

fully appreciated by connoisseurs. The Queen Dowager of Württemberg, who is now dead, had between Rorschach and Bad Horn a fine country-house, where she resided every summer. At the opposite side, nearer to the entrance of the Rhine into the lake, is Castle Wartegg, the residence of the Duke of Parma. On the same line, not on the lake but on the top of the ridge, stands the very stately old Castle of Wartamsee, which has been restored by an Englishman, who, however, lost his money in Baden-Baden, and had to sell that fine place, which since then has changed hands several times. Not far from Rorschach, in the Rhine valley, is the Weinburg, a country-seat belonging to the Prince of Hohenzollern.

Rorschach is built hard by the lake. It was once a very flourishing mercantile place, and many rich merchants dealing with Italy lived there. Several fine old houses, with curiously sculptured windows and balconies, especially in the main street, bear testimony to their taste and wealth. It is still an important place, and one of the grain markets of Switzerland. Close to the lake, on the haven, stands an extensive old corn-house.

In summer Rorschach is very lively, for an immense number of travellers pass through, coming either from Lindau or Friedrichshafen, on their way to the interior of Switzerland. Steamers are going to and fro, the railroad whistle is heard in-