies Bouillon, where Napoleon III. spent the night of 3rd-4th Sept. 1870 in the *Hôtel de la Poste. To the S. of Bouillon lie Les Amniers, a château and park of the Count of Flanders. — 64 M. Graide-Biévre; 70 M. Gedinne.

123 M. Autel; 125½ M. Sterpenich; 126 M. Bettingen (Luxembourg douane; luggage, however, not examined before arrival at Luxembourg), the junction for branch-lines to Steinfort and Ettelbrück (to the N.) and to Clemency, Potage, and Esch sur l’Al-
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zette (to the S.). 128 M. Cappellen; 130 M. Mamer; 132¹/₂ M. Bertrix.

136 M. Luxembourg. — Hotels. Ÿ Hôtel Branseur, at the corner of the Rue de l’Arsenal and the Rue Aldringer; Ÿ Hôtel de l’Europe, well spoken of; Hôtel de Luxembourg; Hôtel de Cologne; Hôtel des Ardennes.

Restaurants. Ÿ Faber; Auburtin. — Cafés. Café Italien; Café Metzler; Café de la Place.

Photos at Brück’s book-shop.

Luxembourg, formerly Lützelburg, once a fortress of the German Confederation, a town with 16,700 inhab., is the capital of the grand-duchy of Luxembourg, which is united to Holland by a personal union. The situation of the town is peculiar and picturesque. The Oberstadt, or upper part, is perched upon a rocky table-land, which is bounded on three sides by abrupt precipices, 200 ft. in height. At the foot of these flow the Petrusbach and the Alzette, which are bounded by equally-precipitous rocks on the opposite bank. In this narrow ravine lies the busy Unterstadt or lower portion of the town, consisting of Pfaffenthal, the S., Clausen, the E., and Grund, the S. suburb, separated by a rocky ridge in the valley of the Alzette. The view of the town with its variety of mountain and valley, gardens and rocks, military edifices and groups of trees, obtained from the Trèves road, is singularly striking, and is enhanced by the huge viaducts of the railway and the road to the station.

The fortifications, which were partly hewn out of the solid rock, were condemned to demolition by the Treaty of London in 1867, and the glacis has now been converted into a public park, commanding an admirable view.

The construction of the works gradually progressed during 500 years under various possessors, — Henry IV., Count of Luxembourg, afterwards German Emp. as Henry VII. (d. 1312), his son John, the blind king of Bohemia (killed at Crécy, 1346), the Burgundians, the Spaniards, the French (whose celebrated engineer Vauban constructed a great part of the fortress), the Austrians, the French again, and finally the German Confederation, by whom it was evacuated in 1866.

Apart from its curious situation and pretty environs, Luxembourg offers little to detain the traveller. The old Hôtel de Ville contains an interesting collection of Roman glass, bronzes, and other antiquities, found chiefly in the Roman camp at Dalheim; also Frankish and later antiquities. — A small collection of pictures was bequeathed to the town in 1856 by M. J. P. Pescatore, and is always open (Pl. 21; fee). — Of the magnificent castle of the Spanish Governor Prince Mansfeld (1545-1604), in the suburb of Clausen (Pl. D, 1, 2), on the right bank of the Alzette (to the N.W.), no vestige is left, except a small portion of the wall and two gateways, into which several interesting Roman sculptures are built.

From Luxembourg to Spa, see R. 32; to Metz, by Thionville, see Badeker’s Rhine.

At (143¹/₂ M.) Oetringen the line enters the pretty valley of the Sire. At the foot of a wooded hill to the left lies the château of
Villers, with its park, the property of the family of that name. On the right Schuttringen, with a château. 149 M. Roodt. The line now runs on the right bank of the Sire. 153 M. Wecker. The train crosses the Sire four times, and at (157 M.) Mertert enters the valley of the Moselle. Beyond (159 M.) Wasserbillig, at the confluence of the Saur and Moselle, the train enters Prussia. 160 1/2 M. Igel, where the famous Column of Igel, one of the finest Roman monuments on this side of the Alps, 75 ft. in height, is visible from the train. At (166 1/2 M.) Kartheaus the train crosses the Moselle.

169 M. Trèves (*Hôtel de Trèves; Maison Rouge; *Luxemburger Hof, *Stadt Venedig, unpretending; Post), charmingly situated on the Moselle, and interesting on account of its Roman and other antiquities, see Baedeker's Rhine.

23. From Brussels to Liège by Louvain.

62 M. Railway in 2-3/4 hrs. (fares 7 fr. 50, 5 fr. 65, 3 fr. 75 c.; express 9 fr. 40, 7 fr. 5, 4 fr. 70 c.).

The train starts from the Station du Nord, and traverses an agricultural and partly-wooded district. At (2 M.) Schaerbeek the Malines line diverges; 5 M. Dieghem, with paper-mills; 6 M. Saiventhem, the parish-church of which contains a good picture by Van Dyck, representing St. Martin dividing his cloak, a gift of the master himself; 9 1/2 M. Cortenbergh; 13 M. Velthem; 15 M. Hérent.

18 M. Louvain, see R. 24.

Branch-line hence to the N. to Rotsebaer and (10 M.) Aerschot, a station on the Antwerp and Hasselt line (p. 139), and thence to Herenthals on the Turnhout and Tilburg line (p. 123).

From Louvain to Charleroi, see R. 25.
From Louvain to Malines, see p. 122.

Beyond Louvain the Norbertinian abbey of Parc, founded in 1131, is seen on the right. 25 M. Vertryck.

29 1/2 M. Tirlemont, Flem. Thienen (Hôtel du Nouveau Monde, near the station; Hôtel de Flandre, in the market-place), a clean and well-built, but dull town with 13,700 inhab., was once like Louvain occupied by a much larger and wealthier population. The walls, which are nearly 6 M. in circumference, now enclose a large extent of arable land. In the spacious market-place is situated the church of Notre Dame du Lac, founded in 1298, enlarged in the 15th cent., but not yet completed. The adjacent Hôtel de Ville has been recently restored. The Church of St. Germain, situated on an eminence, probably dates from the 12th cent.; high-altar-piece a Pieta, by Wappers. The celebrated Jesuit Bollandus (d. 1655) was a native of Tirlemont. He was the first compiler of the Acta Sanctorum, and his successors who continued the work styled themselves Bollandists.

From Tirlemont to Diest (p. 159), 19 M., branch-railway in 50 min. (fares 2 fr. 35, 1 fr. 80, 1 fr. 20 c.). Intermediate stations: Neer-Linter, Geet-Betz, Haelen.

From Tirlemont to St. Trond and Tongeren, 27 M., railway in
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2½ hrs. (fares 3 fr. 35, 2 fr. 50, 1 fr. 70 c.). The first station is Neer-Linter (see above). — 9½ M. Léau, Flem. Zout-Leuwer (Restaurant of Line de Waters), formerly a fortress, with a handsome late-Gothic Town Hall (16th cent.) and the Gothic church of °St. Leonard (13th and 14th cent.). The latter contains carved altars with early-Flemish paintings, and a magnificent tabernacle sculptured in stone, 100 ft. high, one of the finest works of the Belgian Renaissance, executed in 1554 by Cornelis de Vriendt, architect of the Antwerp Hôtel de Ville, by order of Martin de Wille, Seigneur of Oplinter, who is buried beside it. — 12½ M. St. Trond (see below), the junction for the Landen-Hasselt line. — 16 M. Ormance; 20½ M. Loos; 24 M. Pirange. — 27 M. Tongres, see p. 291.

From Tirlemont to Namur, 27½ M., railway in 1¾ hr. (fares 3 fr. 35, 2 fr. 50, 1 fr. 70 c.). Stations unimportant. Ramillies is the junction of the Landen and Gembloux line (see below). Namur, see p. 167.

Beyond (33 M.) Esmael the line intersects the plain of Neerwinden (the village lies to the left), the scene of two great battles. In the first of these, on 29th July, 1693, the French under Marshal Luxembourg defeated the Allies under William III. of England. In the second the French under Dumouriez and Louis Philippe (then ‘General Egalité’, afterwards king of France) were defeated by the Austrians under the Prince of Cobourg (great uncle of the late king Leopold), and driven out of Belgium (18th Mar., 1793).

38 M. Landen, the junction of several lines, is historically interesting as the birth-place of Pepin, the majordomo of the royal domains of the Austrasian monarch Dagobert I. (628-38). He died here about the year 640, and was buried at the foot of a hill which still bears his name. His remains were afterwards removed to Nivelles (p. 115), where his consort Ida (d. 659) founded a convent. His fifth lineal descendant was Charlemagne, who ascended the throne of the vast Franconian empire 128 years later.

From Landen to Hasselt, branch-line in 1¼ hr. (fares 2 fr. 20, 1 fr. 70, 1 fr. 10 c.). This route presents few attractions. 6 M. St. Tron, or St. Truyen (Hôtel du Commerce), the most important station, with 11,500 inhab., possesses several old churches (Notre Dame, Gothic, restored; St. Martin, Romanesque); it is the junction for the Tirlemont-Tongeren line (see above). 17½ M. Hasselt, see p. 159.

From Landen to Gembloux (Fleurus and Charleroi), 23 M., railway in 1 hr. (fares 2 fr. 80, 2 fr. 10, 1 fr. 40 c.). Stations (12 M.) Ramillies (see above), Gembloux (p. 171), Fleurus, and Charleroi (see p. 166).

Landen is also the junction for a line coming from Cinex, which intersects the Namur-Liège line at Huy (see p. 201).

Next stations Gingelom, Rosoux, and Waremme, beyond which the line crosses an ancient and well-preserved Roman road, called by the country-people Route de Brunhilde, which extended from Bavay (Bavacum Nerviorum), near Mons, to Tongres. The latter was the capital of the ancient province of Hesbaye, the natives of which were once famed for their strength and bravery, as the old proverb, ‘Qui passe dans le Hesbain est combattu l’endemain’, suggests. Beyond (53 M.) Fexhe the land of the Brabanters, a somewhat phlegmatic race of Germanic origin, is quitted, and that of the active and enterprising Celtic Walloons entered. A smiling and highly-cultivated district is exchanged for a scene of industrial enterprise. Numerous coal-mines, foundries, and manufactories are
passed in the vicinity of (58 M.) Ans, which lies 490 ft. higher than Liège. (Branch-line to Tongres, p. 291.)—601/2 M. Haut-Pré.

The line now descends rapidly (1:30), affording a fine view of the populous city of Liège and the beautiful and populous valley of the Meuse. A large brick building on the hill to the left is a military hospital.

62 M. Liège, see p. 184.

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Hotels. Hôtel du Nord, opposite the station, R. & B. 3 fr., A. 50 c.; Hôtel de Suède (Pl. a), Place du Peuple; Hôtel de la Cour de Mons, Rue de Savoie; Hôtel du Nouveau Monde, Hôtel de l'Industrie, both at the station, unpretending. — Café Mathieu, Rue de la Station, opposite the theatre; Café Renaissance, at the station. The beer of Louvain is a sickly beverage, but Bavarian beer may also generally be obtained.

Cabs, or Vigilantes, 1 fr. per drive. — Tramway from the station to the Hôtel de Ville, and the Porte de Bruxelles.

Attractions: Hôtel de Ville, exterior (p. 179); St. Pierre, under the guidance of the sacristan (p. 179); Halles, exterior (p. 181); choir-stalls at St. Gertrude's (p. 181).

Louvain, Flem. Leuven or Loven, on the Dyle, which flows through part of the town and is connected by a canal with the Rupel (p. 122), is a dull place with 38,100 inhabitants. The greater part of the space enclosed by the walls built in the 14th cent. is now used as arable land. The ramparts surrounding the walls have been converted into promenades, nearly 5 M. in circuit.

The name of the town is derived from Loo, signifying a wooded height, and Veen, a marsh, words which are also combined in Venlo. In the 14th cent., when Louvain was the capital of the Duchy of Brabant, and residence of the princes, it numbered 44,000 inhab., most of whom were engaged in the cloth-trade, and the town contained no fewer than 2000 manufactory. Here, as in other Flemish towns, the weavers were a very turbulent class, and always manifested great jealousy of the influence of the nobles in their civic administration. During an insurrection in 1378, thirteen magistrates of noble family were thrown from the window of the Hôtel de Ville, and received by the populace below on the points of their spears; but Duke Wenceslaus besieged and took the city, and compelled the citizens to crave his pardon with every token of abject humiliation. The power of the nobles soon regained its ascendancy, and their tyrannical sway caused thousands of the industrious citizens to emigrate to Holland and England, whither they transplanted their handicraft. From that period may be dated the decay of Louvain.

In front of the railway-station (Pl. F, 2) stands a monument to Sylvaan van de Weyer (d. 1874), a native of Louvain, who was one of the most ardent promoters of the revolution of 1830, and became the ambassador of the provisional government at the London Conference. The statue is by Ch. Geefs.
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The Rue de la Station, on the right side of which is the Theatre, built by Lavergne in 1864-67, leads straight to the Place de l'Hôtel de Ville (Grande Place; Pl. D, E, 3).

The Hôtel de Ville (Pl. 20), a very rich and beautiful example of late-Gothic architecture, resembling the town-halls of Bruges, Brussels, Ghent (in the older part), and Oudenarde, but surpassing them in elegance and harmony of design, was erected in 1448-63 by Matthew de Layens. The building consists of three stories, each of which has ten pointed windows in the principal façade, and is covered with a lofty roof surrounded with an open balustrade. At the four corners and from the centre of the gables spring six slender octagonal turrets, terminating in open spires. The three different façades are lavishly enriched with sculptures. The statues on the lowest story represent celebrated citizens of Louvain, those on the second story the various grades of the mediaeval burghers, and those on the uppermost the sovereigns of the land. The corbels which support the statues are embellished with almost detached reliefs, representing scenes from Old and New Testament history, in some cases with mediaeval coarseness. The façade was restored in 1829-42, but seems already in need of another renovation.

The Interior is uninteresting. Most of the apartments are fitted up in a modern style, and adorned with pictures by Vaenius, De Crayer, Mierevelt, etc. The Salle Gothique is being adorned with frescoes by Henricicq, consisting of scenes from the history of Louvain and portraits of eminent citizens. — On the second floor is a small museum containing an Ascension by Mich. Cozie, specimens of De Crayer and Mierevelt, and a number of other ancient and modern pictures, including several copies. Here also are preserved those parts of the original sculptures of the façade which could not be made use of in the restoration; a stone model by Josse Metsys of the projected towers of St. Pierre (1525); some local antiquities, etc. Catalogue 25 c.

The Gothic Church of St. Pierre (Pl. 16; E, 2, 3), opposite the Hôtel de Ville, a noble cruciform structure flanked with chapels, was erected in 1425-97 on the site of an earlier building. The unfinished W. tower does not rise beyond the height of the roof.

The Interior (sacristan, Rue du Manège 14, 1 fr.; more for a party) is 101 yds. long and 29½ yds. broad. A relief to the right of the entrance from the Place de l'Hôtel de Ville commemorates the second founding of the university in 1834 (p. 181). The choir is separated from the nave by an elaborate Jubé, or Bood Loft, in the Flamboyant style; executed in 1490, consisting of three arches adorned with statuettes, and surmounted by a lofty cross. The twelve-branchcd Candelabrum was executed by John Massys.

Nave. The swinging doors inside the principal portal are finely carved in wood in the somewhat exaggerated style of the late Renaissance (ca. 1557).

1st Chapel on the N. side: late-Gothic font in copper, formerly furnished with a lofty and heavy cover, which was removable by the still-preserved cast-iron handle, by J. Massys. — The following chapels on the same side contain rococo marble sculptures.
The 1st Chapel on the S. side contains an altarpiece copied from the original of De Crayer, which was carried off by the French, and is now at Nancy, representing S. Carlo Borromeo administering the Sacrament to persons sick of the plague. An old winged picture by Van der Baeren (1594), the Martyrdom of St. Dorothea; statue of St. Charles, by Ch. Geerts (1855).

The 2nd Chapel (that of the Armourers) contains a curious, blackened image of Christ, highly venerated in consequence of the legend that it once caught a thief who had sacrilegiously entered the church. The railing is adorned with armour and cannon.

The Pulpit, carved in 1742 by Jos. Bergé, a work of very questionable taste, represents Peter's Denial on one side, and the Conversion of St. Paul on the other. The lifesize wooden figures are overshadowed by lofty palm-trees, also carved in wood, and the whole is coated with brown varnish.

The 3rd Chapel contains a picture of Memling's school, representing the consecration of a cook as bishop, under Gregory V.

Retiro-Choir. 2nd Chapel: *Dieric Bouts, Martyrdom of St. Erasmus, a painful subject; in the background the Emperor, richly attired, with three attendants; the scene is represented in a carefully-executed landscape with blue mountains in the distance; on the wings, St. Jerome on the left and St. Anthony on the right. The inscription 'Opus Joh. Memling' is a forgery. The same chapel contains the handsome Renaissance tombstone of Ad. van Baussede (d. 1559). — 3rd Chapel: De Crayer, The Holy Trinity. *Dieric Bouts, Last Supper, painted in 1467, also furnished with a forged signature of Memling. This is the central picture of an extensive altarpiece, the wings of which are in the museum at Berlin (Feast of the Passover and Elijah in the wilderness), and in the Pinakothek at Munich (Abraham and Melchisedech, and the Gathering of manna). The symbolical character of the composition is of course not traceable in the central piece alone. One characteristic of Dieric's style is his attempt at individualisation by making the complexities strikingly dissimilar. Fine monument of Prof. Boyarts (d. 1820).

The 4th Chapel formerly contained a celebrated 'Holy Family' by Quinten Massys, which was sold to the Brussels Museum in 1879 for 200,000 fr. (see p. 80).

In the 5th Chapel are four paintings by P. J. Verhâghen, depicting the life and death of St. Margaret of Louvain, who is here held in great veneration as the patron-saint of domestic servants.

6th Chapel, with a handsome cast iron screen of 1878: Descent from the Cross, by *Roger van der Weyden (?), a winged picture on a golden ground, with the donors at the sides, bearing the doubtful date 1443, but probably a late and reduced repetition of a picture in the Museum at Madrid. The same chapel contains the tombstone of Henry I., Duke of Brabant (d. 1235), the founder of the church (the pedestal is modern).
7th Chapel: Handsome marble balustrade by Papenhoven of Antwerp (1709), representing Children playing, Confession, Baptism, and Communion. — Adjacent is an imposing Renaissance monument to the memory of Ant. Bertyns (d. 1563) and his wife.

In the choir, opposite, rises a beautiful Gothic Tabernacle (50 ft. in height), by Layens (p. 179), executed in 1450. — The N. transept contains a richly carved organ of 1556, a good copy of Van Dyck's Raising of the Cross, and a painted wooden statue of the Virgin and Child, of 1442.

The Church of St. Gertrude (Pl. 12; D, 2) was erected in the Flamboyant style, at the close of the 15th cent., with the exception of the choir, which was added in 1514-26. The Choir-stalls, dating from the first half of the 16th cent., and embellished with statuettes and 28 reliefs of scenes from the life of the Saviour, are considered the finest specimen of early wood-carving in Belgium; they were executed by Mathias de Waydere. The bands of ornamentation in the Renaissance style are particularly pleasing. The sacristy contains a reliquary of the 14th century. (Sacristan at No. 22, near the principal portal.)

The Church of St. Michael (Pl. 15; E, 3), erected by the Jesuits in 1650-66, contains modern pictures by Mathieu, De Keyser, Wappers, and others. The proportions of the interior are remarkably symmetrical, and the architectural details show a curious affinity to the Gothic style. The façade is also worthy of notice.

The Church of St. Quentin (Pl. 17; D, 4), on an eminence near the Porte de Namur (founded in 1206, re-erected in the 15th cent.), and that of St. Jacques (Pl. 13; D, 2), possess several pictures of the school of Rubens. The latter contains several modern works, a St. Hubert by De Crayer, and a fine Tabernacle in stone, executed in 1467, with a copper balustrade in the Renaissance style, cast by Jan Veldener in 1568. In the sacristy are finely embroidered vestments.

The Halles (Pl. 25; D, E, 3), 66 yds. long and 15½ yds. wide, were erected as a warehouse for the Clothmakers' Guild in 1317, and made over to the University in 1679. The upper story was added in 1680. The interior is disfigured by alterations and additions, but the arches and pillars of the hall on the ground-floor still bear testimony to the wealth and taste of the founders. The Library, one of the most valuable in Belgium (70,000 vols., 400 MSS.), is adorned with a sculptured group representing a scene from the Flood, executed by Geerts in 1839. The entrance-hall contains portraits of former professors, and a large picture by Van Bree, Christ healing the blind, painted in 1824.

The University, founded in 1426, was regarded as the most famous in Europe in the 16th cent., and the theological faculty in particular was remarkable for its inflexible adherence to the orthodox dogmas of the Church. The number of students is said to have exceeded 6000 at the period when the celebrated Justus Lipsius (d. 1606) taught here. Under
Joseph II., its reputation somewhat declined, but it continued to exist until the close of last century. So extensive were its privileges, that no one could formerly hold a public appointment in the Austrian Netherlands without having taken a degree at Louvain. After having been closed by the French republicans, the university was revived by the Dutch government in 1817. A philosophical faculty was afterwards instituted, notwithstanding the determined opposition of the clergy, and complaints to which the innovation gave rise are said to have contributed in some degree to the Revolution of 1830. Since 1836 the university has been re-organised, and has assumed an exclusively ecclesiastical character. It possesses 5 faculties, and is attended by 1600 students, many of whom live in 4 large colleges (Pédagogies du St. Esprit, Marie-Thérèse, Adrien VI, and Juste Lips). — The technical academy connected with the university (Ecole du Génie Civil, des Arts et Manufactures et des Mines) is rapidly increasing, and an Ecole d’Agriculture was opened in 1878.

The Rue de Namur contains several old houses with handsome façades, and a court (in the Refuge des Vieillards) in the Renaissance style.

The Pénitencier, a prison for solitary confinement, is in the Boulevard du Jodoigne, between the Porte de Tirlemont and Porte de Parc. It was opened in 1860, and is the largest in Belgium, having room for 634 convicts. The Maison d’Arrêt (Pl. 21), completed in 1869, has accommodation for 204 prisoners.

'Caesar's Castle', as the ancient stronghold of the counts and dukes, situated on an eminence near the Porte de Malines, was called, has almost entirely disappeared. It derives its name from an unfounded tradition that it was originally erected by the great Roman general. The Emp. Charles V. and his sisters were educated in this castle by the learned Adrian Dedel, afterwards Pope Adrian VI.

25. From Louvain to Charleroi.

40 M. Railway in 2½-3 hrs. (fares 5 fr. 20, 3 fr. 90, 2 fr. 60 c.).

The line passes several places memorable in the campaign of 1815. The country traversed is at first flat. Stations Héverlé, with a château and park of the Duc d’Arenberg; Weert St. George, Gres-Gastuche; (14½ M.) Wavre, to which the Prussians retreated after the battle of Ligny, with a handsome monument by Van Oemberg, 1859; Limat; (18 M.) Ottignies, where the Brussels and Namur line is crossed (p. 171); Court St. Etienne, La Roche.

The train now passes close to the imposing ruins of the Cistercian abbey of *Villers, founded in 1147 and destroyed in 1796, and stops at (25 M.) Villers-la-Ville. The ruins lie about ¼ M. to the N. of the station. The road to them skirts the Thyle. At the entrance to the abbey is *Dumont’s Inn, where each visitor pays ½ fr. Beyond the court is the rectangular Refectory, a tasteful structure in the transition style, with two rows of windows. The Cloisters, chiefly Gothic, date from the 14th-16th cent., and are adjoined by the Gothic Church, erected in 1240-72, with subsequent additions. The latter contains tombstones of Dukes of Brabant of the 14th century. The old brewery in the transition style is also worthy of notice. An eminence outside the Porte de Bruxelles, to the W., commands a good survey of the whole ruin.
27½ M. Tilly is believed to have been the birthplace of the general of that name. 29 M. Marbais; 30½ M. Ligny, famous for the battle of 16th June, 1815 (see below). — 33 M. Fleurus (p. 183); junction for the lines to Gembloux-Ramillies-Landen (p. 177), to Taminas (p. 167), and to Nivelles-Baulers (p. 118). 35½ M. Ransart, the junction of a line from Junet (p. 166) to Taminas (p. 167); 38 M. Lodelinsart, a busy place with coal-mines and glass-works, whence a branch-line diverges to Châtelineau (p. 166).

Battle Fields. This district is famous in military annals as the scene of a number of important battles, the last and greatest of which was that of Ligny.

Sombreffe, near Marbais, and 6 M. from Quatrebrus (p. 165), was occupied on 15th June, 1815, by the 2nd and 3rd Prussian Corps d'Armée under Marshal Blücher, who late in the evening received intelligence that Gen. Bülow with the 14th corps could not come to his assistance as originally concerted. The brave marshal accordingly resolved to fight alone, if necessary. Wellington had agreed to co-operate with Blücher, but the British troops were too far distant to render assistance, whilst those whose position was nearest to the Prussians were fully occupied at the Battle of Quatrebrus. It is well authenticated that the Duke expressed his disapprobation of Blücher's position, observing to the Marshal that 'with British troops he would have occupied the ground differently'. The chief disadvantages of the ground occupied by Blücher near St. Amand and Ligny, which he regarded as the keys of his position, were, that there was too little security in the direction in which the communication with the British was to be maintained, and that the villages in advance of the line were too distant to be reinforced without enormous loss. It is also on record, that the Duke, after his interview with the Marshal on the morning of the simultaneous battles, remarked to one of his staff, 'The Prussians will make a gallant fight; they are capital troops, and well commanded; but they will be beaten.' And the Prussians did fight most gallantly, well sustaining the military reputation of their country; their officers too, including the high-spirited old Marshal himself, acted their part most nobly. But their utmost efforts were fruitless; they sustained immense loss, were overmatched, and finally repulsed, but not conquered.

According to the official statistics of both sides the total force of the French at Ligny amounted to 71,720 men, with 242 guns, that of the Prussians to 83,410 men, with 224 guns, but a large proportion of the French army was composed of veteran soldiers, while most of the Prussian troops were comparatively young and inexperienced. The French artillery was also numerically superior, and far more advantageously placed.

The retreat of the Prussian army on the night after the Battle of Ligny, by Tilly and Mont St. Guibert to Wavre (p. 182), is perhaps without parallel in the annals of military warfare. So perfect was the order and so great the skill with which it was effected, that next day the French were entirely at a loss to discover in which direction their enemy had disappeared, and at length came to the conclusion that they must have taken the direction of Namur. It was not till late on the afternoon of the 17th that the real route of the Prussians was discovered, and Marshal Grouchy was dispatched in pursuit of Blücher. The parts acted by the different armies were now interchanged. Napoleon and Ney, united, now proceeded to attack Wellington, while Blücher formed the 3rd Corps d'Armée under Thielmann at Wavre, in order to keep Grouchy in check, and himself hastened onwards with his three other corps towards Belle-Alliance, where he arrived on the evening of the 18th, in time to act a most prominent and glorious part in a victory of incaulculable importance to the fate of the whole of Europe (p. 117).

About 11½ M. to the S. of Ligny lies Fleurus, celebrated for the battles of 1622 and 1690. On 26th June, 1794, a battle also took place
here between the Austrian army under the Prince of Cobourg, and the French under Marshal Jourdan, in which the latter gained an advantage. The Austrians had stormed the French intrenchments, captured twenty guns, and driven the French back to Marchienne-au-Pont (p. 166), when the Prince owing to some misunderstanding, ordered his troops to retreat. This false movement, as the event proved, ultimately contributed to the loss of the whole of Belgium. It is a curious historical fact, that on this occasion a balloon was employed by the French in order to reconnoitre the Austrian position, but with what success it does not appear.

40 M. Charloer, see p. 166.

26. Lièges and Seraing.

Railway Stations. 1. Station des Guillemins (Pl. A, B, 7), on the left bank of the Meuse, for Aix-la-Chapelle, Brussels, Namur, Paris, and Luxembourg. 2. Station de Vigneux (Pl. D, E, 1), for the Dutch trains, on the S.E. side, a long way from the centre of the town, but connected with the Station des Guillemins and the Station du Palais by a junction line. 3. Station du Palais, near the Palais de Justice (Pl. B, 2), and 4. Station de Jonfosse (Pl. A, 3, 4), both on the connecting line between the two stations first mentioned, on which trains run hourly in each direction, between 5.30 a.m. and 11 p.m. (1/4 hr.; fares 35, 25, 20 c.). 5. Station de Longdoz (Pl. C, D, 5), on the right bank, for Maastricht, Namur, and Paris.

Hotels. *Hôtel de Suède (Pl. a; B, 3), Rue de l'Harmonie 7, close to the theatre; *Hôtel d'Angleterre (Pl. b; D, 3), Rue des Dominicains 2, R. 3, B. 1 1/4 fr.; Hôtel de l'Europe (Pl. c; B, 3), Rue Hamal 6, these two at the back of the theatre; Hôtel Deux Fontaines (Pl. c; B, 3), see below; Hôtel Schiller (Pl. f; B, 3), Place du Théâtre 6; Pommelliez (Pl. g; C, 3), Rue Souverain Pont 44, noisy; Grand Monarque, opposite, No. 33; Hôtel Dounen (Frères Provencaux), Rue Souverain Pont 46 (Pl. C, 3); Mohren, an unpretending German inn, Rue du Pont d'Avroy 31 (Pl. B, 3, 4); Hôtel de Flandre, Rue de la Régence 45 (Pl. B, C, 3); Hôtel Charlemagne, Place St. Lambert (Pl. B, C, 3); Hôtel de Dinant, Rue St. Étienne 2. The Hôtels de l'Univers, du Chemin de Fer, and others, near the principal station (Guillemins), and the Hôtel de l'Industrie, opposite the Station de Longdoz, are convenient for travellers arriving late or starting early by railway.

Restaurants. *Berney, Rue des Dominicains 22 (Pl. B, 3); *Café Vénitien, by the theatre; Café-Restaurant Continental, Place Verte; Deux Fontaines (Pl. e; also a hotel), Rue Haute-Sauvenière 2, near the theatre; Café Charlemagne (also a hotel), Place St. Lambert.

Cafés. *Café Vénitien, by the theatre; Café de la Renaissance, also a restaurant, in the Passage; Café Continental, Café Charlemagne, see above; Trink-Hall, Square d'Avroy (p. 186).

Beer. *Mohren, Rue du Pont d'Avroy 31, Vienna beer, also dining-room (hotel, see above); Taverne Anglaise, by the theatre (D., from 12 to 3, 2-3 fr., 'plat du jour' 1 fr.; English beer); Taverne de Strasbourg, Rue Lulay, near the Passage.

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Waiting, each 1/4 hr., one-horse 25, two-horse 50 c. — Double fares from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.

Tramway (comp. the Plan). From the Place du Théâtre (Pl. B, 3) to the stations Guillemins (Pl. A, B, 7) and Longdoz (Pl. C, D, 5), and to the
N.E. suburb of St. Léonard (Pl. D, E, 1, 2) and Herstal (p. 291). From the Place St. Lambert (Pl. B, C, 3) to the suburb of Ste. Marguerite and to Haut-Pré on the W., and to the Pont des Arches and Amercœur on the E. — Steam Tramway from the Quai de l'Université (Pl. C, 3, 4) to Jemeppe and Seraing (p. 192).

Steamboats up-stream to Seraing (p. 192), and down to the Cannon Foundry (see below), starting from the Ecluse du Séminaire, Boul. Frère Orban (p. 186), every 20 min. in summer and every 1/2 hr. in winter.

Weapons. Liége contains 180 manufactories of arms, or rather depôts of arms, for the pieces are made and mounted by the workmen in their own houses. These mechanics, 40,000 in number, work at their own risk, as a piece containing the slightest flaw is at once rejected. — Three of the chief stores for weapons for show or sport are: Arnold, Rue de la Cathédrale 66; Demoutin, Boul. de la Sauvenière 102; J. B. Rongé Fils, Place St. Jean 2.

Post and Telegraph Office (Pl. B, C, 3), Rue de l'Université 34.

United States Consul: Mr. G. D. Robertson.

Principal Attractions: Palais de Justice, the court (p. 187); Church of St. Jacques (p. 190); St. Paul's (p. 189); view from the Citadel (p. 191).

Liége, Flem. Luik, Ger. Lüttich, with 130,000 inhab., the capital of the Walloon district, and formerly the seat of a principality of the name, lies in a strikingly-picturesque situation. The ancient and extensive city rises on the lofty bank of the broad Meuse, at the influx of the Ourthe. Numerous chimneys bear testimony to the industry of the inhabitants, while the richly-cultivated valley contributes greatly to enhance the picturesque effect.

The Meuse flows through the city in a partly-artificial channel, and forms an island, which is connected with each bank by six bridges, including the railway-bridge (p. 198) and a small iron foot-bridge ('Passerelle'). The principal part of the town, with the chief public buildings and churches lies on the left bank. The quarters on the right bank and on the island consist mainly of factories and the dwellings of the artizans. Most of the streets in the old part of the town are narrow and the buildings insignificant. Several new streets, however, have lately been made, and extensive quays and squares have been laid out. The city is surrounded by nine suburbs.

The coal-mines which form the basis of the commercial prosperity of Liége, are situated in the immediate vicinity, and many of them extend beneath the houses and the river. One of the chief branches of industry is the manufacture of weapons all kinds, which have enjoyed both a European and a Transatlantic reputation since the end of last century. As, however, the weapons of Liége are not made in large manufactories (see above), they find formidable rivals in the cheaper productions of England and America. The Liége zinc foundries, engine-factories, and other branches of industry, are also of great importance. Among the chief industrial establishments are the royal Gun Factory (Pl. D, 2), the Cannon Foundry (Pl. E, 2), and the Société de St. Léonard (machinery, locomotives), all in the suburb of St. Léonard (Pl. D, E, 1, 2).

The Walloons (p. 178) are an active, intelligent, and enterprising
race. "Cives Leodicenses sunt ingeniosi, sagaces et ad quidvis audendum prompti" is the opinion expressed by Guicciardini with regard to the Liégeois. Indefatigable industry and a partiality for severe labour are among their strongest characteristics, but they have frequently manifested a fierce and implacable spirit of hostility towards those who have attempted to infringe their privileges. On such occasions they have never scrupled to wield the weapons which they manufacture so skilfully. The history of Liége records a series of sanguinary insurrections of the turbulent and unbridled populace against the oppressive and arrogant bishops by whom they were governed. Foreign armies have frequently been invoked by the latter to chastise their rebellious subjects. Thus Charles the Bold of Burgundy took the town in 1463, razed its walls, and put thousands of the inhabitants to death by the sword or by drowning in the Meuse. Maximilian I. also took violent possession of the town on two occasions. In 1675, 1684, and 1691 it was captured by the French, and in 1702 it had to yield to Marlborough. In the revolutionary wars of 1792-94, Liége was the scene of several contests between the French and the Austrians. The bishops retained their supremacy till the French Revolution in 1794, when the city was finally severed from the German Empire. In ancient times the bishops possessed a Walloon body-guard of 500 men; and Walloon soldiers, like the Swiss, were in the habit of serving in the armies of Spain, France, and Austria. They enjoyed a high reputation for bravery, which has been justly extolled by Schiller in his 'Wallenstein'.

Leaving the Station des Guillemins (Pl. A, B, 7), we follow the Rue des Guillemins (good view of the town) in a straight direction to the *Square d'Avroy (Pl. B, 5), which is tastefully laid out on ground once occupied by an arm of the Meuse. It is embellished with several bronze statues, most of them cast by the Compagnie des Bronzes at Brussels, and with the Trink-Hall, a café built in an Oriental style. A band plays here every evening in summer. The equestrian Statue of Charlemagne (Pl. B, 5) was made and presented to the town by the sculptor Jehotte. The emperor, who is said to have conferred on the city its earliest privileges, is represented in a commanding attitude, as if exhorting his subjects to obey the laws. The pedestal in the Romanesque style is adorned with statues of Pepin of Landen, St. Begga, Pepin of Heristal, Charles Martel, Pepin the Little, and Queen Bertha. The square is bounded by the Avenue d'Avroy and the Avenue Rogier. On the side next the river is a terrace, with a fine group in bronze by L. Mignon. Along the river runs the handsome Boulevard Frère-Orban. Adjacent, in the Boulevard Piercot, is the new Conservatoire of Music.

The Square d'Avroy is continued towards the N. by the Boulevard d'Avroy and the Boulevard de la Sauvenière (Pl. B, 3, 4), both shaded with trees and forming favourite evening-promenades. A fine view of the Church of St. Martin (p. 190), which stands on an elevated site, is obtained here.

The Boulevard de la Sauvenière leads in a wide curve to the Place du Théâtre (Pl. B, 3), which may be regarded as the centre of the town. The Theatre (Pl. 43) was built in 1808-22 after the model of the Odéon at Paris, and was thoroughly restored internally in 1861. The façade is adorned with eight columns of red Belgian marble. Performances take place in winter only. In front
of the theatre is a bronze Statue of Grétry, the composer (d. 1813),
designed by W. Geefs. The heart of the master, who was a native of
Liège, is deposited beneath the granite pedestal.

A little farther on we reach the Place St. Lambert (Pl. B, C, 2), on which once stood the Cathedral of St. Lambert, ruined
by the French sansculotttes and their brethren of Liège in 1794,
and completely removed in 1808. Here also for several centuries
has stood the episcopal palace, which is now used as the —

*Palais de Justice (Pl. B; C, 2), erected in 1508-40 by Cardi-
 nal Eberhard de la Mark, a kinsman of the 'Wild Boar of Arden-
 nes', whose turbulent career (see p. 195) is so admirably described
by Sir Walter Scott in his 'Quentin Durward'. The façade towards
the Place St. Lambert was re-erected in 1737 after its destruction
by fire, and the whole was restored in 1848-56, when the W. wing,
accommodating the Gouvernement Provincial, was erected. The
façade of the latter is embellished with sculptures and it con-
tains a large frescoed hall. The building contains two courts, sur-
rounded by vaulted arcades, exhibiting a curious blending of the
late-Gothic and Renaissance styles. The cleverly-executed capi-
tals, which consist of grotesque masks, fantastic foliage, figures,
etc., are by François Borset of Liège. The ribs of the vaulting are
in blue, and the intervening surfaces in light-yellow limestone.
The first court, which serves as a public thoroughfare, is adorned
with a modern fountain, and has been in part freely but skillfully
restored. The second court, which has arcades on two sides only,
has been laid out as a garden and contains several architectural
fragments. During the sitting of the courts the Palais de Justice
may be entered from the Rue du Palais or from the S.E. angle of
the first court. The buildings enclosing the second court, the ex-
terior façades of which have been restored, contain the Archives
and an Archæological Museum.

The Musée Archéologique is open on Sun., 11-1, free; at other times
it is opened by the concierge, who lives in the back corner of the first
court, for a fee of 1 fr. It occupies the second floor of the S. wing of the
second court. The Roman Room contains antiquities found chiefly in the
province of Liège: in the middle is a glass-case containing an "Ewer and Ba-
sia, a fragment of a bronze Ticket granting honourable discharge to a legion-
ary (of the time of Trajan: 98 A.D.), the Stamp of a Roman physician,
and other objects in bronze. At the back of the room is the so-called "Fon-
taine d'Angleur (p. 193), with bronze figures of a lion, ram, scorpion, and
fish, heads of Satyrs and Medusa, etc. The other show-cases contain Sigil-
lata and other Roman vessels in terracotta, roofing tiles, and Gallo-Fran-
kish Antiquities in gold, silver, glass, and terracotta. — The Galerie
d'Otreppe is devoted to furniture, pottery, glass, and other objects of the
Middle Ages and the Renaissance. — Another long gallery contains
plaster-casts, and architectural and sculptural fragments.

The ground in front of the W. façade of the Gouvernement Pro-
vincial (see above) ascends rapidly and is embellished with pleasure-
grounds and a fountain. The steps ascend to the Place St. Pierre,
with the churches of Ste. Croix (p. 191) and St. Martin (p. 190).
— Opposite the N.W. angle of the same wing is the Station du
Palais (p. 184), at the end of the tunnels by which the junction-line passes under the lofty W. quarters of the city.

The Place de St. Lambert is adjoined on the N.E. by the Grand Marché (Pl. C, 3), in which rises the Hôtel de Ville, built in 1714, and containing, among other pictures, a portrait by Ingres of Napoleon as First Consul, who presented it to the town himself in 1806. Adjacent is the domed church of St. Andrew, now used as the Exchange. The square also contains three poor fountains. The Fontaine des Trois Grâces in the centre was erected in 1696 by Delcour. The two others bear the arms of the burgomasters of Liège, and those of the Bavarian Palatinate.

The neighbouring Church of St. Antoine (Pl. C, 2), erected in the 13th cent., was rebuilt in the 16-17th cent., and lately restored by Systermans. The choir is embellished with four wood-carvings of scenes from the life of St. Bruno, and frescoes by Carpey of subjects from the history of St. Anthony (1860-68).

The Municipal Museum (Pl. C, 2), an unimportant collection of works of Liège artists and others, is contained in the old Cloth Hall (1788), Rue Feronstrée 65. It is open on Sundays and holidays from 10 to 1, on other days on payment of a gratuity; porter at the Académie des Beaux Arts, No. 42 in the same street. Among the painters represented are: Berth. Flémalle, Carlier, Chauvin, Lairesse, Vieillevoye, Paul Delaroche (22. Mater Dolorosa), Lepoittevin (77. Landscape), Wiertz (Contest for the body of Patroclus, repetition with alterations of the Brussels picture, p. 99), Wauters, Alb. de Vriendt, V. van Hove, De Haas, Koehler, Roelofs, etc.

A new and spacious street, the Rue Léopold, leads to the S.E. from the Place de St. Lambert to the Pont des Arches (Pl. C, 3), which spans the Meuse in five flat arches, and has recently been adorned with allegorical statues. It was constructed in 1860-63, on the site of an older bridge mentioned as early as the 6th cent., and afterwards repeatedly destroyed and renewed. In 1685 a strongly fortified tower was erected on the old bridge, to prevent communication between the two quarters of the city during civic revolts. The bridge affords a good survey of the different parts of the city, extending along both banks of the river.

The Rue Léopold has been continued on the right bank to meet the new Boulevards de la Constitution and Saucy. — The tramway-line which crosses the Pont des Arches leads to the Faubourg d’Amercœur, at the foot of the Chartreuse (p. 192).

Several of the busiest streets in Liège lead south-westwards from the Place du Théâtre, among others the Rue de la Régence and the Rue de l’Université. In the latter, immediately on the right, is the Passage Lemonnier (Pl. B, 3), constructed in 1837-39, and one of the first of the glass-roofed arcades with shops now so common in the larger European towns.
In the vicinity is the **Church of St. Denis** (Pl. C, 3), founded in 987; the present edifice dates almost entirely from the latter half of the 15th cent., with additions of the 18th century. The left transept contains a large altar adorned with figures carved in wood, executed about the end of the 15th cent., representing the Passion, and the Martyrdom of St. Denis. The statues of the Virgin and St. Denis at the sides of the high-altar are by Delcour (1707). The modern stained glass in the choir is by Capronnier.

At the end of the Rue de l'Université, and with its back to the quay of that name, rises the **University** (Pl. C, 3, 4), erected in 1817, and partly incorporated with an old Jesuit college. The detached structure, with an Ionic colonnade, is the Aula, or hall, with the inscription *‘Universis Disciplinis’*, which is lighted from the roof. The buildings comprise lecture-rooms, academic collections, a library (about 200,000 vols.), excellent apparatus for instruction in physical science, and a natural history museum containing a fine collection of the fossil bones of antediluvian animals found in the numerous caverns of the environs, especially in that of Chokier (p. 200). In 1879 the Belgian government granted funds for the erection of new physiological, physical, and chemical laboratories. The Ecole des Mines, a well-attended institution, an Ecole des Arts et Manufactures, and a training-school for teachers (Ecole Normale des Humanités) are connected with the university. There are more than 50 professors in all, and 1400 students, one-third of whom attend the mining and polytechnic schools.

The Place in front of the university is embellished with a bronze **Statue of André Dumont**, an eminent geologist (d. 1857), a professor in the university here, and author of the Carte Géologique of Belgium.

A little above the university, the Meuse is crossed by the **Pont de la Boverie** (Pl. C, 4), a bridge of four handsome arches, which leads to the Quartier de Longdoz and the railway-station of that name.

To the W. of the university, and not far from the Passage Lemouiller, rises the *Church of St. Paul* (Pl. B, 4), founded by Bishop Heraclius in 965, and renewed in 1280 (from which period dates the handsome Gothic choir), while the nave and additions were completed in 1528. It was originally an abbey church, and was raised to the dignity of a cathedral in 1802 (comp. p. 187). The tower (1812) contains a set of chimes.

The **Interior** is 92 yds. long, 37 yds. broad, and 80 ft. high. The nave and aisles are separated by round pillars. The **Nave** is encircled by a handsome triforium-gallery; the vaulting is embellished with Renaissance arabesques, executed in 1579, and restored in 1860. The **Pulpit**, carved in wood by W. Geefs of Brussels (1844), is worthy of special notice. Five figures in marble, also by W. Geefs, representing Religion, SS. Peter and Paul, SS. Lambert and Hubert, serve to support the pulpit. The fallen angel at the back is by Jos. Geefs, a brother of the principal master. — **Aisle** (S.) **Aisle**: 2nd Chapel, Christ in the sepulchre, executed in marble by Delcour in 1680; 3rd Chapel, St. Paul bidding farewell to St. Peter, also by Delcour. The principal subject in the stained glass window of the right
transept (1530) is the Coronation of the Virgin. At the end of the right aisle, near the choir, is a painting by Erasmus Quellin, representing SS. Gregory, Jerome, Ambrose, and Augustine, four Fathers of the Church. — The Choir contains both ancient and modern stained glass; the five windows in the apse date from 1557-87, the modern windows are by Capronnier. The choir-stalls were executed in 1864, from designs by Durlet of Antwerp; they are in the Gothic style, with small columns and reliefs, representing, on the right, the Resurrection of Believers, and, on the left, the Translation of the relics of St. Hubert. The high-altar has recently been renewed. — Left (S.) Aisle: Stained glass by Capronnier; 2nd Chapel, Lairesse, Assumption; 3rd Chapel, Marble statue of the Virgin, by Rob. Arnold, a Carthusian monk of the 18th century.

The Treasury (adm. 2 fr.) is worthy of attention; it contains, among other objects, a statuette of St. George in gold enamel, presented by Charles the Bold in expiation of his destruction of the town in 1468 (p. 186).

The Church of St. Jacques (Pl. B, 4), near the Square d’Avroy (p. 186), was founded by Bishop Balderic II. in 1016, and received its Romanesque W. tower in 1163-73, but dates in its present form from 1513-38. It is a magnificent edifice in the late-Gothic style, with a polygonal choir encircled by small chapels. The Renaissance portal on the N. side was added by Lombard in 1558-60. The church has been sumptuously and tastefully restored since 1833.

The Interior is 87 yds. long, 33 yds. broad, and 75 ft. high. Its decoration, particularly the filigree ornamentation bordering the arches, and the gorgeously-coloured enrichment of the groined vaulting, reminds one of the Moresco-Spanish style. The fine stained-glass windows of the choir, dating from 1520-40, represent the Crucifixion, the donors, their armorial bearings, and their tutelary saints. The elaborate stone-carving in the choir (winding staircase in two flights), and the organ-case in the nave, carved by Andreas Severin of Maastricht (d. 1673), also deserve notice. — The transept contains marble altars in the Renaissance style. Over the left altar is a fine Mater Dolorosa, of the beginning of the 16th cent.; in the right transept is the tomb of Bishop Balderic II., founder of the church, restored in the Renaissance style. — The aisles contain modern reliefs of scenes from the Passion.

The Church of St. Jean (Pl. B, 3) was erected in 982 by Bishop Notger, on the model of the cathedral of Aix-la-Chapelle, but entirely rebuilt in 1754-57. The octagonal ground-plan of the original edifice has, however, been adhered to, a long choir having been added on the east. The Romanesque tower belongs to the 12th, the cloisters perhaps to the 14th century.

On an eminence commanding the city rises the conspicuous Church of St. Martin (Pl. A, 3), founded by Bishop Heraclius in 962, and rebuilt in the Gothic style in 1542, almost simultaneously with the Church of St. Jacques. Unlike that edifice, however, its proportions are severe and simple, but imposing. It has been recently restored.

The Interior, consisting of nave and aisles with spacious lateral chapels, is 90 yds. long and 23 yds. wide. The stained glass of the choir and transept is of the 16th cent., the modern reliefs, representing the story of St. Martin, were executed by P. Franck, and the landscapes above are by Juppin (d. 1729). — The first lateral chapel on the right is adorned with fourteen marble medallions by Delcour, in memory of the origin of the festival of Corpus Christi (Fête de Dieu), which was first instituted in this church in the year 1246, in consequence of a vision
beheld by St. Juliana, Abbess of the neighbouring convent of Cornillon, and eighteen years later was ordained to be observed throughout Christendom by Pope Urban IV., who had been a canon at the cathedral of Liège at the time of the 'vision'. A marble slab under the organ bears an inscription commemorating the 500th anniversary of the festival. — On 4th Aug., 1312, the church was destroyed by fire, having become ignited during a fierce conflict between the burghers and the nobles. Two hundred of the adherents of the latter, who had been forced by the infuriated populace to take refuge in the church, perished in the flames.

The tower commands an admirable prospect (the sacristan lives to the W. of the principal tower; adm. 1 fr., small fee to the attendant).

The Church of Ste. Croix (Pl. B, 3), which is passed on the way to St. Martin's, was founded by Bishop Notger in 979 on the site of an old castle, but afterwards repeatedly altered. The Romanesque W. choir, built about 1175, with its octagonal tower and gallery of dwarf columns, recalls the architecture of the lower Rhine (p. xxxviii); the E. choir and the nave are in the Gothic style of the 14th century. The whole church has been recently restored. The nave and aisles, of equal height, and borne by slender round columns, are remarkable for their light and graceful effect. The pillars are of blue limestone, the walls and vaulting of yellowish sandstone. The pointed arches in the transept are filled with fourteen medallion-reliefs of the Stations of the Cross (14th or 15th cent.). The stained glass in the choir was executed in 1854 by Kellner of Munich and Capronnier of Brussels.

The Church of St. Barthélémy (Pl. D, 2), a basilica of the 12th cent., with double aisles (originally single only) and two Romanesque towers, has been completely modernised. The Baptistery, to the left of the choir, contains an interesting *Font in bronze, cast in 1112 by Lambert Patras of Dinant. It rests on twelve oxen, and is embellished with reliefs, representing John the Baptist preaching, the Baptism of Christ in Jordan, Peter baptising Cornelius the centurion, and John the Evangelist baptising Crato the philosopher. The church is also adorned with pictures by Flémalle, Dufour, Fisen, and others. — Adjacent is the Mont de Piété, Quai de Maastricht 10, an interesting limestone and brick building of 1560, with a lofty roof and curious turrets.

The Zoological Garden, or Jardin d'Acclimatation (Pl. C, 6; admission 1 fr.), contains only a small collection of animals, but the grounds are prettily laid out and afford a fine view of part of the upper town. Concerts are frequently given here in summer. Adjoining the gardens is the public Parc de la Boverie.

The Botanic Garden (Pl. A, 5) is open the whole day; the hot-houses (fine palms) are shown on application to the head-gardener. Adjacent is the Pharmaceutical Institute.

The finest *View of Liège is afforded by the Citadel (Pl. C, 1), 520 ft. above the sea-level, erected by the Prince-Bishop Maximilian Henry of Bavaria in 1650, on the site of earlier fortifications.
It may be reached in 20-25 min. by ascending one of the steep streets, Rue Pierreuse or Montagne Ste. Walburg, or by the somewhat less fatiguing flight of steps at the N.E. end of the Rue Hors-Château. Admission is usually granted without difficulty on application to the Commandant at the Bureau de Place, Rue Beckmann 49 (Pl. A, 4, 5). The view embraces the extensive city lying on both banks of the river, with its numerous towers and chimneys, and the populous and industrious valleys of the Meuse, the Ourthe, and the Vesdre. The prospect is bounded towards the S. by the mountains of the Ardennes; towards the N. it extends to the Petersberg near Maastricht, beyond which stretch the broad plains of Limburg.

The Caserne St. Laurent (Pl. A, 3, 4) is another good point of view. It is entered at the back from the Faubourg St. Laurent; we then cross the court, passing the guard, to the terrace in front (no fee).

The fortified heights of the Chartreuse (Pl. E, 5, 6), on the opposite bank of the Meuse, also command a charming though different prospect. The best point is the garden of the Hospice de la Chartreuse for old men, about half-way up the hill; entrance from the road 'Montagne de la Chartreuse', (ring; 1/2-1 fr. on leaving). — Still higher lies Robermont, where the Prince of Coburg was defeated by Marshal Jourdan, 19th Sept., 1794, in the last battle fought by the Austrians on Belgian ground. The cemetery of Liège is near Robermont. — The new Avenue de l'Observatoire (Pl. A, 6, 7), beyond the Station des Guillemins, affords a pleasant walk, commanding a series of fine views.

**Seraing.**

Steamboat every 20 min. in summer, and every 1/2 hr. in winter, from 7 a.m. till dusk (fares 50 and 35 c.; see p. 185). — The traveller should take the steamer in going (7/4-1 hr.), and the steam-tramway (35 min.) in returning.

Steam Tramway, every 1/4 hr. from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., starting from the Quai de l'Université and running along the left bank of the Meuse to Jemeppe, where the terminus is close to the (5 M.) Seraing bridge. Halting-places every 330 yds.; fares 50 or 40 c.

Railway in 15-16 min., either on the right bank of the Meuse from the Station de Longdoz to Seraing, or on the left bank from the Station des Guillemins to Jemeppe.

The *Excursion to Seraing affords a most interesting insight into the extraordinary industry of the Walloon country, and the steamboat trip is picturesque. After passing under the handsome railway-bridge of Val Bénoît (p. 203), we notice on both banks numerous iron-foundries and steel-factories of all kinds. — L. Ougrée (rail. stat., right bank). R. Selessin, with blast-furnaces and coal-pits, and Tilleur. The steamboat stops at the elegant suspension-bridge which connects Seraing and Jemeppe (5000 inhab.). The railway-stations are each about 3/4 M. from the bridge.
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Seraing, a town with 27,500 inhab., situated on the right bank of the Meuse, has acquired a European reputation on account of its vast ironworks and manufactories. They were founded in 1817 by John Cockerill, an Englishman, to whom the works belonged jointly with William I., King of the Netherlands, down to the revolution of 1830, when he purchased the king's share and thus became sole proprietor. A monument was erected to him here in 1871. After Cockerill's death in 1840 the works were purchased by a company with a capital of 12½ million francs (raised to 15 millions in 1871). The present director is M. E. Sadoine, without whose special permission visitors are not admitted to the works.

A building on the Meuse, which was formerly a summer-palace of the bishop, immediately below the suspension-bridge, now forms the entrance to the establishment. It contains the residence of the director and the archives and library of the works. The workshops and offices occupy an area of 270 acres, and employ about 11,000 hands, whose salaries and wages amount to upwards of 10 million fr. annually. In 1882 there were 337 steam-engines, of 14,488 horse-power collectively, in constant operation, and 1200 tons of fuel were daily consumed. The annual value of the products amounts to 45 million fr., and the works are capable of producing yearly 100 locomotives, 70 steamboat-engines, 1500 other steam-engines, the materials for 14 iron-clads, and 10,000 tons of cast iron for the construction of bridges and other purposes. Down to 1882, the workshops of Seraing had turned out 52,600 engines or pieces of machinery, including the first locomotive engine built on the Continent (1835) and the machinery used in boring the Mont Cenis Tunnel (1860). The establishment comprises every branch of industry connected with the manufacture of iron, such as coal-mines, ironstone-mines, puddling furnaces, cast-steel works, and engine-factories. The hospital and orphanage in connection with the establishment are maintained at an annual cost of 45,000 fr. The welfare of the workmen is also provided for by savings-banks, by sick funds, and by good elementary and technical schools.

In the vicinity of Seraing (up the river) are the extensive coal-mines and blast-furnaces of the Espérance company; and farther distant, the glass-works of Val St. Lambert, established in a suppressed Cistercian Abbey, one of the largest manufactories of the kind in Europe.

27. From Liège to Marloie.

40½ M. RAILWAY (Ligne de l'Ourthe) in 1 hr. 55 min. (fares 1 fr. 95, 3 fr. 70, 2 fr. 50 c.).

The train starts from the Station des Guillemins at Liège, and follows the Pepinster line (p. 204) as far as (1½ M.) Angleur (with a zinc-foundry of the Vieille Montagne Company), where it turns
to the S. into the beautiful valley of the Ourthe, a tributary of the Meuse, which intersects the principal part of the Belgian Ardennes in numerous windings from N. to S. On the slope to the left at the entrance to the narrower part of the valley, which is called the 'Streupas' (pas étroit), stands the château of Beau-Fraipont, with its massive square tower. The train then passes the foot of an eminence crowned with the turreted château of Colonster. On the opposite bank is the château of Ancre.

6 M. Tilff (Hôtel des Etrangers; Hôtel de l'Amirauté), a large village prettily situated on the right bank of the stream, and reached from the railway by an iron bridge, is much resorted to in summer by the citizens of Liège. Modern Gothic church. About 1/2 M. below it is the Villa Neef, with pretty grounds. About 1/2 M. above Tilff, high above the road, is the entrance to a not very easily accessible stalactite cavern (admission 1 fr., costume 35 c., candles 20 c. each). On the height above it is the château of Brialmont.

The train then passes the château of Monceau, crosses the river, traverses some rock-cuttings and a tunnel, and reaches (10 M.) Esneux (Hôtel de Bellevue, on the Ourthe), strikingly situated on and at the foot of a lofty and narrow rocky isthmus, washed on both sides by the river, which here forms a bend upwards of 3 M. in length. The lower part of the village is connected with the upper by a long flight of stone steps, while the carriage-road describes a long circuit. Fine views from the top, particularly from the Beaumont. This is the most picturesque spot in the lower valley of the Ourthe, and is a favourite point for excursions from Liège.

Near (12 M.) Poulseur the train crosses the river, the banks of which are disfigured with extensive limestone and slate quarries. Above the village rise the ivy-clad ruins of Poulseur, and on the opposite bank are the scanty relics of the castle of Montfort, to which numerous legends attach, once a seat of the 'Quatre Fils Aymon' (p. 201), and now almost undermined by the quarries. The valley contracts. The train crosses the Ourthe and reaches the small station (14 M.) Rivage, where the new Amblève Railway diverges to the left. — Continuation of the journey to Comblain-au-Point, see p. 195.

The Chemin de Fer de l'Amblève, the greater part of which was opened for traffic in Jan., 1885, traverses one of the most picturesque valleys of the Belgian hill-country, and will when finished connect the Ourthe railway with the line from Spa to Luxembourg. At present it stops at (14 M.) Stoumont (see below).

The line at first ascends the right bank of the river, which is here navigable, passing (3/4 M.) Liotte and skirting the furrowed limestone cliffs of the Belle Roche. To the right we obtain a glimpse of the fine rocks of Hallieux. Immediately beyond (4 M.) Martinrive the train crosses to the left bank. On the left tower lofty rocks
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crowned with the insignificant ruins of the château of Amblève, which are chiefly interesting from their association with the medieval legend of the Quatre Fils Aymon, who are said to have resided here, and with the 'Wild Boar of the Ardennes', who once occupied the castle, and was beheaded at Maastricht in 1485. The keys of the castle are kept at the village. The exploits of this adventurer are admirably described by Sir Walter Scott in his 'Quentin Durward'. His true history is as follows:—

William de la Mark, the scion of a noble family of Westphalia, born about 1446, was educated by Louis de Bourbon, Bishop of Liège. The bravery, or rather ferocity, of his character, procured for him at an early age the sobriquet of the 'Wild Boar of the Ardennes'. Having been censured by the bishop's chancellor on one occasion, he slew that officer, almost before the eyes of his benefactor, and was banished in consequence. William now sought an asylum at the court of Louis XI. of France, where he planned a revolt in the Bishop's dominions, and received money and troops for the enterprise. On his arrival in the Province of Liège, he entrapped the unfortunate Bishop into an ambuscade, and slew him with his own battle-axe. The Liégeois, ever prone to rebellion, now created William their commander-in-chief. He next invaded Brabant, but having been defeated by Archduke Maximilian, he returned to Liège, and allied himself with René of Lorraine against Austria. Maximilian now had recourse to treachery. He bribed Frederick of Horn, William's friend, to betray him. The 'Wild Boar' thus fell into the power of the Austrians, and was conducted to Maastricht, where he terminated his blood-stained career on the scaffold at the age of 39 years. He died bravely, as he had lived, meeting his merited fate with composure.

5½ M. Aywaille (*Hôtel du Luxembourg), a small town with 3500 inhab., connected with the opposite bank by a graceful suspension bridge. Farther on we cross the river by a viaduct 45 ft. high and 175 yds. long, commanding a good view of the village of Remouchamps on the left and the château of Mont Jardin (p. 209) on the right. — 7½ M. Remouchamps, see p. 209.

Above Remouchamps the river makes a wide bend, which the railway avoids by a tunnel 678 yds. in length. The train then crosses to the left bank, passes Nonceveux; recrosses the river, and reaches the Fond des Quarreux, a wild rocky caldron, in which the channel of the Amblève is blocked by innumerable boulders. From (10½ M.) Quarreux a pleasant walk may be taken along the railway and the high-road to a point beyond the prettily situated village of Sedoz, and thence across the hills (fine views) to Remouchamps (in about 2½ hrs.).

The train now keeps to the right bank, commanding a series of fine views of the wild valley of the Amblève and the ravines diverging from it. After passing Turynon, situated upon an almost isolated hill, it reaches (14 M.) Stoumont (*Hôtel du Val de l'Amblève), the present terminus of the railway. From Stoumont to Coo (see p. 208) in 2 hrs.; to Spa by Desniez, Winand, and Marteau, about 5 hrs.

The Ourthe railway crosses the Amblève and reaches (15 M.) Comblain-au-Pont (*Hôtel et Pension Renaville-Ninane, often
full), a village prettily situated on the left bank of the river, 3/4 M. from the station, which lies at the foot of a precipitous cliff. On a rocky eminence rises the ivy-clad tower of an ancient church. The scenery between Poulseur and (3 M.) Comblain-au-Pont will reward even the pedestrian.

The train now passes through a tunnel to Comblain-la-Tour (Hôtel de l’Ourthe), situated at the mouth of the Comblain brook, with rocky environs disfigured by slate-quarries. The valley soon expands and becomes more attractive. At (20 M.) Hamoir (Hôtel de la Station), a considerable village situated chiefly on the right bank, the river is crossed by two bridges, the older of which has been partly destroyed at the end next to the right bank. On the right bank, farther up, lies the château of Hamoir-Lassus, with a large park. One of the most picturesque parts of the valley is between Hamoir and Bomal (see below), the scenery being pleasantly varied by meadows, richly-wooded slopes, and frowning cliffs.

*Walk. Beyond the château of Hamoir-Lassus, at the first houses of the village of that name, enquire for the path across the hill to Sy, a small group of houses in a narrow gorge, and at the railway-bridge cross by boat to the left bank. A path through the meadows here passes the mouth of the tunnel and through an arch of the bridge, suddenly affording a view of a narrow and sombre rocky valley. At Palogne cross to the right bank again, and ascend with a boy as guide to the picturesque ruins of the castle of Logne, which like the Château d’Amblève was one of the chief seats of the redoubtable Count de la Marck (p. 195). Within the precincts of the castle is the Cave Notre-Dame, a stalactite grotto. Near the castle runs the Aywaille (p. 195) and Bomal road, by which the latter village may now be reached.

Between Hamoir and (25 M.) Bomal the train crosses the river several times, and penetrates a lofty cliff by means of a tunnel. The large village of Bomal (Hôtel de la Station), at the mouth of the Aisne, commanded by the château with its terraced gardens, is a handsome-looking place.

Excursion recommended to the picturesque rocky valley of the Aisne, ascending by Juzaine and Aisne to (4 M.) Roche-à-Prène (Courtoy-Liboutte), and returning by Mormont, Eveux, and Barvaux.

The train again crosses the Ourthe, stops at the substantially built village of (27 M.) Barvaux (Hôtel de Liège; *Aigle Noir), and then quits the river in order to avoid the long bend which it makes towards the W.

On the Ourthe, 2 M. above Barvaux, lies the ancient and picturesque town of Durbuy (Hôtel de la Montagne), with 450 inhab. only. The principal features of the place are a mediaeval bridge, an old chapel, the ruined tower of an ancient fortification, and the modern château of the Duc d’Ursel. Pleasant walk along the left bank of the river from Barvaux to Durbuy (2 hrs.), and back by the road (2 M.).

Beyond (32/2 M.) Melreux the line crosses the Ourthe for the last time and then leaves its neighbourhood.

Above Melreux the valley of the Ourthe presents several other points of attraction, especially in the neighbourhood of La Roche (Hôtel des Ardennes; Hôtel des Étrangers), a small town 11 M. from Melreux (diligence thrice daily), situated at the junction of several valleys, and commanded by the frowning ruins of a castle. Diligence from La Roche in
Voormalijke poorten:
1. Boschpoort
2. Brusselse poort
3. Tongershe poort
4. Sint Pieters poort
5. Oude (Duitsche) poort
6. Sint Maartens poort

38 1/2 M. Marche (Cloche d' Or), the chief town (2900 inhab.) of the Famène, a productive agricultural district. Marche was formerly a fortress. Lafayette was taken prisoner by the Austrians here in 1792. The village of Waha, 1 1/2 M. to the S., contains a small and simple Romanesque church, which was consecrated in 1051.

40 1/2 M. Murloie, where the line unites with the Brussels and Luxembourg railway (p. 172).

28. From Liège to Maastricht.

19 M. Railway from Liège to Maastricht in 1 1/4 hr.; trains start from the Station de Longdoz (fares 2 fr. 40, 1 fr. 80, 1 fr. 20 c.). Travellers to Maastricht who intend to return to Liège should leave the bulk of their luggage at Liège, in order to avoid the formalities of the Dutch douane in going, and those of the Belgian in returning. Luggage registered to Maastricht is not examined till arrival in that town.

The train describes a wide curve to the left, and passes under the Chartreuse, runs near the Meuse for a short distance, and reaches (3 M.) Jupille, a small manufacturing town of very ancient origin, with 3600 inhabitants. It was once a favourite residence of Pepin of Hérival, who died here in 714, and was also often visited by Charlemagne. The train now quits the river, which makes a bend towards the W. — 5 M. Wandre; 6 M. Cheratte.

8 M. Argenteau, the station for Hermalle, a basket-manufacturing place on the opposite bank of the river. Argenteau is the most picturesque place in the lower valley of the Meuse. Above the village rises an abrupt rock, clothed with oak-plantations on the summit, and crowned with the new château of Count Mercy-Argenteau. The court is connected by means of a lofty bridge with another rock, where the pleasure-grounds are situated. The park extends for a considerable distance to the N. The curious formation of the sandstone rock somewhat resembles that of the ‘Saxon Switzerland’.

10 M. Visé (Hôtel de Brabant), the seat of the Belgian custom-house, with 2800 inhab., once a fortified town, was the headquarters of Louis XIV. when he besieged Maastricht in 1673. The train crosses the frontier and enters the Dutch province of Limburg.

12 1/2 M. Eysden, with the Dutch custom-house and an old château, is situated amid fruit-trees and luxuriant pastures. — 15 M. Gronsveld. On the opposite bank of the Meuse are seen the sandstone rocks of the Petersberg, rising 330 ft. above the river.

19 M. Maastricht. — Hotels. *Hôtel du Lévrier, or Hasenwind ('greyhound'), in the Boschstraat, near the market, R. & L. 11/2 fl., B. 60 c.; Zwarte Arend, or Aigle Noir, a good second-class inn, opposite the Lévrier; Derlon, Daenen, two unpretending inns with restaurants, near the Peter's Gate and the church of Notre Dame. The hotels are all at a considerable distance from the railway-station.
Guide to the caverns, including torches, 2½-3 fl. (5-6 fr.); bargaining advisable.

Omnibus from the station to the market-place 15 c. — Carriage from the station into the town 50 c.; from Maastricht to the entrance to the galleries 3 fl.

Maastricht, the capital of the Dutch part of the province of Limburg, with 29,600 inhab., lies on the left bank of the Meuse, and is connected with the suburb of Wyk on the right bank by means of a bridge of nine arches, built in 1683. Maastricht (Maastrecht, Trajectum ad Mosam) is the Trajectum Superius of the Romans (the 'lower ford' was at Utrecht, p. 293), and from 346 to 720 was the seat of a bishopric, transferred hither from Tongres by St. Servatius. It belonged to the Frankish kings, several of whom resided here, and was at a later date in the joint possession of the Dukes of Brabant and the Prince Bishops of Liège. In 1579 Maastricht, which had thrown in its lot with the Netherlandish patriots, was besieged for four months by the Spaniards, under the Duke of Parma. The garrison consisted of 1000 soldiers (French, English, and Scottish), 1200 of the townpeople, and 2000 peasants from the environs. Notwithstanding the tenfold numerical superiority of the Spaniards, they were repulsed nine times by the sallies of the intrepid defenders. At length, greatly reduced in numbers, and exhausted by famine, the garrison was compelled to succumb. The victors wreaked their vengeance on the ill-fated burghers with savage cruelty. The greater part of the population, which is said to have comprised 10,000 weavers alone (?), perished by fire and sword, or in the waters of the Meuse. The fortress has sustained numerous other sieges, of which the three most memorable terminated with its capitulation, viz. that of 1632 by Prince Fred. Henry of Orange, that of 1673 by Louis XIV., and that of 1748 by the French under Marshal Saxe. Maastricht was almost the only town in the S. part of the Netherlands which was successfully maintained by the Dutch against the Belgian insurgents after the eventful month of September, 1830. — Maastricht was formerly a strong fortress, but the works are being demolished.

The Stadhuis, or Hôtel de Ville, with its clock-tower, situated in the great market-place, was erected in 1659-64, and contains several pictures of the Dutch School and well-executed tapestry (1704), representing the history of the Israelites in the wilderness. The town-library is also in this building.

The Cathedral of St. Servatius, or Hoofdkerk, in the Vrythof, founded by Bishop Monulphus, is one of the oldest churches in the Netherlands. The rich W. portion, in the Romanesque style, belongs to the 11th or 12th cent., and the crypt, rediscovered in 1881, is perhaps still more ancient. The interior was restored in the Gothic style about the year 1500. One of the altarpieces is a Descent from the Cross by Van Dyck.
The Church Treasury (Schatkamer), which since 1873 has occupied a chapel of its own, and is shown to visitors for a fee of ½ fl., is worthy of inspection. The most interesting object which it contains is the late-Romanesque reliquary of St. Servatius (12th cent.), in the form of a church, 5 ft. 9 in. in length, 19 in. in breadth, and 27 in. high. It is executed in gilded and enamelled copper, and embellished with filigree work and precious stones.

The Church of Notre Dame, or Lieve Vrouwenkerk, a late-Romanesque edifice of the 11th cent., has been disfigured by subsequent additions, especially the unsuitable vaulting of last century.

The principal attraction at Maastricht is the subterranean labyrinth of sandstone- quarries which honeycomb the Petersberg in every direction, having been worked for upwards of a thousand years. A visit to them occupies 1½-2 hrs. We leave the town on the S. by the Peter's Gate, near which the guides (p. 198) live. After about 10 min. we pass the village of St. Pieter, with a conspicuous modern brick church, and in ¼ hr. more reach the suppressed Servite monastery of Slavantien, now the property of a private club (Casino); admission, however, is seldom denied to strangers (re-freshments, fine view). The entrance to the Petersberg is close by.

The Petersberg range, extending from Maastricht to Liège, is composed of a yellowish, sandy, and calcareous stone, or chalky tufa, which has been deposited by the water of the ocean, and contains numerous conchylia, fragments of coral, sharks' teeth, fossil turtles, bones of a gigantic marine monster resembling a crocodile, and other traces of its remote subaqueous origin. Many of these interesting fossils are preserved in the collection at Liège (p. 189), and others may be seen at the Athenæum at Maastricht. The so-called orgues géologiques, cylindrical openings of 1-7 ft. in diameter, and generally vertical, perforating the formation to a vast depth, and now filled with clay, sand, and rubble, are a singular phenomenon which has not yet been satisfactorily explained. It is conjectured that they were originally formed by submarine whirlpools, the action of which is known to produce circular orifices in rocks of much harder consistency, and that they were afterwards enlarged by the percolation of water.

The economical value of the stone consists in the facility with which it is sawn into symmetrical blocks, and in its property of hardening on exposure to the atmosphere. The galleries, which vary from 20 to 50 ft. in height, are supported by pillars averaging 15 ft. in diameter, left for the purpose. The first excavations are believed to have been made by Roman soldiers, and the same systematic mode of working has been observed ever since that period. Guicciardini's (p. xiii) description of the quarries three centuries ago is still applicable.

'Viscera montis scatent lapide quodam molli, arenoso, et parvo negotio sectili, cujus ingens assidue hic effoditur copia, idque tam accurata conser- vandi et montis et fodientium cura, tamque altis, longis, flexuosis, et periculosus quoque meatibus.'

The galleries constitute a vast labyrinth, of about 12 M. in
length, and 7 M. in breadth, and are all so exactly similar in appearance, that their intricacies are known to a few experienced guides only. Most of the entrances are closed, as adventurous travellers have not unfrequently perished in the foolhardy attempt to explore the quarries alone. The dead bodies, which have occasionally been found in the more remote recesses, have been preserved from decomposition by the remarkable dryness of the air, and the lowness of the temperature. Thousands of names are rudely scratched on the pillars, and a genuine inscription of the year 1037 is even said to have been discovered. During the bloody wars of the 17th cent. the caverns were used as a place of refuge by the inhabitants of the surrounding districts.

One of the phenomena pointed out by the guides is the gradual formation of a small natural reservoir in the roots of a fossil tree, by the dropping of water from the branches, which still remain embedded in the ceiling, the intermediate part having been removed in the course of the excavations. A curious effect is produced by the guide leaving the party temporarily and carrying his torch into the side-galleries, from which its light shines into the central one from time to time. The soft, friable nature of the stone deadens every sound, so that his footsteps soon seem as if far in the distance. The invariable temperature in the quarries is about 55° Fahr., and the change from the heat of a blazing sun to the coolness of the caverns is very perceptible.

Railway to Aix-la-Chapelle, Hasselt, and Antwerp, see R. 17; to Venlo, Nymegen, and Rotterdam, see RR. 47, 48.

29. From Liège to Namur.

37½ M. Railway in 1½-2 hrs. (fares 4 fr. 80, 3 fr. 60, 2 fr. 40 c.; express 5 fr. 70, 4 fr. 90, 2 fr. 85 c.). This line is part of that from Cologne and Liège to Paris.

This part of the valley of the Meuse is remarkably picturesque and attractive. Bold cliffs, ruined castles, rich pastures, and thriving villages are passed in uninterrupted succession, while numerous coal-mines and manufactories with their lofty chimneys bear testimony to the enterprising character of the inhabitants. The whole district is densely-peopled, the land well-cultivated, and the scenery pleasantly diversified with hop-gardens, corn-fields, and meadows, but many of the prettiest points escape the railway-traveller. The quarries on both banks yield excellent marble.

Ougrée, Seraing (p. 192), and Val St. Lambert are stations on the right, Tilleur and Jemeppe stations on the left bank of the river, all picturesquely situated, with numerous manufactories and coal-mines.

7 M. Flémalle, a considerable village, where a branch-line, constructed mainly for goods-traffic, crosses the river.

Farther on, to the right, on a precipitous rock rising almost immediately from the river, stands the château of Chokier, with its
red tower and massive walls, dating partly from the last century. It is the ancient seat of the Surlet de Chokier family, a member of which was regent of Belgium for five months previous to the election of King Leopold. Then, at some distance from the river, on the left, the castle of Aigremont, with its white walls, rising conspicuously on the crest of a lofty hill, belonging to Count d'Outremont. It is said to have been originally erected by the Quatre Fils Aymon, four traditionary heroes of the middle ages. In the 15th cent. it formed the central point of the warlike exploits of William de la Mark, the 'Wild Boar of the Ardennes' (p. 195). To the left, opposite stat. Engis, stands the château of Engihow, at the base of a limestone rock. In 1829 numerous fossil bones were discovered by Dr. Schmerling in the limestone rocks around Engis, which led him to the conclusion that a prehistoric race of human beings had once peopled this district. 12 M. Hermalle, with a handsome château and park, is another picturesque spot, between which and Neuvillo the scenery is less attractive, and the banks are flatter.

14 M. Amay, a village at some distance from the river, possesses a Romanesque church with three towers. Neuvillo, a modern château, beyond which the scenery again becomes more picturesque, lies nearly opposite (15½ M.) Ampsin, where a ruined tower stands on the bank of the river. The train continues to skirt the hills on the left bank, of which no view is obtained.

18 M. Huy, Flem. Hoey (*Aigle Noir, 'pension' 6 fr.; Mouton Bleu), is a town with 12,100 inhab., on the right bank of the Meuse (station on the left bank), at the mouth of the Hoyoux. The Citadel, constructed in 1822, but now condemned to demolition, rises from the river in terraces. The works were partly hewn in the solid rock. The hills on the left bank are here ½ M. distant from the river. The *Collegiate Church (Notre Dame), a fine structure in the most perfect Gothic style, was begun in 1311, but renewed after a fire in the 16th century, and recently restored. Handsome W. portal with good sculptures. In 1868 a statue by J. Geefs was erected on the promenade skirting the Meuse, to Jos. Lebeau, a Belgian statesman, born at Huy in 1794, one of the most zealous promoters of the election of King Leopold.

The abbey of Neumoustier, founded by Peter the Hermit (d. 1115), formerly stood in one of the suburbs of Huy, and the great preacher of the Crusades was himself buried there. A statue has been erected to him in the garden of the old abbey. This was one of no fewer than seventeen religious houses which Huy possessed under the régime of the bishops of Liège, although the population of the town was then about 5000 only.

From Huy to Landen, 22½ M., in 1½h-1½ hr. (fares 2 fr. 75, 2 fr. 5, 1 fr. 40 c.). The train may be taken either at the station of Stalle (see below), a suburb on the left bank of the Meuse, or at Huy-Tilleul, to the S. of the town. The two stations, which are 1½ M. apart, are connected by a bridge across the Meuse. — At (3½ M.) Moha, with a ruined castle.
the line begins to ascend the picturesque valley of the Mehaigne, a tributary of the Meuse. Stations: Huccorgne; Fumal, with an old castle; Fallais, with a Romanesque church, and the ruins of a castle destroyed by Louis XIV.; Braives-Latinne. The country now becomes flat. The last stations are Avennes, Hannut, Avernas-Bertrée. Then Landen, see p. 177.

From Huy to Ciney, 25 M., in 21/2 hrs. (fares 3 fr. 5, 2 fr. 30, 1 fr. 55 c.). The trains start from Huy-Tilleul (see above). — The pleasing valley of the Hooyux, which the line ascends, is also interesting for pedestrians. — 3½ M. Barsa. — 7 M. Modave, whence a visit may be paid to the Château of Modave, situated on a lofty rock, built by the Counts Marchin in the 17th cent., and now the property of M. Braconnier of Liège. Then, Clavier-Terragne, Avins-en-Condroz, Havelange, Hamois, Empinthe. — Ciney, see p. 172.

19½ M. Statte, a suburb of Huy on the left bank of the Meuse, and junction of the line from Landen to Ciney, which here crosses the river (see above, and comp. Map).

20½ M. Bas-Oha, with an old castle now restored, and vineyards on the neighbouring hills. On the height opposite are the scanty ruins of the castle of Beaufort, destroyed in 1554.

25 M. Andenne-Seilles. On the left bank, where the railway-station is situated, lies the straggling village of Seilles, the last in the district of Liège. There are several lime-kilns here, and a château restored in the style of the 15th century. Opposite Seilles, and connected with it by means of an iron bridge, lies Andenne, with 7100 inhab., a busy town, with paper, fayence, and other manufactories. Down to 1785 a religious establishment of 32 sisters of noble family, not bound by any vow to abstain from matrimony, had existed here for upwards of a thousand years. It is said to have been founded by St. Begga, a daughter of Pepin of Héristal (p. 177), and the order was probably identical with that of the Béguines. The establishment was transferred to Namur by Emp. Joseph II.

29 M. Selaigneaux is the station for Sclayn, a pretty village on the opposite bank. At (30 M.) Namèche, another pleasant village in the midst of fruit-trees, the river is crossed by an iron bridge. On the opposite bank lies Samson, a village at the foot of a picturesque cliff of white limestone. Above Samson are situated a modern château and the ruins of a castle believed to date from the 12th cent. or earlier. Near it, in 1858, was discovered a Frankish burial-place, in which upwards of 250 skeletons with weapons and ornaments were found. A long breakwater here projects into the river in order to deepen the navigable channel. The rocks between Sclayn and Namur are not unlike the curious formations of the ‘Saxon Switzerland’. On the left rises the château of Moinil; then that of Brunmagne, the property of Baron de Woelmont.

32 M. Marche-les-Dames, adjoining which are the ironworks of Enouf. The château of the Due d'Arenberg, with its terraced gardens, amidst the trees on the rocky slope, occupies the site of an abbey founded in 1101 by 139 noble ladies, the wives of crusaders who had accompanied Godfrey de Bouillon to the Holy Land.

37½ M. Namur, see p. 167.
30. From Liège to Aix-la-Chapelle.

3½ M. RAILWAY to Verviers (15¾ M.) in 35-60 min. (fares 1 fr. 80, 1 fr. 35, 90 c.; express one-fourth higher); from Verviers to Aix-la-Chapelle (19 M.) in 40-65 min. (fares 3 fr. 30, 2 fr. 60, 1 fr. 85 c.). In the reverse direction: express from Aix-la-Chapelle to Liège 4 marks 60, 3 m. 40 pfennigs; from Cologne to Liège 13 m. 80 pf., 10 m.; from Cologne to Brussels 21 m., 18 m. 70 pf. (The German mark, worth 1 s. Engl., is divided into 100 pfennigs.) Between Verviers and Aix-la-Chapelle (and Cologne) several of the express trains have first-class carriages only, but in Belgium they always consist of the three classes. — At Herbethal, the Prussian frontier-station, small articles of luggage are examined; but that in the luggage-van is not examined till the traveller arrives at Aix-la-Chapelle (or at Cologne, if booked to, or beyond Cologne).

The country traversed by the line between Liège and the Prussian frontier is remarkable for its picturesque scenery, busy manufactories, and pretty country-houses, while the engineering skill displayed in the construction of the line is another object of interest. This part of the line, 24 M. in length, cost upwards of 25 million francs. The picturesque stream which the line crosses so frequently is the Vesdre, and pleasant glimpses of its wooded banks are obtained on both sides of the train. The rock penetrated by most of the tunnels is a bluish limestone, frequently veined with quartz, and often used for building purposes. This is the most beautiful part of the journey between England and Germany, and should if possible be performed by daylight.

The Bergisch-Märkisch Railway also has a line between Verviers and Aix-la-Chapelle (1-¾ hr.; fares 2 fr. 60, 2 fr. 15, 1 fr. 50 c.; or 2 m. 10, 1 m. 70, 1 m. 20 pf.). It diverges at Dolehain (p. 204) from the Rhenish line, and near Weltkenraedt passes the Eilsburg, or Emma-burg, once a country residence of Charlemagne, where his secretary Egino-hard is said to have become enamoured of the emperor’s daughter Emma, whom he afterwards married. Near the next station Montzen-Moresnet, on the Belgian and Prussian frontier, is situated the neutral territory of Moresnet, a tract about 3 M. in length, and ½ M. in breadth, in which lie the valuable zinc-mines of the Altenberg, or Vieille Montagne, the property of a company whose works are near Liège. Station Bleyberg, then Aix-la-Chapelle (Templerbend-Station); see Baedeker’s Rhine. Through-trains of the Bergisch-Märkisch Railway from Brussels to Düsseldorf go by this line (express from Calais to Berlin in 20¾ hrs.).

The train starts from the Station des Guillemins at Liège, crosses the handsome Pont du Val Benoît, passes (1¼ M.) Angleur (junction of the Ligne de l’Ourthe, for which see p. 193), and crosses the Ourthe near its confluence with the Vesdre.

2½ M. Chênée (4500 inhab.), at the mouth of the Vesdre, is a busy manufacturing place with ironworks and the extensive zinc-founedy of the Vieille Montagne Co. — Branch-line to Herve, Battice, and Aubel.

4½ M. Chaudfontaine (*Grand Hôtel des Bains; Hôtel d’Angleterre*), a small and beautifully-situated watering-place, attracts numerous visitors from Liège. The thermal spring (104° Fahr.) used for the baths is situated on an island in the Vesdre, which is connected with the bank by a handsome suspension-bridge. Chaudfontaine, like the German watering-places, boasts of a ‘Cursaal’ situated near the station, in the garden of which concerts are given in summer. From the back of the church a pleasant path, provided with seats, leads to the top of the hill (10 min.), which rises above the village and commands a fine view of the valley of the Vesdre.
On the rocks to the right, beyond the tunnel, is perched the tur- 
reted old castle of Trooz, which has been used for upwards of a 
century as a factory for boring gun-barrels. Beyond it is the station 
of the same name. Several other prettily-situated châteaux are 
passed. Then (9½ M.) Nessonvaux.

12½ M. Pepinster, with 2500 inhab., is the junction for Spa 
and Luxembourg (see RR. 31, 32). The name is said to be derived 
from 'Pepin's terre', the district having anciently belonged to the 
ancestors of Charlemagne.

Stat. Ensisval, on the left, is almost a suburb of Verviers.

15½ M. Verviers (Hôtel des Pays-Bas, in the town; Hôtel du 
Chemin de Fer, Hôtel d'Allemagne, both at the station; Railway 
Restaurant), with 41,000 inhab., is a town of modern origin, con-
taining numerous extensive manufactories, which have flourished 
here since the 18th century. Cloth is the staple commodity of the 
place. Upwards of 390,000 pieces are manufactured annually in 
Verviers and the environs, about one-third of which is exported. 
Yarn is also spun here in considerable quantity. In the new part 
of the town, to the left of the approach to the station, is a hand-
some brick church in the Gothic style. Napoleon III. spent a night 
in the Hôtel d'Allemagne in 1870, when on his way as a prisoner 
to Wilhelmshöhe.

Beyond Verviers the train passes through seven tunnels and 
crosses several bridges within a short distance.

20½ M. Dolhain (Hôtel d'Allemagne), the last station in Belgium, 
a modern place, picturesquely situated in the valley of the Vesdre, 
occupies the site of the lower part of the ancient city of Limburg. 
On the height above it stands the conspicuous castle of Limburg, 
the ancestral seat of the ancient ducal family of Limburg, from 
which the counts of Luxembourg and the German emperors Hen-
ry VII., Charles IV., Wenceslaus, and Sigismund were descended. 
The castle belonged to the ancient capital of the fertile Duchy of 
Limburg, of which but few traces now remain. The city possessed 
a cathedral and five other churches, and occupied the entire breadth 
of the valley of Dolhain. In 1288 it was sacked by Duke John I. of 
Brabant after the Battle of Worringen, it was afterwards taken and 
pillaged at different times by the Dutch, the Spaniards, and the 
French, and was at length entirely destroyed by Louis XIV. in 
1675. A number of well-built houses have sprung up within the 
walls of the ancient fortifications, from which peeps forth the old 
Gothic Church of St. George, containing a tabernacle of 1520. On 
a rocky eminence stands a small modern château.

From Dolhain a visit may be paid (1 hr.) to the interesting Barrage 
de la Gileppe, the road to which ascends the valley beyond Limburg for 
about ½ M., and then follows a lateral valley to the right. — The 
Barrage de la Gileppe, a triumph of modern engineering, was constructed 
in 1869-78 by Braive, Caillet, & Co., from a plan by the engineer Bidaut 
d. 1868), for the purpose of forming a reservoir of pure, soft water for 
the use of the manufactories of Verviers. It consists of an immense en-
bankement, 90 yds. long and 72 yds. thick at the base, and 256 yds. long and 16 yds. thick at the top, carried across a narrow part of the valley of the Gileppe. The lake or reservoir thus formed is about 150 ft. in depth, covers an area of 200 acres, and contains 2,700,000,000 gals. of water. It is connected with Verviers by an aqueduct, 5½ M. long, built by Montan. On the top of the embankment couches a colossal lion, 43 ft. in height, constructed by Bouré with 243 blocks of sandstone. The total cost of these waterworks amounted to five million francs. — On the way back Limburg may be visited.

24½ M. Herbesthal, the first Prussian station, is the junction for Eupen (train in ¼ hr.). The custom-house formalities cause a detention of about 10 min. here. Beyond (27½ M.) Astenet, the train crosses the Göhl Valley by a viaduct of seventeen double arches, 125 ft. in height. Beyond (30 M.) Ronheide it descends an incline to —

34½ M. Aix-la-Chapelle (see Baedeker's Rhine). Railway thence to Maastricht, see R. 17; to Cologne, Düsseldorf, etc., see Baedeker's Rhine.

31. From Pepinster to Spa.

7½ M. Railway in ½ hr. (fares 95, 70, 50 c.).

Pepinster, see p. 204. The valley of the Hoëgne, which the railway ascends, is enclosed by picturesque and wooded hills, and enlivened by a succession of country-houses, gardens, and manufactories. Near (3 M.) Theux, a small town with several cloth-factories and ironworks, rises a hill laid out in pleasure-grounds, to the left, in which stands the extensive ruined castle of Franchimont, destroyed as early as 1145 by a Bishop of Liège. The last proprietor is said to have been a robber-knight, who possessed vast treasures buried in the vaults beneath his castle, where they remain concealed to this day. The tradition is gracefully recorded by Sir Walter Scott in his lines on the Towers of Franchimont, —

'Which, like an eagle's nest in air,
Hang o'er the stream and hamlet fair.
Deep in their vaults, the peasants say,
A mighty treasure buried lay,
Amass'd through rapine and through wrong
By the last lord of Franchimont'.

Above Theux the Hoëgne describes a wide curve towards the E., and the train enters the valley of the Wayai. 5 M. La Reid; the village is on the hill, 2 M. to the right (comp. p. 209). Farther on, also to the right, lies Marteau (p. 208).

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Table d’hôte generally at 5 o’clock. ‘Pension’ at some of the hotels 7-13 fr. Furnished Apartments may be easily obtained. — Omnibuses from the principal hotels are in waiting at the station.

Restaurants. Casino, see p. 207; at most of the above-named hotels; others at the Géronstère, the Sauvenière, and Barisart, all dear.

Carriages. There are three kinds of carriages: those with one horse and seats for two persons; those with one horse and seats for three; and others with two horses. The respective fares for these are: ‘Tour des Fontaines’ (a visit to the different springs; 2 hrs.) 6, 8, 10 fr.; to Sart and Francorchamps, returning via Sauvenière (3½ hrs.), 12, 14, 18 fr.; Theux and Franchimont (2½ hrs.) 8, 10, 12 fr.; Grotte de Remouchamps (3 hrs.) 18, 20, 25 fr.; Cascade de Coo (3 hrs.) 16, 18, 25 fr., via Stavelot 48, 50, 30 fr.

Horses. Ponies (‘bidets’), of a peculiar variety and as sure-footed as asses or mules, are much used; ride of 2 hrs. 5 fr.; each additional hour 2 fr.; Grotte de Remouchamps 15 fr.; Cascade de Coo 15 fr.; etc.

Visitors’ Tax. Since the suppression of gaming the directors of the baths have exacted the following charges from frequenters of the Casino, the Winter Garden, and the Park: 1 pers. for a fortnight 18, 2 pers. 27, 3 pers. 32 fr.; for the season 50, 75, or 90 fr. Day-tickets for the Casino, Park, and Pouhon 1½ fr., for the Park or the Pouhon alone 50 c.

Concerts. In the Promenade de Sept Heures in the afternoon from 1.30 to 3.30, and in the evening from 6.30 to 8.30 (50 c.; see below). No music in the forenoon.

Post and Telegraph Office, Rue Neuve.

Physicians. Dr. Forbes; Dr. Thompson; Dr. Lezak, Place Royale; Dr. Scheuer, Rue de la Sauvenière.

English Church Service, in the handsome English Church in the Boul. des Anglais; Sunday services at 8.30, 11.30, and 7; daily at 8.30 a.m. — Presbyterian Service in July and August at the Chapelle Evangélique.

Spa (820-1080 ft. above the sea-level), a small, attractive-looking town with 6500 inhab., is prettily situated at the S. base of wooded heights, at the confluence of three streams, the Wayai, the Picherotte, and the Spa. Like other watering-places, it consists chiefly of hotels and lodging-houses, while numerous shops and bazaars with tempting souvenirs and trinkets, a pleasure-seeking throng in the promenades, and numbers of importunate valets-de-place and persons of a similar class, all combine to indicate that character which occasioned the introduction of its name into the English language as a generic term. This, the original and genuine ‘Spa’, the oldest European watering-place of any importance, has flourished for a century and a half, and was the Baden-Baden of the 18th century, the fashionable resort of crowned heads and nobles from every part of Europe. Peter the Great was a visitor here in 1717, Gustavus III. of Sweden in 1780, the Emp. Joseph II. and Prince Henry of Prussia in 1781, and the Emp. Paul, when crown-prince in 1782; to whom might be added a long list of members of the noble families of England, France, Germany, and still more distant countries, who have patronised Spa and benefited by its waters. After the French Revolution its prosperity began to decline, but it has of late regained much of its popularity, and many new buildings have sprung up. It is now frequented by upwards of 20,000 visitors annually, nearly half of whom are Belgians. The pretty painted and varnished woodwares offered for sale everywhere are a speciality of Spa (‘bois de Spa’).
The town is entered from the station by the Avenue du Marteau (p. 208), which leads to the Place Royale. The new and imposing Etablissement de Bains situated here is admirably fitted up (open 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.; baths 1 fr. 30 c. - 6 fr.). Near it, in the Rue Royale, is the Casino, corresponding to the 'Cursaal' of German baths, containing ball, concert, reading, and dining rooms (see above).

In the Place Pierre-le-Grand, in the centre of the town, and nearly opposite the Casino, is situated the chief of the sixteen mineral springs, called the Pouhon (the Walloon word pouhir = puiser in French, and pouhon = puits, or well). The pump-room erected here in 1820 was replaced in 1880 by a more handsome edifice with covered promenades, conversation-rooms, and a beautiful winter-garden (see above). The water of this spring (50° Fahr.), which is perfectly clear, and strongly impregnated with iron and carbonic acid gas, possesses tonic and invigorating properties, and is largely exported to all parts of the continent, to England, and to the E. and W. Indies. Adjacent, in the Rue Dundas, is the Pouhon du Prince de Condé, the water of which is also exported. Other neighbouring springs are not used by the public.

The favourite lounge of visitors in the afternoon and evening is the Promenade de Sept Heures, shaded by magnificent old elms (unfortunately seriously injured by a storm in 1876), where a good band plays (p. 206). The Place Royale (see above), immediately adjoining the promenade, is also much frequented. During the concerts a charge of 50 c. is made for admission to the Promenade de Sept Heures. — Pleasant paths diverging from the promenades ascend the neighbouring hills, leading through the woods to fine points of view. Opposite the music-pavilion of the Place Royale is an entrance to the Montagne d'Annette et Lubin, with a café. We may hence extend our walk down to (4½ M.) the valley of the Chavion, which flows into the Wayai near La Reid (p. 205).

The various springs in the environs are most conveniently visited in the following order in 2½ - 3 hrs. (le tour des fontaines). We first follow, passing the Pouhon on the right, the broad Rue de la Cascade, which is embellished by a fountain with genii, by Jaquet. The prolongation of this street, which leads uphill, and is named Rue de la Sauvenière, is crossed by the railway, just after quitting the town. We now follow the high-road (the Sauvenière, 1½ M.; Francorchamps, 5 M.), which is pleasantly shaded by elms, to a point about ¼ M. beyond the Salon Levez, an old gambling-house, with a garden. Here we turn to the left into an avenue, which leads in 20 min. (on the left a retrospective view of Spa) to the Tonnelet (250 ft. higher than the Pouhon), a spring now less in vogue than formerly. — About ½ M. to the E. of the Tonnelet rises the spring of Nivesé, now called the Source Marie Henriette, in consequence of a visit of the Queen of Belgium in 1863; its water is conducted to the Etablissement de Bains.
From the Tonnelet a road ascends to the S., through forests of birch and pine, to the (20 min.) Sauvenière (Restaurant, dear), situated 460 ft. above the Pouhon, on the road from Spa to Francorchamps and Malmédy. Close to it is the Groesbeck spring, surrounded with pleasant plantations, where a monument was erected in 1787 by the Duc de Chartres (Louis Philippe), to commemorate the fact that his mother, the Duchess of Orleans, was cured of a serious illness by the waters of La Sauvenière. At the Fontaine de Groesbeek, women are sometimes observed devoutly drinking the water on their knees, thus showing their simple faith in its miraculous virtues. Opposite the Restaurant de la Sauvenière a promenade leads at a right angle from the high-road to the (½ hr.) Géronstère (Restaurant), situated 470 ft. higher than the Pouhon, and also reached (2½ M.) by a direct road from Spa. (Leaving the Place Pierre-le-Grand by the church on the right, we pass the Hôtel de Flandre and ascend the Rue du Vauxhall; about 100 yds. from the railway, we observe, on the left, the former gambling-house of Vauxhall, beyond which the road is called the Rue de la Géronstère.) — The Géronstère Spring was formerly the most celebrated. Its properties were tested by Peter the Great, whose physician extols them in a document still preserved at Spa. — The high-road continues southwards, via La Gleize, to the (5½ M.) Waterfall of Coo (see below). In returning to Spa from the Géronstère we soon strike a pleasant footpath on the left, leading in 20 min. to the Barisart (165 ft. above the Pouhon), which was not enclosed till 1850 (restaurant). Thence to Spa about 1 M.

A beautiful level promenade is afforded by the Avenue du Marteau, a road flanked with a double avenue, and bordered here and there with well-built houses. It leads from the Place Royale to the E., following the course of the Wayai, to (1¾ M.) the village of Marteau.

Excursions from Spa.

To the Cascade of Coo, 10 M. (carr., see p. 206). The road leads past the Géronstère and ascends to the Plateau des Fagnes. Farther on the road forks: the left arm leads via (4½ M.) Andrimont and Roanne to Coo; the right arm goes to Cour and La Gleize. At the bridge of Coo a view is suddenly obtained of the beautiful Waterfall of Coo, with its picturesque and mountainous environs. Part of the Amblève is here precipitated through two artificial gaps in the rock, made during last century, while the rest of the water flows past the openings and reaches the bottom of the rocks by a circuitous course of 3 M. Near the waterfall is the Hôtel de la Cascade, with a terrace and pavilion. From Trois Ponts to Coo, see p. 210. — A picturesque walk of 2 hrs. may be taken from Coo, via La Gleize (see above) to Stoumont (p. 195; railway in progress).

To Remouchamps, 10-12 M. (carr., see p. 206). The road de-
scends the valley of the Hoëgne to the station of La Reid (p. 205), and then ascends to the left, through a pretty valley, to Hestroumont and the village of La Reid (885 ft.; 2 M. from the station). It here unites with the steep but more direct bridle-path from Marteau (see above). Beyond Hautregard the road descends to —

Remouchamps (*Hôtel des Etrangers, 'pension' 5 fr.), a station on the railway mentioned at p. 195, and one of the prettiest spots in the valley of the Amblève. The stalactite Grotto is the chief attraction here, and should be visited by those who have not seen the finer caverns of Han-sur-Lesse (p. 173). The entrance adjoins the Hôtel des Etrangers (admission 3 fr., torches included; costume for ladies 1½ fr.; trifling fee to the guide, extra). The grotto consists of an upper and a lower part, to which last a flight of steps descends, and it is traversed by a brook. Another peculiarity which the limestone basin of Remouchamps has in common with other similar districts is the disappearance of almost all the streams in the neighbourhood, towards the N., in subterranean clefts or 'entonnoirs' (funnels), locally called 'chantoirs'. The largest of these is the Entonnoir of Aiseux, 3 M. north of the village. The traveller follows the road as far as the village of Dreigne, where a boy had better be taken as a guide. That the brook which disappears in the entonnoir is the same which re-appears near Remouchamps has frequently been proved by the experiment of throwing in various objects and observing them emerge at the other end.

Above Remouchamps the ancient and still occupied château of Mont Jardin, loftily situated on the left bank, peeps down from amid dense foliage. Farther up is the new château, with a pretty garden. — Below Remouchamps, and also on the right bank of the Amblève, lies Sougne, at the base of the cliff called 'Heid des Gattes' (goats' rock).

32. From Spa to Luxembourg.

82 M. RAILWAY in 4 hrs. (fares 11 fr. 70, 8 fr. 10, 5 fr. 40 c.). Express fares one-fourth higher. Belgian state-railway as far as Trois Viéges, and afterwards the Alsace-Lorraine and Luxembourg line. — Seats on the tops of the carriages pleasant in fine weather. Best views to the left.

Spa, see p. 206. The line at first runs towards the E., traversing a hilly and partiy-wooded district, and afterwards turns to the S. (views to the left). 7½ M. Hockai; 9½ M. Francorchamps. Farther on, a fine view of Stavelot is obtained.

15½ M. Stavelot (Hôtel d'Orange), a busy manufacturing town with 4500 inhab., on the Amblève, which was the seat of abbots of princely rank and independent jurisdiction down to the Peace of Lunéville in 1801. The Benedictine Abbey was founded as early as 651, and its possessions included Malmédy, which has belonged to Prussia since 1815. Part of the tower only of the Romanesque abbey-church is now extant. The parish-church contains the *Châsse
de St. Remacle, Bishop of Liège in 652–62, a reliquary of embossed copper, gilded, enamelled, and bejewelled. The niches at the sides are filled with statuettes of the Twelve Apostles, St. Remacle, and St. Lambert, in silver, executed in the 14th century.

About 5 M. to the N.E. of Stavelot (diligence twice daily, crossing the Prussian frontier halfway), in a pretty basin of the Warche, lies the Prussian district-town of Malmédy (Cheval Blanc), the capital of a Walloon district which formerly belonged to the independent Benedictine abbey of Malmédy-Stavelot, and was annexed to Prussia in 1815. The abbey-church, originally in the Romanesque style, and the abbey-buildings, which are occupied by public offices, form an extensive pile. French is still spoken by the upper classes, and the Walloon dialect by the lower throughout the district (about 10,000 inhab.).

The line here follows the valley of the Amblève. 181/2 M. Trois Ponts (Auberge des Ardennes), a small village named after its three old bridges (over the Amblève, over the Salm, and over another brook), and situated behind precipitous rocks through which the railway passes. From Trois Ponts a new road descends the valley of the Amblève to (2 M.) the Waterfall of Coo, a favourite resort of the visitors to Spa (p. 208).

The line now enters the picturesque ravine of the Salm, passes through a tunnel, and follows the left bank of the stream. 22 M. Grand-Halleux; 261/2 M. Viel-Salm, at some distance from the village (Hôtel Bellevue) of that name; interesting slate-quarries in the environs. Farther on, to the right, is the ruined castle of Salm, the ancestral seat of the princely family of that name. The line now quits the valley of the Salm, passes (301/2 M.) Bovigny-Courty (diligence once daily to Houffalize, p. 197), and beyond (331/2 M.) Gouvy (Belgian custom-house) crosses the watershed between the Meuse and Moselle, which is at the same time the Luxembourg frontier. Branch-line to Bastogne (p. 174) in progress.

39 M. Trois-Vierges, Ger. Ulflingen, the frontier-station of Luxembourg, lies in the valley of the Wolz. The Luxembourg railway, under German management, begins here. Picturesque scenery.

411/2 M. Maulusmühle. A pleasant walk may be taken hence to the next station. — 44 M. Clerf or Clervaux, a picturesquely-situated place (Hôtel Köner) to the E. of the line, with an old castle, visible from the line before and after the passage of the tunnel, but not from the station. The castle was formerly in the possession of the Seigneurs de Lannoy, the most famous of whom was Charles V.’s general, Charles de Lannoy, the conqueror of Francis I. at the battle of Pavia. The interior has been modernised. — 501/2 M. Wiltwerwiltz; to the left is the ruined castle of Schieburg. — 531/2 M. Kautenbach, at the confluence of the Wilz and the Wolz. A branch-line diverges here to (6 M.) Wiltz (Hôtel des Ardennes). — 56 M. Goebelmühle, at the confluence of the Wolz and the Sure, or Saur. The finest scenery on the line is between this point and the next station. On the left rise the imposing ruins of the castle of Burscheid, below
which is a tunnel. — 58½ M. Michelau, whence a visit may be paid to Burscheid (½ hr.). — 63½ M. **Etterbrück** (Hôtel du Luxembourg), a small town, pleasantly situated at the confluence of the Warche and the Alzette. Fine view from the Herrenberg.

**Branch-Line (in 10 min.)** from Etterbrück to (2½ M.) Diekirch ("Hôtel des Ardennes, "pens." 5 fr.; Hôtel du Luxembourg), a small town prettily situated on the Sure. — Pleasant excursion to Vianden ("Hôtel du Luxembourg), 8 M. to the N. of Diekirch, in the valley of the Our. The little town is picturesquely commanded by an imposing ruined castle of the counts of Nassau. The elegant decagonal castle-chapel was restored in 1849. The parish-church contains tombstones of the 15th and 16th centuries.

**From Diekirch to Wasserbillig (Trèves),** 30 M., railway in 1¾-2¼ hrs. (to Trèves ½-¾ hr. more). — The train ascends the valley of the Sure. 21½ M. Bettendorf; 6 M. Reisdorf; 13 M. Bollendorf. — 17½ M. Echternach ("Hôtel du Cerf), a great resort of pilgrims, noted for the singular "Leaping Procession" which takes place every Whit-Tuesday. The abbey of Echternach enjoyed independent jurisdiction down to 1801. The church was consecrated in 1051; the nave and aisles are separated by a series of alternate columns and pillars, the former of which are distinguished by their lightness and the beauty of their capitals. — 22½ M. Rosport; 26 M. Born. — 30 M. Wasserbillig, at the confluence of the Sure and the Moselle, see p. 176.

At Etterbrück the train enters the valley of the Alzette, which is at first narrow and picturesque, and follows it to Luxembourg. 65 M. Colmar-Berg, at the confluence of the Alzette and Attert, with an old castle of the Counts of Nassau. From (67 M.) Kruchten a branch runs to (7½ M.) Larochette, a picturesquely situated little town. — 69 M. Mersch (Hôtel Steffen), at the confluence of the Eisch, Mamer, and Alzette, the valleys of which afford pleasant excursions. Thus to the W. are the château of Hollenfels and the ruined monastery of Marienthal in the valley of the Eisch, and the handsome château of Schönfels in the valley of the Mamer; while to the E. lie the château and park of Meysembourg, the property of Prince Arenberg. — 74½ M. Lintgen; 75 M. Lorentzweier; 77 M. Wolferdange; 79 M. Dommeldange, and — 82 M. *Luxembourg*, see p. 175.
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(Preliminary Information, see p. xxi.)

33. From Flushing to Breda.

61 M. RAILWAY in 13/4-3 hrs. (fares 5, 4, 2½ fl.).

The FLUSHING Route, opened in 1875, has become one of the most popular ways of reaching the Continent. Railway from London (Victoria, Holborn Viaduct, or Ludgate Hill Station) to Queenborough in 1¾ hr.; steamer thence to Flushing in 8-9 hours. The steamers are large and comfortable. Through-tickets are issued on this route to all the large towns in Holland, Belgium, Germany, etc.

Flushing, Dutch VLissingen (Duke of Wellington; Hôtel du Commerce), a seaport with 11,000 inhab., once strongly fortified, is situated on the S. coast of the island of Walcheren, at the mouth of the Schelde, which is here nearly 3 M. broad. The quays and docks, near the railway-station, have lately been much extended.

After the Gueux had taken Briel, Flushing was the first Dutch town which raised the standard of liberty (in 1572). Admiral de Ruyter, the greatest naval hero of the Dutch, was born here in 1607 (d. 1676). He was the son of a rope-maker, but his mother, whose name he assumed, was of noble origin. His greatest exploit was the ascent of the Thames with his fleet in 1667, when he demolished fortifications and vessels of war, and threw London into the utmost consternation. A few weeks afterwards, however, peace was declared at Breda, and the achievements of the Admiral were thus terminated. A monument was erected to his memory in 1841 near the harbour. Flushing was also a place of some importance during the Napoleonic wars. It was bombarded and taken by the English fleet under Lord Chatham in 1809, on which occasion upwards of a hundred houses, the handsome town-hall, and two churches, were destroyed. This was the sole and useless result of the English expedition to the island of Walcheren, undertaken by one of the finest British fleets ever equipped, the object of which was the capture of Antwerp. Monuments to the poet Jacob Bellamy (1757-86), a native of Flushing, and to the Dutch poetesses El. Wolff-Becker and Agnes Deken (d. 1804), have also been erected here. The Church of St. James dates from the 15th century. The Hôtel de Ville contains a collection of local antiquities.

In 1559 Philip II. embarked at Flushing, never again to return to the Netherlands. He is said to have been accompanied thus far by Prince William of Orange, and to have reproached him with having caused the failure of his plans. The prince pleaded that he had acted
in accordance with the wishes of the States, to which the disappointed
monarch vehemently replied: 'No los Estados, ma vos, vos?'

From Flushing a steamer plies several times daily to Terneuzen
(p. 10), in 1 1/2 hr.

Opposite Flushing, on the left bank of the Schelde, lies the
village of Breskens; 1/2 M. farther on is the village of Kadzand.

4 M. **Middelburg** (*Hôtel Nieuwe Doelen; Hôtel de Abdy;**
**Hôtel de Flandre, R. & B. 11/2 fl.; carr. to Domburg 6, Flushing
3, Westcapelle 9 fl.), the capital of the Province of Zeeland, with
16,100 inhab., and the birthplace of Zach. Janssen and Hans Lipperhey,
the inventors of the telescope (about 1610). The town is
connected with Flushing and Veere by means of a canal. The
large **Prins Hendriks Dok** was opened in 1876.

In the market-place rises the handsome late-Gothic **Town Hall**,
created in the 16th cent. by one of the **Keldermans**, an artist-
family of Malines; the tower, which is 180 ft. high, dates from
1507-13. The façade is adorned with 25 statues of counts and
countesses of Zeeland and Holland.

**Interior.** The old 'Vierschaar', or court-room, on the first floor, is
lined with fine panelling of the 16th century. — **The Municipal Museum**
('Oudheidskamer') contains portraits of Jan and Cornelis Evertsen, two
Dutch naval heroes, who fell fighting against the English in 1666,
and of other members of the same family; also tankards and banners of
the old guilds, documents, pictures, etc. Among the documents is a
charter granted to Middelburg in 1253, by the German king William of
Holland, the oldest existing deed in the Dutch language.

The Zeewsch *Genootschap der Wetenschappen* possesses a very
interesting collection of Roman and other antiquities; a portrait of
Ruyter by Ferd. Bol, and various reminiscences of the great admiral;
the earliest telescopes, made by Zach. Janssen and Hans Lipperhey (see above); Zeeland coins; maps, plans, and drawings
relating to Zeeland ('Zeelandia illustrata'); the finely-carved pan-
nelling and furniture of a room in an ancient Zeeland house; and
a complete collection of the fauna and flora of Zeeland.

The **Abdy** (abbey) was built in the 12th, 14th, and 15th cent.,
and restored after a conflagration in 1568, in the Renaissance style.
The interior is now occupied by the Provincial Council. The large
hall contains some fine tapestry representing the battles between
the maritime provinces and the Spaniards, executed at Delft and
Middelburg at the end of the 16th cent., by Jan de Muegh. — **The**
**Nieuwe Kerk**, once the abbey-church, contains the monuments of
Jan and Cornelis Evertsen (see above), that of William of Holland
(d. 1256), who was elected German emperor in 1250, and that of
his brother Floris (d. 1258; erected in 1820); the tower is 280 ft.
high. — The town possesses a few picturesque old houses, such as

Middelburg is also connected with Flushing by a **Steam Tramway**,
which plies 8 times a day in 1 1/2 hr., passing the village of *Boenburg*,
where Charles V. abdicated in 1556. A statue has been erected here to
Philip van Marnix (d. 1598; p. 87), the famous author and statesman, who
was lord of the manor.
From Middelburg an omnibus (1 fl.; one-horse carr. 5, two-horse 6 fl.) runs twice daily to (10½ M.) Domburg (Bad-Hôtel; Schuttershof), a small bathing-place, frequented by Germans, Dutchmen, and Belgians. Pleasant walks in the neighbourhood. — About 5 M. from Domburg lies Westcapelle, with extensive dykes (p. 157) and a lighthouse.

On the N. coast of the island of Walcheren, 3 M. from Middelburg, lies the ancient and decayed town of Veere, with a fine Gothic church and an interesting town-hall containing some valuable antiquities.

6½ M. Arnemuiden; the ancient harbour is now under tillage. The train crosses Het Sloe, an arm of the Schelde, by an embankment connecting the islands of Zuid-Beveland and Walcheren.

12½ M. 's Heer-Arendskerke. The line now traverses a fertile district, where the peasants wear an interesting national costume. Near Goes is the Wilhelminapolder, upwards of 4000 acres in extent.

15½ M. Goes (Hôtel Zoutkeet), or Tergoes, the capital (6500 inhab.) of the island of Zuid Beveland, with valuable archives, and an ancient château of Countess Jacqueline of Bavaria, called the Oostende, now an inn. The train commands a view of the lofty Gothic Church, consecrated in 1422, with a tower over the centre of the transept. The Court Room in the Hôtel de Ville is fitted up in the Louis XV. style, and contains paintings in grisaille by J. Geeraerts.

19 M. Bieselingen; 21 M. Vlake, near which is Kapelle, with an interesting church; 22½ M. Kruiningen, where the Zuid-Beveland Canal is crossed; 27 M. Krabbendyke; 28½ M. Rilland-Bath. To the right rises Fort Bath (p. 158). The train now quits the province of Zeeland (p. 157), and crosses the Kreek Râk (p. 158). an arm of the Schelde now filled up. 34½ M. Woensdrecht.

38½ M. Bergen op Zoom (Hof van Holland; Prins van Luik), the capital (10,300 inhab.) of a province which came into possession of the Elector Palatine by marriage in 1722, but reverted to Holland in 1801. The strong fortifications, constructed by Coehorn (d. 1704), the famous Dutch general of engineers, were dismantled in 1867. The Stadhuys contains several portraits of Margraves of the province, and a fine chimney-piece of the 16th cent., formerly preserved in the margraves’ palace, which is now used as barracks. The church was enlarged in the 15th cent., but never completed; it now possesses two transepts, but no choir. — A steam-tramway plies from Bergen to Tholen (p. 158) in 35 minutes.

42 M. Wouw. — 46½ M. Roosendaal, the junction for the lines to Rotterdam and Antwerp (R. 16). — 55 M. Etten-Leur.

61 M. Breda, see p. 306.

34. Rotterdam.

From London to Rotterdam via Harwich in 13-14 hrs. (sea-passage 8-9 hrs.); fares 26s., 15s.; return-tickets, available for two months, 2fl., 1fl. 4s. Tickets issued at Liverpool Street Station, and at the chief stations of the Great Eastern Railway at the same fares. Passengers may also book from any station on the G.E.R. to Rotterdam at the above fares, on giving 24 hrs. notice to the station-master. Steamer daily in summer, Sundays
excepted. Through-tickets to the principal towns of Belgium, Holland, and the Rhineland are also issued by this company.

The steamers of the Netherlands Steamboat Co. ply thrice weekly between London and Rotterdam. These vessels run in connection with the Rhine steamers of the Netherlands Co., and tickets at very moderate fares may be procured from London to any station on the Rhine as far as Mannheim.

From Hull to Rotterdam 3-4 times weekly, in 20 hrs. (fare 20s.). — From Leith to Rotterdam, twice weekly (fare 21.5s.). — Steamboats also ply from Grimsby, Newcastle, Liverpool, Dublin, Belfast, etc., to Rotterdam.

Railway Stations at Rotterdam. The combined stations of the Staats-spoorweg and the Hollandsch Spoorweg, for the Hague, Leyden, Haarlem, and Amsterdam to the N., and Dordrecht, Venlo, and Antwerp to the S., one beyond the Delftsche Poort (Pl. B, 1) and the other at the Exchange (Pl. E, 3), near the centre of the town. — Rhyn Spoorweg Station (Pl. G, 3), for Gouda, Utrecht (Amsterdam), Arnhem, and Germany. The quay of the Harwich steamers is immediately opposite this station.

Hotels. New Bath Hotel (Pl. a; E, 3), on the Boompjes on the Maas, near the steamboat-piers, D. 2 1/2 fl.; Victoria Hotel (Pl. b; D, 5), in the Willemsplein, with a view of the harbour; Grand Hotel du Passage (Pl. c; D, 2), in the new arcade in the Korte Hoogstraat; Hôtel des Pays-Bas, in the Korte Hoogstraat (Pl. D, 2), R. & R. from 1 fl. 75, A. 25, L. 30 c.; Hotel Guillaume, Hoogstraat, in the Grote Markt. — Hotel de Hollande (Pl. e; E, 2), Hoogstraat, a second-class commercial inn; Hôtel St. Lucas (Pl. f; D, 2), Hoogstraat; Hotel Coomans, Hoofddijk 12 (Pl. E, 2), with a café-restaurant, well spoken of; Hôtel de l'Europe (Pl. g; E, 3), opposite the new post-office; Hôtel Weimer (Pl. h; F, 3), Hotel Verhaaren (Pl. i; F, 3), both on the Spanish Quay and well spoken of; Hôtel St. Petrus, Hoogstraat 171; Hôtel Leygraaf (Pl. k; C, 5), Westplein, near the park. — The hotels of Rotterdam are below the standard of those of most towns of the same size.

Cafés and Restaurants. Grand Café, with restaurant, in the Arcade (see above); Zuid Hollandsch Koffiehuis, Korte Hoogstraat (Pl. D, 2, 3); Nieuw Koffiehuis, opposite; ’t Fritschy, at the corner of the Gapersteeg and the Geldersche Kade; Stroomberg, Westnieuwland 26, both near the Exchange. — Luncheon Rooms (preserved meats, oysters, etc.): A. van Wittenburg (‘Au Gourmet), in the Arcade. — Beer at the Münchener Kindl, Hoofddijk 33, and the Löwenbräu, Hoogstraat 355.

Cabs. For 1-2 pers. 60 c. per drive, for 3-4 pers. 70 c. ; per hour 1 fl. 20 c., each additional hour 1 fl. — From midnight till 6 a.m., per drive 90 c., per hr. 1 1/2 fl. — Each trunk 15 c. — For the drive from any of the railway-stations into the town, with luggage, 1 fl. is generally charged.

Tramways. The chief station is the Beursplein, between the Exchange and the Railway Station (Pl. E, 3), whence all the chief lines diverge, — Line to Krabben to the E. of Rotterdam, see p. 159. — Steam-Tramways ply to Delfshaven (1/2 hr.) and Schiedam (1/2 hr.).

Post and Telegraph Office (Pl. 39; E, 3), near the Exchange.

Porters of the Nederlandsche Maatschappij tot Algemeene Dienstverrichting (brown coat and kepi), small articles of baggage 10 c. per 1/4 hr., 15 c. per 1/2 hr., trunk 20 c. after 8 p.m. 10 c. extra.


Money Changers. Several on the Boompjes, and near the Exchange. The rate of exchange for foreign money is more favourable in a large commercial town like this than at the Hague and elsewhere.

Steamboats. Six times daily to Delft in 1 1/2 hr.; once daily to Nymegen (p. 301) in 8-10 hrs., to Arnhem (p. 299) in 10 hrs.; three times to Briel in 2 hrs.; six or eight times to Dordrecht (p. 307) in 1 1/2 hr.; four or five times to Gouda (p. 286) in 2 1/2 hrs.; twice to Bois-le-Duc in 6 hrs.; once to Middelburg in 7 hrs.; to Antwerp in 9-10 hrs. daily (see p. 157). Small steamers ply at frequent intervals between the Park (p. 222) and the Rhyn-Spoorweg, affording a good view of the traffic on the Maas. Comp. the Officiële Reisgids voor Nederland.
Theatres. Groote Schouwburg (Pl. 43; C, 2), German opera twice or thrice a week; Zomer Theater (Pl. 52; C, 1); Feestgebouw, Linker Rotter-
kade (Pl. D, 1), operettas, ballets, and concerts.

Panorama of the Battle of Waterloo, in the Stationsweg (Pl. C, 1).

British Consul: Alexander Turing, Esq., Boompjes 22. — United
States Consul: W. E. Wells, Esq., Westerstraat 5.

English Church (St. Mary's), at the E. end of the Haringvliet; services at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. — Scotch Presbyterian Church, on the Schotsche
dyke. — English Presbyterian Church, in the Haringvliet.

Principal Attractions: Monument of Erasmus (p. 217); Boyman's Mu-
seum (p. 217); the Boompjes and the bridge over the Maas (p. 222).

Rotterdam, with 170,000 inhab. (1/4th Rom. Cath., 7000 Jews),
the second commercial town in Holland, is situated on the right bank of
the Maas, near its confluence with the Rotte, about 14 M. from
the North Sea. The city is intersected by numerous canals (grachten
or havens), such as the Lewaterhavens, Oude Haven, Nieuwe Haven,
Scheepmakershaven, Wynhaven, Blaak, Haringvliet, etc., all
deep enough for the passage of heavily-laden East Indiamen. The
average rise of the tide in the Maas is 41/2-8 ft. Communication
between the different quarters of the town is maintained by means
of drawbridges and swing-bridges (see p. xxvi). — The average
number of vessels which enter the port is 4000 annually. The most
important cargoes are coffee, sugar, tobacco, rice, and spices. Near
the harbour are numerous large ship-building yards, tobacco
factories, sugar refineries, and distilleries, and also the extensive
machine-works of Feyenoord (p. 223).

The Beurs Station or Principal Railway Station (Pl. E, 3) lies
in the centre of the town, considerably above the level of the
streets, and is reached by flights of steps. The Antwerp and Am-
sterdam lines are connected with each other by a lofty iron viaduct,
1 M. long, carried across the town. The viaduct, a triumph of en-
gineering skill, has a double line of rails, and is supported by
cast-iron piles, between every two or three of which stands one
of solid masonry. The average span of the arches is 50 ft.

Opposite the railway-station is the Exchange (Pl. 3; E, 3),
designed by Van der Werff and built of sandstone in 1722, enclos-
ing a spacious court, flanked by colonnades, and covered with glass.
The exterior is of very simple construction. Business-hour 1 o'clock.
The upper rooms contain a good collection of scientific instruments
(the property of the Bataafsch Genootschap, or Batavian Society),
and an art-industrial museum, belonging to the Vereeniging voor
Geschiedenis en Kunst. This museum, though only recently found-
ed, already contains a large quantity of fine old furniture, glass,
Delft ware, weapons, etc. Admission daily 10-4, 25 c.; Sundays
and holidays 10 c.; entrance from the Beurssteg, behind the Ex-
change. — The tower of the Exchange contains a fine set of chimes.

To the W. of the Exchange is the large new Post and Telegraph
Office (Pl. 39; E, 3). Farther on, in the direction of Boyman's
Museum (p. 217), rises the Fish Market (Pl. D, 3), built in 1882
and adorned with bronze reliefs after engravings by Artus Quellinus.
The Groot Markt (Pl. D, E, 2), the greater part of which is constructed on vaulting over a canal, is embellished with a bronze statue of the illustrious Erasmus of Rotterdam (Pl. 45), properly Gerrit Gerritz, who was born at Rotterdam in 1467, and died at Bale in 1536. The monument, which bears long Dutch and Latin inscriptions, was erected in 1662. It is attributed to Hendrik de Keyser, father of Thomas de Keyser, the painter.

To the N. of the market is the Hoogstraat, or high street, one of the busiest streets in Rotterdam, situated on an embankment which was originally built to protect the town from inundations. The Wyde Kerkstraat, which leads hence to the church of St. Lawrence, contains the house in which Erasmus was born (No. 3), adorned with a small statue, and bearing the inscription: 'Haece est parva domus, magnus qua natus Erasmus'.

The Church of St. Lawrence (Grote Kerk, Pl. 12; D, 2), a Gothic brick edifice, consecrated in 1477, with a choir of 1487, recently restored, will not bear comparison with the magnificent Gothic edifices of Belgium and Germany.

Interior. — (The sacristan, who is to be found on the S. side of the church, receives 25 c. from each visitor; for the ascent of the tower 50 c. additional for one person, or 75 c. for two persons.) — Like most Dutch churches, St. Lawrence is disfigured internally by the wooden stalls and pews. The chief objects of interest are the marble monuments of vice-admiral Witte Corneliszoon de Witt (d. 1658), vice-admiral Cortenaer (d. 1665), contre-admiral Van Brakel (d. 1690), and other Dutch naval heroes, bearing long Latin or old Dutch inscriptions. The armorial bearings in this, as in almost all the other churches in Holland, were destroyed by the French republicans. The brazen screen which separates the choir from the nave dates from 1711-15. The organist may be engaged to play for an hour, and to show the internal mechanism, for a fee of 10 fl.

The Tower, 210 ft. in height (326 steps), consisting of three broad and tapering stories, rises from the façade of the church. It formerly terminated in a wooden spire, which was removed in 1645, and replaced by a flat roof; and in 1651-55 it was disfigured by the construction of a massive support, extending across the entire façade. The view from the summit embraces the whole town with its canals and lofty railway-viaduct, the river, the canals, and other expanses of water in the surrounding country, country-houses, windmills, perfectly straight avenues, and perfectly flat green pastures and fields. The towers of Briel, Schiedam, Delft, the Hague, Leyden, Gouda, and Dordrecht are all visible in clear weather.

A little to the E., in the Kaasmart, is the Stadhuis, or town-hall (Pl. 40; E, 2), a large modern building with an Ionic portico; its back looks towards the Hoogstraat. — In the neighbouring Nieuwe Markt (Pl. E, 2) a handsome Fountain adorned with sculptures, commemorating the tercentenary of the establishment of Dutch independence (1572; see p. xxxi) in 1872, was erected in 1874.

To the W. the Hoogstraat ends in the Korte Hoogstraat (Pl. D, 2), which contains several popular cafés (p. 215) and the Passage, a tasteful arcade in the Renaissance style, built in 1878-79 from the plans of J. C. van Wyk. The other end of the Passage is near the Hogendorpsplein (p. 221).

*Boymans' Museum (Pl. 29; D, 3), a collection of pictures, chiefly
by Dutch masters, which became the property of the town in 1847, although inferior to the galleries of the Hague and Amsterdam, is well worthy of a visit. The building was burned down in 1864, and upwards of 300 pictures, besides numerous drawings and engravings, were destroyed; while the 163 which were saved were all more or less injured. The building was re-erected in 1864-67, and the collection has since been extended by purchase and gift to 350 pictures. Admission 5c. on Sundays, 11-4, and Wednesdays, 10-4 o'clock; 25 c. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 10-4 o'clock. The collection is closed on Mondays, except when a holiday. Catalogue in Dutch 50, in French 75 cents. The names of the painters are affixed to the frames of the pictures.

GROUND FLOOR. On the left are three rooms containing Drawings, of which the Museum possesses upwards of two thousand. A few of the finest are exhibited under glass on the walls; the others are shown on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, from 10 to 4 o'clock, for a fee of 25 cents. Among those exposed to view are the following: — 1st Room, on the left, Representation of an Anatomical Theatre (probably that of Leyden), ascribed by some authorities to Frans Hals, and by Vosmaer to Buyteweg of Leyden; opposite the entrance, No. 8, Adoration of the Shepherds, a painted relief of the 2nd half of the 16th cent.; on the right wall, drawings by Caspar Netscher and A. van Ostade; entrance-wall, *Head by Goltzius. — 2nd Room: Drawings by W. van de Velde (ships, naval engagements), Rubens (Crucifixion, by the windows), and modern artists. On the table, Assembly of Netherlandish painters in Rome (c. 1613).

In the room to the right of the vestibule: 405. Napoleon I., after David; 250. Pienemann, King William III.; 29. Bisschop, Prince Henry of the Netherlands; portraits of several burgomasters of Rotterdam. — The ground-floor also contains the Archives of the city; a collection of books, engravings, and drawings, relating to Rotterdam and its history; and the City Library (30,000 vols.). For admission apply to the librarian, 11-3 o'clock.

UPPER FLOOR. The hall at the top of the staircase contains portraits by Netscher (223), Simon de Vos (356-358), Barth. van der Helst (112, 113), etc., and two landscapes by Adam Pynacker (261, 262).


This little figure, with his back turned to us, seated squarely and easily on a dun horse with flowing mane and tail, has all the effect of life-size, and looks almost like an equestrian statue. — Vosmaer.


*268. Rembrandt, 'De Eendracht van 't land' (union of the country), an allegorical painting, not very intelligible in its details, and probably executed in 1648, the year of the Peace of West-
phalia, which Dutch poets and painters were never tired of celebrating. Though merely a study in brown monochrome, probably meant as a sketch for a larger work, and unfinished, it is remarkably effective.

The foreground and part of the middle distance represent the interior of a fortress. In the centre is a lion couchant, bound by two chains, one of which is attached to a wall on the right, bearing the arms of Amsterdam with the words 'Soli Deo Gloria', while the other is fastened to the seat of Justice, who is represented in an attitude of supplication on the left. The lion raises its head defiantly and places his paws on a bundle of arrows, the emblem of the United Provinces, the shields of which surround him. The foreground is occupied by knights arming themselves to battle for the republic, while the guns on the ramparts are seen firing on the enemy, who retreats in wild confusion.

Above, 283. Saenredam, Church of the Virgin at Utrecht. Farther on, 149. Salomon Koninck, Gold-weigher; 77. G. van den Eecckhout, Portrait of a child. — *277. Jacob van Ruysdael, Cornfield in sunshine, a very beautiful landscape, evidently influenced by Rembrandt; 246. A. van Ostade, Old man in his study; 221. Aart van der Neer, Moonlight-scene; 21. Job Berck-HEYDE, Old Exchange at Amsterdam; 384. Em. de Witte, Fishwife at Amsterdam; *278. Jacob van Ruysdael, Sandy road under trees; 185. Gabriel Metsu, Pastor in his study; 279. Jacob van Ruysdael, Old Fishmarket at Amsterdam, the figures by Jan van Battum. — 151. Jacob Koning, Herd-boy with cattle; 352. Hendrik van Vliet, Interior of a church; 170. Nic. Maes, Gentleman, lady, and child.


*334. A. van de Velde, The farrier, one of his earliest works (1658); 372. A. van der Werff, Entombment; 276. Sal. van Ruysdael, River-scene near Dordrecht, with barges and cattle, the atmosphere wonderfully transparent; *88. Karel Fabritius, Portrait, formerly attributed to Rembrandt, of whom it would not be unworthy; 248. A. Palamedess, Aristocratic company; 345. Verschuringh, Farrier. — 335. A. van de Velde, Pasture (painted in the same year as No. 334); 387. Ph. Wouverman, Cavalier; 206. Fred. de Moucheron, Mountain-scene; 231. Jacob Ochtervelt, Gentleman offering an oyster to a young lady; 54, 55. Corn. Janszoon van Keulen, Portraits of a man and woman; 121. Melchior d'Hondecoeter, Dead poultry.

41. Jan Both, Italian scene; 140. Jan van Kessel, Environs of Amsterdam; 7. Ludolf Bakhuizen, Rough sea off the coast of Holland; 386. Phil. Wouverman, Scene of plundering, in the background a burning village; 247. Isaac van Ostade, Travellers in front of an inn; 114. Bart. van der Helst, Lady and gentleman in
a park (landscape by A. van Everdingen). — *118. Hobbema, Landscape.
Small, but charming: by the side of a pond in which two men are fishing, stands a cottage shaded by lofty trees; to the left a road on which two travellers are approaching; foreground in shade, with the surface of the water most effectively handled.


392. Zeeman, Calm sea; 414. Unknown Master, Quack. 313. Jan Steen, Stone-operation: a stone being cut out of the head of a boorish peasant by a doctor, to the great amusement of the by-standers (‘le malade imaginaire’). Above, 6. Bakhuisen, Large sea-piece; 15. Jan Beerstraten, Old town-hall of Amsterdam, with figures by J. Lingelbach; 369. Jan Weenix, Dead swan; 81. Allart van Everdingen, Landscape with waterfall; 263. Adam Pynacker, Lake in a rocky landscape; 222. Egton van der Neer, Lady and gentleman; 388. Jan Wouwerman, Dunes; 16. Jan Beerstraten, View of a town (1654). *90. Govert Flinck, Woman sitting under a tree giving her hand to a man standing in front of her, one of the master’s finest works, belonging to the period when he was a close adherent of Rembrandt (1646).


The Hogendorp’s Plein (Pl. C, D, 3), at the back of the Museum, is adorned with the statue of Gysbert Karel van Hogendorp (Pl. 46; 1762-1834), the ‘promoter of free trade’, and the ‘founder of the Dutch constitution’, by Geefs (comp. p. 242). — In the Coolsingel are the handsome Hospital (Pl. C, 2) and the Theatre (Pl. 43; C, 2). In the Coolvest, opposite the hospital, is the new Gymnasium Erasmianum (Pl. 7; D; 2), with a handsome group of sculpture in the pediment.
On the N. side of the town, outside the Delft Gate (Pl. C, D, 1),
the only one of the old city-gates which is still standing, is situated
the Zoological Garden (Diergaarde; Pl. A, B, 1; admission 50 c.),
tastefully laid out (restaurant). The beasts of prey are fed in
summer at 7 p.m., and after 1st Sept. at 2.30 p.m.

The Mission House (Zendelinghuis; Pl. A, G 1), on the Regter-Rotte-
Kade, contains an ethnographical museum, chiefly consisting of objects
from the Dutch colonies in the West Indies (Java, Borneo), which is al-
ways open to visitors. The Dutch Missionary Society was founded in 1797.

An important new quarter has recently sprung up on the W.
side of the town. Along the river in this neighbourhood stretch the
Willem's Plein and the Willem's Kade (Pl. D, C, 5, 6). At the W.
extremity of the latter lies the building of the Royal Dutch Yacht
Club (Pl. 49), containing a 'maritime museum' or collection of ob-
jects connected with navigation from the 17th cent. onwards,
together with an exhibition of the latest discoveries in the same pro-
vince (open daily 10-4; adm. 25 cents, Sun. and holidays 10 c.). —
On the other side of the Veerhaven stands the Zeemanshuis (Pl.
50; B, 6).

The *Park (Pl. A, B, 6), which extends to the W. along the
bank of the Meuse, affords a pleasant promenade. It is embellished
with groups of trees, grassy expanses, and fish-ponds, while here
and there it commands a view of the busy scene on the river. A
military band plays here on summer-evenings at the Officieren-So-
cieteit. In the middle of the park rises a marble statue by Strackée
of the popular patriotic poet, Hendrik Tollens (d. 1856), erected
in 1860.

The *Boompjes (Pl. D, E, 4), a handsome quay, which de-
rives its name from the trees planted upon it, extends for up-
wards of 1 M. along the bank of the Maas, and is far more attrac-
tive than such localities usually are. Upwards of 100 steamboats
start here for the neighbouring Dutch towns, the Rhine, Eng-
land, France, Russia, and the Mediterranean. Visitors may usually
enter and inspect the vessels without objection, provided they do
not get in the way of the work in hand.

At the upper end of the Boompjes the river is crossed by two
Bridges (Pl. E, F, 4): the Railway Bridge, opened for traffic in
1877, which rests on four buttresses, or on nine, if those on the
island of Noordereiland, opposite Rotterdam, be included; and
another for carriages and foot-passengers, opened in 1878, 930 yds.
long, and also resting on four buttresses.

The Café Fritschy, on the Noordereiland, at the S. end of the
last-named bridge, commands a fine view of Rotterdam. The middle
of the Noordereiland is occupied by the Burgemeester Hoffmann
Plein (Pl. F, 4, 5), embellished with a monument to Stieltjes (d. 1878),
the engineer who planned the harbour-works on the left
bank, necessitated by the discovery that the new bridges interfered
seriously with the shipping on the Maas. The principal feature of
the works is the large **Konings-Haven** (Pl. F, G, 5, 4), adjoining which is the wharf of the emigrant ships of the Dutch-American Steamboat Co. (Pl. 34; visitors admitted; fee). Railway and road are conducted across the harbour on drawbridges, through the openings of which the largest vessels can pass.

Beyond the Koningshaven lies the island of **Feyenoord**, on the S.W. side of which are two other harbours. Passing the warehouses of the Dutch-American Steamboat Co. we reach the gate and drawbridge of the **Binnen-Haven** (Pl. F, G, 5, 6), which is about 1000 yds. long. Farther on is another drawbridge, affording a view of the **Spoorweg-Haven** (Pl. F, 6), which is 1300 yds. long and flanked with rows of warehouses. Both of these harbours are accessible to the largest ships. We may now return to the Boompjes by one of the small steamers which start here every 20-30 min. (fare 5 c.).

On the E. side of Feyenoord are the extensive machine works and wharf of the **Nederlandsche Stoomboot Maatschappij**, employing more than 1000 workmen.

### 35. From Rotterdam to the Hague, Leyden, Haarlem, and Amsterdam.

**Railway** (*Hollandsche Spoorweg*; stations, see p. 215) from Rotterdam to (52½ M.) Amsterdam in 2-2½ hrs. (fares 3 fl. 75, 2 fl. 89, 1 fl. 85 c.). Luggage extra. Passengers are cautioned against leaning out at the windows, as the carriages pass close to the railings of the numerous bridges.

Flat pastures, numerous windmills, straight canals, and occasionally a few plantations and thriving farm-houses are the principal features of the country. On the left, immediately after the station is quitted, lies **Delfshaven** on the Meuse, with 11,500 inhab., the birthplace of the naval hero Piet Hein (p. 224), the capturer of the Spanish 'silver fleet' in 1628, to whom a statue was erected here in 1870.

3 M. **Schiedam** (*Hulsinga*), a town on the Schie, with 24,100 inhab., is celebrated for its 'Hollands' and 'Geneva' (so called from the *Jenever*, or juniper-berry with which it is flavoured), of which there are upwards of 220 distilleries. About 30,000 pigs are annually fattened on the refuse of the grain used in the process. Tramway to Rotterdam, see p. 215. — Omnibus from Schiedam six times daily to the (6 M.) small town of **Vlaardingen**, the principal Dutch depôt of the 'great fishery', as the herring, cod, and haddock fishery is called by the natives.

9½ M. **Delft**. — **Hotels.** Hôtel Schaar, in the Groote Markt, indifferent; Heerenlogement, near the Hague Gate. — Café opposite the station.

**Tramway** from the Rotterdam Gate (Pl. B, C, 6) to the Hague Gate (Pl. A, 1) and to the Hague (see p. 228).

**Steamer** to Rotterdam six times daily in 1½ hr. (fare 30 c.).

**Delft**, a pleasant town of 26,600 inhab. (⅓rd Rom. Cath.), with remarkably clean canals bordered with lime-trees, is situated on the
Schie, which flows into the Maas at Delfshaven. The town was almost totally destroyed by fire in 1536, and in 1654 it was seriously damaged by the explosion of a powder-magazine; but it still possesses numerous interesting buildings of the 16-17th centuries. Delft was the birth-place of Hugo de Groot (Grotius; 1583-1645), the statesman and scholar, to whom a monument has been erected (see also p. 225). In the 17th and 18th cent. the pottery and porcelain of Delft were celebrated throughout Europe, but this industry afterwards fell into decay and was not revived till quite lately. Visitors are admitted to the manufactory of M. Joost Thoof on previous written application.

On leaving the railway-station (Pl. A, 5) we observe the tower of the Nieuwe Kerk. We turn to the left and cross the bridge over the Singel-Gracht, and then walk along the canal till we reach an intersecting canal, the Oude Delft, which traverses the town from N. to S. On the left bank of the latter is the Gemeenlandshuis van Delf/land (Pl. 1), with a Gothic façade of the 15th cent., in sandstone.

A melancholy celebrity attaches to the Prinsenhof (Pl. 10), or palace, also on the Oude Delft, as the scene of the death of William of Orange, the Silent, the founder of Dutch independence, who was assassinated here on 10th July, 1584 (see p. 237). The palace is now a barracks.

By passing through the door opposite the Oude Kerk, marked ‘Gymnasium Publicum’, and crossing the court, we reach the spot where the tragedy took place, on the first floor, to the right by the staircase. It is marked by an inscription. The murderer, a Burgundian named Bathasar Gerhard, who was prompted by a desire to gain the prize set upon the hero’s head by Alexander Farnese, took up his position in front of the spot thus indicated, and when he discharged his pistol was quite close to his victim, who was descending the staircase with his friends. The marks left by the fatal bullet are still pointed out.

Opposite the Prinsenhof, on the site of an earlier church, is situated the Gothic Oude Kerk (Pl. 4), erected in the 15th cent., with a somewhat leaning tower, and wooden vaulting constructed in 1574.

It contains the monument of Admiral Maarten Tromp (d. 1653), the victor in thirty-two naval battles, the last of which, fought against the English, and the occasion of his death, is represented on the monument. After defeating the English fleet under Blake near the ‘Dunes’, he caused a bough to be hoisted to his masthead, to signify that he had swept the channel clear of his enemies. Piet Hein (d. 1629), the admiral of the Indian Company, who in 1628 captured the Spanish ‘silver fleet’, with its precious freight valued at 12 million florins, also has a monument in this church. A monument with a medallion-figure marks the tomb of the naturalist Leeuwenhoek (d. 1723). Another interesting monument is that of a daughter of Philip van Marnix (p. 213), erected in 1655, and restored in 1856. The pulpit, dating from the middle of the 16th cent., resembles that at the Hague (p. 238). — The sacristan (15 cents) resides opposite the N. transept.

The Nieuwe Kerk (Pl. 3; C, 4) in the Groote Markt, another Gothic edifice, built in 1412-76, and consecrated in 1476, contains a magnificent *Monument, executed by Hendrik de Keyser and A,
Quellin in 1621, to the memory of William of Orange. Sacristan, Groote Markt 79 (15 c.).

The effigy of the prince in marble lies on a black marble sarcophagus, beneath a canopy supported by four clustered pillars and six isolated columns, all likewise of marble. In the niches of the pillars stand four allegorical figures: Liberty is represented with a sceptre, a cap of liberty, and the motto, *Je maintiendrai piété et justice*; Justice with her scales, beside which is inscribed William's favourite motto, *Saevus tranquillus in undis*; Prudence, with a twig of thorn in her hand; Religion, with the Bible in one hand, and a miniature church in the other, whilst her foot rests on a corner-stone emblematical of Christ. At the head of the statue is placed a second statue in bronze, representing the prince in full military accoutrement, while at the feet is a bronze figure of Fame, with outspread wings, 6 ft. in height, resting on the ground on the point of the left foot only. The dog, on which, in mediæval fashion, the feet of the recumbent figure rest, is placed there in memory of the prince's favourite dog, which was the means of saving his life in 1572 when he was attacked at night by two Spanish assassins in his camp at Malines. The inscription, on the canopy, is pointed out by weeping genii. The pillars are surmounted by obelisks. Beneath the same stone the prince's wife and his son Prince Maurice (b. 1567, d. 1625) also repose. The church afterwards became the burial-place of all the princes of the House of Orange, down to the present day. Another simple monument marks the tomb of Hugo Grotius (p. 305).

The handsome Stadhuis (Pl. 12), on the W. side of the market-place, erected in 1618, contains a few good pictures.

Of special interest are the paintings of Michiel Janszoon van Mierevelt (Delft, 1567-1611), the first of the great Dutch portrait-painters. The Council Chamber contains a large corporation-piece (arquebusiers) by him, depicting 36 persons, with faces full of life and energy, but inartistically grouped; the portraits of the princes William I., Maurice, Philip William, and Frederick Henry of Orange, and counts William Lewis, and Ernest Casimir of Nassau, are also all by Mierevelt. The other pictures in the council-chamber include a corporation-piece of 31 gesticulating figures by J. W. Delph, 1592; and others by Rochus Delf, Jacob Delf (1648), etc. Two other portraits by Mierevelt, those of Frederick V. of the Palatinate (p. 289) and Hugo Grotius, hang in the magistrates' room.

By crossing the bridge at the S.W. corner of the market-place, turning to the right, and proceeding southwards along the canal ("Koornmarkt"), we reach in about 5 min. the Synagogue, two doors beyond which (narrow passage; ring) stands the Town Hospital (Liefdadiig Inrichting; Pl. 7, C 5). The latter contains four anatomical pictures (comp. p. liv), including one of the earliest paintings of the kind, executed by Mierevelt in 1617; the three other pictures are of later date.

The Polytechnic School (Pl. 8; B, 5), on the Oude Delft (p. 224), is attended by about 300 students. The once celebrated Model Chamber of the dockyard of Amsterdam, containing models of ships, mills, machinery, etc., is now established here.

The Oude Delft is terminated towards the N. by the Hague Gate and on the S. by the Rotterdam Gate. Near the latter, to the left, rises the Arsenal (Pl. B, 5), a large, gloomy building, partly surrounded by water, and adorned with the arms of the old Dutch Republic. It was originally a warehouse of the E. India Company.

The Railway journey from Delft to the Hague occupies 1/4 hr.
only. At stat. Ryswyk the celebrated peace between England, France, Holland, Germany, and Spain was concluded in 1697. The palace of the Prince of Orange, where the treaty was signed, no longer exists, but its site is marked by an obelisk erected in 1792 by the stadholder William V.

14½ M. The Hague, see p. 227. From the Hague to Gouda, see p. 288.

20½ M. Voorschoten; to the right rises the church-tower of the village, which is connected with Leyden and Voorburg by a steam-tramway (40, 25 c.). The train now crosses the narrow arm of the Rhine which retains the name down to its efflux into the North Sea.

24 M. Leyden, see p. 246.

From Leyden to Woerden (for Utrecht), 21 M., railway in 1 hr. 10 minutes. — 6 M. Hazerswoude-Koudekerk; 9½ M. Alphen; 12½ M. Zeemerdam; 14 M. Bodegraven (steam-tramway to Gouda, p. 288); 21 M. Woerden. From Woerden via Harmelen to Utrecht, see p. 288.

25½ M. Warmond, to the left of which rises a large Roman Catholic seminary. To the left of (30 M.) Piet-Gysenbrug is the church of Noordwykerhout. 33½ M. Veenenburg; 36½ M. Vogelenzang.

About 1½ M. to the E. of stat. Vogelenzang, near the village of Bennebroek, is situated Hartenkamp, a country-residence, where Linne, the celebrated Swedish naturalist, resided in 1736-38 with his wealthy patron George Clifford, who was English ambassador at that time. Linne wrote his 'Hortus Cliffordianus' and his 'Systema Naturae' here.

The line traverses for a short distance the E. slopes of the North Sea Dunes.

42 M. Haarlem (p. 252) is the junction for Amsterdam, and for Alkmaar and the Helder (R. 41).

The Amsterdam line turns towards the E., running parallel with the canal and the high-road in a perfectly straight course. The Fort aan de Liede is seen on the right, immediately after the train has quitted the station. The line now traverses an extensive plain, formed on the right by the Haarlemmer Polder, and on the left by the newly-reclaimed Polder of the Y (see p. 280). Down to 1840 the first of these was the Haarlemmer Meer, a lake 18 M. in length, 9 M. in breadth, and about 14 ft. in depth, which was formed in the 15th cent. by the overflow of the Rhine and the gradual crumbling away of the banks of the Y, and afterwards increased so considerably as to imperil the towns of Amsterdam, Haarlem, Leyden, and Utrecht. The operations for draining the lake were begun in 1840, and completed in 1853, at a cost of 13½ million florins. The area of this vast 'polder' (see p. xxviii) is about 72 sq. M., and the land thus reclaimed realised an average price of 200 fl. per acre, while its present value is estimated at 800 fl. per acre. It is encircled by canals, used for purposes of drainage and irrigation. The population of this district is now about 10,000. The engines with their lofty chimneys, constructed originally for the purpose of pumping out the water of the 'Meer', and now used in draining it, are worthy of the notice of engineers.
At Halfway, the 'halfway' and only station between Haarlem and Amsterdam, there are strong lock-gates which formerly separated the waters of the Y from the Haarlemmer Meer. The old château of Zwanenburg near the railway, dating from the 17th cent., is now a beetroot-sugar manufactory. About 250 years ago the château lay nearly \( \frac{1}{2} \) M. from the Haarlemmer Meer, which before it was drained had advanced to the very walls of the building.

52\( \frac{1}{2} \) M. Amsterdam; see p. 259.

36. The Hague.

Railway Stations. 1. Dutch Station (Pl. D, 8), for Rotterdam, Leyden, Haarlem, and Amsterdam; 2. Rhenish Station (Pl. E, 5, 6), for Gouda (Rotterdam, Amsterdam), Utrecht, and Arnhem. The two stations are joined by a connecting line. Tramways to the stations into the town, and cabs, see below; tramway to Scheveningen, see p. 243.

Hotels. 6 Hôtel des Indes (Pl. a; E 4), in the Lange Vorhout, R. from 1½, D. 2 fl.; 6 Hôtel Bellevue (Pl. b; F, 5), near the Park and the station of the Rhenish railway; 6 Hôtel de l'Europe (Pl. e; E, 5), Lange Houtstraat 61; 6 Vieux Doelen (Pl. d; E, 4), Tournooiveld, R. 1½, D. 2 fl. (doel, a common sign for inns in Holland, means 'target'; doelen, 'shooting gallery'); 6 Hôtel Paulez (Pl. e; E, 4), opposite the theatre, good cuisine; Hôtel du Marechal de Turenne (Pl. 1; E, 5), Nieuwe Markt, D. 2½ fl.; Hôtel-Café Central (Pl. g; D, 5), Lange Pooten, with a large cafe-restaurant, R. from 1½, D. 2 fl., B. 70 c., well spoken of; Groote Keizershof (Pl. h; C, D, 4), in the Buitenhof. — Hôtel Toelast (Pl. i; C, 5), in the Groenmarkt; Hôtel Neuf (Pl. k; D, 5), in the new arcade (p. 237); Hôtel Maasson (Pl. 1; D, 6), Eerste Wagenstraat 22; Twee Steden (Pl. m; D, 5), in the Buitenhof, well spoken of; Hôtel du Commerce (Pl. n; D, 5), Spuistraat 61; Lion d'Or (Pl. o; D, 5), Hofstraat; Zeven Kerken van Rome (Pl. p; D, 6), in the Spui; Globe (Pl. q; E, 5), Plein 10, with the Café-Restaurant Français. — Hôtel Beauesjour, see p. 244.

Restaurants. 6 Van der Pyl, Plaats 18 (Pl. D, 4), D. from 1½ fl.; 6 Café Central, see below; Maasson, Eerste Wagenstraat 22 (see above). — Beer. Linke, Venestraat 20 (Pl. C, 5); Münchener Kindl, Alteburg, Spuistraat (Pl. D, 5); Stadt Erlangen, Eerste Wagenstraat 4; Beyersch Bierhuis, Kettingstraat 8; Beer Vault, in the Arcade.

Cafés. 6 Café du Passage, in the new arcade (p. 237); 6 Café Central (Pl. g; D, 5), Lange Pooten, also a restaurant; Zuid-Hollandsch Koffyhuys, Vischmarkt (Pl. C, 5), opposite the Groote Kerk; St. Hubert, Hoogstraat 5 (Pl. C, 4, 5); Goudenhoofd, Groenmarkt, at the corner of the Hoogstraat; Café Français, on the S. side of the Plein. — Confectioners: 6 Monchen, Lange Houtstraat (Pl. E, 4, 5), near the Plein; Sprecher, in the Plein.

Warm Baths at the Mauritshûs (Pl. 1; D, 3), with a basin for swimmers, and at Scheveningen.

Cabs (at the stations, and in the Tournooiveld, Buitenhof, Plein, Huypgenaplein, etc.). — According to the tariff of 1883 all fares are reckoned by time. For 1½ hr., 1-2 pers. 50 c.; 3-5 pers. 60 c.; for 20 min. 75 c. and 1 fl. per hr. 1 fl. and 1 fl. 25 c. each additional 1½ hr. 25 c. — Two-horse cabs one-half more. Each trunk 10 c., small articles free. Tolls extra. The drivers are forbidden to demand fees, but may exact their fare in advance. — Fare to Scheveningen, see p. 244.

Tramways traverse the town in various directions, starting from the Dutch and Rhenish Stations and from the Plein (comp. the Plan). — To Delft, in 1½ hr., starting from the upper end of the Spui, crossing the Huypgenaplein, traversing the Huypgenstraat (Pl. D, E, 7, 5), and passing Ryswyk (p. 226), every 1½ hr.; fare to the Hague Gate at Delft 25 c., to the Rotterdam Gate 30 c. — Steam Tramway to Scheveningen, see p. 243; also to Loosduinen (comp. Pl. A, 5), Naaldwijk, and 'sGravenzande (in 1½ hr.).
Post Office (Pl. 59; C, 5), at the back of the Groote Kerk, open from 6.15 a.m. to 10 p.m. — Telegraph Office at the Binnenhof (Pl. 67; D, 5), near the Picture Gallery (p. 229).

Theatre (Pl. 68; E, 4) in the Tournooiveld. French Operas on Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, Dutch plays on Tuesdays and Fridays, in winter only. Performances begin at 7.

Panorama, on the road to Bezuidenhout, to the S. of the Bosch (see Map of the Environs, p. 243), with the Battle of the Pyramids and a diorama of Cairo (adm. 40 c.).

Engravings. Goupil & Co. (Pl. 17; D, 4), Plaats 20; Brouwer, Noordeinde 12; Abercrombie & Co., corner of the Kneuterdyk and the Vyverberg; Couvé (Pl. 16; D, 5), Lange Pooten 41. — Photographs: M. J. Parson, Plaats 19. — Art-exhibitions are held from time to time in the Teeken-academie and in the new Gebouw voor Kunst en Wetenschappen (Pl. 8; F, 5), which is also used for theatrical and other performances.

Booksellers. Van Stockum & Zoon, Buitenhof 36; Nyhoff, Nobel-Str. 18.

De Boer's Grand Bazar Royal (Pl. 2; C, 2), Zeestraat, is a very attractive emporium of Japanese, Chinese, and other curiosities and fancy articles of every description. The Koninkl. Magazynen van Bronzen, Kneuterdyk 1, contain a large selection of bronzes.


English Church Service in the Church of SS. John and Philip, near the Rhenish Station (Pl. E, 4), at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.; Rev. W. Jamieson, chaplain to the British embassy.

Principal Attractions. *Picture Gallery (p. 230); Binnenhof (p. 229); walk through the Plein (p. 237), the Korte Voorhout, and the Lange Voorhout (p. 240); excursion to Scheveningen. The Picture Gallery is 1 M. from the Dutch, and 1/2 M. from the Rhenish railway-station.

The Hague (131,400 inhab., 1/3rd Rom. Cath.), Fr. La Haye, originally a hunting-seat of the Counts of Holland, whence its Dutch name 's Graven Hage or den Haag (i.e. 'the count's enclosure', or 'hedge'), has for centuries been the favourite residence of the Dutch princes. From the 16th cent. downwards it was the political capital of the States General, and in the 17th and 18th centuries was the centre of all their most important diplomatic transactions. Owing, however, to the jealousy of the towns entitled to vote in the assembly of the states, the Hague was denied a voice in that body, and therefore continued to be 'the largest village in Europe', as it has sometimes been called, until Louis Bonaparte, when King of Holland, conferred on it the privileges of a town. Its aristocratic and prosperous appearance is due solely to the presence of the court and the numerous nobles and diplomatists who reside here, and not to the internal resources of the town itself.

No town in Holland possesses so many broad and handsome streets, lofty and substantial houses, and spacious and imposing squares as the Hague. The N.E. quarter of the town, with the Vyverberg, the Kneuterdyk, the Voorhout, and the Noordeinde, is especially remarkable in this respect.

The neighbourhood of the *Vyver (i.e. fish-pond; Pl. D, 4, 5), a sheet of water nearly in the middle of the town, enlivened with an island and swans, and partly surrounded by fine old avenues, is the most fashionable quarter. The water is kept in motion by
artificial means, fresh water being pumped by a steam-engine on the Dunes into the Vyver and the canals. The impetus thus given to it causes a slight stream towards Rotterdam, where the water is finally pumped out into the Maas.

On the S.E. side of the Vyver is situated the Binnenhof (Pl. D, 5), an irregular pile of buildings, some of them of mediæval origin, and once surrounded by a moat. Most of the houses have been restored of late, and some of them entirely rebuilt. About the year 1250 Count William of Holland, afterwards elected emperor of Germany, built a palace here, and this building was enlarged by his son Florens V., who in 1291 made the Hague his capital. The stadtholders, from Maurice of Nassau onwards, all resided here.

In the centre of the square stands the old Hall of the Knights (Pl. 60), a brick building of the time of Florens V., resembling a chapel, with lofty gables and two turrets; it now contains the Archives of the Home Office. To the E. of the Knights' Hall is the Geergetshof (Pl. 9), or court of justice, the assize-chamber in which contains good reliefs of 1511, while the civil court-room is embellished with scenes from Roman history by G. de Lairesse (entrance from the passage on the S.E. side, near the 'Rykaletegraaf').

The N. and S. wings of the Binnenhof are occupied by the Chambers of the States General (Pl. 63; D, 5). The old hall of the States of the time of the republic, with two ancient mantel-pieces and allegorical paintings by Parmentier, has been restored. The interesting Trèves Saloon, built by William III. in 1697 as a reception-room, contains a handsome ceiling and the portraits of seven electors by Brandon and other painters (curious echo). The entrance to these apartments is in the E. corner of the court, by the door inscribed 'Ministeria van Waterstaat, Handel, en Nyverheid'.

The history of the Republic, during its most glorious period, was sullied by two dark tragedies, of which the Binnenhof was witness. The influential John van Oldenbarnevelde, the Grand Pensionary, or prime minister of Holland, having incurred the displeasure of Prince Maurice of Orange by his opposition, the stadtholder, during a meeting of the States General, caused Oldenbarnevelde to be arrested, together with his learned friends Grotius and Hogerbeets, the Pensionaries of Rotterdam and Leyden. The two latter were conducted to the castle of Loevenstein (p. 305); while the Grand Pensionary himself was condemned to death, 'for having conspired to dismember the States of the Netherlands, and greatly troubled God's Church' (comp. p. xxxii). On 24th May, 1619, the unfortunate minister, then in his 72nd year, was executed on a scaffold erected in the Binnenhof, after having written a touching vindication of his innocence to his family, and solemnly declared on the scaffold that 'he had ever acted from sincerely pious and patriotic motives'. The other tragedy alluded to is the death of De Witt, which took place in the immediate neighbourhood of the Binnenhof (see p. 235).

Passing through the N.E. gate of the Binnenhof, which is adorned with the arms of the County of Holland, we reach a house standing alone on the left, No. 29, with an entrance-court enclosed by a railing. This is the Mauritshuis (Pl. 53; E, 5), erected by Prince John Maurice of Nassau, the Dutch West India
Co.’s governor of Brazil (d. 1679), and now containing the celebrated **Picture Gallery** (*Koninklyk Kabinet van Schilderyen*; open daily, Monday to Saturday 10-4 in summer, 10-3 in winter, Sundays and holidays 12.30 to 3 or 4; no fees).

The nucleus of the Gallery of the Hague consists of collections made by the princes of the House of Orange. As early as the first half of the 17th cent. Frederick Henry (d. 1647) and his consort Amalia of Solms-Braunfels ordered so many pictures from Dutch and Flemish masters that they left no fewer than 250 works to be divided among their four daughters (1675). William III. formed a collection at the Château of Loo, which on his death was sold at Amsterdam. The Stadtholder William V. (1748-1806) also gradually collected about 200 pictures, many of which are still in this gallery. To the purchase of the Slingelandt collection the gallery was indebted for a number of its finest works. The flight of the Prince of Orange in 1795, on the approach of the French troops, was followed by the removal of the pictures to the Louvre. In 1815 a partial restitution took place, but 68 works still remained in Paris. In 1817 the gallery contained only 173 pictures, but the number was rapidly increased by the zealous and successful exertions of King William I. The catalogue now numbers upwards of 300 paintings, of which 200 belong to the Dutch school, 40 to the Flemish, 40 to the Italian, and 20 to the German.

*Rembrandt* and *Potter* are the princes of the collection. The five works by Rembrandt are all among the best specimens of his early manner. *Jan Steen*, *Terburg*, *Gerard Dou*, *Adrian van Ostade*, and *Adrian van de Velde* are also represented by masterpieces. The finest landscapes are those of the three *Ruysdaels* and of *Van der Meer of Delft*, a painter who has only recently obtained the fame he deserves. — Excellent catalogue in French, by *Vict. de Stuers*, 1½ fl.; abridgment in Dutch or French (1883), 50 c.

**GROUND-FLOOR.** — We first enter the principal room, facing us, which is numbered III. — **Room III.** Flemish School. In the centre: 219, 220. *D. Seghers*, Flowers; to the right, 215. *Rubens*, Portrait of his confessor Michael Ophovius, afterwards Bishop of Bois-le-Duc; above, 206*er. *Van Dyck*, Magdalene. On the walls, beginning to the right of the door: 217. *School of Rubens*, Departure of Adonis; 223. *David Teniers the Younger*, The good kitchen; above, 221. *Frans Snyders*, Kitchen with game and vegetables, the figure by *Rubens*; *203, 204. A. van Dyck*, Portraits, once erroneously called
the Duke and Duchess of Buckingham, now catalogued, in accordance with the coat-of-arms in the corner, as ‘Sir ... Sheffield’ and his wife ‘Anna Wake’; 224. D. Teniers the Younger, Alchemist; 206bis. Van Dyck, Portrait in grisaille of Andr. Colyns de Nole, a sculptor of Antwerp. By the window, 9. and 10. Two good heads in terracotta of the Admirals De Ruyter and Van Gent. Left Wall: *213, *214. Rubens, Isabella Brant and Helena Fourment, the master’s first and second wife, both admirably executed; 222. Fr. Synders, Stag-hunt, the figure of Diana and the landscape by Rubens; *209. Jacob Jordaens, Faun and nymph, half-figures life-size, boldly drawn, one of the best works of the master; *206. Van Dyck, Portrait of the Antwerp painter Quintyn Simons, one of the finest portraits painted by the master before he went to England; 216. Rubens, Adam and Eve in Eden, the animals by Jan Brueghel; 205. Van Dyck, The Huygens family, six separate medallions, probably from a ceiling; 207. Frans Francken Junr. and Fr. Pourbus Jr., Ball at the court of the archducal pair, Albert and Isabella, about 1615.


Room IV.: Portraits of Princes of the House of Orange, their relatives, and other celebrated personages, including a princess by
Mytens (92bis, to the right, above), nine by Mich. van Mierevelt of Delft (76-84; 82. William the Silent), and several by Rave-steyn. The names of the persons represented are inscribed on the frames.

Room V. also contains portraits of princes and other eminent personages of the 17th and 18th cent.: 15, 16. Ferd. Bol, Admiral De Ruyter and his son; 51quater, Honthorst, The Great Elector of Brandenburg.


**115. Rembrandt's celebrated School of Anatomy, painted for the Amsterdam guild of surgeons in 1632, and intended to adorn
the Dissecting Room (‘Snykamer’) at Amsterdam along with other pictures of a similar nature (see p. lvi). These, however, whether of later or earlier date, have been completely eclipsed and consigned to oblivion by this masterly group of portraits. Burger has justly characterised this picture as the truest and most lifelike representation of the ‘working of intellect’ ever produced. The painting remained among those mentioned at p. 274 till 1828, when it was purchased by King William I. for 32,000 fl.

'This picture represents the celebrated anatomist Nicolaus Tulp, a friend and patron of Rembrandt, in a vaulted saloon, engaged in explaining the anatomy of the arm of a corpse. He wears a black cloak with a lace collar, and a broad-brimmed soft hat. With his half-raised left hand he makes a gesture of explanation, while with his right he is dissecting a sinew of the arm of his subject. The corpse lies on a table before him. To the right of Tulp is a group of five figures; and two other men are sitting at the table in front. These listeners are not students, but members of the guild of surgeons of Amsterdam, as shown by a paper held by one of them. They are attending to the lecture with very various expressions. They are all bare-headed, dressed in black, and with turned-over collars, except one who still wears the old-fashioned, upright ruff. There are perhaps other persons present in the hall, as Tulp appears to be looking beyond the picture, as if about to address an audience not visible to the spectator; and it is here worthy of remark that Rembrandt’s compositions are never imprisoned in their frames, but convey an idea of a wide space beyond them. It is somewhat singular that the spectator seems hardly to notice the corpse lying before him at full length, the feet of which he can almost touch, although it is strongly lighted in contrast to the surrounding black garments and most faithfully presents the peculiar hue of a dead body, leaving no doubt that it was painted from nature as well as the living heads. The admirable art of the composition consists in its power of riveting the attention to the living in the presence of death. The painting is signed at the top, ‘Rembrandt f. 1632’.

61. Thomas de Keyser, Portrait of a magistrate, 1631; *32. Gerbrand van den Eeckhout, Adoration of the Magi. — Opposite, third wall:

*105. Adrian van Ostade, The Fiddler.

An itinerant fiddler, standing in front of an old and weather-beaten house, is delighting a numerous audience with his skill. The representation of the scene in the open air has given the artist an opportunity of introducing the most varied effects of the reflection of light. Few of Ostade’s works can compare with this in freshness of composition and finish of execution. It was painted in 1673, when the artist was in his sixty-third year.

*62. Thomas de Keyser, The four burgomasters of Amsterdam receiving the news of the arrival of Marie de Médicis (1638), perhaps merely a sketch for a larger work, but painted with great vigour; *185. Phil. Wouwerman, Landscape, known as the ‘Hay Cart’; 117. Rembrandt, Portrait of a young man, perhaps the artist himself, painted, according to Vosmaer, about 1630; *165. Adrian van de Velde, Beach at Scheveningen, enlivened with charming groups of figures, and an aerial perspective perhaps unequalled by the painter in any other work; 17. Jan and Andries Both, Italian scene.

*104. Adrian van Ostade, Cottage-interior, with eight figures, assembled for the purpose of smoking, singing, and drinking;
or Worship of Bacchus and Apollo (1662). 134. Jan Steen, Dentist. — On the other side of the door: 188. Ph. Wouwerman, Hunters resting; 102, 103. C. Netscher, Portraits of M. and Mme. van Waalwyk; 41. Jan van der Heyde, View of a town, with figures by A. van de Velde; 130. Schalcken, Physician; 101. C. Netscher, The painter with his wife and daughter (1665); 129. Schalcken, Bootless warning.

Room VIII. On the right: *28. G. Dou, The young housekeeper. A lady with a child in the cradle, and an attendant, a carefully-executed picture. The work, also known as 'The Household', is one of the gems of the collection, and is of equal merit with the celebrated 'Droodical Lady' in the Louvre. It is dated 1689.

170. A. de Vois, Huntsman. — *116. Rembrandt, Susanna, on the point of stepping into her bath, is alarmed by the presence of the two elders (of whom one only is distinguishable in the shrubbery), painted in 1637. Placed by the side of the School of Anatomy and the Simeon, the merits of this work are too often overlooked. Yet Susanna, strongly relieved against a dark background, is one of the most interesting female figures ever painted by Rembrandt, being remarkably faithful to nature, though not of classic beauty. In all probability the painter's wife Saskia stood to him as a model.

73. Gabriel Metsu, Huntsman; 18. Jan and Andries Both, Italian scene.

*114. Rembrandt, Presentation in the Temple, usually called in Holland 'Simeon in the Temple', the earliest important composition of the artist known, painted in 1631, soon after he settled at Amsterdam.

In the middle of the Temple, the fantastic architecture of which is lost in the darkness, the light is concentrated on a group of seven persons. Simeon with eyes raised towards heaven, and wearing a robe glittering with gold, is represented kneeling, with the infant Christ in his arms; the Madonna, in a light blue robe, with folded hands is also kneeling; while Joseph on his knees offers the sacrificial doves. A little to the left, as a counterpoise to Simeon, is the high-priest, with a long flowing robe, and almost turning his back to the spectator, raising his right hand, which gleams in the strongest light, in an attitude of benediction. Behind the Virgin are two rabbis. To the left, in the background of the aisles, several groups are observed in the twilight, and to the right in the chiaroscuro are a number of people ascending and descending a stair. On the same side, quite in the foreground, are two venerable old men sitting on a bench. The back of the bench bears the monogram R. H. (Rembrandt Harmensz) and the date 1631. This admirable little work, of the master's earliest period, already exhibits the bold touch and the striking effects for which Rembrandt is famous, but the Madonna, who stands in the full light, is somewhat cold and insignificant in character.

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This work is also sometimes styled a 'picture of human life', many persons being of opinion that Steen painted scenes of conviviality with the same moralising tendency as Hogarth, for the purpose of rebuking human follies and vices. The picture contains about twenty persons. While the elders are enjoying their oysters, the children are playing with a dog and cat. Jan Steen himself plays a merry air, while a young woman is looking towards him, and a portly boar is laughing, glass in hand. In the background are card-players and smokers.

21. A. Cuyp, Portrait of Mr. de Roovere, overseer of the salmon-fisheries at Dort; *118. Rembrandt, 'The Officer', study of a head, probably the painter's own portrait (painted about 1634, according to Vosmaer); 48. Melchior d'Hondecoeter, Menagerie of Prince William III. at the Château of Loo; 187. Ph. Wouwerman, Camp; *145. Gerard Terburg, Portrait of the artist as burgomaster of Deventer; *122. Jac. van Ruysdael, Waterfall; *12. Barth. van der Helst, Portrait of Paul Potter, the animal-painter.

*111. Paul Potter's far-famed Bull, the most popular picture in the collection, remarkable as one of the few animal-pieces which the master painted on so large a scale.

The picture was carried off to Paris by the French, and was regarded as fourth in point of value among all the pictures in the Louvre. The three which ranked before it were Raphael's Transfiguration, Domenichino's Communion of St. Jerome, and Titian's Martyrdom of St. Peter. This celebrated picture was purchased in 1749 for 630 fl., but before it was restored by the French the Dutch government offered 60,000 fl. to Napoleon for its restoration. Much, however, as the bull, which has a cow, a sheep and lamb, a ram, and a shepherd as companions, has been praised, it must in candour be admitted that several of the master's smaller animal-pieces are more attractive and perfect. The large animals in this work are in too strong relief, and the light is distributed somewhat monotonously over the whole picture without being softened by intermediate tones.

*135. Jan Steen, Poultry-yard, known as the Menagerie (1660).

The picture represents a platform with several steps leading to a court with a brook flowing through it, and an old leafless tree on the right with a peacock on one of its branches. Ducks are paddling in the
water, and pigeons and fowls picking up grain from the ground. On one of the steps sits a girl with a saucer, out of which a lamb is drinking. A bald-headed man-servant with a basket of eggs is speaking cheerfully with her, while another standing on the platform with a fowl under his arm looks at her laughingly. The last is a remarkably characteristic and life-like figure.


Third wall, by the window: 167. *W. van de Velde the Younger*, The Y; 173. *Jan Weenix*, Dead swan, natural size; 22. *Dirk van Deelen* and *Ant. Palamedess*, Hall of the Binnenhof during the grand assembly of the States General in 1651; 168. *W. van de Velde the Younger*, Calm sea with shipping. — We now return to the entrance-wall: —


*138. Jan Steen*, Portrait of himself and his family, an unusually large picture for this master, boldly and energetically painted in his best style.

'The worthy Jan Steen has here assembled his whole family around him. The group consists of eleven persons. The principal place at the table is of course occupied by Jan himself, a figure with long hair and a broad hat, laughing and smoking, and apparently about to drink. On his left is his wife, a corpulent lady in a blue fur-trimmed velvet jacket, filling a pipe, which one is almost tempted to think is for her own use. Jan’s aged mother, to the left in front, is dandling a grandchild on her knees, while his father by the fireside, in spectacles, is singing from a sheet of music accompanied on the flute by Jan’s eldest son, a handsome lad, almost grown up. In the immediate foreground are a dog, some copper utensils, and a mortar on which the master has placed his signature.'

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'The foreground is occupied by a level meadow, on which long strips of linen are being bleached. The houses in connection with the bleaching-green stand towards the left. Beyond, stretching to the horizon, is a monotonous plain, almost totally destitute of trees or dwellings, and in the extreme distance are distinguishable the town and church of Haarlem. And all these miles of landscape are represented on a little canvas, only 18 in. high!' *Burger.*

137. *Jan Steen*, The doctor’s visit. — *144. Gerard Terburg*, 'The Dispatch'.

An officer holds a letter which appears to have been delivered to him by a trumpeter. This picture, also called ‘The Interruption’, is one of the most charming works of the master, full of life and expression, and rivalling the famed 'Paternal Admonition' at Amsterdam. It is unfortunately much darkened by age.

*Room X.* Nos. 147-161. *Corn. Troost*, Fifteen drawings in chalk, illustrating the customs of the early part of the 18th cent., and of little artistic value.

*Room XIII., and the last two rooms, contain works of the Italian, Spanish, and French schools. Those in Room XIII. are almost all*
by unknown masters and of little importance. 297. After Titian, Portraits of a Venetian and his mistress; 299. Domenichino, Cumean Sibyl.


The Plein (Pl. E, 5), an extensive square on the E. side of the Mauritshuis, is adorned with the Statue of Prince William I. (Pl. 46), in bronze, by Royer, erected in 1848. The statue is represented with one finger slightly raised, in allusion to his well-
known taciturnity. His favourite motto, 'saevis tranquillus in undis', and the dedication of the monument by 'the grateful people to the father of their fatherland', are inscribed on the pedestal. At the W. angle of the Plein is the Colonial Office (Pl. 40), and ad-
joining it on the S., with an entrance-court and portico, is the Hooge Raad (Pl. 15). In the S. angle is the office of the Ministry of Justice (Pl. 39), a handsome new building of brick and white stone, in the Dutch Renaissance style. Opposite rises the War Office (Pl. 42), which in the time of the Republic was the residence of the deput-
ties from Rotterdam. On the N.E. stands the handsome edifice which at present contains the National Archives (Pl. 61), formerly the house of the Amsterdam deputies. The most interesting docu-
ment in the collection is a copy of the Peace of Westphalia (1648). — On the N.W. is the club-house of the Witte or Litteraire Societeit (Pl. 71), to which strangers are only admitted when introduced by a member. Not far off stands the new Gemeente-Museum (p. 239).

The Buitenhof (Pl. D, 5), a large open space adjoining the Binnenhof on the S. W., and also bounded on the N. side by the Vyver, is adorned with a mediocre Statue of William II. (Pl. 45; d. 1849) in bronze, erected in 1853. — On the S. side is a Passage, or arcade, in the Flemish Renaissance style, leading to the Spui-
straat; it was opened in 1885 and contains a hotel, a café, and several attractive shops.

The Gevangenpoort (Pl. 12; D, 4) is an ancient tower with a gateway leading (N.) from the Buitenhof to the Plaats. In 1672
**The Hague.**

Cornelis de Witt, who was falsely accused of a conspiracy against the life of the stadtholder William III., was imprisoned here. His brother John de Witt, the Grand Pensionary, hearing that his brother was in danger, hastened to the tower to afford him protection. The infuriated populace, who had been induced by the enemies of the two brothers to believe in their guilt, availed themselves of this opportunity, and, having forced their way into the prison, seized the persons of their ill-fated victims, whom they literally tore to pieces with savage cruelty (comp. p. xxxiii). The brothers are buried in the Nieuwe Kerk. The old prison, in which a collection of instruments of torture has been formed, is open daily, free, from 10 (Sundays and holidays 12.30) to 4. A little farther to the N. lie the Plaats and the Vyverberg, see below.

Adjoining the Buitenhof on the S.W. is the Groenmarkt, and beyond it the Vischmarkt (Pl. C, 5).

The **Town Hall** (Pl. 62), built in 1565, enlarged in 1734 by the addition of the N. wing; and restored and extended in 1882-83, stands on the E. side of the Vischmarkt. This picturesque building is one of the most interesting of its class in Holland. It belongs to the beginning of the period in which the flowing forms that characterise the later Dutch architecture came into vogue (comp. pp. 247, 252). The sculptures on the façade next the Groote Kerk are by J. B. Xavery. The S. entrance, opposite the Nieuwe Straat, leads to a vestibule, which contains the bench of the old sheriff’s court (‘Schepenenbank’) and three paintings by Willem Doudyns, representing the Judgment of Solomon.

The Groote Kerk (Pl. C, 5), or Church of St. James, is a Gothic edifice of the 15-16th cent., with a hexagonal tower, surmounted by a modern iron spire. The interior, which is finely vaulted, contains a few monuments, among them that of Admiral Obdam, who fell in 1665 in a naval engagement with the English in the Sound. In the sacristy are the remains of an alabaster monument of a Mynheer van Assendelft (d. 1636) and his wife. The carved wooden pulpit and the frames of the coats-of-arms of some knights of the Golden Fleece, dating from the first half of the 16th cent., also deserve notice. A public performance is given every Tues. from 3 to 4 p.m. on the large new organ, built in 1881 (adm. 25 c.). The sacristan lives at Kerkplein 13, near the Post Office (25 c.).

To the S., opposite the Groote Kerk, is the covered Fish Market (Pl. 69; C, 5), the rendezvous of the fish-women of Scheveningen. Several storks (a bird which figures in the armorial bearings of the town) are maintained in the court at the public expense.

Along the N. side of the Vyver (p. 228) extends the shady Vyverberg, which is continued on the E. by the Tournooiweld (Pl. D, E, 4). In the latter, at the corner of the Korte Vyverberg, is the new building of the **Municipal Museum** (Haagsch Museum;
Pl. 50), which contains the old pictures formerly in the Town Hall, and also numerous good modern works. Among the former are several corporation-pieces by Jan van Ravesteyn (1572-1657), the favourite painter of the Town Council and fashionable society of the Hague. The museum is open on week-days from 10 to 3 (in summer till 4) and on Sundays and holidays from 1 to 3 (no fees).

Old Pictures. 10. Gerrit Berck-Heyde, The Vyverberg in 1692; 33. Jan van Goyen, View of the Hague, S. side of the town, the largest (15 ft. by 5'/2 ft.) and one of the most important works of this master, who knew so well how to pourtray the autumnal colouring of a Dutch landscape; 39. Joachim Houckgeest (first half of the 17th cent.), An ensign of the green banner of the house of Orange; Mierewett the Elder, 54, 55. Prince Frederick Henry and Princess Amalia of Solms (1634), 53. William the Silent, and two other portraits. 64. Jan van Ravesteyn, Banquet partaken of by seventeen town-councillors and nine officers of the Guild of Arquebusiers, whose Captain, according to the annual usage, receives the 'cup of welcome' ('een frissen roemer met wyn'); the costume is not that of the 17th cent., but of an earlier period, with tall, narrow-brimmed hats and upright ruffs, and accords well with the grave and dignified deportment of the figures (dated 1618). 65. Jan van Ravesteyn, Fifteen members of the town-council of 1636 in half-figure, sitting at their green table, with which their black dress contrasts admirably; the only colours the picture contains are green, black, and the flesh-tint of the faces, and the effect is very harmonious and pleasing. 66. Jan van Ravesteyn, Twenty-five arquebusiers of the Guild of St. Sebastian, descending the staircase of the Shooting-gallery ('Doelen'), engaged in animated conversation and strikingly life-like. 67. Jan van Ravesteyn, Six officers of the white arquebusiers (1635); 92-95. Pieter van der Werff, Portraits; 111. Portrait of Spinoza, by an unknown painter. Views of the Hague, etc.


The museum also contains a collection of Antiquities belonging to the town (glasses, porcelain, medallions, banners of the guilds, etc.).

To the W., in the direction of the Plaats, Vyverberg 3, is the House of Baron Steengracht (Pl. 18; D, 4), containing a fine Collection of ancient and modern paintings arranged in three saloons, to which all lovers of art are liberally admitted (10-4; fee, 1 fl.). Catalogues are distributed throughout the rooms.

The Modern Pictures, of the French and Dutch schools, are exhibited in Room I. To the right of the entrance, Gérôme, Scene in the Desert; Decamps, Dogs and children; Willems, Lady and cavalier. To the left of the entrance: Vereer, Canal at Amsterdam; Horace Vernet, The last cartridge; Winterhalter, Roman women; Waldorp, Sea-piece. — On the opposite wall: Meissonier, Soldiers playing cards; Bougereau, Girl knitting; Blees, By the cradle; Landelle, Girl with fruit; Villegas, Siesta. — Back-wall, to the left: Mayer, Sea-piece; Kobell, Landscape with cattle; Verschuur, Stable; Noel, Tavern; Scheithout, Winter-scene near Haarlem; Navez, Roman women; Koekkoek, In the forest.

Among the Ancient Pictures are specimens of the chief Dutch masters of the 17th cent., some of them being cabinet-pieces of the first rank. There are in all upwards of 80 works, which fill the two following rooms.

Room II. On the left: Rembrandt, Bathsheba, after her bath, watched from a distance by King David. The beautiful Jewess is seated on a rug in a thickly-wooded park, by the side of the basin in which she has been bathing; beside her are two attendants. The arrangement of
the picture is analogous to that of the Susanna in the Mauritshuis (p. 234), but this work is the finer of the two. The chiaroscuro, against which, as in the Susanna, the female figure stands in exquisite relief, is treated in the most masterly style, forcibly recalling the famous ‘Night Watch’ at Amsterdam. According to Vosmaer, the Bathsheba was painted in 1643, less than a year after the completion of that splendid work. — As if to enhance the effect, another picture is hung below of the same subject by *Van der Werff*, whose smooth and elegant Bathsheba almost resembles a wax figure when compared with the warm and life-like creation of Rembrandt.

*Rubens, Heads of SS. Peter and Paul; A. van de Velde, Cattle; Rubens, Drunken Bacchus; Alb. Cuyp, Horse; Rubens, Infant Christ; Jordaens, At the fountain; Peter de Hooch, Musical party; Barth. van der Helst, Portraits of a man and woman; Th. de Keyser, Portrait of a man; Paul Potter, Three cows; Nic. Maes, Peasant woman making pancakes, and a boy eating them.*

**Room III.** Right wall, beginning at the window: *J. van Ruysdael, Waterfall; A. van Ostade, Interior of a cottage; Terburg, Mother dressing her daughter’s hair; Karel du Jardin, Herd-boy playing with his dog; Teniers the Younger, The Seven Works of Mercy; Jan Steen, The painter and his family, nearly life-size, an unusually large work for this master; Metsu, Mother with a sick child; W. van de Velde, Sea-piece; Jan Steen, Physician’s visit; Ascribed to Rembrandt, Mother and child. Entrance-wall: Allart van Everdingen, Waterfall; A. van Ostade, Pig driven to market; F. Bol, Portrait; L. Bakhuisen, Sea-piece. Third wall: C. Netscher, Two portraits; Adr. Brouwer, Peasant scene; *Hobbema*, Large landscape; Th. de Keyser, Lace-maker; Fr. van Mieris, Boy with a cage; Mieris and Slingeland, The captive mouse; Ger. Dou, Portraits of a man and woman; *A. de Vos*, Peasant smoking; A. van Ostade, Peasants. Also numerous landscapes.

In the adjacent square, called the Kneuterdijk (Pl. C, 3), is the office of the *Minister of Finance* (Pl. 38), originally the house of Oldenbarneveld. To the left runs the Noordeinde (Pl. C, 4, 3), with the *Royal Palace*, built in the time of Stadtholder William III., and containing a few unimportant family-paintings (admission only in the absence of the royal family).

In front of the palace stands the equestrian *Statue of Prince William I. of Orange* (Pl. 47), in bronze, designed by *Count Nieuwerkerke*, and erected by King William II. in 1845. On the pedestal are the arms of the seven provinces. — Behind the statue is the new Paleisstraat, leading through what was once the garden of the palace to the Oranjestraat. Farther on, to the right in the Parkstraat, is the new Roman Catholic *Church of St. James*, built by *P. J. H. Cuypers*. The Parkstraat ends at the Willemspark (p. 242).

The Kneuterdijk is bounded on the E. by the Lange Voorhout (Pl. D, E, 2), a square surrounded by handsome buildings and planted with trees, which, along with the Kneuterdijk and the Noord- cinde, forms the finest quarter of the town.

The *Navy Office* (Pl. 41; D, 4), Lange Voorhout 7, contains, in the *Modelzaal* (on the first floor), a very complete collection of objects connected with shipbuilding, ship-armour, and navigation (open on week-days, 10-3; visitors ring; no fee).

Models of ships of all kinds, from the Dutch men-of-war of the 17th cent. to the modern turret-ship, East India merchantmen, etc. Models of parts of vessels, rudders, compasses, sextants, anchors, models of
guns, arms. Models of dry docks; 'camels', an apparatus used before the opening of the North Canal for conveying ships of heavy tonnage over the shoals of the Zuiderzee; model of the landing-stage at Amsterdam, with the various pieces of machinery used on it; large relief-model of Hellevoetsluis. — The historical relics formerly kept here have been removed to Amsterdam (p. 272).

On the N. side of the Lange Voorhout is a spacious edifice (No. 34) containing the royal Library (Pl. 3; E, 4), open to the public daily, except Sundays and holidays, from 10 to 3 o'clock. It contains about 300,000 volumes. The miniatures in the prayer-book of Philippe le Bon of Burgundy, painted in grisaille (1455-65), are of great artistic value; several of them, such as the Annunciation and Coronation of the Virgin, are in the style of Memling. The prayer-book of Isabella of Castile (1450), a Gospel of the 10th cent., a Psalter of the 12th cent., etc., also merit inspection. The most precious objects are exhibited under glass.

The valuable collection of Coins, Medals, and Gems in the same building is open on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 10-3 o'clock. It contains upwards of 40,000 coins and medals, and 300 cameos, most of them antique, including the Apotheosis of the Emp. Claudius, one of the largest known; also a collection of Syrian and Babylonian seals and dies.

The following are among the finest: Head of Hercules; bust of Bacchus; Faun attempting to rob a Bacchante of her robe; reversed lyre with horns represented by two dolphins, springing from a rose-crowned head of Cupid, grouped artistically with the panther of Bacchus, which holds the thyrsus in its front paw; mask with large beard and open mouth; Venus and Cupid; Cybele riding on the lion; giant dragging a griffin from a cavern; helmeted head in profile, with a long beard; Homer as a statue; several portrait-heads; head of Medusa, in cornelian, a beautiful modern work. The catalogue of the director gives full particulars about every object in the collection.

On the W. side of the Lange Voorhout is an octagonal sandstone monument (Pl. 48; E, 4) to Duke Charles Bernhard of Saxe-Weimar (d. 1862), who distinguished himself in the Dutch service at the Battle of Waterloo in 1815, in the battles against the Belgian insurgents in 1831, and in the East Indian Wars of 1849. — Adjacent, in the Korte Vorhout, rise the Theatre (Pl. 68; E, 4), and the Palace of Princess Marie (Pl. 57; F, 4), the king's cousin.

On the Prinzense-Gracht is the Cannon Foundry (Pl. 11), beyond which is the Museum Meermanno-Westreenianum (Pl. 51; F, 4), a somewhat motley collection of MSS., specimens of early typography, coins, ancient vases, a few small ancient sculptures, Japanese curiosities, etc., bequeathed by Count Meermann (d. 1816) and Baron Westreenen (d. 1850).

The most interesting MSS. are a fragment of an Old Testament of the 5th cent.; a book of the Gospels of the 9th cent.; a Flemish Bible in rhyme, of 1332; a French Bible with miniatures by Jan of Bruges, executed in 1371 for Charles V., the Wise, of France; the Ethics of Aristotle in French, of 1376, with miniatures in grisaille; French translation of Augustine's 'De Civitate Dei', with numerous miniatures (end of the 15th, or early in the 16th cent.) and several others of the early Flemish and Dutch schools. Among the specimens of Typography are several block-
books, such as were common at the close of the middle ages, particularly in Holland; incunabula of Gutenberg and Caxton, etc. Unfortunately the museum is open only on the first and third Thursday of every month, 10-4 o'clock. Tickets are issued on the previous day, 10-3 o'clock, by the director of the library (p. 241). The visitor is conducted through the museum by an attendant.

The Willems-Park (Pl. D, 2), a circular Place enclosed by pleasant houses and gardens, at the N.W. corner of the town, on the way to Scheveningen, is adorned with the imposing National Monument (Pl. 44), begun in 1863 and inaugurated in 1869, to commemorate the restoration of Dutch independence in 1813 and the return of Prince William Frederick of Orange, who afterwards became king. On the massive substructure rises a lofty rectangular column bearing a smaller one which is adorned with the arms of the kingdom and the seven provinces, the whole being crowned with a Batavia in bronze, holding a banner in her right hand and a sheaf of arrows in the left, with the lion of the Netherlands at her feet. On the side facing the town Prince William Frederick is represented in his coronation-robos, swearing to maintain the constitution. At the back are Gysbert Karel van Hogendorp, Fr. Ad. van der Duyn, and Count L. van Limburg-Styrum, the leaders of the rising in November, 1813. The figures on the narrow sides are emblematical of Liberty and Law. All these figures are in bronze, having been modelled by Jaquet. Two reliefs on the round part of the pedestal represent the rising of the people and the arrival of the king. The whole monument was designed by W. C. van der Wayen-Pieterszen and Koelman. — Near the monument is De Boer's Bazaar (p. 228).

At No. 4, Prins Hendrik Plein, near the road to Scheveningen, is the Prins Hendrik Museum (Pl. 52; B, 2), a collection of physical apparatus, models, drawings, musical instruments, and works of art (open daily, 1-4).

The Nieuwe Kerk (Pl. D, 6), on the Spui, was built by Hendrik de Keyser (p. 217); it contains the tombs of the De Witts (p. 238) and of Spinoza (near the pulpit). Spinoza's House, Pavlijoensgracht 32, opposite the Heilig-Geesthofje (Pl. 14; C, 6), was occupied by the great philosopher from 1671 down to his death in 1677. Opposite is a bronze Statue of Spinoza (Pl. 49), by Hexamer, erected in 1880.

The Zoological-Botanic Garden (Pl. F, 3) is a favourite place of recreation, containing a fair collection of birds and a few other animals. Admission 50 c.; those who make a prolonged stay at the Hague may subscribe. Concerts on Monday and often Friday evenings in summer, and on Sunday afternoons in winter, admission 1 fl. (restaurant).

To the S. of the Zoological Garden is the Malieveld, the drilling-ground of the garrison. Farther on begins the celebrated and beautiful Park (het Bosch), a plantation intersected by avenues in...
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different directions, and about 3 M. in length. In the centre is a
large garden belonging to the Nieuwe Societiet, to which admission
is granted only on introduction. On Sundays from 2 to 3.30, and
on Wednesdays from 7 to 9.30 o'clock, a band plays here and at-
tracts numerous visitors. Adjacent is the Panorama, mentioned at
p. 228. Near the road the forest is traversed by regular avenues of
stately old trees, while the remoter parts are in their primitive con-
dition. Comp. the small map on the Plan.

Near the N.E. corner of the Park, about 1 1/2 M. from the Hague,
is situated the Huis ten Bosch, i. e. the 'House in the Wood', a
royal villa, erected by the widow of Prince Frederick Henry of
Orange (p. xxxii) in memory of her husband. Visitors to the villa
may make use of the tramway from the Plein to Bezuidenhout, the
terminal of which is in the Laan van Nieuw-Oosteinde (see Map of
the Environs). Those who walk through the Bosch turn to the right
at the end of the ornamental water and soon reach the gate to the
grounds surrounding the villa.

The Interior is worthy of a visit. (Visitors ring at the door in the
right wing; fee 1 fl. for 1-3 pers., 2 fl. for a larger party.) The Dining Room
is embellished with grisailles by De Wit (1749) of Meiseger, Atalanta,
Venus, Adonis, and Genii, painted in imitation of bas-reliefs, and pro-
ducing an almost perfect illusion; it also contains Chinese, Saxon (Meissen),
and Delft porcelain. In the Chinese Room is some tapestry of rice-paper
of the 18th century. The Japanese Room contains bright-coloured em-
broidery with birds and plants, presented to Prince William V. of Orange
in 1795, Japanese cabinets, etc.

The chief attraction is the Orange Saloon, an octagonal hall adorned
with scenes from the life of Prince Frederick Henry, painted by artists
of the School of Rubens (comp. Introd., p. 11), and lighted partly by the
cupola above, and partly from the sides. The walls are about 50 ft.
in height, the lower part being covered with canvas, while the upper
part is of wood. The best of these paintings is that which covers the
principal wall, by Jordaens, representing the triumph of the young prince
over vice, sickness, and other enemies of youth. The others contain
several bold and finely-conceived groups, but exhibit numerous traces of
the inaccurate drawing of Rubens's school, while the general effect is far
from pleasing.

The following pleasant Excursion may be taken from the Hague
(2-3 hrs. driving). Along the Leyden road ('Straatweg naar
Leiden'; Pl. F, 4), through the Park, and then by the 'Papenlaan'
to Voorschoten (p. 226), the Leidsche Dam, and Voorburg, near
which is the popular resort of Wykerbrug, with a restaurant. Then
back by the 'Laan van Nieuw-Oosteinde', to the S. of the Bosch.

37. Scheveningen.

There are four conveyances between the Hague and Scheveningen,
a distance of 2 1/2-3 M.

1. The Steam Tramway of the Dutch and Rhenish Railway (Stoom
Tramway der Nederl. Rhyn-Spoorweg Maatschappij), which starts from the
Rhenish Station (Pl. F, 6, 5,) every 3/4 hr. during the season, and also 1/2 hr.
after the arrival of each train (for the passengers from Utrecht, Gouda,
etc.). The station at Scheveningen is situated close to the German Protes-
Scheveningen.

244 Route 37.

1. **Church.** Near the large Bath House. Fares 25 or 15 c., 10 tickets 1½ or 1 fl.; tickets are obtained in the car. In returning, travellers may procure through railway-tickets and book their luggage at Scheveningen.

2. **Steam Tramway** of the Dutch Railway, starting from the Dutch Station (Pl. D, 8; p. 227), not yet opened for traffic.

3. **Tramway.** There are two tramway-lines, both of which start from the Plein (Pl. E, 5), while one follows the old, and the other the new road (see p. 245). The former is divided into five, the latter into four sections. Fare 5 c. per section.

4. **Cabs.** From the railway-stations at the Hague to Scheveningen, 1-2 pers. 1½, 3-5 pers. 1½ fl.; trunks 10 c. each. Comp. p. 227.

**Hôtels.** a. **Grand Hôtel des Bains & Kurhaus,** on the Dunes (see p. 245). R. from 3 fl., B. 80 c., table-d’hôte 2½ fl. — To the N. is the b. **Hôtel d’Orange,** a large house situated on the Dunes; R. from 2½, D. 2½ fl. Adjoining this hotel is the **Pavilion,** a building containing twelve distinct suites of furnished apartments for families, each of which is let for 1500-1800 fl. for the season. — To the S. of the Grand Hôtel des Bains is the c. **Hôtel des Galeries,** a large new building, the end of which looks towards the sea, with a restaurant, café, and shops on the ground-floor; R. from 1½ fl. (before 21st July from 1½ fl.), extra bed ½-1 fl., A. 25, L. 25, B. 60 c., ’pens.’ 3½-4, D. 2 fl. — **Hôtel Garni,** the property of a company, with about 190 rooms, R. from 1 fl., D. 2½-3 fl., B. 70 c., ’pension’ without room 4 fl., good cuisine. — **Hôtel Rauch,** Hôtel Zeerust, with terraces, on the Dunes, to the right and left at the end of the principal street of the village; R. 1-6 fl., before and after the season somewhat cheaper, well spoken of. — **Hôtel Pension; Hôtel de l’Union.**

There are also several villas on the Dunes, which are let to summer-visitors.

**Behind the Dunes,** without a view of the sea: a. **Hôtel Continental,** Nieuwe Badweg, 1/4 M. from the Hôtel des Bains; Hôtel Deutschmann, adjacent. Nearer the village are numerous hotel-pensions and furnished villas, rooms in which are cheaper than in the hotels on the beach. — In the village: Hôtel-Restaurant St. Hubert, R. 1-1½, D. ½, ’pens.’ 3-4 fl., unpretending; Belvedere, with a café; a. **Hôtel de la Promenade,** the half-way point of the tramway-route, see below; a. **Beaumour,** at the entrance of the Scheveningsche Boschjes. — Most of the private lodgings are indifferently fitted up; in engaging rooms it is advisable to have a written agreement. — On Sundays Scheveningen attracts crowds of Dutch visitors from all parts of the country, most of whom dine at the hotels.

**Baths.** Bathing-coach with awning 70, without awning, generally used by gentlemen, 50 c.; subscription for 20 baths with towels 10 or 7 fl.; small bathing-coach, which is conveyed to the water’s edge only, with one towel, 20 c.; subscription for the whole season 7½ fl.; fee 10 c. for each bath, or 1 fl. 20 c. for 20 baths. The custom of promiscuous bathing, as in Ostend, Blankenberghe, and elsewhere, has been lately introduced, but there are also separate bathing-places for gentlemen and ladies. Tickets are procured at the office on the beach in front of the Bath House. On Sundays there is no bathing allowed after 2 p.m.

**Warm Baths** of salt-water (75 c. and fee), vapour-baths, etc., at the Bath House, well fitted up (from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.).

**Visitors’ Tax:** For the season 15 fl.; for members of families ‘cartes secondaires’ at 5 fl. are also issued. The subscribers are admitted without charge to the dancing ‘réunions’ and to the ordinary concerts and theatrical performances, while for the extra entertainments they pay half-price.

**Bath Physician:** Dr. Mess, villa on the Dunes, next to the Hôtel Garni; consultation-hours, at the Bath House 7-8, 10-12, and 3-4.

**Post and Telegraph Office, Keizerstraat 294; branch-office in the Cursaal.**

**Donkeys.** Per ½ hr. 20 c., ½ day 1 fl. 25 c.; with small carriage, per hour 50 c., ½ day 2 fl.; carriage and pair of donkeys, per hour 75 c., ½ day 2½ fl.

**Boating** hardly obtainable. Tents, ‘pavillons’, and chairs may be hired on the beach. — ‘Le Petit Courrier’ and the official gazette (published daily) contain a list of visitors.

**English Church** at the Hague (p. 228).
There are two roads between the Hague and Scheveningen: —

1. The Old Road, paved with 'klinkers', constructed in the middle of the 17th century, leaves the town by the N.W. gate (Pl. C, 1), and is shaded by trees and provided with a tramway-line. On the right, between the old road and the Canal, lies the Scheveningsche Boschjes, a park with numerous fine old oaks, affording beautiful walks. On the left is the royal château of Zorgvliet, once the residence of Cats, the Dutch statesman and poet (d. 1660). Farther on, we pass a row of villas, including the Hôtel de la Promenade (half-way house on the tramway-route). Distance from the Scheveningen Gate at the Hague to the beginning of the village 1½ M., to the beach 2½ M.

2. The uninteresting and shadeless New Road leads direct from the N. end of the town (Pl. F, 1) to the Bath House, skirting the canal at first, and crossing it halfway. This is the route followed by the steam-tramway from the Rhenish station and by one of the ordinary tramways. On the Dunes to the right, in the distance, is the large building of the Hague Water Works (adm. Tues. and Thurs. 12-4; fine view).

Scheveningen, a clean fishing-village with 14,800 inhab., consists of neat brick houses, sheltered from the sea by a lofty dune. The late-Gothic church, consecrated in 1472, with its pointed spire, once stood in the middle of Scheveningen, but on 1st Nov., 1570, a spring-tide swallowed up half of the village, consisting of 125 houses, so that the church now stands at the W. end. As the ground rises gradually behind the village, no view is obtained of the sea until the top of the Dunes is reached.

An undulating Terrace, paved with bricks, extends along the top of the Dunes from the village to the Hôtel d'Orange (about 1 M.), forming an admirable promenade. Lower down, on the side next the sea, another paved road, completed in 1877, connects the village with the large Bath House. At the S.W. end of the Terrace are the Lighthouse (Vuurtoren; adm. 15 c.; fine view) and the Monument, an obelisk erected in 1865 to commemorate the return of William I. after the French occupation (p. xxxiv). Near the church are the Hôtels Zeerust and Rauch. Farther on are numerous villas, the Grand Hôtel des Bains, and the other hotels mentioned above. A little inland is a German Protestant Church, with two towers.

The large Bath House and Curhaus, or Grand Hôtel des Bains, is the great rallying-point of visitors. The handsome new building, erected in 1884-85 by the German architects Henkenhof and Ebert, is upwards of 550 yds. in length and is surrounded by spacious verandas. The richly adorned Cursaal, surmounted by a glass cupola, can accommodate 2500 persons. In front of it the terrace increases to a breadth of 50 paces.

Scheveningen possesses numerous fishing-boats (pinken), the
cargoes of which are sold by auction on the beach immediately on their arrival. The scene on such occasions is often very picturesque and amusing. The herring-fishery is also prosecuted with considerable success, many of the 'pinken' occasionally venturing as far as the N. coast of Scotland.

Scheveningen is now frequented by about 20,000 visitors annually. The height of the season is from 15th July to 15th Sept., before and after which charges are lowered. A great advantage which Scheveningen possesses over the other watering-places on the N. Sea is the proximity of the Hague and the woods a little inland, which afford pleasant and shady walks.

In 1673 Admiral de Ruyter defeated the united fleets of France and England off the coast near Scheveningen.

38. Leyden.

Comp. the Plan, p. 252.


Cafés-Restaurants. Zomerzorg, near the railway-station, with a pleasant garden; Café Suisse, Breestraat 84; Stadt Nürnberg, Breestraat 16 (good beer); Café Neuf, Breestraat 107, opposite the Hôtel de Ville.

Tramways. From the station (Pl. B, 1) across the Beestenmarkt (Pl. C, 2) and thence through the Breestraat to the Hoogewoerd's Poort (Pl. H, 5). The latter part of the line passes most of the points of interest in the town. — Steam-Tramways to Haarlem and to Katwyk aan Zee (see p. 251).

Cab from the station to the town 60 c., per hour 1 fl.

Leyden, in the middle ages Leithen, one of the most ancient towns in Holland (although probably not the Lugdunum Batavorum of the Romans), is situated on the so-called Old Rhine, the sluggish waters of which flow through the town in several canal-like arms. The town contains 42,900 inhab., but is sufficiently extensive to accommodate 100,000, a number it boasted of when at the height of its prosperity. In the 16th cent. Leyden sustained a terrible siege by the Spaniards, which lasted from Oct. 31st, 1573, to Mar. 24th, 1574, and then, after a short and partial relief by Prince Louis of Nassau, was continued as a blockade down to Oct. 3rd of the same year. William of Orange at last caused the dykes to be pierced, and the country being thus inundated, he relieved the besieged by ship. Leyden was the birthplace of several of the painters of the 16th and 17th centuries: Lucas van Leyden, Joris van Schooten, Jacob van Swaneburgh, the great Rembrandt van Ryn, Jan Steen, Gerard Dou, Gabriel Metsu, Jan van Goyen, Frans van Mieris, Peter Slingeland, etc. It possesses, however, but few specimens of their works.

The town still presents many picturesque mediaeval features, and
although most of the quaint old decorations are in the question-
able taste of the 17th cent., they bear testimony to the former
prosperity of the citizens, and their appreciation of artistic forms.

The oldest edifice in Leyden is the Burg (Pl. E, 3, 4), situated
on a mound of earth in the centre of the town. It is circular in
form, and is undoubtedly of very ancient origin. The chroniclers
connect it with Drusus and the Anglo-Saxon Hengist. It first ap-
ppears in authentic history during the 10th century. The building,
which has been badly restored and adorned with pinnacles, is in
the garden of the Hotel Burg (adm. 10 c. for persons not staying at
the hotel).

Near the Burg is situated the Church of St. Pancras, or Hoog-
landsche Kerk (Pl. 2; F, 4), a late-Gothic stone edifice erected
on the site of an earlier building in the 15th cent., and recently re-
stored. It is a large basilica with nave and aisles, with a transept
also flanked with aisles. The nave, which has not been carried
up to the projected height, is covered by a wooden roof of barrel-
vaulting. The arms of the transept, the façades of which are richly
decorated, are surmounted by singular-looking towers. The spa-
cious interior is supported by thirty-eight massive buttresses. By
one of these is the insignificant monument of the burgomaster Van
der Werff (d. 1604), who in 1574 gallantly defended the town
during the siege by the Spaniards.

A few paces to the S.W. of the Burg is a bridge with a covered
wooden portico built in 1825, and used as a Corn Exchange (Pl. 13;
E, 4), leading to the Breedestraat ('Brêestraat'), the principal street
in Leyden, which, with its continuation the Oude and Nieuwe
Hoogewoerd, intersects the whole town in the form of an S.

In this street, on the right, rises the *Stadhuis (Pl. 20; E, 4),
one of the most successful examples of the Dutch style of the close
of the 16th cent., with a lofty flight of steps. The tower ends in a
picturesque broach-spire. Over the side-entrance on the N. is the
following inscription: "nae sWarte hVnger-noot gebrachCh had tot
de doot bInaest zes-dVlzent MensChen, aLs't god den heer Verdroot
gaf hI Vns Weder broot, zo VeeL WI CVnsten WensChen" (i. e.
literally: When the black famine had brought to the death nearly
six thousand persons, then God the Lord repented of it, and gave
us bread again as much as we could wish). This inscription, which
refers to the siege of 1574, is a chronogram, the capitals (among
which W is reckoned as two V's) recording the date, and the 131
letters the number of days during which the siege lasted.

Near the Post Office is the handsome building of the Minerva
Club, to which most of the students belong.

At the W. end of the Brêestraat is the *Museum of Antiquities,
or Museum van Oudheden (Pl. 16; C, 3), open on Sun. 12-4,
and on Tues., Thurs., and Sat. 11-4 o'clock, but shown at other
times on payment of a fee (50 c.). It occupies eleven rooms,
and is most valuable in the Egyptian department. Some of the Greek sculptures are also very important.

Ground Floor. Room I. (r.) Indian Idols. Brahma, the 'Creator,' Vishnu with the trunk of an elephant, the 'Preserver,' Shiva, the 'Destroyer,' resting on skulls, in numerous examples of various sizes (sun, water, and fire; or power, wisdom, and justice; or the past, the present, and the future; i.e. the Indian Trinity, often represented as a body with three heads); an idol of lava in the form of a bull; relics from Carthage; custodian of a temple, a quaint figure with a sword.


Room IV. Egyptian Sculptures. Sarcophagi with figures of the dead and hieroglyphic inscriptions; Greek tomb-inscriptions from Egypt, mostly of the Christian period. Funerary pyramid of a royal secretary; kneeling statues from tombs. Slabs with reliefs and inscriptions, some with well-preserved colouring (No. 26). In the entrance-wall is a recess fitted up in the style of an Egyptian tomb. — The end of the room is partitioned off by four pillars and a gate from the entrance to an Egyptian tomb. Large niche in granite, presented to a temple by King Amasis in the 6th cent. before Christ. Relief from the grave of King Horus (15th cent. B.C.), with captives (Jews?).

First Floor. Room I, II, III. Smaller Egyptian Antiquities. R. I. Mummies, ornaments, flowers; statuettes in wood, bronze, and porcelain. Papyrus scrolls in hieroglyphic and hieratic text (halfway up the next staircase). — RR. II, III. Egyptian gems, statuettes, jewels, scarabaei, bronzes, vessels in terracotta and alabaster, etc.

Rooms IV and V, which contain Greek and Roman Antiquities, are fitted up in imitation of the Roman columbaria or grave-chambers for funereal urns. In R. IV. are funereal urns and inscriptions, and an Early-Christian Sarcophagus, with reliefs. The next room contains Etruscan Cists, with figures of the deceased and reliefs (No. 400, Ulysses and the Cyclops). Here are also several admirable Greek Funereal Monuments, some of them of the classic period. The finest is the 50. Relief of Archonstrate, daughter of Alenos, from Sunium, one of the best Attic monuments of the kind, dating from the 4th cent. B.C.

Second Floor. Casts from the antique; Greek, Roman, and Etruscan bronzes, weapons, helmets; Greek and Roman vases in the ancient and more modern style; terracotta vessels; models of ancient tombs.

Third Floor. Cork models of ancient structures; models of lake-dwellings in the Lake of Zürich; model of a 'giant's grave' in the province of Drenthe; Teutonic idols and relics from the same district.

The Natural History Museum (Pl. 15; C, D, 4), Rapenburger Gracht, No. 28, open to the public daily, except Sundays, 12-4 o'clock, is established in a building admirably adapted for the purpose. The collection is particularly well supplied with specimens of the products of the Dutch colonies in the E. and W. Indies. The cabinet of stuffed birds includes the collection of M. Temminck (d. 1858), one of the greatest of European ornithologists. The cabinet of Comparative Anatomy is also very complete.

The Church of St. Peter (Pl. 1; D, 4), erected in 1315, with
double aisles, is the largest church at Leyden, and the last resting-
place of many distinguished men.

The monument of the celebrated physician Boerhave (d. 1738) bears
the modest inscription: 'Salutifero Boerhavii genio sacrum'. Other mon-
uments record the names of Dodonaeus, Spanheim, Meerheim, Clusiis,
Scaliger, and other Dutch savants. The inscription on that of Prof. Luzac
states that he perished in the explosion of 1807 (p. 251). The handsome
pulpit and the choir-screen with its rich balustrade and carved frieze in
the early Renaissance style deserve notice.

A house in the Klok-Steeg, immediately adjoining the Pieters-
Kerk-Plads, bears an inscription to the effect that John Robinson,
the leader of the first Puritan party banished from England, lived,
taught, and died here (1611-25). The present house, however,
was not built till 1683.

According to a popular tradition, Prince William of Orange,
after the siege of 1574, offered to reward the citizens for their
gallant conduct in the defence by exempting them from the pay-
ment of taxes for a certain number of years, or by the establish-
ment of a university in their city. The latter alternative is said to
have been preferred, and the prince accordingly founded a High
School, or University, in 1575. Its fame soon extended to every
part of Europe. Hugo Grotius and Cartesius (Descartes), the greatest
scholars of their age, Salmasius, Scaliger, Boerhave, Wytenbach,
and others resided and wrote here, and Arminius and Gomar, the
founders of the sects named after them (p. 309), were professors at
the university. Lord Stair (d. 1695), the celebrated Scottish jurist,
spent several years in exile at Leyden, whence he accompanied his
future sovereign William of Orange to Great Britain in 1688. Leyden
still enjoys a high reputation as a seat of learning, especially as a
school of medicine and natural science, owing to the very extensive
collections which it possesses. Most of the professors (46, students
800) teach at their private residences (some of them still in
Latin); a few only deliver lectures in the university-building
itself (Academie, Pl. 8; C, 5, E, 5). The hall of the Senatus is
adorned with portraits of all the professors, from Scaliger down
to those last deceased. Niebuhr in his Roman History expresses
his opinion that no locality in Europe is so memorable in the
history of science as this venerable hall. The Library (Pl. 26;
D, 5), the oldest and richest in Holland, contains upwards of
300,000 vols. and 5600 valuable MSS. Considerable sums of
money have recently been granted for the erection of new buildings
and the improvement of the collections.

The Botanic Garden (Pl. C, 5), open to the public daily till
1 o'clock, is arranged according to the systems of Linné and Jussi-
sien, and kept in excellent order. The collection of exotics,
chiefly from the E. Indies, is very fine. The hot-houses contain
examples of the cinnamon-tree, the quinine tree, the coffee-plant,
the cotton-tree, the mahogany-tree, the New Zealand flax-plant,
the papyrus-tree, the bamboo, the sago-shrub, the camphor-tree, the
flying-catcher', the arrowroot-plant, the tamarind-shrub, palms, etc.
— The Observatory (Pl. 17), which enjoys a considerable reputation, is situated close to the Botanic Garden.

In the Nieuwe Hoogewoerd, the E. prolongation of the Brée-straat, No. 108, is the Ethnographical Museum (Pl. 14; G, 5), open daily 10-4 (Sun. 12.30 to 4).

The nucleus of the collection is a series of Japanese curiosities brought to Europe by Col. von Siebold, who acted as a physician in Japan from 1822 to 1830, though that country did not become accessible to Europeans without danger till 1853. After the death of the founder in 1866 his collection was purchased by government. It comprises a domestic altar, figures of saints, images in bronze, surgical instruments, fans, parasols, magnets, toys, bons-bons, musical instruments, numerous objects in bamboo, anatomical figures, two suits of armour, flags, pictures, an idol, carefully-wrought nets, numerous Japanese books, models of a country-house, etc., beautifully-embroidered articles of dress, ornaments, pipes, knives, scissors, amulets, paper, playing cards, articles manufactured of straw, travelling-boxes, brooms, silk, fancy-articles, model of a burial-ground, altar from Thibet, paintings in curiously-carved gilt frames, etc. The collection also contains numerous curiosities from Sumatra, Florida, Celebes, New Guinea, the Aroe Islands, China, Hindostan, Acheen, etc., which have been added to it within the last few years, partly from the old Museum of Curiosities at the Hague.

The Municipal Museum (Pl. 25; D, 2), in the Lakenhal ('cloth-hall', erected in 1640), Oude Singel 32, contains a multifarious collection of antiquities connected with Leyden, and also a few interesting pictures, most of which were brought from the Stadhuis. It is open daily, 10-4, adm. 10 c.; Sundays, and 3rd Oct., the anniversary of the raising of the siege in 1574, free. Catalogue 30 c.

Vestibule. Stained glass of the 16th century, representing the counts and countesses of Holland (in brown monochrome).

First Floor. In the middle of the large hall two glass-cases, containing (left) gold and silver plate belonging to the municipality, of the 17th and 18th cent., and (right) glass of the same period, relics of the siege, coins, medals. The walls are hung with numerous portraits and 'Regent' or corporation pictures. To the right, on the end-wall: 11. Gov. Flinck, Portrait of a man; to the right of it, 7. Adr. Brouwer, Rustic scene; left, Dom. van Tol (pupil of Dou), Woman baking pancakes, and four boys. To the left: 143. Unknown Painter, Regent-piece of 1618. The tapestry opposite the entrance (No. 166), representing the relief of Leyden, was executed in 1587. — The contents of the side-rooms are similar.

Upper Floor. The pictures here, chiefly arquebusier and regent pieces, are more interesting and important. On the principal wall, facing the entrance: Van Brée (p. 127), Burgomaster van der Werff offering his body to the starving citizens, who demand the surrender of the town or the satisfaction of their hunger, a large but mediocre work. To the left and right are six pictures of arquebusiers (Nos. 40, 37, 34, 38, 36, 39), painted in 1626 and 1628 by Joris van Schooten (b. at Leyden in 1557); the execution is good and the heads are full of expression, but there is no attempt at artistic grouping. On the end-wall to the left: 32. Van Schooten, Representation of the misery that reigned during the siege; 71. Sortie; 70. Peter van Veen (1570-1639, Leyden), Arrival of the Water Gueux; Medallion-portrait of Burgomaster Van der Werff, in terracotta (17th cent.). On the end-wall to the right: 17. Lucas van Leyden. Last Judgment, the only authenticated large painting by this artist. To the right and left, Cornelis Engelbertsz, 9. Crucifixion with numerous figures, and wings representing Abraham's Sacrifice and the Miracle of the Brazen Serpent, 10. Pietà, with six scenes from the life of Christ. The small adjacent room contains five singular pictures by Is. Claesz. van
Swaneburgh (d. 1614), father of Rembrandt’s master, Jac. Isaacsz. vae Swanenburgh, representing the old cloth manufactures of Leyden and the advent of Flemish cloth-makers. — The rooms adjoining on the other side contain a collection of old weapons and standards.

The promenades near the Rynsburg Gate (Pl. C, 1), by which we enter the town from the railway-station, are adorned with a statue of Herman Boerhave (Pl. 24; see p. 249), modelled by Prof. Strackée. Beyond it is the Academic Hospital, and, in the distance, the Military Hospital. — On the Galgewater (Pl. B, C, 3) is the Kweekschool voor de Zeevaart, or seamen’s training school.

The open spaces on both sides of the Steenschuur Canal (Pl. E, 5) were formerly covered with houses and owe their present appearance to an appalling explosion of gunpowder, which took place in 1807. The space on the N. bank is now partly occupied by buildings connected with the university (Pl. 8), while that on the S., which is still known as the ‘Groote Ruïne’, serves as a drilling-ground. The latter also contains a monument to Burgomaster van der Werff (see above), erected in 1884.

About 6 M. to the N.W. of Leyden lies Katwyk aan Zee, which may be reached either by Steam Tramway in 40 min. (starting from the railway-station), or by Steamer in 1 hr. (from the bridge at the Beestenmarkt, Pl. C, 2; fare 25 or 10c.).

Katwyk aan Zee (*Groot Badhôtel, *Hôtel Levedag, Hôtel de Rhyn, Hôtel-Pension van Tellegen, *Hôtel de Zwaan, all on the sea, unpretending but comfortable; Villas and Private Lodgings obtainable by application to the Burgomaster) is a popular Dutch watering-place (5000 inhab.), near the mouth of a canal closed with huge gates, which assists the Rhine to empty itself into the sea.

The mouth of the Rhine was completely obstructed by sand in consequence of a hurricane in the year 1839, and from that period down to 1807 its waters formed a vast swamp, which is now almost entirely drained (p. 226). In 1807 a large canal was constructed, with three locks, the first of which has two, the second four, and that next to the sea five pairs of gates. During high tide the gates are closed in order to exclude the water, which rises to the height of 12 ft. on the outside, while the level of the canal on the inside is much lower. At low tide the gates are opened for 5-6 hours in order to permit the accumulated waters of the Rhine to escape, and the masses of sand thrown up by the sea are thus again washed away. It is computed that 100,000 cubic ft. of water issue from the gates per second. In stormy weather, when the wind blows towards the land, the tide does not fall sufficiently to admit of the gates being opened. The dykes constructed at the entrance to the canal and on the sea-shore are of most imposing dimensions. The foundations consist of piles driven into the loose sand, upon which a massive superstructure of masonry is placed. These magnificent works, undertaken during the reign of King Louis Napoleon by the engineer M. Conrad (p. 253), are the finest of the kind in Europe, and have recently been strengthened in consequence of an outlet of the Haarlemmer Meer having been conducted to this point. The neighbouring kilns convert the heaps of shells thrown up by the sea into lime, which is used in the construction of the dykes.

Endegeest, a country-house with pleasant grounds, halfway between Leyden and Katwyk, was for many years the residence of Descartes (Cartesius), who wrote his chief mathematical and philosophical works here.

Hotels. *Hôtel Fünckler (Pl. a; B, 3), in the Kruisstraat, ¼ M. from the station, R. & A. 1 fl. 75, L. 30 c.; Gouden Leeuw (Pl. c., B 2; Lion d'Or), in the same street, a little nearer the station; Lievevrij (Pl. b; B, 3), a few paces beyond the Hôtel Fünckler, commercial, R. & L. 1 fl. 50 c., well spoken of. — Hôtel van den Berg and T Wapen van Amsterdam, outside the town, near the park, are two very good houses for a prolonged stay, R. & B. 2 fl., D. 2 fl., A. 50, L. 25 c. — On the right, at the egress from the station, are several cafés, where accommodation for the night may also be procured. — Brinkmann's Café-Restaurant, Groote Markt 11, well spoken of.

Tramway from the station through the Kruisweg and the Kruisstraat, past the Town Hall (p. 253), and through the Groote Houtstraat, to the Pavillon (p. 256); fare 10 c. — Steam-Tramway to Leyden, starting from the Park (p. 256).

Cabs. With one horse: from the station to the town with 56lbs. of luggage 60 c.; extra luggage, 20 c. per 56lbs.; per hour, in the town 1 fl., outside the town 1½ fl.

Haarlem, with 43,900 inhab., the seat of the governor of the province of N. Holland, one of the cleanest and most attractive towns in Holland, and possessing several thriving manufactories, lies on the Spaarnede, which flows through the town in a curve. The town is surrounded by well-kept gardens and promenades, laid out partly on the site of the old ramparts. The quaint old houses of brick and hewn stone offer much to interest the architect.

Haarlem was for a long period the residence of the Counts of Holland. Like Leyden, it sustained a most calamitous siege during the War of Independence, and was taken, after a resistance of seven months (1572-73), by the Spaniards under Frederick of Toledo, son of the Duke of Alva. The defence, though ineffectual, was most heroic, and even the women, led by Kenau Simons Hasselaar, are said to have taken a share in it. Upwards of 10,000 of the inhabitants perished on this occasion, and the commandant, the Protestant clergy, and 2000 of the townspeople were executed by order of their conqueror. Four years later the Spaniards were again expelled. The town attained the height of its prosperity in the first quarter of the 17th cent., when its school of art was also of some importance. Cornelis Corneliszoon, Hugo Goltzius, H. C. de Vroom, P. Soutman, the two Grebbers, the eminent Frans Hals, and other artists flourished here at that period.

The Kruisweg and its prolongation, the Kruisstraat, lead from the station to the (¼ M.) chief market-place. On the left, halfway (Kruisweg 59), is the Episcopal Museum (Pl. 1; B, 2), a collection of Dutch ecclesiastical antiquities, which is however much inferior to that of Utrecht. Admission Mon. to Frid. (holidays excepted) 10-5 o'clock, 25 c.; catalogue 25 c.

In the middle of the town is the Groote Markt (Pl. B, c, 4), in which stand the Groote Kerk, the Stadhuis, the old Fleshers' Hall (Pl. 13), a quaint and interesting specimen of the Dutch style of the end of the 16th cent., and the old town-hall, now a barrack, dating from 1250.
The Groote Kerk (St. Bavo; Pl. 5; B, C, 4) is an imposing and lofty cruciform church, erected at the close of the 15th century, with a tower 255 ft. high, completed in 1516 (extensive view from the top; the sacristan demands 1 fl. for the ascent). A thorough restoration of the edifice has been in progress for several years.

Interior (sacristan’s house on the S. side of the choir). The vaulting rests on twenty-eight columns, on which decorative paintings of the end of the 16th cent. have lately been brought to light. The nave and choir were apparently meant to be covered by stone vaulting, but are provided merely with a wooden roof of cross-vaulting, dating from 1530. The roof above the intersection of the nave and transept is, however, of stone. The choir-stalls are fine, and also the brazen screen separating the choir from the nave, which is adorned with the arms of various donors and shows a curious mixture of the late-Gothic and Renaissance styles. By one of the pillars, to the right in the choir, is a monument to the memory of Conrad (d. 1508), the engineer who constructed the locks of Katwyk (p. 251), and his coadjutor Brumings (d. 1505). The small models of ships suspended from the adjoining arch commemorate the 15th Crusade, under Count William I. of Holland. They date from 1668, the originals having fallen into decay. By the choir is the tomb of Bilderdijk the poet (d. 1831). The pulpit in carved wood, with its handsome brass railings, belongs to the 17th century. A cannon-ball in the wall is a reminiscence of the Spanish siege. The pleasing group in marble below the organ, by Xavery, represents ecclesiastical poetry and music, expressing their gratitude to Haarlem for the erection of the organ.

The organ, constructed in 1735-36 by Christ. Muller, and thoroughly restored in 1868, was long considered the largest and most powerful in the world, and still ranks as one of the finest instruments in existence. It possesses 4 keyboards, 64 stops, and 5000 pipes, the largest of which is 15 inches in diameter and 32 ft. long. Public recitals take place on Tuesdays from 1 to 2 p.m. and on Thursdays from 2 to 3 p.m.; at other times the organist may be engaged to play for a fee of 10 fl., which admits one or more persons.

In the large market-place in front of the church rises a bronze Statue of Coster (Pl. 2; B, 4), the alleged inventor of printing, designed by Royer, and erected in 1856.

The controversy as to whether Coster or Gutenberg was the real inventor of printing may now be considered definitely settled in favour of the latter, as the very existence of Laurens Janszoon Coster (i. e. the “sacristan”) has been rendered problematical by recent investigations. Impressions from wooden tablets were known at the beginning of the 15th cent., and it is possible that Gutenberg may have seen such tablets in the Netherlands. The all-important idea of movable types is, however, indisputably his own.

Opposite the principal façade of the Groote Kerk rises the Town Hall (Pl. 11; B, 4), originally a palace of the counts of Holland, but remodelled in 1633. The Museum here is open daily 10-4, in winter 10-3 (adm. 25 c.; on Sun. 12-4, gratis; catalogue 30 c.). It contains a small but valuable picture-gallery, the only one where it is possible for the traveller to become thoroughly acquainted with the jovial Frans Hals, the greatest colourist of the Dutch painters next to Rembrandt. He is represented here by eight large pictures, painted at different stages of his career. The other pictures in the collection possess considerable interest as affording a complete historical survey of the painting of Corporation
and Regent pieces from 1583 down to the close of the following century.\(^4\)

On entering the building from the market-place we ascend the staircase on the left, and reach a vestibule, the beams of which date from the 13th cent.; on the walls are some portraits and coats-of-arms of Counts and Countesses of Holland, and also a modern picture of the Defence of Haarlem (p. 252). We cross this room obliquely and ring the bell of the museum.


Principal Room. The whole of the left wall is occupied by the Corporation and Regent Pieces of Frans Hals, arranged in chronological order. The first, No. 71, representing a Banquet of the officers of the ‘St. Jorisdoele’, or Arquebusiers of St. George, was painted in 1616, in his thirtieth year, and is distinguished by the depth and vigour of its colouring, in which it surpasses even his later works. No. 72, the same subject, with different portraits, and No. 73, the Banquet of the officers of the Arquebusiers of St. Andrew (‘Cloveniers Doele’), were painted in 1627. His best period was probably about 1630, when he painted his finest work, No. 74, representing an Assembly of the officers of the Arquebusiers of St. Andrew, with fourteen life-size figures, comprising the colonel Jan Claeszoon Los, three captains, three lieutenants, two ensigns, and five sergeants. Next in order of time are: 75, Officers and sergeants of the Arquebusiers of St. George, 1639; and 76, The governors of the Elizabeth Hospital, 1641, which savours strongly of Rembrandt’s style. Then, after a long interval, which the biography of the master has not explained, at the age of 80, he painted Nos. 77, 78, The governors and lady-managers of the hospital for old men and women, both in 1664. — Among the other paintings in this room are: *Jan de Bray*, 18. Lady-managers of the Lepers’ Hospital in 1667, 16. Christ blessing children; 158. *Soutman*, Corporation-piece of 1642; 60. *F. P. de Grebber*, Corporation-banquet of 1660; 20. *Jan de Bray*, King Seleucus sacrifices one of his eyes in order to ransom his son (1676); 159. *Soutman*, Corporation-piece of 1644; *175. Verspronck*, Lady-managers.

\(^4\) The recent bequest of *Mr. Fabricius van Leyenburg* (including two portraits by Frans Hals) will necessitate an addition to the building and will probably be the cause of extensive changes in the present arrangement of the pictures.

Room IV. To the right, 89. Martin van Heemskerck, St. Luke painting the Madonna; *15, *16. Jan de Bray, Governors (1663) and Lady-managers (1664) of the Orphanage; between these, 181. Vroom, Earl of Leicester landing at Flushing in 1586 (painted in 1623); 1. Pieter Arsten, Shadrach, Meshech, and Abednego in the fiery furnace (1575); 93. Heemskerck, Ecce Homo (1559); *164. Adr. van de Velde, Landscape; *6. G. Berckheyde, The town-hall of Haarlem (1671); 184. Vroom, View of Haarlem; 26. A. Brouwer, Smokers; 116. Pieter Lastman (teacher of Rembrandt), Nativity. 9. J. Berckheyde, Studio of Frans Hals: about twenty young painters are sitting round a table and drawing from nature, while Frans Hals stands near the door talking to Phil. Wouwerman, who has paid him a visit. *24. Pieter Brueghel the Younger, Flemish proverbs; 151. Saenredam, The Nieuwe Kerke at Haarlem. This room also contains a number of specimens of old printing, particularly the "Spiegel ouzer behoudenis", on which the supporters of Coster (p. 253) specially grounded their claims.

The attendant also shows a collection of Antiquitats relating to Haarlem, weapons, glasses, and instruments of torture. The beautiful *Goblet of St. Martin, executed in 1604 for the guild of brewers, who paid 360 fl. for it, deserves special attention. The cover was modelled by Hendrik de Keyser, and the medallions by Ernst Janszoon van Vianen from designs by Hendr. Goltzius.

The *Town Library* (entrance in the Prinsenhof, behind the town-hall; admission on Wed. & Sat., 2-4) contains a valuable collection of books and manuscripts relating to the history of the Netherlands.

Teyler's Museum (Pl. 12; C, 4), was founded in consequence of a bequest of Peter Teyler van der Hulst (d. 1778), a wealthy Haarlem merchant, who left half of his property to be devoted to the promotion of science, and the other half to the poor. The collections are open to visitors from Monday to Friday (festivals excepted) from 1 to 3, and the Library on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 1 to 4 o'clock (25 c.). The old building in the Damstraat has been lately enlarged by a handsome wing in the Renaissance style, erected on the side next the Spaarne from
the designs of Christian Ulrich of Vienna. The Museum includes a *Physical Cabinet* with collections of chemical, optical, hydraulic, and other instruments, and the most powerful electric batteries in Europe; a *Geological Cabinet*, with minerals and fossils (including a fossil plesiosaurus); a *Collection of Pictures*, consisting of upwards of 80 modern pictures (by Eeckhout, Schelfhout, Koekkoek, Schotel, Verveer, J. Koster, Ten Kate, Mesdag, Van Hove, Bosboom, etc.; catalogue), exhibited in a room lighted from the roof; a valuable *Collection of Drawings and Sketches* by old masters; and a considerable *Library*. On the upper floor is a large auditorium, in which scientific lectures are delivered. The foundation also provides for the publication of a scientific periodical ("Archives du Musée Teyler"), and a certain sum is annually set apart for the purchase of prizes to be competed for by scientific essayists.

The angle between the two wings of Teyler's Museum, is occupied by the old *Weigh House*, in the Dutch Renaissance style. — Opposite the Damstraat, on the right bank of the Spaarne, are the headquarters of the Dutch *Scientific Society*.

The tower of the *Nieuwe Kerk* (Pl. 6; A, 5) is surmounted by a very graceful broach-spire. The new *Roman Catholic Church* (Pl. 14; C, 5) is also distinguished by a handsome tower.

The *Park of Haarlem* (or *Hout*, i.e. wood), on the S. side of the town, is a beautiful and extensive plantation of fine old beeches, intersected by walks, culivated by tame deer, and surrounded with villas, cafés, and places of holiday resort. The *Flora Park* (Pl. A, 7) is one of the pleasant parts of it.

In this wood, about 1/2 M. from the *Houtpoort*, and 1 1/4 M. from the railway-station, is situated the *Pavilion* (Paviljoen Welgelegen; Pl. A, B, 7), a château erected by the wealthy banker Mr. Hope of Amsterdam in the Italian style and afterwards purchased by Louis Napoleon, King of Holland. It is now the property of government and contains several national collections, including a picture gallery, which is to be transferred to the Ryks Museum at Amsterdam in the summer of 1885 (see p. 271). This will occasion extensive re-arrangements in the other collections.

On the first floor is the *Industrial Museum* (*Museum van Kunstdyverheid*), founded by a society in 1877 (entrance by the first door to the left in the great avenue; admission daily, 10-4, 25 c.; catalogue 25 c.). The collection occupies eight rooms, and consists of models, copies, and drawings of the products of the chief industries of ancient and modern times. It is arranged in the following groups: Woven Fabrics, Wood-carvings, Works in metal, Ivory-carvings, Pottery, Architecture, Sculpture, Drawing and Designing, Costume. The section of engravings and wood-cuts contains 4000 specimens. — In connection with the museum is a school of design, which occupies the building next door to the Pavilion and is attended by 225 students.
On the ground-floor of the same building is the Colonial Museum, founded in 1871 (entered from the great avenue, second door to the left; open daily 1-4.30; adm. 25 c.; catalogue 25 c.), which contains a copious collection of the products of the Dutch colonies, chiefly those in the E. Indies. Director of both Museums, Mr. F. W. van Eeden.

The **Bleaching Grounds** of Haarlem were a source of great emolument to the inhabitants before the discovery of bleaching linen with chlorine, and derived their advantage from the peculiar properties of the water in the neighbourhood. The linen brought to them from different parts of the continent was afterwards exported as 'Dutch linen'.

Haarlem is famous for its **Horticulture**. The flower-beds of the numerous nursery-gardens display their gayest colours and diffuse their most delicious perfumes about the end of April and the beginning of May. Whole fields of hyacinths, tulips, crocuses, anemones, lilies, etc., grouped in every variety of colour, are seen on the S. and W. sides of the town. Many of the finest gardens in Europe are supplied with roots from Haarlem, and Holland claims the merit of having promoted horticulture to a greater extent than any other country in the world. One of the leading firms is that of E. H. Krelage & Son, who possess a beautiful winter-garden and hothouses to the S. of the town, Kleine Houtweg 17-27 (Pl. B, 6; visitors admitted on writing their names in the visitors' book; best hours 10-12, 2-4, and in summer 6-8 also; fee to the gardener who acts as a guide). In 1636 and 1637 the flower-trade in Holland assumed the form of a mania, and tulips became as important an object of speculation as railway-shares and the public funds at the present day. Capitalists, merchants, and even private individuals entirely ignorant of floriculture, traded extensively in bulbs, and frequently amassed considerable fortunes. The rarer bulbs often realised enormous prices. It is recorded, for example, that a 'Semper Augustus' was sold for 13,000 fl., an 'Admiral Liefkens' for 4500 fl., a 'Viceroy' for 4200 fl., etc. A single Dutch town is said to have gained upwards of 10 million fl. by the sale of tulip-roots in one year, and a speculator at Amsterdam realised 68,000 fl. in four months in the same manner. At length, however, a corresponding reaction set in. Government declared that the contracts made were illegal, and the mania speedily subsided. The prices fell so rapidly that many of the bolder speculators were totally ruined, and before long a root of the highly-prized 'Semper Augustus' might be purchased for 50 fl. — About a century later a similar phenomenon occurred in the trade in hyacinths, and an official list of 1731 mentions a 'Bleu Paste non plus ultra' as having been sold for 1600 florins. The library of Messrs. Krelage contains an interesting collection of works relating to the tulip-trade.

The most attractive place in the **Environs** of Haarlem (see Map, **Baedeker's Belgium and Holland**. 8th Edit., 17
p. 218), which are much admired by the Dutch, is the beautiful village of Bloemendaal, with its numerous country-residences and park-like grounds, situated 3 M. to the N. W. of Haarlem, at the back of the Dunes (cab 4-5 fl.; omnibuses run frequently in summer, starting from the Haarlem railway-station, 25 c.). One of the highest points of these sand-hills is the Brederode'sche Berg, or Blauwe Trappen, about 2 M. from Bloemendaal, and close to the lunatic asylum of Meerenberg and the picturesque red brick ruins of the château of Brederode, once the seat of the powerful counts of that name (p. 90). (Near the ruins is a good inn, called the Velserend.) The extensive view to the east embraces the admirably cultivated and partly wooded plains of N. Holland, Haarlem, the Haarlemmer and Wyker Meer, the Y, Amsterdam, the innumerable windmills of Zaandam, the undulating and sterile sand-hills, and the sea. The whole excursion from Haarlem via Bloemendaal to Brederode and back, including the ascent of the Brederode'sche Berg (1 M. from Velserend), may be accomplished by carriage in about 3 hrs. (one-horse cab 4 fl.). — A similar prospect, made famous by Ruysdael's landscapes, may be enjoyed from the Dunes near the village of Overveen (1 1/2 M. to the W. of Haarlem), on the road to Bloemendaal; railway see below.

About 4 1/2 M. to the N.W. of Haarlem lies the sea-bathing place of Zandvoort, which is connected with the main line of the state-railway by a branch passing Haarlem-Bollwerk and Overveen (see above; fares 60, 45, 30 c.). The line affords an interesting survey of the Dunes. — Carriage from Haarlem to Zandvoort 4-5 fl.

Zandvoort. — Hôtels. *HÔTEL KURZAAL, next the station, 'pens.' 7 fl.; HÔTEL DE L'OCEAN, both on the dunes, with free view of the sea. — Somewhat farther back, HÔTEL VICTORIA. — More to the S., near the village, HÔTEL KAUFMANN; GROOTE BADHUIS; HÔTEL BELVEDERE; VILLA MARIS (R. from 14 fl. per week, 'pens.' 3 1/2 fl.), and others, all commanding a view of the sea. In the village: HÔTEL DRIEUZEN. Numerous private lodgings.

Bathing Coach, 50 c., 12 tickets 5 fl., including bathing-dress.

Horses 1 fl. per hr. — Sailing-boat, 1 fl. per hr.

Zandvoort, 6 M. to the S.W. of Haarlem, a village on the extreme margin of the chain of sand-hills, has lately become a rival of Scheveningen as a sea-bathing place. The railway ends at the foot of the dunes. From the station a flight of steps ascends to a covered Gallery, containing shops, cafés, etc. Adjoining the Gallery is the HÔTEL Kurzaal, with a terrace and music pavilion on the side next the sea. The whole settlement is a creation of the last ten years and bears the name of Nieuw-Zandvoort, to distinguish it from the fishing-village of Zandvoort lying close behind the dunes, about 1/2 M. to the S., where the carriage-road from Haarlem terminates. From here a walk should be taken to the North Sea Canal (p. 280), about 6 miles off, returning by rail.
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Railway Stations. 1. Temporary Central Station, or Hulpstation (Pl. C, D, 2), for all trains, including those of the Rhenish Railway; 2. Rhenish Station (Pl. G, 4, 5), for Utrecht, Gouda, the Hague, Rotterdam, Arnhem, Germany, and Belgium. A central station is now being erected on the Y, on the N. side of the town (comp. p. 263, and Plan, D, 2). — Cab, per 1/2 hr. 70 c., 1 hr. 1 fl., each additional 1/4 hr. 25 c.; no extra charge for luggage; night charges, see p. 260.

Hotels. "Amstel Hotel" (Pl. a; F, 5), the property of a company, with railway booking-office, baths, telegraph, etc., near the Rhenish Station, with 200 rooms (those in the top story poorly fitted up); R. 1 1/2 fl. and upwards, B. 75, L. 25, A. 50 c., table d'hôte at 5.30, 2 1/2 fl. This hotel is somewhat distant from the centre of the town, but the numerous tramways, steamboats, and cabs reduce the inconvenience to a minimum. — "Brack's Doelen Hotel" (Pl. b; E, 4), "Rondeel" (Pl. c; E, 4), PAYS-BAS (Pl. d; E, 4), these three in the Doelenstraat, with similar charges, D. 2 1/2 fl., B. 80, L. 50 c.; "Bible Hotel" (Pl. e; D, 3), between the Damrak and Warmoesstraat, recently enlarged, with 120 rooms from 1 3/4 fl. upward (L. & A. included), B. 80 c., D. 2 1/2 fl., patronised by Americans. — "Hôtel du Passage", Prins Hendrik-Kade 21, adjoining the Passage (Pl. D, 2), R., B., & A. from 1 fl. 85 c., D. with 1 1/2 bottle of claret 2 1/2 fl.; "Hôtel Adriaan" (Pl. k; D, 4), Kalverstraat, with café; "Hôtel and CAFÉ NEUF", in the Kalverstraat, R. 1 1/2 fl., B. 70, L. 30 c.; "Hôtel Suisse", (Pl. g; D, 3), Kalverstraat 22, with large café-restaurant; "Mille Colonnes", with café, in the Rembrandtsplein (see below); "Krasnapolsky", Warmoesstraat (Pl. D, 3), with a large café-restaurant (see below); "Kleine Kroon" (Pl. i; D, 4), Kalverstraat, D. 2 fl.; "Stad Elberfeld" (Pl. p; E, 3), Achterburgwal, commercial. — De oude Graaf (Pl. 1; D, 3), D. 2 fl., "Poolsche Koffyhuis", and De Jonge Graaf, D. 1 1/2 fl., all three in the Kalverstraat, suitable for gentlemen travelling alone; "Hôtel Haas" (Pl. o; D, 3), Papenbrugsteeg, R. and B. 1 3/4 fl.; "Oldewelt" (Pl. q; D, 2), Nieuwendijk 100; "Hôtel & Café Central" (Pl. r; D, 2), in the Prins-Hendrik-Kade, by the harbour, R. 1 fl. 60 to 2 fl. 60 c.; "Hôtel Rembrandt" (Pl. E, 4), Rembrandtsplein; "Hôtel Wapen van Friesland", Warmoesstraat (Pl. D, 3); "Hôtel du Palais Royal", Paleisstraat, near the Dam, moderate, R. & B. 1 3/4, D. 1 1/2 fl. — "Hôtel Américain" (Pl. s; D, 5), a large, new establishment of the second class, in the Leidse Plein; "Hôtel Hollandais" (Pl. t; D, 5), also in the Leidse Plein; "Hôtel des Indes" (Pl. u; D, 6), Van Baerlestraat 73, at the corner of the Pieter Cornelis-Hoofdstraat, near the Vondelspark, suitable for a prolonged stay; these three somewhat out of the way, near the new Ryks-Museum (p. 271), but connected by tramway with the inner town.

Restaurants (often crowded about 5 p.m.). "Riche", Rokin 31, near the Dam, French cuisine, D. 3-5 fl.; "Krasnapolsky", Warmoesstraat, see below; "Pannopticum", Amstelstraat, opposite the Grand Théâtre (Pl. E, 4); De Karseboom, Kalverstraat; "Port van Cleve", near the post-office, opposite the Nieuwe Kerk; Café Neuhauser, Kalverstraat 2; Gehring, Warmoesstraat 153; "Münchener Kindl", Rokin 20 and Warmoesstraat 178; "Wiener Café", Rokin 22; Café Römer, Rokin 126; Bavaria, Kalverstraat 165, D. from 5 to 8, 1 1/2 fl.; "Röske", Damrak 60. Bavarian or Bohemian beer can be obtained at most of these restaurants. Restaurants at most of the hotels and cafés. — Oysters, fish, etc.: Van Laar, Kalverstraat 3, near the Dam, oysters 80 c. to 1 fl. 20 c. per dozen.

Cafés. "Krasnapolsky", Warmoesstraat (Pl. D, 3), one of the largest cafés in Europe, with a garden and numerous billiard tables; "Mille Colonnnes", in the Rembrandtsplein; "Poolsche, Suisse, Neuf, Nieuwe Amsterdam'sche", all in the Kalverstraat; "Continental", Sarphatistraat, next door to the Amstel Hotel (Pl. H, 5), with garden; "Paviljoen, Vondel", in the Vondelstraat, near the Vondelspark (p. 275). — Confectioner. Hartmann, Kalverstraat. — Liqueurs. Wynand-Fockink, a firm founded in 1679, the retail business carried on in curious old premises in the Pylsteeg (entrance by No. 19 Damstraat; Pl. D, 3); "Erven Lucas Bols", founded in 1675, Kalverstraat 32;
The town originated at the beginning of the 13th cent., when Gysbrecht II., lord of Amstel, built a castle here (1204) and constructed the dam which has given rise to its name. In 1275 Count Florens V. of Holland granted the town exemption from the imposts of Holland and Zeeland, and in 1311 it was finally united with Holland. In the 14th cent. the town began to assume greater importance, and was sought as an asylum by exiled merchants of Brabant. In 1421 one-third of the town was destroyed by a conflagration, but its prosperity soon returned, and at the beginning of the Spanish troubles Amsterdam had become a very important city. In 1490 the Emp. Maximilian I. gave the city the privilege of using the Imperial Crown as the crest in its armorial bearings. The real importance and prosperity of Amsterdam date from the close of the 16th cent., when the Spanish war had ruined Antwerp, and the horrors of the Inquisition had compelled numbers of enterprising merchants and skilful manufacturers to seek a new home in Holland. Between 1585 and 1595 the town was nearly doubled in extent, and was greatly favoured by Prince Maurice of Orange. The conclusion of peace shortly afterwards (1609) and the establishment of the E. India Company combined to raise Amsterdam within a very short period to the rank of the greatest mercantile city in Europe. External circumstances, such as the attempt of William II. of Orange to occupy the city with his troops (1650), and the danger threatened by the campaign of Louis XIV. (1672), did not seriously affect the prosperity of the inhabitants. After the dissolution of the Dutch Republic in 1806, Amsterdam became the residence of King Louis Napoleon (1808), and subsequently the third city in the Empire of France (1810-13). In 1885 the population was 366,800, or including the suburbs 400,000 (80,000 Roman Catholics, 30,000 German and 3500 Portuguese Jews).

The trade of Amsterdam revived rapidly after the restoration of the national independence, and is now very important, though the number of ships that enter and clear the harbour is still scarcely a third of that at Antwerp (in 1882, 1702 vessels of over 900,000 tons burden). As the chief mart for the colonial produce of the Dutch colonies (tobacco, Java coffee, sugar, rice, spices, etc.), Amsterdam is indeed one of the first commercial places in Europe. Its industries are also considerable, including refineries of sugar and camphor, tobacco and cobalt-blue manufactories, and diamond polishing mills (p. 277).

The older part of the city is in the form of a semicircle, the diameter being formed by the Y. Canals or 'Grachten' of various sizes intersect the city in every direction, and divide it into 90 islands, which are connected by means of nearly 300 bridges. The depth of water in the Grachten is about 3-3 1/2 ft., below which is a layer of mud of equal thickness. To prevent malarial exhalations the water is constantly renewed by an arm of the North Sea Canal,
while the mud is removed by dredgers. Some of the Grachten have recently been entirely filled up. The chief concentric canals within the city are the Prinsen, Keizers, and Heeren Gracht, flanked with avenues of elms, and presenting a pleasant and at places a handsome and picturesque appearance. The finest buildings, including many in the peculiar Dutch brick style of the 17th and 18th centuries, are on the Keizers and Heeren Gracht, each of which is 49 yds. in breadth. The other Grachten (70 in number) are connected with these, and are bordered with handsome rows of houses, constructed of red brick. The Singel-Gracht, 61/2 M. long, and bordered by handsome quays (Nassaukade, Stadhouderskade, and Mauritskade), separates the old town from the new quarters which have sprung up within the last 15 years. The extension is mainly on the S. side between the Amstel and the Vondelpark, and also on the E. and W. sides, where many new streets have been built.

The houses are all constructed on foundations of piles, a fact which gave rise to the jest of Erasmus of Rotterdam, that he knew a city whose inhabitants dwelt on the tops of trees like rooks. The upper stratum of the natural soil is loam and loose sand, upon which no permanent building can be erected unless a solid substructure be first formed by driving piles (14-20 ft. long) into the firmer sand beneath. The operations of the builder below the surface of the ground are frequently as costly as those above it. In the year 1822 the great corn-magazine, originally built for the E. India Company, literally sank into the mud, the piles having been inadequate to support the weight of the 3500 tons of grain which were stored in the building at the time. The city has also been frequently endangered by the ravages of wood-worms. The cost of the works connected with the bridges, canals, and dykes, is estimated at several thousand florins per day. The safety of the city depends on the security of these works, any defect in which would expose Amsterdam to the risk of being laid many feet under water.

The *Harbour of Amsterdam, formed by the Y, has been subjected since 1872 to a most thorough-going process of extension and improvement, undertaken, like the construction of the North Sea Canal (p. 280) to maintain the commercial importance of the city. The corporation, the railway companies, and private enterprize are vying with each other in the introduction of the newest improvements and devices of modern science, and no expense has been spared in endeavouring to make this one of the finest harbours in Europe. In the centre lies an artificial island, with the new Central Railway Station (Pl. D, 2), a large building designed by Cuypers. To the E. and W. of this are two other artificial islands, the Oostelyk Station Eiland and the Westelyk Station Eiland, on the latter of which stands the Hulp Station, or temporary station (p. 259). The De Ruyter-Kade, or quay running along
the N. side of these islands, is the starting-place for the steamers to England. The large American liners and East Indiamen (visitors admitted) are berthed in the Westelyk Dok (Pl. B, C, 1) and the Oostelyk Dok (Pl. E, 2), or lie at the Handelskade (Pl. F, G, 1), a long quay stretching towards the E. The Oostelyk Dok is adjoined by the Ryks-Marine-Dok and the Ryks-Werf (Pl. F, 2), or dock and wharf of the royal navy (entrance in the Groote Kattenburger Straat; adm., see p. 261). On the N. side of the Y are the floating docks of the Amsterdamse Droogdok Maatschappij, which have been named Koninginnendok (Pl. E, 1) in honour of Queen Emma (visitors admitted; steam ferry, see p. 260).

Along the S. side of the harbour runs the Prins Hendrik Kade (Pl. D, E, 2), or Prince Henry's Quay, originally called the Buiten-kant, skirting the N. side of the town and flanked with numerous quaint old houses and magazines. It formerly commanded a very picturesque view of the Y, which is, however, now somewhat marred by the new docks and islands. The central part of the Prins Hendrik-Kade, projecting in the form of a semicircle, used to be the starting-place of the ocean steamers. Hard by is the Schreyerstoren (Pl. 52; E, 2), built in 1482 and now containing the office of the harbour-master; it derives its name ('criers' tower') from the tears shed on the neighbouring wharf by persons parting from their relatives and friends. Opposite rises the telegraphic station in communication with the North Sea Canal at Ymuiden (p. 280), with an indicator of the direction of the wind, the height of the tide, etc. The Schreyerstoren is one of the busiest stations of the harbour-steamer traffic (p. 260).

Farther to the E. on the Prins Hendrik Kade (No. 131) is Admiral de Ruyter's House, with his portrait in relief on the gable. — A little farther back, on the Oude Schans, is the old Montalbaans Tower (Pl. 44; E, 3). — At the end of the quay is the Kweekschool voor de Zeewaart (Pl. 41; F, 2), or Seamen's Institution, in which boys are educated for the merchant-service (adm., see p. 261). The present building was erected in 1880, in the Dutch Renaissance style, by W. and J. L. Springer. — Beyond the Nieuwe Heerengracht is the Zeemanshuis (Pl. F, 2), or sailors' home, to which visitors are admitted daily, except Sun., from 10 to 1. Opposite is the Royal Dockyard (see above) and behind it is the Entrepôt (p. 276).

From the Schreyerstoren the Geldersche Kade leads S. to the Nieuwe Markt (Pl. E, 3), with the Fish Market (Pl. 58), which presents a lively scene during the morning hours. Adjacent is the St. Anthonieswaag (Pl. 53), or old weigh house, long used by different guilds and now occupied by the Municipal Fire Brigade.

A little to the W. of this point is the Oude Kerk (Pl. D, 3), a Gothic edifice, erected about the year 1300, and measuring 98 yds. in length by 71 in breath. (Custodian on the E. side, No. 76, 25 c.)
The interior is supported by 42 slender round pillars, and covered with wooden barrel-vaulting. The stained glass in the windows of the lofty nave, dating from 1555, represents scenes from the history of the Virgin (Death, Adoration of the Magi, Visitation, and Annunciation), by Dijman. To the right by the entrance is a window containing the armorial bearings of all the burgomasters of the city from 1578 to 1767; in the second window the recognition of the Netherlands by Philip IV. (p. xxxii). The monument of Admiral Van Heemskerck bears an old Dutch inscription, alluding to his having twice endeavoured to discover a more direct route to the E. Indies by the Arctic Sea. He fell in 1607 at the victorious Battle of Gibraltar. The church also contains monuments of Admirals Van der Hulst (d. 1668), Sweerts (d. 1673), Van der Zaan (d. 1669), and Jansz (d. 1633), of Marshal Wirtz (d. 1676), and of the poetess Lucretia Wilhelmina van Winter (d. 1705).

From the Oude Kerk we proceed through the Warmoesstraat, or across the filled-in portion of the Damrak Canal (Gedempt Damrak; Pl. D, 3), to the Dam (Pl. D, 3), a large square, forming the focus of the business life of the city. It owes its name to its position on the W. side of the old embankment from which Amsterdam derived its early importance. The Dam is surrounded by the Exchange, the Royal Palace, the Nieuwe Kerk, and several private houses, and it is the centre from which the principal streets diverge. It is also the central point of the tramway-system (p. 260), and adjacent, in the Rokin, is a landing stage of the small harbour-steamers (p. 260).

On the N.E. side of the Dam rises the Exchange (Koopmans Beurs, Pl. D, 3), a handsome structure with an Ionic colonnade, resting on a foundation of 3469 piles, completed in 1845. The hall in the interior is covered with glass. During business-hours (admission, see p. 261) most of the principal merchants and brokers, as well as a number of sea-faring men, will be seen assembled here, transacting their business in eager, but subdued murmurs. During one week in August and September the Exchange is converted into a playground for boys, whose delight on these occasions is unbounded. The tradition is, that boys playing here were once instrumental in discovering a conspiracy of the Spaniards against the city of Amsterdam in 1622, and that this privilege was accorded to the children of the citizens in commemoration of the incident. — A new Exchange is to be erected on the Gedempt Damrak (see above).

At the N.W. angle of the Dam stands the Nieuwe Kerk (Pl. D, 3), a late-Gothic cruciform structure, erected in 1408-70, and restored after fires and outrages in 1578 and 1645. It is one of the finest churches in Holland. The W. tower, which had hitherto been uncompleted beyond the lower story, was raised to the height of the nave in 1847.

The interior (sacristan at the S. E. corner of the Dam, No. 6; 25 c.) is covered with a vaulted wooden ceiling, and contains remnants of some fine old stained glass, representing the raising of the siege of Leyden (p. 246). The pulpit, by Vanckenbrack, executed in 1649, is beautifully carved. The nave is separated from the choir by a brazen screen, 13 ft. in height. The place of the high-altar is occupied by the monument of
the celebrated Admiral de Ruyter, who died in 1676 of wounds received at the victorious Battle of Syracuse. On a pillar in the choir is the bust of Admiral Wouter Beninck, who fell in the naval battle near the Doggerbank in 1781. Another monument is to the memory of Admiral Johann von Galen, who died in 1653 at Leghorn, of wounds received in the naval battle near that town. The monument of Admiral Van Kinsbergen, to the left of the entrance to the church, by E. J. Gabriel, was erected in 1819. Opposite to it is the monument of the gallant Van Speyk (p. 157), who in 1631 ‘maintained the honour of his country’s flag at the cost of his life’. A pillar in the S. aisle, adjoining the screen, bears an inscription to the memory of Joost van den Vondel (d. 1679; p. 275), the Dutch dramatist.

To the S. of the Nieuwe Kerk is the Royal Palace (Het Paleis), begun by Jac. van Kampen in 1648 as a town-hall, during Burgomaster Tulp’s mayoralty, and substantially finished in 1655 at a cost of eight million florins. It rests on a foundation of 13,659 piles; length 88 yds., width 69 yds., height of tower (containing chimes) 187 ft. It was presented by the city to King Louis Napoleon as a residence in 1808. The massive and sober building was admirably adapted for a town-hall, but standing in the open marketplace and having no principal entrance, it is unsuitable for a palace. The gables are embellished with well-executed reliefs by Artus Quellin the Elder, celebrating allegorically the glories of the great commercial city and ‘queen of the seas’. The whole arrangement and fitting up of the interior also carry us back to the days when the representatives of a wealthy and powerful municipality congregated here. All the apartments are richly adorned with sculptures in white marble by Artus Quellin and his assistants, which produce a very imposing general effect, while the details exhibit great vigour of execution and duly-restrained picturesqueness of treatment.

The Entrance (adm., see p. 261) is at the back of the building in the Voorburgwal. We ascend the staircase to the first floor and enter the North Gallery, the walls of which are lined with white marble. The gallery is now divided into three rooms, the first of which contains figures of Jupiter and Apollo, by Artus Quellin. In the second room, above the doors leading to what were originally the secretary’s office and the room for marriages, are reliefs emblematical of Discretion and Fidelity. The third room is adorned with statues of Saturn and Cybele, by A. Quellin, and contains a handsome malachite vase, presented by the Emperor of Russia.

A narrow passage now leads to the Royal Apartments, which are sumptuously fitted up with heavy silk hangings and furniture in the style of the First Empire. The King’s Bed Room has a richly painted ceiling by Cornelis Holsboom and a handsome chimney-piece, above which is a large picture by N. de Helt-Slocade, representing Joseph and his brethren. — The Audience Chamber, originally the burgomaster’s room, contains several paintings: Self-sacrifice of Van Speyk (p. 157), by Wappers and Eechhout; Marcus Curius Dentatus as a husbandman, one of the largest pictures by Gov. Flinck; Fabricius in the camp of Pyrrhus, by Ferd. Bol. The ceiling is also by C. Holsboom. — The Aides-de-Camps’ Waiting Room contains a ceiling-painting by J. G. Bronckhorst and an elaborately executed chimney-piece. The painting above the latter, by Jan Livens, represents the Consul Suessa ordering his father to dismount to do him reverence. — The old court-room, called the Visserzaal, which we inspect from a gallery with a ceiling by Bronckhorst, is adorned with a fine frieze supported by Caryatides, emblematical of Disgrace and Punishment. The reliefs of the frieze represent Wisdom (the Judgment of So-
lomon), Justice (Brutus ordering his son to execution), and Mercy (Seleuc-
cus suffering one of his eyes to be put out for his son). The walls are
covered with white marble.

The Yellow Tea Room, with a roof painted by N. de Hell-Stocade
(1655) and an elaborate chimney-piece, contains a Florentine mosaic cab-
inet and a rich service of Sévres. — The Small Dining Room contains
Bronchorst's masterpiece, Jethro counselling Moses to appoint judges from
among the people to share his labours (Exodus xviii). Opposite is Solo-
mon's Prayer, by Gov. Flinck. On the side wall, between the huge chimney-
pieces, is a picture by Jac. de Witt, Moses choosing the 70 elders. The
clever deceptive paintings (imitations of sculptures) above the doors are
by the same master.

The Large Dining Room, formerly called the South Gallery, is also
richly adorned with white marble. The four marble statues, Mercury
and Diana, Mars and Venus, correspond to those in the North Gallery,
and like them are by Art. Quellin, who received 900 florins for each.
Above the doors which formerly led to the chambers for cases of bank-
ruptcy and marine-insurance are two fine reliefs, one representing the
Fall of Icarus, with an ornamental moulding of rats and mice gnawing
empty boxes and papers, and the other Arion on the Dolphin.

The Queen's Room contains an excellent painting by Jan Livens,
representing Prudence, Justice and Peace. — In the Throne Room the
chief decorations are the handsome chimney-piece and a painting by
Ferd. Bot of Moses on Mount Sinai, both of which, however, are unfor-
tunately concealed by the canopy over the throne.

The magnificent Reception Room is one of the largest halls in Eu-
rope, with a roof unsupported by columns, being 100 ft. in height, 39 yds.
long, and 19 yds. broad. The walls here also are entirely lined with
white Italian marble. In the centre of the marble floor is a representa-
tion of the firmament, inlaid in copper, which, however, is covered by
a thick carpet manufactured in Deventer (p. 310) and is not shown to the
public. Above the entrance to the throne-room is a representation of
Justice, with Ignorance and Quarrelsomeness at her feet; to the left is
Punishment, to the right a Skeleton (now concealed), and above, Atlas
with the globe. On the E. side of the hall, at the top of the chief stair-
case, is an allegorical figure of the town of Amsterdam, surrounded by
Strength, Wisdom, and Plenty. The four arches in the corners were
formerly connected with the old North and South Galleries, by means
of short marble arcades, of which, however, three are now closed. On
the walls of this and the throne-room are flags and trophies taken from
the Spaniards and Indians; and the flag used by General Chassé at the
siege of Antwerp is also preserved here.

The Tower of the palace, the summit of which is crowned with
a gilded ship, commands an extensive View of the city and its
environ, including Haarlem, Utrecht, Alkmaar, and the Zuiderzee.

In front of the Palace is a lofty Monument, erected in 1856 to
commemorate the fidelity of the Dutch during the Belgian Revolu-
tion in 1830-31, and known as Het Metalen Kruis, after the war-
medals struck at the time. The sandstone statue of Concordia, on
a hexagonal base with a lofty square pedestal, is by L. Royer.

At the corner of the Dam and the Kalverstraat is situated the
building of the Zeemanshoop ('seaman's hope', Pl. 59; D, 3), a
society consisting of upwards of 600 members, many of whom belong
to the best families of Amsterdam. Those who are captains recog-
nise each other's vessels at sea by the flag of the society. As
every member's flag bears his number on the lists of the society,
the name and destination of the vessel, although beyond hailing dis-
tance, are easily ascertained, and a report of the meeting is then sent home. A fund for the widows and orphans of seamen is also connected with the society. Visitors may obtain access to the building by applying to the custodian in the forenoon (fee 50 c.).

The Kalverstraat (Pl. D, 3, 4), which leads southwards from the Dam, is one of the chief thoroughfares of the city, and contains numerous fine shops, restaurants, and cafés. After 9 p.m. it becomes the scene of a kind of Corso or promenade, from which, however, carriages are excluded. — The Reguliers-Brée-Straat, a continuation of the Kalverstraat, leads to the Rembrandtsplein (see below).

Since the conversion of the original town-house into the palace, the old Court of Admiralty, in the Oudezyds-Vorburgwal, has served as a Stadhuis (Pl. D, 3). This formerly contained about 200 paintings, including several excellent corporation-pieces by Fr. Hals, F. Bol, Van der Helst, and Gov. Flinck, Views of Amsterdam by Lingelbach, P. Sacredam, and others; and various other works of art and antiquities. Most of these, however, are now in the new Ryks Museum (p. 271).

The municipal University, or Athenaeum Illustre (Pl. 57; E, 4), possesses a well-appointed school of natural science, including chemical and physiological laboratories. There are about 50 professors and 600 students. The Botanic Garden (p. 276) belongs to this institution.

The University Library, in an adjacent building which was restored in 1881, contains about 100,000 printed volumes, including the Rosenthal Collection of 8000 books on Indian literature. It also possesses numerous valuable MSS. (Caesar's Bellum Gallicum of the 10th cent.; Syriac New Testament; a Sachsenspiegel of the 14th cent.; letters of Dutch scholars). The library is open daily, 10-3.

The Arti et Amicitiae society of painters in the Rokin (Pl. D, 4) possesses a Historical Gallery of 200 pictures and scenes from the history of the Netherlands, comprising many works of great merit. Other exhibitions of art also take place here, sometimes affording an admirable opportunity of inspecting valuable old paintings and other works of art lent by private individuals. Admission 25-50 c. — In the vicinity is the Lees-Museum (Reading Room, Pl. 42), with newspapers. Introduction by a member necessary.

In the Rembrandtsplein (Pl. E, 4) rises the Statue of Rembrandt, in bronze, designed by Royer, and erected in 1852. Rembrandt's house, see p. 277. — From the Rembrandtsplein the Binnen-Amstel leads N.E. to the Botanic and Zoological Gardens (see p. 276). To the W. is the Reguliers-Brée-Straat (see above).

The Rembrandtsplein is adjoined on the S. by the Thorbeckeplein, which is embellished with a statue, by Leenhoff, of Joh. Rud. Thorbecke (d. 1872; Pl. E, 4), long the leader of the liberal party in Holland, and three times in office as a minister.

In the neighbourhood is the House of Herr J. P. Six, Heerengracht 511, N. side, near the corner of the Vyzelstraat, containing
a celebrated *Gallery of Paintings, most of which passed directly from the easel into the possession of the Six family. Part of the collection formerly in this gallery came by inheritance into the hands of the Van Loon family and was sold at Paris in 1877 for the sum of 1,500,000 florins. The founder of the whole collection was Jan Six (1618–1702; Burgomaster of Amsterdam from 1691 till his death), long the friend and patron of Rembrandt, Jan Lievens, and Gov. Flinck. Amateurs are kindly admitted to the Six collection on sending in their cards. Visitors give a small fee or a contribution for a charitable purpose (see p. xxvi).

The names of a few of the more important works are given here. **ANTE-ROOM:** P. Potter, Equestrian portrait (1653); Aart van der Neer, Moonlight scene. — **DINING ROOM:** Terburg, Girl writing; L. Bakhuizen, Two sea-pieces; Nic. Elias, Portrait of Professor Nic. Tulp (p. 233); Gov. Flinck, Isaac blessing Jacob; Two "Miniatures of 1665, perhaps by Rembrandt (?), representing Six, and his wife Margaretha Tulp (aged 21), daughter of the professor, in the year of their marriage.

**PRINCIPAL ROOM.** To the right: "Rembrandt, Portrait of Burgomaster Six, the head completed, the rest broadly sketched in a masterly manner (1656); opposite, "Rembrandt. Anna Six, mother of the burgomaster, at the age of 57 (1641). — Adjoining the first picture: Jan Steen, Girl eating oysters; A. van de Velde, View of Scheveningen; Berck-Heide, The Heerengracht in the middle of the 17th century; Troost, Two conversation-pieces; Terburg, Concert; Potter, Cattle, with a milk-girl washing a pail in the foreground (1647); G. Dou, Girl at a window with a basket of fruit (1657); Frans Hals, Portrait of a man; Nic. Maes, A child of the Six family; "Rembrandt, The physician Ephaim Bonus, a Portuguese Jew, painted in 1647 (8 in. in height); Wouwerman and Ruysdael, The ford; Wouwerman, Market.

**UPPER FLOOR** (small room lighted from the roof). To the right of the door: P. de Hooch, Interior; Wouwerman, Stable, Weenix, Moor offering a lady a parrot (Othello?); N. Maes, The listener; G. Dou, Dentist; "Cuyp, Dutch fleet; above, Miereveld, Three portraits: Both, Fisherman. — On the back-wall: Ruysdael, Winter-landscape; "A. Cuyp, Moonlight on the sea; A. van de Velde, Brown cow; "Metsu, Woman selling herrings; Berchem, Forest-scene; Adr. van Ostade, Fisherman and fisherwoman (1672); "Hobbema, Forest-scene; A. de Lorme, Groote Kerk at Rotterdam; A. van Ostade, Interior of a peasant's house; A. van de Velde, Cow drinking. — Third wall: Ruysdael, Chapel in the forest; "Jan van der Meer van Delft, Street in Delft, Peasant woman with a milk-pail; Hondscroeter, Dead turkey, Swan and hare; S. Koninck, Scholar working by candle-light; Eerdingen, Winter-scene; Ruysdael, Brook; "Jan Steen, Wedding-feast (1653); G. van den Eckehout, The woman taken in adultery; F. Hals (9), Man playing the guitar; Ochterveldt, Oyster-party.

The *Fodor Museum* (Pl. E, 5), Keizersgracht 609, was founded by a wealthy merchant of that name (d. 1860). It consists of a valuable collection of paintings by ancient and modern masters, preserved in a building erected and maintained with funds left by the donor for the purpose. For the study of the French masters of the 19th century, this gallery is second to none save the Hertford Collection in London. Meissonier, Decamps, Ary Scheffer, and others are here represented by admirable works, while the gallery also contains numerous fine conversation-pieces of the modern Belgian and Dutch schools (admission, see p. 261; catalogue 25 c.; the pictures bear the names of the artists).


Room III. To the right, Karssen, View of a town; Kobell, Landscape. This room also contains drawings.

Room IV. contains drawings (549. Head of a lady by Watteau) and water-colour copies of celebrated pictures of the Old Dutch School. The drawings by earlier masters (Dou, A. van Ostade, A. van de Velde, Van Dyck, etc.), the remainder of the modern works, and the 'Atlas van Amsterdam', bequeathed to the city by M. Splitgerber in 1879, are shown on Thur. and Sat. on application to the 'Museum Bewaarder' (fee 1 fl., devoted to charity).

The Felix Meritis (Pl. C, 4), the property of a scientific society of that name, which has existed since 1777 (Keizersgracht 324, near the Beerenstraat), contains a few pictures (including a large and fine work by N. Maes, Old woman saying grace), casts, physical and mathematical instruments, a library, a reading-room, an observatory, and a handsome concert-room. Fee 25-50 c.
On the S. side of Amsterdam, as has already been remarked at p. 263, there has arisen an entirely new quarter, with numerous handsome buildings. Among these is the Paleis voor Volksvlijt (Pl. F, 5) in the Frederiksplein, a glass and iron structure by Cornelis Outshoorn, erected as a hall for exhibitions, concerts and theatrical performances (see p. 260). The elliptical dome, 190 ft. in height, is surmounted by a statue of Victory, 23 ft. high, by the Belgian sculptor Jaquet. The large hall can contain 12,000 visitors. — The Hooge Sluis (Pl. F, 5), commanding pretty views on both sides, leads hence to the Rhenish Station (p. 259).

Beyond the Singel-Gracht, which until about 20 years ago, under the name of Buiten-Singel, formed the outer limit of the city, rises the large and handsome new building in which the public art-treasures of Amsterdam have at last found a suitable resting-place.

*Ryks Museum.*

The imposing building (Pl. D, E, 6), covering nearly 3 acres of ground, was erected in 1877-85 from the plans of P. J. H. Cuypers and is in the so-called Early Dutch Renaissance style, retaining numerous Gothic and Romanesque features. The principal façade is turned towards the Stadhouderskade. The sculptures with which it is adorned are by Frans Termeylen of Louvain and Bart van Hove of Amsterdam. The exterior is also ornamented with mosaic decorations in painted and glazed tiles, designed by Prof. Sturm and representing the principal figures and events in the history of Netherlandish art. The museum is surrounded with pleasure grounds and enclosed by a tasteful wrought-iron railing.

The central gable of the Principal Façade is surmounted by a statue of Victory. The alto-relief above the archway, 23 ft. in length, contains an allegorical figure of the Netherlands, surrounded by Wisdom, Justice, Beauty, and Truth, and receiving the homage of the Dutch artists. To the right of the central group are the architects Eginhard (p. 302), Jan ten Doccum (p. 295), and Keldermans (p. 122) and to the left, the sculptor Klaas Sluter and the early painters Dirk Bouts and Lucas van Leyden; to the extreme right are Rembrandt and his contemporaries, to the extreme left the more modern masters. The reliefs at the sides are allegorical representations of the arts of Painting and Drawing (to the right), and Architecture and Sculpture (to the left). The two niches between these reliefs are occupied by allegorical statues of Art and History. The reliefs above the windows refer to the founding of the new Museum. Above, on the pediment, are allegorical statues representing Inspiration and Industry. Below, at the entrances to the right and left of the archway, are statues representing Architecture and Sculpture, Painting and Engraving.

The figures in coloured tiles symbolize the Dutch towns and provinces, with Amsterdam, the Hague, Haarlem, Leyden, Delft, Dordrecht, and Rotterdam in the centre, as the most celebrated nurseries of art.

Passing through the vaulted and colonnaded passage, we reach the South Façade of the Museum, which is elaborately ornamented with encaustic painting. Above the archway is a representation of Rembrandt, surrounded by his pupils, painting the 'Staalmeesters' (p. 274); to the right, Bishop David de Bourgogne visited at Utrecht by the brothers Van Eyck; to the
left, the Reception of Albrecht Dürer at S’Hertogenbosch. The central
gable contains figures of the most illustrious patrons of Dutch art from Char-
lemagne (p. 302) to King William I. — On the wings are represented the
Founding of the Palace at the Hague by the German king, Count William
of Holland; the Founding of the Guild of St. Luke at Amsterdam; the
Founding of the Carpet Manufactory at Middelburg; the Presentation of
the church windows at Gouda by the Dutch towns; Amalia von Solms
preparing for the decoration of the Huis ten Bosch at the Hague; and
the Founding of the first public museum by the Batavian Republic.

The Eastern Façade is divided into four fields, containing represent-
ations of the Building of the Church of St. Servatius at Maastricht; the
Founding of the Valkhof at Nymegen by Charlemagne; the Founding
of Utrecht Cathedral; and the Building of the Church of St. John at S’Her-
togenbosch.

On the Western Façade, likewise in four fields, is depicted a pro-
cession of persons celebrated in the history of Dutch art.

The intended arrangement of the interior of the Museum, which
is still uncompleted, will be easily understood from the accompany-
ing plans of the ground-floor and first floor. At present (June,
1885) only the following short sketch of the general arrangement
and contents of the Museum can be given. The collections include
not only the paintings, drawings, and engravings formerly in the
royal museum at the Trippenhuis, and in the Museum van der Hoop,
but also various pictures and other works of art collected from the
Stadhuis, the Huissittenhuis, and elsewhere, and the Art-Industrial
Collections of the old Dutch Museum at the Hague and of the Anti-
quarian Society at Amsterdam. The general director of the new
Museum is Mr. Fr. D. O. Obreen, whose dwelling and office are in
the house standing at the back of the museum, and built in the
same style.

Ground Floor. The East Entrance, to the left of the
archway, opens on a hall, adorned with figures of Batavia, a Frisian
of the Roman period, and a Dutchman of the time of the War
of Independence against the Spaniards. The door to the left leads to
the Dutch Museum (Director, Mr. D. O. van der Kellen), which pre-
sents an interesting survey of industrial art in the Netherlands
from the time of Charlemagne to the beginning of the present
century. We first traverse several rooms fitted up as Dutch Domestic
Interiors of the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries, beyond which are two
others fitted up as reproductions of mediæval council-chambers,
in the Town Halls of Zwolle and Sluis. The glass-cases contain
small objects of the same period. — The Ecclesiastical Section,
which we next reach, is arranged in such a way as to present a
consecutive survey of church architecture in the Netherlands from
the time of Charlemagne, through the Romanesque and early and
late Gothic epochs, down to the Renaissance. The final portion is
a reproduction of the Chapel of Aduard. The rooms composing this
section are to contain a collection of ecclesiastical antiquities.

The large East Court, surrounded by the rooms we have just
visited, and covered with a glass roof, contains the larger objects
of the Military, Naval, and Colonial Collection.— A few steps lead
GROUND PLAN OF THE RIJKS MUSEUM AT AMSTERDAM

East
Ecclesiastical Section
Naval, Military, Colonial Collection
East Court

Carriage Way

West
Modern Art
Artistic Industries
Plaster Casts
West Court

Cabinet of Engravings
Library

Ground Floor

Miscellaneous Collections

Main Entrance

Domestic Objects of the 16th-Centuries
Hotel de Ville of Zeele

West

Ecclesiastical Section

Ground Floor
from this court to the entrance hall, whence we may ascend to the picture gallery (see below).

The West Entrance also leads into a vestibule, which is adorned with three statues, representing Peace, Wealth, and Industrial Art. To the right is a door leading to a large hall intended for Exhibitions of Modern Art and Art Industry.

Adjacent is the valuable Collection of Engravings (Director, Mr. Phil. van der Kellen), in which nearly all of Rembrandt's etchings are preserved, many of them in several impressions and at different stages of execution. It occupies three rooms, the first and smallest containing the portraits, and the second the rest of the collection, while the third room is reserved for purposes of study.

The Library occupies a projecting wing and extends through all three stories, the communication being maintained by an elegant iron staircase. Like the other rooms, the library is elaborately ornamented with paintings and mottoes.

Passing through a long room destined for exhibitions of various kinds, we next reach a square hall containing the Amsterdam Antiquities of the Antiquarian Society (Koninkl. Oudheidkundig Genootschap), including finely carved furniture, swords and other weapons of state, and domestic articles.

The West Court contains the nucleus of a Collection of Plaster Casts of Dutch works of art, including the door of the church of St. Servatius at Maastricht, the choir-screen of Enkhuizen, the tomb of Engelbert of Nassau, and the gable of the town-hall at the Hague. Here also is preserved the carved and painted organ from the Lutheran Church at Amsterdam (17th cent.). — Access may be obtained from this court to the cellars, which are built in the style of church crypts.

The staircases in the E. and W. vestibules lead to the First Floor, the one being intended for ascending and the other for descending. Almost the whole of the first floor is occupied by the extensive **Gallery of Paintings, which has been formed by the union of the collections hitherto in the Tripenhuis, the Museum van de Hoop, the Stadhuis, the Huissittenhuis, and the Pavilion at Haarlem. The director of the gallery is Mr. Fr. D. O. Obreen. Abridged catalogue with 50 illustrations, published in 1885, 1 ft.; the old catalogues of the separate collections are also still serviceable.

The Vestibule, 130 ft. long, which we enter first, is adorned with fine stained-glass windows, executed by W. J. Dixon of London. The three middle windows refer to the chief periods of Painting, Architecture, and Sculpture, and the two side windows to the other Arts and to Science, while the twelve upper panes represent the various professions and trades. The walls, which are at present hung with tapestry, are intended to be ultimately adorned with historical paintings. — The brilliant painted decoration
of the vestibule is repeated in the apartments destined for the pictures, a bold experiment, the effect of which has still to be seen.

The regular circuit prescribed to visitors begins with the Hall of Honour, which occupies the entire central portion of the building, and is divided into eight cabinets by short partitions on both sides. These are to be devoted to the exhibition of a selection of corporation-pictures of the first rank, so that this branch of Dutch art will here be illustrated in a manner elsewhere unapproached. Among these will be Barth. van der Helst's celebrated Banquet of the Arquebusiers (1648); a corporation-piece by Frans Hals (1637); several corporation-pieces by Govert Flinck (1642-1648) from the Trippenhuis and the Stadhuis; and corporation-paintings by Ferd. Bol from the Lepers' Hospital and the Huissittenhuis. — The door at the other end of the Hall of Honour leads into the —

Rembrandt Room, the cupola of which is supported by figures standing on huge marble columns and representing the four periods of the day. Opposite the entrance is the so-called 'Night Watch', Rembrandt's largest and most celebrated work, painted in 1642. It is a corporation-picture like those mentioned above and represents Captain Frans Banning Cock's company of Arquebusiers emerging from their guild-house on the Singel, where the picture was preserved till the beginning of the 18th century. — This room also contains Rembrandt's celebrated corporation-painting of the Directors of the Guild of Clothmakers ('de Staalmesters', literally 'stamp-masters'), painted in 1661; and the study of a head and a portrait of a woman by the same master. — The frieze represents scenes from Rembrandt's life.

To the left of the Rembrandt Room is the Carlovingian Room, with a handsome domed roof, passing through which we enter an oblong room, destined for the works of Flemish, German, French, Italian, and Spanish Masters, among which, however, there are none of special merit. The next two rooms are devoted to Dutch Paintings of the 14th and 15th Centuries, and Dutch Paintings of the 16th Century. — The following room contains the collection bequeathed by L. Dupper of Dordrecht (d. 1870), in which Jan Steen, Ger. Dou, Adr. van Ostade, Jac. Jordens, and other eminent masters are represented. — Next to it is the room containing the bequest of Baron J. S. H. Van de Poll (d. 1880), including excellent examples of N. de Keyser, Rembrandt (portrait of a woman), Jan Steen, and P. Potter.

We now cross a corridor and enter a large room divided into three sections. Most of the pictures here belong to the bequests of M.M. Bicker, de Witte, Van Citters, Van Swinderen, and Liotard, including several interesting costume pieces. In the central section hang the corporation-pieces (anatomical demonstrations) formerly belonging to the Guild of Surgeons; the series, which also included Rembrandt's celebrated School of Anatomy (see p. 232),
begins with the year 1603. The third section contains portraits of princes.

In the five Cabinets parallel with this room are the exquisite little cabinet-pieces of Dou, Mieris the Elder, Jan Steen, Ter Borch, Metsu, and other genre-painters, formerly in the Trippenhuis.

We now pass across the large vestibule to the W. side of the building, and reach five other Cabinets, containing similar works.

The long room running parallel with the cabinets is devoted to the older works of the Museum van der Hoop, a valuable collection left by a banker of that name in 1854. Among these are the 'Jewish Bride' of Rembrandt (1662), and admirable examples of Jan Steen, Dou, Jac. van Ruisdael, Hobbema, P. de Hooch, Frans Hals, Rubens, Van Dyck, and the younger Teniers.

Beyond the adjoining corridor is the room containing the Modern Pictures of the Museum van der Hoop, following which are two rooms occupied by the Society for the Encouragement of Modern Art.

The last two rooms of the picture-gallery are to contain the collection of 200 works by modern masters of the Netherlands hitherto exhibited in the Paviljoen at Haarlem (p. 256).—The circuit of the building ends with a room containing the smaller antiquities of the Oudheidkundig Genootschap (p. 273), beyond which we regain the Rembrandt Room and the Gallery of Honour.

The room in the N.E. angle of the first floor is occupied by the Normal School of Drawing, under the direction of Mr. W. B. G. Molkenboer, while the corresponding room in the N.W. angle, and also some rooms on the second floor, are assigned to the Art-Industrial School (director, Mr. J. R. de Kruyff).

Near the Ryks Museum lies the pleasant *Vondelspark (Pl. C, 6), which was laid out about 15 years ago and covers an area of 75 acres. On the E. the park is bounded by the Vossiusstraat, containing the new building of the Blind Asylum (p. 277). In the middle of the extensive grounds rises a statue, erected in 1867, of Joost van den Vondel, the most distinguished of Dutch poets (d. 1679). He was born at Cologne in 1587, and afterwards went to Holland with his parents, who were Mennonites. His principal works are tragedies with choruses, one of which, Gysbrecht van Amstel, founded on the tradition of the destruction of the city of Amsterdam in 1296, is still occasionally performed. Near the monument are a Panorama of Constantinople and the Bosphorus (by Jules Garnier; adm. 1 fl.) and the Paviljoen Café (p. 259). Further on is the Melkhuis, a small farm where fresh milk is sold. At the farther end of the park is the Broeker Huis, containing a collection of Dutch curiosities, chiefly from Broek, a village 6 M. to the N. of Amsterdam, formerly famous for its characteristic N. Holland peculiarities. We may now return by tramway through the Leidsche Plein to the Dam.
The Eastern Quarters of the city have been built within the last twenty years, on a site that was once covered with pleasure-grounds and country-houses, and known as the 'Plantage'. In the Park (Pl. F, 3) here, which belongs to a private society, and is a remnant of the former pleasure-grounds, stands the theatre called the Park-Schouwburg (p. 260). — The iron gate opposite the S. side of the Park forms the entrance to the Botanic Garden (Pl. F, 3; admission, see p. 261), commonly known as the 'Hortus', and interesting on account of its numerous species of palms and its Victoria Regia house, which attracts numerous visitors on summer-evenings, when that plant is in flower.

The *Zoological Garden (Pl. G, 3; admission, see p. 261), popularly called the 'Artis' (being the property of the society 'Natura Artis Magistra'), near the Botanic Garden, is one of the finest in Europe, and little inferior to that of London. It is 28 acres in extent. The chief objects of interest may be seen in 2-3 hrs; guide unnecessary.

The Entrance is in the Kerk Laan (Pl. F, G, 3). To the left are the camels, llamas, and stags; behind are the singing-birds, the parrot-gallery, and the Reptile House, which contains large serpents and other reptiles.

The arrangements for fish-breeding, also in this part of the garden, are interesting (in winter and spring only). Many thousands of salmon and trout are bred here and annually set free in the Dutch rivers. Close by is the Monkey House. — Beyond the ponds, which are covered with sea-fowl, are different varieties of cattle and sheep, and on the left, the large Carnivora House, adjoined by that of the Elephants. — Proceeding hence past the Antelope, Giraffe, and Zebra House, we reach the Eagle and Vulture House, the Buffalo Shed, and the Hippopotamus House. In the N.E. angle is a large grotto with a basin of water, fitted up in 1877 for the reception of a pair of sea-lions. The large building to the right of the entrance is the Society House, with a large hall (Restaurant; D., 1½ fl. or upwards, from 4 to 7 p.m.; 1a carte from 12; not open before 10 a.m.). The older building farther on in the same part of the gardens contains a collection of stuffed animals and skeletons in the upper story. Then an Ethnological Museum, containing Chinese, Japanese, and Indian curiosities, and a valuable library. Also a collection of sea-weeds and corals. A fine Aquarium was added in 1881 (adm. 50 c.).

The Hospice of St. James (Pl. G, 3), a large building on the Middellaan, to the S., is an asylum for aged poor of the Roman Catholic faith. — Adjacent is another Panorama, containing a painting by P. Tetar van Elvens, representing the siege of Haarlem by the Spaniards in 1572-73.

To the E. of the town, outside the Muider-Poort (Pl. G, H, 3), the only one of the ancient city-gates still existing, is situated the extensive Eastern Cemetery of Amsterdam, ½ M. beyond which is the Linnaeus Garden (see p. 281).

The Entrepôt (Ryks Entrepôt; Pl. G, 3), to the N. of the Zoological Garden, constructed in 1828, and measuring 765 yds. in length by 15 yds. in breadth, forms the custom-house harbour and bonded warehouses of Amsterdam. Visitors apply at the office at the entrance (Pl. 50), where they are provided with a guide (25-50 c.).
The canal, which is flanked with the extensive magazines, is 23 ft. in depth, admitting vessels of large tonnage. The magazines on the N. side are destined exclusively for the reception of the products of the Dutch E. Indian possessions. Vast quantities of wine, corn, sugar, coffee, rice, and indigo are stored in these warehouses.

In returning from the E. quarters of the town towards the Dam we may proceed through the Jewish Quarter (Pl. F, E, 3), the ill-conditioned character of which presents a marked contrast to the Dutch cleanliness of the rest of the city. Brokers' shops and marine stores abound in these squalid purliens, where faces and costumes of an Oriental type will frequently be observed. The Jews form one-tenth of the population of Amsterdam, and possess ten Synagogues. The largest is that of the Portuguese Jews (Pl. 56; F, 3) in the Muiderstraat, erected in 1670, and said to be an imitation of the Temple of Solomon; it possesses a large number of costly vessels. After the expulsion of the Portuguese Jews from their native country in the first half of the 17th cent., they sought an asylum at Amsterdam, where complete religious toleration was accorded to them. Many German Jews also, in order to escape from the persecutions to which they were subjected in their own country, flocked to Amsterdam, which they regarded almost as a second Jerusalem. Baruch Spinoza, the father of modern philosophy, born at Amsterdam in 1632, was the son of a Portuguese Jew. The wealth of the Jewish community still renders it one of the most influential in the city. In the numerous dissensions between the States General and the Stadtholders, the Jews always took the part of the latter.

In the Sint Anthonies Brêestraat, near the W. end of the Jodenbrêestraat (Pl. E, 3), a simple memorial—tablet marks the house (No. 68) in which Rembrandt resided from 1640 to 1656.

Amsterdam has from an early period been famous for Diamond Polishing, an art unknown in Europe before the 16th cent., and long confined to the Portuguese Jews of Amsterdam and Antwerp, to whom most of the mills at Amsterdam still belong. The most important are situated in the Zwanenburgerstraat (Pl. 6; E, 4) and the Roetersseiland (on the Achter Graft, in the E. part of the town; Pl. 6; E, 4). Visitors are generally admitted by M. Koster, Zwanenburgerstraat 12, daily, except Sat. and Sun., from 9 to 3, and by other houses also (see 50 c.). The machinery of the mills is usually driven by steam, and the diamond to be polished is pressed by the workman against a rapidly-revolving iron disc, moistened with a mixture of oil and diamond dust. The latter is indispensable, as it has been found that no impression can be made on diamonds by any other substance. In a similar manner the stones are cut or sawn through by means of wires covered with diamond dust.

Amsterdam is celebrated for its Charitable Institutions, upwards of a hundred in number, destined for the reception of sick, aged, and indigent persons, lunatics, foundlings, widows, etc., and all almost entirely supported by voluntary contributions.

The Blind Asylum (to be transferred in the summer of 1885 from the Heerengracht to the Vossiusstraat, Pl. D, 6; p. 275) was founded
in 1808 and is one of the most admirable institutions of the kind. It now contains 50-60 pupils between the ages of five and eighteen, who receive lessons in reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, handicrafts, languages, and music. On Wednesdays from 10 to 12 the public are admitted while lessons are going on — a very interesting sight. Visitors are expected to buy some of the articles manufactured by the inmates, or to put a contribution into the collecting-box. — For blind persons of a more advanced age there is a special asylum on the Stadhouderskade, which has about 80 inmates.

The poor-houses are handsome buildings, with excellent organisation; as for example, the Protestant Asylum for the aged of both sexes (Pl. 46; F, 4), on the Binnen-Amstel, and the Hospice of St. James, mentioned at p. 276. About 20,000 poor persons are said to be maintained at the expense of the citizens. Many of the orphans educated at the different asylums wear picturesque costumes, which are seen to the best advantage on Sundays, especially in the Kalverstraat. The children generally appear to enjoy excellent health and spirits.

The Maatschapply tot Nut van't Algemeen (Pl. 45; E, 3), or Society for the Public Welfare, is a very important body, whose sphere of operations extends over the whole kingdom of Holland. It was founded at Edam in 1784 by Jan Nieuwenhuyzen, a Baptist preacher, but transferred to Amsterdam in 1787. Its object is the promotion of the education and moral culture of the lower classes. Members subscribe 51/4 fl. annually, and eight or more subscribers residing in a provincial town or district constitute a sub-committee, whose sphere of action is called a department. There are upwards of 330 such departments, comprising 17,400 members. The principal board of control is at Amsterdam, where the general meeting of the society takes place annually on the second Tuesday in August. The society endeavours to attain its objects (1) by promoting the education of the young, even after they have left school, training teachers, publishing school-books and educational literature, founding libraries, Sunday-schools, etc.; (2) by promoting the enlightenment and culture of adults, publishing popular and instructive literature, instituting public lectures, founding reading-rooms, savings-banks for widows, orphans, etc.; (3) by bestowing rewards and honours on persons who have distinguished themselves by acts of humanity or generosity.

Religion. The complete religious toleration which has long prevailed in Holland has led to the formation of numerous different Sects, an enumeration of whose churches will afford the best idea of their respective numbers. The oldest and most interesting churches are the Reformed, 10 in number, embellished with the tombs of celebrated Dutchmen. The following are also Protestant places of worship: 2 Walloon, 1 English Episcopal, 1 English Presbyterian, 1 'Remonstrant' (a sect without definite creed), but which regards the Bible as its sole guide; see p. 309), 2 Evangelic Lutheran (a sect which professes to adhere to the spirit rather than to the letter of the Augsburg Confession), 1 'Re-established Lutheran' (differing slightly from the 'Reformed' church),
Excursions in the Environs of Amsterdam.

The neighbourhood of the Dutch capital has little or nothing to offer in the shape of picturesque scenery; but most travellers will find much to interest them in the extensive system of canals and sluices that has been constructed since the beginning of the present century to afford to vessels of heavy burden the access denied them by the siting up of the Zuiderzee. Of no less interest is the other system of sluices intended for purposes of defence and enabling the Dutch to place the entire district under water in case of war. Amsterdam forms the centre of the national system of defence, and plays in Holland the same part that Antwerp does in Belgium (comp. p. 127).

On a tongue of land projecting into the Y, opposite the the new Central Station, stands the old Tolhuis, or custom-house, where there is a favourite Tea Garden commanding an excellent view of Amsterdam. Here are the vast gates, called the Willem-Sluis, at the mouth of the Noord-Hollandsche Kanaal which was constructed in 1819-25 by Blanken, at a cost of about 8 million florins. The canal is 130 ft. broad and 20 ft. deep, and its level at Buikslot is 10 ft. below the average level of the sea at half-tide. It extends across the entire province of North Holland from Amsterdam to the Helder, a distance of 46 miles (p. 285).

Another excursion may be made to Zaandam, either by railway (p. 283) or by the steamer 'Prins van Oranje', which sails from the Westerhoofd on the Prins-Hendrik-Kade (Pl. D. 2) about ten times daily, and makes the journey in 3/4 hr. (return fare, 30 c. or 20 c.).

Zaandam (*Café Restaurant Suisse, at the harbour, dear; the station is 1/2 M. from the harbour), sometimes erroneously called Saardam, a town with 13,000 inhab., many of whom are said to be millionaires, situated at the influx of the Zaan into the Y, is a thriving place, thoroughly Dutch in appearance. The small houses, which are almost all of one or two stories only, are built of wood or brick, and surrounded by gardens. Along the bank of the Zaan as far as the villages of Zaandyk, Koog, Wormerveer, and Krommenie (see p. 283), extend about four hundred windmills. They are used for many different purposes, and comprise oil, saw, corn, paint, cement, and paper-mills (comp. p. xxviii).

The Hut of Peter the Great is the principal curiosity at Zaandam (guide, unnecessary, 10 c.). We follow the road running towards the S. from the landing-place of the steamer, and leading to the
'Logement of the Czar Peter', a small tavern, where it descends a few steps into a narrow street; we then cross a bridge, and 120 paces farther reach a court-yard in which the hut is situated. It is a rude wooden structure, now protected by a roof supported by pillars of brick.

The interior (see 25 c.) consists of two rooms and a bed-closet. A marble slab over the chimney-piece, bearing the inscription, "Petro Magno — Alexander", was placed there by the Emp. Alexander on the occasion of his visit to Zaandam in 1814. Another tablet commemorates the visit of the Czarewitch, late Emperor of Russia, in 1839. A model of the hut, several portraits of Peter the Great and the Empress Catherine, a life-size portrait of the Czar in the costume of a Dutch artisan, visitors' books, etc., are kept here. The hut is said to have been occupied by the Czar Peter in 1697, while he worked as a ship-carpenter in the building-yard of Mynheer Kalf, with a view to acquire a practical knowledge of the art, and to impart it to his countrymen. The tradition is that he arrived here in the dress of a common workman, under the name of Peter Michaelof, and long escaped recognition; but the truth is that Peter only remained here about a week, for he was unable long to preserve his incognito, and being incessantly beset by crowds of inquisitive idlers, he preferred to return to Amsterdam, where he could work unmolested in the building-yards of the E. India Company. The nautical phraseology of Russia still contains traces of a partly Dutch origin.

To reach the (1/2 M.) station from the harbour we proceed towards the W. in the direction of the Zaan, taking the third street on the left, which is planted with two rows of young trees.

As the North Holland Canal proved unable to meet the growing requirements of the shipping it was determined, in 1862, to form a direct communication between Amsterdam and the sea. The shallow basin of the Y was drained and its waters confined to a central canal, which here intersects the narrowest part of the peninsula of North Holland, called Holland op syn Smalst. The work was begun on 8th March, 1865, and the new NOORDZEE KANAAL, permitting the passage of the most heavily laden merchantmen, was opened for traffic on Nov. 1st, 1876. The canal is about 15 M. in length, 65-110 yds. in width, and 22-26 ft. in depth. Its level is about 20 inches below the mean level of the water at Amsterdam. Three huge gates, completed in 1872, one of them 24 yds. and each of the other two 12 yds. in width, protect the W. entrance of the canal against the incursion of the sea. The piers which shelter the entrance are 3/4 M. in length. At the entrance are two lighthouses. The whole outlay, including the cost of the protecting dyke at the E. end, near the village of Schellingwoude (see p. 281), amounted to 35,000,000 fl., of which 6,000,000 fl. were contributed by the city of Amsterdam and upwards of 10,000,000 fl. defrayed by the sale of reclaimed land (at an average price of 1200 fl. per acre), while the remainder is borne by government — Near the locks lies YLUIJDEN (Hôtel Nommer Een; Hôtel Willem Barendsz, with café-restaurant), with 1500 inhab., a place which has sprung into existence since the formation of the canal.

Steamboats ("Dolphyn", "Stad Purmerend") ply 2-3 times daily from Amsterdam to Ymuiden (Sat. twice only), starting from the Westerhoofd
(Pl. D, 2) and making the trip in 1 3/4 hr. (fares 60, 40 c.; there and back 1 fl., 60 c.). Intermediate stations: Westzaan, Buitenhuizen (Assendelft), Velsen.—From the railway-station of Velsen (see above) a walk of 35 min. on the sandy road by the side of the canal conducts us to the locks, and the sea-gates are about 1 M. farther on.

In order to protect the North Sea Canal from the Zuiderzee, a huge dam, 1 1/4 M. in length, has been constructed across the E. mouth of the Y at Schellingwoude. The middle of this embankment is broken by five huge locks, three of them intended for the passage of vessels, while the two others are used in regulating the amount of water in the canal. The largest of them is about 110 yds. in length, 22 yds. in width, and deep enough for vessels of very large tonnage. The two heaviest of the 56 ponderous lock-gates, 22 of which are constructed of iron and 34 of wood, weigh 34 tons each. The cost of the locks alone has amounted to nearly 6 million florins. —

From the Muiderpoort (Pl. G, 6, 3, p. 276; turning to the left 3 min. beyond the gate) we reach in 40 min. the S. extremity of the Dam, which leads us in 1/2 hr. to the locks. From Schellingwoude to Nieuwendam (steamboat to Amsterdam 6-7 times daily; see p. 260), in 1/2 hr.; or to the Zeeburg (p. 260).

A very pleasant excursion may be made by the steam-tramway mentioned at p. 260 to Muiden, a small town with an ancient castle at the influx of the Vecht into the Zuiderzee, 7 1/2 M. to the E. of Amsterdam. The road skirts the Linnaeus Garden, with an agricultural and horticultural school, and then proceeds by the Watergraafsmeer Polder, and the village of Diemerbrug. In 1882 Muiden was seriously damaged by an explosion of gunpowder. Beyond Muiden the tramway goes on, passing the small watering-place of Muiderberg to Naarden (p. 312) and Hilversum (p. 312).

41. North Holland.

The province of Noord Holland, 50 M. in length, and 23-28 M. in width, is entirely surrounded by the North Sea and the Zuiderzee, the small strip of land hitherto connecting it with the continent being now intersected by the North Sea Canal (p. 280). A great part of the district lies 12-15 ft. below the level of the sea, from which it is protected on the W. side by the Dunes, and on the E. by lofty embankments. The polders (p. xxi) near the Helder are of great interest to the agriculturalist. The cattle of this district are of a remarkably fine breed, and yield an abundant supply of excellent milk. The mutton of N. Holland also enjoys a high reputation, and the wool of the sheep is much prized for its softness. This part of Northern Holland, lying out of the ordinary track of tourists, is not often visited, though the towns of Hoorn, Enkhuizen, and Alkmaar contain many important buildings of their palmy days in the 17-18th cent., while the Helder is interesting as the station of the Dutch navy. The inhabitants are more primitive in their habits than those of Southern Holland, and adhere more tenaciously to the picturesque costumes of their ancestors.

The head-dress of the women is often curious. It consists of a broad band of gold in the shape of a horse-shoe across the forehead, serving to keep the hair back, and decorated at the sides with large oval rosettes of the same metal. Above this is worn a cap or veil of rich lace, with
wings hanging down to the neck, while handsome earrings of gold and precious stones complete this elaborate and picturesque headdress. The natives of Friesland, who are often met with in Amsterdam and other towns, wear a kind of skull-cap of metal, usually silver gilt, which lies close to the temples, where it is finished with spiral ornaments. These trinkets are generally of gold, even among the poorer classes, or at least of silver, and are handed down from mother to daughter as heirlooms.

— Head-dresses of this kind are often exhibited in the windows of the goldsmiths in Amsterdam, Utrecht, and other towns. An opportunity is thus afforded of comparing the modern workmanship with the ancient heirlooms, a comparison seldom to the disadvantage of the latter.

a. From Amsterdam to Hoorn and Enkhuizen.

34 M. Railway from Amsterdam to Hoorn in 3½ hr. (fares 2 fl. 60, 2 fl. 10, 1 fl. 30 c.). Steam tramway from Hoorn to Enkhuizen. — Steamers also ply several times daily; comp. the Officiele Reisgids.

The trains start from the Hulpstation (Pl. C., 2; comp. p. 259). The line crosses the dry bed of the Y (p. 280) by an embankment and the North Sea Canal by a bridge 100 yds. long.

6 M. Zaandam, the junction of the line to the Helder. — Our train now crosses the Zaan, stops at Oostzaan, and skirts the Wormer Polder.

9 M. Purmerend (Vergulde Roskam; Heeren Logement), a small town with 5000 inhab., situated between the Purmer, Wormer, and Beemster polders. The last of these, one of the finest in Holland, valued on an average at 1200 fl. per acre, reclaimed in 1608-12, begins close to the Beemster Gate. Nearly in the middle of it lies Midden Beemster (*Heerenhuis), 4½ M. distant. From Purmerend steamers (25 or 15 c.) ply several times daily in 1-1½ hr. to Edam, which is famous for its cheese, and gives its name to the cheese of the whole district. The Prinsenhof at Edam contains a few pictures.

The railway to Hoorn skirts the E. side of the Beemster, passing Kwadryk, Oosthuizen, and Avenhorn.

20 M. Hoorn (*Doelen), with 10,000 inhab., the ancient capital of N. Holland, is a picturesque town with numerous quaint old buildings, the walls of which are often elaborately adorned with tiles. Among the most interesting are the Water Tower, on the bank of the Zuiderzee; the Town Hall, containing a few old pictures; the St. Jans Inn; and the Weigh House. The Groote Kerk contains a monument to Admiral Floriszoon. In 1573 a naval engagement took place off Hoorn between the Dutch and the Spaniards, when the admiral in command of the latter was taken prisoner. Hoorn was the birthplace of Willem Schouten, who discovered the passage round the S. coast of America in 1616, and named 'Cape Horn' after his native town. From Hoorn a diligence plies daily (except Sun.) to Alkmaar (p. 283) in 2½ hrs. (1½ or 1 fl.).

The road from Hoorn to Enkhuizen (13 M.; steam-tramway) leads through the richest district in N. Holland. The houses of the peasants resemble villas; most of them are surrounded by small moats and communicate with the road by tiny bridges.
Enkhuizen (Oranjezaal) was once a flourishing town with 40,000 inhab., which at the beginning of the 17th cent. possessed a fleet of upwards of 400 herring-fishing vessels. The population is now 5700 only, and not a single fishing-smack remains. The Stadhuis, erected in 1688, the Westerkerk, with a fine wooden apse in the Renaissance style (1543-72), an imposing Gate Tower, and numerous other edifices are mementoes of its former prosperity. The beautiful carvings in the choir of the Westerkerk resemble those at Dort (p. 308) and were perhaps executed by the same artist. Enkhuizen was the birthplace of Paul Potter, the painter (1625-1654).

Steamers ply daily, except Sun., from Enkhuizen to Harlingen (comp. R. 51).

b. From Amsterdam and Haarlem to the Helder.

From Amsterdam to the Helder, 50 M., railway in 21/2-23/4 hrs. (fares 4, 3/4, 2 fl.). — The steamboat to Alkmaar, starting every forenoon and afternoon from the Westerhoof (Pl. D, 2), is a more interesting though slower conveyance (3 hrs.; fares 75 or 50 c.). Halfway-station Zaandam.

From Amsterdam to Uitgeest, 121/2 M., railway in 3/4 hr. — From Amsterdam to (6 M.) Zaandam, see p. 279. 8 M. Koog-Zaandijk, 10 M. Wormerveer, 11 M. Krommenie, are villages with neat little houses, gardens, and innumerable windmills, situated on the Zaan. To the S. we see the Grote Kerk of Haarlem. — 121/2 M. Uitgeest, the junction of the line from Haarlem.

From Haarlem to Uitgeest, 11 M., railway in 38 min. — Haarlem, see p. 252. The train runs through a pleasant district towards the N., passing the village of Bloemendaal (p. 258), to (3 M.) Zandpoort (Duinlust Hotel), near which, to the left, are the lunatic asylum of Meerenberg and the ruin of Brederode (p. 258). On the right are rich green pastures with fine cattle. Near (51/2 M.) Velsen are numerous country-houses and pleasure-grounds. — The train then crosses the North Sea Canal (p. 280) and reaches —

7 M. Beverwyk, with country-houses and pleasure-grounds.

A steam-tramway runs from Beverwyk (in 20 min.; fare 15 c.) to Wyk aan Zee (Vereenigte Hotels, E. 1-2, board 23/4-31/2 fl., baths 25-50 c.), a favourite Dutch watering-place. A steamer plies hence daily to Amsterdam in 21/4 hrs. (30 c., return-ticket 1 fl. 20 c.). A pleasant walk of 3/4 hr. may be taken along the beach to Ymuiden (p. 280).

11 M. Uitgeest, the junction of the Haarlem and Amsterdam lines. — The first stations beyond Uitgeest are (17 M. from Amsterdam) Heiloo and (21 M.) Castricum.

24 M. Alkmaar (De Burg; Toelast), a town of 14,400 inhab., deriving its name (which signifies 'all sea') from the lake or morass which formerly surrounded it, is renowned in the history of the Dutch struggle for independence for its stout and successful resistance to the besieging Spaniards in 1573. — The railway-station lies about 1/4 M. from the town, the road to which leads through the pleasant public gardens.

The Church of St. Lawrence, a fine Gothic edifice, with lofty
vaulting of wood, deserves a visit. In the S. aisle, near the organ, is a painting in seven sections, of 1507, representing the Seven Works of Mercy. In the N. aisle is the finely-engraved brass of Pieter Claas Palinck (1546). Carved stalls in the Renaissance style. The choir contains the ancient tomb of Florens V., Count of Holland (d. 1296). The tower of the church fell in the 15th cent. and has never been rebuilt. A view of the church and tower is to be seen on the wall of the choir. The sacristan lives in the small square, planted with trees, to the S. of the church.

There are two modern Roman Catholic Churches at Alkmaar, one in the Gothic, the other in the Romanesque style.

In the Langestraat, the chief street of the town, rises the Stadhuis with its tower, a Gothic structure dating from 1507. It contains a museum, consisting of Alkmaar antiquities, of a few corporation and other paintings, and of other objects of interest. There is also a library. Admission, Mondays and Fridays 1-3 p.m., 25 c.

Room I. Pictures by C. Heck; painted sculptures from the portal of the Orphanage; instruments of torture. — Room II. To the right, Honthorst, Holy Family (1632); Raveynen, Portrait; Caesar van Everdingen (of Alkmaar; brother of Allart van Everdingen, the landscape-painter). An admiral, 'Regent-piece' (1634). Two large corporation-pieces (painted in 1599 under the influence of Van der Helst); W. van de Velde the Elder, Battle of Copenhagen in 1658, a large cartoon; C. van Everdingen, Lycurgus showing the results of education (painted under the influence of Honthorst); Corporation-pieces of the end of the 18th and beginning of the 17th cent., of no great merit; P. de Grebber (1623), Family-portraits; representations of the sieges of Haarlem and Alkmaar by the Spaniards; W. Bartius, Corporation-piece (1634). In the middle of the room are sculptures and weapons. — Room III. Seals, weapons, and other small works of art.

Alkmaar carries on a very extensive cheese-trade. The weekly market is frequented by the peasantry of the whole province of N. Holland, who sell their cheese here to the dealers. Upwards of 5000 tons of cheese are annually weighed in the Town Weighing House, being about one-half of the produce of the province. This building with its handsome tower was erected in 1582. On market-days (Fridays) the whole of the picturesque place in front of the Weighing House is covered by huge piles of red and yellow cheeses, while the streets are full of the gaily-painted waggons of the neighbouring peasantry. A monument was erected in the promenade in 1876 to commemorate the siege of Alkmaar by the Spaniards.

The Bosch, or park, near Alkmaar, although inferior to the parks of Haarlem and the Hague, affords pleasant walks. Trotting Matches (Harddravery) are occasionally held here, and the prize generally consists of a silver coffee-pot presented by the magistrates. One of these matches should if possible be witnessed by the traveller, who will not fail to admire the costumes of the peasantry and the unsophisticated delight of the spectators.
At Egmond-Binnen, 3 M. to the W. of Alkmaar, are situated the scanty ruins of the castle of Egmond, the ancestral seat of the illustrious family so often mentioned in the annals of the Netherlands. In the vicinity, at Egmond op den Hoef, is an old and ruined abbey-church, in which many of the ancient Counts of Holland are interred. The abbey at a very remote period was a zealous patron of science, and its chronicles formed the principal source of the early history of Holland. In 1572 the fanatical iconoclasts destroyed the venerable and once magnificent buildings. A lighthouse erected in 1833 near Egmond aan Zee is adorned with a colossal lion in honour of Lieutenant Van Speyk (p. 157).

The train crosses the North Holland Canal (p. 279), which skirts the back of the Dunes, and then turns to the N.E. To the right a view is obtained of the fertile Schermer Polder. — 2S1/2 M. Hugowaard; 31 M. Noord-Schaarwoude; 36 M. Schagen; 43 M. Anna Paulowna, in the extensive polder of that name.

50 M. Helder (Hôtel Bellevue, near the station; Den Burg, near the harbour, with a good view of the Zuider-Zee) was towards the close of last century little more than a large fishing-village, but now contains 20,000 inhabitants. In 1811 Napoleon caused extensive fortifications to be constructed here by Spanish prisoners of war, and the works were afterwards completed by the Dutch. About 3/4 M. to the E., and connected with the Helder by a road along the Helder Dyke, lies Nieuwe Diep, the harbour at the mouth of the North Holland Canal, where the capacious wharves and magazines of the Dutch Navy, and also the Naval Cadet School, together known as Willemsoord, are situated. Part of the Dutch fleet is generally stationed here.

As this, the extreme promontory of N. Holland, is exposed more than any other part of the coast to the violence of the wind and the encroachments of the sea, it is protected on all sides by huge and massive dykes. The great Helder Dyke, about 5 M. in length, and 12 ft. in width, which is traversed by a good road from the Nieuwe Diep to the Helder, descends into the sea to a distance of 200 ft., at an angle of 40°. The highest tide never reaches the summit, while the lowest still covers the foundations. Huge bulwarks projecting several hundred fathoms into the sea at intervals add to the stability of the structure. This remarkable artificial coast is entirely constructed of Norwegian granite.

The traveller is recommended to take a walk on this dyke, which extends from the Nieuwe Diep to the Fort Erfprins beyond the Helder. Fort Kykduin rises on the highest point of the northern dyke. The lofty lighthouse, which may be visited by those who have never seen a structure of the kind, commands a fine prospect.

A fierce and sanguinary naval battle took place off this Dune on 21st Aug., 1673, between the united English and French fleets and the Dutch under De Ruyter and Van Tromp, in which the latter were victorious. In September, 1799, an army of 10,000 English and 13,000 Russian troops, commanded by Admiral Abercrombie and the Duke of York, landed at this point. The Russians lost their way and were totally defeated by the French at Bergen, to the N. W. of Alkmaar, while the English were
compelled, after a skirmish at Castricum (p. 283), to yield to the superior forces of the French and to retreat, having failed in their endeavours to induce the Dutch to revolt against their new masters.

Opposite the Helder, and separated from the mainland by the strait of Marsdiep, which is never choked up with sand, lies the island of Texel. A steamboat plies thither thrice daily in 3/4 hr., landing at Oudeschild. De Burg, the capital of the island, is situated 3 M. inland. The island, with 6400 inhab., and 73 sq. M. in extent, consists chiefly of pasture-land, and supports about 34,000 sheep, which sometimes yield as much as 100 tons of fine wool annually. A highly-esteemed quality of green cheese is prepared from the sheep's milk, and the mutton itself is excellent. The northern extremity of the island is called Eyerland ('land of eggs'), on account of the myriads of sea-fowl which visit it. The eggs are collected in great numbers and sent to the Amsterdam market.

Harlingen (p. 317) in Friesland may be reached by a sailing-boat with a favourable wind in 5-6 hrs. (10-12 fl.).

42. From Amsterdam or Rotterdam to Utrecht and Arnhem.

Railway from Amsterdam to (22 M.) Utrecht in 3/4-1/4 hr. (fares 1 fl. 50, 1 fl. 40, 90 c.). From Rotterdam to (38 M.) Utrecht in 1/4-1/4 hr. (fares 2 fl. 70, 2 fl. 5, 1 fl. 35 c.). From Utrecht to (35 M.) Arnhem in 1-1/2 hr. (fares 2 fl. 90, 2 fl. 20, 1 fl. 50 c.). The Express fares are one-fifth higher.

From Amsterdam to Utrecht. The immediate environs of Amsterdam consist chiefly of polders (p. xxix). The most remarkable of these, and one of the lowest in Holland, is the Diemermeer (16 ft. below the mean sea-level), the W. side of which the train skirts soon after quitting the station. Extensive nurseries and kitchen-gardens, intersected by numerous canals, are also passed. The old road, of which little is seen from the railway, is bordered with a succession of villas, summer-houses, and gardens, most of them the property of wealthy merchants of Amsterdam, and extending the whole way to Utrecht. Numerous steamboats ply on the Vecht, and an excursion in one of them, e.g. from Arnhem to Nieuwersluis, is very enjoyable. The stations are Abcoude, Loenen-Vreeland, Nieuwersluis (where the train crosses the Vecht), Breukelen (see p. 288), and Maarssen.

22 M. Utrecht, see R. 44.

From Rotterdam to Utrecht. The train starts from the Rhenish Station on the Maas (Pl. G, 3), and traverses a district of canals and pastures. 41/2 M. Capelle; 7 M. Nieuwerkerk. The line skirts the E. side of the extensive Zuidplas-Polder. Beyond (10 M.) Moordrecht the Kromme Gouw is crossed.

121/2 M. Gouda, commonly called Ter-Gouw (*De Zalm, in the market-place), a town of some importance at the confluence of the Gouwe and the Yssel (which must not be confounded with the river
of that name in Guelders, see p. 310), with 17,400 inhab., is encircled with fine old trees. Two hours suffice to inspect the stained glass in the Groote Kerk and visit the Museum. — On leaving the railway-station we take the street to the left, which soon turns to the right and leads across several canals to (1/4 M.) the marketplace, containing the Raadhuis, a late-Gothic edifice of 1449. Near it is the Groote Kerk, the entrance to which is on the S. side of the choir; the sacristan (20 c.) lives at No. 33 A, opposite.

The Groote Kerk (St. John), founded in 1485, and rebuilt after a fire in 1552, is a striking example of late-medieval art. The round-arched arcades are borne by thirty-six circular pillars. The lofty barrel-vaulting is of wood. The beautiful Stained-glass Windows are perhaps the most important Dutch specimens of this branch of art, which was successfully practised in Holland during the 16th and 17th centuries.

There are in all 29 large and 13 smaller stained-glass windows, presented by princes, towns, and private individuals after the above-mentioned fire. The best of these (12 in number) were executed by the brothers Wouter and Dirk Crabeth in 1555-77; the others being the work of their pupils and successors down to 1606. Some of them have unfortunately been indifferently restored in the 17th cent. and later. The subjects of the older windows are scriptural, with figures of saints and of the donors, those of the later are armorial bearings or allegorical representations. The following are by the brothers Crabeth: No. 5. (beginning from the main entrance), Solomon and the Queen of Sheba; 6. Judith and Holofernes; 7. Last Supper, presented by Philip II. of Spain, whose portrait it contains; 8. Punishment of Heliodorus, the desecrator of the temple; 12. (farther on, in the retro-choir) Nativity; 14. Preaching of John the Baptist; 15. Baptism of Christ; 16. Preaching of Christ; 18. John the Baptist in prison; 22. Christ driving the merchants and money-changers out of the Temple, a gift of William I. of Orange, afterwards enlarged; 23. Christ washing the feet of the Disciples; at the top, Elijah’s sacrifice; 24. Below, Peter and John healing the lame man; above, Philip baptising the Ethiopian eunuch. — The coloured drawings and the original cartoons of the brothers Crabeth are preserved in the sacristy. — The Municipal Library, a considerable collection, is kept in an adjoining room.

The Town Museum, in the marketplace, chiefly contains antiquities connected with the town, and a few corporation-pictures and portraits by Wouter Crabeth (see above), Corn. Ketel (b. at Gouda in 1578), and others. The chief objects of interest are a corporation-piece by Ferd. Bol, and a fine enamelled and gilded chalice and paten, presented to the ‘shooters’ guild’ of Gouda by the Countess Jacqueline of Bavaria in 1425.

A bronze statue of Cornelis de Houtman, the founder of the Dutch E. Indian trade (end of the 16th cent.), and another of his brother Frederik, both natives of Gouda, were erected here in 1880, from models by Strackée of Amsterdam.

The staple commodities of Gouda are bricks (klinkers), the material for which is obtained from the muddy bed of the Yssel, the deposits of which are admirably adapted for the purpose. The cheese named after this town and manufactured in the environs is of inferior quality.
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From Gouda to Bodegraven (p. 226), on the railway from Leyden to Utrecht, steam-tramway in 40 minutes.

20 M. Oudewater, on the Yssel, was the birthplace of Arminius, after whom the ‘Remonstrants’ (p. 309) were called Arminians. A picture in the Stadhuis by Dirk Stoop commemorates the brutal excesses committed here by the Spaniards in 1575.

24 M. Woerden, with 4000 inhab., situated on the ‘Old Rhine’, formerly a fortress, was captured and cruelly treated by the army of Louis XIV. under Marshal Luxembourg in 1672 (an event described by Voltaire). In 1813 it was occupied by the Dutch, but taken by the French under General Molitor and again plundered. The fortifications have now been demolished, and their site converted into public promenades, which afford a fine view of the town and its environs. The town-hall is a quaint and picturesque little building, with an old pillory in front of it. — From Woerden to Leyden, see p. 226.

Beyond (25½ M.) Harmelen the canals become rarer, and the country more undulating and agricultural. The Amsterdam line diverges here, and unites with the direct line from Utrecht to Amsterdam at stat. Breukelen (p. 286).

38 M. Utrecht, see R. 44.

From Utrecht to Arnhem. The train now crosses the canal (Vaartsche Rhyn) which connects Utrecht with the Lek (as the principal branch of the Rhine is called).

7½ M. Zeist, a picturesque and thriving village, but not visible from the railway (tramway to Driebergen, see p. 297; to Utrecht, see p. 293). It is the seat of a Moravian settlement (about 260 members), established here in 1746, with which a good school is connected. The community resides in a pile of contiguous buildings, possessing many of their goods in common, and strictly observing the precepts of their sect. They somewhat resemble the Quakers of England, and are remarkable for the purity and simplicity of their lives. Married women, widows, and young girls are distinguished by a difference of costume. The environs are carefully cultivated. Gardens, orchards, plantations, corn-fields, pastures, and country-houses are passed in rapid succession. During the harvest the corn is stacked in a peculiar manner, and protected by roofs.

14 M. Maarsbergen; 21 M. Veenendaal, noted for its honey; 29 M. Ede.

From Ede a tramway runs to Wageningen, an old town 4½ M. to the S. connected with the Rhine by a short canal. It is the seat of an agricultural institution, ‘S’Ryks Landbouwschool, with an experimental station and a collection of agricultural objects (including a series illustrating the development of the plough).
On the river bank, about halfway between Wageningen and Rhenen, rises the Heimenberg, an eminence commanding an extensive view over the Veluwe. A bench at the summit, called the Koningstafel, derives its name from the Elector Palatine Frederick, King of Bohemia, who, having been banished from his dominions after the Battle of the White Hill, near Prague, in 1620, sought an asylum with his uncle Prince Maurice of Orange, and lived in retirement at Rhenen. Some of the events in his romantic career are well described by G. P. R. James in his 'Heidelberg'.

Near (31 M.) Wolfhezen is an extensive heath stretching to the Zuiderzee, which has been frequently used as a military exercising-ground by Dutch and French armies. One of the latter, by command of Marshal Marmont in 1805, threw up a lofty mound on the heights between Ede and Veenendaal, to commemorate the coronation of Napoleon I. 33 M. Oosterbeek, with numerous villas. Near it are the mansion of Duno and the château of Doorwerth, with its double towers. As Arnhem is approached the train commands several picturesque glimpses of the Rhine on the right, and of Sonsbeek (p. 290) on the left. The fertile district to the right, enclosed by several branches of the Rhine, is known as the Betuwe or 'good island', while the sandy tract to the N., between Arnhem and the Zuiderzee, is called the Veluwe, or 'barren island'.

35 M. Arnhem. — Hotels. *Hôtel de Zon (du Soleil), near the bridge-of-boats, outside the town on the N.W. side, and the nearest to the station and the pier of the Netherlands Steamboat Co., R. 1 1/2 fl., L. 30, A. 25, B. 70 c.; *Bellevue, in an open situation on the W. side of the town, commanding a fine view and suitable for a prolonged stay; Hôtel des Pays-Bas, in the Groote Markt, not far from the pier of the Cologne and Dusseldorf Steamboat Co.; *Zwienen (Boar's Head), a common sign of Dutch inns, in the town; *De Pauw (Peacock), near the station, a small second-class inn. — For a long stay: *Hôtel Garni Planten en Vogelzun, high charges.

Restaurants. *Café Central; Railway Restaurant. Tramways through the town and to Velp (p. 291). Steam Tramways to Ede and to Oosterbeek (see above), Renkum, and Wageningen (p. 283).

Cab within the town, with 56lbs. of luggage, 75 c.; to Klarenbeek and Rozendaal, via the Steenen Tafel, returning by Bronbeek and Velp (2 1/4-2 1/2 hrs.), about 3 fl.

Steamers to Nymenge and Rotterdam, and also up the Rhine, once or twice daily in summer.

Arnhem, perhaps the Roman Arenacum, with 45,370 inhab. (1/2 Rom. Cath.), formerly the residence of the Dukes of Guelders, is still the capital of the Dutch province of that name, whose inhabitants are described by an old proverb as 'Hoog van moed, klein van goed, een zwaard in de hand, is 't wapen van Gelderland' ('Great in courage, poor in goods, sword in hand, such is the motto of Guelderland'). The town lies on the S. slopes of the Veluwe range of hills, and was fortified by General Coehorn at the beginning of the 18th cent., after it had been taken by the French in 1672. The town, which was garrisoned by French troops, was taken on 13th Nov., 1813, by Bülow's corps of the Prussian army, the same which distinguished itself at the Battle of Waterloo.

Arnhem, which is one of the most attractive-looking towns in Holland, is a favourite residence of Dutch 'nabobs' from the East.
Indies. The old fortifications have been converted into promenades, and handsome new buildings are springing up on all sides.

Leaving the station and bearing to the left, we pass through several fine new streets and soon reach the Groote Markt, in which the Groote Kerk and the Stadhuis are situated. The choir of the late-Gothic Groote Kerk (Pl. 1), which was begun in 1452, contains the monument of Charles van Egmont, Duke of Guelders (d. 1513), a recumbent mail-clad figure in white marble, on a sarcophagus of black and white marble, adorned with statues of the Apostles, etc. Above, on the N. wall of the choir, is the kneeling figure of the Duke beneath a wooden canopy, covered with the suit of armour worn by him during his life-time. (The sacristan lives on the N. side of the church, fee 25 c.) — To the E. of the church rises the Stadhuis (Pl. 2), erected by Maarten van Rossum, general of Duke Charles of Guelders, the indefatigable opponent of the Emp. Charles V. (indifferently restored). It is popularly known as the Duivelshuis, from its quaint sculptural decorations. The public Library, behind the Town Hall, contains mainly theological, historical, and legal works. — The Museum van Oudheden en Kunst, also in the Groote Markt, contains seals, coins, portraits, architectural models, etc. The gem of the collection is a carved ivory diptych of the 13th cent., forming the binding of a manuscript copy of the Gospels (Evangelarium) of the 14th cent., from the Bethlehem Monastery near Doetinchem.

The Roman Catholic Church of St. Walburga (Pl. 3), to which the St. Walburg-Straat leads to the right (S.) of the Stadhuis, contains a modern carved altar and a handsome Gothic pulpit.

Environs. The district around Arnhem is the most picturesque in Holland. The finest point in the immediate neighbourhood is the estate of *Sonsbeek*, the seat of Baron van Heeckeren.

The entrance is near the railway-station, about 1/2 M. to the N. of the town. The park and grounds are open to the public on Mon. and Wed. (visitors ring the 'Bel voor den Poortier'). The custodian of the grounds, who also shows the Belvedere Tower, lives at the entrance (fee for 1 pers. 1/2 fl., for a party 1-2 fl.). The park contains fine groups of trees, fish-ponds, waterfalls, grottoes, a deer-park, a riding-course, etc. The Belvedere commands a beautiful view of the park and the fertile Betuwe as far as the Eltener Berg and the distant heights of Cleve.

Immediately below the town rises the Reeberg, an eminence with extensive pleasure-grounds and a casino where concerts are frequently given. Higher up is the country-residence of Heyenoord, adjoining which there are beautiful walks through the woods in all directions, provided with benches at intervals.

In the opposite direction, to the E. of Arnhem, rises a range of heights, along the base of which runs the road to Zutphen. On these heights several beautiful parks and pleasure-grounds are situated, all open to strangers. Carriage, see p. 289. Upwards of 3 M. from Arnhem, on the left, is Klarenbeek, where, from the 'Steenen Tafel' (stone table), a fine view of the Rhine Valley is
obtained. The Hospital for the soldiers of the colonial army at Bronbeek, close to Klarenbeek, endowed by William III., is worth visiting; it contains a number of old cannon and other weapons captured in Acheen (admission 50 c.). Farther on, near the village of Velp (railway-station, see p. 310; tramway 25 c.) is the estate of Rosendaal, with fine trees, lakes, and fountains (see 1/2 fl., a party 1 fl.). Other pleasant resorts are Biljoen, Beekhuizen (Hôtel Garni, pleasantly situated amid wood, ‘pens.’ 3 1/2 fl.), Rhederoord, and Middachten (with a fine avenue of beeches).

From Arnhem to Zutphen (Salzbergen), see R. 49; to Nymegen, see p. 301.

43. From Liège to Utrecht.

119 M. Railway in 51/4-61/2 hrs.; fares 17 fr. 93, 13 fr. 90, 8 fr. 98 c.; or, in Dutch money, 9 fl. 50, 7 fl. 60, 4 fl. 75 cts.

Liège, see p. 184. The train starts from the Station de Viegnies (comp. p. 184). It then skirts the hills enclosing the Meuse, but at some distance from the river, as far as —

2 M. Herstal, almost a suburb of Liège, the birth-place of Pepin ‘le Gros’ of Herstal, the majordomo of the palace, or chief officer of the king, and practically the regent of the great Frankish empire, as the power of the Merovingian monarchs had begun to decline. His son Charles Martel did not succeed in realising the ambitious schemes of his father; but his grandson Pepin the Little, having secured the approval of the church, superseded Childeric III., ‘l’Insense’, was crowned king of the Franks by Archbishop Boniface in 752, and died at Herstal in 768. Herstal also contests with Aix-la-Chapelle the glory of being the birthplace of Charlemagne. In 870 Charles the Bald of France concluded a treaty here with Lewis the German concerning the partition of Lorraine.

The train now quits the valley of the Meuse, and turns to the N. to (6 M.) Liers, from which a branch-line runs to Rocourt and Ans (p. 178). 10 I/2 M. Glons; 121/2 M. Nederheim.

14 M. Tongeren, French Tongres (*Hôtel du Paon; *Casque), the Roman Aduaticia Tongri, is a town with 7200 inhabitants. At the beginning of the 4th cent. it was the seat of a bishop, whose residence, however, was removed to Maastricht in 346 to secure the protection of the latter’s fortifications, and was afterwards transferred to Liège. The handsome Gothic Church of Notre Dame, erected in 1240, with choir and tower of the 15th cent., possesses a valuable collection of sacred vessels, and Romanesque cloisters with fine sculptures. — Branch to St. Trond and Tirlemont, see p. 176.

20 M. Hoesselt; 21 M. Bilsen (branch-line to Munsterbilsen, p. 160); 24 M. Beverst (p. 160); 26 M. Diepenbeek.

31 M. Hasselt, where the line unites with the Antwerp, Maastricht, and Aix-la-Chapelle railway (see p. 159).

Scenery uninteresting, but the bridges over the arms of the
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Meuse and Rhine towards the end of the journey are worthy of notice. Stations Zonhoven, Helchteren, Wychmael-Beverloo, Exel, Neerpelt (junction for the Gladbach and Antwerp line, p. 161), (57 M.) Achel (last in Belgium), (62½ M.) Valkenswaard (first in Holland), Waalre, (69 M.) Eindhoven (p. 306, junction of the Venlo line), Best, (81 M.) Bostel (p. 306), and Vught (also connected with 'S Hertogenbosch by a steam-tramway).

89½ M. 'S Hertogenbosch, or 'S Bosch, French Bois-le-Duc (Hôtel du Lion d'Or; Eenhorn; Maison Verte), on the Dommel, the Aa, and the Zuid-Willems-Canal, the capital of the province of N. Brabant, and strongly fortified down to 1876, with 24,900 inhab., derives its name from Duke Godfrey of Brabant, who conferred municipal privileges on the town in 1184. — Omnibus from the station to the town 25 c.

The late-Gothic Cathedral of St. John (St. Jans Kerk), built in 1453-98, with an old tower of the 11th cent., and, to the S. of the latter, a chapel of the 13th cent., is one of the three most important mediaeval churches in Holland, the other two being the Cathedral of Utrecht and the Church of St. Nicholas at Kampen, both of which it surpasses in richness of ornamentation. It has a lofty nave with double aisles, and a handsome choir flanked with chapels. The interior contains modern stained glass, a brazen candelabrum of the 15th cent., a brazen font, cast in 1492, carved choir-stalls in the Renaissance style, a pulpit of 1560, and a large organ. The building is now being restored. — The Church of St. Catharine contains a number of pictures from the suppressed Abbey of Tongerloo.

The Gemeentelyk Museum, in the upper floor of the Raadhuis, is open every forenoon (adm. 1/2 fl., 2-3 pers. 1 fl.). It contains ancient plans of the town and neighbourhood, the silver seals of the chief magistrates from 1213 to 1795, valuables, coins, a few paintings, instruments of torture, etc. — The Museum of the Provinciaal Genootschap van Kunst en Wetenschappen in Noordbrabant (open on week-days, 1-3) contains Roman, German, Franconian, and later antiquities, chiefly from N. Brabant, manuscripts, pictures, drawings, maps, and coins.

About 10 M. from Bois-le-Duc is the magnificent château of Heeswyk (reached by steam-tramway in 1 hr.), the property of Baron van den Bogarde van Ter Brugge, containing an extensive collection of state-weapons and other interesting mediaeval and Renaissance objects. Strangers admitted on sending in their cards. Fee 1 fl. — The steam-tramway is prolonged hence to Veghel (p. 299).

The train crosses the Maas near (93 M.) Hedel, and reaches —

95 M. Bommel, or Zaltbommel (*Hôtel Gotshalk), formerly a strongly-fortified place, which was unsuccessfully besieged by the Spaniards in 1599. In 1672 it was taken by Turenne after a gallant defence by the small garrison. The church possesses one of the handsomest and loftiest towers in the country (15th cent.), and contains some ancient mural paintings. The House of Maarten van
Rossum (p. 290) is interesting from an architectural point of view. The ebb and flow of the tide affect the river as far as this point.

The train crosses the broad Waal. 97 1/2 M. Waardenburg; 100 M. Geldermalsen (p. 305), beyond which the Linge is crossed.

Near (103 1/2 M.) Kuilenborg the Lek, or Lower Rhine, is traversed by a bridge of a single arch, 164 yds. in span (the largest in Europe). Kuilenborg, or Culemborg, was once the seat of the counts of that name, who are frequently mentioned in the history of the Dutch War of Independence.

About 6 M. above Kuilenborg, at the point where the Kromme Rhyn ('crooked Rhine') diverges from the Lek, lies Wyk by Durnstede, perhaps the Balanodurus of the Romans, and a commercial town of some importance (Doresadium) in the time of Charlemagne. Adjacent is an old villa of the Bishops of Utrecht.

Below Kuilenborg lie Vianen, supposed to be the Fanum Divinarum of Ptolemy, and Vreeswyk, connected with each other by a bridge-of-boats. At Vreeswyk are large sluices for the Keutsche Vaart, or canal uniting Amsterdam with the Rhine.

110 M. Schalkwyk; 113 M. Houten. The train then crosses the Kromme Rhyn.

119 M. Utrecht, see below.

Railway Stations. Utrecht has two railway stations: that of the Rhynspoortweg (Pl. A, 3; see Route 43), and that of the Winterspoortweg (Pl. D, 4; see Route 51), connected with each other by a loop-line.

Hotels. "Hôtel des Pays-Bas (Pl. a; C, 2), in the Janskerkhof; Hôtel de l'Europe (Pl. b; B, 2), and Bellevue (Pl. d; B, 2), both on the Vreeburg; "Vieux Château d'Anvers (Pl. b; B, 2), Oude Gracht; De Liggoende (a) on the Vreeburg (Pl. A, B, 2), an old Dutch house, R., B., & A. 2, D. at 4 p.m. 2 1/2 fl.; Hôtel de la Station (Pl. c; A, 2), opposite the Rhine Station, with restaurant and café, R. & B. 1/4, D. 2 fl.

Restaurants. Haagsche Koffihuis, on the Vreeburg (Pl. A, B, 2); Riche, Oude Gracht 63 (Pl. C, 3); Wiener Café, Oude Gracht 50 (Pl. B, 2); Lotz, Oudkerkhof 84, near the town-hall. — Tivoli, in the Singel (Pl. D, 2), with a garden, popular entertainments.

Gabs. From the stations into the town 1-2 pers. 60, 3 pers. 70, 4 pers. 90 c.; per hr. for 1-4 pers. 1 fl., each additional 1/4 hr. 25 c.

Tramway from the station of the Rhynspoortweg to Zeist (p. 288), every 1/2 hr. in summer, on Sun. every 20 min.; fare 35 c.; also to Vreeswyk (see above).


Utrecht ("Oude Trecht", old ford), the capital of the Dutch province of that name, with 74,300 inhab. (1/3rd Rom. Cath.), the Trajectum ad Rhenum (ford of the Rhine) of the Romans, subsequently called Wijlaby by the Frisians and Franks, is one of the most ancient towns in the Netherlands. Dagobert, the first king of the E. Franks, founded the first church at Utrecht, then occupied by Frisians, whose bishop was St. Willebrordus. St. Boniface, a monk from Exeter, who afterwards became archbishop of Mayence, once taught here. The archbishops of Utrecht were among the most powerful of mediæval prelates, and the town was celebrated
at an early period for the beauty of its churches. It first belonged to Lorraine, and then to the German Empire, and was frequently the residence of the emperors. The Emp. Conrad II. died here in 1039, and the Emp. Henry V., the last of the powerful Salic line, in 1125, and both were interred in the cathedral of Spires. The Emp. Charles V. erected the Vreeburg here in 1530 in order to keep the citizens in check, but it was destroyed in 1577 on the outbreak of the War of Independence. The site of the castle, at the entrance to the town from the station, still retains the name. Adrian Florissoon Boeyens, the tutor of Charles V., one of the most pious and learned men of his age, afterwards Pope Adrian VI., was born at Utrecht in 1459. In 1579 the Union of the seven provinces of Holland, Zeeland, Utrecht, Guelders, Over-Yssel, Friesland, and Groningen, whereby the independence of the Netherlands was established, was concluded in the Hall of the Academy of Utrecht under the presidency of Count John of Nassau, brother of William the Silent. The States General were in the habit of assembling here from that date down to 1593, when the seat of government was transferred to the Hague. In 1672 Louis XIV. levied a heavy contribution upon the citizens. The celebrated Peace of Utrecht, which terminated the Spanish War of Succession, was concluded here on 11th April, 1713.

At Utrecht the Rhine divides into two branches, one of which, named the 'Old Rhine', falls into the North Sea near Katwyk (p. 251), while the other, called the Vecht, empties itself into the Zuiderzee near Muiden (p. 281). The town is intersected by two canals, the Oude and Nieuwe Gracht, which flow far below the level of the adjoining houses. Some of the rooms and vaults below the wharfs are occupied as dwellings.

The Cathedral (Pl. 1; C, 3), a spacious cruciform edifice in the Gothic style, dedicated to St. Martin, was erected in 1254-67 by Bishop Vianen on the site of the original church, which was founded by St. Willebrordus, Bishop of Utrecht, about 720, and completed by Bishop Adelbold in 1015. In consequence of a violent hurricane on 1st Aug., 1674, the nave fell in, and as it was never re-erected, a wide interval has been left between the choir, with the transept, and the W. tower. When complete it was one of the finest and largest churches in Holland (comp. p. xxxix).

The Interior (the sacristan lives at the N.E. corner of the church; 25 c.), which is 115 ft. in height, and 30 ft. in width, is disfigured by pews, so that the impression produced by this venerable Gothic relic with its eighteen slender columns is almost entirely destroyed. The monument of Admiral van Gent, who fell in 1672 at the naval battle of Soulsbai, was executed in black and white marble by Rombout Verhulst in 1676. The monuments of Bishops Guy of Avesnes (d. 1317), Jan van Arkel (d. 1378), and George van Egmont (d. 1549) are also interesting. The extensive vaults beneath the choir contain the hearts of the German Emperors Conrad II. and Henry V., who died at Utrecht.

The fine Gothic Cloisters adjoining the choir on the S., re-
ently restored by Cuypers, connect the Cathedral with the University. In the space between the tower and choir a bronze statue of Count John of Nassau (see above), by Stracké, was erected in 1883.

The Cathedral Tower, formerly 364 ft. in height, now 338 ft. only, erected in 1321-82, having been begun by the architect Jan ten Doem of Hainault, rests on a handsome vaulted passage 36 ft. in height. It is square in form, with a double superstructure, of which the upper is octagonal and open. The chimes consist of 42 bells, one of which, the St. Salvador, adorned with an image of the Saviour, was cast in the 15th cent. and weighs 8 1/2 tons. A flight of 120 steps ascends to the dwelling of the sacristan (where the tariff for the ascent is exhibited: 1-2 pers. 25 c.; for a larger party, 10 c. each), 200 more to the gallery, and 138 thence to the platform. The view embraces almost the whole of Holland, and part of Guelders and N. Brabant.

The University (Pl. 10; C, 3), adjoining the cathedral, with which it is connected by the above-named cloisters, was founded in 1636, and has long enjoyed a high reputation (36 professors and upwards of 500 students). The Aula, in the Gothic style, originally the chapter-house of the cathedral, was restored in 1879 from ancient plans. The Senate Room contains portraits of two professors by Frans Hals and Rembrandt. The chief academical institutions in this building are the Museum of Natural History, with preparations in wax by Dr. Koning, and the Physical and Chemical Laboratories.

The St. Pieterskerk (Pl. 5; D, 3), to the E. of the cathedral, originally a flat-roofed church, supported by columns, was founded in 1039, but has been frequently renewed; the curious old crypt with its columns is still preserved. The church is now used by a Walloon congregation.

The St. Janskerk (Pl. 4; C, 2), to the N. of the cathedral, in the Romanesque style (1050), with a late-Gothic choir of 1589, contains several monuments of little merit. Adjacent is the Anatomical Institute of the University (Pl. 12). — The Jacobikerk (Pl. 3; B, 1), founded in 1173 and restored in 1882, contains the monument of Pastor Huibert Duifhuis (d. 1581; below the organ).

The University Library (Pl. 11; C, D, 1, 2) occupies the palace built for King Louis Napoleon in 1807. It contains 111,000 vols. and 1500 MSS., including a psalter of the 9th cent., embellished with miniatures, and several others of great value. The reading-room is open from 11 to 4.

The Paushuisen (pope's house), on the Nieuwe Gracht, recalls by its name Pope Adrian VI. (p. 294), who built it in 1517 when Provost of St. Salvator. It now contains several public offices (Pl. 15), including the telegraph-office. On the gable is a fine old statue of the Saviour.

The *Archiepiscopal Museum (Aartsbisschoppelyk Museum;
Route 44. Utrech. Stadhuis.

Pl. D, 3), opened in 1872, affords an admirable illustration of all the branches of sacred art practised in the Netherlands. Admission daily, except Sundays and holidays, 10-5; 50 c.

The collection is arranged in a number of small rooms. The pictures are chiefly by unknown Dutch or Flemish masters of the 15-17th centuries. Room I. On the entrance-wall are works of the Early Cologne School and on the right are a few old paintings by Siensen Masters. By the window are some costly bindings for Gospels, of the 11-13th centuries. — Room II.: To the left, Embroidery for ecclesiastical vestments, 15-16th cent.; in the middle, old printed Bibles; by the exit, two portraits attributed to Jan van Schooreel. — Room III.: Embroideries of the 15-16th cent.; opposite the windows, Four pilgrims in the crypt of the church at Bethlehem, a large picture of the 16th cent.; in the glass-cases are chalices, ciboria, and other ecclesiastical vessels; Byzantine Madonna of the 11th cent. and other carvings in ivory. — Room IV. Sculptures. Christ blessing little children, a painting by Werner van den Vakkert (1620). — We now ascend to the upper floor. Room V. Ecclesiastical vestments, brocades from Ghent and Utrecht, and other textile fabrics of the 13-16th centuries. — Room VI. French, Dutch, and Venetian lace.

The Roman Catholic Church of St. Catherine, in the adjoining Katherinsteeg (Pl. C, D, 4), a late-Gothic building of 1524, was restored in 1880 from plans by Van Brink. The interior has been decorated with polychrome ornamentation, and contains a screen by Mengelberg of Utrecht.

The Museum Kunstliefe, a small picture-gallery in the upper floor of the building of Arts and Sciences (Pl. 14; B, 3), contains a number of works by the early Utrecht masters, the chief of whom was Jan van Schoorel, Schoort, or Schooreel (1495-1562), one of the first Dutch painters who visited Italy. Exhibitions of modern paintings are sometimes held here, during which the ancient works are inaccessible. Admission on Mon., Wed., Fri. 1-4, 25 c.; Sun. and holidays 12-4, free. The new scientific catalogue, by De Vries and Brodius, contains facsimiles of the signatures and coats-of-arms (1 1/2 fl.).


The Stadhuis (Pl. 24; C, 2), built in 1830, also contains a small collection of pictures and other objects of art (Museum van Oudheden), which is arranged on the upper floor, and is open daily, except Sundays and holidays, from 10 to 4; admission 10 c., Wed. free. Catalogue 1 fl. 25 c.

Room I. By the entrance, two richly-ornamented capitals of the 11th
to the left, 75. Painted alto-relief, with a representation of John the Baptist, 11th cent.; 117. Alto-relief with the Madonna, St. James, and the donor, 15th cent. from all Utrecht churches. — Room II. Reliefs with saints, from chimney-pieces of the 15th cent. (117. St. Martin dividing his cloak, 116. Four saints); 115. Recumbent sepulchral figure of a knight, 14th cent.; carved wooden brackets of the 15th cent. — Room III. Upper part of a gable in the Renaissance style, with a statue of Charles V. (16th cent., badly restored); between the windows, *Friezes from chimney-pieces, with subjects after Raphael. — Room IV. contains Roman and Germanic antiquities, including terracotta and bronze figures, prehistoric weapons, ivory carvings, coins and medals, and inscriptions. — Room V. In the centre, under glass, Model of the Utrecht Cathedral; instruments of torture (17th cent.). Large stoneware jug, adorned with the Graces and fine Renaissance ornamentation, executed by Jan Eemensz of Cologne in 1578; French holster-pistol, with rich copper Renaissance ornamentation; model of a Dutch citizen's house of the latter half of the 17th cent., with richly-carved furniture, miniature portraits by Moucheron and others. ivory carvings, and a silver stove; 290. Small carved table, on which the Peace of Utrecht is said to have been signed in 1713; collection of dies for seals and coins. — Room VI. contains several drawings of the cathedral (before and after the fall of the nave) and other Utrecht churches, by P. Saenredam, H. Saft-Leven, J. Domer, and other 17th cent. artists; copy of Schoorel's portrait of Pope Adrian IV.; and medieval coins from 1027 downwards, arranged in chronological order. — Room VII. Drawings and views of Utrecht in the 17-18th cent.; model of a lock near Utrecht.

The Mint ('S Rijks Munt; Pl. 22), where the money current in Holland and its E. Indian colonies is coined, contains Dutch coins and medals, dies, etc., both ancient and modern.

The Museum van Kunstverheffing, in the Wittevrouwenbrug (Pl. D, 1), founded in 1884, contains art-industrial collections, and is open daily, 1-4 (25 c., Sun. free). — The School Museum (Pl. C, 1), a collection of educational requisites, is open from 10 to 4 (25 c.).

On the E. side of the town is the famous Maliebaan, a triple avenue of lime-trees, more than ½ M. in length, which was spared by the express command of Louis XIV. at a period when no respect was paid by his armies to public or private property. It is approached by the Maliebrug (Pl. D, 4) and is flanked by handsome houses. — The Ramparts have been converted into pleasant promenades, everywhere bounded by flowing water.

Environs. The country for many miles around Utrecht is attractive, being studded with numerous mansions, parks, and gardens, and fertilised by the ramifications of the Rhine and a number of canals. The finest of these seats is the château of Soestdyk, 12 M. to the N. of Utrecht, near the railway-station of Baarn (p. 312), presented by the States General in 1816 to the Prince of Orange (afterwards King William II., d. 1849), in recognition of his bravery at the Battle of Waterloo, which is commemorated by a handsome monument in the avenue. It now belongs to the present king. — Another pleasant excursion may be taken by Zeist (p. 288), and Driebergen to (9 M.) Doorn (tramway), or to Amersfoort (p. 312), Hilversum (p. 312), etc.

Utrecht is the principal seat of the Jansenists, a sect of Roman Catholics who call themselves the Church of Utrecht, and who now exist.
almost exclusively in Holland. The founder of the sect was Bishop Jan-
senius of Ypres (d. 1638; p. 28), whose five theses on the necessity of di-
vine grace in accordance with the tenets of St. Augustine (published
posthumously) in a book termed 'Augustinus') were condemned by a bull
of Alexander VII. in 1656, at the instigation of the Jesuits, as heretical.
The adherents of the bishop refused to recognise this bull, thus de facto
separating themselves from the Church of Rome. The sect was formerly
not uncommon in France and Brabant, but was suppressed in the former
country by a bull of Clement XI. in 1713, termed 'Unigenitus', to which
the French government gave effect. The Dutch branch of the sect, how-
ever, continued to adhere to their peculiar doctrines. After various dis-
putes with the court of Rome, a provincial synod was held at Utrecht
in 1763 with a view to effect a compromise.

According to the resolutions of that assembly the 'Old Roman Ca-
tholics' (Roomsche Katholyken der oude Kleresy), as the Jansenists style
themselves, do not desire to renounce their allegiance to the Pope and
the Church of Rome. But (1) they reject the constitution of Alexander VII.
of 1656, on the ground that the five theses which it condemns are not
truly to be found in the writings of Jansenius as alleged. (2) They re-
pudiate the bull 'Unigenitus', and appeal from it to a general Council,
and they adhere to the Augustine doctrine and its strict code of morality.
(3) They insist on the right of chapters of cathedrals to elect their own
bishops, and the right of bishops to consecrate other bishops, without
the confirmation of the Pope as required by Gregory VII.

The Archiepiscopal See of Utrecht comprises three parishes at Utrecht,
and sixteen in other towns and villages of Holland. To the Episcopal
Diocese of Haarlem belong two parishes at Amsterdam, and six in other
parts of Holland. A Jansenist community also exists at Nordstrand in
Denmark. At Amersfoort (p. 312) there is a seminary connected with this
church. In all there are 27 Jansenist communities with 5350 adherents.

45. From Arnhem to Cologne.

1. Railway of the Left Bank
   (via Cleve and Orefeld).

90½ M. Railway in 3¾-4½ hrs., crossing the Rhine at Elten (fares
7 fl. 65, 5 fl. 65, 3 fl. 85 cts.). German frontier at Elten. Travellers en-
tering Germany should observe that all new articles, and objects not re-
quired for personal use, are liable to duty; the examination, however,
is generally lenient. — Steamboat, see p. 300.

   Stations Westervoort, Duiven, Zevenaar, the frontier-station of
Holland, and Elten, that of Prussia. The line crosses the Rhine
by means of a floating bridge propelled by steam.

17½ M. Cleve (*Maywald, on a height to the S.; *Badhôtel ÿ
Hôtel Styrum, in the Thiergarten, on the W. side of the town, both
with large gardens; *Prinzenhof, with a fine park; *Robbers, also
in the Thiergarten; *Loock, opposite the post-office; *Holtzem, ad-
joining the Schloss; Visitors' Tax 5 m.), once the capital of a
duchy of that name, with 10,100 inhab., is charmingly situated
on three hills which form part of a wooded range, and is much
frequented as a summer-residence by Dutch families. The *Stifts-
kirche, an imposing brick edifice, contains several monuments of
Counts and Dukes of Cleve (the finest that of Adolph VI, d. 1394),
and one of Margaretha von Berg (d. 1425). In the market-place
is the Lohengrin Monument, erected in 1882 to commemorate the
legend of the Knight of the Swan, the scene of which is laid at Cleve. On the way to the Schloss rises a modern monument to John Sigismund, Elector of Brandenburg, who took possession of the Duchy of Cleve in 1609. On an abrupt and picturesque eminence in the middle of the town rises the old Schloss or Schwane
nenburg (the court of which contains a Roman altar found in the neighbourhood), with the Schwanenturm (‘swan’s tower’), 184 ft. in height. The latter was erected by Adolph I. in 1439, on the site of an ancient tower supposed to have been built by Cesar. The Schwanenturm and the Clever-Berg, ½ M. distant, command the finest views on the Lower Rhine. To the S. the hills extend past the Prinzenhof (now a hotel and pension), as far as ‘Berg un
d Thal’. Those to the W., called the Thiergarten, are laid out as a park, and extend along the high-road as far as Nymegen.

From Cleve to Nymegen, 17 M., railway in ¾-1 hr. (fares 2 m. 20, 1 m. 60, 1 m. 10 pf.). The intermediate stations are Nüttolden; Cranenburg, the last in Prussia; Groesbeek, the seat of the Dutch custom-house. — Nymegen, see p. 301.

At (25 M.) Goch a new line (on which no express trains run) diverges to Genem, Beugen (p. 304), Uden, Veghel, and Boxtel (p. 306). 32 M. Kevelaer is a great resort of pilgrims. 37½ M. Geldern, once the capital of the Duchy of Guelders, has belonged to Prussia since 1713. Stations Nieuwkerk, Aldekerk, and (49½) Kempen. Thence to —

90½ M. Cologne, see R. 48.


(via Emmerich and Düsseldorf.)

100 M. Railway in 4½-6 hrs. (fares 7 fl. 15, 5 fl. 58, 4 fl. 20 cts.). German frontier at Elten.

Stations Westervoort, Duiven, Zevenaar (the last in Holland), Elten (the first in Prussia).

19½ M. Emmerich (Hôtel Royal; Hof von Holland; Hôtel Bahnhof), on the Rhine, is a clean, Dutch-looking town. At the upper end rises the Gothic tower of the church of St. Aldegonde (1283); at the lower end is the Münster, a church in the transitional style of the 11-12th cent., with an interesting crypt. Next stations Empel and Wesel, a strongly-fortified town at the influx of the Lippe into the Rhine. A branch-line diverges here to Bocholt and (24 M.) Winterswijk (p. 310).

57 M. Oberhausen (Holländischer Hof; Rail. Restaurant), on the Ruhr, is the junction for Ruhort (p. 300) and for the Cologne-Minden railway. This is one of the chief coal-districts in Prussia. 62 M. Duisburg is a thriving town of very ancient origin, with 43,300 inhabitants. 71 M. Kaiserswerth, a venerable town on the Rhine, 1½ M. to the W. (p. 300).

76 M. Düsseldorf (*Breidenbacher Hof; Europäischer Hof; Römischer Kaiser; Kölnischer Hof; Hôtel Thüngen, etc.), with
RUHRORT.

95,500 inhab., formerly the capital of the Duchy of Berg, possesses a famous School of Painting, founded by Elector Palatine Charles Theodore in 1767, and revived in 1822. (Fuller information in Baedeker's Rhine.) — Beyond Benrath rises a royal château, erected in 1768 by Elector Charles Theodore. Beyond stat. Langenfeld the train crosses the Wupper, and then the Dhün. Last stations Kupper-steg and Mülheim. The slow trains stop at Deutz, but the express crosses the Rhine to —

100 M. Cologne (see Baedeker's Rhine).

3. Steamboat Route.

Steamboat daily in summer, in 13-15 hrs. (pleasanter in the reverse direction). German frontier at Emmerich.

On our right, soon after leaving Arnhem, lies Huissen, a little below which the Yssel, one of the chief branches of the Rhine, diverges to the left to the Zuiderzee.

1. Huis Loo, or Candia, an old brick château, with three towers.

1. Pannerden, a village with a church with pointed spire, a windmill, and neat houses.

Near Millingen the most important of the numerous branches of the Rhine diverges to the W., and from this point down to its junction with the Maas takes the name of Waal.

1. Lobith is the last Dutch village, where the luggage of travellers descending the river is examined. On the opposite bank, at some distance from the river, is the Schenkenschanz, situated on another branch of the Rhine. It was formerly a strong fortress, and lay at the bifurcation of the Waal and Lower Rhine, whereas the river, having changed its course, now divides at Milingen. The stunted church-tower of the village of Schenkenschanz rises from amid the ruins. The Rhine was crossed near this point on 12th June, 1672, by Louis XIV. with Prince Condé, who was wounded here, and a large army, with a view to conquer Holland. The boldness of this Passage of the Rhine is greatly extolled by Boileau in his elaborate lines written on the occasion, but owing to an unusual drought the river was nearly dried up, and the undertaking was probably attended with no serious difficulty.

The first indication of our approach to the mountainous and picturesque scenery of the Rhine is the range of wooded heights on the right, which form the watershed between the Rhine and Meuse, and on which Cleve (p. 298) is pleasantly situated, about 3 M. from the river. The first eminence on the bank of the river itself is the Eilener Berg with its ancient abbey (now suppressed), which rises on the left as Emmerich is approached. We are, however, still nearly 100 M. from the 'Seven Mountains', which rise at the beginning of the most picturesque part of the river.

Emmerich, see p. 299.

r. Grieth.

1. Rees, once strongly fortified.

r. Xanten, 2 M. from the Rhine, a town of very ancient origin, possesses a handsome Gothic church, with conspicuous spires.

1. Wesel, an important Prussian fortress (p. 299). On the same bank, higher up, rises the old castle of Haus Wohnung.

r. Orsoy.

1. Ruhrort, a town of 9000 inhab. at the mouth of the Ruhr, which here forms an extensive harbour, is a busy coal-trading and iron-manufacturing place.

r. Homberg, whence Aix-la-Chapelle may be reached in 3-4 hrs.

1. Duisburg, a busy town, situated 1½ M. from the river (p. 299).

r. Uerdingen, a manufacturing place.

1. Kaiserseerth ('emperor's island') was formerly an island and derived its name from the Emp. Frederick I. The brick walls and archways
of the ancient castle of the Franks, which was considerably enlarged by Frederick, are still extant. In 1062 the Archbishop of Cologne carried off the young German king Henry IV. from this castle. The parish-church, dating from the 13th cent., contains the relics of St. Suitbertus, an Irishman, who first preached the Gospel in this district.

1. **Düsseldorf** (p. 299), where the river is crossed by a railway-bridge and a bridge-of-boats. Further on, the tower of the handsome church of St. Quirinus at Neuss, erected in 1209, comes into view on the right.

r. **Grimlinghausen**.

r. **Worringen**, a small town, near which, on 4th June, 1288, John Duke of Brabant and Adolph Count of Berg defeated and took prisoner the Archbishop Siegfried of Cologne, a victory which added the fertile Duchy of Limburg to the dominions of Brabant.

1. **Mülheim**, a manufacturing place, at the lower end of which rises **Stammheim**, a château of Count Fürstenberg, with a Gothic chapel. The towers of Cologne and its dense mass of houses now become visible.

Cologne, see Baedeker’s Rhine.

### 46. From Arnhem to Nymegen, 'S Hertogenbosch, and Tilburg.

51½ M. RAILWAY (*Nederland. Staatsspoorweg*) in 1¾-2½ hrs. (fares 4 fl. 20, 3 fl. 25 c., 2 fl.) — Between Arnhem and Nymegen a steamer plies twice daily in 2½ hrs.

**Arnhem**, see p. 289. The railway passes **Oosterbeek** (p. 289), crosses the Rhine, and runs southwards through the **Betuwe** (p. 289). 5½ M. **Elst**; 7½ M. **Ressen-Bemmel**, the junction for the lines mentioned at p. 304. After passing **Lent**, on the right bank of the Waal, opposite Nymegen, the train crosses the river by an iron bridge of three arches.

10½ M. **Nymegen.** — **Hotels.** 3️⃣**Hôtel Place Royale**, Ridderstraat, near the Valkhof; 3️⃣**Hôtel Ariens**, Prijemstraat, near the flying bridge across the Waal, a commercial house with moderate charges; **Hôtel Boguia**, Burgstraat. — **Hof van Brabant**, Korenmarkt; **De Golden Leeuw**, Lange Hezelstraat, unpretending. — **Omnibus** from the station to the town, 20 c. — The **Hôtel Berg en Dal** (p. 303), 3½ M. to the E. of Nymegen (omnibus at the station) is much frequented in summer (pens. with R. 4½ fl.); good table-d’hôte (4 p.m.) and restaurant.

**Gasthuis.** **Hamerstraat**, in the market-place; **Swisse**, Burgstraat, with a winter-garden. — The **Societeit Burgertust** (p. 302) is generally open to strangers who make polite application.

**Baths.** In the Waal, near the flying bridge at Lent (p. 303). **Warm Baths** near the Kronenburg Park.

**Steamboats** to Arnhem, Tiel, and Rotterdam, once or twice daily.

**Nymegen**, in German, **Nimwegen**, with 28,800 inhab. (3/4 Rom. Cath.), the **Castellum Noviomagum** of Caesar, occupies a site on an amphitheatre of seven hills, rising from the left bank of the Waal. In the Carolingian epoch it was frequently the residence of the emperors; subsequently it became a free imperial town and a member of the Hanseatic League, and in 1579 it joined the Union of Utrecht (p. 294). It was captured by the Spaniards in 1685, and was retaken by Maurice of Orange in 1691. The French under Turenne occupied the town in 1672, but evacuated it at the peace of Nymegen.

In 1877-84 the old fortifications encircling the town were con-
verted into a broad promenade. To the W., near the station, lies the Kronenburg Park, prettily laid out with rockeries and a waterfall, and containing one of the sixteen towers that strengthened the old town-walls.

Almost in the centre of the town rises the Groote Kerk or Church of St. Stephen, a Gothic edifice, begun in 1272 and substantially completed in the 14th and 15th cent., though there are a few modern additions. The barrel vaulting of the nave, supported by 32 slender pillars, replaces a former and more strictly Gothic pointed vaulting. The choir contains the Monument of Catherine of Bourbon (d. 1469), wife of Adolphus, Duke of Guelders, with a 'brass' bearing the figure of the duchess. Below are representations of the Apostles and sixteen coats-of-arms of the House of Bourbon. The organ is a fine instrument (public performance every Tuesday in summer, 2-3 p.m.). The tower, which had suffered seriously from fire and bombardment, was renewed in the rococo style; the top commands a fine view (key kept by the castellan).

Through the Kerkboog we descend hence to the E. to the Groote Markt, with the Weigh House, built in 1612 and renewed in 1885. — Farther on, in the Korte Burgstraat, stands the —

*Stadhuis, erected in the Renaissance style in 1554, and judiciously restored, with statues of German kings and emperors on the façade.

The Vestibule contains raised seats adorned with carving, on which the magistrates formerly sat in criminal cases. — The interior possesses a few pictures, among which are the old château of Valkhof (see below) by Jan von Goyen, and portraits of the ambassadors who here signed in 1678 the Peace of Nymegen between Louis XIV, the States General, and Spain. The 'Riddle of Nymegen' is a picture representing a complicated relationship of the year 1609. Several of the rooms are hung with old tapestry.

The town-hall also contains an interesting Museum (open daily; fee). In the first room are medieval and modern objects, among which are the silver-mounted drinking-bowl of the Skippers' Guild; missals of the Bakers' Guild; a wooden tun, used for the public punishment of adulterers; the sword with which Counts Egmont and Hoorn were executed (p. 32); coins of Nymegen; and ancient MSS. and documents. The second room contains prehistoric, Germanic, and Roman antiquities, all discovered in the vicinity of Nymegen, and most of them during the recent levelling of the fortifications. Among them are numerous coins and a sarcophagus constructed of 52 tiles bearing the stamp of the tenth legion.

The Burgstraat continues in an easterly direction, and then turns slightly towards the left, passing a Monument (with a statue of Victory after Rauch) erected to commemorate the construction of the railway from Nymegen to Cleve (1865), and the Societetit Burgerlust (p. 301). It ends at the shady pleasure-grounds of the Valkhof, laid out on an eminence above the Waal. Here are the scanty ruins of a palace of the Carlovingian emperors, to which Eginohard, the biographer of Charlemagne, assigns an equal rank with the celebrated palace at Ingelheim. The memory of the Great Emperors endures to this day among the people; the curfew which sounds
between 8.30 and 9 p.m. is known as 'Keizer Karel's Klock', and
the finest square in the new quarter of the town is named 'Keizer
Karel's Plein'. Of the palace-church only a fragment of the choir is
extant. An interesting and well-preserved relic is the sixteen-sided
Gothic Baptisteriy, consecrated by Pope Leo III. in 799, but re-
erected in the 12th century (key kept by the custodian of the Valkhof
grounds). The legend of the Knight of the Swan is related of
Nymegen as well as of Cleve (comp. p. 298).

At the E. end of the old town, near the Valkhof, rises the
*Belvedere*, a lofty building resembling a tower (now a café, 10 c.
charged for the ascent). The present building was erected by the
town in 1646, on the foundations of one of the towers of the
fortifications.

The platform commands an extensive and pleasing prospect,
embracing Cleve, Arnhem, the heights of Elten, the fertile fields
and rich pastures of the Betuwe, and the Waal, Rhine, Maas, and
Yssel. To the S.E. of the Belvedere lies the Hünnerpark.

The best view of Nymegen is obtained from Lent, a village on
the right bank of the Waal, connected with the town by means of
a flying bridge. A fortification, known as the Knodsenburg, was
built here in 1590 by Prince Maurice of Orange.

The well-wooded and undulating environs of Nymegen rival
in beauty the neighbouring Arnhem and Cleve. At the finest
point, about 31½ M. from the town, is situated the *Hotel Berg en
Dal* (p. 301), commanding one of the loveliest prospects on the
lower Rhine. To reach the hotel we may follow either the direct
road, or the way to the S. through the Meerwyk (2 hrs.), or the way
to the N. by Ubbergen and Beek (1½ hr.). The second of these
routes may be recommended for going; and the last, on which a
tramway line is being constructed, for returning. The walk to the
Duirelsbergh on the Wyler Meer (20 min.) is also picturesque.

Beyond Nymegen the railway to S'Hertogenbosch passes (16½ M.)
Wychen, with an old château, now the property of Baron Osy of
Antwerp, and crosses the Maas. 21 M. Ravenstein; 23½ M. Ber-
chem; 26 M. Oss, the chief place for the manufacture of artificial
butter, which is mostly exported to England; 29 M. Nuland-Geffen;
34 M. Rosmalen.

37¾ M. 'S'Hertogenbosch, see p. 292.
The last stations are Vught (p. 292), Helvoirt, and Udenhout.
51½ M. Tilburg, see p. 306.

47. From Maastricht to Nymegen (*Amersfoort,
Gorinchem*).

79½ M. Railway (*Holland. Staatsspoorweg*) in 2¾ hrs. (fares 6 fl. 25,
5 fl. 25, 3 fl. 25 c.)

*Maastricht*, see p. 197. — The railway follows the general
course of the Maas, but at some distance from the stream. 33½ M.
Bunde; 8 M. Beek-Elsloo; 13 M. Sittard (Hôtel Hähnen), a small manufacturing town with 5100 inhab.; 16½ M. Susteren, whence a diligence plies daily to the little town of (4½ M.) Maaseyck (p. 160), on the other side of the Maas. — 20 M. Echt; 23½ M. Maasbracht-Linne.

28 M. Roermond (Munster Hotel; Lion d'Or; Hôtel de l'Empereur), a small town with 10,000 inhab., at the confluence of the Roer and the Meuse, possessing considerable cloth-factories. The Minster, formerly the church of a Cistercian nunnery, consecrated in 1224, and recently restored, is a good example of the Transition style. St. Christopher's is adorned with several paintings. — Roermond is the junction for the München-Gladbach and Antwerp railway (R. 18). — 31 M. Swalmen; 34½ M. Reuver; 37 M. Belfeld; 39 M. Tegelen.

41 M. Venlo (Zwynshofd; Hotel Huengens), a town with 9000 inhab., lies on the right bank of the Maas, and is connected by a bridge with the opposite village of Blerick. It was formerly strongly fortified and sustained numerous sieges, but the works were razed in 1868. Venlo is the junction of railways to München-Gladbach (p. 161), to Wesel (Paris and Hamburg line), and to Boxtel-Rotterdam (R. 48).

Steamboat on the Maas from Venlo to Rotterdam, 4 times a week; see the Officiele Reisgids.

The train crosses the Maas. At Blerick (see above) the line to Rotterdam diverges to the left.

47 M. Grubbenvorst-Klooster; 48 M. Grubbenvorst-Lottum; 51 M. Meerlo-Tienray; 55 M. Venray; 59½ M. Vierlingsbeek; 64 M. Boxmeer, with an old castle and town-hall; 67½ M. Beugen, the junction for Boxtel and Wesel (p. 299); 70½ M. Cuyk. Near (74 M.) Mook, on the heath of the same name, the Princes Louis and Henry of Orange, brothers of William the Silent, were defeated and slain by the Spaniards, on March 15th, 1574.

79½ M. Nymegen, see p. 301.

The Railway from Nymegen to Amersfoort (about 34 M. long) is to be opened in the summer of 1885. It crosses the Waal by the bridge mentioned at p. 301, and follows the Arnhem railway as far as Ressen-Bemmel, where it diverges to the W., passing Valburg (see below), Zetten-Andelst, Hemmen-Dodewaard and Kesteren. At Rhenen, which possesses a Gothic church and an elegant tower built in 1492-1531, the train crosses the Rhine. At Veenendaal the railway intersects the Arnhem and Utrecht line. It then crosses the Eem and reaches Amersfoort, see p. 312.

From Nymegen (and Arnhem) to Gorinchem.

50 M. Railway in 2½-2¾ hrs. (fares 3 fl. 85, 3 fl. 20, 1 fl. 95 c. from Arnhem 3 fl. 60, 3 fl.; 1 fl. 80 c.).

From Nymegen to Kesteren we follow the line described above. Valburg (see above) is the junction of the line coming from Arn-
hem via Oosterbeek and Elst (p. 301). Beyond Kesteren our line diverges to the left and crosses the Echteld.

25 M. Tiel (Meyer; Gorbelym), a town with 9000 inhab., on the right bank of the Waal, received its municipal liberties from Otho I. in 972, when it was already a commercial place of some importance. In 1582 it was unsuccessfully besieged by the Spaniards, but it was taken by Turenne in 1672.

30 M. Wadenoyen, prettily situated; 34½ M. Geldermalsen, on the Linge, the junction of the Boxel and Utrecht line (p. 306). Then, Beest, Leerdam, and Arkel.

50 M. Gorinchem or Gorcum (Hôtel des Pays-Bas), with 9700 inhab., was one of the first towns which the 'Water Gueux', or those insurgents who aided their compatriots by sea, took from the Spaniards in 1572. It is situated at the point where the Linge flows into the Merwede, the name given for a short distance to the river formed by the union of the Waal and the Maas (2 M. to the W.), which afterwards resumes the name of Maas.

Opposite Gorinchem lies Woudrichem or Worcum, a little above which is the Castle of Loenenstein. In 1619 Hogerbeets and Hugo Grotius (De Groot), the pensionaries or chief senators of Leyden and Rotterdam, were condemned as Arminians to be imprisoned for life in this castle. The latter, however, with the aid of his wife, effected his escape in a book-chest the following year.

About 4 M. below Gorinchem, on the left bank, begins the Biesbosch (literally 'reed-forest'), a vast district, consisting of upwards of 100 islands, more than 40 square miles in area, formed by a destructive inundation in 1421. No fewer than 72 market towns and villages were destroyed by the floods and upwards of 100,000 persons perished. The Biesbosch is intersected by the broad artificial channel of the Nieuwe Merwede.

Gorinchem is for the present the terminus of the railway, which is to be continued across the Merwede to join the Antwerp, Dort, and Rotterdam line (p. 307). The extension will probably be ready for use in the course of 1885.

48. From Cologne to Rotterdam by Venlo.

158½ M. RAILWAY (Rhenish) to Venlo (60½ M.) in 3-4 hrs. (fares 6 marks 60, 4 m. 90, 3 m. 25 pf.); Dutch Railway thence to Rotterdam (98 M.) in 5-6 hrs. (fares 8 fl. 10, 6 fl. 45, 4 fl. 5 c.). Through-tickets 20 marks 50, 16 m., 10 m. 25 pf. — Stations at Rotterdam, see p. 215.

Cologne, see Baedeker’s Rhine. The train traverses the flat left bank of the Rhine. Stations Nippes, Longerich, Worringen (p. 301), Dormagen, Norf, and (22½ M.) Neuss, the junction of the Gladbach and Düsseldorf line, one of the most ancient towns in Germany (the church of St. Quirinus, in the transitional style, dates from the 13th cent.). 28 M. Osterath. From (28 M.) Oppum a branch-line diverges to Essen and Dortmund.

33 M. Crefeld (Wilden Mann; Hilgers), an important town with 72,500 inhab., and the junction of several lines of railway, possesses extensive silk and velvet manufactories (see Baedeker’s Rhine). At (40 M.) Kempen, the birthplace of Thomas à Kempis

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(d. 1471), the line diverges from that to Cleve and Zevenaar (R. 45). Stations Greifrath, Lobberich, Kaldenkirchen (the last place in Prussia), and —

60½ M. Venlo (p. 304), the seat of the Dutch custom-house authorities, and junction of the lines from Viersen (Neuss and Düsseldorf), Maastricht-Nymegen (R. 47), and Cologne, and also of the line from Paris to Hamburg (via Wesel). — The Rotterdam line crosses the Maas, diverges from the Nymegen line at Blerick (p. 304), and traverses the morass of De Peel (25 M. long, 6 M. wide), which yields excellent peat. 68 M. Horst—Severnum; 74½ M. Helenaveen; 79 M. Deurne. — 84½ M. Helmond, a town with 7000 inhab. on the Zuid—Willems—Kanaal, which the railway crosses. — 90 M. Nuenen-Tongelre.

92½ M. Eindhoven (Hof van Holland), a small manufacturing town, the junction of the Hasselt and Utrecht line (p. 292), which the present route now follows. 99 M. Best.

105 M. Boxtel (Rail. Restaurant), situated at the influx of the Beerse into the Dommel, junction for the line from Goch, mentioned at p. 299. The Utrecht line continues towards the N. (p. 292), while our line turns to the W., and farther on crosses the Nieuwe Ley, another tributary of the Dommel.

110½ M. Oisterwyk. — 116 M. Tilburg (De Gouden Zwaan), a woollen-manufacturing town of 29,500 inhab., with a new Gothic church. Tilburg is the junction of the Hertogenbosch and Nymegen line mentioned at p. 303. A branch-line also diverges here to (19 M.) Turnhout (p. 123), and a steam-tramway to Walwyk and Capelle. — 123 M. Gilze-Ryen.

128½ M. Breda (*De Kroon, De Zwaan, both in the Boschstraat, the principal street; Oude Prins, near the cathedral; Restaurant in the market-place; Rail. Restaurant), a fortified town with 17,200 inhab., lies on the Merk and the Aa, by means of which rivers the whole surrounding country can be laid under water. The Protestant Church (Hervormde Kerk) near the market-place, a late-Gothic edifice consecrated in 1510, with a handsome tower recently restored, contains an imposing Renaissance *Monument to Count Engelbert II. of Nassau, the general and favourite of Emp. Charles V., and his wife Maria of Baden, attributed to Michael Angelo (?). Their figures, sculptured in Italian alabaster, repose on a sarcophagus, while four half-kneeling statues, representing Caesar, Regulus, Hannibal, and Philip of Macedon, bear on their shoulders a slab on which is placed the admirably-executed armour of the count. Many of the other monuments are also interesting, particularly those of Count Borgnival (d. 1536) and Direk van Assendelft (d. 1553), though the latter has been much defaced by the iconoclasts. The choir contains some good wood-carving, representing monks in comical attitudes, intended as a satire on the clergy; a Renaissance font in copper; and a fine brass of the 16th century.
— The old castle was erected by Count Henry of Nassau in 1350, the new by William III. of England in 1696. The latter is a square structure surrounded by the waters of the Merk. Near the station is a small park with fine trees. — From Breda to Roosendaal and Flushing, see R. 33.

From Breda a steam tramway runs in $3/4$ hr. to Oosterhout, where it branches on the one side to (50 min.) Dongen, a small town with 4300 inhab., and on the other to (1/2 hr.) Geertruidenberg, a fortified place in the Biesbosch (p. 305), with 1900 inhab., who occupy themselves in fishing, trade, and manufacturing.

Near (135$1/2$ M.) Langeweg the line crosses the Dintel, passes (138 M.) Zwaluwe, the junction for the line to Antwerp (p. 156), and reaches the bridge over the Hollandsch Diep, an arm of the sea which was formed in 1421 (comp. p. 305). This vast structure was begun in May 1868, and completed in November 1871. The breadth of the bay at this point is $15/8$ M., but by means of stone piers projecting into the water has been reduced to $7/8$ M. This channel is crossed by fourteen iron arches with a span of 110 yds. each, and 15 ft. above the level of the highest tide, while on the S. side are two swing-bridges for the passage of large vessels. Upwards of 1170 tons of iron and steel were used in the structure. The foundations of the thirteen stone buttresses which support the bridge, each 50 ft. long and 10 ft. wide, were laid on the pneumatic system; the foundation of the three next the S. bank is 50-60 ft. below low-water mark. The cost of the bridge amounted to 5,709,000 florins (about 475,000L.), being very much less than had been anticipated. Fine view over the expanse of water. — At the N. end of the bridge lies (139$1/2$ M.) Willemsdorp.

148 M. Dordrecht (Boudier's Hôtel Bellevue, near the steamboat-pier; Aux Armes de Hollande, just behind, in the Wynstraat; Café at the station; tramway from the station to the town), usually called Dort by the Dutch, with 27,800 inhab., the oldest, and in the middle ages the most powerful and wealthy commercial city in Holland, was also separated from the mainland by the calamitous inundation of 1421 (p. 305). Its situation still renders it an important mercantile place. The harbour formed by the river, an arm of the Maas, here called Merwede (comp. p. 305), admits seagoing vessels of heavy tonnage to the very walls of the town. The timber-trade is also very extensive. The huge rafts floated down the Rhine from the forests of Germany are generally broken up here, and the wood is then sawn by the numerous windmills in the neighbourhood. Dordrecht possesses numerous quaint mediaeval houses, full of interest for the student of architecture.

On leaving the station we follow the tramway, and, crossing a canal-bridge, reach the town in 5 min.; the principal street leads in 5 min. more to the small Vischbrug. Beyond this we may either turn to the left (Groenmarkt) towards the town-hall and the Grote Kerk, or to the right (Wyn-Straat) to the museum (see below).
The Stadhuis, a modern building, contains six pictures of no great artistic merit: Last Supper, by Blocklandt (d. 1583); Burning of the new church, with good portraits, painted in 1568 by Doudyn; Samson and Delilah, by Honthorst (d. 1662); the Synod of Dordrecht, by Hoogstraeten; Siege of Dordrecht by John Duke of Brabant in 1418, and Siege of Dordrecht by the French in 1813, by Schouman and Schotel.

The Gothic Groote Kerk of the 14th cent., with choir of the 15th, with a lofty and conspicuous tower, rests in the interior on 56 pillars, and contains a handsome marble pulpit executed in 1756. The fine old carved choir-stalls, executed by Jan Terwen of Amsterdam in the Renaissance style in 1538-40, are the most important work of the kind in Holland, but are unfortunately falling to decay. Among the interesting representations on the backs of the stalls is one of Charles V. entering Dordrecht in procession. A screen of brass (18th cent.) separates the choir from the nave. A simple monument has been erected here to Schotel the Elder (d. 1838), a painter of sea-pieces. Several valuable ecclesiastical vessels are preserved in the church.

The Wynstraat, diverging to the right at the Vischbrug, leads past a small open space, which is embellished by a monument erected in 1862 to the eminent painter Ary Scheffer (1795-1858), a native of Dordrecht. The bronze statue was designed by Mezzera, who declined to accept any remuneration for this tribute to the memory of his friend. — To the right, a little farther on, stands the —

Museum (daily 9-4; adm. 10 c.; catalogue 25 c.), a gallery of pictures, chiefly by modern Dordrecht and other artists. Among native artists are Ten Kate (No. 17), Koekkoek (20), Schelfhout (46), Schotel of Dordrecht (48), Springer (54), and Versteeg (69). Foreign artists are represented by A. Achenbach (1, 2), Calame (12), and Gudin (15). The whole of one of the principal walls of the saloon is devoted to Ary Scheffer (see above), being occupied by pictures (chiefly copies), drawings, and several works in plaster of Paris (recumbent figure of his mother). The only original paintings by Scheffer are: I. Christ on the Mount of Olives; VII. Portrait of Sir W. Reynolds the engraver; XX. Reduced repetition of the Christus Consolator (p. 270), the first (1837) of the admired sacred works of this master. — We also notice a bust of the Grand Pensionary Jan de Witt, by A. Quellin (1665). — An adjoining room is devoted to Dordrecht antiquities.

The Wynstraat finally leads to the bank of the Maas, opposite the beginning of the arm known as the ‘Noord Canal’.

Dordrecht occupies an important page in the history of Holland, and especially in that of the Protestant faith. In 1572 the first assembly of the independent states of Holland was held here, and resulted in the foundation of the Republic of the United Dutch Provinces. A century later William III., Prince of Orange, was appointed stadtholder, com-
mander-in-chief, and admiral of Holland for life by the States at Dordrecht. In 1618 and 1619 the Dutch Protestant theologians assembled at a great Synod at Dordrecht, with a view to effect a compromise between the adherents of the austere tenets of Calvin ('Gomarists') and those of the milder doctrines of Zwingli ('Arminians'). In 1610 the latter had addressed a 'Remonstrance' (whence their name 'Remonstrants', which is still used by the States General), in defence of their doctrines. Differences of opinion existed between the two sects regarding the doctrine of divine grace. The Gomarists held that the greater part of the human race was excluded from grace, which the Arminians denied. Although these differences were now to be discussed, the Calvinists, who formed the great majority of the assembly, refused to give the Remonstrants a hearing, and unanimously condemned them. Deputies from England and Scotland, Germany and Switzerland, had been invited by the Calvinists to assist at the meeting, which lasted nearly seven months, and is said to have cost the States a million florins. The resolutions of the synod were long regarded as the law of the Dutch Reformed Church.

At the lower end of the town the Maas is crossed by a new iron bridge of four arches resting on six piers, and provided with two swing-bridges for the passage of large vessels. 150 M. Zuyndrecht; 153½ M. Barendrecht; 156½ M. Ysselmonde, opposite the influx of the Dutch Yssel into the Maas, with a turreted château. The train then crosses the new bridge over the Maas (p. 222). A fine view of the river and town is now obtained.

158½ M. Rotterdam, see p. 214.

49. From Amsterdam and Arnhem to Zutphen and Rheine.

Dutch State Railway. From Amsterdam to Zutphen (66 M.), railway in 2½-2¾ hrs.; from Arnhem to Zutphen, 19 M., railway in 1½-1 hr. (from Amsterdam via Arnhem to Zutphen, 75 M., express in 2½ hrs.). — From Zutphen to Rheine, 58 M., in 2½-3½ hrs.

This is the route followed by the express trains between Amsterdam or Rotterdam and the whole of N. Germany. From Amsterdam to Berlin, night-express in 12 hrs. (fares 57 M. 30, 43 M. 30 pf.); from Rotterdam to Berlin express in 14 hrs. (fares 61 M. 60 pf., 47 M.).

From Amsterdam to (28½ M.) Amersfoort, see R. 50. — 38½ M. Barneveld, pleasantly situated to the S. of the station.

55 M. Apeldoorn (De Moriaan; Hôtel Apeldoorn; Het Loo or Keizerskroon and De Nieuwe Kroon, near the château), a large and wealthy village with 3000 inhab., is picturesquely situated on the Grift and the Dieren Canal. The produce of its numerous paper-mills is principally exported to the E. Indies. Near Apeldoorn is the royal château of Loo, the favourite residence of William I. and also of the present king. The palace is shown only in the absence of the king, but visitors are admitted to the *Park daily after 10 a.m. on application to the gardener. A treaty between Prussia and Holland was concluded here after the brief campaign of 1788.

The train now crosses the Dieren Canal. — 63 M. Voorst, prettily situated, with numerous villas. — 66 M. Zutphen, see below.

Arnhem, see p. 289. — The train follows the direction of the
New or Guelders Yssel, an arm of the Rhine which begins above Arnhem and owes its origin to a canal constructed by the Roman general Drusus in B. C. 13 to connect the Rhine with the Zuiderzee. The line, however, seldom touches the river. — 4 M. Velp, see p. 291. Numerous and pleasant country-houses are passed. — 7½ M. De Steeg, the station for Rhedersteeg, a popular Dutch watering-place, with the château of Rhederoord (*De Engel Inn). A pleasant walk may be taken from De Steeg through the pretty 'Dieren Allee' to Dieren, the next station. — 10¼ M. Dieren, with several attractive villas.

A Steam Tramway runs hence to Doesborgh (Hôtel Gelria), a small town at the union of the Old and the New Yssel, which was stormed by the Spaniards in 1585, and then along the Old Yssel to Doetinchem and (2 hrs.) Terborgh. Near Dieren is also situated the hydropathic establishment of Laag Soeren.

14 M. Brummen, with the villas of numerous wealthy Dutch merchants. To the E. rise the hills of the Veluwe (p. 289).

19 M. Zutphen (*Keizerskroon, R. & B. 13¼ fl.; Hollandsche Tuin, in the Groenmarkt), situated at the confluence of the Berkel and the Yssel, is a town with 14,400 inhabit., formerly strongly fortified. The most important edifice is the Church of St. Walburgis, or Groote Kerk, dating from the 12th century. It contains a brazen font in the Renaissance style, cast in 1527, a Gothic candelabrum of gilded iron (spoiled by its conversion into gas-brackets), half-relief sculptures on the pulpit, and a handsome modern monument of the Van Heeckeren family (p. 290), all of which are worthy of inspection. The chapter-house, in which the capitals of the columns are noticeable, contains the old library, dating from pre-Reformation days; the MSS. and incunabula are chained to the desks. The tower dates from 1600, its predecessor having been destroyed by lightning. The Wynhuis Tower, with its two galleries, contains a good set of chimes. The timber which is floated in rafts from the Black Forest down the Rhine and Yssel forms the chief article of commerce at Zutphen.

About 2½ M. to the N. of Zutphen is situated the agricultural colony of Nederlandsch Mettray, a Protestant institution founded in 1851 for the education of poor boys and foundlings. It was first instituted by Hr. Schutter, who presented 16,000 fl. for the purpose, and has since been liberally supported and extended by private contributions. The estate of Ryssel, about 50 acres in area, has been purchased by the society, and upwards of 150 boys are educated here (about 12 in each house).

From Zutphen to Winterswyk, 27½ M., railway in 1 hr. 5 min. Stations: Vorden, Ruurlo, Lichtenvoorde-Groenlo. The line is prolonged from Winterswyk to Bocholt and Wesel (p. 299) and also to Dorsten. No quick trains.

From Zutphen to Zwolle, 28½ M., railway in 1¼-1½ hr. (fares 1 fl. 50, 1 fl. 20, 65 c.). — The train crosses the Yssel. 5 M. Gorsel.

10 M. Deventer (Engel; Moriaan; De Keizer, at the station, well
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spoken of), situated on the frontier of Guelders and Over-Yssel (i.e. 'beyond the Yssel'), is a clean and prosperous town with 19,600 inhab., the birthplace of the celebrated philologist Jacob Gronovius (1645-1716), and the theologian Gerrit Groote (1340-84). The handsome old Groote Kerk, or church of St. Lebuinus, has a crypt dating from the end of the 11th cent. and a remarkably fine Gothic tower. The Stadhuis contains a good picture by Terburg, who was burgomaster of Deventer in his later years and died here in 1681. The town possesses several thriving iron-foundries and carpet-manufactories. Deventer is locally famous for its honey-cakes, a kind of gingerbread, tons of which are annually sent to different parts of Holland.

In the church of the village of Bathmen, 6 M. to the E. of Deventer, some frescoes of the 16th cent. (1379?) were brought to light in 1870.

31 M. Diepenveen, 1 1/2 M. from the station; 16 M. Olst, with 4400 inhab. and extensive brick-fields. — 20 M. Wyhe (De Brabantse Wagen; Groeve), a straggling village with 4000 inhab., in a beautifully-wooded district with numerous villas (Buitenplaatsen). — 24 M. Windesheim, formerly the seat of a convent. — 28 1/2 M. Zwolle, see p. 312.

From Zutphen to Rheine. This line also crosses the Yssel, traversing a district intersected by numerous canals. Several unimportant stations. Near Delden (Hôtel Carelshaven) is the château of Twickel, with a pretty park. At (28 M. from Zutphen) Hengelo our line intersects the line from Münster to Almelo and Zwolle (p. 312). Beyond Oldenzaal the line crosses the Prussian frontier. Gildehaus is the first German station.

44 M. BENTHEIM (Bellevue; *Bad Bentheim), a small and picturesquely-situated town, is commanded by a château, the oldest parts of which are said to date from the 10th century. The Bentheim mineral spring is efficacious in cases of gout and rheumatism. The German custom-house examination takes place here.

Next station Schüttorf. At (53 M.) Salzbergen, our train reaches the Westphalian Railway, which it then follows to Rheine.

58 M. Rheine (*Hôtel Schultze; *Railway Restaurant), see Baedeker's Northern Germany.

50. From Amsterdam or Utrecht to Leeuwarden and Groningen.

From Amsterdam to Amersfoort (29 M.) in 1-11/2 hr. (fares 2 fl. 30, 1 fl. 85, 1 fl. 15 c.). From Utrecht to Amersfoort (14 M.) in 1 2/3 hr. (fares 1 fl. 10, 85, 55 c.). From Amersfoort to Leeuwarden (98 M.), express in 3 1/4, ordinary trains in 5 1/2-6 1/2 hrs. (fares 7 fl. 90, 6 fl. 15, 3 fl. 85 c.). From Amersfoort to Groningen (102 M.) in the same time (fares 8 fl. 70, 7 fl., 4 fl. 35 c.).

Amsterdam, see p. 259. The line runs towards the E. and intersects the Watergraafsmeer polder, with its fresh green meadows.
10 M. Weesp, a small town on the Vecht. The polders next traversed were formerly the Naarder Meer. — 14½ M. Naarden-Bussum. The small fortified town of Naarden (De Kroon), a little to the N. of the line, possesses a church painted in the Gothic style. The train now turns to the S. to (18 M.) Hilversum, where the Utrecht branch of the railway diverges. Hilversum is also connected with Amsterdam by a steam-tramway, passing Muiden (p. 281). The neighbourhood here is attractive, and suggestive of pleasant walks and drives. — 23 M. Baarn, a favourite summer-resort of the wealthy citizens of Amsterdam, with a fine wood (the Baarn'sche Bosch; Soestdyk, see p. 297). The train now crosses the Eem and reaches (29 M.) Amersfoort.

Utrecht, p. 293. The first stations are: (5½ M.) De Bilt, (10 M.) Soest, and (14 M.) Amersfoort, where the Amsterdam and Utrecht lines meet.

Amersfoort (Müller; De Zwaan) is an industrious town, with 14,500 inhab., situated on the Eem in the midst of a sandy district. In 1787 the late-Gothic church was partly destroyed by an explosion of gunpowder; the tower, 308 ft. high, was not injured. Amersfoort is one of the chief seats of the Jansenists (p. 297). Outside the town, 1¼ M. from the station, is an eminence with a pavilion, which commands an admirable panorama of the surrounding district. — From Amersfoort to Zutphen and Rheine, see R. 49. The new line to Nymegen is mentioned at p. 304.

Our line turns towards the N. The next stations beyond Amersfoort are (6 M. from Amersfoort) Nykerk, (11 M.) Putten, and (14 M.) Ermelo-Veldwyk. The soil is sandy and generally sterile, but tobacco is extensively planted here. This district is the Veluwe, lying between the Zuiderzee and the Yssel, and is one of the highest parts of Holland (300–350 ft. above the sea).

17 M. Harderwyk (Hôtel de la Paix; 't Wapen van Zutphen), a small fortress and seaport on the Zuiderzee, is the depot for the Dutch E. Indian recruits. The university, founded in 1648, was closed in 1811.

20½ M. Hulshorst; 24 M. Nunspeet; 30 M. Elburg-Epe; 35 M. Weesp; 38 M. Hattem. The Yssel is now crossed by a long iron bridge.

42 M. Zwolle (*Heerenlogement, in the Groote Markt, commercial; Nieuwe Keizerskroon), the capital of the province of Over-Yssel, with 23,800 inhab., is situated on the Zwarte Water, a small river which falls into the Zuiderzee. Approaching the town from the station we observe the Sassen-Poort, an old Gothic gateway of brick, with four towers. In the market rises the spacious Gothic Church of St. Michael, begun in 1406, which contains a fine carved pulpit of 1620 and an excellent organ. The Town Hall possesses a few portraits. Near it is the new Roman Catholic church. Thomas à Kempis, the author of the ‘Imitation of Christ’, which has been
translated into almost every known language, lived for nearly 64 years in a monastery on the Agnetenberg, where he died in 1471, in his 92nd year. A broken tombstone here is said to be that of the pious writer, who was born at Kempen, a town on the Lower Rhine (p. 305), whence he derived his name. The Agnetenberg, 3 M. from Zwolle, is still the burial-place of the wealthier inhabitants of Zwolle. The ground in the immediate vicinity of the town is so saturated with moisture, that a grave cannot be dug without immediately being filled with water. Excursion to Vilsteren. — Branch-line from Zwolle to Kampen, see below.

FROM ZWOLLE TO KAMPEN, 8 M., railway in 20 min. (fares 65, 50, 30 c.). — Intermediate station, Mastenbroek.

Kampen (*Hôtel des Pays-Bas; *Dom van Keulen), on the IJssel, near its influx into the Zuiderzee, is a clean Dutch town of 17,500 inhab., with a considerable timber-trade. The large church of St. Nicholas, or Bovenkerk (comp. p. 292), and that of St. Mary date from the 14th century. The chief object of interest, however, is the *Town Hall, erected in the 16th cent., enlarged in 1740–41, and restored in 1830. The façade of the older wing, which is approached by a small flight of steps, is embellished with a series of well-preserved statues of the 16th cent., in Gothic niches. The fine *Panelling with which the walls of one of the rooms in the old wing were covered in the beginning of the 17th cent. is well worthy of inspection. Another room contains a handsome and lofty chimney-piece of 1543, ornamented with statues, and a few good portraits of stadtholders. The IJssel is crossed here by a new bridge.

From Kampen to Amsterdam, steamboat daily in 4½ hrs. (from Zwolle in 6⅓ hrs.)

Beyond Zwolle the train crosses the Vecht. 46 M. Dalfsen; 51 M. Dedemsvaart; 54½ M. Staphorst.

58 M. Meppel (Heerenlogement; De Bonte Koe, well spoken of), a town with 7700 inhab., calico and sail-cloth manufactories, and an important butter-market. The line to Leeuwarden here turns to the left, that to Groningen to the right; carriages changed.

The Leeuwarden Line continues to run towards the N.; it crosses the Drentsche-Hoof'd Kanaal, and passes (61½ M.) Nyeveen and (66½ M.) Steenwyk.

The Pauper Colonies of Frederiksdoord, Wilhelminagoord, and Willemsoord lie to the E. of Steenwyk. These colonies were founded during the famine of 1816 and 1817 by a charitable society established for that end, and now support about 2000 paupers. Each adult, if able-bodied and willing to work, is provided with a few acres of land, and occasionally with a cow, a pig, and a few sheep. There are also other excellent arrangements, by means of which the majority of the colonists are rendered entirely self-supporting after the first outlay has been made. The houses are visited almost daily by the superintending officials, and the strictest discipline is everywhere observed.
The Colonies of Veenhuizen, 9 M. to the W. of Assen (p. 315), consist of three extensive buildings, about 1/2 M. apart, two of which were destined for the reception of orphans, and the third for beggars. The orphan-asylums were, however, unsuccessful, and two of the buildings are now occupied by paupers. Another similar colony is that of Ommerschans, 9 M. to the S. E. of Meppel, in the province of Over-Yssel. The latter is partly used as a penal settlement for the idle and the disorderly, and partly as a reformatory for beggars.

Beyond Steenwyk the line turns to the N.W. 71 M. Peperga; 72 1/2 M. Wolvega; 78 M. Oude School. — From (80 1/2 M.) Heerenveen, situated in a pretty district, with numerous country-seats, a tramway runs to Joure (to be continued to Sneek, see below). To the left are several lakes, the largest of which is the Sneeker Meer. Numerous windmills are used for purposes of drainage. From (87 M.) Akkrum, the next station, a canal-boat runs to Sneek (Hôtel de Wynberg), a commercial town of 11,100 inhab., with a very important cheese and butter market, and to Bolsward (Wynberg), with 5300 inhab. and a fine church and town-hall. [From Sneek a tramway runs via Bolsward to Harlingen, p. 317.] 90 M. Grouw; 93 M. Wirdum.

98 M. Leeuwarden (*Nieuwe Doelen; ‘t Wapen van Friesland; Phoenix; *Restaurant van den Wal, next door to the Phoenix; Friesch Koffyhuis), the ancient capital of the Frisians, with 29,000 inhab., carrying on a considerable trade in cattle and agricultural products. Leaving the station and skirting the new cattle-market, we reach the Willemkade, on a canal bordered with pleasant-looking villas. The Prins-Hendrikstraat leads hence to the ‘Zaaland’, a square enclosed by the new Law Courts, the Commercial School, the Exchange, and other buildings. In the Hofplein, near the centre of the town, are the Stadhuis, with a fine old hall, and the insignificant old Palace of the governors of Friesland, who were members of the Nassau-Diez family, and ancestors of the royal family of Holland. The latter is now occupied by the governor of Friesland. The Museum of the Friesch Genootschap van Geschied, Oudheid, en Taalkunde contains ethnographical curiosities, a cabinet of coins, and various local antiquities, including two fine rooms from Hindeloopen. Among the other interesting buildings in the town are the Olde Hoof, an unfinished Gothic tower, and the Konselary, dating from the time of Charles V., originally a law-court and now a prison. The gold and silver wares of Leeuwarden are of considerable importance, no fewer than 25 firms being engaged in their manufacture (comp. p. 282). The Frisian women enjoy a great reputation for beauty, and many very attractive faces may be seen among the country-girls who frequent the markets. In summer, afternoon-concerts are frequently given in the pretty Stad- or Prinsentuin (adm. 50 c.). — From Leeuwarden to Harlingen and Amsterdam, see R. 51.

The Frisians are the only Germanic tribe that has preserved its name unaltered since the time of Tacitus. They are remarkable for their physical strength, their bravery, and love of independence. Charlemagne
entered into a treaty with this remarkable race, by which they agreed to submit to the rulers he should place over them, on condition that they should be governed in accordance with Frisian laws. That monarch caused a collection of these laws to be made, and they still exist in the Asegabuch in the old Frisian language, as well as in Latin. Their language differs considerably from that of the rest of Holland, occupying an intermediate position between Anglo-Saxon and Old Norse, and often closely resembling English. The Frisian language boasts of a not inconsiderable literature, but is gradually being supplanted by Dutch.

The small village of Dokkum, where St. Boniface was slain by the Frisians in 755, lies 9 M. to the N.E. of Leeuwarden, and is connected by tramway with Veenwoude, a station on the railway from Harlingen to Groningen (p. 318).

The MEPPEL AND GRONINGEN LINE at first turns towards the E., and follows the course of the small Oude Diep. At (70 M. from Amersfoort) Hoogeweeen the stream is quitted, and the line turns to the N. — Between (77 M.) Beilen and Hooghalen the Oranje Kanaal is crossed.

86 M. Assen (*Somer), a town with 7800 inhab., partly concealed by wood, the capital of the province of Drenthe. The tumuli or 'giants' graves' at Roide (½ hr.'s drive from Assen), and at Gite, Eext, Borger, etc., are objects of great interest to the antiquarian. The huge stones which mark these spots recall those of Stonehenge. Tacitus (Germ. 37) mentions them as the monuments of a great and powerful people. Similar monuments found in most Celtic-Cimbrian countries have probably all the same origin. Excavations have brought to light cinerary urns, battle-axes and hatchets of flint, etc.

Beyond Assen the line follows the course of the Oude Aa, at some distance from the stream. At Timarlot, near (93 M.) Vries-Zuidlaren, is an excellent specimen of a tumulus, close to the railway. 96½ M. De Punt; 98 M. Haren.

102 M. Groningen. — Hôtels. — Doelen, in the Groote Markt; Frigge, Heerenstraat, well spoken of; Zeven Provincien, in the Groote Markt; Wapen van Amsterdam; Blaaue Paak, near the Nieuwe Kerk, unpretending.

Cafés-Restaurants. Van der Stuis, Vischmarkt; De Boer, Groote Markt; Bavaria, Guldenstraat; Osabriucker Bierhalle, Stoeldraaiersstraat.

Tramway from the station to the Groote Markt and thence to the Ebbingepoort, with a branch to the Sterrebosch, 10-12 c.

Groningen, the capital of the province of the same name, with 50,000 inhab. (7000 Rom. Cath., 3000 Jews), lies at the junction of the Drenthe'sche Aa, or Hoornsche Diep, and the Hunse, or Drentsche Diep. The latter is called Reitdiep from this point to its mouth, and being converted into a canal, with two locks, is navigable for large sea-going vessels. Rape-seed and grain are the staple commodities of the place. The peasants who cultivate the former are generally freeholders, and often remarkably well-to-do, many of them possessing 10-20 horses. The old fortifications of the town were recently levelled.

The Groote Markt, or market-place, is one of the most spacious in Holland. The Church of St. Martin (Pl. C, 2) situated here is a fine Gothic structure with a lofty tower (432 ft.), erected after a
fire in 1627. Opposite to it is the extensive *Stadhuis* (Pl. C, 2), restored in 1810.

The *University* (Pl. C, 3), founded in 1614, possesses an excellent natural history museum, which is established in the handsome academy buildings (erected in 1851), with their fine Ionic colonnade. There are 39 professors and about 350 students. A collection of Germanic antiquities is in course of formation. Among the treasures of the library is a copy of the New Testament of Erasmus with marginal annotations by Luther. Opposite is the Roman Catholic *Broederkerk*, adorned with large pictures of the Passion by L. *Hendrix* (1865).

The *Deaf and Dumb Asylum*, supported chiefly by voluntary contributions, educates 200 pupils. Public examinations on Wednesdays, 11-12 o'clock. A small monument to the founder *Guyot* has been erected in the ox-market (Pl. C, 3), in front of the building.

The *Harbour* (Ooster, Noorder, Zuider Haven) generally presents a busy scene. Extensive warehouses have recently been erected on the E. side of the town. — The projecting corner of a street in the vicinity, called the 'oude kiek in't jat straat' ('the old peep into the harbour channel'), is adorned with the head of a bearded man, with the inscription 'Ik kiek noch in't' ('I still peep into it'). It commemorates a siege by the Bishop of Münster and the electoral troops of Cologne in 1672, when the besiegers were compelled to retreat, as they were unable to prevent supplies being brought into the town by the Reiddiep. The inscription imports, that, as long as the harbour is free from enemies, no real danger from besiegers need be apprehended.

From Groningen to Delfzyl, 18½ M., railway in 3½ hr. The train skirts the Eems-Kanaal, passing several unimportant stations. Delfzyl lies on the Dollart, a gulf 6 M. broad, at the mouth of the Ems, formed in 1277 by an inundation. On the opposite side of the Dollart lies Emden (see Baedeker's N. Germany).

### 51. From Amsterdam to Harlingen and Groningen.

**Steamboat** from Amsterdam to Harlingen daily, except Sun., in 6 hrs., starting on Mon., Wed., and Frid. from the Oosterdoksdyk and on Tues., Thurs., and Sat. from the De Ruyter Kade (Pl. E, 2); fare 3½ or 1½ fl. Restaurant on board. — **RAILWAY** from Harlingen to Groningen (50½ M.) in 2½-3 hrs. (fares 3 fl. 75, 3 fl. 1 fl. 75 c.).

**Excursion Steamers** ply on Sundays and holidays to the island of Marken (see below), leaving the De Ruyter Kade at Amsterdam at 10.15 a.m. and returning from Marken at 4 p.m. (return-fare 1 fl.).

The steamboat, the course of which lies through the Zuidersee, steers to the E. for the first-half-hour, then at the lighthouse on the S.E. extremity of N. Holland turns to the N., and passes the island of Marken, on which another lighthouse stands. The island is inhabited by fishermen, who have preserved their peculiar dress. The towers of Monnickendam, Edam, and Hoorn (p. 282) rise to the W. in the distance. In 3½ hrs. the steamer reaches Enkhuizen (see p. 283).
Beyond Enkhuizen the steamer proceeds to the N.E. The lighthouse of Staveren, rising on the extreme W. promontory of Friesland, soon becomes conspicuous. The ancient Stavoren, the city of the heathen god Stavo, the Thor of the Frisians, is now an insignificant place with 700 inhab. only. It was once the residence of the Frisian monarchs, and subsequently a wealthy and independent commercial city, which reached the height of its prosperity at the beginning of the 13th century.

Old chroniclers relate that the citizens of this favoured spot were in the habit of using pure gold for many purposes to which the baser metals are generally applied. Thus the bolts on the doors of their houses, the rivets and fastenings of their yachts and pleasure-boats, and the weather-cocks on their churches are said frequently to have been made of that precious metal. The decay of the place is chiefly attributed to the fact that the harbour is gradually becoming filled with sand and thus rendered useless. The Vrouwenland, a broad grass-grown sandbank in front of the harbour, derives its name from the tradition that the wife of a wealthy merchant once desired one of her husband's captains to bring her from abroad 'the most precious thing in the world'. The worthy Dutch mariner, in conscientious fulfilment of the request, accordingly brought back a cargo of wheat from Danzig! The lady, indignant at his stupidity, ordered the valuable freight to be thrown overboard at the mouth of the harbour. This act of wanton waste ultimately caused the ruin of the proud and luxurious city. The grain is said to have taken root, and to have formed the foundation of the sandbank, which is daily increasing in extent and presents an insuperable barrier to the entrance of the once excellent haven.

A new harbour is now being constructed for the use of a line of steamers plying between Staveren and Enkhuizen. A railway from Staveren to Sneek (p. 314) is also in progress.

To the E. of Staveren lies the Gaasterland, forming an oasis of forest in the midst of a vast expanse of moor. The church of the village of Wyckel contains the tomb and monument of General Menno van Coehorn (d. 1704), the celebrated Dutch engineer.

The steamer now skirts the W. coast of Friesland. The lofty tower of the small town of Hindeloopen is a conspicuous object in the landscape. Farther N. lies the town of Workum.

Harlingen (Heerenlogement; 't Haagse Wapen), where we now disembark, a town of 10,200 inhab., with a harbour constructed in 1870-77, occupies almost the same site as a city which was entirely swallowed up by an inundation in 1134. In 1566 the surrounding district was again devastated and depopulated by another encroachment of the sea, in consequence of which the Spanish governor Robles de Billy caused the entire province to be surrounded by lofty dykes. The grateful inhabitants, in commemoration of this important service, erected a statue to the governor, called the Steenen Man, which is still to be seen on the sea-wall near the town. M. Bos, Voorstraat, opposite the tower of the town-hall, possesses a collection of early-Dutch paintings. — Steamers with tolerable passenger-accommodation ply regularly between Harlingen and London, Hull, etc. The railway-station is 1/2 M. from the town, but some of the trains run as far as the harbour. Tramway to Sneek, see p. 314.
Railway from Harlingen to Groningen. The country traversed presents the usual Dutch characteristics: extensive pastures intersected by canals, a high-road paved with 'klinkers' and flanked with trees, neat country-houses, substantial farm-buildings, and fields and gardens bounded by ditches instead of walls or hedges.

6 M. Franeker (De Korenbeurs) was the seat of a university from 1585 to 1811, when it was suppressed by Napoleon. Vitringa, Heineccius, Schultens, Hemsterhuis, Valkenaer, and other savants once taught here. The traveller should not omit to see the greatest curiosity of the place, an astronomical model which shows all the motions of the planets, the sun, and the moon, with the utmost scientific accuracy. It was constructed by Eise Eisinga, a simple burgher of Franeker, in 1774–81.

17 M. Leeuwarden, see p. 314; several unimportant stations, and lastly (50½ M.) Groningen, see p. 315.

52. From Groningen to Bremen.

107 M. — Dutch Railway to Nieuweschans or Neuschans, 29 M., in 1½ hr. (fares 2 fl. 35, 1 fl. 90, 1 fl. 20 c.); Oldenburg Railway to Bremen, 78 M., in 3½ hrs. (fares 7 marks 60, 5 m. 70, 3 m. 80 pf.)

Groningen, p. 315. The line generally skirts a canal called the Schuilen or Winschoter Diep. That part of the province of Groningen which lies to the S. of the railway has been converted, in the course of the present cent., by dint of unremitting industry, from a barren waste into fruitful fields. New villages are constantly springing up here. — 7½ M. Kropswolde; 9 M. Hoogezand; 14 M. Zuidbroek (with a brick church of the 13th cent.); 18 M. Schermda; 21 M. Winschoten (Hôtel Wisseman), also with a 13th cent. brick church, is connected by a steam-tramway with Finsterwolde.

About 11½ M. from Winschoten, at Heiligerlee, a monument was erected in 1873 to commemorate the first victory of the Netherlands under Louis of Nassau, brother of William the Silent, over the Spaniards in 1568, with which the 80 years' struggle for liberty began. The monument represents Batavia with the flag of liberty; at the side of the latter an enraged lion; underneath, the dying Adolph of Nassau, youngest brother of William the Silent, who fell during the battle.

28½ M. Nieuweschans, German Neuschans, is the last place in Holland.

31½ M. Bunde; 35 M. Weener; 40 M. Ihrhove. Then by Leer and Oldenburg to Bremen, see Baedeker's Northern Germany.
List

of the Flemish, Dutch, and Belgian Artists mentioned in the Handbook, with biographical notices.

Abbreviations: A. = architect; P. = painter; S. = sculptor; e., ca. = circa, about; b. = born; d. = died.

The Roman numerals refer to the Historical Sketch of Netherlands Art in the Introduction. The name of a town immediately following the name of an artist is that of his birthplace; those at the end of the notice are the scenes of his professional activity. — In the spelling of proper names the Dutch v is represented by v.

Adrian van Utrecht, see Utrecht.
Aelst, Guillaume (Willem) van, Dutch P. of Delft; 1620-79. Delft, Amsterdam, France, Italy. — xi.
Aertsen or Aertsen, Peeter, surnamed de lange Peer, Nether. P. of Amsterdam; pupil of Allart Claesz at Amsterdam; 1506-73. Amsterdam, Antwerp.
Alma-Tadema, Laurens, M., Dronryp; pupil of Leys; b. 1836. London.
Albse, Denis van, Landscape P. of the beginning of the 17th cent.
Anstaux, Jean Joseph Éléonore Antoine, Belg. P., Liege; pupil of Vincent; 1764-1840.
Antonissen, Cornelis, P., Amsterdam, 16th cent. — liv.
Arbouts, Jaques d', P., Brussels; pupil of Jan Mertens; 1613-1665 (?).
Asselyn, Jan, surn. Crabettje, Dutch P., Diepen; pupil of Elias van de Velde; 1610-60. Amsterdam, Rome. — lix.
Avont, Pieter van den, Belg. P., Malines, 1600-52. Antwerp.
Backer, Adrian, P., Amsterdam; 1643-86. Amsterdam.
Backer, Jaques de, P., Antwerp; 16th cent. — lixii.
Bacheelmans, living A., Antwerp.
Baen, Jan de, Dutch P., Haarlem; pupil of his cousin Piemans and of Jacob Backer; 1633-1702.
Bakhuizen (Bakhuizen), Jul. van de Sande-, P., at The Hague; b. 1835.
Balen, Hendrik van, the Elder, Flem. P., Antwerp; pupil of Ad. van Noort (?); 1560 (?)-1632. Antwerp. — lii.
Bauves, Jean Pierre van, the Younger, S. and A., Antwerp; pupil of his father; 1699-1768. Antwerp.
Beerstraaten, Jan, Dutch P., pupil of his brother Alexander P. (?); worked about 1650-90.
Bega, Cornelis, Dutch P., Haarlem; pupil of A. van Ostade; 1620-64. Haarlem. — ix.
Berchem or Berghem, Nicolaas (Claes) Pietersz, Dutch P., Haarlem; 1620-83. Italy, Haarlem, Amsterdam. — lix.
Berkheyde, Gerrit, Dutch P., Haarlem; supposed to have been a pupil of his elder brother Job; 1635-98. Haarlem.
Berkheyde, Job, Dutch P., Haarlem; pupil of Jacob de Wet; 1630-93.
Béthune d'Idewalle, Jean, living P. on glass at Ghent.
Beyaert, H., living Belg. A.
Biset, Karel Emanuel, P., Malines; studied at Paris; 1633-83. Antwerp, Breda.
Blanckaert, living P. at Ghent; pupil of Béthune.
Bies, Herri (Hendrik) de, or Herri
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met de Bles, surn. Civetta, Dutch P. of Bouvignes, near Namur; b. about 1480, d. after 1521. Italy, Netherlands.

Blocklandt, Antonicus van Montfort, surn. van Bl., P., Montfort; 1532-83. Utrecht.


Bondeel, Lancelot, Netherlands P. & A., Bruges; studied in Italy; c. 1495-1561. Bruges.

Bockhorst, Johann van, surn. Langjau, P., Münster in Westphalia; pupil of Jordaens; 1610 (?)-68. Antwerp.

Boeckmans, Thoinard, P., Antwerp; 1692-77. Antwerp.

Bo, Ferdinand, Dutch P., Dordrecht; pupil of Rembrandt; 1611-81. Amsterdam. — lvii.


Bosset, François Antoine, P., Ypres; b. 1800. Brussels.

Both, André, P., Utrecht; brother of Jan B., pupil of his father, Bloemaert, and (at Rome) Pieter van Laar; b. ca. 1609, d. before 1644.


Bourré, Antoine Félix, living S., Brussels.

Bout, Dierick (Dirk), formerly erroneously called Stuerboult, P., Haarlem; 1400 (?)-75. Louvain. — xlix.

Breckeleer, Ferdinandus de, P., Antwerp; pupil of J. van Bree; 1792-1833. Antwerp.


Bray, Jan de, Historical P.; b. at Haarlem, d. 1697.


Brekenenkamp, Quiryn, Dutch P.; flourished ca. 1655-69.

Breton, Jules Adolphe, P., Courrières; pupil of De Vigne and Drolling; b. 1827.

Breuk, Jacques de, A. & P. of the 16th cent., St-Omer.

Breughel, see Brueghel.


Brueghel, Jan, surn. Fluweelen or Velvet Brueghel, Flem. P., Brussels; son of Brueghel the Elder; 1568; 1625. Italy, Antwerp. — xiv.


Bruyn, Bartholomaeus de, Ger. P., Cologne; b. ca. 1493, flourished at Cologne between 1524 and 1560.

Buytenweg, Willem, P., Rotterdam; pupil of H. Maartense; b. before 1600. Haarlem.


Camphuysen, Govert, Dutch P., Gorcum; 1624-74.

Capronnier, J. B., living P. (glass), Brussels.

Carlier, Jean Guillaume, P., Liège, pupil of Berth. Flémalle; c. 1538 to c. 1675. Liège, France.


Cels, Cornelis, P., Lierre; pupil of A. Lens at Brussels; 1778-1369.

Ceulen, van, see Janssens, Cornelis.


Chauvin, August, P., Aix-la-Chapelle; b. 1818. Liège.

Claeissens, Anthonie, the Elder, P., Antwerp; pupil of Quinten Massys (?); c. 1498.

Claeissens, Anthonie, the Younger, P., Bruges; b. 1614.

Clays, Paul Jean, living P. (seascenes), pupil of Gudin; b. at Bruges in 1819. Brussels.
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Cleef, Jan van, P., Venlo, pupil of Luigi Primo, and of Gaspar de Crayer; 1646-1716. Ghent.

Cleyssenaar, Alfred, living P., Bruss.

Cox, see Coqces.

Codde, Pieter, Dutch P., Amsterdam; c. 1610-50. — lx.

Coenberger, see Coeberger.

Coninxloo, Gillis van, Flem. P., Antwerp; 1544-1604 (?). Antwerp, Franckenthal, and Amsterdam.

Cooman, Pierre Olivier Joseph, P., Brussels; pupil of P. v. Hasselaere, De Keyser, & Wappers; b. 1816.

Cooque or Coqces, Gonzales (Gonnsle), Flem. P., Antwerp; pupil of the portrait-painter Peeter Brueghel (son of 'Hell-fire Brueghel') and of David Ryckaert the Younger; 1614-34. Antwerp.

Cornelissen, see Cornelissen.


Cortis (Cocxse, Cocxien, or Coxygen), Michiel van, P., Malines; pupil of his father Michiel and of Barend van Orley; 1430-1592. Malines and Brussels. — xlv.

Crabeth, Dirck, P. on glass; flourished at Gouda, c. 1557-68.

Crabeth, Wouter, P. on glass, brother of Dirck C.; Gouda, after 1560.


Crissu, Petrus, Dutch P., Baerle; 1442-72 in Bruges.


Cuyp, Jacob Gerritsz, Dutch P., Dordrecht; pupil of Abr. Bloemaert; 1575 (?)-1640 (?). Dordrecht. — liv.

Cuypers, Joannes Baptistas de, S., Antwerp; 1507-52.

Cuypers, Joannes Leonardus de, S., Antwerp; son of the foregoing.

Cuypers, P.J.H., living A., Amsterdam.


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Ducq, Jan le, Dutch animal-painter; 1636-95.
Dujardin, see Jardin.
Duquesnoy, François, S., Brussels; father of François & Jérôme D.
Duquesnoy, Jérôme, S., brother of François; 1612-54.
Duwart, Cornelis, the Younger, Haarlem; pupil of Adr. v. Ostade; 1660-1701. — ix.
Dyckmans, Joseph Laurens, P., Lierre; pupil of Vervoort, Thielemans, Wappers; b. 1811.
Dyk, Philip (Philips) van, Dutch P., Amsterdam; pupil of Arnold van Boonen; 1650-1702. Amsterdam, The Hague, Middelburg, Cassel.

Eckhout, Gerbrand van den, Dutch P.; Amsterdam; 1621-74. Amsterdam. — lvii.
Elshaimer (Elzheimer), Adon, P., Frankfort on the Main; 1578-1620. Rome.
Engelbertz or Engelbrechtsen, Cornelis, P., Leyden; 1468-1533.
Eevoedingen, Allart van, Dutch P., Alkmaar; pupil of Roel Savery (Utrecht); 1624-75. Alkmaar, Haarlem, Amsterdam. — ixii.
Eyck, Hubert van, F., Maaseyck, head of the early Flemish school; c. 1360-1426. Ghent. — xl.
Eyck, Jan van, Dutch P., Maaseyck, brother of Hubert van Eyck; b. after 1390, d. 1440. Ghent, The Hague, Lille, Bruges. — xli.
Eycken, Jean-Baptiste van, F., Brussels; pupil of Navez; 1817-53. Brussels.
Eyckens, see Ikens.

Fabritius, Bernard, Dutch P., Delft; ca. 1620-69. — lvii.
Fabritius, Karel, Dutch P., Delft; 1624-54. Delft. — lvii.
Fictor, see Victor.
Fictor, see Victors.
Flinck, Govert, Dutch P., Cleve; pupil of Lambert Jacobsz at Leeuwarden and of Rembrandt at Amsterdam; 1615-10. Amsterdam. — lvii.
Floris, see Vriendt.
Fourmois, Théodore, P., Presles; 1814-1871.
Franchoys, see Francois.
Franck, Jean, S., Ghent; pupil of his father Charles F., and of David d'Angers (Paris); b. 1804. Antwerp, Paris, Louvain.
Francken, Ambrosius, the Elder, P., Herentals; brother of Frans F. the Elder and J. Francken the Elder, pupil of Marten de Vos (or Fr. Floris?); 1545 (?)-1618. Antwerp.
Francken, Frans (François), the Elder, Herentals; brother of the preceding and of J. F. the Elder, pupil of Fr. Floris; 1544-1615. Antwerp.
Francken, Frans, the Younger, Flem. P., Antwerp; pupil of his father Frans F. the Elder (and of Rubens); 1584-1642. Antwerp.
Francois (Franchoys), Lucas, the Elder, P., Malines; 1574-1643.
Fyt, Jan, Flem. P., Antwerp; pupil of Jan van Berch; 1600-1661. Antwerp.

Gabriel, Paulus Joseph, P. & S., Amsterdam; pupil of his father, Castellier (Paris), and Canova; 1785-1833. Amsterdam.
Gastbeck, A. van, Dutch P.; d. 1650. — lvii.
Gallait, Louis, P., Tournai; pupil of Hennequin (Rubens, Van Dyck); b. 1810. Tournai, Paris, Brussels.
Geefs, Kurt, living P., Brussels.
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Gaefs, Willem or Guillaume, P., Antwerp; brother of Joseph (1806-83. Antwerp.
Geefs, Willem or Guillaume, P., Antwerp; brother of Joseph (1806-83. Antwerp.
Geel, Jan van, Fleming, P.; d. before 1566. Antwerp.
Geerts, Karel Hendrik, S., Antwerp; pupil of Van Hool and Van der Ven (Antwerp); 1807-55. Antwerp, Louvain.
Geirnaert, Jozef, P., Eecloo; pupil of Herreyns (Antwerp) and Paelineck (Ghent); 1790-1859.
Gelder, Aert de, Dutch P., Dordrecht; last pupil of Rembrandt; 1645-1727. Dordrecht.
Ghent, Josse (Justus) van, P., Ghent; pupil of Hubert van Eyck (?); b. ca. 1410, d. after 1471.
Gherardo della Notte, see Nonthorst.
Goes, Hugo van der, P., Antwerp (Ghent or Bruges?); c. 1420-82. Bruges, Ghent. — xiii.
Goltzius, Hendrik, P., Mühlbrecht (Jülich); 1558-1617. Haarlem.
Goltzius, Hubert, P., Würzburg; pupil of his father Rüdiger Goltzius & of Lamb. Lombard (Liège); 1520-83. — xlv.
Gossaert or Gossaert, Jan, surn. Jan van Mabuse, Dutch P., Maubeuge (Mabuse); c. 1470-1532. Antwerp, Middelburg, Utrecht. — xlv.
Goubert, Francois, P., Antwerp; 1622-78(9). Antwerp.
Goudt, Hendrik van, P., Utrecht; pupil of Adam Elshainer at Rome. 1655-1690. — liii.
Govaerts, A., Landscape-painter of the 17th cent., in the style of Savery.
Greber, Frans Pietersz de, P., Haarlem; pupil of Cornel. van Haarlem; 1570-1619. — liv.
Greber, Pieter de, P., Haarlem; son of the preceding, pupil of his father, and Hendrik Goltzius; b. 1600, d. after 1665.
Groux, Charles Cornelle Auguste de, P., Comines; 1825-70.
Grupello, Gabriel de, S., Geersberge; pupil of Artus Quellinus (?); 1641-1730. Brussels, Germany.
Gruyter, Willem, living P. (sea-pieces), Amsterdam.
Guifens, Gottfried, P., Hasselt; pupil of N. de Keyser (Antwerp); b. 1828.
Haus, Jean Hubert Léonard de, living animal-painter, Helde. Brussels.
Hackaert (Haukaert, Hakkert), Jan, Dutch P., Amsterdam, 1636(?)-1699. Amsterdam.
Hagen, Jan (Joris) van der H. or Vherhagen, Dutch P., The Hague (Ruytsael); 1635-1662. The Hague.
Hals, Dirk, Dutch P., Haarlem; pupil of his elder brother Frans H.; b. before 1600, d. 1656. Haarlem. — ix.
Hals, Frans, the Elder, Dutch P., Antwerp; 1584-1666. Haarlem. — lix.
Hals, Frans, the Younger, Dutch P., Haarlem; son and pupil of the preceding; flourished at Haarlem, 1637-69.
Heda, Willem Klaasz, P., Haarlem; b. 1594, d. after 1678.
Heere, Lucas de, P., Ghent; pupil of his father Jan, of his mother Anna Smyters, and of Frans Floris; 1534(?)-84.
Heem, Corn. de, Dutch P., Utrecht (?); son and pupil of the following; b. 1623 (?), d. after 1671. Antwerp, The Hague.
Heem, Jan Davidz de, Dutch P., Utrecht; pupil of his father David; 1600 (?)-83(5). Utrecht, Antwerp. — lixi.
Heemskerk, Marten van (properly M. van Veen), Dutch P., Heemskerk; pupil of J. van Schoorzel (Italy, Michael Angelo); 1493-1574. Haarlem. — lii.
Helst, Bartholomeus van der, Dutch P., Haarlem; 1670. Amsterdam. — lvii.
Hemessen (Heemsen, Hemsen, Hemissen), Jan van, Flem. P.; d. before 1566. Antwerp.
Hennebicq, André, living P., Tourma; pupil of Portaels. Mons.

Heusch, Willem de, P., Utrecht; d. 1699 (?)

Hewel, Antoine van den, surn. Don Antonio, P., Ghent; pupil of Gaspar de Crayer or N. Roose; 1600-77. Ghent.

Heyde (Heyden), Jan van der, P., Gorkum; 1637-1712. Amsterdam. — lixii.

Hobbema, Meindert, Dutch P., Amsterdam; 1638-1709. Amsterdam. — lixii.

Hoek (Hoekie), Jan van den, P., Antwerp; pupil of Rubens; 1598-1651. Antwerp. — li.

Hondecoeter, Gillis d', Dutch P., Antwerp; flourished at Utrecht and Amsterdam in 1609-30.

Hondecoeter, Melchior d', Dutch P., Utrecht; pupil of his father Gysbert (?1659) and his uncle J. B. Weenix; 1636-95. The Hague, Amsterdam.

Hondius, Abraham, P., Rotterdam; 1638-95, Rotterdam, London.


Hoog, Pieter de (sometimes Hooghe or Hooge), Dutch P., Rotterdam; 1632-51. Delft, Haarlem (?). — lviii.


Hoorn, Johann Baptist van, S., Antwerp; pupil of Van Ursel; 1769-1837. Antwerp.


Huchtenburgh (Huyttenburgh), Jan van, Dutch P., Haarlem; pupil of Thomas Wyck at Rome (at Paris, A. Fr. van der Meulen); 1646 (?)-1733. Haarlem, Amsterdam.

Huvel, Pierre van, P., Grammont; pupil of Herreyns (Malines); 1769-1844. Ghent.

Huysmans, Jan Baptiste, P., Antwerp; 1654-1711(?).

Huysum, Jan van, Dutch P., Amsterdam; pupil of his father Justus; 1682-1749. Amsterdam. — lxii.


Janssens (Janson or Jonson), Cornelis J. van Ceulen, Dutch P.; 1590 (?) to 1662/64. London, Amsterdam.


Jaquet, Jean Joseph, living S., Antwerp; Brussels.

Jardin, Edouard du, or Dujardin, P., Antwerp; pupil of G. Wappers; b. 1847. Antwerp.

Jardin, Karel du, or Dujardin, Dutch P., Amsterdam; pupil of Claes Berchem; c. 1625-78. The Hague, Amsterdam, Italy. — lxii.

Jeohote, Louis, S., Liège; pupil of Kessels and Thorvaldsen at Rome; b. 1803.

Jongelinck, Jacob, S., Antwerp; 1531-1606. Antwerp.

Jonghe, Jan Baptist de, P., Courtrai; pupil of the sculptor Reable and the painter Ommeganck; 1785-1841. Courtrai, Antwerp.

Jordaens, Jacob, Flem. P., Antwerp; pupil of Adam van Noort (Antwerp); 1593-1678. Antwerp. — i.

Justus van Gent, see Ghent.

Kaiser, Joh. Willem, engraver, Amsterdam; pupil of Taurel; b. 1813. Amsterdam.

Kalj, Willem P., Amsterdam; pupil of Hendr. Pot; b. before 1690, d. 1693.

Keldermaars or Keldermaar, the name of a family of architects of Malines, the most important member of which was Rombout K.; 16th century.

Key, Adrien Thomas, P., Antwerp (?); pupil of his uncle Willem K.; c. 1544-90.


Kobell, Jan, P., Utrecht; pupil of W. H. van der Wall; 1782-1814.


Koekkoek, Barond Cornelis, P., Middelburg; pupil of his father Joh. Herm. K., Schelfhout, & Van Os (Amsterdam); 1803-63.
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Kockkoek, Hermann, P., Middelburg; brother of the last and pupil of his father J. Herm. K.; b. 1845.

Koninck (Koning), Philip de, P., Amsterdam; pupil of Rembrandt; 1610-89 (?). — lvii.

Koninck, Solomon, Dutch P., pupil of David Colyn, Francois Fernandez, and Claes Moeyaert at Amsterdam (Rembrandt); 1609-68 (?). Amsterdam. — lv. lvii.

Koning, Jacob, Dutch P.; pupil of Adr. van de Velde (?); b. ca. 1650, d. after 1689.

Kornelissen, Jacob, Dutch P., Ostzamen; flourished ca. 1506-30. Amsterdam. — xliii.


Lafrere or de L., Gerard, Dutch P., Liege; pupil of his father Reinier and of Bertholet Flemalle of Liege; 1641-1711. Liege, Amsterdam.

Lamoriciere, Jean Pierre Francois, living P. (landacapes), Brussels.

Lastman, Pieter, Dutch P., Amsterdam; pupil of Gerrit Pietersz at Amsterdam (Italy, Elshainer); c. 1580-1649 (?). Amsterdam. — lii.


Lecler, Joseph Henri Francois van, P., Boom, near Antwerp; 1823-76.


Leys, Hendrik, P., Antwerp; pupil of Braekeleeir; 1815-69.


Lingeman, Lambertus, P., Amsterdam; pupil of P. F. Greive; b. 1829.

Lijnens (Lienens), Lievensz, Jan, Dutch P., Leyden; 1607-72(?). Leyden, England, Antwerp, Hague. — lvii.

Linck, Jan, P., Frankfort; 1622-87. Frankfort, Rome, Amsterdam.


Lombard, Lambert (erroneously called Lambert Sariaeus or Susterman), P. and A, Liege (Jan Gossart at Middelburg; Raphael in Italy); 1505-66. Liege.

Mabuse, see Jan Gossart.

Mauk, Jean Baptiste, P., Brussels; pupil of Francois; 1796-1877.


Maus-Camini, Jan Baptist Lodewyk, P., Ghent; pupil of his father and of B. Ingles; 1794-1856.

Mander, Karel van, the Elder, P. and writer on art, Meulenbecke in Flanders; 1548-1606. Rome, Bruges, Haarlem, Amsterdam. — lii.

Markboch, Alexander, living P., Brussels.

Massys, Quinten, also called Matsus and Metsys, P., Louvain; 1466-1531. Louvain, Antwerp.

Mathieu, Lambert Joseph, P., Bure, in the province of Namur; pupil of M. van Brée (Antwerp); 1804-61. Louvain.

Meer, Jan van der M. (Vermeer) van Delft, Dutch P.; 1632-75. Delft. — lvii.

Meer, Jan van der M. (Vermeer), Dutch P., Haarlem; 1629-91. Haarlem. — Ixii.


Meire, Gerard van der, P., flourished at Ghent between 1452 and 1474 (Jan van Eyck). — xliii.

Memling (Memlinc), Hans, Dutch P.; pupil of Roger van der Weyden; b. before 1430(?), d. before 10th Dec. 1495. Bruges. — xliii.

Mesdag, Hendrik Willem, P., Groningen; pupil of Alma Tadema; b. 1831.

Metsu, Gabriel, Dutch P., Leyden; pupil of Gerard Dow; b. 1630, d. after 1667. Amsterdam. — Ixii.


Miervelt, Pieter, P., Delft; son and pupil of the last; 1595-1632.

Miers, Frans van, the Elder, Dutch P., Leyden; pupil of the glasspainter Abraham Torenhiet and of Gerard Dow; 1635-81. Leyden. — lvii.
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Mieris, Frans van, the Younger. Dutch P., Leyden; son and pupil of the following; 1689-1763. Leyden.

Mieris, Willem van, P., Leyden son; and pupil of Frans van Mieris the Elder; 1662-1747. Leyden.

Mignon (Minjon), Abraham, P., Frankfort on the Main; pupil of Jan David de Heem at Utrecht; 1640-79. Wetzlar, Frankfort.

Moer, Jean Baptiste van, living P., Brussels.

Molenaer (Molenau), Jan Miense, Dutch P., Haarlem; d. 1668. Haarlem.

Molenaer (Molenau), Nicolaas or Klaes, P., Haarlem; d. 1676. Haarlem.

Moor, Karel de, the Elder, P., Leyden; pupil of G. Dow and Abr. van den Tempel (Frans v. Mieris & Gerh. Schalcken); 1565-1738.

Mor (Moor or Mero), Antoniz, P., Utrecht; pupil of J. van Schoorzel at Utrecht (also of Italian masters); b. 1512, d. between 1576 and 1578. Utrecht, Antwerp, and the courts of Madrid, Lisbon, London, and Brussels. — xlv.

Moreelse, Paulus, Dutch P., Utrecht; pupil of Michiel Miervelt (Delft); 1571-1638. Utrecht. — liv.

Mostert (Mostoert), Jan, Dutch P., Haarlem; follower of Gerard David; b. 1574, d. after 1599. Haarlem.

Moucheron, Frederik de, Dutch P., Emden; pupil of Jan Asselyn; b. 1603, d. after 1713. Amsterdam.

Musscher, Michiel van, P., Rotterdam; pupil of Abr. van den Tempel, Metsu. & Adr. van Ostade; 1643-1705.

Mytens, Arnold, P., Brussels; pupil of Anth. Santvoort (Rome) and of Corn. Pyp (Naples); 1541-1602.


Mytens, Jan or Aart Isack, P., Brussels; pupil of A. v. Opstal and N. v. d. Horst; 1612-71/2.


Neeffs (Neeffs), Pieter, the Elder, P., Antwerp (?); pupil of Hendrik van Steenwyck; 1570(?)-c. 1651.

Neeffs, Pieter, the Younger, P., Antwerp; son of the last; b. 1601, d. after 1675.

Neer, Aart van der, Dutch P., Amsterdam (?); 1603-1682 (?). Amsterdam. — lxii.

Neer, Eglon van der, Dutch P., Amsterdam; son and pupil of the last, also pupil of Jacob van Loo; 1643-1703. Rotterdam, Amsterdam, Brussels, Dusseldorf.

Netscher, Caspar, Dutch P., Heidelberg; pupil of Koster at Arnheim and of Terburg at Deventer; 1639-84. The Hague. — lx.


Nieuwant, Willem van, P., Antwerp; 1584-1635.

Noort, Adam van, P., Antwerp; 1557-1641. — xlvi.

Ochtervelt (Uchtervelt), Jacob or Jan, Dutch P. of the 17th cent., school of Metsu.

Odevaere, Joseph Dionysius, Flem. P., Bruges; pupil of David at Paris; 1778-1830.

Ommeganck, Balthazar Paul, P. & S., Antwerp; pupil of Anthonissen; 1755-1826.

Oost, Jacob van, the Elder, Flem. P., Bruges (Ann. Carracci); 1600-74.

Oost, Jacob van, the Younger, P., Bruges; son and pupil of the last; 1637-1718. Lille.

Orley, Barend (Bernard) van, P., Brussels; b. betw. 1488 and 1500, d. 1542. Brussels. — xlv.


Ostade, Adriaen van, Dutch P., Haarlem; pupil of Frans Hals; 1610-85. Haarlem. — lix.

Ostade, Isaac van, Dutch P., Haarlem; pupil of his brother Adrian; 1624-1649. Haarlem. — lx.


Pape, Abraham de, Dutch P.; d. 1666. — liii.

Pasture, Rogelot de la, see Woyden.

Putinsr, Jochim P. or Patenier, P., Dinant; d. about 1524. Antwerp. — xlv.

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Peede, Hendrik van, A., flourished at Oudenaerde, 1527-30.

Pepyn, Martin, P., Antwerp; 1575-1642/43. Antwerp.

Pieman, Jan Willem, P., Antwerp; b. 1779. Antwerp.

Pieman, Nicolas, P., Antwerp; pupil of Jan Willem P.; b. 1809.

Poulenburg (Poulenborch), Cornelis van, Dutch P., Utrecht; pupil of Abr. Bloemaert and Elshamer; 1588-1667. Utrecht. — lii.

Portela, Jean Francois, P., Vilvorde; pupil of Navez & Delaroche; b. 1818.

Potter, Paul, Dutch P., Enkhuizen; pupil of his father Pieter (Amsterdam) and of Jacob de Wet (Haarlem); 1629-54. Delft, The Hague, Amsterdam. — lii.

Potter, Pieter, Dutch P., Enkhuizen; 1687 (?)-1686 (?). Amsterdam.

Pourbus, Frans, the Elder, Flem. P., Bruges; pupil of his father Pieter P. and of Frans Floris; b. 1542, d. after 1591. Bruges, Antwerp. — xlv.

Pourbus, Frans, the Younger, Antwerp; son and pupil of the preceding; 1572-1629. Antwerp, Paris.

Pourbus, Pieter, P., Gouda; pupil of Lancelot Blondeel (?); 1510 (137)-1654. Bruges.

Pynacker, Adam, Dutch P., Pynacker, near Delft; follower of Jan Both; 1621-73. Delft. — lii.

Quellinus or Quellin, Artus (not Arthur) the Elder, S., Antwerp; son of Erasmus Q. the Elder, and pupil of his father and of B. Duquesnoy (Rome); 1609-68. Antwerp, Amsterdam, Germany.

Quellinus, Artus, the Younger, S., St. Trond; son and pupil of the foregoing; 1625-70. Antwerp.

Quellinus, Erasmus, the Younger, P., Antwerp; pupil of his father, the sculptor E. Q. the Elder, and of Jan Verhaeghen, Antwerp (Rubens); 1607-78. Antwerp. — li.

Quellinus, Jan Erasmus, P., Antwerp; son and pupil of the last (Veronese); 1634-1715. Antwerp.

Ravesteijn (Ravestyn), Jan van, Dutch P., The Hague; 1572 (?)-1657. The Hague. — lii.

Rembrandt (Rembrandt), Harmensz R. van Ryn, Dutch P., Leyden; pupil of Jacob van Swanenburgh (Leyden) and of Pieter Lastman (Amsterdam); 1607-69. Amsterdam. — liv.


Robbe, Louis Marie Duwain, P., Courtrai; b. 1806. Courtrai, Brussels.

Roelanda, Ludov., A., Nieuwpoort; pupil of Percier and Fontaine (Paris); 1786-1864. Liège, Ghent.


Rosse, Nicolaas, see Liemaeckere.

Royer, Louis, S., Malines; pupil of J. F. van Goed of Amsterdam; 1793-1868. The Hague, Amsterdam.

Rubens, Petrus Paulus, Flem. P., b. at Siegen in Nassau; pupil of Tobias Verhaegt, Adam van Noort, and Otto van Veen (Antwerp); 1577-1640. Italy, Antwerp. — xlii.


Rysdael, Isaac van, Dutch P., brother of Sal. van R.; d. 1677.

Rysdael, Jacob van, Dutch P.; son and pupil of Isaac van R.; c. 1625-82. Haarlem, Amsterdam. — liii.

Rysdael, Salomon van, Dutch P., Haarlem; d. 1670. Haarlem.

Ryckaert, David, the Younger; Flem. P., Antwerp; pupil of his father; 1612-62. Antwerp.


Saenredam, Pieter, Dutch P., Assendelft; pupil of Frans de Gribber (Haarlem); 1607-1665. Haarlem.

Scho-Chaen, Herman, Dutch P., Rotterdam; pupil of Jan van Goyen; 1609-85. Rotterdam, Utrecht.

Salle, Antonius, Flem. P., Brussels; pupil of Michel de Bordeaux; b. ca. 1590, d. after 1658. Brussels.

Sanderr, Joachim van, P., Frankfort on the Main; pupil of Gerl. Honthorst at Utrecht (Venice, studied Titian and Veronese); 1606-88. England, Venice, Rome, Amsterdam, Augsburg, Nuremberg.

Sandevoort, Dirk van, P.; pupil of Rembrandt (?); middle of the 17th century.
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Savery, Roelant, Dutch P., Courtrai; pupil of his elder brother Jacob, at Amsterdam (?); 1576-1639. Utrecht. — xliv.


Schaepheleer, Edmond de, living P. (landscapes), Brussels.

Scheermakers, Pieter, S., Antwerp; pupil of P. Verbruggen; 1640-1714. Antwerp.


Schenkel, Petrus van, P., Terheyden, near Broda; pupil of Van Bree (Antwerp); 1806-70. Amsterdam.


Schoot, Petrus Joh., P., Dordrecht; son and pupil of the last; 1808-65.

Schooman, Martinus, P., Dordrecht; pupil of M. Versteeg and his uncle Aart S.; 1770-1853.

Schout, Cornetis, P., Antwerp; pupil of Rubens; 1597-1655. Antwerp. — I.


Simonis, Eugène, S., Liège; pupil of Kessels & Finelli (Rome); b. 1840. Liège, Brussels.

Slingeland, Pieter van, Dutch P., Leyden; pupil of Gerard Dow; 1640-91. Leyden. — Iviii.

Slingreneyer, Erneste, P., Louchristy, near Ghent; pupil of G. Wappers; b. 1830 (23).

Slyus, Belgian A.; 1782-1861.


Sorgh, Hendrik Martensz, Dutch P., Rotterdam (?); pupil of Willem Buitenweg; 1621-82. Rotterdam.

Soutman, Pieter, P., Haarlem; pupil of Rubens; 1550-1637.

Springer, Cornelis, P., Amsterdam; pupil of Karsen; b. 1617.

Stallaert, Joseph, living P., Tournai, Brussels.

Steen, Jan, Dutch P., Leyden; pupil of Nic. Knupfer (Utrecht); 1626(?)-1679. Leyden, Haarlem, Delft. — Ixi.

Stevens, Alfred, P., Brussels; pupil of Navez and Röqueplan (Paris); b. 1826.


Stobbaerts, Jean-Baptiste, living P., Antwerp.

Stoop, Dirk, Dutch P.; 1610(?)-86. Utrecht, Lisbon.

Strackée, F., living S., Amsterdam.

Stroobant, Frans, P., Brussels; b. 1819.

Stuyt, see Bouts.

Susterman, Lambert, see Lombard.

Suyts, Lion, the Younger, living P., Brussels.

Swenenburgh, Izack Claesz van, P.; d. 1614.

Swenenburgh, Jacob Isacksz van, P., son of the last; 1580-1658 — liv. Swanevelt, Herman van, P., Woerden (Rome, Claude Lorrain); 1629(?) — 1656. — Ixii.

Swerts, Jan, P., Antwerp; pupil of Nic. de Keyser; 1820-79.

Teniers, David, the Elder, Flem. P., Antwerp; pupil of his elder brother Julien (Rome, Elshaimer); 1582-1649. Antwerp.

Teniers, David, the Younger, Flem. P., Antwerp; son and pupil of the last; 1610-90. Antwerp, Brussels — li.

Ten Kate, Herman Frederik Karel, P., The Hague; pupil of Kruseman; b. 1822.

Terburg (Terborch, Ter Borch), Gerard, Dutch P., Zwolle; pupil of his father (Haarlem, Frans Hals); 1608-61. Deventer. — lx.

Thulden (Tulden), Theodor van, P., Bois-le-Duc; pupil of Abr. Blyenberch & Rubens; 1607 (?) - 1676 (?). Paris, Antwerp, Bois-le-Duc.

Thys (Thyssens), Peter, the Elder, P., Antwerp; pupil of A. Deurwaerdier; 1610-77 (19). Antwerp.

Tilburg (Tilborgh), Egidius (Gilles) van, P., Brussels; pupil of his father; 1625-78 (?). Brussels.

Tol, Dominicus van, Dutch P.; pupil of Ger. Dow; 17th cent.

Trost, Cornelis, P., Amsterdam; pupil of Arnold Boonen; 1697-1750. Amsterdam.
Tschaggeny, Karl, P., Brussels; b. 1815.

Tuyl, Jacob van der, Dutch P.; pupil of Vleger; pupil of Frans S., Amsterdam; pupil of Jan van Leen; d. 1656.

Verboekhoven, Charles Louis, P.; pupil of his father Barthélemy V.; b. 1802.

Verboekhoven, Eugène Joseph, P.; pupil of the last, pupil of his father (Potter, Ommegangh); 1798(99)-1841. Brussels.

Verboom, Abraham H., Dutch P., Haarlem; end of the 17th cent.

Verbruggen, Henri François, S., Antwerp; son and pupil of the following; 1655-1724. Antwerp.

Verbruggen, Pieter, S., Antwerp; father of the foregoing; d. 1696.

Verhaeghe, Toh., P., Antwerp, 1596-1691.


Verhaes, Jean, living P., Antwerp.

Verhulst, Rombout, S., Malines or Breda; pupil of Rombout Verstappen & François van Loo; 1624(30)-1696.

Verkolje, Jan, Dutch P., Antwerp; pupil of Jan van Leen; 1650-93.

Verlot, Charles, P., Antwerp; pupil of Nic. de Keyser; b. 1825. Weimar.

Verlinde, Pierre Antoine, P., Winobergeren; b. 1801. Paris, Antwerp. Vermeir, see Meer.

Verschaeren, Jean Antoine, P., Antwerp; pupil of Hierreyns; 1843-63.

Verschaffelt, Pierre Antoine, Chevalier de V., Ghent; pupil of Pierre de Sutter and of Bouchardon (Paris); 1740-93. Rome, Mannheim.

Verschuer (Verschuer), Lieve, P., Rotterdam; d. 1686.

Verschuur, Wouterus (Walter), P., Amsterdam; pupil of P. G. van Os & C. Steffalaar; 1812-71.


Verspronck, Jan, Dutch P., Haarlem; son of the last, pupil of Frans Hals; 1597-1662. Haarlem.

Versley, Michel, P., Dordrecht; pupil of Jan van Leen; 1756-1843.

Vermeer, Elchenon, P., The Hague; pupil of the following and of Herm. Ten Kate; b. 1826.


Victor or Victor, Jacomo, Dutch P.; prob. a relative of Jan Victor; flourished at Amsterdam about 1670. Victors (Victor, Vicoor, Victorio), Jan, Dutch P.; pupil of Rembrandt; flourished in Holland c. 1640-62.

Vieillevoye, J. B. de, P., Verviers; b. 1858. Liège.

Vigne, Félix de, P., Ghent; 1806-62.

Vigne, Pierre de, S., Ghent; brother of the last; 1812-77.

Vinck, Franz, living P., Antwerp; pupil of Leys.

Vinck-Boons, David, Dutch P., Malines; pupil of his father Philip (Amsterdam); 1578-1629. Amsterdam.

Vonckenbruck, Albert, S., Sparendam; 17th cent.

Vleger, Simon de, Dutch P., Sparendam; b. ca. 1800, d. after 1856. Delft, Amsterdam.
Van der Vliet, Hendrik Willemsz (van), Dutch P., Delft; pupil of his father Willem and of Michiel van Mierevelt (Delft); c. 1605-75. Delft. — lxii.

Vois, Ary (Adrian) de, Dutch P., Leyden; pupil of Nic. Knupfer (Utrecht) & of Abraham van der Tempel (Leyden); 1614-95. Leyden.


Vriendt, Albert de, living P., Brussels.

Vriendt, Cornelis de, A., Antwerp; brother of the next; 1518-75. Antwerp.


Waldorp, Antoine, P., 't Huis ten Bosch, near The Hague; pupil of Breckonheimer; 1503-61.


Wauters, Emile, P., Brussels; pupil of Portaels & Gérome (Paris); b. 1846. Brussels.

Weenix, Jan, Dutch P., Amsterdam; son and pupil of the following; 1640-1719. Amsterdam, Utrecht.

Weenix, Jan Baptista, Dutch P., Amsterdam; pupil of Jan Micker and Abr. Bloemaert (Utrecht) and of Claas Moeyaert (Amsterdam); 1621-60. Amsterdam, Utrecht.

Werff, Adrian van der, Dutch P., Kralinger-Ambacht, near Rotterdam; pupil of Cornel. Pieter den Eygerton van der Neer; 1653-1722. Rotterdam.

Werff, Pieter van der, Dutch P., brother and pupil of the last; 1650-1718. Rotterdam.

Weyden, Roger (Rogier) van der, also called Roger (Rogierle) de la Posture, P., Tournai; 1399 (1400)-1464. Tournai, Brussels, Louvain. — xlii.

Wiener, Leopold, living P., Brussels.


Wyck, Thomas, Dutch P., Beverwyck, near Haarlem; 1616 (?)-1677. Haarlem.

Wynants, Jan, Dutch P.; b. 1600 (?), flourished at Haarlem and Amsterdam 1641-79. — lxii.

William, Adam (or Willarts), Dutch P., Antwerp; 1567-1666 (?). Utrecht.


Willem, Florent, P., Liège; b. 1616 (?). Paris.

Willemsens, Louis, S., Antwerp; pupil of A. Quellin the Elder; 1630-1702. Antwerp.

Winne, Lidwin de, living P., Ghent; pupil of Félix de Vigne.

Wit, Jacob de, P., Amsterdam; 1695-1754. Amsterdam.


Witte, Gaspard de, P., Antwerp; 1618-90 (81). Antwerp.


Wouwerman, Jan, Dutch P., Haarlem; brother and pupil of Philip W.; 1629-66. Haarlem.

Wouwerman, Philip, Dutch P., Haarlem; 1619-68. Haarlem. — lxi.

Wouwerman, Pieter, Dutch P., Haarlem; brother of the last, pupil of his father Paulus W.; 1623-83. Haarlem.

Wiewaald (Willowaal), Joachim, P., Utrecht; b. 1566, d. after 1625.

Wulfaert, Adrien, P., Tergoes; pupil of Ducq (Bruges) and Gallait; b. 1801. Antwerp, Ghent.

Ykens, Jean, S. & P., Antwerp; 17th cent.

Ykens (Eyckens), Pieter, P., Antwerp; son and pupil of the last; 1648-95/96. Antwerp.

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