

On going into shops, banks, and the like, one has always to remember to take his hat off, for the Germans keep to the old idea that a man's place of business is his house. In some cases even yet it actually is his home, and, of course, no one would dream of going into another man's house with his hat on. Still this is one of the points in which we are likely to insist upon keeping to our own customs, consequently we are supposed to be ruder than we are. The German men greet one another on the street by making bows profounder than many I have seen them make to ladies. The hat comes down in the regulation way to a level with the elbow, then a peculiar curve of the wrist brings it down to the thigh and sometimes to the knee. Many a time I have seen men of position bow thus grandly to men of lower station than themselves without waiting to receive salutations from the latter first for, with all their ceremoniousness and strict demarcation of classes, the Germans have a profound sense of the dignity of a man as such.

Speaking of the demarcation of classes, that is perhaps the first thing which is impressed upon one on visiting Germany. At hotels and lodgings guests are provided with official papers on which they have to set down their occupation, the probable length of their stay, etc., in addition to answers to such very personal questions as when and where were you born? These papers are all sent to the police office, hence it is better than a city directory. When you go on to another town your departure is announced in like manner.

In connection with these necessary formalities no rudeness is shown. Indeed, I remember seeing in a newspaper a notice to the effect that several young gentlemen who had not appeared at the proper time to perform their military service were "most politely invited" to present themselves before the commanding officer of the district to give explanations. Considering the probable sequel, I thought the politeness was carried to an extreme. The same sort of politeness and consideration leads the newspapers to refrain from great staring headlines in telling of murders, burglaries, and so on. A little paragraph in an obscure corner announces that J. C. has been found laying hands on what was not his own. The only offenders against the law whose names I have seen given in full were vendors of adulterated wine. They were duly advertised by the proper officials and the public was told that they had been fined and their stock of wine confiscated.

German life is simple compared with ours, there being comparatively few great crushes in the way of entertainments. The people are good talkers and they invite a few friends to come and drink *Bole* with them, *Bole* corresponding somewhat to our "cup." There may be a little music or a quiet game of cards, but the chief part of the entertainment is talk. I well remember the first time I supped out. The maid wished me good evening, and when she appeared to wait at table she had white gloves on! As I took my leave she bade me good-night. Sometimes servants venture on the kindly wishes their masters and mistresses express. You are wished a good appetite when you sit down to a meal and a good digestion when you rise from it. When you go on a journey you are wished a pleasant one; if you are going out for a jollification you receive wishes for much pleasure; and once when I was setting out for church an old gentleman hoped that I should receive much edification.

Nothing is allowed to interfere with German comfort. The ordinary man takes two hours to his dinner—from one to three o'clock—which gives plenty of time for the good digestion he wishes you. Places of business are closed pretty generally during those hours. On the other hand they are opened both earlier and later than ours; I have more than once done banking business between six and seven o'clock in the evening.

On Sunday services are nearly always over, in the Pro-

testant as well as in the Roman churches, by the hour at which our morning service begins. The rest of the day can be spent in any way one likes, but families usually make up parties and spend it in the country or among the mountains. In the evenings there may be dances, concerts, or lectures. Why people with so strong a sense of the claims of family ties as the Germans have should have adopted church customs such as they have adopted, I don't know. The women and girls sit on one side, the boys and men on the other, though in the Roman Church the congregation is mixed up. Perhaps it is a part of the old Protestant idea which still lingers among Quakers and a few other communions in this country, that to be good Protestants men must be different from the Church of Rome.

I might go on indefinitely trying to give an idea of German everyday life, but space must stop me now. Perhaps when the Germans set up a science of comparative customs this may be accepted as a contribution to the subject.

College Chronicle.

THE Easter vacation over, the Arts men are all up once more. Cricket, tennis and study are all being engaged in with much zest.

The annual Divinity examination results are posted. Mr. R. Turley, B.A., is to be congratulated on his splendid showing, standing head of the second year and capturing three prizes.

The Rev. J. R. H. Warren, B.A., was unfortunate enough to be laid up with an attack of pleurisy during the examinations, and consequently was unable to write. Mr. Warren left for Ottawa as soon as he was well enough. We are very sorry to hear that he lost his bicycle in the recent disastrous fire in that city.

We congratulate Mr. Frank W. Walker on his appointment to the curacy of St. Ann's, in this city.

Mr. George Code, B.A., received word just before the Divinity examination of the serious illness of his brother, which necessitated Mr. Code's immediate departure for home. We are glad to hear of the recovery of the patient. Mr. Code is once more in our midst, and is, at the date of writing, in the throes of a *viva voce*.

Messrs. A. E. Taylor and W. W. Denison are taking an officer's course at Stanley Barracks, this term.

A most enjoyable dance was given by the ladies of St. Hilda's College on Wednesday, May 9th. A number of College men were present, and all unite in calling it a great success. The dancing went on in the drawing-room, common room and dining-room, all of which are connected by folding doors. A number of the ladies' rooms were very prettily fitted up for sitting out. The dancing was over a little before 2 a.m.

Trinity Medical College.

THE following candidates have passed the final fellowship examinations in Trinity Medical College:—F. C. Trebilcock, 383 marks out of 450, gold medal; C. L. Taylor, 366 marks, first silver medal; J. W. Fitzgerald, 365 marks.

The following receive certificates of honour:—F. W. Marlowe and R. E. Stanley.

The following have obtained 70 per cent. and upwards:—First-class honours—J. A. Newsome, J. C. Grosjean.

The following have made 60 per cent. and upwards:—Second-class honours—W. H. Rennie, G. B. Jamieson, H. P. Ross, T. A. Addy, J. G. Adam, A. R. Perry, E. A. Boyd, L. B. Ashton, W. J. Boynton, W. A. McIntosh, E. O. McDonald, J. T. Elliott.