

authors of catapaigns and military systems, such as Gueisenau, who was a Saxon, and Sehornhorst, a Hanoverian, are well sketched. The writer of this paper marks out a brilliant position for Germany in the future, and to attain that proud pinnacle of fame, one language and only one must be spoken throughout the Confederation, from the Baltic to the Adriatic. He also becomes solicitous for the welfare of the coming German child, and expresses the devout wish that it may never "sink into the unfathomable abyss of practical *Unzusammengehorigkeit*," whatever that is. There is a good deal of sound sense in what is written in the above essay. "On the English Hustings" is a history of the electoral machine of England. We are told how the people vote, how nominations are secured and made, and much else that is interesting, by some one who evidently understands how such things are managed in the Mother Country. "The Ghost of Ten Broek van der Heyden" is a story very well told and very amusing. So is "Blood will tell." Much else of a readable description is to be found in the pages of Lippincott. The number concludes with a budget of well-told gossip of the month, and notices of new books. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia, publishers.

"The Phrenological Journal and Packard's Monthly" is rapidly growing into public favour. Over twenty different prose productions, some of them illustrated, besides poetry, editorial items and literary notices, appear in the issue for October. Of course there is a paper on the event of the hour—the war in Europe. No magazine may be said to be complete without an article on that subject. The one in the Journal is strongly Prussian in sentiment, and is entitled "The Franco-Prussian War." "Nature's Worship," by the Quaker bard, Whittier, is a true and elegant poem. It abounds in fine, glowing, poetic fervor, and the lines are bold and real. "Yale Sketches" are continued. These are interesting principally to a student of old Yale College; beyond this they possess little attractiveness. Dr. Caldwell continues his admirable disquisition on "Physical Education." This is illustrated, and the engravings add more or less to the interest of the paper. "The Generals of the war in Europe," with illustrations, are biographical sketches of the leaders of battles. There are some short stories and sketches in this number of the *Phrenological*, and to these and the other contents noticed here, we would direct the attention of those of our readers who desire a first-class monthly. Fowler & Wells, New York.

HARPER'S MONTHLY for October opens with a fine paper on "The Young Men's Christian Association." It is full of interesting information and will well repay the reader for the time spent in perusing it. To a young man the article may be of incalculable benefit. The numberless deeds of mercy which the association has done, from time to time, are known the wide world over. Their charities are untold and their kind acts to those requiring aid and succour are every-day occurrences. "Frederick the Great"—a beautifully written account