

civilization of the world. With all their characteristic energy and thoroughness they undertook the cultivation of that Teutonic type. They perfected their government, reorganized their system of education, expanded their commerce, and developed their science and their art. It is safe to say that the Germans have been by all means the most comprehensive and discriminating students of modern times. The systematic thoroughness with which everything is done in the world of intellect in Germany is almost inconceivable, and they have succeeded in developing an imposing system of culture that has become a powerful factor in the life of Europe and in the life of the world. There are many respects in which the students of every nation have sat at the feet of Germany and have learned of her during the past generation. She has become the acknowledged leader in science and technical education, is regarded by many as the pioneer in the world of philosophy and by some as the pathfinder in the realms of theological thought. Neither do we forget that this was a culture that had its roots in a truly great and glorious past. We gratefully remember that it was Germany who