spirited race, full of the fiery patriotism of Kossuth—were in the throes of civil war, fighting for national hegemony. The Czechs "A complete Chinese wall separated Austria at this time from the rest of the world. Of newspapers there were none, ex-



of Bohemia—one of the finest branches of the great Slav family —were with the utmost difficulty restrained from open rebellion. Vienna itself was under martial law. cept the official gazettes of the several capitals in the provinces, and some theatrical gossipy journals. The entire literature consisted of school-books, which were printed and published under the