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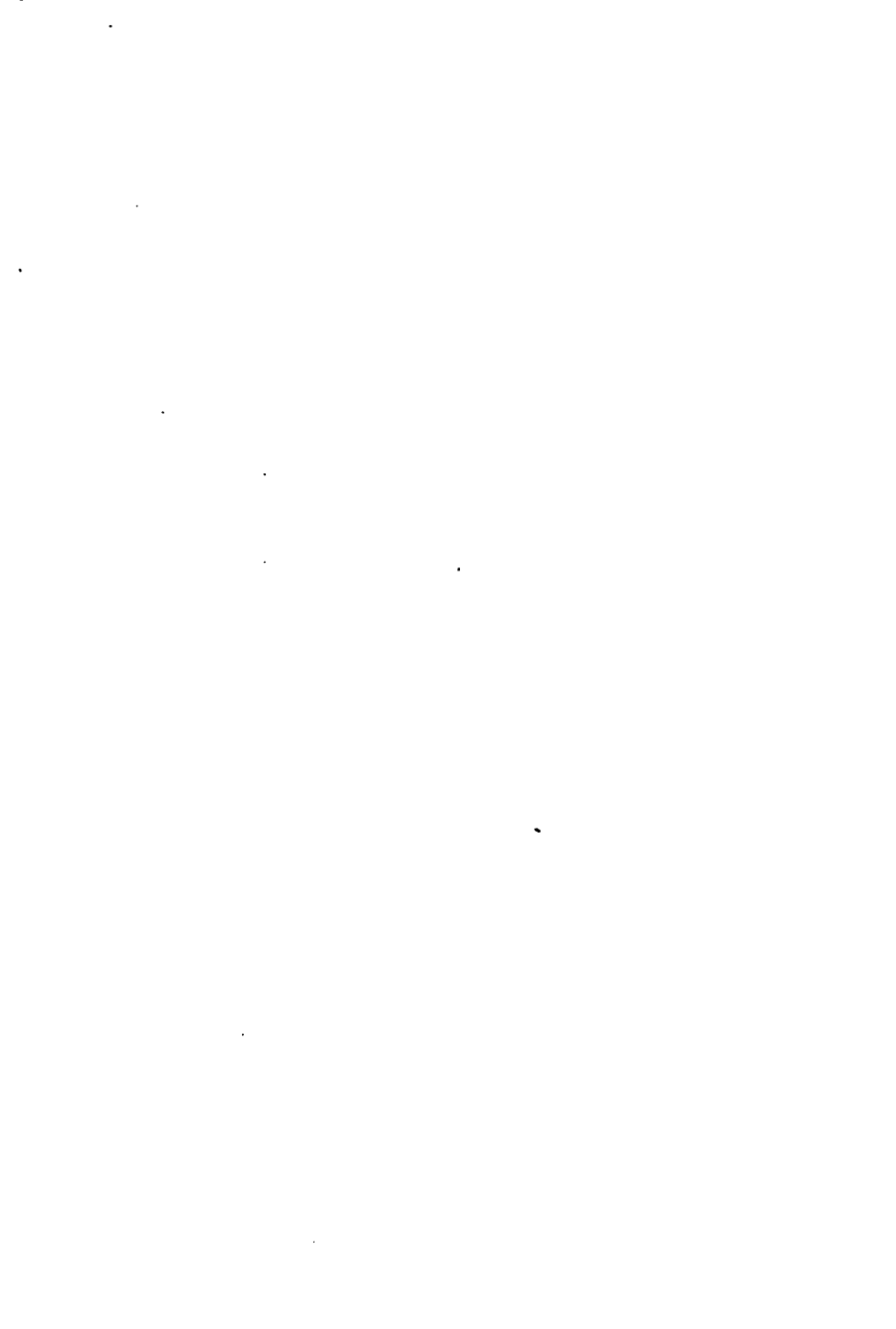
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## P R E F A C E .

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THE author trusts, that this work embodies the results of philological research during the last twenty years, as far as it concerns German. Advance has certainly been made in the study of Phonology, of Accent, of Phonetics, and even in Syntax. This advance is largely due to improved methods of investigation. Our views of language in general have changed, certainly our views of the living languages, the study of which it would seem, is gradually being looked upon as a science and as worthy of serious pursuit.

From the works of Osthoff, Sievers, Paul, Kluge, Braune, and Sweet I have appropriated most of the new results and methods, which are accepted and popularized only too slowly. I have added a list of the books which have been of special help to me and which I consider absolutely necessary for a thorough study of German. Perhaps I should also have mentioned for Syntax: The fourth volume of *Grimm's* large grammar; *Vernaleken's deutsche Syntax*, and the Syntax in *Blatz's* and *Krause's* grammars.

Because the grammar contains no exercises, and because the illustrative sentences taken from the classics are not, as a rule, translated, it should not be inferred that it is intended only for advanced students of German. On account of the

strict separation of Accidence and Syntax, it is hoped that the grammar can be used in the beginning classes of preparatory schools.

The grammar was first announced as being prepared by Professor J. M. Hart, of the University of Cincinnati, and myself, but unfortunately for myself Prof. Hart's interest and labors became centred more and more in English work and he found himself obliged to withdraw from the undertaking at an early date. I have nevertheless not been deprived of his valuable counsel and suggestions, for which I herewith express my thanks.

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## THE GERMAN ALPHABET.

1-2.

German type.	German script.	Name.	German type.	German script.	Name.
A a	<i>A a</i>	ah	Ä ä	<i>Ä ä</i>	en
B b	<i>B b</i>	bay	O o	<i>O o</i>	oh
C c	<i>C c</i>	tsay	ß p	<i>ß p</i>	pay
D d	<i>D d</i>	day	Q q	<i>Q q</i>	koo
E e	<i>E e</i>	(b)ay	R r	<i>R r</i>	air
F f	<i>F f</i>	ef	Œ œ	<i>Œ œ</i>	es
G g	<i>G g</i>	gay	T t	<i>T t</i>	tay
H h	<i>H h</i>	hah	U u	<i>U u</i>	(t)oo
I i	<i>I i</i>	e	V v	<i>V v</i>	fou(l)
J j	<i>J j</i>	jot	W w	<i>W w</i>	vay
K k	<i>K k</i>	kah	X x	<i>X x</i>	ix
L l	<i>L l</i>	el	Y y	<i>Y y</i>	ipilon
M m	<i>M m</i>	em	Z z	<i>Z z</i>	tset

Äe ä	<i>Ä ä</i>	ah-umlaut (h)ai(r)	<i>f</i>	tsay-hah
Öe ö	<i>Ö ö</i>	oh-umlaut	<i>h</i>	tsay-kah
Üe ü	<i>Ü ü</i>	oo-umlaut	<i>f</i>	es-tsay-hah (= ah)
Äu	<i>Äu</i>	au-umlaut (= oi)		

## PRONUNCIATION.

The German sounds are here only very inaccurately represented by English words and letters. A full analysis is found in the second part, p. 160. The following description, with a few key-words, will suffice for the beginner; but it is meant to be only a popular description. As soon as the student begins to read, he ought to study Part II, p. 160-174.

3. **ā** as in Eng. *father*: Vater, Mal, Zahl. **ä**, not in Eng., but similar to Scotch *a* as in Sc. *hand, land*: Mann, Land, Hand.

4. **h** = Eng. *b*, but surd (= *p*) at the end of words: Bube, Haube, Dieb, Laub.

5. **c, d** = Eng. *k*: Carl, Bade, Bäder.

6. **ch**, not in Eng., but in Scotch as in *loch*. A single guttural sound. Two kinds: 1. Palatal (forward) after palatal vowels, after *e, i, ö, ü, ä, ei, eu*, and in the suffix *-chen*, e. g., ich, Wächter, Blech, möchte, euch, Gerücht, weich, Mädchen, Mamachen. 2. Back-guttural after the other vowels, *a, o, u, au*, e. g., ach, Dach, Loch, Buch, Bauch (betrog in N. G.). In Charfreitag and in foreign words = *k*: Chara'fter, Chor; also like *sch* in foreign words: Champa'gner, change'ren, Chance.

7. **d** = Eng. *d*, but surd (= *t*) finally: du, doch, Bad, lud.

8. **e**, long, similar to Eng. *a, ay*, as in *pay, pate, rate*; short, like Eng. *ě*, as in *met, ě*: geh'n, Beet, wert; ě: recht, Wette.

9. **f** = Eng. *f*: hoffen, Hafen, führen, flagge.

10. **g** = Eng. *g*, but surd (= *k*) finally: glauben, plagen, graben; but Tag, Zug, fragte, trug, Balg.

11. **h** = Eng. *h* if it stands initially: Hund, Hofe, Hase. After a vowel and after a *t* it is silent: stehn, seh(e)n, sah, thun, Ebat, Ehal. See the dropping of *h*, p. 159.

12. **i** similar to Eng. *i*: bin, finde, bringe.

**ī** or **ie** = Eng. *ee* in *fear*: vier, siegen, mir, dir, Igel, Biber.

13. *j* similar to Eng. *y*: jung, jagen, Jagd.

14. *ʃ, ſ* = Eng. *k*: Kase, Kade, Katen.

15. *l* similar to Eng. *l*: Lage, lachen, wohl, Saal, bald.

16. *m* = Eng. *m*: Molsch, Saum, schwimmen.

17. *n* = Eng. *n*. 1. Initially, finally, and before a dental: Nagel, nun, sein, senden, Sant, Fund. 2. In the stem-syllable before *t*, and combined with *g* like Eng. *ng* in *sing, singer*: Anfang, Sanger, Singer, Bank, senken, blinken; but an-ge-*kommen*, un-*ge*heuer.

18. ** = Eng. *o, oa*, in *hold, foal*: Bote, Boot, tot, rot, Loos, los, Thon (clay). ** not in Eng., but short Sc. *o*; e. g.: Woche, Loch, Stod, Rod (not at all like Eng. *stock, rock*, but see p. 164).

19. *p* = like Eng. *p*: plagen, Kappe, Trapper, Galo'pp.

*pf* = *p + f*: Pfund, Kapf, Sumpf, tapfer. In Eng. only in accidental juxtaposition, e. g., "a cap for him," "stop for me."

*ph* in foreign words only = *f*: Philologie', Telegra'ph.

20. *q* always followed by *u*, similar to Eng. *qu*: quer, Quast, Quart, bequem.

21. *r* unlike Eng. *r*. 1. Trilled: Regen, Rahe, fern, Furt, treu. This is the standard *r*. 2. Uvular or guttural in N. G., very much like the guttural *ʀ*, but sonant.

22. *ʃ, ʃf, ʃs, ʃp* = Eng. surd *s*: Haus, Mause, Wasser, Fluß, Muße, sein; but initially and after a vowel it begins surd and ends sonant, as in N. and M. G. Standard unsettled. But see p. 175.

23. *ʃh* = Eng. *sh* (surd): schiden, schenken, haʃchen, Schlange.

24. *ʃt, ʃp* = *ʃht, ʃhp* initially in the standard pronunciation and in S. and M. G. But in the middle and at the end of words, in N. G. also at the beginning of words = Eng. *st, sp*; *ʃht, ʃhp*: Stein, StraÙe, Stuhl, Spaß, sprießen; *st, sp*: haßt, wußte, bersten, Wurst, Wesse, haßeln. N. G.: Spieß, Stod.

25. *t*, *th* = Eng. *t*: *hat*, *hatte*, *That*, *Raht*.

26. *ü* = Eng. *oo* in *too*: *Hut*, *But*, *Blume*, *Buch*, *Buhle*.  
*ü* = Eng. *u* in *put*: *Butter*, *stußen*, *Gulden*.

27. *u* = Eng. *f* in German words: *Vater*, *Frevel*, *viel*. *u* = German *w* in foreign words: *Vifa'r*, *vindizie'ren*, *Bata'nj*.

28. *w* like Eng. *v* dento-labial: *Wetter*, *Wasser*, *warnen*. After *sch* labio-labial like *u* after *q*, but not quite like Eng. *w*: *Schwester*, *Schweiß*, *Schwelle*. But see p. 170.

29. *r* in foreign words and *rs*, *rsj* = Eng. *x*: *Alexander*, *Wachs*, *Fuchs*, *Füchsn*, *sechs*.

*y* = *ü*, which see.

30. *z*, *tz* = Eng. *ts*, as in *cats*, *rats*: *Zunge*, *Zeug*, *Warze*, *Müße*, *Pfütze*.

*r* in foreign words before *e*, *i*, *y*, *ä* = *ts*: *cerebral*, *Cäsu'r*, *Cita'de*, *Cyflo'p*; but the spelling is unsettled: *Ziga'rre*, *Zentner*, *Zenju'r*.

### 31. Modified Vowels (Umlauts).

*ä* long = Eng. *ai* in *fair*: *Väter*, *Räder*, *stählern*.

*ä* short = Eng. and Ger. *ë*: *Hände*, *Wände*, *fällen*.

*ö* not in Eng. It has the lip-position of *a*, the tongue-position of *e*: long in *böje*, *lösen*, *Herzöge*; short in *Böller*, *Zölle*, *Gerölle*.

*ü* not in Eng. It has the lip-position of *u*, the tongue-position of *i*: long in *Mühle*, *Bücher*, *Küchlein*; short in *Müller*, *Sünde*, *Büttel*.

*y* = *ü*, as in *Cya'n*, *Cypre'sse*, only in foreign words.

### 32. Diphthongs.

*ai* (rare) and *ei* = Eng. *i* in *find*: *Kaiser*, *Mai*, *leise*, *weiß*, *bleiben*. *au* = Eng. *ou* in *house*: *blau*, *Haus*, *Maus*.

*äu* and *eu* similar to Eng. *oi* in *exploit*: *Mäuse*, *läuten*, *Beute*, *heute*.

### Quantity of Vowels.

**33.** Vowels are long in an open syllable, *e. g.*, *La-geß*, *jo=gen*, *Bü=cher*. They are also indicated: 1. By doubling, but only in the case of *a*, *e*, *o*: *Saal*, *Seele*, *Moos*. 2. By *h* after the vowel and after *t*: *hahn*, *Dhm*, *ihn*, *Thran*, *Thor*. 3. By *e* after *i*: *lieb*, *Lier*, *viel*. 4. *a* and *e* are generally long before *r*, *rt*, *rd*: *war*, *rar*, *der*, *wert*, *werden*, *zart*, *Pferd*. Short in *fertig* (< *Fahrt*), *Warte*, *Scharte*, *Herz*, *Schmerz*.

**34.** The vowels are short before more than one consonant: *handeln*, *bergen*, *Nacht*, *Gelübde*, *hassen*.

**35.** *ß* counts as a single consonant; it becomes *ff* medially (see "Rules," § 12), *e. g.*, *Fluß* — *Fluffeß*, *Flüsse*; *fließen* — *flöß*, *geflossen*. The vowel remains long before inflectional endings, *e. g.*, *loben*, *lobst*, *gelobt* (but *gehabt*, *gemacht*); also in a closed syllable, when the stem-vowel stands in an open syllable under inflection, *e. g.*, *Lag*, *La-geß*; *Zug*, *Zu-geß*. But see p. 175.

Since *ch* cannot be doubled, there is no telling the quantity of the preceding vowel from the mere looks of the word: *e. g.*, long in *Buch* — *Buches*; *Luch* — *Luches*; *brach* — *brachen*; but short in *Bach* — *Baches*; *lachen*, *wachen*. As a rule, shortness may be expected.

**36.** The division into syllables differs somewhat from the English custom. The "Rules" § 26 show how words are divided at the end of a line. The following examples will illustrate sufficiently: *ha-ben*, *such-te*, *be-ehren*, *Be-re*, *ver-irren*, *ge-irrt*, *Was-ser*, *Str-a-ße*, *Is-sen*, *ro-ter*, *Fin-ger* (but see 17), *Se-xt*, *Wei-zen*, *Fit-ze*, *Kar-pfen*, *be-ob-achten*, *nach-sa-gen*, *be-glau-bi-gen*.

**37.** German orthography is now regulated by the government, and the student who is to write German should provide himself with the official, *Regeln und Wörterverzeichnis für die deutsche Rechtschreibung in den preussischen Schulen*. Berlin. It is a small convenient guide of 46 pages, with a quite full word-list. See 361, 2.



## THE ARTICLES.

**38.** The definite article is *der, die, das + the*; the indefinite, *ein, eine, ein + one, an, a*.

The definite article declines:

	masc.	fem.	neuter.	common gender.
<i>Sing. N.</i>	der	die	das	<i>Plu.</i> die
<i>G.</i>	des	der	des	der
<i>D.</i>	dem	der	dem	den
<i>A.</i>	den	die	das	die

The indefinite article declines:

<i>Sing. N.</i>	ein	eine	ein
<i>G.</i>	eines	einer	eines
<i>D.</i>	einem	einer	einem
<i>A.</i>	einen	eine	ein

**39.** The articles are unaccented.

The definite article is the weakened demonstrative pronoun, which has chief stress. It retains the short original forms of the same. The indefinite article is the weakened numeral *ein*, which also has chief stress. To mark the demonstrative pronoun and the numeral, they are sometimes printed spaced or with a capital letter: *Nur Einen Schritt, so bist du frei*, F. 4568; but *Es war einmal ein König*, F. 2212. *Der Mohr kann gehn* (Sch.). *Es thut mir lang' schon weh, daß ich dich in der Gesellschaft seh'*, F. 3470-1.

**40.** Owing to their lack of accent both articles suffer aphæresis and apocope, and contraction with the preceding word, most frequently with a preposition: *dem* and *das* are, according to good usage, combined with the following prepositions: *an, auf, bei, durch, für, hinter, in, über, um, unter, von, vor, and zu*; e. g., *am, an's, auf's, in's, um's, vom*, etc. In general, contractions with dissyllabic prepositions are rarer in the classics, common in the spoken language, which allows the contraction of *den* whether dative plural or accusative singular masculine with the above and also with other prepositions. Some such are even in the classics: *in = in'n*, F. 2429, *in Cessel*, Lessing's *Nathan*, *in Saß*, *in Kopf*, *an Tag*. *Sn*, *um* contain

long (see 389, 5) consonants and the article is not absent, as is generally explained. In conversation is heard: um Arm, von Bäumen, auf'n Felbern, mit'n Händen, durch'n Wald. The apostrophe in auf's, über's, etc., is not at all indispensable. Der, dative singular feminine, combines properly only with zu into zur.

41. Attractions of the definite article, especially of the neuter, to preceding words other than prepositions are common in the spoken language, e. g., „ich will's Buch holen,“ „er hat sich's Bein gebrochen.“ „Dind't's Pferd hauß' an“ (G.). „Und haßt's Kassen verlernt“ (F. 4485).

1. The aphæresis of „ein“ common in the spoken language is also found in the written, e. g., „Darf auf 'nen Stuhl die Sandstuhl“ (Uh.). Bold abbreviations are these in Chamisso's, „'s war 'mal 'ne Kaiserfönigin.“ The dropping of ein before mal is not unusual: „Es war mal ein Kaiser;“ „Auch war mal ein Kbit“ (Bü.). Notice so'ne for so eine. The early N. H. G. (16th century) ein for einem (comp. M. H. G. *eime* for *eineme*), einn or ein for einen occur still in some South German dialects. In M. H. G. the aphæresis of „ein“ is unheard of, while the definite article is much more pliant than in the present classical language. Apocope of the same is still allowable in certain S. G. dialects.

## DECLENSION OF NOUNS.

42. *There are three systems of Declension, the Strong (Vowel, Old), the Weak (Consonant, n-Declension or New), and the Mixed.*

*The strong declension (see 43, 1) has (e)s in the genitive singular; the weak has (e)n in all cases, singular and plural, except in the nominative singular; the mixed has (e)s in the genitive singular, (e)n in the whole plural.*

### General Rules.

43. 1. Feminine nouns never vary in the singular.

2. The only case-endings are (e)s for the genitive singular and (e)n for the dative plural.

3. e in the case-suffix ought to stand in nouns ending in f, ff, fch, ð, ð, t, ft.

*e* is always dropped after *el, en, em, er, den, lein*. In other cases it is optional. If the genitive singular has *es*, then the dative singular has *e* as a rule: *Hauses, zu Hause*.

Distribution of nouns among these declensions according to gender:

1. The bulk of feminine nouns belong to the *n*-declension. No neuters at all.

2. To the strong declension belong mainly masculine and neuter nouns, and a few feminines.

3. The mixed declension includes a few masculine and neuter nouns.

### Strong Declension.

44. We distinguish for practical reasons four classes, according to the formation of the plural :

1. No sign unless it be umlaut: *das Wunder, die Wunder; der Vater, die Väter*.

2. *-e* without umlaut: *der Tag, die Tage; das Loß, die Lose*.

3. *-e* with umlaut: *der Sohn, die Söhne; die Kraft, die Kräfte*.

4. *-er* always with umlaut: *das Bad, die Bäder; das Haus, die Häuser*.

45. FIRST CLASS.—*a* No sign:

<i>Sing. N.</i>	<i>der Spaten</i>	<i>das Gewerbe</i>	<i>der Engel</i>
<i>G.</i>	<i>des Spatens</i>	<i>des Gewerbes</i>	<i>des Engels</i>
<i>Plu. D.</i>	<i>den Spaten</i>	<i>den Gewerben</i>	<i>den Engeln</i>

All other cases singular and plural like nominative singular.

*b*. With umlaut:

<i>Sing. N., D., A.</i>	<i>der Faden</i>	<i>der Bruder</i>
<i>G.</i>	<i>des Fadens</i>	<i>des Bruders</i>
<i>Plu. N., G., A.</i>	<i>die Fäden</i>	<i>die Brüder</i>
<i>D.</i>	<i>den Fäden</i>	<i>den Brüdern</i>

**46.** To this class belong:

1. Masculine and neuter nouns in *-el, -er, -en, -en, -lein, -sel, e. g., der Hebel, der Ritter, der Boden, der Hopfen, das Hündchen, das Kindlein, das Rätzel.*

2. Neuters of the form *Ge-t, e. g., das Getreide, Geschmelde.*

3. The names of kindred in *-er*: Vater, Bruder, Tochter, Mutter, Schwager, all with umlaut. Also der Käse.

4. Certain nouns, if they take *-n* in the nominative singular, as they may according to usage: der Felsen, der Brunnen, der Tropfen, der Schreden (these so generally). The following not so frequently in the written language: der Funke(n), Balke(n), Friede(n), Gedanke(n), Gefalle(n), Hause(n), Same(n), Schade(n).

**47.** The nouns sub 1, in *-el, -en, -er*, are *o*-stems that lost the *ε* of the plural in M. H. G. (see 434, 3). Masculines in *-er* < *aero* < *āri* (originally *jo*-stems), those of the form of *vogel* retained their *ε* longest. *Wem* (Dcm), *Brodem*, *Eibam*, *Brofam* stand isolated. The plural, if it occurs, is the *-t* of the next class. *Brofamen* is more common than *Brofame*.

1. The nouns sub 2 are originally *jo*-stems, having *-t* also in the singular as the remnant of *jo*, O. H. G. *i*. Many have lost it and gone over into the next class, as if *-t* were sign of the plural. *Räse* is treated like the preceding < O. H. G. *chāsi* < *clāsius* < Lat. *clāsus*.

2. All nouns sub 4, except *Friede*, *Gefalle*, and *Gebankt*, were weak in M. H. G., and are not yet fully established in the strong declension. Since usage is unsettled, they might all be put under the mixed declension.

**48.** The nouns of this declension that take umlaut, besides the names of kindred in *-er*, are *Apfel, Aker, Boden, Faden* (thread), *Garten, Hasen, Hammer, Laden, Mangel, Mantel, Nagel, Ofen, Sattel, Säcken, Schnabel, Schwager, Vogel, e. g., Sättel, Schnäbel, etc.* Two neuters take it, *Kloster* + *cloister* < *claustrum*, and *Lager* (camp). In none of these is there any cause that could produce umlaut as in *i* and *jo* stems or before *-ir*. Umlaut has arisen from analogy with these. *Väter, Mütter, Brüder, Töchter* had umlaut already in M. H. G. This way of forming the plural is on the increase, because it is so convenient and some way of indicating the plural seems necessary. *Wägen, Läger, etc.*, still sound objectionable, but have no worse and no better claim to correctness than the above.

**49. SECOND CLASS.—Plural -e, no umlaut.**

<i>Sing. N., A.</i> Hund	die Drangfal	das Jahr
G. des Hundes	der Drangfal	des Jahres
D. dem Hunde	der Drangfal	dem Jahre
<i>Plu. N., G., A.</i> Hunde	Drangfale	Jahre
D. Hunden	Drangfalen	Jahren

**50. To this class belong:**

1. A small number of feminines in -nis and -fal, *e. g.*, die Drangfal, Trübsal; die Finsternis, Betrübnis, pl. -nisse.

2. Many masculines; some capable of umlaut, but without it. These may be considered exceptions to the third class: der Aal, Aar, Arm, Besuch, Amboß, Dach, Grad, Docht, Lachs, Halm, Luchs, Hund, Laut, Pfad, Punkt, Fuß, Tag, Stoff, Thron, Versuch, and a very few others.

3. Masculines in -ig, -(i)ch, -ing, -ling, -(e)nd, -at, -is, -icht, *e. g.*, der König, Gänserich, Molch, Hering, Jüngling, Freund, Monat, Zittz (pl. Zittze), Habicht.

4. Many neuters, among which monosyllabics; those with the prefix Ge-; in -nis, -fal: das Jahr, Geschenk, Gefängnis, Schicksal.

51. The feminines and neuters in -nis ended in M. H. G. in -e (-nisse), both in singular and plural. The ending of the singular was lost in early N. H. G. Also -t of the neuters in Ge- was lost, and they really belong to the first class. (See 45. a., 47.) Those in -nis and these are O. H. G. *jo*-stems. The monosyllabic neuters followed the masculine *o*-stems with -t in the plural (without umlaut sub 2), and can therefore never have umlaut. In O. and M. H. G. they were either uninflected or took -r (see 431). The masculines sub 2 and 3 are *s*-stems, and come properly by their -e (see p. 195). The group sub 2 is on the decrease, because we cannot tell on the surface whether a noun has umlaut or not. To avoid the difficulty, several nouns form very anomalous plurals: der Bau, die Bauten instead of Baue. Of Nord, pl. Norde is rare, rather Nordhuten; of Schmutz, pl. Schmutzt is rare, rather Schmutzfachen; Schluck, pl. Schluckt is seldom used, since it stands in the singular after a number, *e. g.*, drei Schluck Brantwein.

**52. THIRD CLASS.—Plural -e, with umlaut.**

<i>Sing. N., A.</i>	der Stamm	die Kuh	die Braut
<i>G.</i>	des Stammes	der Kuh	der Braut
<i>D.</i>	dem Stamme	der Kuh	der Braut
<i>Plu. N., A., G.</i>	Stämme	Kühe	Bräute
<i>D.</i>	Stämmen	Kühen	Bräuten

**53. To this class belong :**

1. The majority of strong masculine nouns, mostly monosyllabics : der Gesang, Gebrauch, Ball, Gast, Sohn, etc.

2. A number of feminine nouns: die Angst, Art, Bank, Brunst, Brust, Faust, Frucht, Gans, Gruft, Haut, Klust, Kraft, Kunst in compounds, Laus, Luft, Lust, Macht, Magd, Maus, Nacht, Raht, Ruß, Sau, Schnur, Stadt, Wand, Wurst, Zunft ; Ausflucht, Armbrust, Geißwulst.

3. Das Floß, der or das Chor.

**54.** The old bulk of these nouns are *i*-stems. Their number has been increased by *u*-, *o*-, *jo*-, and *cons*-stems. Fuß and Zahn were originally *cons*-stems. Comp. Gr. ποδ-ός, L. *dent-is*. They appear as *u*-stems in Gothic, as *i*-stems in O. H. G. Nacht is also a *cons*-stem. Comp. L. *noct-is*. Isolated cases of its old inflection are Nachts the adverbial genitive and the dative plural in Weihnachten < *sen wihen nahten*. In Nachtigall + nightingale appears the genitive of its *i*-stem-inflection ; compare also Bräutigam + bridegroom, lit. "bridesman." (See 489, 5.) An isolated *u*-case is „Handen“ < O. H. G. *hantum*, dative plural in abhanden, lost ; verhanden + "on hand." „Nöten“ is an isolated dative plural ; the nominative plural is obsolete. Compare the Eng. umlaut in mouse, mice ; louse, lice ; loft, lift, Ags. lyft, but Go. luftus ; cow, kine, etc.

**55.** No neuters belong here except O. H. G. *meri*, das Meer, die Meer, now according to 2d Class. Das Floß is O. H. G. masculine *i*-stem. Der and das Chor, borrowed from church-Latin "chorus," has joined the group sub 2. Das Boot, die Bote because it was also der Boot, a modern borrowed word < D. Die Boote is more elegant. Das Rohr, die Röhre is not good. Besides there is die Röhre, feminine singular, the pipe, tube.

**56. FOURTH CLASS.—Plural -er, always with umlaut:**

<i>Sing. N., A.</i>	das Rad	Jrrtum
<i>G.</i>	des Rades	des Jrrtums
<i>D.</i>	dem Rade	dem Jrrtume
<i>Plu. N., G., A.</i>	Räder	Jrrtümer
<i>D.</i>	den Rädern	den Jrrtümern

**57. To this class belong:**

1. About sixty neuter monosyllabics: das *Has* (Äser), Blatt, Dach, Fach, etc.

2. All in -tum, whether masculine or neuter: das Herzogtum, der Reichthum.

3. Some masculines, viz.: der Böfewicht\*, Dorn\*, Geist, Gott, Leib, Mann, Ort\*, Rand, Strauch\*, Vormund, Wald, Wurm.

4. A few neuters, with the prefix Ge-: das Gemach, Gemüt, Geschlecht\*, Gesicht\*, Geissenf, Gewand\*.

**58. Only neuters had this plural -er at first. Of the sixty sub 1, some twenty form a different plural, and usage is unsettled; so do those sub 3 and 4 marked with a \*. In the following a distinction is made in meaning between the different forms of the plural:**

Sub 1, 2, 4,—

das Band,	Bande, ties,	Bänder, ribbons.
Denkmal,	-male, monuments,	-mäler, figurative sense.
Ding,	Dinge, things,	Dinger, coll., e. g., girls.
Gesicht,	Gesichte, visions,	Gesichter, faces.
Gewand,	Gewande (poetic),	Gewänder (commonly).
Land,	Lande (poetic),	Länder (commonly).
Licht,	Lichte, candles (only),	Lichter, lights.
Schild,	masc. Schilde, shields,	Schilder (sign-board).
Stift,	masc. Stifte, pencils,	Stifter, institutions.
Tuch,	Tüche, kinds of cloth,	Tücher, cloths, shawls.
Wort,	Worte, words (their meaning),	Wörter, parts of speech.

## Sub 3,—

der Mann,	Mannen, retinue,	Männer, men.
Ort,	Orten, D. pl. only,	Orter, places, towns.

59. Trümmer occurs in the plural only. But a weak plural Trümmern occurs in the classics. Singular Trumm + thrum. „Haupten,“ as dative plural, is isolated in „ju den Haupten.“ Mann was originally a *cons*-stem, \*mann- (see Kluge's Dict.). The form Mann in fünfzig Mann is the real nominative plural of the *cons*-stem. Mensch was originally neuter, being an adjective O. H. G. *menisco*. Das Mensch, die Menschen, now implies a slur, speaking of woman = strumpet (see Kluge's Dict.). -Wicht in Bistewicht was also once a neuter, + wight.

60. In early N. H. G. many of the neuters still occur without -er. Kindes Kind werden deine Werk preisen (B.). Kinder und Kindes Kind (erzählen) von dem Volk noch und seinen Scharen (Sch.).

The plural in -s is not elegant. Säbels, Jungens, Frauens, Fräuleins are more than colloquial, though found in the classics. This -s is strictly Low German, and identical with English *s*.

## Weak or n-Declension.

61. Characteristics: (ε)n in the plural and also in the singular of masculine, except the nominative.

	Masc.	Fem.
Sing. N.	der Bote	Whole sing. Zunge
G.	des Boten	
	All through <i>sing.</i> and <i>plu.</i>	Whole <i>plu.</i> Zungen

Only feminine and masculine nouns belong to this declension.

Like Zunge decline all feminines, except: 1. Mutter and Tochter. 2. The few in -nis and -sal (see 50. 1). 3. The strong of the 3d class (see 53, 2).

62. Of the masculines belong here:

1. All of two or more syllables, except Räte and the doubtful strong ones sub 4, 1st class (see 46).



2. The following which generally do not show the *e*, which belongs to them: *der Bär, Bauer, Burſch, Fürſt, Fink, Ged, Gejell(e), Graf, Hageſtolz, Held, Herr, Hirte, Inſaſſe, Menſch, Mohr, Narr, Dchje, Prinz, Piau, Spaß, Sproß, Steinmeß, Thor (fool), Vorjahr.*

3. Many nouns of foreign origin, which are difficult to tell from strong nouns, many of them names of persons and animals. They generally end in *-t, -nt, -ſt*, with the suffix *-graph, -arch, -krat, -log(e), -nom*, e. g., *Poe't, Band't, Israeli't, Patrio't, Archite'ft, Rome't, Plane't, Konjona'nt, Stude'nt, Phanta'ſt, Telegra'ph, Geogra'ph, Patria'rch, Mona'rch, Autotra't, Demotra't, Aſtolo'g(e), Philolo'ge, Aſtrono'm, Defono'm* (polite for "farmer"); also *Tyra'nn.*

4. Some names of nationalities in *-ar*, and *-er*, e. g., *der U'ngar, Bulga'r(e), Tata'r, Baier, Pommer, Kaffer.*

5. The adjective used as a noun when preceded by the article (see 220).

REMARK.—An isolated form is now „auf Erben.“ Erbe was either weak or strong. But „in Ehren,“ „mit Freuden“ are old datives plural (see 434, 1). Notice the spelling *Rönigin, pl. Röniginnen.*

### Mixed Declension.

63. Characteristics : G. sing. (e)ſ, plu. (e)n.

Only masculine and neuter nouns belong to this declension, and very few have not double forms for genitive singular and for the plural. The following generally belong here:

1. *Auge, Bett, Ende, Gevatter, Hemd, Lorbeer, Raſt, Muskel, Ohr, Panto'ffel, Schmerz, See, Stachel, Staat. Nachbar, Unterthan, Better* sometimes retain in genitive singular the (e)n of their former declension.

*Das Herz* inflects G. *des Herzens, D. dem Herzen, A. das Herz*; allowing for its being a neuter, which always has nominative and accusative singular alike; it really comes under 1st Class, strong, sub 4 (see 46). *Schmerz* rarely has *Schmerzens. Der Sporn,*

des Sporns, has taken an -n in the singular, but the old weak plural Sporen is still the rule, though Spornen occurs. Thronen, borrowed in M. H. G. < Gr.-L. *thronos*, is very rare. The plural of Dorn is either Dornē (old) or generally Dörner; rarely Dornen.

The mixed declension is quite modern, and does not exist in M. H. G.

2. Foreign nouns in -or (o long and accented in the plural, short and unaccented in the singular), e. g., der Do'ktor, die Dokto'ren, der Profe'ssor, die Profe'sso'ren. Also Inse't, Intere'sse, Juwe'l, Statu't, and others.

Colloquially you hear sometimes -n after nouns in -el and -er: die Hummern, lobsters; Etefeln, boots; but they are not to be imitated.

### Declension of Foreign Nouns.

64. Those which are fully naturalized come under the declensions already treated of. It remains to speak of those not at all or partly naturalized, and their inflection is very irregular and complicated.

1. Those that retain their foreign inflection, e. g., Jesus Christus, Jesu Christi; Mari'a, Mariae; Modus, pl. Modi; Casus, pl. Casus; Cherub, pl. Cherubim; Conto, pl. Conti; Saeculum, pl. Saecula; Lord, pl. Lords; Tempus, pl. Tempora. Their number is decreasing.

2. Those which take a German plural ending, -en for instance, and do not inflect in the singular, e. g.: das Drama, pl. Dramen; Thema, pl. Themen; Individuum, pl. Individuen. Globus, Rhythmus. But these are also found with -s in genitive singular, and then come under the mixed declension.

3. Nouns whose foreign plural ended in -ia take -ien: Studium, pl. Studien; Gymnasium, pl. Gymnasien. The ending of the singular may have been lost, and they have -s in genitive singular, as Adv'erb, Partici'p, Semina'r, Minera'l, Foßi'l, pl.

Arbieten, Fossilien, etc. Notice Pri'mas, Prima'ten; A'tlas, Atla'nten; Kli'ma, Klimaten. On the whole, there is a great deal of irregularity, and therefore freedom in the inflection of foreign words.

### Declension of Proper Nouns.

**65.** 1. The names of nations and peoples are inflected both in the singular and plural. Those in *-er* (except *Baier* and *Pommer*, where *-er* is not suffix, denoting origin) go according to 1st Class (strong). All the others go according to the *n*-declension: *der Hamburger, des Hamburgers, etc., D. pl. den Hamburgern.* But *der Sachse, des Sachsen; der Preuße, des Preußen,* all through.

2. Certain geographical names (see 147), which always have the definite article, are treated like any common noun, *e. g., der Rhein, des Rheins; das Fichtelgebirge, des -es; das Elfaß, des Elfaßes; die Schweiz, der Schweiz, etc.*

3. Names of persons are uninflected if preceded by the article (an adjective or title between article and name makes no difference), *e. g., des Karl, des Kaisers Karl, dem großen Friedrich.* If the title follows the name, or if the name in the genitive stands before the noun upon which it depends, then the name takes *-s*, *e. g., das Reich Ludwigs des Frommen, des großen Friedrich's Generäle.*

4. Names of persons, places, and countries without an article take a genitive in *-es*: *Goethe, Goethes; England, Englands; Anna, Annas.* But names of males ending in a sibilant, if inflected at all and an apostrophe is not preferred, and feminine names in *-e*, form a genitive in *-ens*, *e. g., Maxens, Franzens, Martens, Sophiens.* Surnames in a sibilant certainly prefer an apostrophe, *e. g., Müßaus' Volksmärchen, Optz' Werke, Gauß' Tod.* Names of places in a sibilant are constructed with *von*: *die Reichsfreiheit von Ro'stanz, die Befestigungen von Pari's.*

66. A dative and an accusative in *-en* of names of persons are hardly in use now, as *e. g.*, Schillern, Goethen, Klopstocken. Christian feminine names retain them more easily than masculine, *e. g.*, Hast du Marien gesprochen?

67. Plurals of names of persons are formed in various ways. The general rule is: *-e* for masculine and *-e(n)* for feminine names, *e. g.*, Heinrichs, Marien; but also Brunhilde, Elisabeths. *-s* forms the plural of masculines ending in a vowel and of feminines in *-a*: Annas, Hugos.

68. 1. Here also belongs the plural of surnames denoting the members of the family, formed by *-s* if ending in a consonant not a sibilant; by *-(e)n* if ending in a vowel or a sibilant (occurs only in familiar language however), *e. g.*, Steinbrüggens, the Steinbrüggens; Sühlingss, the Sühling family; Rüdss. Other endings for the plural, generally of foreign names however, are *-ne*, *-nen*: Catos, Catons; Scipionen, Dittonen, and Dittonen; but the first *n* belongs to the stem of course. Compare L. *Scipio*, *Scipionis*.

2. Biblical names retain classical inflection: Evangelium Matthæi, in Jesu Christo, Mariæ Heimsuchung.

3. It should be borne in mind that the rule in the classical writers before Goethe's death is not the rule now. Lessing wrote *des* Luthers, *des* Melancthonss; Goethe, *Leiden des* jungen Werthers. The dative and accusative in *-en* are the rule in them, the exception now, *Haben Sie* Karlen geschrieben, *Wilhelmen* gesucht?

## DECLENSION OF THE ADJECTIVE.

69. *The adjective is inflected according to two systems of declension, the Strong and the Weak. It is inflected strong when there is no limiting word before it; weak, when there is an article or pronoun. It is uninflected in the predicate.*

## 1. STRONG :

	masc.	fem.	neuter.	common gender.
<i>Sing.</i> N.	guter	gute	gutes	<i>Plu.</i> N. gute
G.	gutes	guter	gutes	G. guter
D.	gutem	guter	gutem	D. guten
A.	guten	gute	gutes	A. gute

## 2. WEAK :

	masc.	fem.	neuter.
<i>Sing.</i> N.	der gute	die gute	das gute
A.	den guten	die gute	das gute

All other cases, *sing.* and *plu.*, guten.

Notice that the nominative and accusative singular of the feminine and neuter forms are alike.

70. After *ein*, *kein*, and the possessive pronouns the adjective is strong in the nominative singular of all genders and in the accusative singular of feminine and neuter, since it is like the nominative, *e. g.* :

*Sg.* N. ein großer Dichter, eine rote Kirſche, ein herrliches Gedicht  
 G. eines großen Dichters, einer roten Kirſche, eines herrlichen Gedichtes  
 D. einem großen Dichter, einer roten Kirſche, einem herrlichen Gedichte  
 A. einen großen Dichter, eine rote Kirſche, ein herrliches Gedicht.

71. Adjectives ending in *-el*, *-er*, *-en* as a rule drop the *e* of these suffixes when inflected, sometimes however the *e* of the case-ending *-en*, *e. g.*, *edel*, *edler*, *edle*, *edles*; *mager*, *magrer*, *magre*, *magres*; *eigen*, *eigner*, *eigne*, *eignes*; but *heiter* and *heiter*, *edlen* and *edeln*. Those in *-er* like to retain both *e*'s: *heiterer*, *heitere*, *heiteres*. Note therefore: *Ein magrer Däſe*, *eines magern* or *magren Däſen*, etc.; *der heitere* or *heitre Himmel*, *des heiteren*, *heitre*, or *heiteren Himmels*, etc.; *mein eignes Haus*, *meines eigenen* or *eigenen Hauſes*, etc. For *hoch*, *höher*, *höhe*, *höhes* see 490, 3, *b*.

72. The genitive singular masculine and neuter, *-es*, is now so regularly replaced by *-en*, that it should perhaps appear in the paradigm. Though strictly according to rule, *-es* has become the exception; *-en* has prevailed since the 17th century. Voss, Klopstock, and Grimm opposed it. Goethe favors it. *Ein*, *kein*, and the possessive adjectives never allow *-en* for *-es*; *keines*, never *keinen Mannes*.

## COMPARISON OF THE ADJECTIVE.

73. Adjectives are compared by means of the inflectional suffixes *-er* and *-(e)st*, *e. g.* :

positive.	comparative.	superlative.
jung	jünger	jüngst
schön	schöner	schönst
reich	reicher	reichst

Those in *-el*, *-en*, *-er* lose this *e* before the comparative *-er*; but retain it and lose the *e* of *-est* in the superlative, *e. g.*, *mager*, *magrer*, *magerst*; *dunkel*, *dunkler*, *dunkelst*. *e* in *-est* is as a rule retained after *v*, *t*, *z*, *sc*, *z*, *rc*, *ß*, and *st*, but not necessarily, *e. g.*, *lauteste*, *gewisseste*, *süßeste*. *Größte* alone is classical, but in the spoken language *süßte*, *heißte*, *kürzte*, etc., are heard. „hoch“ retains the former *h* in the comparative *höher*, and *h* in *nahe* becomes *ch*: *nächst*. See 490, 3, b.

74. The umlaut generally takes place, but it is very difficult to tell when it does not. A not small number are doubtful, *e. g.*, *blaß*, *gesund*, *fromm*, etc. No umlaut take: 1. Those with the stem-vowel *au*, *e. g.*, *lau*, *blau*, etc. 2. Foreign ones: *brav*, *nobel*, etc. 3. Participles: *befucht*, *gewandt*, etc. 4. Derivatives: *strafbar*, *schalkhaft*, *langsam*, *unglaublich*, etc. 5. Bunt, *blau*, *dumpf*, *salzig*, *flach*, *froh*, *höhl*, *hold*, *kahl*, *klar*, *lahm*, *laß*, *los*, *matt*, *morsch*, *platt*, *plump*, *rajch*, *roh*, *rund*, *sanft*, *jatt*, *schlaff*, *schlant*, *schroff*, *starr*, *stolz*, *straff*, *toll*, *voll*, *wahr*, *zahn*, *zart*.

75. The comparative and superlative forms are declined just like the positive. Examples :

*Größerer Spaß*, *größeres* or *größeren* *Spaßes*, etc. ; *der größere Spaß*, *des größeren Spaßes*, etc. ; *ein größerer Spaß*.

*Klarstes Wasser*, *das klarste Wasser*, *ein klarstes Wasser*.

*Eblerer Mann*, *der edlere Mann*, *ein edlerer Mann*; *eitelster Bursch*, *der eitelste Bursch*, *ein eitelster Bursch*.

Heißerer Sänger, der heißere Sänger, ein heißerer Sänger; G. eines heißeren Sängers, etc.; der heißeste Sänger.

## 76. 1. Irregular Comparison.

By the use of different stems:

Positive.	Comparative.	Superlative.
gut + good	besser, adv. <i>baş</i> + better	best + best
viel	mehr + more	meist + most
	mehrer	mehrſt
gering or wenig	minder	mindeſt

Good and viel are never compared regularly. Mehrer and mehrſt are due to double comparison. „Mehrſt," though occurring in Goethe and Schiller, is not classical. Mehr and minder are really not adjectives, but are used adverbially and substantively. „Baß," (mehr, very, much) is now archaic. „Doch *baş* heißt ihn der linke Mann" (Bü.). Für*baş* (onward); „*baş*" also means sehr, stark: „Das macht, er thät ſich *baş* hervor" (Sch.). „Und ward nicht mehr geſehn" (G.). Morgen ein mehreres = to-morrow (I will write) more.

## 2. Defective and Redundant Comparison.

a. There is a class of adjectives derived from adverbs and prepositions:

Adv. or prep.	Comparative.	Superlative.
(außer)	äußer	äußerſt
(hinter)	hinter	hinterſt
(inner)	inner	innerſt
(nieder)	nieder	niederſt
(ob[er])	ober	oberſt
(unter)	unter	unterſt
(vor, fort)	vorder	vorderſt

For the derivation of these adverbs, see 551, 3. The superlative suffix -ſt is added to the comparative. This is due to their former full comparison, as for instance, O. H. G. pos. *hintaro*, comp. *hintarôro*, superl. *hintarôst*. The pres-

ent comparatives *hintere*, *obere* are not even now felt as real comparatives; *äußer* has a spurious umlaut; „*öberſte*“ and „*fürderſte*“ are colloquial; „*vörder*“ comes from „*fort*,” O. H. G. *fordar*; compare Eng. *further*, which has nothing to do with *far*.

	Positive.	Comparative.	Superlative.
b. (mittel) + middle		mittler	mittelſt
(eße, conj.)		(eßer, adv.) + ere	erſt + erſt
(laß + late)			leßt + laſt
(für)		(fürder, adv.)	fürſt (ſubſt.) + firſt

The first compares regularly like an adjective in *-el*. The positive occurs only in compounds now, and the comparative has the force of the positive.

## NUMERALS.

### 77. Cardinals.

eins, + one	zwei und zwanzig, + twenty-two
zwei, + two	drei und zwanzig, + twenty-three
drei, + three	dreißeig, + thirty
vier, + four	ein und dreißeig, + thirty-one
fünf, + five	vierzig, + forty
ſechs, + six	fünßeig, funßeig, + fifty
ſieben, + seven	ſechsßeig, ſechßeig, + sixty
acht, + eight	ſieb(en)ßeig, + seventy
neun, + nine	achtzig, + eighty
zehn, + ten	neunßeig, + ninety
elf, elf, ölf, + eleven	hundert (das Hundert), + a hundred
zwölf, zwölfe, + twelve	(ein) hundert und ein(e), + a hundred and one
dreizehn, + thirteen	(ein) hundert und zwei, + a hundred and two
vierzehn, + fourteen	(ein) hundert (und) zehn, + a hundred and ten
fünfzehn, + fifteen	
ſech(e)zehn, + sixteen	
zwanzig, + twenty	
ein und zwanzig, + twenty-one	



(ein) hundert und zwanzig, + a hundred and twenty

(ein) hundert ein und zwanzig, + a hundred and twenty-one

(ein) hundert acht und achtzig, + a hundred and eighty-eight  
zweihundert, + two hundred

dreihundert sechs und siebenzig, + three hundred and seventy-six  
tausend (das Tausend), + a thousand

(ein) tausend und ein(s), + a thousand and one

(ein) tausend drei und vierzig, + a thousand and forty-three

(ein) tausend einhundert or elshundert, + a thousand and one  
hundred

ein tausend achthundert drei und achtzig or achtzehn hundert drei und  
achtzig, + one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three

drei(mal) hundert tausend, + three hundred thousand

eine Millio'n, + a million

eine Millia'rde, a thousand millions

eine Billio'n, + a billion

### 78. Inflection.

Fully inflected are only *eins*, *zwei*, *drei*, as follows :

Masc.	Fem.	Neuter.
N. einer	eine	ein(e)s
G. eines	einer	eines, when used substantively.
N. ein	eine	ein, like the indefinite article when used attributively.

„'s war einer dem's zu Herzen ging“ (Ch.) ; „eins von beiden,“ one  
of two things.

N. zwei	G. zweier	D. zweien	A. zwei
N. drei	G. dreier	D. dreien	A. drei

79. Older inflections were masc. *zween*, fem. *zwo*. *Zwei*, the neuter,  
has crowded out the masculine and feminine forms, which may still  
be found in the older modern classics, and still in use in the S. G.  
dialects. Was zweien recht ist, ist dreien zu enge. Durch zweier Zeugen Mund  
wird allerwärts die Wahrheit kund (F., I. 3013). Zween die mit mir überführen

. . . . (Uh.) *Zwo Hofen eines Luchs*, cut from the same cloth. „*Zwo Sungfern in den besten Jahren*“ (Gellert). The plurals *zweite* and *breite* are in analogy with the strong noun and adjective declensions. From 4–12 the *e* in the plural represents O. H. G. *i* when they were *i*-stems, *fünfe* < *fimf*. The only other case in which these numbers are inflected is the dative plural (in *-en*): *auf allen Vieren kriechen*, *alle Viere von sich strecken*; *mit Sechsen fahren*; *zu Dreien*. *Zweiter*, *zweiten* are according to the adjective inflection.

### 80. Ordinals.

The ordinals are formed from the cardinals by adding *-te* to the numbers from 2–19, and *-fte* from 20 on.

(der) erste, + first	sechste, + sixth
zweite, + second	sechzehnte, + sixteenth
britte, + third	zwanzigste, + twentieth
vierte, + fourth	hundertste, + hundredth
fünfte, + fifth	tausendste, + thousandth

Their inflection is that of adjectives; *zweiter*, *der zweite*, *ein zweiter*; G. *eines zweiten*. See 438, 1.

## PRONOUNS.

### 81. Personal Pronouns.

Common gender.			Special forms for gender in the singular.		
I.	II.	III.	III.		
			Masc.	Fem.	Neuter.
<i>Sing.</i> N. <i>ich</i>	<i>du</i>		<i>er</i>	<i>sie</i>	<i>es</i>
G. <i>mein</i> ( <i>mein</i> )	<i>dein</i> ( <i>dein</i> )	<i>sein</i> ( <i>sein</i> )	<i>seiner</i> ( <i>sein</i> )	<i>ihrer</i>	<i>seiner</i> ( <i>sein, es</i> )
D. <i>mir</i>	<i>dir</i>	<i>sich</i>	<i>ihm</i>	<i>ihr</i>	<i>ihm</i>
A. <i>miß</i>	<i>diß</i>	<i>sich</i>	<i>ihn</i>	<i>sie</i>	<i>es</i>
<i>Plu.</i> N. <i>wir</i>	<i>ihr</i>	—	} <i>sie</i>		
G. <i>unser</i> ( <i>unserer</i> )	<i>euer</i> ( <i>eurer</i> )	—	} <i>ihrer</i>		
D. <i>uns</i>	<i>euch</i>	<i>sich</i>	} <i>ihnen</i>		
A. <i>uns</i>	<i>euch</i>	<i>sich</i>	} <i>sie</i>		

The first and second persons and the plural of the third person are of common gender. The singular of the third person has a form for each gender.

**82.** In the genitive singular the longer forms in *-er* are common; the others are now archaic and poetic, e. g., „*Bergfl-meinnicht*“ (the flower). „*Ich denke Dein*,“ etc. (G.). The lengthened forms *eurer, unsrer* are not yet sanctioned, though common in the spoken language, and, especially *eurer*, not very rare in the classics, e. g., „*(Wie er) bei Tafel Eurer selbst nicht achtet*“ (Sch.). „*Dann bedarf es unsrer nicht*,“ (Sch.). The genitive singular neuter „*es*“ occurs still in certain constructions, generally called an accusative: „*Er hat es keinen Hehl daß . . .*“ (Sch.). *Ich bin es müde. Es nimmt mich Wunder.* (See 183.)

### 83. Reflexive Pronouns.

For the first and second persons the personal pronouns serve as such, e. g., *ich fürchte mich, wir freuen uns, ihr schaut euch*. For the third person the forms are made up of the personal and the old reflexive pronouns :

Masc. and neuter.		Fem.	Common gender.	
<i>Sing.</i>	G. <i>seiner</i>	( <i>ihrer</i> , pers. pron.)	<i>Plu.</i>	( <i>ihrer</i> , pers. pron.)
	D., A. <i>sich</i>	<i>sich</i>		<i>sich</i>

**84.** The reciprocal pronoun has no special form; as such are used *uns, euch, sich, einander*, meaning “each other,” “one another.”

### The Possessive Pronouns.

**85.** The possessive pronouns are: *mein + my; dein + thy; sein, his, its; ihr, her; unser + our; euer + your; ihr, their; Ihr, your; der meine + mine; der deine + thine, etc.; der meinige + mine; der deinige + thine, etc.*

They are inflected like adjectives (see 69); but the first

group, *mein, dein, sein*, etc., like the indefinite article (see 38), in which the nominative singular masculine and the nominative and accusative singular neuter are uninflected, *e. g.* :

	Neuter.	Feminine.
<i>Sing. N., A.</i>	<i>mein Tuch</i>	<i>deine Richte</i>
	<i>G. meines Tuches</i>	<i>deiner Richte</i>
	<i>D. meinem Tuche</i>	<i>deiner Richte</i>
<i>Plu. N., A.</i>	<i>meine Tücher</i>	<i>deine Richten</i>
	<i>G. meiner Tücher</i>	<i>deiner Richten</i>
	<i>D. meinen Tüchern</i>	<i>deinen Richten</i>

For the declension of *der meine, der meinige*, see the weak adjective, 69, 2. The rest stand uninflected used predicatively and when they follow the noun (now archaic), *e. g.*, *Was mein ist, das ist dein und was dein ist, das ist mein (B.)*. *Du hast das Herz mein, so ganz genommen ein (Song)*.

86. *Guer, Gure, Seiner, Seine* are often abbreviated into *Gu., Gr., Se. : Se. Majestät, Em. Wohlgeborn.* *Ihro* is archaic, *e. g.*, *Ihro Gnaden*. It is an imitation of the old *G. hero* (see 89). It does not occur before the seventeenth century. It stands for masculine and feminine singular and plural : *Ihro Gnaden, Eminenz, Durchlaucht*.

87. The possessive pronouns form certain compounds with *wegen, halben, willen, and gleichen*. *Ex. : meinewegen, ihretwegen, meinethalben, ihretgleichen, eurentgleichen*. The compounds with *wegen* and *halben* are really *D. plu. meinen wegen, deinen halben*. After *n* sprang up the excrescent *t* = *meinentwegen, beinenthalben*, current in the sixteenth century. These became the now classical *meinewegen, beinethalben*, though the longest forms are still heard ; also *meinthalben*, even *meintshalben*, occur, but they are not good. *Meinetwillen < meinentwillen < meinentwillen* are original accusatives, *e. g.*, *um meinen willen = for my sake*.

The origin of *ihretgleichen*, etc., is not so clear. *Gleichen* is without doubt the adjective used as a noun and governing a preceding genitive, which was at first the genitive of the personal pronoun and became later the possessive pronoun agreeing with *gleichen* (*M. H. G. sine gleichen*). But whence *s*? Is it the genitive sign *-es* in compound nouns, *Liebesbrief, Mittagstunde*, which was looked upon as a mere connective? (See 518, 2.) In *M. H. G.* was a Gen. *mines, dines*, which with *mines*, stood for

*mit*, almost exclusively before *selber*. But *beineglichen* is not old enough to connect with M. H. G. *dines selber*.

Other compounds with the possessive, like *meineits*, *meinerits* (see 552), are clearly genitives.

### Demonstrative Pronouns.

**88.** These are : 1. *der, die, das* + the, that ; 2. *dieser, diese, dieses* + this ; *jener, jene, jenes*, that, + *yon*. The first, when used with the noun, differs only in accent and not in declension from the article (see 39). When used substantively (without the noun) it declines :

	Masc.	Fem.	Neuter.	Common gender.
<i>Sing.</i> N.	<i>der</i>	<i>die</i>	<i>das</i>	<i>Plu. die</i>
G.	<i>dessen</i>	<i>deren</i>	<i>dessen</i>	<i>deren</i>
	<i>des</i>	<i>der</i>	<i>des</i>	<i>derer (der)</i>
D.	<i>dem</i>	<i>der</i>	<i>dem</i>	<i>denen</i>
A.	<i>den</i>	<i>die</i>	<i>das</i>	<i>die</i>

**89.** The spelling of „*deß*“ for „*des*“ is unwarranted. It implies that it is an abbreviation of „*dessen*“, which it is not.

„*Ders*“ is the O. H. G. form retained in certain phrases, as in *bers Onaben*. *Derentwegen*, *-halb*, etc., are forms like *meinetwegen*, etc., but rarely lose the *n* before *t*. For their explanation see 87.

	Masc.	Fem.	Neuter.
<b>90.</b>	<i>dieser</i>	<i>diese</i>	<i>dieses</i> and <i>dies</i> + this
	<i>jener</i>	<i>jene</i>	<i>jenes</i> + <i>yon</i> , that

These are declined like strong adjectives, and stand adjectively and substantively: *diese Feder, dieses Tintenfaß, jener Baum. Jenes dort ist mein Buch.*

**91.** Another group of demonstrative pronouns, sometimes called “determinative,” consists of :

Masc.	Fem.	Neuter.
<i>derjenige</i>	<i>diejenige</i>	<i>dasjenige</i> , the, that
<i>derjelbe</i>	<i>diejelbe</i>	<i>dasjelbe</i> , the same
<i>derselbtge</i>	<i>diefelbtge</i>	<i>dasfelbtge</i> , the same
<i>selber, selbst</i> (uninflected), <i>selbiger</i>	<i>selbtge</i>	<i>selbtges</i> , the same
<i>solch(er)</i>	<i>solch(e)</i>	<i>solch(es)</i> , + such

1. The inflection of the first three is that of „*der*“ and a weak adjective, e. g., *derjenige, desjenigen, demjenigen, etc.* Their composition is apparent. *-ig* is the usual adjective suffix (see 525, 1).

In the 16th century *der* is still separated from *selb-*, *jem-*, and earlier the latter were even declined strong, *der jener, dem selbem*, but they soon followed the *n*-declension. „*Der jent,*“ from which „*derjenige*“ developed, becomes obsolete in the 17th century. „*Der selbige*“ < „*derselbe*“. Accent: *be'rijenige*, but *berse'lbic*.

2. *Selber* is a stereotyped form like *voller*, and *selbst* is a genitive singular of *selb*, M. H. G. *selbes*. The excrescent *t* appears first in the 16th century.

3. *Solch* is inflected like any adjective, even with *-en* in the genitive singular, e. g., *solchenfalls, solchen Glaubens*. It may be uninflected, always if followed by *ein* and generally if followed by another adjective. An apostrophe after *solch* is uncalled for. *Solch ein Mann, solch schöne Blumen. Eine solche Beleidigung kann ich nicht vergessen. Als er solches sah . . . . (B.)*

## 92. Interrogative Pronouns.

*Wer* + who; *was* + what; *welcher* + which; *was für ein*, what sort of.

### 1. *Wer* declines:

Masc. and fem.	Neuter.
N. <i>wer</i>	<i>was</i>
G. <i>wessen, wes</i>	<i>wessen, wes</i>
D. <i>wem</i>	—
A. <i>wen</i>	<i>was</i>

*Wes* or *wes*: *wes* as *bessen*: *des*. See 89. The genitive lengthened by *-en* like *des* > *bessen* was not yet established in the 16th century. *Wes* is now archaic, except in compounds, e. g., *weshalb, weswegen*. For *wessenthalben*, see *bessent-*, *derenthalben*, 87, 89.

2. *Welch* + which, what, declines strong. Before „*ein*“ it is

always, and before an adjective it is often left uninflected, also in poetry when used adjectively: *Welch Getümmel Straßen auf!* (Sch.). *Welch ein Gefühl* (F. 1011). *Welcher Mann war es?*

3. *Was für, was für ein, what, what kind of.* „Ein“ alone is inflected like the indefinite article if used adjectively; like a strong adjective if used substantively: „*Was für Berge, was für Wüsten . . . trennen uns denn noch?*“ (Le.). *Was für ein Baum ist das? Was für Dinte ist dies?*

### 93. Relative Pronouns.

1. *Der, die, das, which, + that, who,* declines like the demonstrative, but the genitive plural is never *derer*: *Keiner siegte noch, der nicht gestritten hat* (Bo.).

2. *Welcher, welche, welches, + which, who, that,* always declines strong: *Das Buch, welches ich gelesen habe.*

3. *Wer, + who, whoever.* The inflection is the same as that of the interrogative: *Wer es (auch) sei, whoever it be.*

4. *Was, + what, whatsoever.* The inflection is the same as that of the interrogative: *Was er (auch) sagen mag, no matter what he says.*

### Indefinite Pronouns and Indefinite Numerals.

94. *Anderer, andere, anderes, + other, different:* *der andere, die andere, das andere, die anderen.* Declined like any adjective, used substantively and adjectively.

95. *Einer, eine, eines, + one,* the numeral with its derivatives *kein, none, and einige, generally only plural “some.”*

*Ein-* is always strongly inflected and stands only substantively. Standing adjectively it is declined like the indefinite article (see 39).

*Kein* is inflected like the indefinite article, but standing substantively is declined *keiner, keine, kein(e)s*: *Keiner wird als Meister geboren* (Prov.).

96. *Etwas*-, some; *etwas*, anything; *wer*, anybody; *was*, anything, something; *welch*-, some, any.

*Etwas*- and *welch*- are always inflected strong. The singular of *etwas* is rare, having the force of "tolerable," "some": *mit etlichem Erfolge*, with some success.

97. Compounds with *je*: *jeder*, every, each; *jedlich*, *jedweder* (= *jeder*) stand adjectively and substantively; *jedermann*, everybody; *jemand*, anybody; *niemand*, nobody.

*Jeder*, *jedlich*-, *jedweder*, each, every, are declined like strong adjectives. *Jedlich* and *jedweder* are not common now; they have the same meaning. *Jedermann* has only a genitive singular in -s. *Jemand* and *niemand* decline:

N.	<i>jemand</i>
G.	<i>jemand(e)s</i>
D.	<i>jemandem, -den</i>
A.	<i>jemanden</i>

The accusative and dative are N. H. G., taken from the adjective inflection. Though the classics are full of these cases, the best usage for the spoken language favors no case-ending for accusative and dative.

98. *Man*, one, any one. It is only nominative. The other cases are made up from *ein*- or *wir*. *Man* is old spelling for *Mann*, from which in M. H. G. it was not distinguished. Its corresponding possessive is *sein*: *Man glaubt ihm nicht*. *Man kann seinen eigenen Kopf nicht essen* (Prov.).

99. *Nichts*, nothing, allows of no further inflection. It is itself the genitive of M. H. G. *nicht* = *ni-wiht* and *nio-whiht*. Compare Eng. *naught* = *na-wiht*. *Nichts*, the genitive, stands for the emphatic combination *nihies niht*, "not a thing" = *gar nichts*.

*Zu nichts*, *mit nichts*, "not at all," show still that *nicht* was once a noun fully inflected: *Besser etwas denn nichts* (Prov.).



**100.** As indefinite numerals it is customary to classify all + all; beide + both; jedes + each or either; ganz, whole; lauter, "nothing but;" manch + many; mehr + more; mehrere, several; die meisten + most, the majority; die meisten (= die meisten); ein paar, a few, lit. "a pair;" sämtliche, all, altogether; das übrige, die übrigen, the rest; viel, much, many; wenig, little, few; ein wenig, a little.

Of these, all, ganz, manch, viel, wenig may stand uninflected. Otherwise they are inflected like adjectives: Viel Steine gab's und wenig Brot (Uh.). „Ganz Deutschland lag in Schmach und Schmerz“ (Mosen). Das ganze Deutschland soll es sein (Arndt).

Lauter, mehr, ein paar, ein wenig are indeclinable.

## CONJUGATION.

**101.** The verb varies for person and number; for tense (present and preterit) and mood (indicative and subjunctive). From the present stem are formed the imperative and the noun-forms of the verb, viz., the infinitive, present participle with the gerundive, and the past participle in -(e)t. According to the formation of the preterit we distinguish two great systems of conjugations, the "strong" and the "weak." The strong verbs form the preterit by substituting a different stem-vowel from that of the present, e. g., geben — gab, tragen — trug; the weak, by adding -(e)te to the stem, e. g., loben — lobte, glauben — glaubte.

**102.** The infinitive, the preterit, and the past participle are generally given as the "principal parts" of a verb. The infinitive represents the forms with the present stem. Knowing the preterit or the past participle, one can tell whether a verb is weak or strong. If the preterit ends in -(e)te the past participle ends in -(e)t; if the preterit is strong, the past participle ends in -en, e. g., sagen, sagte, gesagt; saugen, sog, gesogen.

The infinitive and the past participle help form the compound tenses.

103. The following paradigms show the various inflections:

WEAK.			STRONG.			
PRESENT.		PRETERIT.	PRESENT.		PRETERIT.	
<i>Ind.</i>	<i>Subj.</i>	<i>Ind. and subj.</i>	<i>Ind.</i>	<i>Subj.</i>	<i>Ind.</i>	<i>Subj.</i>
ich lobe	lobe	lobte	singe	singe	sang	sänge
du lobst	lobest	lobtest	singst	singest	sangst	sängst
er lobt	lobe	lobte	singt	singe	sang	sänge
wir loben	loben	lobten	singen	singen	sangen	sängen
ihr lobt	lobet	lobtet	singt	singet	sangt	sänget
sie loben	loben	lobten	singen	singen	sangen	sängen
	<i>Imp.</i>	<i>Inf.</i>		<i>Imp.</i>		<i>Inf.</i>
2. <i>sg.</i>	lobe (du)	loben	2. <i>sg.</i>	sing(e) (du)		singen.
1. <i>pl.</i>	loben wir	<i>Pres. part.,</i> <i>Gerundive.</i>	1. <i>pl.</i>	singen wir		<i>Pres. part.,</i> <i>Gerundive.</i>
2. <i>pl.</i>	{ lob(e)t (ihr) loben Sie	lobend <i>Past part.</i> gelobt	2. <i>pl.</i>	{ sing(e)t (ihr) singen Sie		singend <i>Past part.</i> gesungen

104. The personal suffixes are:

- Sg.* 1. p. -t, except for strong preterit.  
 2. p. -(e)t for both tenses and moods.  
 3. p. -(e)t for the present indicative. In the pres. subj. and in the pret. ind. and subj. the 3. p. is like the first.
- Pl.* 1. p. -(e)n for both tenses and moods.  
 2. p. -(e)t for both tenses and moods; also for the imperative.  
 3. p. -(e)n for both tenses and moods.

The retention or rejection of the thematic or connecting vowel -e- is treated later. See 118.

105. Imperative. The 2. p. *sg.* ends in -t in all verbs excepting those strong ones that have the interchange of

e—t or e—te in the 2. and 3. p. sg. pres. ind., e. g., Traue, schaue, bete, bitte, grabe, hebe, but sprich, friß, nimm.

**106. Infinitive.** It always ends in *-en* except in those weak verbs in which it is preceded by *-el*, *-er*: wandeln, wandern; also in *sein*, *thun*, which are non-thematic verbs. See 449, 2.

**107. Participles.** The present part. and the gerundive always end in *-end*: hoffend, helfend, ein Liebender, ein zu beweisender Satz, a proposition to be demonstrated. They are declined like adjectives.

The past participle is formed by the prefix *ge-*, and the suffix *-(e)t* for weak verbs, the suffix *-en* for strong ones: lieben — geliebt, blättern — geblättert, tragen — getragen, singen — gesungen.

**108. Ge-** does not stand:

1. Before *heißen*, *lassen*, *sehen*, *helfen*, *lernen* (?), *lehren* (?), *hören*, when an infinitive depends upon them in a compound tense: Ich habe ihn gehen heißen, kommen lassen, sagen hören. For *lernen* and *lehren*, *gelernt* and *gelehrt* are better usage.

2. In the preterit-present verbs (= modal auxiliaries, see 134) which form similar past participles, viz., *können*, *dürfen*, *mögen*, *müssen*,  *sollen*, *wollen*. Man hat das wilde Tier nicht fangen können. See 113.

3. In the past participles of verbs having inseparable prefixes, e. g., *verlassen*, *entjagt*, *bededt*, *gedacht*, except *fressen* < *ver* + *essen* and verbs in which *b* and *g* are no longer felt to be the prefixes *be* and *ge* (see 543), e. g., *gefressen*, *geblieben* < *bleiben*; *geglaubt*; *geglichen* < *gleich*. See *gegessen*, 128.

4. In verbs with the foreign ending *-t'eren*, e. g., *marſchieren* — *marſchirt*; *probieren* — *probiert*. Even when these are compounded with separable Germanic prefixes, they take no *ge-*: *ausmarſchirt*, *einstudiert*.

5. *Werden* < *werden* never takes *ge-*, when it is an auxiliary in the passive voice, e. g., *Er iſt gelobt worden*.

## Compound Tenses.

**109.** These are formed by means of the auxiliary verbs *haben*, *sein*, *werden*; the last in the future active and the whole passive; *haben* and *sein* in the active voice. As a matter of convenience the simple tenses of these auxiliaries are given here.

**110.**

PRESENT.		PRETERIT.		PRESENT.		PRETERIT.	
<i>Ind.</i>	<i>Subj.</i>	<i>Ind.</i>	<i>Subj.</i>	<i>Ind.</i>	<i>Subj.</i>	<i>Ind.</i>	<i>Subj.</i>
ich habe	habe	hatte	hätte	bin	sei	war	wäre
du hast	habeſt	hattest	hättest	bist	ſieheſt	warſt	wäreſt
er hat	habe	hatte	hätte	iſt	ſei	war	wäre
wir haben	haben	hatten	hätten	ſind	ſeien	waren	wären
ihr habt	habet	hattet	hättet	ſeid	ſeiet	waret	wäret
ſie haben	haben	hatten	hätten	ſind	ſeien	waren	wären
<i>Imperative.</i>		<i>Inf.</i>		<i>Imperative.</i>		<i>Inf.</i>	
2. <i>sg.</i>	habe (du)	haben		2. <i>sg.</i>	ſei (du)	ſein	
1. <i>pl.</i>	haben wir	<i>Pres. part.,</i>		1. <i>pl.</i>	ſeien wir	<i>Pres. part.</i>	
2. <i>pl.</i>	} habet (ihr)	<i>gerund.</i>		2. <i>pl.</i>	} ſeid (ihr)	<i>ſehend</i>	
		habend				<i>Past part.</i>	
} haben Sie		<i>Past part.</i>		} ſeien Sie		geweſen	
		gehabt					

PRESENT.		PRETERIT.			
<i>Ind.</i>	<i>Subj.</i>	<i>Ind.</i>	<i>Subj.</i>	<i>Imperative.</i>	
ich werde	werde	ward, wurde	würde	2. <i>sg.</i>	werde (du)
du wirſt	werdeſt	wardſt, wurdeſt	würdeſt	1. <i>pl.</i>	werden wir
er wird	werde	ward, wurde	würde	2. <i>pl.</i>	} werdet (ihr)
wir werden	werden	wurden	würden		
ihr werdet	werdet	wurdet	würdet	<i>Inf.</i> werden	
ſie werden	werden	wurden	würden	<i>Pres. part.</i>	
				<i>Gerund.</i>	
				} werdend	
				<i>Past part.</i> worden	

**111.** 1. *haben* has contracted forms for the 2. and 3. pers. sing.: *habet* < *habest*; *hat* < *hät* < *habet*. The pret. has undergone the same contractions: *hatte* < *hätte* < *habete*, etc. The pret. subj. has umlaut due to the influence of strong and pret.-pres. verbs. In dialect the long con-

tracted forms of M. H. G., prevailing through the whole present, are still heard. In M. H. G. *haben* as auxiliary has the contracted forms; as an independent verb, the uncontracted.

2. *Werben* is a regular strong verb of the 3. class. It is the only verb that has retained the two pret. vowels, generally the vowel of the sing. prevailing over that of the plural. *Warb* is more common as independent verb; *wurde*, as auxiliary. In elevated style *warb* is preferable.

**112.** The Perfect is formed with the present of *haben* or *sein* and the past participle, e. g., *ich habe getragen*, I have borne; *ich bin gefahren*, subj. *ich sei gefahren*, I have ridden. Perfect Infinitive: *getragen haben*, *gefahren sein*, to have carried, ridden.

The Pluperfect is formed with the preterit of *haben* or *sein*: *ich hatte getragen*, subj. *ich hätte getragen*, I had borne; *ich war gefahren*, subj. *ich wäre gefahren*, I had ridden.

113. The past participles without *ge-* accompanied by an infinitive (see 108, 1, 2), the modal auxiliaries and weak verbs which followed their analogy, form such tenses as these: *Ich habe ihn gehen heißen*, I have ordered him to leave. *Sie haben einen Rock machen lassen*, you have had a coat made or ordered a coat to be made. *Der Knabe hat die Lektion nicht lernen können*, the boy has not been able to learn the lesson. *Er hat es nur sagen hören*, he has only heard it said. *Der Nachbar hat den Bettler arretieren lassen wollen* (or *wollten arretieren lassen*), my neighbor wanted to have the beggar arrested.

**114.** The Future ind. and subj. is formed with the present of *werden* and the infinitive, e. g., *ich werde tragen*, *ich werde fahren*, I shall carry, ride.

The Future Perfect is formed with the present of *werden* and the perfect infinitive, e. g., *ich werde getragen haben*, *ich werde gefahren sein*, I shall have carried, ridden.

**115.** The first Conditional is formed with the preterit subj. of *werden* and the infinitive, e. g., *ich würde tragen* or *fahren*, I should carry or ride.

The second or perfect Conditional is formed with the preterit subj. of *werden* and the perfect infinitive: *ich würde getragen haben* or *gefahren sein*, I should have carried or ridden.

### Passive Voice.

**116.** The passive voice is formed by *werden* and the past participle. The tense of the auxiliary with the past participle of the verb forms the corresponding passive tense. *Werden* forms its compound tenses with *sein* and *werden*.

**PRESENT :** *ich werde gelobt*, I am praised, am being praised.

**PRETERIT :** *ich ward* or *wurde gelobt*, I was praised.

**PERFECT :** *ich bin gelobt worden*, I have been praised.

**PLUPERFECT :** *ich war gelobt worden*, I had been praised.

**FUTURE :** *ich werde gelobt werden*, I shall be praised.

**FUTURE PERFECT :** *ich werde gelobt worden sein*, I shall have been praised.

**1. CONDITIONAL :** *ich würde gelobt werden*, I should be praised.

**2. OF CONDITIONAL PERFECT :** *ich würde gelobt worden sein*, I should have been praised.

**IMPERATIVE :** *sei* (du) *gelobt*, be (thou) praised.

<i>seid</i> (ihr) <i>gelobt</i> }	} be (you) praised.
<i>seten</i> Sie <i>gelobt</i> }	

**INFINITIVE :** *gelobt werden*, to be praised.

*gelobt worden sein*, to have been praised.

### Weak Conjugation.

**117.** The weak conjugation forms the principal parts by suffixing *-te* or *-ete* in the preterit: *loben*, *lobte*, *retten*, *rettete*; by prefixing *ge-* and suffixing *-t* or *-et* in the past participle: *gelobt*, *gerettet*.

1. Verbs of this conjugation are with few exceptions derivative verbs, and most of them can be recognized as such by certain marks of derivation, such as suffixes (*-eln*, *-ern*, *-igen*, *-ieren*, *-jen*, *-schen*) or umlaut. (But there are a few strong verbs with umlaut: *lügen*, *trügen*, *gebären*, etc.).

**118.** 1. The connecting vowel always stands before *t*, whether personal suffix (3. p. sg. and 3. p. pl.) or in the participle and preterit, if the stem ends in *b* or *t* (*th*); if the stem ends in *m* and *n*, preceded by another

consonant which is not m or n, *e. g.*, er rebet, ihr melbet, wir walteten, getröstet, er atmete, ich zeichnete.

Those in m and n have lost an e before these consonants. Compare them with their nouns: Atem, Zeichen. Those in n are often treated like those in el, er, to which they really belong (see sub 3): zeichente, regente. But these forms are not elegant.

2. The connecting vowel stands in the 2. p. sg. present ind., also after stems in f, sch, ß, ff, ð, þ, besides the stem-endings sub 1, *e. g.*, du redest, waltest, schmachtest, rechnest, reitest, fischest, spaßest, fallest, widmest, betiest, stüßest.

3. Verbs in -eln and -ern rarely show the connecting vowel e, *e. g.*, ich handelte, er handelt, gelächelt, wir wanderten. In the 1. p. sg. present ind. and subj., in the imperative 2. p. sg. they generally lose their own e, *e. g.*, ich wandle, wandle, schmeichle (du).

4. In solemn diction and in poetry any verb may retain the connecting vowel. On the other hand, the poet and the people take many liberties in the omission of it (sub 1 and 2). For instance, Das neue Haus ist aufgerichtet (Uh.). Schreib mir gegrüßt, befreundete Scharen! (Sch.). Reibst du von einem her da lebet? (id.). Begrüßet seid mir, edle Herrn! Begrüßt ihr, schöne Damen (G.). See F. 3217, 3557. In fact though such full forms as du fischest, raufest, fallest, pußest, etc., are written, you generally hear du fischst, raufst, faßt, pußt, etc. This applies also to strong verbs, *e. g.*, du wäscht, stößt, reißt.

5. The present subj. nearly always shows full forms, but the preterit ind. and subj. have coincided: daß du liebest, ihr liebet; daß ich liebte, rebete.

### Irregular Weak Verbs.

119. There are two groups of these verbs. One has a difference of vowel which looks like ablaut, the other has besides different vowels also a change in consonants.

1. The stems show nn or nd:

Inf.	Pret. ind.	Subj.	Past participle.
brennen	brannte	brennte	gebrannt
senden	sandte	sendete	gesandt

Here belong brennen, + burn; kennen, to be acquainted with, + ken; nennen, + name; rennen, + run; senden, + send; wenden, to turn, + wend, went. The last two have also a preterit ind. sendete, wendete.

2. The stems show *n*, *ng*. Here belong :

Inf.	Pret. ind.	Subj.	Past participle.
denken	dachte	dächte	gedacht
dünken	deuchte (deuchte)	deuchte	gedeußt
	dünkte	dünkte	gedünkt
bringen	brachte	brächte	gebracht

### Strong Conjugation.

**120.** Strong verbs must have different stem-vowels in the preterit and present, since in this way difference of tense is expressed. But the vowel of the past participle may coincide with that of the present, as in *geben*, *gab*, *gegeben* *v*, *fahren*, *fuhr*, *gefahren* *vi*, *halten*, *hielt*, *gehalten* *vii*; or with that of the preterit, as in *beißen*, *biß*, *gebissen* *i*, *biegen*, *bog*, *gebogen* *ii*, *glimmen*, *glomm*, *geglommen* *viii*. The past participle ends in *-en*, and has the prefix *ge-*, *e. g.*, *gestohlen*, *gerufen*.

**121.** The personal suffixes are the same as in weak verbs. Compare *liebe*, *liebest*, *liebe*, etc.; *sah*, *sahst*, *sah*, etc. The imperative 2. p. sg. has no ending when the present ind. has interchange of *e-i*, *ie*, *e. g.*, *ich herge*, *du birgst*, *er birgt*; imp. *birg*; *brechen* — *brich*; *essen* — *iß*. This interchange of *e-i*, *ie* occurs in *iii* 3, *iv*, *v*; in verbs which do not have it there is no difference of stem-vowel in the imperative and the present, *e. g.*, *halten* — *halt*; *schwimmen* — *schwimm*. But often *e* is added in analogy with weak verbs, always when the verb is either strong or weak, *e. g.*, *rufen* — *rufe* *vii*; *schlagen* — *schlage* *vi*; always *webe*, *bewege*, *erwäge* *viii*. In the last group there is of course no interchange of *e-i*, *e. g.*, *du bewegst*, *er bewegt*. When the stem ends in *t*, the suffix *t* in the 3. p. sg. is not added, or rather *-tet* passes into simple *t*. *M. H. G.* *giltet* > *gill't* > *gilt*. Compare **118**, 4. *E. g.*, *gelten* — *er gilt*; *sehen* — *er sieht*; *raten*, *rät*. Special mention is made of these peculiarities under each class and verb. The preterit subj. always has umlaut and



the 1. and 3. p. sg. end in *e*, e. g., *ich sah*, *du sahst*, *er sah*, etc.; but *ich sähe*, *du sähest*, *er sähe*.

The verbs are best classified according to the ablaut-series. (See 393.)

**122. I. Class. Ablaut:** *ei*      *i*, *ie*      *i*, *ie*.

1. Division: *ei*      *i*      *i*.

The stem ends in *ß* (*ff*), *ī*, *ā*, *t*, *d-t*.

Examples: *beißen*, *biß*, *gebissen*; *schleifen*, *schliff*, *geschliffen*; *schreiten*, *schritt*, *geschritten*; *weichen*, *wich*, *gewichen*; *leiden*, *litt*, *gelitten*.

The following verbs belong here: *beißen*, + bite; *bleichen* (intrans.), + bleach, but also weak, always when trans.; *sich beleißen*, to apply one's self; *gleich*, to be + like, strong since the 17th century, in the sense of + liken it is still weak, a N. H. G. distinction, M. H. G. only weak; *gleißen*, + glitter, nothing to do with the rare *gleißen* < *gelihsen*, to deceive, or „*gleißen*“ in *entgleißen* < *Geleiße*, track, to derail; *gleiten*, + glide; *greifen*, to seize, + gripe; *grinsen*, + grin, rare and generally weak, *grinsen*, its derivative, has taken its place; *feigen*, to quarrel, is strong or weak, < L. G.; *fniesen*, to pinch, L. G. > N. H. G.; *freischn* and *freisen*, to scream, are related, both weak and strong, not H. G.; *leiden*, to suffer, + loathe; *pfeifen*, to whistle, + pipe < L. *pipare*; *reißen*, to tear, + write, draw; *reiten*, + ride on horseback; *schleichen*, to sneak (+ slick and sleek); *schleifen*, to grind, + slip, weak in the sense of “to drag, raze”; *schleißen*, + slit, split; *schmeißen*, + smite, throw; *schneiden*, to cut; *schreiten*, to stride; *spleißen*, + split, L. and M. G.; *streichen*, to wipe, cross, + strike, etc., with very varying meanings; *streiten*, to strive; *weichen*, to yield; compare *wed*, + weak, wicker; weak, it means to soak, soften.

2. Division: *ei* •      *ie*      *ie*.

Examples: *gedeihen*, *gedieh*, *gediehen*; *reiben*, *rieb*, *gerieben*.

Here belong: *bleiben*, to remain (+ leave); *gedeihen*, to thrive, the part. has a doublet, *gediehen*, thriven, *gebiegen*, solid, pure; *leihen*, to borrow, + lend; *meiden*, to avoid; *preisen*, + to praise, strong only since the 15th century, < *Preis* < M. H. G. *pris* < O. Fr. *pris* < L. *pretium*, analogous to Fr. *priser*; *reiben*, to rub (+ rive); *scheiden*, to separate; *schienen*, + shine; *schreiben*, to write (+ shrive); *schreien*, to scream (?); *schweigen*, to be silent, weak in the sense of “to still a child”; *speten*, to spit, + spew; *steigen*, to climb; *treiben*, + to drive; *welken*, to point out, in the 18th century still weak; *zeihen*, to accuse (+ indict).

123. Notice the interchange of b-t in the first division, e. g., *schneiben, schnitt, geschnitten*; but not in the second, viz., *meiben, mieb, gemieben*; *schreiben, schreib, geschrieben*. (See 416.) When the stem ends in *ß* or *f*, the 2. p. sg. present ind. is heard merely as ending in *st*, whether spelt so or not. The full form -*est* stands only in elevated diction, e. g., *du schmeißt, best, bestest dich*; *du weisest and weißt, du preisest and preisst*. (See 118, 4.) Notice also the doubling of *t* and *f* in *schreiten, schritt*; *streiten, stritt*; *schleifen, schliff*, etc.

124. II. Class. Ablaut: *ie (ü, au)*      *ö, ö*      *ü, ü*.

1. Division: *ie (au)*      *ö*      *ü*.

The stem ends in *ß (ff)*, *ch*, *f*.

Examples: *fließen, floß, geflossen*; *triefen, troff, getroffen*.

Here belong: *verbrühen*, to disgust, vex; *fließen*, + flow (+ fleet); *gießen*, to pour; *frischen*, + to crouch, creep (?); *genießen*, to enjoy; *riechen*, to smell, + reek; *schießen*, + to shoot; *schließen*, to slip, rare, supplanted by its derivative *schlüpfen*; *schließen*, to close, lock; *sprießen*, + to sprout; *triefen*, + to drip; *saufen*, to drink (of animals), + sup and + sip.

2. Division: *ie, ü, au*      *ö*      *ü*.

Examples: *fliegen, flog, geflogen*; *trügen, trog, getrogen*; *saugen, sog, gesogen*.

Here belong: 1. In *ie*: *biegen*, to bend; *bieten*, to offer, + to bid; *fliegen*, + to fly; *fliehen*, + to flee; *frieren*, + to freeze; *flieben*, + to cleave, split; *schieben*, + to shove; *stieben*, to scatter; *verlieren*, + to lose; *ziehen (zog, gezogen)*, to draw.

2. In *ü*: *fären (fäfen)*, + to choose; *lügen*, to lie; *trügen*, to deceive.

3. In *au*: *saugen*, + to suck; *schmauchen (schmieben)*, to snort, L. and M. G.; *schrauben*, to screw (+ ?), L. G. > late M. H. G.

2., 3. pers. sg. pres. show archaic forms sometimes in eu: *fliehet, freucht, fluegt*. (See 408.) Of those in *au* only *saufen* has umlaut, viz., *säuft, säuft*. The stem ending in *ß*, the 2. p. sg. may be *du schiebst, genießt*. Notice the interchange of *ß-g* in *ziehen, zog, gezogen*, but *ß* is silent. (See 416.) Notice also the doubling of *f*: *saufen, soff*, etc.

125. III. Class. Ablaut: *ē, i*      *ä*      *ü, ö*.

1. Division: *i*      *ä*      *ü*.

The stem ends in *n* + cons. (*v, g, f*).

Examples: *binden, band, gebunden*; *springen, sprang, gesprungen*.

Here belong : binden, + to bind ; bingen, to hire, originally and still at times weak, the isolated weak past part. *bēbingt* is a regular adjective ; bringen, to penetrate ; finden, + to find ; gelingen, to be successful ; klingen, to be heard, resound ; ringen, to struggle, + wring ; schinden, + to skin, pret. *schub* ; schlingen, to twine, + sling, it also has the force of the now lost *schlinden*, to swallow ; schwinden, to disappear ; schwingen, + to swing ; singen, + to sing ; sinken, + to sink ; springen, + to spring ; stinken, + to stink ; trinken, + to drink ; winden, + to wind ; zwingen, to force.

## 2. Division : i      ä      ö.

The stem ends in *mm* and *nn*.

Examples : *spinnen*, *spann*, subj. *spänne* and *spünne*, *gesponnen* ; *schwimmen*, *schwamm*, *schwämme* and *schwömmen*, *geschwommen*.

Here belong : *beginnen*, + to begin ; *rinnen*, to flow, + run ; *sinnen*, to think ; *schwimmen*, + to swim ; *spinnen*, + to spin ; *gewinnen*, + to win.

## 3. Division : e-i      ä      ö.

The stem ends in *l*, *r* + cons. except *dreischn*.

Examples : *helfen* (*hilft*), *half* (*hülfe*, *hälfe*), *geholfen* ; *werfen* (*wirft*), *warf* (*würfe*), *geworfen*.

Here belong : *bergen*, to hide, + bury, burrow ; *bersten*, + to burst ; *breischn*, + to thrash ; *gelten*, to be worth, pass for ; *helfen*, + to help ; *schelten*, + to scold ; *sterben*, to die (+ starve) ; *verberben*, to spoil (intrans.) ; *verberben* (weak), to corrupt ; *werben*, to enlist, woo ; *werden*, to become, + worth ; *werfen*, to throw (+ warp).

126. Notice the double preterits subj. (See 464, 3.) Sub 2, *rinnen* never has „*ränne*.“ The 3. division has generally and better *ä*, because you cannot tell „*hälfe*“ from „*helfe*“ by ear. *Dreischn* and *bersten*, once belonging to the next class, have *bräischn* — *bräischn*, *bärste* — *bärste*.

The 2. and 3. p. sg. present ind. have *i* instead of *e*. (See 403.) As to the suffix, *bersten* has *du bist*, *birstest*, *er birst* ; *gelten*, *du gültst* (pronounced *güßt*), *er gült* ; *werden*, *du wirst*, *er wirbt* ; *schelten* like *gelten*.

## 127. IV. Class. Ablaut : ä, ē, ē — i, ie      ä      ö, ö.

The stem contains *l*, *r*, *m* after or before the root-vowel.

Examples : *brechen* (*bricht*), *brach* (*brüche*), *gebrochen* ; *stehlen* (*stiehlt*), *stahl* (*stähle*, *stöhle*), *gestohlen*.

Here belong: *brechen*, + to break; *gebären*, + to bear, bring forth; *befehlen*, to command; *empfehlen*, to recommend; *erschrecken* (*erschraf*), to be frightened; *nehmen*, to take, + *nim*; *sprechen*, to speak; *stecken*, + to stick, stab; *stehlen*, + to steal; *treffen* (*traf*), to hit; *kommen*, *kam*, *gekommen*, + to come. (See 489, 1.)

*Befehlen* and *empfehlen* belonged to the III. Class, and have double subjunctives, *besähle* — *besähle*, etc. So has *stehlen*, *stähle* — *stähle*. The umlaut in *gebären* is only graphic for *ē* < *ĕ*. Those in *-hl* and *gebären* have *ie* in 2. and 3. p. sg. present ind.: *empfehle*, *gebier*. The rest have *i*: *triffst*, *sprichst*; *bu* *fömmst*, *er* *fömm* are quite common, but not elegant.

128. V. Class. Ablaut: *i, ĕ, ē* — *i, ie*      *ā*      *ĕ, ē*.

The stem ends in any sound but a liquid.

1. Division: *e, ē* — *i, ie*      *ā*      *ĕ, ē*.

Example: *geben* (*giebst*, *gibst*), *gab* (*gäbe*), *gegeben*.

Here belong: *essen*, + eat; *fressen*, + eat (said of animals); *geben*, + give; *genesen*, to recover; *geschehen*, to happen; *lesen*, to read; *messen*, + to measure, + *mēte*; *sehen*, + to see; *treten*, + to tread; *vergessen*, + to forget; (*wesen*) *war*, *gewesen*, to be, + was.

2. Division: *i, ie*      *ā*      *ĕ, ē*.

Here belong: *bitten*, *bat*, *gebeten*, to ask, + bid; *liegen*, *lag*, *gelegen*, + to lie; *sitzen*, *saß*, *gesessen*, + to sit.

The form of the 2. and 3. persons sg. of the present ind. of verbs ending in *st* is *-st*; of those in *st* is *st* for both persons: *bu*, *er* *ist*, *vergißt*, *frißt*; *bu*, *er* *liest*. But *genesen*, *bu*, *er* *genest*, has no *ie*, probably because *genest* would have coincided with *genest* < *geniesen*, *genos*, *u.*; *bu* *sitzest* may be contracted > *sizst*, pronounced merely „*siz*.“ The participle of *essen*, *viz.*, *geessen*, has *ge-* twice, because *geessen* was contracted into *geffen* very early. This is now colloquial. (See F. 2638, 4415.) Notice *bu* *trittst*, *er* *tritt*; *bu* *bittest*, *er* *bittet*.

129. VI. Class. Ablaut: *ä, ā-ä*      *u*      *ä, ā*.

The stem-vowel is short before more than one consonant; also in *bu*.

Example: *backen*, (*bäckst*), *back* (*büke*), *gebacken*.

Here belong: *backen*, + to bake, in N. G. generally weak; *fahren*, to ride, + fare; *graben*, to dig; *laden*, to invite, and *laden*, + load; *laben* (strong),

+ to load, and laden (weak), to invite, have been confounded since early N. H. G.; they are of different origin; schaffen (schuf), to create (weak, "to work"); schlagen, to strike, + slay; tragen, to carry; wachsen, to grow, + wax; waschen, + to wash; (stehen), stund, stand (stünde, stände), gestanden, + to stand, stund is still common in S. G.

Here belonged also formerly: heben (hebt), hub, gehoben, to raise, + heave; schwören (schwörst), schwur—schwor, geschworen, + to swear. Fragen (fragst), frug (but never gefragt), "to ask," are frequently heard; also jagen (jagst), jug, "to chase." The forms are still frowned upon by grammarians because they are "wrong," but the people use them just the same.

In the 2. and 3. p. present ind. ð is the rule excepting schaffen, schafft, which is under the influence of the weak verb. Notice du and er wächt, du wächtst (pronounced wächtst). Isolated participles: gemäßen, ground; mäßen is now weak, maßten, maßte, gemäßt, to grind; erhaben, lofty, < erheben, erhoben.

**130. VII. Class.** Characteristic is *ie* in the preterit, which is no ablaut, while the past participle always has the vowel of the infinitive.

For convenience we make two groups.

1. Division. The seeming ablaut is: *ä, ä*            *ie*            *ä, ä*.

a before more than one consonant, *ie* = short *i* before -ng.

Examples: fangen (fängst), fieng, gefangen; braten (brätst, brät), briet, gebraten.

Here belong: blasen, + blow, + blare (?); braten, to roast, fry; fallen (fiel), + to fall; fangen (rarer fahen), to catch; (gehen), gieng, gegangen, + go, went, gone; halten, + to hold; hangen, + to hang; lassen, + to let, cause; raten, to advise; schlafen, + to sleep.

Umlaut is the rule in the 2. and 3. p. present ind. Notice du rätst, er rät; du, er bläst; du hältst (pronounced „hältst“), er hält; du lässest or du, er läßt. The umlaut in this whole class is late; in later M. H. G. they have it rarely. The "Rules" prefer the spelling *i* to *ie*, viz., hing, sing, ging.

**131. 2. Division:** *au, ei, ö, ü*            *ie*            *au, ei, ö, ü*.

Here belong: hauen, hieb (*b* < *w*), gehauen, + to hew; laufen, lief, gelaufen, to run, + leap; heißen, hieß, geheissen, to call, command, + hight; stoßen (stieß), to kick, thrust; rufen (rief), to call.

Only *stoßen* and generally *laufen* take the umlaut: *bu, er stößt; bu läufft*.

*Schreiben*, once of this class, has gone into I; „*geschreiben*,” according to I, is sometimes heard, but must still be rejected as incorrect. Of this class there are a great many isolated participles of verbs that have changed conjugation, *e. g.*, *Befchreiben*, modest (but *Befchreiben*, “ordered”); *gefchrotten*, rough-ground; *gefajlen*, + salt; *gefpalten*, “split”; *gewalzen*, rolled, etc.

**132. VIII. Class.** Characteristic is *o* in the preterit and past participle, long or short according to the following consonants.

The verbs belonging here are stragglers from all the other ablaut-series. There must be therefore a number that are still afloat; that is, according to the usage of the period in which they are taken, they belong to their regular class or to this. Present usage in the spoken language always favors *o* — *o*, *e. g.*, *fchwören*, *fchwor*, *gefchworen*, VI; *brofchen*, *brofch*, *gebroschen*, III; *heben*, *hob*, *gehoben*, VI, which have been assigned by us, however, to their proper classes. *Lügen*, II, and *trügen*, II, have sprung from *liegen* and *irügen* under the influence of the nouns *Lüge*, *Trug*. They might be classed here; as also *fürten*, II, for *fiften*; compare the noun *für(-fürft)*, elector.

**133.** The vowels of the present may be *e, i, a, ä, ö*.

The ablaut is most frequently *e o o*.

We count here: *bellen* (*bellst, bilst*), to bark, III; *fechten* (*fichft, fichft*), + to fight, IV, III; *flechten* (*flichft, pronounced fichft, fichft*), to braid, IV, III; *pflegen*, to carry on, undertake, V, IV, in the sense of “to be accustomed,” “to care for,” always weak; *melken* (*melst and milst*), + to milk, III; *quellen* (*quillst*), to swell, gush, III; *fchellen* (*fchillst* archaic), generally *fchallen* the weak verb, “to resound,” weak = to cause to resound, ring, III; *fchmelzen* (*fchmilzft, fchmilzt*), + to melt, III; *fchwellen* (*fchwilt*), + to swell, III; *weben* (*webft*), strong and weak, + to weave, V; *bewegen* (*bewegft*), to induce, weak = to move, V; *glimmen*, to glow, III, 2; *flimmen*, + to climb, III, 2; *gären* (*gärt*), to ferment, also weak, IV; *erwägen* (*erwägft*), to consider; *wägen* or *wiegen* (if *ie*, II), *wägst, wiegst*, + to weigh (—*wägen, wiegen, —wegen* are in M. H. G. the same word, V); *rächen* (*rächft*), + to wreak, sometimes has *roch*, *groschen*, but is generally weak, IV; *erlöfchen*, intrans., to die out (of a flame), (*erlöfcheft, erlöfcht*), but trans. *löfchen*, to extinguish, III; *verwirren*, to confuse, III, is generally weak, but has an isolated participle, *verworren* = intricate, complicated.

## ANOMALOUS VERBS.

## I. The Preterit-Present Verbs.

**134.** To this group belong the modal auxiliaries and *wissen*. They are originally strong verbs, whose preterits are used as presents. New preterits, past participles, and infinitives were formed weak. The infinitives, the present plural, and the new strong participle have the same vowel, sometimes with an irregular umlaut: *können* (inf.), *wir können*, *können* (past part.). The different vowels of the present in the sg. and pl. *weiß*, *wissen*; the subjunct., with umlaut, *mag*, *möge*; the lack of *t* in the 3. p. sg., *er mag*, are still traces of their strong conjugation. The weak preterit was formed without connecting vowel, and has umlaut in the subjunctive: *mögen*, *möchte*, *möchte*, *gemocht*. (See 119, 2, and 454, 3.) The strong participle in *-en* stands in the compound tenses, when an infinitive depends upon the auxiliary: *ich habe schreiben müssen*, but *ich habe gemußt*. An imperative, the meaning permitting, is made up from the subjunctive, e. g., *wolle*, *möge*.

**135.** 1. *Wissen*, I, to know, + to wit (wot, he wist).

Inf.	Pret. ind.	Subj.	Participles.
<i>wissen</i>	<i>wußte</i>	<i>wüßte</i>	{ <i>wissend</i> { <i>gewußt</i>

The pres. ind. inflects: *ich weiß*, *du weißt*, *er weiß*, *wir wissen*, *ihr wiss(e)t*, *sie wissen*. Subj.: *ich wisse*, *wisset*, *wisse*, etc. Imp.: *wisse*, *wisset*, *wissen* &c.

2. *Dürfen*, III, to be permitted.

Inf.	Pres. sg.	Pret. ind.	Subj.	Past part.
<i>dürfen</i>	<i>darf</i>	<i>durfte</i>	<i>dürfte</i>	{ <i>gedurft</i> { <i>dürfen</i>

Pres. ind.: *darf*, *darfst*, *darf*, *dürfen*, *dürft*, *dürfen*. Subj.: *dürfe*, *dürfest*, *dürfe*, etc.

## 3. Können, III, to be able, + can.

Inf.	Pres. sg.	Pret. ind.	Subj.	Past part.
können	kann	konnte	könnte	{ gefonnt können

Pres. ind.: kann, kannst, kann, können, etc. Subj.: könne, könntest, könne, etc. Imp.: könne, könnt, können Sie.

## 4. Mögen, V, IV, to be able, + may.

Inf.	Pres. sg.	Pret. ind.	Subj.	Past part.
mögen	mag	mochte	müchte	{ gemocht mögen

Just like können.

## 5. Sollen, IV, + shall.

Inf.	Pres. sg.	Ind. and subj.	Past part.
sollen	soll	sollte	{ gesollt sollen

Pres. ind.: soll, sollst, soll, sollen, etc.

This is almost entirely weak now. The vowel-difference in the pres. has been levelled away. Comp. Eng. shall, should.

## 6. Müssen, VI, + must.

Inf.	Pres. sg.	Pret. ind.	Subj.	Past part.
müssen	muß	mußte	müßte	{ gemußt müssen

Pres. ind.: muß, mußt, muß. Subj.: müßte, etc.

This too is almost entirely weak.

## 7. Wollen, I, + will.

Inf.	Pres. sg.	Subj.	Ind. and subj. Pret.	Past part.
wollen	will	wolle	wollte	{ gewollt wollen

Pres. ind.: will, willst, will, wollen, wollt, wollen. (See 472, 2.)

II. The verbs gehen, + to go, stehen, + to stand, thun, + to do.



136. 1. **G e h (e) n .**

Pres. ind.: *ich gehe, du gehst, er geht, wir gehen, ihr geht, sie gehen.*

Subj.: *ich gehe, du gehest, er gehe, etc.*

Imp. sg.: *geh*; pl., *geht, gehen* *Sie*. Part.: *gehend.*

Pret. ind.: *ich gieng.* Subj.: *ich gienge.*

Part.: *gegangen.* According to VII; from a stem "*gang.*"

2. **S t e h (e) n .**

Pres. ind.: *ich stehe, du stehst, er steht, wir stehen, ihr steht, sie stehen.*  
Subj.: *ich stehe, du stehest, er stehe, etc.*

Imp. sg.: *steh*; pl., *steht, stehen* *Sie*. Part.: *stehend.*

Pret. ind.: *ich stand (stund).* Subj.: *stände (stünde).*

Part.: *gestanden.* According to VI; from a stem "*stand.*"

3. **T h u n .**

Pres. ind.: *ich thue, du thust, er thut, wir thun, ihr thut, sie thun.*  
Subj.: *ich thue, du thuest, er thue, wir thun, ihr thut, sie thuen.*

Imp. sg.: *thu*; pl., *thut, thun* *Sie*. Part.: *thuend.*

Pret. ind.: *ich that, du thatst, er that, wir thaten, ihr thatet, sie thaten.* Subj.: *ich thäte, du thätetest, er thäte, etc.*

Part.: *gethan.*

The full forms with *e* of these three verbs are not used in the indicative. The *h* is merely graphic, and is not pronounced, *e. g.*, *ich gehe* is not *ge-*he**, but *ge* or *ge'e*.

**137.** The compound verbs are not inflected differently from the simple verbs. Notice the position of the separable prefix and *ge-* in separable compound verbs: *ich schreibe an, schrieb an*; imp. *schreibe (du) an, ich habe angeschrieben, ich werde anschreiben.* The separable prefix stands apart from the verb in the simple tenses (pres. and pret.), but only in main clauses; *ge-* stands between prefix and verb, *angeschrieben, aufgethan.* Ex.: *Ich schreibe, schrieb den Brief ab, but während ich den Brief abschrieb* (dependent clause). In inseparable compounds notice the

participle has no *ge*: *ich verstehe, verstand, habe verstanden, werde verstehen.* (See 108, 3.)

1. Notice a class of inseparable compounds derived from compound nouns. These have *ge*. They can be easily recognized by the chief stress falling on the first element: *das Frú'hstück, verb frú'hstücken, frühstückte, gefrú'hstückt, to breakfast; der Ra'tschlag, verb ra'tschlagen, ratschlagte, geratschlagt, to take council.*

**138.** Example of a reflexive verb, *e. g.*, *sich freuen, to rejoice:*

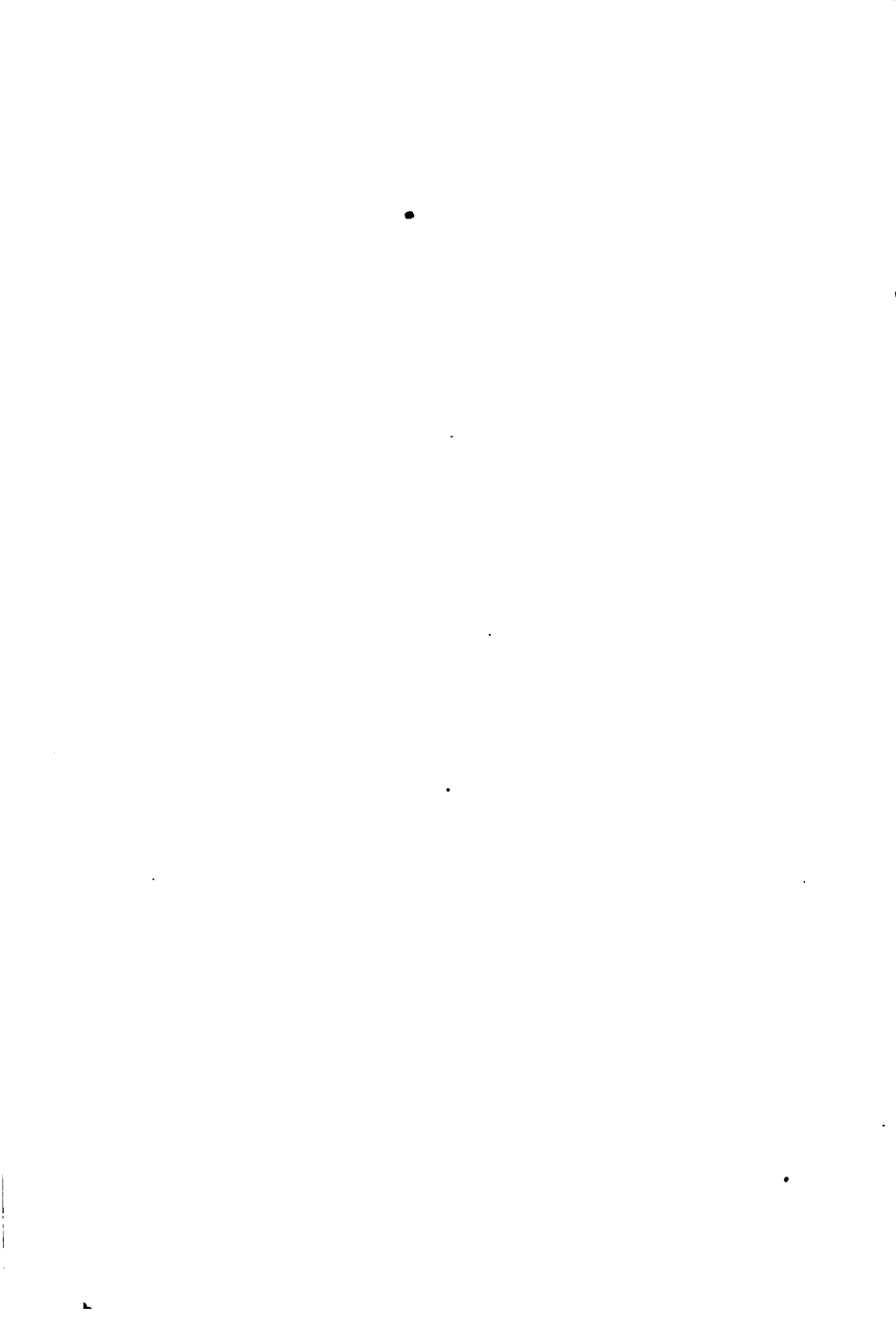
Pres. *ich freue mich, du freust dich, er freut sich, wir freuen uns, ihr freut euch, sie freuen sich; ich freute mich, habe mich gefreut, werde mich freuen, werde mich gefreut haben.*



F I R S T P A R T .

                      
S E C O N D   S E C T I O N .  
                    

S Y N T A X .



## SYNTAX.

**139.** For practical reasons we divide the Syntax into **Special and General Syntax.**

The **Special** treats of the function of the word, inflected or uninflected, in a sentence.

The **General** treats of the combination of words into a sentence, of the word-order, and of the combination of clauses into a compound sentence.

It is of course difficult to keep these two divisions separate, as in fact all the different branches of grammar. Thus the separation of inflection and function, of phonology and inflection, of word-formation and syntax is a violent one. The division into special and general syntax is the custom of French grammarians, who have succeeded best in freeing their grammatical system from the strait-jacket of Latin and Greek grammars.

### SPECIAL SYNTAX.

The parts of speech are treated here in the same order as they are in the **Accidence.**

#### Syntax of the Article.

**140.** The use of the demonstrative pronoun as definite article is much older than that of the numeral „ein“ as indefinite article. „Ein“ was used where the definite article could not stand; hence the plural of ein Mann is still Männer. In O. H. G. the article is still lacking; its use spread in M. H. G., so that now it is almost a necessity.

#### Some General Cases of Absence of the Article.

**141.** Proper names, names of materials always when preceded by nouns expressing quantity and measure, have no article. Ex.: Goethe erreichte ein hohes Alter. Schiller starb verhältnismäßig jung. Blei ist weicher als Gold. Ein Pfund Zucker.

**142.** No noun preceded by a genitive can take an article: Des Denkens Faden ist zerrissen (F. 1748). Der alten Götter bunt Gewimmel (G.).

**143.** There is no article before nouns, connected by *und*, *weder*, *noch*, or unconnected, in certain set and adverbial phrases; in an enumeration of objects belonging to the same class or genus. Ex.: Geld und Gut. Haus und Hof. Mit Gott für König und Vaterland. In Saas und Braus. Sinn und Verstand verliert' ich schier (F. 2504). Nicht irdisch ist des Thoren Trank noch Speise (F. 301). Soll ich mit Griffel, Meißel, Feder schreiben? (F. 1732). Urahne, Großmutter, Mutter und Kind in dumpfer Stube beisammen sind (Schwab). Zu Tisch, zu Bette, Haus an Haus, Stein auf Stein. in Osten, gen Süden, von Norden.

**144.** All pronouns exclude the article, except *solch*, *manch*, *welch*, *was für*, which allow an indefinite article after them, and *all(e)*, which allows the definite article after it; e. g.: Was soll all der Schmerz und Luft (G.). Welch ein geschäftig Volk eilt ein und aus (id.). Was für ein Landsmann bist du, Jäger? (Sch.).

**145.** An abstract noun, and any noun denoting profession, rank, position have no article in the predicate after neuter verbs; e. g.: Philotte't, der ganz Natur ist, bringt auch den Neoptole'm zu seiner Natur wieder zurück (L.). Heiße Magister; heiße Doctor gar (F. 360). (Ich) bin Soldat, komme niemals wieder (Sch.), Eng., I am a soldier.

**146.** 1. In technical phrases some nouns and adjectives used as such take no article: Schreiber dieses, the writer of this; Kläger, plaintiff; Besagter; Gedachter; Obiges; Folgendes, etc. In headings: Ueber Armut und Würde (Sch.). Casuslehre, Flexionslehre.

2. In folk-lore and folk-songs: Rotkäppchen, Little Red Riding-hood; Schneewittchen. Knabe sprach: ich breche dich. Mäulein sprach: ich steche dich (G.). Thürchen knarrt. Mäulein pfeift.

### Article with Proper Nouns.

**147.** The rule is: no article before proper nouns just as in English.

1. Names of persons may take an article when the bearer is

well known and his name has become a common noun; to express familiarity and intimacy, also contempt; to mark gender and case more clearly (this applies also to names of places and countries); when the author's or artist's name is used for his work; before names of planets, of ships, of the characters of a play, of titles of books taken from a person. Ex.: Ein Washington, der Welfe, die Ottonen. Schiller's Tell and Wallenstein, Goethe's Götz and Lessing's M. von Barnhelm are full of examples of the second use (familiarity, etc.). Die Büste des Sokrates. Wär ich dem Ferdinand gewesen, was Octavio mir war . . . (Sch.). Läßt sich nennen den Wallenstein (Sch.) (contempt). Desorient spielte den Nathan. Mein Freund hat den Corot verkauft (painting by Corot). Der Herkules ist beschädigt.

2. Names of countries and provinces which are not neuter take the definite article. Most of these are feminine and a few masculine, viz., compounds: der Breisgau, Rheingau, der Sundgau; also der Haag (+ the Hague); der, das Elsaß. Feminines in -ei: die Türkei', Wallachel'; in -au: die Moldau, die Wetterau; in -mark: die Neumark, die Ostmark; die Lausiß, die Schweiz, die Krimm, die Levante, die Pfalz. Some neuters in -land: das Vogtland, das Wendtland, die Niederlande, pl.

3. Names of oceans, lakes, straits, rivers, mountains, and forests always have the definite article, e. g., das Mittelmeer, die Ostsee, der Bodensee, der Belt, der Sund, der Rhein, die Donau, der Harz, der Speßart, die Alpen, der Schwarzwald.

4. Names of the seasons, months, days of the week, of the streets of a city: „Der Winter ist ein Ehrenmann“ (Claudius). Im Januar, des Sonntags, auf or in der Kaiserstraße, im Frühling.

**148.** Appellatives have an article as in English: Die Thräne quillt, die Erde hat mich wieder (F. 784). For exceptions see 141-146.

**149.** Abstract nouns have no article when they denote a characteristic or state of mind: Mut zeigt auch der Mameluck;



Gehorjam ist des Christen Schmuß (Sch.). Freude war in Troja's Hallen (id.) Krieg ist ewig zwischen List und Argwohn (id.). But when they denote an act or motion they are treated as appellatives. They may also take the article that has generalizing force, *e. g.*, Der Tod ist der Sünden Sold (B.). Die Wahl steht dir noch frei (Sch.). Die Kunst ist lang und kurz ist unser Leben (F. 558-9). Die Botschaft hör ich wohl, allein mir fehlt der Glaube (F. 765). Das war ein Schuß! (Sch.).

**150.** Names of materials have the generalizing article, which denotes the whole kind or substance, or an article that singles out a certain kind or quantity, *e. g.*, Der Wein erfreut des Menschen Herz (B.). Das Gold ist kostbar. Die Steinkohle ist schwarz oder braun. Without article: Silber und Gold habe ich nicht (B.). Blut ist geflossen (Sch.). Laß mir den besten Becher Weins in purem Golde reichen (G.).

**151.** Collective nouns take an article except when taken in a partitive sense: Was rennt das Volk? (Sch.). Weit dahinten war noch das Fußvolk (id.). Wir haben Fußvolk und Reiterei (id.).

**152.** All classes of nouns qualified by an adjective, by a genitive, by a relative clause, etc., take an article in the singular, excepting names of materials and any nouns standing in the predicate or in certain adverbial phrases. The plural has the definite article or none. *Ex.*: Der kleine Gott der Welt bleibt stets von gleichem Schlag (F. 281). Der Gott, der Eisen wachsen ließ . . . (Arndt). Die Hauptstadt von Frankreich. But (Sie) sprachen laut voll hohen Sinns und Gefühles (G.). Nach alter Weise. Es gab schönre Zeiten als die unsern (Sch.). Der alte Barbarossa (Uh.).

**153.** The genitive preceding a noun always has the article except a proper name: In des Marmors kalte Wangen (Sch.). In des Waldes Mitte (id.). Schiller's „an Ufer's Rand“ Goethe would have made a compound, „Uferstrand.“ Comp. „Bergeshöhle“ and other compounds of Goethe.

**154.** The definite article stands for an Eng. possessive pronoun, when the possessor cannot be mistaken. There may or may not be a personal pronoun as object in the sentence. Ex.: Der Kopf thut mir so weh (Song). Habt ihr mir den Finger bloß genommen? (Sch.). (Sie) rührt ihm leise die Schulter (H. and D. 4, 63). See 243, 3.

**155.** 1. In S. G. the definite article is always applied to members of the family instead of the possessive pronoun. In N. G. no article is necessary as in Eng.: Grüß' den Vater und Vaters Brüder! (Sch.).

2. As with proper names so names of materials and abstract nouns often have the definite article in the genitive and dative merely to show the case: der Milch Wasser vorsetzen.

**156.** The definite article is used in German for the indefinite in English in a distributive sense: Butter kostet anderthalf Mark das Pfund, a pound; dieses Tuch kostet 90 Pfennig(e) die Elle; fünfmal das Jahr or im Jahre. This "a" in Eng. represents the preposition "on," and is not the indefinite article.

**157.** Ein can stand in German before certain indefinite pronouns and neuter adj. where it does not stand in Eng.: ein jeder, ein jeglicher, ein solcher, ein mancher (better manch einer); ein festes, = a fixed sum; ein mehreres, = more; ein wenig, = little. Ich schreibe nächstens ein mehreres.

### Repetition of the Article.

**158.** Before each of several nouns of different gender the article must be repeated if it stand at all: Der Vater, die Mutter die gingen vor des Hauptmanns Haus (Song). If two nouns, connected by und, denote different persons the article should be repeated: Der Onkel und Pathe des Kindes war bei der Taufe zugegen (one person). But der Onkel und der Pathe . . . (two persons).

Both rules are often offended against by Luther, Goethe, and Lessing, and frequently in the spoken language: Wenn man den Maler und Dichter mit einander vergleichen will . . . (Le.).

The article before an apposition is treated as in English.

## SYNTAX OF THE GENDER.

**159.** The grammatical gender of nouns is threefold, masculine, feminine, neuter. As to living beings, the nouns denoting males are masculine, and those denoting females feminine. *Ex.*: der Fuchs, Löwe, der gute Mann, Neffe, Knecht, Dachs, Bod; die Kuh, Ziege, Base, schöne Magd, die Sau, Stute.

1. Exceptions: nouns denoting the young of animals, diminutives, and das Weib, das Mensch (see 59), das Frauentimmer are neuter. *Ex.*: das Ferkel, Füllen, Kalb, Mädchen, Fräulein.

2. Either grammatical gender is ascribed to the names of the species without regard to sex. Neuter: das Pferd, das Schwein, das Schaf, das Reh. Fem.: die Nachtigall, Ameise, Biene, Maus, Ratte. Masc.: der Fisch, Base, Dachs, Luchs.

**160.** Where the grammatical gender does not coincide with the natural, the following rules may be of service, based on the meanings of nouns and on their derivation. See 159, 1.

## GENDER ACCORDING TO MEANING.

## 1. Masculine are :

The names of the points of compass, of the winds, seasons, months, days of the week, of mammals (a few small ones like die Maus, die Ratte excepted), most of the larger birds, most fish, and stones.

*Ex.*: der Nord or Norden; Sommer; Februar, August; Montag, Sonnabend; der Esel, Löwe, Elefant; der Strauß, Adler, Storch; der Hai, Aal, Karpfen (all compounds with -fisch, of course, as der Walfisch, Klippenfisch); der Kiesel, Dama'nt, Feldspat.

## 2. Feminine are :

The names of most rivers, trees, plants, and flowers (in -e), insects, small singing birds, and nearly all derivative abstract nouns.

Ex.: die Weser, Oder, Elbe; die Eiche, Tanne, Buche; die Nessel, Rose, Rübe, Nessel, Kartoffel; die Ameise, Wange, Biene; die Nachtigall, Schwalbe, Lerche; also die Krähe, Eule. Die Liebe, Tugend, Jugend, Demut, Freundlichkeit, etc.

### 3. Neuter are :

The names of places and countries except those always having the article (see 147, 2), collective nouns (particularly those with *Ge-*); most names of materials, including metals; of the letters of the alphabet; other parts of speech used as nouns, particularly of adjectives not denoting persons (see 169).

Ex.: das schöne Spanien, „ein klein Paris,“ das Volk, Heer, Gebirge, Geschütz; das Holz, Heu, Schmalz, Obst; das Eisen, Blei, Kupfer, Zinn; das W, Y; das Bummeln, „Das Wenn und das Aber,“ das Gute, das Wahre, das Schöne.

REMARK.—So many rivers are feminine because they are compounded with *-aha* (+ Lat. *aqua*): *Weser* and *Werra* < *Weserā(h)*, *Werraha*; *die Saale*(*ā*). But notice *der Rhein*, *Werra*. *Die Schweiz*, *Lürzel* have the article really on account of their exceptional gender.

## 161. GENDER ACCORDING TO DERIVATION AND ENDINGS.

### 1. Masculine are :

Most monosyllabics by ablaut, *e. g.*, *der Spruch*, *Sproß*, *Stich*, *Schirm*; those in *-er*, *-ler*, *-ner* (denoting agents); in *-el* (denoting instrument); all in *-ling*; many in *-en*; dissyllabics in *-e* according to the *n*-declension; in *-ich*.

Ex.: *der Schreiber*, *Künstler*, *Hörner*; *der Dedel*, *Hebel*; *der Fremdling*, *Günstling*, *Säugling*; *der Segen*, *Degen*; corresponding to Eng. *-om*, *Busen*, *Bejen*; *der Knabe*, *Löwe*, *Bote*; *Gänserich*, *Wüterich*, *Fittich*.

### 2. Feminine are :

Many dissyllabics (by ablaut) ending in *-e*; abstract nouns in *-e*, mainly from adjectives; in *-te*, mostly foreign; many in

-t; all in -ei, -in, -ung, -heit, -keit, -schaft; some in -nis and -sal; foreign ones in -age (see 163, 5).

Ex.: die Größe, Höhe; die Sprache, Gabe: die Philosophie, Galanterie; die Gast, Macht, Kraft; die Jägererei, Juristerei, Melodei; die Freundin, Lehrerin; die Duldung, Widmung; die Freiheit, Frömmigkeit; Freundschaft; die Wildnis, Fäulnis; die Blamage, Courage.

### 3. Neuter are:

All in -en, -lein; most in -sel, -sal, -nis, -tum; nearly all of the form Ge-*t* or Ge- without *t*; some in -el.

Ex.: das Hündchen, Knäblein; das Rätsel, Überbleibsel; das Schicksal, Labfal; das Gedächtnis, Vermächtnis; das Königtum, Christentum (only two masc., der Reichtum and Irrtum); das Gefilde, Gemälde; das Gefild, Geßild; das Bündel, Gesindel, and the S. G. diminutives das Rindel, Bübel, etc.

On the whole the gender of nouns has changed very little in the history of the language. Ex. of changes are: die Sitte < O. H. G. *der situ*, already M. H. G. sometimes *diu site*. Die Blume was O. H. G. both masc. and fem. Die Faßne was O. H. G. *der fano*.

**162.** The following groups of nouns have varying genders, though some are of the same origin and have the same meaning. They should be fully treated in the dictionary, to which the student is referred. Only a few examples are given in each group.

*1st group.* The same form and meaning, but double gender (m. and n.); *der* and *das* Meter, Thermome'ter, Barome'ter, Reich, Schreken, Zeug, etc.

*2d group.* Double gender (m. and f.) with varying forms, but the same meaning and origin: *der* Schurz — *die* Schürze; *der* Trupp — *die* Truppe; *der* Quell — *die* Quelle; *der* Spalt — *die* Spalte.

*3d group.* Double gender, the same form in sg. and pl. if the plural be formed of both genders, but of different meaning and sometimes of different origin (the latter with \*).

All adjectives: *der Gute*, + the good man; *die Gute*, + the good woman; pl. *die Guten*.

<i>der Heide</i> , heathen	<i>die Heide</i> , heath	pl. <i>die Heiden</i>
* <i>der Bulle</i> , bull	<i>die Bulle</i> (document)	<i>die Bullen</i>
<i>der Erbe</i> , heir	<i>das Erbe</i> , inheritance	<i>die Erben</i>
<i>der Verdienst</i> , earnings	<i>das Verdienst</i> , desert, merit	<i>die Verdienste</i>
* <i>der Geißel</i> , hostage	<i>die Geißel</i> , scourge	<i>die Geißeln</i> -feln
* <i>der Messer</i> , measurer	<i>das Messer</i> , knife	<i>die Messer</i>

There are perhaps forty in all.

*4th group.* Double gender, double plural, but different meaning and sometimes different origin (the latter marked \*). Perhaps a dozen or more.

<i>der Band</i> , volume	pl. <i>Bände</i>	<i>das Band</i> , ribbon	pl. <i>Bänder</i>
* <i>der Marsch</i> , march	<i>Märſche</i>	<i>die Marsch</i> , marsh	<i>Marschen</i>
<i>der Schild</i> , shield	<i>Schilde</i>	<i>das Schild</i> , sign-board	<i>Schilder</i>
* <i>der Thor</i> , fool	<i>Thoren</i>	<i>das Thor</i> , gate	<i>Thore</i>

#### GENDER OF FOREIGN WORDS.

**163.** Foreign words retain generally the original gender: *die Pein* < L. *pœna*, later *pœna*; *das Kloster* < L. *claustrum*; *der Kerker* < L. *carcer(em)*.

Many have changed gender for various reasons. They were fully Germanized and followed German models according to ending or meaning, or they followed French (Romance) rules. Some changes are difficult to account for.

1. Examples of neuter nouns that became masculine, masculines that became neuter, and feminines that became neuter: *der Palaſt*, < *palatium*; *der Balsam*, < *balsamum*; *der Mantel*, < *mantellum*; *der Preis*, < *præ-tium*; *der Punkt*, < *punctum*. Neuter nouns in -at: *das Konſula't*, < *conſulatus*; *das Forma't*, *formatum* or -us; *das Riſſ*, < V. L. *risma* (f.); *das Kreuz*, < *cruc(em)* (f.).

2. Examples of nouns that have changed gender in analogy with German words similar in meaning and ending: *der Siegel*, < *tegula*; *der*

Marmor, *marmor*, n., on account of *der Stein* (see 160, 1); *der Körper*, < *corpus*, n.; *der Kaba'ber*, < *cadaver*, n., on account of *der Leib*, *der Leichnam*, and the many masculines in *-er*; *die Nummer*, < *numerus*, since *die Zahl*. *Europa*, *Sparta*, *Athen*, *Troja*, now all neuter (see 160, 3).

3. Nouns in *-arium*, *-orium*, *-erium*, *-are*, became all masculine in analogy with H. G. words in *-er*, < *ære* < *ari*: *der Altar*, < *altare*; *der Keller*, < *cellarium*; *der Psalter*, < *psalterium*; *der Weiber*, < O. H. G. *wivodri* < *vivarium*; *der Pfaster*, < It. *piastra*, f., < V. L. *plastrum*.

4. Neuter nouns, whose plural ended in *-a* in Gr. or L., became feminine in German from analogy with feminines in *-t*, < *δ*, and also through Romance influence: *die Bibel*, < *biblion*, V. L. *biblia*; *die Orgel*, < *organum*, *-a*; *die Früchte*, < V. L. *provenda* (pl.); *die Studie*, < *studium*; *die Prämie*, < *præmium*.

5. Words in *-'ge*, masculine and feminine in French, are all feminine in G., e. g., *die Baga'ge*, *die Blama'ge*, *die Coura'ge*, etc. *Die Schrift*, < *scriptum*, *die Pacht*, < *pactum*, are due to analogy with G. nouns in *-t*, viz., *die Frucht*, *Sicht*, *Schicht*, *Maßt*, etc.

#### GENDER OF COMPOUND NOUNS.

**164.** Compound nouns have the gender of the last noun: *der Birnbaum*, *die Hausthür*, *das Schilderhaus*, *das Frauenzimmer* (lady).

EXCEPTIONS: *a.* Many compounds with *-mut*: *die Demut*, *die Wehmüt*, *die Sanftmut*; but *der Hochmut*, *der Freimut*, etc. They are, however, only seeming exceptions, *-mut* going back to compounds with O. H. G. and M. H. G. *-muot*, m., and *-muoti*, f. This has given rise to the double gender of the same noun: O. H. G. *höhmuoti*, f. only, but M. H. G. *hochmüete*, *hochmuot*, f., and *hochmuot*, m.; *die Demut*, < M. H. G. *diemüete*, *diemuot*, always feminine: *der Kleinmut*, *die Anmut*, *die Großmut*; also *der Großmut*; always *der Hochmut*. For *Armut*, which is no compound with *-mut*, see 511, 2, *a.*

*b.* *Der Abscheu* seems an exception, because *die Schœu* is old and more common than *der Schœu*.

*c.* Names of cities and places are neuter even if ending in nouns of different gender: *das schöne Hamburg*, *Lüneburg*, *Annaberg*, etc.; but *die Wartburg*, *Herrenburg*, because these are castles, = *Burgen*, f., and not towns.

d. Der Mittwoch (Woche, f.) appears by the side of the legitimate die Mittwoch, already in M. H. G. It has followed the other days of the week, which are all masculine. (See 160, 1).

e. Die Antwort had double gender in O. H. G., but the neuter was more common. Luther has still die and das Antwort.

#### CONCORD OF GENDERS.

**165.** This subject can be best treated under the head of concords as between noun and adjective, noun and pronoun, subject and predicate. The general rule that adjectives and pronouns take the grammatical gender of the noun to which they refer is only set aside when the grammatical gender does not coincide with the sex. In that case the pronoun or adjective can take the natural gender.

**166.** Mädchen, Mägdelein, Weib, Fräulein admit of this construction according to the sense, most commonly; not so, Kind, Frauenzimmer, Männlein, Söhnlein, and the other diminutives: Und schnell war ihre Spur verloren, sobald das Mädchen Abschied nahm (Sch.). Jenes Mädchen ist's, das vertriebene, die du gewählt hast (H. and D., IV. 210). Du gebenebeite unter den Weibern (B.). Sie unglücklicher, Sie unglückliche, you unhappy man, woman. The adjective therefore also agrees with the sex.

Fräulein and the diminutives of names of females have „die“ sometimes in colloquial language: die Fräulein, die Sophie'chen, die Dörtchen (Dorothy). But „Ihre Fräulein Tochter“ is quite common and correct: Ihre Fräulein Tochter . . . war ausgelassen (unrestrained) (G.).

**167.** Names in the predicate, not capable of forming a feminine from a masculine, like Lehrerin < Lehrer, Vorsteherin < Vorsteher, of course retain the grammatical gender, no matter what the sex of the subject: Sie ward . . . gleich mit besonderer Achtung als Gast behandelt (G.). But even predicate nouns capable of forming a feminine by suffix if used in the abstract sense, and not the personal, form an exception, e. g., Herr, Meister sein or werden, “to be or become master of.” Denn ich bin euer König (Sch.). Sie war der Verbrecher (id.).

**168.** The neuter pronouns es, jedes, das, alles may refer to a masc. or fem. noun, even to the plural and to a masc. and



fem. noun together : Sie kommen hervor ein Weib da, ein Mann . . . das reißt nun, es will sich ergeßen sogleich, die Knöchel zur Kunde, = they stretch their bones for the dance, eager to enjoy themselves (in Goethe's „Totentanz“). Alles rennet, rettet, flüchtet (Sch.). Da mag denn Schmerz und Genuß, Gelingen und Verdruß mit einander wechseln wie es kann (F. 1756-8). Stillschweigend hörten sie (three persons) zu, indem jedes in sich selbst zurückkehrte (G.).

**169.** When adjectives are used substantively, the masculine and feminine denote sex, the neuter an abstract noun or thing : der Gute, die Gute, the good man, woman; das Gute, the good (abstract). Komm' herab, o holde Schöne, und verlaß dein stolzes Schloß (Sch.). Du hast Herrliches vollbracht (id.). Das Böse, das ich nicht will, das thue ich (B.).

### SYNTAX OF SINGULAR AND PLURAL.

**170.** Names of persons and materials can take a plural only when they denote several persons, species, or kinds, viz., die Heinriche, die Berthas, die Öle (the various kinds of oil), die Gräser, die Fette, die Salze.

**171.** Abstract nouns do not as a rule admit of a plural, but as in English the plurals of such nouns were once quite common, viz., Minne, Gnade, Wonne, Huld, Ehre. Some of these plurals are left in certain phrases: in Ehren, zu Ehren; von Gottes Gnaden; zu Schulden kommen lassen, to be guilty of; Ew. Gnaden; die Herrschaften. Compare Eng. thanks, loves (in Shakspeare), favors, regards.

**172.** To the sg. -mann in composition corresponds often -leute, pl. only, which in sense really corresponds to Mensch, Menschen, without regard to sex. Examples: Edelmann — Edelleute, gentry; Landmann, peasant, — Landleute, country folk; Ehemann, married man, — Eheleute, married people; but the pl. Ehemänner means “married men”; Fuhrmann — Fuhrleute, drivers, carters; Kaufmann — Kaufleute, merchants, etc. But Diebemann, hon-

est man ; Ehrenmann, man of honor ; Staatsmann, and a few more, form only the regular plural in -er.

173. For certain nouns which form no plural, plural compounds are used, some of which have also a singular.—*E. g.* :

das Feuer	die Feuerbrünste
der Lob	die Lobesfälle
der Rat	die Ratschläge
der Dank	die Dankfügungen

174. Nouns only used in the plural are :

a. Diseases : Blattern, Masern, Röteln.

b. Certain dates : Ostern, Pfingsten, Weihnachten, Ferien, Fasten, in Wochen = in childbed.

c. Names of relationship : Eltern ; Gebrüder, brothers, as Gebrüder Grimm, the brothers Grimm, but generally only in the names of firms ; Geschwister, brothers and sisters, rarely in the sg. = brother and sister ; other nouns as Gefilde, Simsen, Brieffschaften, Einfünfte, etc.

175. Masc. and neuter nouns denoting quantity, weight, extent, preceded by numerals, stand in the singular, but fem. nouns (except *Mark*) in the plural as in Eng., *e. g.*, 6 Glas Bier, 10 Faß Wein ; „an die dreimal hunderttausend Mann“ (Song of Prince Eugene), 5 Fuß tief, 3 Mark 70 Pfennig(e),  $70 \times 7 =$  siebenzig mal sieben mal (B.). Feminines : 3 Meilen breit, 10 Flaschen Portwein, 12 Stunden. The coins, das Jahr, der Monat, Schritt generally stand in the plural, *e. g.*, 50 Pfennige machen 5 Groschen, 3 Dukaten, 20 Schritte lang ; yet also sing., 90 Jahr — gebüdt zum Tode ; 7 Monat(e) alt ; but zehn Mark.

176. In older German the plural was used in all genders just as in Eng. That the singular was ever used came from the analogy of masc. nouns and “*diu marc*” with the neuter nouns, in all of which sing. and pl. would not be distinguished. See 431, 2. The fem. of the *n*-declension never followed this analogy. For *Ramm* see 59. Compare the Eng. “a ten-year-old boy,” now considered colloquial. “Year” is an old plural just like Jahr.

177. Notice the use of the singular in German for English plural in

such phrases as : unter dem vierten und fünften Grade nördlicher Breite (Hu.) ; der erste und der fünfte Vers wurde(n) gesungen ; die drei Schüler müssen zur Strafe die Hand auf den Mund legen ; viele haben das Leben verloren, many lives were lost or many lost their lives.

## SYNTAX OF THE CASES.

### NOMINATIVE.

**178.** The nominative is the case of the subject and of direct address: Mein Freund, die Zeiten der Vergangenheit sind ein Buch mit sieben Siegeln (F. 575-6). Mit euch, Herr Doctor, zu spazieren ist ehrenvoll und ist Gewinn (F. 941-2).

**179.** Neuter verbs and verbs in the passive voice which govern two accusatives in the active, are construed with a predicate nominative.

Such are : 1. Sein, werden, bleiben, bünnen, scheinen, heißen (to be called), gelten, wachsen, sterben, etc.: Des Himmels Fügungen sind immer die besten (Le.). Aller Lob wird neues Leben (He.). Er wird ein großer Prinz bis an sein Ende scheinen (Sch.). Das allein macht schon den Weisen, der sich jeder bünnkt zu sein (Le.). These verbs denote a state or transition. Preceded by als the construction may be called an apposition : Allein er starb als Christ (F. 2953). Ich komme als Gesandter des Gerichts (Sch.). Er gilt als ein reicher Mann, = He passes for . . .

2. Verbs of calling, thinking, making, choosing, scolding, viz., genannt, gedacht, angesehen, gemacht, betrachtet, gewählt, gescholten werden, and others : Wilhelm von Dranien wird der Schweiger genannt, Wilhelm von der Normandie, der Eroberer. Er ward ein Dieb gescholten, als ein Taugenichts betrachtet. Ich darf mich nicht des Glückes Liebling schelten (Körner).

### GENITIVE.

**180.** The genitive is used chiefly as the complement of nouns and adjectives, but also of the verb (object). The genitive with nouns expresses the most varied relations. The principal ones are briefly given and illustrated below. German does not differ from other languages.

1. *G. of origin, cause, authorship, relationship*: Das Wunder ist des Glaubens liebtes Kind (F. 766). Goethes Faust. Die Früchte des Baumes.

2. *Subjective G.*: Die Liebe Gottes, welche höher ist denn alle Vernunft (B.). Der Gesang der Vögel. Das ist der Kampf der Pferde und Fische (Hu.).

3. *Objective G.*: Der Anblick dieser Gegend (Hu.). Die Erfindung der Buchdruckerkunst.

The personal pronoun is rarely found in this construction. Instead of „die Liebe seiner“ stands die Liebe zu ihm, gegen ihn.

4. *Possessive G.*: Des Fatums unsichtbare Hand (Sch.). Der Garten des Königs. Doch besser ist's, ihr fallt in Gottes Hand als in (die) der Menschen (Sch.). Sometimes the possessive pronoun is put after the G. in colloquial language. Lessing has it several times: Das schien der alten Artisten ihr Geschmack nicht zu sein (Le.). See 242, 2.

5. *G. of quality or characteristic*: Der Jüngling ehlen Gefühles (H. and D., IV. 66).

This G. and the preceding stand also in the predicate after neuter verbs: Selig sind die reines Herzens sind (B.). Einer Meinung sein; des Lobes sein. Ein solcher Wasserstand war also eines Alters mit den rohen Denkmälern menschlichen Kunstfleißes (Hu.).

6. *Appositive or specifying G.*: Der Fehler des Argwohn's; das Laster der Trunksucht; die Sünde der Undankbarkeit. Karl erhielt den Beinamen des Großen.

This G. and that of characteristic are frequently supplanted by von + Dative: Eine Eiche von hohem Alter wurde vom Blitze getroffen. Dieb von (einem) Bedienten; Teufel von Weibe (Le.). See Prepositions, 303, 15.

7. *Partitive G.*, dependent upon nouns of quantity, weight, measure; with numerals, various pronouns; comparative and superlative. Ex.: Thut nichts (= no matter). Er (der Mantel) hat der Tropfen mehr (Le.). Nun der Bescheidenheit genug (id.). Dem reichte sie der Gaben beste, der Blumen aller Schönste (Sch.). Fünf unsers Ordens waren schon . . . des kühnen Mutes Opfer worden (id.). Laßt mir den besten Becher Weins in purem Golde reichen (G.). Du schlägst dich durch mit hundert achtzig Mann durch ihrer Tausend (Sch.). Unser einer kann sich das nicht leisten, = “One like (of) us cannot afford that.”

181. In the spoken language and also in the classics (excepting poetry) this partitive G. has passed into mere apposition; especially after nouns of weight, measure; after numerals; after nichts, nicht, and the indefinite pronouns. Ex.: Ein Pfund Thee; drei Scheffel Korn. Etwas Schönes, nichts Böses, viel Gutes are no longer felt as genitives. The adject-

tive used as noun is governed independently of the pronoun or numeral. Ex.: Zeigt das verfallene Blatt nicht, man wolle zu nichts Gutem uns verbinden? (Sch.). Das könnte zu etwas Schrecklichem führen (id.). From Luther to Lessing this G. is still quite frequent, and it still remains in certain phrases, *e. g.*, Hier ist meines Bleibens nicht, "I cannot stay here." Viel Aufgebens machen, "to make much ado." Wenn ich mit Menschen- und mit Engelnungen rebete und hätte der Liebe nicht . . . (B.), literally "and had nought of charity." It is supplanted by von, aus, unter + D. See Prepositions, 303. Wer von uns, unter uns?

### Genitive Dependent upon Adjectives.

**182.** It stands after adjectives denoting possession and interest or lack and want; fulness or emptiness; knowledge or ignorance; desire or disgust; guilt or innocence; *e. g.*, fähig, \*habhaft, sicher, teilhaftig, unfähig; bar, \*los; \*voll, \*fatt, leer, quitt, verlustig; kundig, \*gewahr, unfundig; \*müde, begierig; schuldig, ledig, etc. Ex.: Des langen Habers müde (Bü.). Des Leibes bist du ledig (id.). Des Gerichts schuldig (B.). (Vengste) begierig des Stalles (H. and D., VI. 313). Sie sind voll süßen Weins (B.). Du bist es doch zufrieden, Ritter? (Lo.).

**183.** The adjectives marked \* and others not given also admit of the accusative. In the last illustration „es“ was felt as A., and therefore „das“ is much more common. See Pronouns, 199, 2. *E. g.*, Ich bin das fatt, müde, "I have enough of it," "am tired of it."

The prepositions nach, von, etc., + D. frequently supplant the genitive, *e. g.*, \*begierig nach dem Stalle would be commoner; voll, rein sein von etwas.

### Genitive after Verba.

**184.** It may stand as nearer object, as remoter object, and adverbially.

As direct object after verbs with meanings similar to the adjectives in **182**; also achten, warten, harren, spotten, lachen, schonen genießen, sterben, pflegen, denken, vergessen, lohnen, verfehlen, brauchen, and others.

Ex. : Das Vergiftmettmüß. Ich denke dein (G.). Hungers sterben. Das lohnt sich der Mühe nicht, = It is not worth the trouble. Es sind nicht alle frei die ihrer Ketten spotten (Le.). Gebraucht der Zeit, sie geht so schnell von hinnen (F. 1908).

**185.** After verbs governing an A. of the person the G. of the thing stands as remoter object, such as judicial verbs, those with privative meaning, verbs of emotion; after many reflexive verbs with meanings similar to the adjectives in **182**, e.g., *zeihen*, *verflagen*, *freisprechen*, *beschuldigen*, *berauben*, *entladen*, *entlassen*, *entbinden*, *überheben*, *versichern*, *belehren*, *mahnen*, and others; *sich freuen*, *bedienen*, *erinnern*, *schämen*, *befleihen*, *erfrechen*, *sich wehren*.

Ex. : Entlass mich meiner Ahnenprobe, ich will euch eurer wiederum entlassen (Le.). Wer kann mich einer Sünde zeihen? (B.). Jemand des Landes verweisen; eines Verbrechens anklagen, überführen, etc. Entschlage dich aller schwarzen Gedanken (Le.). Du darfst dich deiner Wahl nicht schämen (Sch.). But many of these genitives are supplanted by *auf*, *über* + A., and by A. alone.

**186.** Certain impersonal verbs expressing feelings, which are construed with the A. of the person feeling and with the G. of the cause and object of the feeling.

Ex. : Es ekelt mich, es reut, erbarmt, jammert, verbrießt mich; es lohnt sich. Darob erbarmt den Hirten des alten hohen Herrn (Uh.). Und da er das Volk sah, jammerte ihn desselbigen (B.). But the nominative supplants here the A. of the person, and the A. the G. in the spoken language as a rule; „es“ was again felt as A. See **183**. Ex.: Das gereut mich, dauert mich. Der Gerechte erbarmt sich seines Viehes (B.).

### Adverbial Genitive.

**187.** It expresses place, time, manner, and other adverbial relations.

Ex. : Place : linker Hand, rechter Hand, aller Orten, “everywhere.” Ich möchte (it is not likely that . . .) dieses Weges sobald nicht wieder kommen (Le.).

Time : dieser Tage, des Abends, „des Morgens in der Frühe.“

Manner : trocknen Fußes, dry-shod; stehenden Fußes, immediately; vernünftiger Weise, reasonably. Sie kamen unverrichteter Sache zurück (without success).

A large number of these genitives have passed into adverbs, *e. g.*, *frühe, rechts, morgens, abends, nachmittags.*

For genitive after Prepositions, see 302.

### Genitive in Exclamations.

**188.** Interjections are followed by a genitive only when it denotes the cause or occasion of the exclamation. *Wohl* and *weh(e)* have often a dative of the person and a genitive of cause or origin: *o des Franzosen, der keinen Verstand, dieses zu überlegen, kein Herz dieses zu fühlen gehabt hat (Le.). o des Glücklichen, dem es vergönnt ist, e i n e Luft mit euch zu atmen (Sch.).*

### DATIVE.

**189.** It is the case of the indirect object, less remote than the genitive. The nearer object can also stand in the dative, but is more remote than the nearer object (the direct one) in the accusative.

**190.** The dative stands as nearer object after intransitive verbs denoting: 1, approach and removal, similarity and dissimilarity; 2, pleasure and displeasure; 3, advantage and disadvantage; 4, command and obedience; 5, yielding and resistance; 6, belonging to, agreement, trust, etc. A large number of these verbs are compounds, *viz.*, those with *ent-*, *ver-*, *ab-*, *an-*, *auf-*, *bei-*, *ein-*, *mit-*, *nach-*, *vor-*, *voran-*, *wider-*, *zu-*, and those with noun, adjective, or adverb: *leid thun, wohlwollen, sauer werden, zustatten kommen, weis machen, zu teil werden, das Wort reden, "to defend," etc.* 1, *nahe, nachgehen, begegnen, gleichen, ähneln, zusehen, entsprechen, fehlen, entgegen, nachstehen*; 2, *gefallen, danken, genügen, behagen, huldigen, mißfallen, schmeicheln, lassen (to look), drohen, grollen, fluchen*; 3, *helfen, nützen, dienen, beistehen, frommen, wehren, schaden*; 4, *gebieten, befehlen, hören, gehorchen, folgen*; 5, *weichen, willfahren, widerstehen, widerstreben, trotzen*; 6, *antworten, erwidern, gehören, eignen, beistimmen, zureden, trauen, glauben, vertrauen.*

**Ex. :** Des Lebens ungemischte Freude ward keinem Sterblichen zu teil (Sch.). Strafflose Freiheit spricht den Sitten Noth (id.). Du redest ihm das Wort, anflust ihn anzuflagen (id.). Das Siechen wird ihm sauer, It is hard work for him to stand. 1. Du gleichst dem Geist, den du begreifst, nicht mir (F. 512). Das zwingst du ihr (der Natur) nicht ab mit Hebeln und mit Schrauben (F. 675). 2. Einem Wirte läßt nichts übler als Neugierde (Le.), Nothing looks worse in a host than curiosity. So such' ich allem, was die Seele mit Loth- und Saufelwerk umspannt (F. 1587). Der Landvogt grölte dem Teufel. 3. (Sie) wehret den Knaben, she restrains the boys (Sch.). Der Knappe folgt dem Ritter. Gott hilft denen, die sich selber helfen. 4. Soll ich gehorchen jenem Drang? (F. 681). Du folgst mir hoch bald nach (Sch.). Gehörst du dir? (id.). 5. Und die Gebilde der Nacht weichen dem tagenden Licht (id.). Wohl weißt du, daß ich deinem Jorn nicht trotz (id.). 6. Traue, schaue wem. Wem eignet Gott (Le.), To whom does God belong, = Who possesses him exclusively? Compound verbs: Ich habe dir nicht nachgestellt (F. 1426). Sehr gern steht Karlos dem Minister nach (Sch.). Die Königin sah dem Kampfe zu (id.).

**191.** After transitive verbs the indirect object stands in the dative and the direct in the accusative (see 198): Verhülle mir das wogende Gedränge (F. 61). Das Menschenrecht, das ihm Natur vergönnt (F. 136).

**192.** A dative still farther removed from the verb is the ethical dative, or dative of interest (on the part of the speaker or hearer). It is generally a personal pronoun.

**Ex. :** Geh' mir, nichts weiter davon (Sch.), "Go, I tell you, no more of that." Die Türken haben dir alle Säbels mit Diamanten besetzt (Le.). (Sie) sind dir gar lothrer, leichte Gefellen (Sch.). Die Uhr schlägt keinem Glücklichen (id.).

**193.** After impersonal verbs: es ahnt, beliebt, ekelt, geht, fehlt, gebriecht, es graut, grauset, gelingt, liegt (mir) an etwas, kommt (mir auf etwas) an, schaudert, schwindelt, träumt, ziemt, and many verbs in 190 can be counted here: Dem Vater grauset's (G.). Es liegt mir viel daran, I care much for it. Dem Kaiser ward's sauer bei Hip' und bei Käste (Bü.).

#### Dative after Adjectives.

**194.** These have meanings similar to the verbs in 190, e. g., angenehm, ähnlich, eigen, feind, folgsam, dienstbar, gnädig, hold,



nachteilig, verbunden, zuträglich. Ex.: Das sieht ihm ähnlich, = that's like him. Auch war der Anfang ihren Wünschen hold (Sch.). Die meisten sind mir zugethan (id.), "devoted."

**195.** Substitution of preposition + case, both after verbs and adjectives.

Für, auf, an, gegen, über + accusative, mit and von + dative may replace the dative: Ich fürne auf dich, ich glaube an dich, vertraue auf ihn; bin freundlich gegen die Armen. Der Anzug (suit) ist sehr passend für dich, etc.

**196.** Verbs with unsettled constructions.

With a number of verbs usage is either unsettled or the classics still show two cases, while the spoken language has settled upon one, *e. g.*, now only es dünkt mir, but es dünkt mich, classics have D. or A. after either. Glauben with D. only, or an + A.; but F. 3438: Ich glaub' ihn (Gott) nicht. Es efelt mir and mich. Man bezahlt den Knecht (person), das Brot (thing), dem Bäcker das Brot. Ich rufe dir, I call out to you; ich rufe dich, I call you, etc.

**197.** The few reflexive verbs after which the reflexive pronoun stands in the dative are really transitive verbs, and the pronoun is the indirect object: Er bildet sich etwas ein, "he imagines something," "is conceited." Ich darf mir schmeicheln (L.); but see 190, sub 2: Ich denke mir die Sache so.

#### ACCUSATIVE.

**198.** The accusative is the case of the direct object after transitive verbs, including many inseparable compounds of intransitive verbs with be-, ent-, er-, ver-, zer-, durch-, hinter-, über-, unter-, um-, voll-, wieder-; such as befahren, befolgen, befeuchten, entkräften, entscheiden, erfahren, erfinden, verlächen, vertreiben, zerstreuen, durchse'geln, hinterge'hen, überse'hen, umge'ben, vollbri'ngen, wiederho'sen.

Ex.: Ihr seht einen Mann wie andere mehr (F. 1874). Verachte nur Vernunft und Wissenschaft (F. 1851). Die Rüben haben mich vertrieben (Folk-song). Eoof hat die Welt umsegelt. B. Taylor hat den Faust übersezt.

**199.** Two accusatives may stand, one of the person and one of the thing, after verbs meaning to ask for, to inquire,

teach, to cause to do a thing or have a thing done, and similar ones, *e. g.*, fragen, lehren, lassen, bitten. Ex.: Wer lehrte dich diese gewaltigen Worte? (Le.) Lehre mich thun nach deinem Wohlgefallen (B.) (thun = second acc.). Wollen Sie den Arzt nicht kommen lassen?

1. After fragen, bitten, überreden, bereben, the two accusatives stand, as a rule, only when the accusative of the thing is a neuter pronoun, *e. g.*, ich bitte, frage dich etwas, nichts, viel. If the pronoun is lacking, then fragen nach + D., bitten um + A., überreden von or zu + D. or the G. without preposition is the prevailing construction: Hast du nach ihm gefragt? Ich habe ihn darum gebeten.

Sügen strafen, Wunder nehmen govern an A. of the person: Das nimmt mich Wunder, "I wonder at that."

2. But these pronouns, was, nichts, viel, stand for old genitives which were felt as accusatives. The construction was: Wunder nimmt mich was or dessen, wonder selzes me on that account. (See 186.) Sügen is probably a G. of cause: Jemand wegen der Sügen strafen. Sernen for lehren, though found in Goethe, is wrong.

200. Notice a choice of construction in certain cases, when the personal object is further defined by another case or preposition and case. The verbs that concern us here are such as schlagen, treffen, treten, stehen, and similar ones.

1. Dative of the person and accusative of the affected part: Ich wasche mir die Hände or meine Hände.

2. Dative of the person and preposition + A.: Ich tret' ihm auf den Fuß, schlage ihm in's Gesicht.

3. Accusative of the person and preposition + A.: Wir schlagen den Feind auf's Haupt. Wir treten die Schlange auf den Kopf. The choice is between 2 and 3. But 2 is preferable after intransitive verbs; 3 after transitives.

201. These accusatives are both object-accusatives, but after verbs meaning to name, scold, regarding, and others of similar meaning, the second accusative is a predicate or factitive accusative, while the first is direct object, *e. g.*, after nennen, schelten, schimpfen, glauben, taufen, heißen (trans.).

**Ex.** In tiefster Seele schmerzt mich der Spott der Fremdlinge, die uns den Bauernadel schelten, "who call us by the nickname of 'peasant nobility'" (Sch.). Die Treue . . . ist jedem Menschen wie der nächste Blutsfreund, als ihren Rächer fühlt er sich geboren (id.). Noch fühle ich mich denselben der ich war (id.). Ich achte ihn als einen Ehrenmann.

**202.** 1. After lassen + sein and werden a predicate **A.** by attraction is found instead of the predicate nominative, but the latter is the preferable construction, e. g., Laß das Büchlein deinen Freund sein (G.). Laß diese Halle selbst den Schauplatz werden (Sch.).

2. For the passive construction, see 179, 2. The verbs in 199, 1, may retain the accusative (pronoun), also lehren. This would also admit an accusative predicate noun in the passive: Das Schlimmste, was uns widerfährt, das werden wir vom Tag gelehrt (G.). Ich werde den Tanz gelehrt. But it is best to avoid all these predicate accusatives. They sound pedantic. Better say: Ich habe Tanzunterricht, Tanzstunde. Ich werde immer wieder darnach gefragt, darum gebeten.

**203.** The inner or nearer object stands in the accusative called the "cognate." The noun has the same meaning as the verb. Its idea is generally included in the verb: Einen guten Kampf habe ich gekämpft (B.). Eine Schlacht schlagen, heiße Thränen weinen, etc.; Karten spielen, Schlittschuh laufen. War schöne Spiele spiel' ich mit dir (G.).

**204.** Notice that the noun is sometimes replaced by an indefinite pronoun, was, es, eins, etc. Compare Eng. "to lord it," the unclassical "to come it over somebody." Aber die Eifersucht über Spanien gewann es diesmal über diese politische Sympathie (Sch.). Die Götter halten es mit den Tapfersten (id.); sich was recht's (zurecht) laufen, springen, tanzen, "to run, etc., a great deal." Lügen Sie mir eines auf eigene Rechnung vor (Le.). Ich schwaze eins mit (Le.). See also F. 3416.

**205.** After many impersonal verbs and some other verbs the logical subject stands in the accusative (see 186). The verbs denote states of the body and mind: es dürstet, hungert, schläfert, wundert, kränkt, verdriest mich.

Here belong also es gibt, es hat, es seht, es gilt: Dergleichen Stimmen gibt's (Sch.), "There are such voices." Es hat Gefahr wenn wir nicht gehen, "There

is danger . . . ". Es seht Siebe, Händel, Schläge, There is a fight, a quarrel going on, somebody is being whipped. Comp. French *il y a*.

**206.** After reflexive verbs the pronoun generally stands in the accusative: Entschließe dich. Besinne dich wo du bist (Sch.). But see 185 and 197.

### Adverbial Accusative.

**207.** It denotes measure (amount), time, and place.

1. It denotes measure after verbs like wiegen, kosten, gelten; after adjectives like lang, breit, hoch, alt, wert, etc.

Ex.: Die Ruhe deines Freundes gilt es, "is at stake" (Sch.). Die Kiste wiegt drei Kilogramm, zwei Bentner, fünf Lot, etc. Die Brücke ist mehrere Tausend Fuß lang, hundert sechzig hoch und achtzig Fuß breit. Das Dorf liegt eine Stunde (an hour's walk) von der Stadt. Friedrich ist einen halben Kopf größer als Dietrich.

The usage as to the case of the person with „kosten“ is unsettled: Der Scherz kostet mich or mir viel Geld. Grimm's Dictionary favors the A.

2. It stands with verbs of motion to express the distance and the way, the noun being often followed by an adverb.

Ex.: Welche keinen Schritt zurück. Zwei Wanderer sieht er die Straße ziehen (Sch.). Es zieht ein Haufe das ob're Thal herab (Uh.). Der Feld rollte den Berg hinab. Mit leisen Schritten schlich er seinen bösen Weg (Sch.).

The A. of measure and distance supplanted the G. of an older period; that denoting the way is old. The G. still occurs frequently. See 181.

**208.** The accusative of time denotes the duration and the moment of an action. The former is often followed by an adverb, lang, durch, über. Ex.: Der Bote kann den Augenblick hier sein (Sch.). Er schläft den ganzen Morgen. Du hast es Jahre lang bedacht.

1. Compare the G. of time (see 187), which denotes a repetition of the action or a custom. The A. denotes a definite point of time or fixed period: (Der) ließ Betstund' halten des Morgens gleich (Sch.). Sonnabends Nachmittags haben wir keine Schule (= custom). Nächsten Mittwoch haben wir keine Schule. Noch diese Nacht muß er Madrid verlassen (Sch.). The G. denoting duration of time is rarer now: Ein Gift das neun ganzer Jahre dauert (L.). This may be partitive G.

**Absolute Accusative.**

**209.** This approaches the nature of an adverbial accusative. **Ex.:** Zu Dionys, dem Tyrannen, sächlich Mörkos, den Dolch im Gewande (Sch.). Schon den Hals entblößt, kniet' ich auf meinem Mantel (Le.).

**SYNTAX OF THE ADJECTIVE.**

**210.** The adjective may be used attributively, predicatively, and substantively: der reiche Nachbar; der Nachbar ist reich; der Reiche.

**Attributive Use of the Adjective.**

**211.** Some adjectives are only or mostly used attributively, as : 1, the superlatives and ordinals; 2, certain adjectives derived from adverbs: hiesig, dortig, seitherig, bisherig, *e. g.*, die hiesige Zeitung, but not die Zeitung ist hiesig; 3, many adjectives in -isch, -lich, -en: nordisch, irdisch, täglich, anfänglich, endlich, golden, seiden, silbern, gläsern.

1. If they do stand in the predicate, they must be inflected, and the noun may be understood, *e. g.*, die Lieferung ist eine stündliche, not stündlich.

For the adjectives in -en and -ern, von + noun is substituted, *e. g.*, ein Becher von purem Golde. But in poetry the adjective is found: Der Stuhl ist elfenbeinern (R.).

**212.** The attributive adjective is inflected and agrees with its noun in gender, number, and case: Mit süßer Kost und frischem Schaum hat er mich wohl genähret (Uh.). It may stand uninflected, however: 1. Before a neuter noun in N. (and A.) (very rarely before a masc. or fem.): Meine Mutter hat manch gülden Gewand (G.). Es ist ein pudelnärrisch Tier (F. 1167). Frequently in certain phrases like „bar Geld“, „cash“; „auf gut Glück“. Rare: Groß Macht und viel List (Lu.). Das Alter ist ein höflich Mann (G.); „fremd und fremder Stoff“ (F. 635.). 2. When it stands after the noun, mainly in poetry; commonly after coins, weights, and measures: Der Hauptmann führt im Schild ein

Röslein rot von Golde und einen Eber wild (Uh.). Ein Schwarm von Gästen groß und klein (Bü.). Zehn Fuß rheinisch, fünf Pfund flämisch. In prose also, when the adjective or participle has adjuncts: Dort ein gutartiges, gestittetes Handelsvolk, schwelgend von den üppigen Früchten eines geeigneten Fleißes, wachsam auf Gejeße, die seine Wohlthäter waren (Sch.). 3. Of two adjectives the first stands uninflected in certain set phrases; when the two express one idea; in poetry, very frequently in Schiller: Die großherzoglich kadiische Regierung; das königlich preußische Zollamt. Weh dem, der an den würdig alten Hausrat ihm rührt (Sch.). Den falsch verräterischen Rat (id.). „In die weit und breite Welt“ (G.). Schiller has „traurig finstrier Argwohn“; „weltlich eitle Hobeit“; „D unglücklich jammervoller Tag“; „mit grauam teuflischer Lust,“ etc.

1. Lauter, and generally eitel, both in the sense of “pure,” “nothing but,” are undeclined: Das ist lauter Unsinn. But Compare „lauteres Wasser“ in the literal sense. Effet eitel ungefäuert Brot (B.). (Eitel is archaic.)

**213.** The attributive adjective is inflected weak after certain limiting words, viz., after the definite article and pronouns declined like it; after ein, kein, and the possessives, excepting the N. sg. of all genders and the A. sg. neut. and fem. Ex: der gute Apfelbaum (Uh.); zur glücklichen Stunde; zu jenem frohen Feste; eines schönen Tages; an einem langen Aste (Uh.); sein grünes Haus (id.); eine arme Bäuerin (N. and A. sg.); ein seidenes Kleid (N. and A. sg.).

**214.** The adjective is therefore declined strong, when not uninflected (see 218) and when not preceded by any of the above limiting words, mentioned in 213, e. g., Holde Sehnsucht, süßes Hoffen (Sch.). Stumme Hüter toter Schätze (Platen?). Also after the uninflected pronouns *welch*, *solch*, *viel*, *wenig*, *mehr*, *etwas*, *nichts*, and after uninflected numerals. Ex: Er gibt dem treuen Hirten manch blankes Stück (piece of money) davon (Uh.). Welch reicher Himmel (G.). Solch trefflicher Monarch (Sch.) (see 216, 4; 221).

215. The syntactical distinction between strong and weak inflection of the adjective, though very old, is by no means clearly drawn even now. The oldest inflection of the adjective is the so-called "uninflected," identical with the strong noun declension. When the pronominal endings spread over the adjective declension, forming the present strong adjective declension, the adjective probably was still declined strong even after a pronoun (Ind. article). Of this there are traces from O. H. G. down to the 17th century. The n-declension of the adjective is a characteristic of the Germanic languages. Having less distinctive and fewer endings than the strong, it is natural that the adjective should be declined according to it, when preceded by a word which had the strong endings. This has given rise to the syntactical distinction and to the feeling that two strong forms should not stand side by side. When an adjective became a substantiv or was used as such, it was always inflected weak, with or without article. This explains 221, 1. In Gothic the present participle and the comparatives were always inflected weak. In O. H. G. appear only a few strong comparatives and superlatives.

## 216. Unsettled usage as to strong and weak forms.

1. The strong genitive sg. m. and n. turned weak in the 17th century, which is now the prevailing form: „*ſoheß Rute*“ (Bü.); *blut'gen Ruhm* (Uh.). „*Worte süßen ſauheß*“ (Sch.). The pronouns always remain strong, except *jener, jeder*, of which a weak form is rare, e. g., *jeden Volk* (Uh.); *jenen Tag* (Bü.). This weakening is due to the feeling, that two strong forms should not stand together. See 215, 217.

2. After personal pronouns the rule is strictly the strong form, as the pronoun is not a limiting word. But as early as M. H. G. weak forms begin to appear. Usage now favors: after *ich, du, er* (in address), *miß*, *biß* *only* the strong form, e. g., „*du ſtarcker Königsſohn*“ (Uh.); *ich armer Mann*; after *mir, dir* mostly the strong form; after *wir, ihr* the weak (if fem. always), e. g., *Wer nie ſein Brot mit Thränen aß . . . der kennt euch nicht, ihr himmlischen Mächte!* (G.). In „*Gegrüßt ihr, ſchöne Damen!*“ (G.), the comma makes a difference. After *uns* and *euch* (A.) strong and weak are equally frequent. After *uns* and *euch* (D.) strong and weak coincide of course: *Man ſollte euch ſchlechte Kerle beſteſſen (arrest) laſſen. Euch ſaulen Burſchen iſt jeßt der Brotkorb höher gehängt.*

3. In the vocative the rule now is strong form both in sg. and pl., e. g., *Unverſchämter! wenn dich jemand gehört hätte* (G.). *Du, armer Geiſt* (Sh.). The plural is still found weak, but rarely, as: *Lieben Freunde, es gab beſſere Seiten als die unſern* (Sch.).

In O. H. G. the weak form was the rule; in M. H. G., the strong in the sg.

4. After certain pronouns, pronominal adjectives, and indefinite

numerals, such as *solche*, *welche*, *einige*, *etliche*, *alle*, *manche*, *keine*, and others, there stands in the N. and A. pl. very frequently the strong form against the rule, but rarely in the G. pl. This strong form is the older. Even after *diese* and *jene* strong adjectives may be found in the classics. Ex.: *Der Blumenhändler hat keine schöne Rosen mehr. Wo hast du solche halb-verfaulte Birnen gekauft?* After the G. pl. *zweiter* and *dritter* the weak adjective is frequent, but in the spoken language these genitives are very rare: *der Ankauf von zwei neuen Häusern* or *zwei neuer Häuser*, and not *zweiter neuen* (or *-er*) *Häuser*.

217. If two or more adjectives hold the same relation to the noun, they have the same inflection. If the second adjective, however, be more closely related to the noun, forming a joint idea, then it usually stands in weak form in G. and D., not in N. and A. It can often be formed into a compound noun, and has less accent than the first adjective: *Er traktierte uns mit schlechtem roten Weine (= Rotwein); die Folgen blutiger bürgerlichen Kriege (= Bürgerkriege).*

1. After certain adjectives like *folgender*, *obiger*, *erwähnter*, *gedachter*, etc., the second adjective, as a rule, is inflected weak in all cases: *Genanntes unumstößliche Prinzip, obiger anerkannte Satz.*

### The Adjective in the Predicate.

218. The predicate adjective is uninflected. If it stand inflected in the predicate, the noun is supplied and the adjective is looked upon as attributive: *Die Kraft ist schwach, allein die Lust ist groß* (F. 2203). *Dein Geschäft ist ein schwieriges* (supply "one"); *„des Polizisten Los ist kein glückliches.“*

The adjective (or participle) is also uninflected when it is an appositional or factitive predicate: *Wir kamen glücklich an. Nun, das sind ich dumm* (F. 961). *Der Glaube macht selbig* (B.).

219. Certain adjectives are only used predicatively. Some of these are really nouns, like *feind*, *freund*, *heil*, *schade*, *not*, *nütze*, *schuld*. Others, originally adjectives or past participles, have been restricted to this use, like *habhaft*, *abhold*, *getroßt*, *ansichtig*, *verlöstig*. All of them have not yet become full adjectives; and many, if with adjective form, are of late derivation: *abspenstig*, *abhold*, *abwendig*, *ausfindig*, *handgemein*. Ex.: *Stille*



konnte dem Mädchen nicht feind sein (G.). Ein schöner Mann, eine schöne Frau! ist der Direktor glücklich genug, ihrer habhaft zu werden, so . . . (id.). Die Knechte wurden handgemeln.

1. In O. H. G. the adjective in the predicate is still inflected, though not always. In M. H. G. it is rarely inflected. In N. H. G. *voller* and *halber* are stereotyped strong forms used for both numbers and all genders: Die Nacht ist halber hin (coll.); „des Nachts um halber Zwölf“ (student song). *Voller Schmerzen und Krankheit* (B.).

### Substantive Use of the Adjective.

**220.** The adjective when used as a noun is inflected according to the rules already given for the adjective proper: Mit Kleinem fängt man an, mit Großem hört man auf (Prov.). Du Schwert an meiner Linken (Körner). Die Ersten werden die Letzten sein (B.). For gender see 160, 3. No inflection is the rule in certain set phrases: Gleich und Gleich gesellt sich gern (Prov.). Jung und Alt, Groß und Klein, Reich und Arm, von Klein an, von Jung auf; also in the names of languages: Englisch, Französisch; mein geliebtes Deutsch (F. 1223). Wie heißt dies auf Italienisch? Er hat von Kind auf Norwegisch gekonnt. Also of colors: Grün, Blau.

### 221. Usage admits of many irregularities.

1. The weak form in the plural when no article precedes as *Bedienten*, *Beamten*, *Schönen*, *Jungen*, or rarely the strong form in the singular like any feminine noun, invariable in the sg.: *der Schöne*, instead of *der Schönen* (G. sg.). See 215.

2. The strong or weak plural after *alle*, *einige*, *etliche*, etc.: *alle Gelehrte*, *einige Gesandte*.

3. After *was*, *etwas*, *viel*, etc., the weak form is rare. See 214.

4. If an adjective precede an adjective-substantive and is inflected weak, the latter is of course weak; if the adjective is inflected strong, then the substantive may be either strong or weak. The latter form is perhaps more common for the neuter, the strong certainly for the masculine nouns: *Rein*, sic (*das Weib*) ist, o *holbe Schönen*, zur *Gefelligkeit* gemacht (G.). Die armen *Verwandten* sind gewöhnlich nicht willkommen. *Hochgestellte Beamte* sind entlassen. *Der neue Bediente* hat ein angenehmes *Außere*.

Do not confound *das Recht*, law — *das Rechte*, the right thing; *das Gut*, property — *das Gute*, the good (abstract); (*das*) *Schwarz*, black (the color) — *das Schwarze* (the bull's eye of a target), etc.

### Syntax of Comparative and Superlative.

**222.** These may be used just like the positive, only that the superlative is never used predicatively, *i. e.*, uninflected, excepting *allerliebste*, *e. g.*, *die Blume ist allerliebste*. If it stands in the predicate, it is always weak, being preceded by the definite article: *Dieser Baum ist der höchste* or *dieser Baum ist am höchsten*. These two should not be used indiscriminately, however, as they too generally are in the spoken language. The first is the strictly relative comparison; it can be strengthened by *aller-*, *e. g.*, *der höchste von allen*, *der allerhöchste*. The prepositional superlative should only be used when not so much the objects themselves or different objects are to be compared, but the same objects under different circumstances of time and place.

It is generally the "absolute" superlative, expressed by an adverbial phrase: *Der Starke ist am mächtigsten allein* (Sch.), "The strong man is most powerful standing alone, unimpeded by the weak." *Die Äpfel sind auf der sonnigen Seite des Gartens am reifsten*. *Als Booth Richelieu spielte, war das Theater am vollsten*.

1. The "relative" superlative is generally preceded by the definite article, the "absolute" has, as a rule, *ein* or no article. Goethe is very fond of such an absolute superlative: *Ein allerliebste Kind*, a most lovely child. *Dies* deutet auf ein *späteste* (a very late) *Naturereignis* (G.). Notice also: *weil's die Wenigsten können* (G.), because very few know how; *der Fürst, die Eltern, die neueren Sprachen*, and other examples. They show absolute comparison with the definite article. The absolute superlative is best expressed by an adverb + adjective in the positive. The more common adverbs used are: *sehr, recht, höchst, äußerst, überaus*, *e. g.*, *eine höchst angenehme Überraschung, ein recht dummer Junge*.

**223.** Any adjective can be compared by *-er, -est*, except those that are never used attributively (see 219) and a few whose form seems awkward, like *bedeutend, herrlich*, but the latter

are not absolutely excluded : *Allein, weiß Gott, sie war mehr schuld als ich* (F. 2960).

**224.** When two qualities belonging to the same object are compared, *mehr, weniger, minder* are now used, but the classics are still full of the comparatives in *-er*.

According to Lehmann (L. Sprache, p. 206) Lessing uses *mehr* only once : *Diese Ausdrufungen sind rhetorischer als gründlich* (La.). Present usage : *Der Gefelle ist weniger heimtückisch als dumm. Der Soldat ist mehr tapfer als klug.*

**225.** Logically the superlative cannot be used of two objects, but it is so used much more frequently in German than in English, e. g., *Zwei Söhne, wovon sie den ältesten . . . mit einem Pfeile erschöß* (Le.).

1. For the conjunctions  *denn, als*, after the comparative, see 333.

2. Notice the bold comparative in H. and D., IX. 311 : *Nun, ist das Reine meiner als jemals*. Such forms as *der Dreinigste*, etc., at the end of letters are rare. *Leiber* is a comparative of *leib* (adj.), which became a noun very early.

## SYNTAX OF THE NUMERALS.

**226.** The cardinals, used attributively, are indeclinable now, except *ein, eine, ein*. The G. and D. of *zwei* and *drei* now and then occur still : *Zweier Zeugen Mund macht alle Wahrheit kund* (Prov.). Here „*zweiter*“ shows the case; *zwei Zeugen Mund* would not be clear.

1. To express the year the cardinal is merely added to „*im Jahr(e)*“ or to „*in,*“ as *im Jahre achtzehn hundert ein und achtzig*, or shorter, *in 1813*. The cardinal shows the year, the ordinal the month : *Goethe starb den 22ten März 1832; Hannover, den (1.) ersten August 1881*.

2. The time is expressed in various ways. Answering to such questions as : *Wieviel Uhr ist es, welche Zeit ist es or haben wir? wie ist es an der Zeit?* we say : *Es ist zwölf vorbei, aber noch nicht eins. Es ist ein Viertel drei or auf drei, or ein Viertel nach (über) zwei* (all mean a quarter past two). *Es ist drei Viertel drei or auf*

drei or ein Viertel vor drei, = a quarter of three. Es ist halb zwölf, = half past eleven, on the same principle as viertelhalb (see 229). We can say: 20 Minuten nach zehn (past ten), zwanzig vor zehn (of ten). Der Zug fährt 3 Uhr 20 Minuten nachmittags ab. Wir wollen uns um fünf treffen.

**227.** Used substantively the cardinals are more frequently inflected, having a plural in -e (see 429) and a dative in -en (see 79): Es waren ihrer fünf(e), zwölf(e).

1. Colloquially this -e is very commonly used as far as 19 incl., even when the figure itself be meant, which stands in the feminine singular: Diese Acht(e) ist nicht gut gemacht. Diese Neun(e) steht schief. Elf ist die Sünde. Elf überschreitet die zehn Gebote (Sch.).

2. Die Millio'n, die Billio'n, die Milliarde are regular nouns, and, unlike hundert and tausend, stand in the plural after the cardinals, e. g., drei Millionen, but fünf hundert, sechs tausend. Das Hundert, das Tausend are common nouns, pl.: Hunderte + hundreds, Tausende + thousands: e. g., zu Hunderten, a hundred at a time; bei Hunderttausenden die Menschen drücken (Le.).

**228.** „Beide“ corresponds to Eng. “both” in form and use: Ist das Pferd an beiden Augen blind? It may have the definite article before it: die beiden Kühe, “both the cows.”

1. The singular *beid-* means “either,” “each” (of two). *Beides* läßt sich hören = either statement is reasonable; das Abendmahl unter beider Gestalt, the communion in either form; but the masc. and fem. are archaic. Denn zu einem großen Manne gehört beides: Kleinigkeiten als Kleinigkeiten und wichtige Dinge als wichtige Dinge zu behandeln (Le.). *Beides* has supplanted *beidiu* (pl.), which are still common in the 16th and 17th centuries.

Notices *beides* — und = both — and. *Beides*, ein bößlicher König und mächtiger Schwinger der Lanze (Bü.).

**229.** 1. Peculiar are the compounds of the ordinals with *halb* following them and *selb* preceding them: Viert(e)halb ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ), neunt(e)halb ( $8\frac{1}{2}$ ), meaning das vierte nur halb or weniger ein halb, das neunte nur halb. Dreizehntehalb Faß = 12 Faß aber das 13te nur halb. Ags., Icelandic, Danish, and L. G. have the same forms, though in the two latter “half” precedes the ordinal. It does not go back to O. H. G. *Selbander* = er(selb) der zweite, two of them; *selbdreizehnt*, himself the 13th, thirteen of them (G.); *selbbritt*, selbviert generally uninflected. *Selbst* zwanzigster (Le.). The cardinal is not common,

but Lessing has „selb fünfziger.“ This composition is more common than halb- in the modern dialects.

2. Notice also the cardinals in -er, as in den fünfziger Jahren—either “from 1850-60” or “from 50-60 years old.” It is hardly classical. This -er occurs in the names of the unit, ten, etc.: der Einer, der Zehner, etc. See 507, 1.

## SYNTAX OF THE PRONOUNS.

### Syntax of the Personal Pronoun.

**230.** 1. Du, sg., ihr, pl., are used in familiar intercourse in the family and among intimate friends, in addressing God, in sermons, in solemn discourses and in poetry. Ex.: Kennst du das Land, wo die Citronen blühen? (G.). Blinder, alter Vater! du kannst den Tag der Freiheit nicht mehr sehen; du sollst ihn hören (Sch.). Erhab'ner Geist, du gabst mir, gabst mir alles, warum ich bat (F. 3218).

2. Sie, 3. p. pl., is used everywhere else, even among relatives in some families; also when grown children address the parents: Wo wohnen Sie, wenn ich fragen darf?

3. This peculiar use of Sie sprang up early in the 18th century. It is due, no doubt, to the use of the singular Er and Sie in address, which were the height of politeness in the 17th century. Er and Sie are due to the use of Herr and Frau in direct address. In Chamisso's „Peter Schlemihl“ the gray-coat always addresses Peter with „der Herr,“ e. g., „Möge der Herr meine Zubringlichkeit entschuldigen . . . ich habe eine Bitte an ihn.“ Herr, Frau, Ihre Gnaden, Eure Excellenz, Seine Majestät were followed by the “plural of majesty” (see 311, 2): Herr Doktor wurden da katechisiert (F. 3524). Fürs erste wollen Seine Majestät, daß die Arme'e ohn' Aufschub Böhmen räume (Sch.). Herr was reduced to mere „er“ as early as M. H. G., e. g., er Sigfrid; in the 16th century, „Berter er Pfarrer.“ This form encouraged the use of the pronoun er in direct address.

4. Ihr, in addressing one person, was early very respectful and has maintained itself in the drama, except in comedy, to this day, and might be called the “stage-address,” and is due to Eng. and Fr. influence. See Schiller's Maria Stuart.

**231.** The gradation as to politeness and etiquette now is about as follows: 1. For princes and all persons of high standing, Ihre Gnaden, Eure Excellenz, Eure Majestät, with the verb in the pl. 2. Sie, addressing one or more persons, verb always in the pl., e. g., dürfte ich Sie begleiten? 3. Ihr, pl. of du, and Ihr in the drama addressing one or more persons,

*e. g.*, Spät kommt Ihr, doch Ihr kommt (Sch.). See F. 981, 988. 4. Er, Sie, addressing one person, now rare. 5. Du, ihr, as in 230, 1.

**232.** The genitive of the pronouns of the 1. and 2. persons stands very rarely after nouns. Goethe has it once, „mein, des Geognosts,“ “of me the geognost,” but it is common as the object of verbs, after adjectives and numerals: Ich bitt' euch, nehmt euch meiner an (F. 1875). The uninflected possessive mein, dein are by some interpreted as predicate genitives, *e. g.*, der Dichter ist dein (Sch.). As it is much more probable that the possessive adjectives were used as genitives of the personal pronoun than *vice versa*, this interpretation is hardly correct. (See 441, a.)

**233.** The personal pronouns always accompany the verb. In the imperative „Sie“ always stands, but du and ihr only for emphasis: Liebet eure Feinde (B.). Bleiben Sie gefälligst. See F. 1908.

1. In poetry, colloquially, and in merchants' letters the pronoun is often not put: Bin weder Fräulein, weder schön, kann ungeleitet nach Hause gehn (F. 2008). See F. 3420. Ihr Wertes (viz., Schreiben) vom 18ten dieses (viz., Monats), habe empfangen. Notice the set phrases bitte, I pray; danke, thank you; geschweige (conjunction, “say nothing of”), before which ich has to be supplied. Ehut nichts, der Jude wird verbrannt (Le.), no matter, the Jew . . .

2. Colloquially the subject, if a noun, may be repeated in the shape of a pronoun, as in Eng.: der Kirchturm, er liegt wie am Tage (G.). See 244, 3.

**234.** The pronouns of the third person have demonstrative and determinative force. (Compare the cognate Latin *is, ea, id.*) Hence if they refer to lifeless objects or abstract nouns, they rarely stand in the G. and D. cases, but they are supplanted by the regular demonstrative pronouns or, if governed by prepositions, by da(r), hin, her + the preposition. Ex.: Dem Liebchen keinen Gruß! Ich will davon nichts hören (F. 2104). Habt euch vorher wohl präpariert (F. 1958). Allein ich glaub', du hälst nicht viel davon (viz., von der Religion) (F. 3418).

1. Also es (A.) is thus supplanted, when referring to an individual object: Wo liegt Paris? . . . Den Finger drauf (not auf es) das nehmen wir (Arndt). Kenn's Glück! Herz! Liebe! Gott! ich habe keinen Namen dafür (F. 3455-6), Kennst du London? Besuche dasselbe jebensfalls.

### Concord of Pronoun and Noun.

**235.** The pronoun of the third person agrees with the noun which it represents in gender and number. The concord of the pronoun with the natural and grammatical gender has been treated, see **165, 166**; also the neuter sg. *es* representing a plural and any gender, see **168**.

#### ON THE USE OF „*es*“.

**236.** 1. *Es* is the *indefinite* subject of impersonal verbs denoting states of the weather and other natural phenomena, e. g., *es regnet, donnert, blizt, schneit, hagelt, es hat gela'teist, es tagt, es wintert, es dunkelt, dämmert, taut, etc.*

2. *Es* is made the *indefinite* subject of verbs, not really impersonal: *Es schlägt elf; es brennt, es klopft, klingelt, es geht los, läutet*; also in the passive and reflexive: *es wird getanzt, gesungen, gespielt*; compare *man tanzt, man ruft. Es geht, spielt sich hier gut = it is good walking, playing here. Wohin soll es nun gehn (F. 2051).*

a. Such an *es* is used by poets to give a vague, mysterious, ghostly impression. Schiller's „*Laufer*,” Goethe's „*Schicksal*” and „*Extantanz*” are full of them: *Und als er im willigen Schlafum lag, bewegt es sich unter dem Bette (G.)*. The *es* (treated so far) except in the passive and reflexive verb-forms cannot be omitted like, for instance, the expletive „*es*” sub 3, 5.

3. *Es* is made the *grammatical* subject of a verb, when the *logical* subject follows later: *Es zogen drei Burche wohl über den Rhein (Uh.)*. *Es schritt ihm frisch zur Seite der blühende Genosß (Uh.)*. See F. 3490-1; 3674-77.

The logical subject cannot be another pronoun, e g., *es war ich, es waren Sic*, as in Eng. “it was I,” “it was you,” which is a late construction.

a. In ballads and other folk-lore this *es* is not required and inversion is still possible, as was the rule in O. H. G., without *es* at the head of the sentence. For after all, *es* was here used not merely to denote an indefinite subject, but to account for an inversion which had no apparent cause. It is an “*expletive*” and superfluous as soon as any other part of the sentence stands at the head bringing about the inversion. It is oftenest translated by “there.” German tales begin „*Es war einmal . . .*”, “There

was once . . . ". *Seh ein Knab' ein Rößlein stehn* (G.). *Stell' ein Knabe sich mir an die Seite* (id.). The construction *ich bin es, Ihr seid es*, "you are it," as in Ags. and as English-speaking children still say, is already the rule in O. H. G. Nor can we say in German *„ich bin er“* and *„Sie sind er,“* but *ich bin es, das bin ich, der bin ich, ich bin herjenige, welcher . . .*, I am he who . . .

4. Peculiar is the impersonal *„es giebt,“* "there are" or "is," which is not a very old phrase, but rare in M. H. G., in which *es* with pl. verb was even possible.

„*Es*“ is here the indefinite subject and has taken the place of the more definite *„das“* or a noun, which "gave," "furnished," "produced" a certain thing. Hence *„es giebt“* is always followed by the accusative: *„es giebt Schläge,“* "Somebody is giving or will give somebody a whipping." *Ei, da gab's weiffäl'schen Schinken* (Scheffel). „*Es giebt*“ is not well followed by a noun in the sg. denoting one object or individual, e. g., *Es giebt hier einen Hund*, but by nouns in the pl., by abstract and material nouns: *Es giebt keinen Zufall* (Sch.). See F. 1118.

5. *Es* is used as the subject of impersonal verbs followed by an objective personal pronoun (D. or A.), denoting states of mind and body: *Es dürftet mich, es hungert ihn, es reut mich, es ist ihm bange*.

If the objective pronoun or any other part of speech precede the verb, *es* is not necessary, but it may be retained. Ex.: *Ich schwöre euch zu, mir ist's als wie ein Traum* (F. 2040). *Dir wird gewiß einmal bei deiner Gottähnlichkeit bange* (F. 2050). *Mir ist schlecht zu muth, "I do not feel well."*

6. *Es* stands further as indefinite predicate and as indefinite object. See 204. In diesem Sinne kannst du's wagen (F. 1671). See further, F. 2012-14; 2080. *Sie meint du seist entflohn; und halb und halb bist du es schon* (F. 3331-2).

In the last illustration and in similar ones *es*, if translated at all, may be rendered by "so": *Sie sind wohl müde? D nein, aber ich bin es gewesen, = I was (so).*

### Syntax of the Reflexive Pronoun.

237. The reflexive pronoun always refers to the subject: *Es ist der Lohn der Demut, die sich selbst bezwungen* (Sch.). *Die hat sich jegliches erlaubt* (id.).



1. The dative was already lost in O. H. G. In M. H. G. the use of *sich* as dative is very rare. Luther's Bible is still full of the dative of the personal pronoun for the reflexive, e. g., Die Feiden da sie das Geseß nicht haben, sind (sic) ihnen selbst ein Geseß. Die Weisheit läffet ihr sagen, = wisdom will take advice. Gott schuf den Menschen ihm zum Bilde. Lessing has: Wer sich knall und Fall ihm selbst zu leben nicht entschließen kann, der lebet anderer Slav' auf immerdar. But this „ihm“ stands only because there is already one *sich*. It is very rare in the classics and does not occur in the spoken language.

2. *Selbst*, *selber* strengthens the reflexive pronoun and prevents its confusion with the reciprocal. For examples see above. But *selbst* (*selber*) is far from as common as the Eng. *self* (*selves*).

### Syntax of the Reciprocal Pronoun.

**238.** As such are used *uns*, *euch*, *sich*, both in the accusative and dative: Und (sic) nidten sich (D.) zu und grüßten sich (A.) freundlich im Sptegel (H. and D., VII. 42). Wenn sich die Fürsten befehden, müssen die Diener sich morden und töten (Sch.).

But if any ambiguity arises, as is frequently the case, the unvarying form *einander* or the inflected *einer* (*der eine*) *ben andern* is used instead of them. In „Sie fraßten sich,“ „sie rauchten sich die Haare aus,“ *sich* is ambiguous. *Sich einander*, *euch einander* are tautological, though often used. „Unter einander“ is also unambiguous, e. g., und stehen *uns* unter *einander* (B.).

### Syntax of the Possessive Pronouns.

**239.** The possessive pronoun used adjectively agrees with the noun like any other adjective. See 212. The uninflected forms *mein*, *dein*, *sein* stand in the predicate and can be subjects only when used as nouns with or without the article, e. g., *Mein* und *Dein* ist alles Zantes Ursprung (Prov.).

1. Standing in the predicate, therefore, it is right to say: Das Buch ist *mein*, *meines*, das *meine*, das *meinige*. As subjects referring to das Buch: *Meines*, das *meine*, das *meinige* ist verloren, = mine is lost.

2. Care should be taken that the right possessive be used when persons are addressed with *Sie*, *du*, *ihr* (*Ihr*). *Ihr* refers to *Sie*, *dein* to *du*, *euer* (*Euer*) to *ihr* (*Ihr*), e. g., *Sie* haben *Ihre* Frau Mutter verloren? *Wohin*

wird dich deine Vermessenheit noch führen? Durch des Mannes Übermut, den Ihr durch Euer Brautgemach zum Throne geführt (Sch.).

**240.** Of *der, die, das* *meine* (*der, die, das* *meinige*), when used substantively, *der, die* *Meine*, pl. *die* *Meinen* (with capital letters), denote persons, viz., friends, relatives, etc.; *das* *Meine* or *das* *Meinige* denote my property, duty, share, deserts.

Ex.: *Der Herr* kennet *die* *Seinen* (B.). *Sie* hat *das* *Ihrige* erhalten (her dowry). *Kardinal!* Ich habe *das* *Meinige* gethan. *Thun* Sie *das* *Ihre* (Sch.). *Diesen* Morgen, als ich Sie im Kreise *der* *Ihrigen* fand . . . (id.). "*Ganz* *der* *Ihrige*," "*die* *Deinige*," "*die* *Deine*" are proper letter-endings.

**241.** The possessive pronoun must be repeated like the article with nouns of different gender: *Sein* hoher Gang, *seine* edle Gestalt, *seines* Mundes Lächeln, *seiner* Augen Gewalt . . . (F. 3395-8).

**242.** 1. As *sein* and *ihr* are both reflexive (referring to the subject of the sentence) and non-reflexive (referring to another noun) an ambiguity may arise, which should be avoided by using the demonstrative pronouns instead; either *dessen*, *deren* always preceding, or *desselben*, *derselben* either preceding or following the noun. Ex.: *Roland* ritt *hintern* Vater *her* mit *dessen* Schild und Schwerte (Uh.). "*Mit* *seinem* Schild" would have meant Roland's shield. Compare the following lines of the same poem, in which *ihm* prevents ambiguity: *R.* ritt *hintern* Vater *her* und trug *ihm* *seinen* starken Speer *zusamt* dem *festen* Schilde. Compare *Frau* *N. N.* ging mit *der* Haushälterin und *ihrer* Nichte nach dem Markte, i. e., Mrs. N. N.'s niece; but mit *der* Haushälterin und *deren* Nichte, i. e., the housekeeper's niece. *Es* eifre *jeder* *seiner* (the father's) *unbestochenen*, von Vorurteilen freien Liebe nach (Lc.).

2. The possessive of the 3. person is in the people's language often repeated for emphasis after a genitive of possession and also after a dative: "*Meinem* Vetter *sein* Garten." Comp. "John his mark." This is not to be imitated though it occur now and then in the classics and quite frequently in the 18th century: *Auf* *der* *Fortuna* *ihrer* Schiff (Sch.); *des* *Nils* *seinem* Stuhl (id.). *Ihr* artet mehr nach eures Vaters Geist als nach *der* Mutter *ihrer* (id.). See 180, 4.

3. The definite article cannot precede the attributive possessive pronoun. *Seiner*, *dieser* and such adjectives as *obgedachter*, *erwähnter* seemingly do, but such constructions as *dieser* *dein* *Sohn*, *obgedachter* *mein* *Schreiber* are rather appositional.

**243.** 1. By a license the possessives lose inflectional endings in such set phrases as occur in *Ich möchte drum mein Tag nicht lieben* (F. 2920). *Mein Lebtag den' ich dran* (Sch.). *Hab' ich dich doch mein Tage nicht gesehen* (F. 4440). These phrases are in the transition stage to adverbs and the apostrophe may stand or not.

2. *Sein* is in proverbs and in one phrase „*seiner Zeit*“ = “in due time,” “in — time,” still used for the feminine *ihr*, a remnant of the earlier periods, when *ihr* could not be used as the reflexive possessive: *Sein Ihr kennt jede Fuß* (Prov.). *Untreue schlägt seinen eigenen Herrn* (Prov.). „*Seiner Zeit*“ is an adverbial genitive, in which *seiner* has become non-reflexive so that it apparently stands at times for *ihrer*, *unserer*, etc. Reflexive: „*Alles Ding währt seine Zeit*“ (Hymn); but non-reflexive: *Sie war seiner Zeit* (once) *eine große Sängerin*.

Compare the relation of Eng. “his” and “its.” The latter sprang up in Shakspeare’s time. “Its” is the genitive of “it.” In Sh. “his” stands frequently where later “its” is used.

3. The use of the German definite article where in Eng. the possessive is used, is by no means as strict and as common in the spoken language as the grammarians would have us believe. Take for instance: *Mein armer Kopf ist mir verrückt. Mein armer Sinn ist mir zerstückt* (F., I. 3383-6). *Solang ich mich noch frisch auf meinen Beinen fühle, genügt mir dieser Knotenstock* (F. 3838-9). See 154.

In the 17th century „*ich*“ was used also for all persons. “*Simplicissimus*” is full of this misuse.

### Syntax of the Demonstrative Pronoun.

**244.** *Der, die, das*, always accented, points out without reference to nearness in time or space. It is generally well translated by “that,” also by “this,” and by a personal pronoun.

Ex.: *Dem Volke hier* (this) *wird jeder Tag ein Fest* (F. 2162). *Aber, wie ich mich sehne dich zu schauen, habe ich vor dem* (that) *Menschen* (Mephistopheles) *ein heimlich Grauen* (F. 3480-1). *O glücklich der* (he), *den ihr belehrt!* (F. 1981). *Der* (for her) *hab' ich die Freude verbittert* (Bo.). *Wesje dem, der Voltair(en)s* *Schriften überhaupt nicht mit dem skeptischen Geist liest, in welchem er einen Teil derselben geschrieben* (Le.).

1. The genitives *des, dessen, deren* sg. fem., *derer* and *deren*, pl., are used substantively as follows:

a. *Des* is archaic, but occurs in compounds like *beßhalb*, *beßwegen*, *bergestalt*, etc., e. g., *Des freut sich das entmenschte Paar* (Sch.). *Wir sind ber keines wert, das wir bitten* (Lu.), We are worthy of none of those (things), etc.

b. *Deßsen*, *beren* G. sg. fem. and G. pl., are used when they have the force of possessives (see 242).

c. The present usage favors *berer*, G. pl., referring to persons and *beren*, *berren* referring to things. But the classics do not agree with this. Generally these forms are antecedents of relative pronouns. Ex.: *Jetzt sag' mir das Ende berer, die von Troja kehrten* (G.). *Hat das Kind schon Zähne? Es hat beren vier. Dort sieht man die Güter berer* (of the gentlemen, lords) *von Wedeloh.*

2. The lengthened forms in *-en* and *-er* sprang up as early as the 15th century both in the article and in the pronoun. Luther has „*benen*,“ D. pl., but the short genitives „*bes*“ and „*ber*.“ In the 18th century they lost *-er* and *-en* again, owing, no doubt, to the desire of distinguishing between article and demonstrative, and between the substantive and adjective uses of the latter. Goethe has still „*und von benen Menschen die sie besonders schätzen.*“ Present usage, however, requires the short forms of the pronoun, when used adjectively.

3. Notice the frequent emphatic force of the pronoun, e. g., *Vom Rechte, das mit uns geboren ist, von dem ist keiner nie die Frage* (F. 1978-9).

### Dieser, jener.

245. *Dieser* points out what is near in time and space, *jener* what is remoter. *Dieser* is “the latter,” *jener*, “the former.” They are used substantively and adjectively: *Dieses junge Frauenzimmer hat Gefühl und Stimme* (Le.). *Dieser will's trocken, was jener feucht begehrt. Dies Blatt hier — dieses willst du geltend machen?* (Sch.).

1. *Das*, *dies* like *es*, but less frequently, can be the indefinite subjects of neuter verbs. See 236. E. g., *Das ist die Magd des Nachbars. Das ist ein weiser Vater, der sein eigen Kind kennt* (Sch.). *Dies ist die Art mit Heren umzugehen* (F. 2518).

2. *Dies* und *das*, *dies* und *jenes* have the force of „irgend ein,“ e. g., *Wir sind nicht mehr beim ersten Glas, drum denken wir gern an dies und das* (Song). *Und er streckte als Knabe die Hände nicht aus nach diesem und jenem* (H. and D. V. 64).

3. *Dieser* is strengthened by *hier*; *ber*, *jener* and *das* by *da*, e. g., *Mit dem da werden Sie nicht fertig* (Sch.). *Jener*, in the sense of “the other” and

“to come,” „in jener Zeit“, in jenem Leben. Schaffere's Gespenst kommt wirklich aus jener Welt (Lo.).

**246.** When not referring to persons *hier* + preposition may take the place of *dieser*, and *da* + preposition the place of *der* and *jener*, e. g., *Wer sonst ist schuld daran als ihr in Wien?* (Sch.). *Davon* schweigt des Sängers Höflichkeit (?). *Hiernach* (according to this) muß die Lesart eine ganz andere gewesen sein.

1. Notice the two strong forms in Lessing's *Alles dieses*, seine Erfindungen und die historischen Materialien, knetet er denn in einen sein langen, sein schwer zu fassenden Roman zusammen. For an *das*, *was* . . . , von *dem*, *was* . . . no *baran* *was* . . . , *davon* *was* . . . should be substituted, though this is done colloquially. „*Wir dachten daran, was du jetzt anfangen würdest*“ is not elegant.

**247.** *Der-*, *die-*, *dasjenige* is generally used substantively followed by a relative clause or a genitive. Used adjectively it stands for *der*, *die*, *das* when a relative clause follows, e. g., *diejenigen Menschen, welche* . . . The best usage accents *der*, *die*, *das*. Used adjectively it has only medium stress.

Ex.: *Diejenigen der Knaben, welche ihre Aufgaben nicht gemacht hatten, mußten nachsitzen* (stay after school). *Liebet diejenigen, welche euch verfolgen* (B.).

**248.** *Der-*, *die-*, *dasselbe* denotes identity. It refers to something known or mentioned. It is used equally well substantively or adjectively. It can be strengthened by „*eben*“: *Mit aller Treue verwend' ich eure Gaben; der Dürstige soll sich derselben erfreuen* (H. and D. II., 74-5).

1. *Der nämliche* also denotes identity, but is not written as one word. „*Derselbige*“ is rarer than *derselbe*. *War das nicht der Dienstmann (porter) der die Auswanderer betrogen hat? Der nämliche*.

2. *Selbig* without *der* is rare, e. g., „*zur selbigen Stunde*“ (B.).

**249.** *Selb*, *selber*, *selbst* distinguishes one object from another. It strengthens personal and reflexive pronouns. It is made emphatic by *eben*, also in the phrase *ein(er) und derselbe*. *Selber* and *selbst* do not differ in meaning, but in use. *Selber* is

never made an adverb as *selbst* is. *Selber* always follows the word it qualifies, though it need not stand necessarily directly after it: *Ich selber* or *selbst habe ihn gesehen*. *Wer zweifelt Nathan, daß ihr nicht* (see 309, 2) *die Ehrlichkeit, die Großmut selber seid?* (Le.) *Wer andern eine Grube gräbt, fällt selbst hinein* (Prov.).

1. *Selbst* has become also an adverb with the force of „*sogar*“ and then stands best at the beginning of the sentence, unaccented: *Selbst ein so himmlisches Paar* (viz., *Psyche* and *Amor*) *sah nach der Verbindung sich ungleich* (G.).

2. Notice the compounds *baselbst*, *hie(r)selbst*, in that or this very place; also the force of „*von selbst*“ in: *Die Mühle geht nicht von selbst* (of its own accord).

For *selb* with ordinals see 229. Alone it is very rare, e. g., *weil er in selbem* (im *Palaste*) *alle um sich versammelt hatte* (Le.).

**250.** *Solch* means + “such.” It describes what is pointed out. It is used adjectively and substantively: *Hilfreiche Mächte! einen solchen* (Weg) *zeigt mir an, den ich vermag zu gehen* (Sch.). *Wo war die Überlegung als wir . . . solche Macht gelegt in solche Hand* (id.).

1. The use of *solch* for the personal pronoun or *der-*, *die-*, *dasselbe* is not good although found now and then in the classics, e. g., *Als sie die Ross-hütte erreichten, fanden sie solche auf das Lustigste* (see 300, 2) *ausgeschmückt* (G.).

2. For *solch ein*, *so ein* is a frequent equivalent. It is more common in the spoken language than *solch ein*. Lessing and Goethe are very fond of it, e. g., *So ein Dichter ist Schaffere und Schaffere fast ganz allein* (Le.). *Ich kann mich nicht, wie so ein Wortheld, so ein Jugendschwäßer, an meinem Willen wärmen und Gedanken* (Sch.).

„*So ein*“ does not come from „*solch ein*,” but from *ein so* before adjective and noun: „*ein so hoher Turm*“ — „*so ein hoher Turm*,” then „*so ein Turm*.”

### Syntax of the Interrogative Pronoun.

**251.** *Wer*, + “who,” “which,” and *was*, + “what,” are used substantively only: *Was kümmert es die Löwin, der man die Jungen raubt, in wessen Walde sie brüllt* (Le.). *Run, wen lieben zwei*

von euch am meisten (id.). Was ist der langen Rede kurzer Sinn? (Sch.).

1. Once the genitive after *wer* and *was* was common. *Wer* is almost entirely supplanted by *welcher*, and *was* by *was für ein*. But *was* + genitive, which generally looks like an accusative, still remains in phrases like *Was Wunder(s)* (Le.). *Was des Teufels*, *Was Hensers*. *Was ist Weiſes dort am grünen Walde* (G.). See 181, 188.

2. *Wem* only refers to persons. When it refers to things or whole sentences *wo(r)* + preposition is substituted. *Wozu der Lärm?* (F. 1322). *Woran erkennst du den Angeflagten?*

3. In the spoken language *was* is preceded by a preposition that does not govern the accusative: *zu was*, *mit was*; but *womit*, *wozu* are preferable. The classics\* have it too. Even *für was*, *um was*, *durch was* are supplanted by *wofür*, *worum*, *woburch*. *Zu was die Post?* (G.) *Mit was kann ich aufwarten?*

4. *Was* in the sense of *warum* and *wie* is originally an absolute accusative, e. g., *Was steht ihr und legt die Hände in (= in den) Schoss* (Sch.). *Was wird das Herz dir schwer* (F. 2720).

5. Mark the interrogative adverbs: *wo*, + where; *wann*, + when; *wie*, + how; *wo(r)*- with preposition; *warum*, + wherefore, + why, only interrogative. For their etymology see .

**252.** *Welch* means + "which" and singles out the individual, though etymologically it inquires after the quality. It stands adjectively and substantively: *Und welcher ist's, den du am meisten liebst?* (Sch.). *Welches Ungeheure sinnet ihr mir an?* (id.).

In exclamatory sentences *welch* is originally interrogative, often followed by *ein*: *Welch ein Jubeln*, *welch ein Singen wird in unserm Hause sein!* (Song). See F. 742.

**253.** *Was für*, *was für ein* inquires after the nature and qualities of a person or thing. *Was für* always stands adjectively, *was für ein* adjectively and substantively. *Was* is separable from *für ein*. Lessing is particularly fond of this separation. *Was für* stands before the singular of a noun

denoting material and before a collective noun; before the plural of any noun. Was für ein inquires also after an individual.

Ex.: Was für Wein ist dies? Was für Berge . . . trennen uns denn noch? (Le.). Was in Babylon ich dir für einen schönen Stoff gekauft (id.).

### Syntax of the Relative Pronouns.

254. There being no original relative pronouns, the other pronouns were used as such or conjunctions like *so, dar, da, unde* (see below) connected coordinate sentences, one of which later became subordinate. The first pronoun used as a relative was *ber, bie, baß*, in O. H. G. *Welcher, wer, was* developed into relative pronouns gradually. First they were made indefinite pronouns by means of the particle *so*, O. H. G. *so hwellich(so), so hwer(so), soawas(so)* > M. H. G. *swellich, swer, swas* = *whosoever, whatsoever* > N. H. G. *welcher, wer, was*, which can be strengthened by *nur, auch, immer* (= *ever*). To say therefore that the interrogative is used as the relative is hardly correct, though, no doubt, the indirect question had its influence in the coincidence of the forms of the interrogative and indefinite relative pronouns. The demonstrative *ber, bie, baß* introduced the coordinate clause, which afterwards became subordinate; and clause and pronoun were then called *relative*. *Welcher* is only of the 16th century.

255. *Der* and *welcher* are equivalent. After personal pronouns *der* is preferable. Euphony should decide which is to be used. Ein Frauenzimmer das denkt, ist eben so eitel als ein Mann, der sich schämt (Le.). *Welcher* is preferable after *derjenige*. The following sentence is bad: Die, die die Mutter der Kinder war, ist gestorben.

1. Of the four relatives *ber, welch-, wer, was* only *welch-* can also be used adjectively, the other three only substantively. The genitive of *ber, bie, baß* is always *dessen, deren*, sg. and pl., never *derer*, e. g., Wer kein Gesetz achtet ist eben so mächtig als wer kein Gesetz hat (Le.). Am Montag, an welchem Tage wir abreisten . . . But this is not very elegant.

256. *Der* and *welcher* will take any antecedent *soever*. But *wer, was*, having sprung from indefinite and compounded pronouns, require none. *Wer* admits of no antecedent at all; *was* may have any other neuter pronoun, an adjective (preferably in the superlative), or a whole clause, e. g., Für was drein geht und nicht drein (viz., ins Gehirn), ein prächtig Wort zu



diensten steht (F. 1952-3). Alles was ist, ist vernünftig (Hegel). Was du ererbt von deinen Vätern hast, erwirb es um es zu besitzen (F. 682-3). Dem Herrlichsten, was auch der Geist empfangen, drängt immer fremd und fremder Stoff sich an (F. 634-5).

1. Er, wer; der Mann wer; der, wer are impossible. But Goethe has (in the "Walpurgisnacht"), F. 3964: So Ehre dem, wem Ehre gebührt. The proverb says: „Ehre dem Ehre gebührt,“ the Bible „Ehre dem die Ehre gebührt.“

2. Was referring to a substantive and welches referring to a whole clause are not present usage, though the classics use them so. Die Alten kannten das Ding nicht, was wir Höflichkeit nennen (L.). Von früher Jugend an hatte mir und meiner Schwester der Vater selbst im Längsten Unterricht gegeben, welches einen so ernsthaften Mann wunderbar genug hätte bleiben sollen (G.).

3. If *wer* has a seeming antecedent the latter stands after the clause. The antecedent is nothing but the subject of the main clause repeated for emphasis in the shape of another pronoun. If, however, *wer* and its seeming antecedent do not stand in the same case, the latter is indispensable. Ex.: Wer *Neck* angreift befiehlt sich (Prov.). Wer über gewisse Dinge den Verstand nicht verliert, der hat keinen zu verlieren (L.). Wer vieles bringt, wird manchem etwas bringen (F. 97). But Wer ein Mal lügt, dem glaubt man nicht und wenn er auch die Wahrheit spricht (Prov.). Wer da hat, dem wird gegeben (B.). The same is true of *was*: Was man nicht weiß, das eben brauchte man und was man weiß, kann man nicht brauchen (F. 1066-7). Früh übt sich, was ein Meister werden will (Sch.). For the gender in this illustration see 168.

4. The old short form *wes* is now archaic except in *wes halb*, *wes wegen*: Wes Brot ich esse, des Lieb ich singe (Prov.).

**257.** If the dative and accusative, governed by a preposition, do not refer to a person, *w*, now rarely *da*, with that preposition, are generally substituted: Nichts ist Zufall; am wenigsten das, wovon die Absicht so klar in die Augen leuchtet (L.).

1. So, the oldest relative conjunction, has now been crowded out from the spoken language, though it was very common in the 16th and 17th centuries: Die linke Hand, dazu das Haupt, so er ihm abgehauen (Uh.). Von allen, so da kamen (Bü.).

**258.** The relative adverbs *w*, "where" and *da* (colloqui-

ally); *da*, *wann*, *wenn*, *wo*, "when"; *wie*, "as" take the place of a relative pronoun governed by a preposition when they refer to nouns denoting time, place, and manner.

Ex.: Kennst du das Land wo die Citronen blühen? (G.). Es gibt im Menschenleben Augenblicke, wo er dem Weltgeist näher ist als sonst (Sch.). In diesem Augenblicke, da wir leben, ist kein Tyra'n'n mehr in der Schweizer Lande (id.). „Die Art und Weise wie,“ "the manner in which." („Wie" is more forcible than „in welcher.“) O schöner Tag, wenn endlich der Soldat ins Leben heimkehrt (Sch.).

1. This construction is old only with the demonstrative adverbs used as relatives, viz., *da*, *där*, *danne*. *Allwo*, *allba*, *wofelbst* are archaic.

### Syntax of the Indefinite Pronouns.

**259.** *Ein* and *einige* can precede a numeral generally followed by a noun. They mean "some," "or so," "odd": *ein acht Tage*, a week or so; *einige vierzig Jahr*, forty odd years. The order may also be: „*ein Jahr fünfzehn*.“

1. Grimm thinks this phrase has lost „*ober*,“ as if it meant *einen Tag ober zehn*, *ein Jahr ober fünfzehn*. No doubt „*einige vierzig Jahr*“ has lost „*und*“ and stands for *einige und vierzig Jahr*.

**260.** *Ein*, *etwas*, *was*, *wer*, *jemand*, *welche*, *einige* can be strengthened by *irgend* (compounded of *is* + *hwar* and *gin* = "ever," "where," "you please," *gin* corresponding to L. *-cun*). For the origin of *was*, *wer*, *welch*, see **254**. *Ach*, wenn ich etwas auf dich könnte! "if I could influence you at all (F. 3423). Was anders suchte zu beginnen (F. 1383). Die Jagd ist doch immer was und eine Art von Krieg (G.). Hier sind Kirjchen zu verkaufen. Willst du welche? Hast du irgend was verloren?

1. They stand generally only in the nominative and accusative. *Einig* is rare in the singular, and for it *irgend ein* is better used.

**261.** *All-*. The following examples show the many various forms of *all-*: *all das Geld*, *all des Geldes*, *alles das Geld*, *was soll das alles?*

1. *Alle* stood in M. H. G. only after prepositions as still now, *e. g.*, bei alle dem, "withal." *Wir wird von alle dem so bumm* (F. 1946). The form *alle* before the article and not preceded by a preposition, though very common in the classics and in the spoken language, is not so good as *all* or *all* with strong endings, *e. g.*, *Al* der Schmerz (G.). *Al* or *alle* in such phrases as *der Wein ist all*, "there is no more wine," has hardly been satisfactorily explained yet.

2. Notice the following meanings: *Alle Stunden einen Theelöffel voll*, "a teaspoon full every hour." The singular in the sense of "every" is rarer, *auf allen Fall*, in every case. *Aller Anfang ist schwer* (Prov.). *Alles Ding währt seine Zeit, Gottes Lieb in Ewigkeit* (Hymn). The singular in the sense of Eng. "all" is archaic, *allen Winter* (Logau, quoted in Grimm's Dict.), all winter. For all day, all night, we say *best die ganze Nacht, den ganzen Tag*. Notice also in *aller Früh*, "very early," in *aller Stille*, in *alle Welt*.

3. The plural of *jeder*, *jederer*, *jeglicher* is rare. It is expressed by *alle*. Even the singular of the last two is now archaic and rare.

**262.** *Mancher* does not differ from the Eng. "many" in use and force. Compare *ein mancher*, *manch einer*, *mancher gute Mann*, *manch ein guter Mann*, *manche schöne Blume*.

**263.** *Viel* and *wenig*, denoting the individual and used substantively denoting persons, must be inflected; if they denote an indefinite number, quantity, mass, they are generally uninflected. *Denn viele sind berufen, aber wenige sind auserwählet* (B.). *Viel noch hast du von mir zu hören* (Sch.). *Zwar weiß ich viel, doch möchte ich alles wissen* (F. 601). *Es studieren viel Amerikaner in Deutschland*.

1. *Viel*, *-e*, *-es* denotes "various sorts," *e. g.*, *viele* Wein; in composition „*viele*lei Wein," "many kinds of wine."

A fuller treatment of the large number of indefinite pronouns and numerals belongs rather to the Dictionary.

## SYNTAX OF THE VERB.

## CLASSIFICATION OF VERBS.

**264.** According to meaning and construction the verbs may be variously divided: 1, into independent verbs; 2, into the small class of *auxiliaries* proper and the *modal* auxiliaries. See **267**. Again: 1, into *personal* verbs, which can have any person, the 1., 2., or 3., as subject; 2, into *impersonal* verbs, which have the indefinite subject *es*, „*es regnet*.“ See **236**.

The personal verbs again divide: 1, into neuter or subjective verbs, as *die Sonne scheint* (see **179**); 2, transitive or objective verbs, the direct object of which stands in the accusative (transitive proper, see **198**) or in the genitive or dative (called also intrans., see **184, 190**).

As subdivisions of transitive verbs may be regarded: 1, the reflexive verbs; 2, the causative.

The reflexives again: 1, into reflexives proper, which occur only as reflexives, e. g., *sich grämen*, to pine; *sich erbarmen*, to feel pity; 2, into both transitive and intransitive verbs used reflexively, e. g., *sich waschen*, *sich vereinen*, *sich tot lachen*.

The pronoun is always in the accusative.

1. Transitive verbs have often intransitive or neuter force, but there can be no direct object then. *Das Pferd zieht den Wagen*, but *Die Wolken ziehen am Himmel*. Personal verbs can also be used without a logical subject: *Das Wasser rauscht*, but *Es rauscht im Rohre*. Also the modal auxiliaries occur still as independent verbs: *Was soll das?* but *Wohin soll der Dieb geflüchtet sein?* See **267**.

## Syntax of the Auxiliaries.

## I. Haben and sein.

**265.** Haben forms the compound tenses:

1. Of all transitive verbs: *ich habe getragen*, *ich habe bedacht*, *ich habe angefragt*.

2. Of the modal auxiliaries, of reflexive and impersonal verbs proper. Er hat es nicht gemocht, hat sich gewaschen, es hat geregnet, es hat mich gereut.

3. Of intransitive verbs that have no direct object, at most the object in the G. or D. Er hatte mein gepötte, er hat mir geschadet, er hatte gelacht, geweint, geschlafen.

4. Of (intransitive) verbs of motion when the mere action within a certain space, the effort, and its extent are to be emphasized, without reference to direction, point of departure or destination. A. von Humboldt hat viel gereist, = was a great traveler. Der Stallknecht hat eine Stunde hin und her geritten. Die Vögelin haben gesungen und gesprungen. Das Lämmchen hat gehüpft, der Fisch hat geschwommen. Das Kleine (the little one) hat noch nie gegangen (has never walked). Sophie hat geklettert und sich die Schürze zerrissen. Der Schnellläufer hat schon längst gelaufen (finished running long ago). Good usage favors: Die Uhr hat einmal gegangen aber jetzt steht sie still. Die Mühle, die Maschine, das Rad hat gegangen, but ist is frequently used.

5. Of sitzen, stehen, liegen, anfangen, beginnen, aufhören. - But in S. G. sein is more common and it is also found in the classics. Wo habt ihr gegessen, gestanden? Wann hat die Schule angefangen?

### 266. Sein forms the compound tenses:

1. Of all verbs of motion, except some, which take haben, when action simply is denoted. See 265, 4. These take sein when the direction, points of departure, destination and arrival are mentioned. These circumstances are often expressed by inseparable and separable prefixes in compound verbs. Ex.: „Der Mai ist gekommen.“ Er wird gefallen sein, = he probably fell. Wir sind schnell hinabgestiegen. Die Seefahrer sind auf der Insel Skye gelandet. Die Störche sind nach Süden gezogen. Der Stallknecht ist in einer Stunde hin und her geritten, = he rode to a certain place (there) and back. Die Feinde sind entflohen, entlaufen, eingetroffen. Wir sind schon mehrere Male umgezogen (moved).

2. Of certain verbs denoting a springing into being or passing away, a transition and development, growth and decay, often expressed by *er-*, *ver-*, *zer-*, and separable prefixes. Die Milch ist gefroren (< gefrieren, but es hat gefroren < frieren, there was a frost). Das Seil ist zerrissen. Der Schnee ist geschmolzen. „Der Bruder wäre nicht gestorben.“ Das Bäumchen ist gewachsen. Die reichen Leute sind im Kriege verarmt. Das Licht ist erloschen. Die Schale ist gesprungen (cracked). Der Lehrling war eingeschlafen (had fallen asleep). In the compound verbs it is just this prefix that called for *sein*. Compare trinken — ertrinken, scheinen — erscheinen, wachen — erwachen, hungern — verhungern, frieren — erfrieren.

3. Of *sein*, *bleiben*, *begegnen*, *folgen*, *gelingen*, *geschehen*, *glücken*, for which it is hard to account by meaning, but see 283, 2. Ex.: Es ist ihm nicht gelungen, geglückt. Das ist schon alles dagewesen. Ein süßer Trost ist ihm geblieben (Sch.).

4. *haben* has gained upon *sein* in German, but not so much as English “to have” upon “to be.” *Folgen* and *begegnen* were once generally compounded with *haben*. Also the tendency to use intransitive verbs as transitives, so strong in Eng., has increased in German. While in Eng. you can “run” a locomotive, a sewing machine, a train, a ship, in German *führen*, *leiten*, in Gang bringen, *gebrauchen*, or the verb of motion + *lassen* or *machen*, will have to be used. Der Kutscher hat uns schnell gefahren. Der Postillon hat den Bagen vorgefahren. Man konnte die Feuersprünge nicht in Gang bringen.

5. The difficulty as to the use of *haben* and *sein* lies after all mainly in the way in which a verb is used, transitively or intransitively, and in the meaning. The student should attend particularly to these points and not be too timid, as in many cases usage is by no means settled.

As to the omission of *haben* and *sein* in dependent clauses, see 346.

## II. SPECIAL USES OF THE MODAL AUXILIARIES.

This subject belongs really rather to the Dictionary, but the appreciation and translation of these verbs is so difficult that a brief treatment of them is given here.

267. 1. *Können* denotes ability: Der Fisch kann schwimmen. Hier steht ich, ich kann nicht anders (Lu.). Possibility: Ihr könntet ihr Werkzeug sein, mich in das Garn zuziehen (Sch.). Knowledge, “to know how,” its oldest meaning: Kannst du Italië'nisch? Compare *fönnen*, “to have learnt,” then “to be able”; *fennen* (< *kanjan*, causative of *kann*—*fönnen*), “to be acquainted with”; *wissen*, “to know.”

2. *Dürfen* denotes: 1. Permission and authorization: Du darfst auch

da nur frei erscheinen (F. 336). Ohne Jagdschein darf niemand auf die Jagd gehn. 2. "To have occasion to," "reason for," "need": Man darf den Schlüssel nur zwei Mal umbrehen und der Kiegel springt zurück, "You need . . ." Du darfst hinausgehen, die Luft ist hier sehr schlecht, "You have good reason to go out . . ." This force is the oldest, but rather rare now. 3. "To trust one's self to": Wer darf ihn nennen und wer befehlen: Ich glaub ihn (Gott) (F. 3433-5). This force has sprung from 1 and 2 and from the verb *tar* — *türren* + *dare*, whose meaning was embodied in *darf* — *bürfen*. On the other hand, it has nearly given up the original force of "need," "want," still apparent in 2, to its compound *bedürfen*. In some editions of the Bible *bürfen*, "to want," and *tar* — *türren*, "to dare," are still the rule. In later editions *bedürfen* and *bürfen* have been substituted for them. 4. The preterit subjunctive (potential, see 284, 3) *bürfte* is used for a mild assertion: Die Nachwelt *bürfte* Bedenken tragen, dieses Urteil zu unterschreiben (Sch.), "Posterity very likely will . . ." Das *bürfte* zu spät sein, "I fear very much, that is too late." Etiquette admits such redundant phrases as: *Dürfte* or *darf* ich mir erlauben, etc.

3. *Mögen* denotes: 1. In its oldest, but now rare sense except in dialect, "ability" and "power." This it has given up to *sönnen*. Compare its cognates "may" and "can" in Eng.: Ihr Anblick gibt den Engeln Stärke, wenn keiner sie ergründen mag (F. 247-8), "although no one is able . . ." 2. Concession, no interference on the part of the speaker: Der Wunsch mag nach Hause gehn (It lies with him, I have no objection). Wer mir den Becher kann wieder zeigen, er mag ihn behalten (Sch.). 3. Possibility, the action does not concern or influence the speaker; *sönnen* means a possibility that lies in the ability of another person or object. Was für Grümd' mögen das sein (Sch.). Er mag das gesagt haben, er mag das thun, It is possible he said so, he may do it. Das Tier mag zehn Jahre alt sein. With this force it supplants the potential and concessive subjunctives; if it stands itself in the subjunctive of the present or preterit, it supplants also the optative subjunctive. Ich wünschte daß die ganze Welt uns hören mag, hören möge. Möchte auch doch die ganze Welt uns hören (Læ.). 5. From 2 springs the force of "inclination," "liking," "wishing." Was sich verträgt mit meiner Pflicht, mag ich ihr gern gewähren (Sch.). Ich möchte daß er es nicht wieder erführe. Ich esse was ich mag und leide was ich muß (Prov.).

4. *Müssen*, + *must*, denotes: 1. In its oldest sense, "to have occasion, room," "to be one's lot," "it is the case." A trace of this is left in the following uses: Mein Hund war ohne Maulkorb hinausgelaufen. Nun mußte auch gerade ein Polizist daher kommen (as luck would have it, a police-

man came along). Der Zufall mußte ihn grade hin bringen. Zum zweiten Mal soll mir kein Klang erschallen, er müßte denn (unless it should) besondern Sinn begründen (G., quoted in Sanders' Dict.). 2. Necessity of various kinds: Alle Menschen müssen sterben. Der Senne muß scheiden (Sch.). Ein Oberhaupt muß sein (id.). Das muß ein schlechter Müller sein, dem niemals fiel das Wandern ein (Song). Er muß sehr krank gewesen sein; er ist noch so schwach. The force of dürfen: Ich muß nicht vergessen, "I must not forget."

Brauchen + negative generally takes the place of müssen + negative when it denotes moral necessity. Das brauchst du nicht zu thun, wenn du nicht willst. Wohl dem, der mit der neuen (Zeit) nicht mehr braucht zu leben (Sch.).

5. Sollen, + shall, denotes: 1. Duty and obligation. Du sollst Gott deinen Herrn lieben von ganzem Herzen, von ganzer Seele und von ganzem Gemüte (B.). Du hättest da sein sollen, You ought to have been there. 2. Necessity and destiny: Diese Furcht soll erbenigen! ihr Haupt soll fallen. Ich will Frieden haben (Sch.). Ich weiß nicht was soll es bedeuten (Heine). Was soll das? What (is that) for? Darin sollte er sich täuschen, In that he was bound to be deceived, disappointed. 3. It denotes the statement and claim of another, "is to," "is said to": Das Meter soll acht Thaler kosten. Der Schatz der Nibelungen soll im Rheine liegen. Sieben Sträflinge sollen entkommen sein. 4. Sollte approaches the force of the conditional, + "should." Sollte er noch kommen, sag ihm, ich hätte nicht länger warten können. Sollte er auch wohl krank sein? Is it possible that he is sick?

6. Willen, + will, denotes: 1. The will and purpose of the subject. Was wolltest du mit dem Dolche? sprich (Sch.). Ich will es wieder vergessen, weil Sie doch nicht wollen daß ich es wissen soll (G.). Wolle nur was du kannst und du wirst können was du willst. 2. "To be about," "on the point of." Ein armer Bauer wollte sterben (Nicolai). Es will regnen. Frequent in stage-directions, „will gehen,“ „will abgehn.“ Will ich Hector ewig von mir wenden? (Sch.). 3. The claim and statement of another, who "says" or "claims to": Der Zeuge will den Angeklagten gesehen haben. Du willst ihn zu einem guten Zwecke betrogen haben. Notice the ambiguity of such a sentence as Der Herr will es gethan haben, "claims he did it," or according to 1, "wills or wishes that it be done."

Wollen is really the most difficult to understand and use. It occurs in a great many more idioms with ever varying shades of meaning. Notice, e. g., Es will verlauten, "it is spread abroad." Was will das sagen? = "What does that amount to?" "that is nothing." Ich will es nicht gesehen haben, I will act as if I had not seen it or "nobody shall see it," according to 1. Wenn der Schüler doch diese Regel lernen wollte, "if he only would . . . = conditional. Wollte Gott daß . . . would to God that . . . Diese Feder will nicht, this pen does not write (well). But it is impossible to give all these meanings.



Still Eng. "will" is not far behind the German. *Sollen* and *wollen* should not be confounded with Eng. "shall" and "will" of the future, see 279, 8.

7. *Lassen*, sometimes classed here, is really a causative auxiliary and never used as such without an inf., which stands as a further object. *Seine Klage läßt sie schallen* (Sch.). *Unverzüglich ließ er drei Batterien aufwerfen* (id.). See 202, 1. A second force is "to allow," "not to hinder." *Der Gefangenwärter ließ den Gefangenen entwisphen. Lassen Sie das bleiben* (= to leave a thing undone, not interfere).

For *lassen* + reflexive, see 272 ; in the imperative, see 287, 4.

REMARK.—Verbs of motion can be omitted, particularly when an adverb expresses the direction. *Wißt du mit ? Ich muß hin. Das Paßé't sollte fort* (ought to be sent). *Der Hut muß in die Schachtel*. But all except *müssen* and *dürfen* can be used as independent verbs, i. e., no other verb need be supplied. There is no call for a verb in *Was soll der Hut?* (Sch.), "What is this hat (here) for ? Notice that *sollen*, *mögen*, and *wollen* are really the only ones that deserve the term modal auxiliaries, since they assist in expressing the mood. See 287.

## THE PASSIVE VOICE.

268. The active voice needs no comment. Only transitive verbs form a complete passive. But transitives whose meaning admits only of an object of the thing, also intransitives and subjective verbs, form only the third person singular with the grammatical subject *es* or without it. *Ihnen wird geholfen. Es wird gelacht und gesungen. Gestern wurde gespielt. Bei uns zu Hause* (where I come from) *wird viel Whist gespielt*.

269. In the transformation of the active into the passive voice, the direct object in the accusative becomes subject-nominative and the former subject is expressed by *von* + dative denoting the agent and by *durch* + accusative denoting means and instrument. *Baumgarten erschlug den Wolfenschießen. W. wurde von B. erschlagen. Der Brief wurde durch einen Dienstmann besorgt* (through a porter). See prepositions, 304, 2.

270. When a verb governs two accusatives both accusatives become nominatives with the verbs of naming, calling, scolding. *Er wurde sein Freund genannt*. See 179, 2.

1. With *lehren* and *fragen* the accusative of the thing may be retained, particularly if that accusative be a pronoun, *e. g.*, *Das Schlimmste was uns widerfährt, das werden wir vom Tag gelehrt* (G.). For *etwas gelehrt werden* it is better to use *unterrichtet werden*; for *etwas gefragt werden*, better *nach etwas gefragt werden*. The accusative of the noun now sounds pedantic, though *lehren* in M. H. G. always retained the accusative in the passive. See 202, 2.

271. With a verb governing an accusative, a genitive, or a dative, the accusative becomes nominative in the passive, but the genitive and dative are retained. *§. wurde des Hochverrats angeklagt. Deiner wurde gedacht* (no grammatical subject) or *es wurde deiner gedacht. Mir wurde gefolgt, I was followed.*

1. The verbs *folgen*, *helfen*, *gehörchen*, *schmeicheln*, *widersprechen*, *denken* often form a personal passive in the classics and in the spoken language, but it is very questionable whether this use should be imitated; certainly not by foreigners who are accustomed to this construction in their own language and are apt to make mistakes in the active and say „*ich folge dich*“ if they hear or say „*ich werde gefolgt, geschmeichelt.*“ Those who defend the personal passive appeal to the older accusative after *helfen* and *schmeicheln*.

272. The reflexive, encouraged by French influence, and *man*, *es* + active often replace the passive. For *Es wird gesungen, gepocht* stands *Man singt, pocht. Da öffnet sich das Thor*, Then the gate is opened. *Der Schlüssel wird sich finden*, The key will be found. More frequent than the reflexive alone is *sich . . . lassen*, *e. g.*, *Er wird sich bestimmen lassen zu . . .*, He will let himself be influenced to . . . , He can be induced to . . . *Das läßt sich leicht machen*, That is easily done. *Das läßt sich hören*, That is plausible. See 290. 3, b. It is clear from this that the German passive is less frequent than the English. The grammars boast more of the full and long compound tenses than actual usage justifies.

## 273.

## ORIGIN OF THE PASSIVE VOICE.

1. In O. H. G. *sein* (*ēn, wesan*), *werden* (*werdan*) were used to express the passive. Gothic alone shows traces of anything like a Latin passive, but even there the periphrastic form had to be resorted to. In M. H. G. the present is *ich werde gelobet*; preterit, *ich wart gelobet*; perfect, *ich bin gelobet*; pluperfect, *ich was gelobet*. *Worden* was added to the perfect from the 13th century downward, but was not considered essential until the 17th century. The passive idea lies originally only in the past or passive participle and not in *werden*, which means only “I enter into the state of being „*geliebt*,” „*geschlagen*,” etc. Compare the future, *ich werde lieben*, “I enter into the state of loving.” The M. H. G. *ich bin geliebet, ich was (war) geliebet* are by no means lost. Only they are not called tenses now. *Ich bin geliebt, das Zimmer ist gefegt* mean “I am

in the state of being loved," "the room is in a swept state," "has been cleaned," "is clean." The participles are felt as adjectives. *Ich bin geliebt worden, das Zimmer ist gefegt worden* mean 'I have passed into the state of being loved,' "the room has passed into the state of being swept." The transition into this state, and not the present state, but the fact or action are emphasized, hence the idea of *tense* is prominent. The fitness of the name of perfect passive for this form and not also for *ich bin geliebt* is apparent because *ich bin geliebt worden* is composed of *ich bin (ge)worden* (the perfect) + *geliebt*. In O. H. G. *sein* still formed the present as "to be" now in Eng., but already in M. H. G. *werden* was the prevalent auxiliary (see above), while *sein* was prevalent in the perfect.

2. Perhaps the following examples will illustrate the force of the various forms:

*Die Tochter ist verlobt, is engaged to be married. Vom Eise befreit sind Strom und Bäche (F. 903). Dieser Kessel ist von Bergen begrenzt (Hu.)* These three are not passive tenses. But compare: *Zu dem Lächerlichen wird ein Contrast von Vollkommenheiten und Unvollkommenheiten erfordert (Le.)* (present tense). *Dieser Punkt ist viel besprochen worden (perf. pass.)*. The same difference between *wurde* + participle (= imperfect pass.) and *war* + participle (no tense), e. g., *Rome'r war vor Alters unstreitig fleißiger gelesen als jetzt (Le.)*. *Die Häuser waren festlich geschmückt (no tense)*. *Der Räuberhauptmann war schon gefangen genommen worden, als seine Leute herbeikamen (pluperfect pass.)*. *Der Spi'o'n wurde ohne weiteres an einen Ast geknüpft und erhängt (imperfect pass.)*.

Examples of the future and conditional perfects passive are very rare in the classics.

## Syntax of the Tenses.

### SIMPLE TENSES.

#### 274. The Present.

1. It denotes an action as now going on. *Wie glänzt die Sonne, wie lacht die Flur (G.)*.

2. It is the tense used in the statement of a general truth or fact or custom, in which the idea of time is lost sight of. *Dreimal drei ist neun. Gott ist die Liebe (B.)*. *Vorgen macht Sorgen (Prov.)*.

3. The historical present is used in vivid narrative for a past tense. *Das zu Einz gegebene Beispiel findet allgemeine Nachahmung; man verflucht das Andenken der Verräters; alle Arme'en fallen von ihm ab (Sch.)*.

4. For the English perfect German (also French) uses the present when the action or state continues in the present time, but there is generally an adverb denoting duration of time qualifying it. Ex.: Nun bin ich sieben Tage hier (G.). Zwei Tage gehen wir schon hier herum (id.). Ich bin allhier erst kurze Zeit (F. 1868).

This use is by no means new in German or unknown in English, e.g., "I forget why." "The world by what I learn is no stranger to your generosity" (Goldsmith, quoted by Mätzner). It is closely related to the present sub 2 and 3, and generally translated by "have been" + present participle.

5. The future present, that is, the present with the force of the future, is much more frequent in German than in English. Ex.: Nein, nein, ich gehe nach der Stadt zurück (F. 820). Wer weiß, wer morgen über uns befiehlt (Sch.).

It is a very old use of the present, from a time when the periphrastic future was not yet developed.

6. The English periphrastic present in "I am writing," "I do write" rarely has corresponding German phrases. For instance, *ihun* is dialectic and archaic. Und *ihun* nicht mehr in Worten framen (F. 385). A large number of present participles are looked upon as adjectives and stand in the predicate after *sein*, but they do not form a tense (see 273, 1). There is a difference between the simple present and *sein* + pres. part. The former, if it occur at all, denotes an *act* of the subject, the latter denotes a *quality* of the same or of another subject. Ex.: Man nimmt Teil an etwas, one takes part in something. *Jemand ist teilnehmend*, one is sympathetic. *Die Farbe schreit* is hardly used, but *die Farbe ist eine schreiende*, the color is a loud one. *Die Aussicht reizt einen*, immer höher zu steigen, the prospect entices one to climb higher and higher, but *die Aussicht ist reizend*, the prospect is charming. Compare the Eng. "charming," "promising," etc.

## 275. The Preterit.

1. It is strictly the "historical" tense, used in narration, when one event is related in some connection with another event, as following it or preceding it. Ex.: Cäsar kam, sah und siegte. Er ward geboren, er lebte, nahm ein Weib und starb (Gellert).

In the story of the creation in Genesis only the pret. is used until

chapter 2, verse 4, when the account is summed up *Also ist Himmel und Erde geworden*, which has the perfect as it should have. See 276.

2. It represents a past action as lasting, customary; also as contemporaneous with another action. *Gestern kam der Medicus hier aus der Stadt hinaus zum Amtmann* (connect „hinaus“ with „zum,“ not with „aus der Stadt“) *und fand mich auf der Erde unter Lottens Kindern, wie einige auf mir herumkrabbelten, andere mich netzten* (G.). *Kühn war das Wort, weil es die That nicht war* (Sch.).

#### COMPOUND TENSES.

##### 276. The Perfect.

It is used to denote a past event as a separate act or independent fact. The act is completed, but the result of it is felt in the present and may continue in the present. Ex.: *Ich habe genossen das irdische Glück* (Sch.). *Gott hat die Welt erschaffen* = God is the creator of the world, but *Im Anfang schuf Gott Himmel und Erde* (B.). *Du hast's erreicht, Octavio* (Sch.).

1. In the best writers this distinction is generally observed, but not in the spoken language, in which the perfect is crowding out the preterit. As an illustration of the exact use of the tenses, particularly of the preterit and perfect, may be recommended the introduction to Schiller's *Geschichte des Abfalls der vereinigten Niederlande*.

##### 277. The Pluperfect.

It denotes a past action which was completed before another past action began. Ex.: *Lilly hatte kaum seinen Rückmarsch angetreten als der König sein Lager zu Schwedt aufhob und gegen Frankfurt an der Oder rückte* (Sch.).

##### 278. The Future.

1. It denotes an action yet to take place. Ex.: *Was wird aus dem Kindlein werden?* (B.). *Der Kaiser wird morgen abreisen*.

2. It denotes probability and should then not be translated by an English future as a rule. Ex.: *Der Hund wird sechs Jahre alt sein* (= *ist wohl or wahrscheinlich*), the dog may be or is prob-

ably six years old. *Wer Kopft? Es wird ein Bettler sein, it is probably a beggar.*

3. In familiar language it stands for the imperative implying confident expectation of the result. *Du wirst hier bleiben, You shall stay here. Du wirst dich hüten, Take good care not to do it.*

For the present with the force of the future, see 274, 5.

### 279. The Future Perfect.

1. It is the perfect transferred to the future. *Vergebens werdet ihr für euren Heldherrn auch geopfert haben (Sch.).* More frequently than the future, the future perfect denotes probability: *Wo wird er die Nacht zugebracht haben? (Le.),* Where can he have spent the night? *Es wird was andres wohl bedeutet haben (Sch.),* It probably meant something else.

2. As the present can have future force, so the perfect can have future perfect force. *Nicht eher denk ich dieses Blatt zu brauchen, bis eine That gethan ist, die unwidersprechlich den Hochverrat bezeugt (Sch.).*

3. In M. H. G., the future perfect is unknown and its force is expressed by *ge* prefixed to the present and by the perfect.

Guard against confounding the modal auxiliaries in German with the Eng. future. Approach to a future might be felt in *wollen* and *sollen*, e. g., *Was wollen sie denn herausverhören, wenn einer unschuldig ist? (G.).* Der Reichstag zu Augsburg soll hoffentlich unsere Projekte zur Reife bringen (G.). See 283, 4.

### 280. The Conditionals.

They are future subjunctives corresponding to the preterit and pluperfect subjunctive as the future corresponds to the present. As in all subjunctives, the idea of tense is not emphasized. Preterit subjunctive and I. conditional, pluperfect subjunctive and II. conditional are nearly identical in force, but preterit and pluperfect deserve the preference, particularly in the passive. In dependent conditional clauses the preterit or pluperfect subjunctive only can stand. In the main sentence

there is no choice between them and the conditionals. Ex.: Ohne deinen Rat würde ich es nicht gethan haben or hätte ich es nicht gethan. Was würdest du an meiner Stelle thun? Wärest du hier gewesen, mein Bruder wäre nicht gestorben (B.).

281. The conditionals should be substituted for the subjunctive of the preterit and of the pluperfect: 1. When the force of the future is to be emphasized as in: Rätme der Kranke die Medizin regelmäßig ein, so würde das Fieber von dieser Stunde an allmählich verschwinden. Sie glaubten, sie würden sich leicht als Selben darstellen (Sch.). 2. When the indicative and subjunctive forms coincide as is the case with certain persons in weak verbs: Auf einen Eid würde ich ihm nicht glauben. „Glaube“ might be pret. ind. Ihr würdet dies Rätsel mir erklären, sagte sie (Sch.). „Ihr werdet“ could also be indicative future.

### The Tense of Indirect Speech.

282. The rule is: The indirect speech retains the tense of the direct. Ex.: Die Bäume seien gebannt, sagt er, und wer sie schädige, dem wachse seine Hand heraus zum Grabe (Sch.). Egmont beteuerte, daß das Ganze nichts als ein Tafelscherz gewesen sei. Der Knabe behauptete, er hätte es nicht gethan, wenn er nicht von seinen Gefährten dazu verleitet worden wäre. Er sagte auch, er wolle es nicht wieder thun, wenn man ihm jetzt verzeihe. Der Zeuge konnte nicht schwören, daß er den Angeklagten je gesehen habe.

1. But this rule is not strictly observed. If the main clause contains, for instance, a past tense, the other clause may take a preterit for the present, a pluperfect for the perfect, or a conditional for the future: Daß wären die Planeten, sagte mir der Führer, sie regierten das Geschick (Sch.). Ihr würdet dies Rätsel mir erklären, sagte sie (id.). Mir meldet (pres. for perf.) er, er läge krank (id.). If any ambiguity arises, as is not unfrequently the case, this license should not be indulged in. If the main verb is in the present, it is not well to substitute the preterit or pluperfect in the subordinate clause, because this license is due to attraction of tenses, viz., preterit in one—preterit or pluperfect in the other. Compare: Er beteuert, er sei dagegen, he asserts, that he is opposed. Er beteuert, er wäre dagegen might be construed as meaning er würde dagegen sein, which means “he would be opposed.” Er beteuert, er sei dagegen gewesen, he had been

opposed; er wärt bagengen gewesfen might moreover be understood as having the force of the II. Conditional.

For the mood of the indirect statement, see 285. For further remarks on the use of tenses, see 284, also the General Syntax.

## 283. ORIGIN OF THE COMPOUND TENSES.

1. The compound tenses in all the living languages are products of the development of so-called *periphrastic* conjugation, which uses certain independent verbs denoting existence, possession, transition, or the beginning of an action, in connection with an infinitive, participle, or gerundive. The more the inflectional endings of the simple tenses of the earlier periods weathered, the more favorable were the chances for the growth of analytical and circumlocutory tenses. Compare the Latin *amor, amatus sum* or *frui*; *excusavi, excusatum, -um habeo* or *teneo* with French *je suis aimé, -ée, je fus aimé, -ée*; *je l'ai excusé, -ée, je l'avais excusé, -ée*. The Germanic languages have only two simple tenses. Gothic shows still a mutilated passive. But the future perfect and pluperfect active and passive sprang up within historic times from a combination of an independent verb with an infinitive or participle, which were at first felt only as predicate noun or adjective. The participle in O. H. G. could be inflected like any predicate adjective.

2. At different periods of High German there were different verbs which could be thus employed. Besides the modern auxiliaries *haben, sein* and *werden*, in O. H. G. *eigan, + to own*. In Gothic *haban* + inf. was made to express the future, in O. H. G. *sein* (shall) and *werden* + pres. part.; in M. H. G. besides these, *wollen, müssen*. *Ich habe den Hut abgenommen* or *aufgesetzt* means originally I have, possess the hat in some state or position, viz., in my hand (taken off) or on my head (put on). The German order, too, shows this early construction much better than the English "I have taken off my hat." Compare the Latin *Excusatum habeo te rogo*, "Have me excused, pray," „Bitte, habe (halte) mich (für) entschuldig." *Haben* could only be used with transitive verbs, but losing the distinctive meaning of possession, it could combine with verbs having an object in the G. and D. and even with no object, viz., with intransitive verbs. *Haben* required the past participle in O. H. G. in the A., but *sein* required it in the N. *Sein* could not, from the nature of its meaning, form the perf. or pluperf. active of any transitive verb, but only of intransitives denoting a continuance of a state (*bleiben, sein*) or transition into another state, where it, however, collided with *werden*, used in the future. But notice that the idea of transition and change is in most verbs, here in question, due to the prefix. *Sein* + past participle could only mean existence in a certain state, at most the beginning or ceasing of an existence.

3. As to verbs of motion, their relation to these verbs is very intimate. When it is not, *haben* becomes the rival of *sein*, as soon as the activity of motion is to be brought out and not the result. That *sein* could be used with a past participle of a verb of motion at all, was partly brought about by its use with a present participle and infinitive. Such forms as *vermutenb, vermögenb, nachgebenb sein, vermutenb sein* are remnants of the use of *sein* + pres. part. or inf. in M. H. G. We do not feel the participle or infinitive as such now. They form no tense.

4. *Werden* + pres. part. was in M. H. G. more common than *werden* + inf., but the



latter was the established future in the 16th century. From "I pass into the state of praising" to "I shall praise" is not a long step.

5. The conditionals formed with *würde* sprang up in the 14th century and were settled in the 16th, according to Grimm. In M. H. G. before the 13th century "*wolde*," "*wolde*" were used as in the other Germanic languages, but these lacked the umlaut, and therefore were not easily distinguishable as subjunctives.

## THE MOODS.

### Subjunctive.

**284.** The indicative is the mood of reality, the subjunctive is the mood of unreality, contingency, possibility.

1. The imperative subjunctive helps to fill out the imperative for the third persons sg. and pl. and the first person pl. It is a strong optative, see sub 2.

Ex.: Alles schweige, jeder neige ernsten Tönen nun sein Ohr (Song). Sehe jeder wie er's treibe, sehe jeder wo er bleibe (G.). Seien Sie mir willkommnen. Lassen wir das, let us not do this. Sehen wir diesen Paragraph(en) noch mal durch, let us go over this paragraph once more. Gehen Sie. Treten die Herren gefälligst ein (rare).

Werbe and sei, selbst really subjunctives, are used as imperatives in the second person. Werbe munter, mein Gemüte (Hymn). Sei mir gegrüßt, mein Berg (Sch.).

2. The optative subjunctive expresses a wish or request. The present subjunctive implies confidence of fulfilment. Only the third person is used.

Ex.: Dich führe durch das wildbewegte Leben ein gnädiges Geschick (Sch.). Dein Name sei vergessen (Uh.). Gott vermehre die Gabe (G.).

The preterit subjunctive implies less assurance, and, like the pluperfect subjunctive, even no expectation of realization.

Ex.: O wären wir weiter! o wär ich zu Haus (G.). O sähest du voller Nonbenschein . . . (F. 386). Wäre er nur noch am Leben! (Implying „er ist aber tot“). Frommer Stab, o hättest ich nimmer mit dem Schwerte dich vertauscht (Sch.). See also F. 392-7.

3. The potential subjunctive expresses an opinion as such, a possibility, a mild assertion of an undoubted fact (*diplomatic subj.*); it stands in questions, direct and indirect; in exclama-

tions. The preterit and I. conditional are the potential subjunctives of the present; the pluperfect and II. conditional, of the past.

Ex.: Ich reime, dächt' ich, doch noch so ziemlich zusammen, was zusammen gehört (Le.). Das ginge noch, "that might do yet" (id.). Wer wüßte das nicht? Everybody knows that. Hätte ich doch nimmermehr gedacht, daß er so groß werden würde (Le.). Wie ließe sich alles schreiben! (G.) (Implying "es ist unmöglich"). Fast hätte ich das Beste vergessen (id.). Beinahe wäre ich gegen einen Baum gerannt. Du hättest das gewußt? (Implying "ich glaube es nicht"). Nicht, daß ich wüßte, not as far as I know.

See also the modal auxiliaries, 267.

4. The concessive subjunctive denotes an admission, yielding, and supposition. Generally only in the third person of the present and perfect. It borders closely upon the optative and conditional.

Ex.: Es koste was es wolle (Le.). Es sei, "(it is) granted." Geselle, du seist ein guter oder schlimmer, leg' dich aufs Ohr (Uh.). See mögen, 267, 8.

5. The unreal subjunctive stands in conditional sentences both in the premise and the conclusion, *i. e.* in the dependent clause and in the main clause, when the premise is not true. The preterit and pluperfect stand in the premise; the preterit, pluperfect, and the two conditionals in the conclusion. The preterit has present and future force, the pluperfect has future force only.

Ex.: Es ließe sich alles trefflich schlichten, könnte man die Sachen zweimal verrichten (G.). Ich wäre nichts, wenn ich bliebe was ich bin (id.). Wenn wir Geld bei uns gehabt hätten, so würden wir den Armen was gegeben haben.

The premise omitted or represented by an adverb, etc.: Ich thäte das nicht an Deiner Stelle = wenn ich an Deiner Stelle wäre. Wir wären des Todes. Ohne Alpenstock wäre der Wanderer in die Tiefe hinabgefallen.

The conclusion omitted: Sa wenn wir nicht wären, sagte die Laterne zum Mond. Da ging sie aus (Folk-lore).

**285.** The subjunctive is the mood of the indirect statement, in which the speaker expresses the ideas of another or

renders the speech of another in his own words. For examples and tense, see **282**.

The subjunctive in dependent clauses is treated under the head of "dependent clauses" in the General Syntax, which see.

### Imperative.

**286.** It expresses a command and occurs only in the 2. p. sg. and pl. For the 1. and 3. p. pl., see **284**, 1. *Eile mit Weile*, Make haste slowly. *Lehre du mich meine Leute kennen* (Sch.). *Bindet ihn* (id.). *Wartet ihr, indem wir voran laufen*.

1. The pronoun is quite optional; only when there is a contrast, as in the last sentence (*ihr* — *wir*), it should stand. In the subjunctive it always stands.

The imperative is only used in the present and has future force, but by a license also a perfect imperative occurs: *Besen! Besen! Seib's gewesen!* says the apprentice when he wants the brooms to cease being watercarriers (G.).

**287.** Other verbal forms that take imperative force and a very strong one, are :

1. The infinitive : *Maul (Mund) halten!* Hold your tongue. *Nicht anfassen!* Do not touch.

2. The past participle : *Die Trommel gerührt* (G.). *Friisch auf Kameraden, auf's Pferd, auf's Pferd! in das Feld, in die Freiheit gezogen* (Sch.).

3. The present and future indicative : *Georg, du bleibst um mich* (G.). *Du wirst den Apfel schießen von dem Kopf des Knaben* (Sch.). See **278**, 3.

4. The modal auxiliaries denoting a necessity, duty, can express imperative force, also *lassen*. *Du sollst nicht stehlen* (B.). *Kein Mensch muß müssen* (Le.).

Since the Eng. "let" shows no inflection, notice the German forms: *Laß uns gehen*, to a person addressed as *du*; plural *Laßt uns gehen*. *Lassen Sie uns gehen*, to a person addressed as *Sie*.

### Infinitive.

**288.** It is a verbal noun and the present infinitive has neither voice, tense, nor inflection. The compound infinitive arose like the compound tenses (see **283**): *gelobt werden*, to be praised; *gelobt worden sein*, to have been praised; *gelobt haben*, to have praised.

1. Notice the marked difference in meaning between the present of some of the modal auxiliaries + perfect infinitive, and the perfect or pluperfect + present infinitive. Ex.: *Der Rutscher will den Gefangenen gesehen haben* = claims to have seen him, but *hat ihn sehen wollen* = wanted to see him. *Der Hausfrau muß vorbeigegangen sein* = must have passed by, but *hat vorbeigehen müssen*, was forced to pass by, etc.

**289.** We distinguish between the infinitive *without zu* and *with zu*.

The former is the older construction. Being a noun, the infinitive always stood in the D. after *zu* in O. and M. H. G. But in early N. H. G., when it was no longer inflected, the prepositional infinitive gained ground and gave also rise to the gerundive (see **298**). Usage is in many cases still unsettled as to the use of *zu*. Its frequent use is the source of much bad style (see Sanders' „*Hauptschwierigkeiten*“ . . . sub Inf.). The cases where the infinitive has taken the place of the present participle are mentioned below under each head. In the gerundive alone the participial form has taken the place of the infinitive. See **298**.

### THE INFINITIVE WITHOUT *zu*.

**290.** 1. It is dependent upon the modal auxiliaries. *Der Bote will es aus aller Leute Mund erfahren haben.* *Man soll den Tag nicht vor dem Abend loben* (Prov.). Also upon *thun* in quaint and dialect style, e. g., *Da thäten sie sich trennen* (Uh.). See the speeches of *Marthe* and *Margarete* in F., I. Upon *haben* in the phrase *gut haben*. *Du hast gut reden*, it is easy enough for you to talk. *Er thut nichts als . . .*, he does nothing but . . .

2. In certain phrases dependent upon some verbs of motion; also upon *helfen*, *heißen* (command), *lassen*, *lehren*, *lernen*, *machen*, *nennen*. The verbs of motion are: *spazieren reiten*, *fahren*, *gehen*; *schlafen gehen*, *sich schlafen legen*, etc. *Heißt mich nicht reden*,

heißt mich schweigen; denn mein Geheimnis ist mir Pflicht (G.). Lehre mich thun nach deinem Wohlgefallen (B.).

3. Dependent upon certain verbs of rest: bleiben (most frequently), liegen, stehen (rarely); and upon verbs of perceiving: finden, fühlen (rarely), hören, sehen; also haben. Stecken bleiben, to stick fast (intr.). Schlafen liegen. Wir fanden den Leichnam im Walde liegen. Wir sahen den Führer über dem Abgrunde schweben. Der Tyroler hat gewöhnlich Federn am Hute stecken, der Engländer Bänder herunterhängen. Ich hab' es öfters rühmen hören, ein Komödia'nt könnt' einen Pfarrer lehren (F. 526-7).

a. Sein is still so used in dialect. Er ist fischen, he has gone fishing, ahunting; er ist fischen gewesen, he has been fishing. With all the verbs sub 3 and several sub 2 the present participle was once the rule in older German. Compare the participle in the predicate. 294, 2.

b. After fühlen, hören, lassen, sehen the infinitive has either passive or active force, and often an ambiguity arises which should be avoided by a different construction. Wir haben es sagen hören, We have heard it said. Die Dogge läßt sich nicht necken, The bulldog will not be teased. Wir hören den Knaben rufen, calling and called (generally the first). Der Sohnfutscher ließ uns nicht fahren, the hackman did not let us go, did not allow us to drive, did not have us driven. Der Meister ließ die Tochter nicht malen, did not allow her to paint and did not have her portrait painted.

4. As subject or predicate with sein and heißen, to be, to amount to: Noch einmal ein Wunder hoffen heiße Gott versuchen (Sch.). Ein Vergnügen erwarten ist auch ein Vergnügen (Le.).

#### THE INFINITIVE WITH zu.

291. 1. It expresses the purpose of an action and in general the indirect object; also necessity and possibility after neuter verbs, e. g., sein, bleiben, stehen, when it has passive force. Die Sache ist nicht zu ändern. Es bleibt noch viel zu thun. Das steht noch zu überlegen. Da treibt's ihn, den köstlichen Preis zu erwerben (Sch.).

This is the old and proper use of the infinitive, originally a noun in the D. governed by zu. In N. H. G. um was added to express purpose, but it was really superfluous, though common in the spoken language. Um die Strömung abzuleiten gruben sie ein frisches Bett (Platen). Wir leben nicht

um zu essen, sondern wir essen um zu leben. The force of *zu* was much weakened when *um* could thus be added. Besides *um*, *anstatt* and *ohne* can precede *zu*: *anstatt weg zu laufen, kam der Bär näher heran. Ohne sich umzusehen, lief der Dieb davon.* But „*um*“ should never be used except to express purpose. It is used too frequently. See sub 4.

2. It stands as direct object of verbs, often preceded by, or in apposition to, a pronoun or pronominal adverb + preposition. *Ex.*: *Hang an zu haben und zu graben (F. 2355). Niemand säume zu geben. Ich denke nicht daran, dir das zu gewähren.*

In older periods of the language there was no *zu* in this case.

3. It stands as subject, in the spoken language, more frequently than without *zu*; there is no choice. *Gefährlich ist's den Feu zu weden (Sch.). Eine schöne Menschenjete finden ist Gewinn (He.).*

4. As adjunct of nouns and adjectives, the latter often being qualified by *zu* and *genug*. *„Die Kunst sich beliebt zu machen.“ Zu stolz, Dank einzuernten, wo ich ihn nicht säete (Le.). Du wärest blind genug, das nicht einzusehn? . . . Bereit, dir zur Gesellschaft hier zu bleiben (F. 1431).*

After adjectives „*um zu*“ is now far more common than *zu* alone. *Ich bin zu alt, um nur zu spielen, zu jung, um ohne Wunsch zu sein (F. 1546-7).* Quite rare is *als zu* + infinitive.

5. For the independent use of infinitive, see imperative, 287, 1. With or without *zu* in elliptical expressions: *Was thun, spricht Deus (Sch.). Was, am Rand des Grabs zu lügen! (F. 2961).*

#### ACCUSATIVE WITH THE INFINITIVE.

292. In this construction the logical subject of the infinitive stands in the accusative. The infinitive stands with or without *zu*. *Ex.*: *Hier ruhet Martin Faulermann, wenn man den ruhen sagen kann, der seinen Letzttag nichts gethan (Weckherlin, quoted by Blatz). Lügen, die man Lügen zu sein weiß (Le.).*

1. Accusative with infinitive was not rare in O. H. G. In the translations from Latin and Greek. It is largely due to foreign influence. In M. H. G. it is very rare. In

modern German it is discouraged by the best authorities, though Lessing uses it quite frequently.

2. The corresponding English constructions must therefore be rendered freely into German. I believe him to be my friend, *Ich glaube daß er mein Freund ist* or *Ich halte ihn für meinen Freund*. German loses thus a compact construction.

### THE INFINITIVE AS A NOUN.

**293.** Some infinitives are felt as nouns only, *e. g.*, *das Leben*, *das Ansehen*, *das Leiden*. The infinitive used as noun generally has the article. *Das Rauchen ist hier verboten*. *Beim Übersetzen muß man bis an's Unübersehbliche herangehn* (G.). *Der Erben Weinen ist ein heimlich Lachen* (Prov.).

### Participles.

**294.** The participles are really adjectives derived from verbal stems. The present participle retains more of the verbal construction and force than the past, in which the idea of tense only appears in intransitive verbs.

The present participle has active force in all verbs and the noun is the subject of the action. *Der lächelnde See*, *die aufgehende Sonne*, *das schlagende Wetter*, "fire-damp." Both participles can be used as nouns, adjectives, and adverbs very much as in English. They stand in apposition in the predicate and as attributes.

1. Participles in which the noun is not the subject of the action, and those in which lies passive rather than active force, are still current, but not so frequent as in early N. H. G. They are not generally countenanced, *e. g.*, *bei schlafender Nacht*, "at night time," "when everybody sleeps"; *eine sitzende Lebensart*, a sedentary habit of life; *essende Waaren*, eatables (better *Esswaaren*); *eine vorhabende Reise*, an intended journey. Some of these can be defended: *fahrende Habe*, movables, chattels (intrans. verb); *erschauende Nachricht*, astonishing news (trans. verb); *eine messende Fuß* (intrans. like "mischen"); *die reitende Post*, postman on horseback. Poetic are *der schwinbelnde Fels*, the giddy rock. *Von des Hauses weitschauendem Giebel* (Sch.).

2. In the predicate appear now only such present participles as have become regular adjectives: *bedeutend*, important; *reizend*, charming; *hinreißend*, ravishing; *leidend*, in pain, ill health; *bringend*, urgent. See 274. 6.

3. In apposition: Kochend, wie aus Ofens Kochen, glüht die Lüste (Sch.).  
 Ich empfangе heute dieß Geschenk (id.).

4. The participial clause with the present participle is only in very restricted use in German compared with English. It cannot express an action preceding or following another action, a cause, purpose, etc. It has usually the value of an adjective clause and can often be explained as in apposition. Der Arme, sich an mich wendend, sprach: Haben Sie Mitleid, mein Herr.

295. The past participle of a transitive verb has passive force; that of a verb which forms its compound tenses with sein has active force: der laubumkränzte Becher (Sch.); das hergeföhrtе Volk (id.); die abgefegeltен Schiffe; der durchgefallene (unsuccessful) Candidat.

1. But not all verbs that have sein in compound tenses can be thus used; the participle must denote the state produced by the action of the verb. Die gefegeltен Schiffe, der gelaufene Knecht would not do. Der entlaufene Klave means "the runaway servant." This force is clear from the origin of the compound tense with sein (see 273, 283).

2. Seemingly a large number of past participles have active force, but they are either quite wrong or they can be explained as having had originally passive force. Thus: „Ungebetet ist man nicht“ (Gerok); „ungefessen zu Bettē gehn“ are as wrong as their English equivalents: One does not eat unprayed, go to bed uneaten. „Bedient“ means "in service," "invested with an office," hence a servant, ein Bedienter. „Verdient“ one who has merits, weil er sich um etwas or jemand verdient gemacht hat; eingebildet means conceited, taken up with one's self; ein verlogener Mensch, a man given to lying; verstoffener Mensch, given to drinking, and many other compounds with ver-: verweinte Augen, eyes red with weeping.

a. That some are now felt as having active force cannot be denied, else the wrong use mentioned could not have sprung up: gott-, pflichtvergessen, forgetful of one's duty, of God; verschlafen, "one who slept too long"; vermessen, "presumptuous"; verlegen, embarrassed; besides the above.

296. The peculiar past participles of verbs of motion, which seemingly have active force, stand in a sort of apposition or as predicates with kommen, rarely with gehen. Ex.: Kam ein Vogel geflogen (Song). Da kommt des Wegs geritten ein schmuder Edelknecht (Uh.).



1. This use is by no means modern. *Kommen* and *gehen* are felt as auxiliaries. Compare *verloren gehen*.

2. Special notice deserves the past participle with *heißen*, *sein*, and *nennen*, which has the force of an infinitive, but belongs under this head. *Das heißt schlecht geworfen*, That is a bad throw. *Unter christlichen Leuten nennt man das „gelogen.“* *Frisch gewagt ist halb gewonnen* (Prov.).

**297.** The participle appears in an absolute construction. The logical subject is left indefinite (Lessing is very fond of this). The logical subject stands in the accusative and with a few, like *ausgenommen*, *eingeschlossen*, *abgerechnet*, even in the nominative. *Alle waren zugegen, der Pfarrer ausgenommen. Und dieses nun auf Lastoon angewendet, so ist die Sache klar* (Le.).

1. Closely related to this construction is the absolute accusative + a past participle (see 209) and in some cases there may be doubt as to which is meant. *Und sie singt hinaus in die finstere Nacht, das Auge von Weinen getrübet* (Sch.).

The past participle is in elliptical construction in the imperative, see 287, 2.

#### THE GERUNDIVE.

**298.** It stands only attributively. In the predicate the old infinitive stands, which it has supplanted. *Der noch zu verkaufende Schrank*, the wardrobe which is still to be sold; but *der Schrank ist noch zu verkaufen*, the wardrobe is still to be sold. See 289, 452.

Though the form is rather that of the gerund than of the gerundive, in construction it closely resembles the Latin gerundive. Hence the name in German.

#### SYNTAX OF THE ADVERB.

**299.** The adverb qualifies a verb, an adjective or another adverb. Ex.: *Du hast mich mächtig angezogen* (F. 483). *Die unbegreiflich hohen Werke sind herrlich wie am ersten Tag* (F. 249-50). *Das ist sehr schön geschrieben*.

1. The adverbs of time and place often accompany a noun with the force of an attribute: *Vor Jenem droben steht gebückt, der helfen lehrt und Hilfe schickt* (F. 1009-10). *Georg V. (der Fünfte), einst König von Hannover, starb im Auslande*.

2. The adverb stands as a predicate: Die Schönen Zeiten von Kranzuz sind nun vorüber (Sch.). Die Thür ist zu (one can supply „gemacht“). Der oder dem Rint'ler ist nicht wohl.

a. Do not confound gut and wohl. Except in a few cases, as in wohl thun, to do good, wohl does not qualify a transitive verb. We do not say in German wohl schreiben, wohl antworten, wohl anfangen in the sense of English “well.” Er hat es wohl geschrieben means “he wrote it, indeed, (I assure you)” ; or it is concessive and can mean: “to be sure he wrote it, but then —.” In the last sense wohl has no stress.

3. With adjectives or participles used as nouns that are felt rather as substantives than as adjectives or as derived from a verb, the adverb changes to an adjective: ein naß Verwandter > ein naßer Verwandter; ein intim Bekannter > ein intimer Bekannter. But compare Goethe's famous line: Das Ewig-Weibliche zieht uns hinan.

300. An adverb may strengthen the force of a preposition by standing before or after the preposition + case. This is always the case when the adverb is the prefix of a separable compound verb: rings um die Stadt (herum), mitten durch den Wald, in das Dorf hinein, aus dem Garten heraus. Es ritten drei Reiter zum Thore hinaus (Uh.).

1. Mark the adverbs which are only adverbs and not adjectives: wohl, fast, schon, sehr, neulich, freilich, früh (rare), spät (rare), bald, and others.

2. The uninflected comparative and superlative of adjectives serve also as adverbs. Notice the difference between auf + A. and an + D. Sie sangen auf das beste (Uh.), they sang as best they knew how. This is *absolute* superlative. Sie sangen am besten, they sang best of all, any. This is *relative* superlative.

## SYNTAX OF THE PREPOSITION.

301. The prepositions express the relations of a noun to a verb or to another noun.

1. Prepositions are originally adverbs, and the distinction between prepositions, adverbs and conjunctions is only syntactical. Denn is, for instance, a conjunction = for, and an adverb = then, than; während is a conjunction = while, and a preposition = during. Prepositions could not originally “govern” cases. A certain case was called for independently of the preposition, then still an adverb. In Greek there are prepositions governing three cases, which shows how loose the connection between case and preposition was. In fact nearly all adverbs, old and new, can be traced back

to cases of nouns or pronouns. They are isolated or "petrified" cases, and as such could only stand in the loosest connection with the living cases, which they gradually began to "govern."

2. Prepositions can govern different cases in different periods of the language. The preposition has been partly the cause of the loss of case-endings. Its function becomes the more important the more uninflectional (analytical) a language becomes. It is one of the most difficult and subtle elements to master in the study of a living language. For another reason the preposition is very important, viz., the preposition + case has supplanted and is continuing to supplant the case alone, directly dependent upon a verb or noun. The two together are much more expressive and explicit than a case alone. In *Die Liebe des Vaters*, the genitive may be subjective or objective, but there is no ambiguity about *die Liebe zum Vater*, *des Vaters Liebe zum Sohne*.

#### CLASSIFICATION AND TREATMENT OF THE PREPOSITIONS ACCORDING TO THE CASES THEY GOVERN.

### 302. Prepositions governing the Genitive:

*Unweit, mittels, kraft und während; laut, vermöge, ungeachtet; oberhalb und unterhalb; innerhalb und außerhalb; diesseits, jenseits, halben, wegen; statt, auch längs, zufolge, trotz.*

These are all cases of substantives or adjectives (participles) and their number might be easily increased, e. g., by *bezüglich*, with reference to; *angefichtes*, in the face of; *seitens*, on the part of; *inmitten*, in the midst of, etc.

(The order is the one in which they are given in German grammars. The semicolon shows the ends of the lines of the doggerel.)

We comment in alphabetical order briefly upon those that seem to require comment. Often a mere translation will suffice.

1. *Anstatt*, an — *statt*, *statt*, + instead of. *Draus* (from which, from whose breast) *statt der goldenen Lieder ein Blutstrahl hoch auf springt* (Uh.). *Ein Tochter statt*, in daughter's stead. *Statt* sometimes with the dative. It also governs an infinitive like *ohne*, translated by "without + participle." See Infinitive, 291, 1.

2. *Außerhalb* + outside of; *innerhalb* + inside of; *oberhalb*, above; *unterhalb*, on the lower side of, below. They are all more expressive than the simple forms. They rarely govern the dative.

3. *Diesseit*(s), *jenseit*(s), this side of, on the other side, beyond. Rarely with the dative.

4. *Halben, halber, halb*, on account of, + in behalf of. Follows

its case. Frequent in composition: *beßhalb*, therefore; *meinetßalben*, on my behalf; *Altetß halber*, on account of age. Comp. *wegen* and *willen*.

5. *Kraft*, according to, by virtue of. *Kraft beß Befetßet*; *kraft beß Amtetß*. Formerly only in *Kraft*, e. g., *baß stetß ber liebte (Sohn)* . . . in *Kraft allein beß Kingetß, beß Haupt, ber Fürte beß Hauetßet werde (Le.)*. Comp. *laut*.

6. *Laut*, from, „*nach Laut*,” *lautet* (Luther), means “according to,” “by.” *Laut Befetßetß*, by command; *laut beß Tetamentetß*, according to the last will and testament.

Plural nouns without articles in which the genitive could not be distinguished stand in the dative: *laut Briefen*, according to letters. *Laut* means literally according to a verbal or written statement; *kraft* gives a moral reason.

7. *Mittelst*, *mitteltst* (most common), *vermitteltst*, by means of, with. *Mittelst eineß Hammeretß, eineß Bohretßet*. It is more expressive than *mit* or *durcß*. Rarely with the dative.

8. *Ob*, rare and archaic. With genitive if causal (on account of); with dative if local (above), and temporal (during). *Da weinten zuammen die Grenadier' wobl ob ber klägliche Kunde (Heine)*. *Ob dem Walde*; *nib dem Walde (Sch., Teil)*; *ob dem Altare (id.)*.

9. *Trotz*, with genitive and dative, in defiance of, in spite of; in the sense of “in rivalry with,” “as well as,” always with the dative. *Trotz beß heftigen Regentßet fuhren wir ab*. *Die Sängerin fing trotz einer Nachtigall*, as well as a nightingale. Comp. the forms *zu* or *zum* *Trotze* preceded by a dative: *Mir zum Troze fuhr er fort zu lesen*, in defiance of me or to defy me he continued reading.

10. *Unangefethten*, setting aside, *unbefchadet*, without detriment to, *ungeachtet*, notwithstanding (very frequent). The last two also with a preceding dative; *demungeachtet* is felt as an adverb. These are very modern prepositions. *Unweit, unfern*, not far from, occur also with dative.

11. *Vermöge*, in virtue of, through, in consequence of, by dint of. Denotes a reason springing from a quality of the subject: *vermöge feiner Redlichkeit*, through his honesty. We could not say *kraft feiner R.*; *vermöge* (and not *kraft*) *großer Anstrengeungen*, by dint of great efforts. (Perhaps from „*nach Vermögen*.”)

12. *Während*, during. Sometimes with the dative: *währendem*, meanwhile.

13. *Wegen*, on account of, both preceding and following the noun;

also with the dative. *Wegen* denotes also a motive and an impediment. *Seiner Größe wegen* konnte das Schiff nicht durch den Kanal. *Der Müller war wegen seiner Stärke berühmt.* *Wegen* from *von* — *wegen*, still common in „*von Rechts wegen*,“ strictly, in justice.

14. *Willen*, generally *um* — *will*en, denotes the purpose, the advantage or interest of a person. *Um meiner Ruhe willen* erklären Sie sich deutlicher (Sch.). *Um des Sohnes willen*, *um* *meinetwillen*, for the sake of or in the interest of the son, for my sake. *Wegen*, *halben*, and *willen* all appear with pronouns, and are used promiscuously.

15. *Zufolge*, as frequently with the dative, denotes the result, “in consequence of.” *Zufolge* *des Auftrages*, in consequence of the commission; *den Verabredungen zufolge*, in accordance with the verbal agreements.

### Prepositions governing the Dative.

**303.** *Schreib*: *mit*, *nach*, *nächst*, *nebst*, *samt*; *seit*, *von*, *zu*, *zuwider*; *entgegen*, *aufser*, *aus* — stets mit dem Dativ nieder.

1. *Ab*, still used in the Alemanic dialect (Baden, Switzerland) as a preposition. In business style it denotes the place from which merchandise is delivered or the time after which anything is to be had: *ab Samburg*, *ab Neujahr*, *ab* = “all aboard.”

2. *Aus* denotes the starting point of a motion, the opposite of *in* + accusative, = “out of,” “from”: *Aus den Augen*, *aus dem Sinn*, “out of sight, out of mind”; *aus dem Fenster sehen*, to look out of the window. Origin and descent: *aus alten Zeiten*, from olden times; *aus Hannover*, from Hanover. Material: *aus Lehm*, of clay; *aus Mehl*, of meal. Motive: *aus Mitleid*, *aus Haß*, from pity, hatred. Origin also in *aus Erfahrung*, from experience; *aus Versehen*, by mistake. Notice the idiom: *aus Köln gebürtig*, a native of Cologne, born in C.

3. *Aufser*, outside of, beside, the opposite of *in* + dative. Denotes also exception and “in addition to.” More frequent in the figurative than in the local sense, because *außerhalb* is more precise. *Aufser dem Hause*, not at home; *aufser Hause speisen*, to dine out; *aufser sich sein*, to be beside one's self. *Nur der Better war aufser mir da.* Mark once the genitive *aufser Landes gehen*, to go to foreign parts; also the accusative in *aufser allen Zweifel setzen*, to put beyond all doubt. (*Setzen* being a verb of motion.)

4. *Bei*. Original meaning is nearness, hence by, near, with: *bei der Scheune*, near (by) the barn; *bei der Tante*, near the aunt or at the house of

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the aunt ; beim Zeus, by Jove ; die Schlacht bei Wörth, the battle of W. ; bei Tisch sein, to be at dinner ; bei Tag und bei Nacht, by day and by night ; bei (einem) Namen nennen, to call by name (but Friedrich mit Namen, Frederic by name) ; bei (rare) neunzig Gefangenen, about ninety prisoners ; bei Strafe von zehn Mark, ten marks fine. Ich habe kein Geld bei mir, I have no money about me. The accusative stands in bei Seite legen, bringen, stellen, to lay, put aside. In M. H. G. after verbs of motion regularly the accusative, but in the spoken language now discarded, though still found in the classics.

5. Binnen, sometimes with genitive, expresses now time only, "within" : binnen drei Jahren, within three years. < *be* — *innen*.

6. Entge'gen denotes approach, both friendly and hostile, towards and against ; stands generally after its case. Wir gingen dem Freunde entgegen ; fuhren dem Winde entgegen. With verbs of motion it frequently forms separable compounds and is really more adverb than preposition.

7. Gegenü'ber, opposite, facing ; generally after its case ; rarely gegen — über. Dem Schlosse gegenüber.

8. Gemä'ß, preceding and following its case, according to, in accordance with ; really an adjective. Dem Versprechen gemäß, according to the promise ; gemäß dem Gesetze, according to the law. It is more definite than nach.

9. Mit means "in company with," "with" ; denotes presence, accompanying circumstances and instrument. Arm in Arm mit dir, so forb're ich mein Jahrhundert in die Schranken (Sch.). Mit Freuden, gladly ; eile mit Weile, hasten slowly ; mit Fug und Recht, justly (emphatic) ; mit der Zeit pflückt man Rosen, in due time . . . ; mit Fleiß, intentionally ; mit dem Pfeil, dem Bogen (Sch.). (See mittelß, 302, 7.)

10. Nach denotes originally a "nearness to," being an adjective (nahe) ; then "a coming near to," and generally corresponds to Eng. "after" in point of time, order. With verbs of motion (literal and figurative) "to" and "after." Nach etwas streben, sich sehnen, to strive after, long for ; nach Ritternacht ; nach dir komme ich, it is my turn after your ; nach Berlin reisen. "In accordance with," not so expressive as „gemäß," in this sense often after its case. Nach den Gesetzen verdient er den Lob ; dem Wortlaute nach, literally. Aim: nach etwas schlagen, schießen, to strike at, shoot at. Nach etwas schmecken, riechen, etc., something has the smell, taste of ; nach etwas urteilen, to judge by ; nach etwas or jemand schicken, to send for. (See zu and gemäß.)



11. *Nächst* is the superlative of *nahe* (nach), and denotes very close nearness to in place, order, = + "next to." *Nächst* has no different force. *Und nächst dem Leben was ersehst du dir?* (G.).

12. *Nebst* denotes very loose connection and connects also things and persons not necessarily belonging together; *samt*, on the other hand, only what naturally belongs together. *Auf einer Stange trägt sie einen Hut nebst einer Fahne* (Sch.) (a hat *and* a banner). < *nebst* < L. G. *nevens*.

13. *Samt*, mit *samt*, zu *samt*, "together with." *Mich samt meinem ganzen Herre bring' ich dem Herzog* (Sch.). See *nebst*. It implies a close union, which does not lie even in mit.

14. *Seit*, older *sint*, = + since, denotes the beginning of an action and its duration to the present moment. *Seit diesem Tage schweigt mir jeder Mund* (Sch.). *Er ist herein seit mehreren Stunden* (id.), it is several hours since he came in (into the city). *Seit einigen Jahren zahlt er keine Zinsen*, For several years he has paid no interest.

15. *Von*, "from," denotes the starting point of a motion or action in time and place. Its case is often followed by another preposition or by *her*. *Von der Hand in den Mund*; *von Worten kam's zu Schlägen*, from words they came to blows. *Von Ostern bis Pfingsten ist fünfzig Tage*. Origin: *Walthar von der Vogelweide*. *Fürst von Bismarck*. *Herr von Schulemburg*. Hence *von* in the names of persons denotes nobility: *Herr von So und So*. *Von Jugend auf*; *von Grund aus*, thoroughly; *von Osten her*. Separation: *frei, rein von etwas*. Supplants the genitive: *ein Mann von Ehre*, von *großen Kenntnissen*; *der Pöbel von Paris*. Denotes the personal agent: *Wallenstein wurde von Piccolomini hintergangen und von vielen Generalen im Stiche* (in the lurch) *gelassen*. Notice: *Schurke von einem Wirt* (Le.). Cause: *naß vom* (with) *Lau, vom Regen*.

16. *Zu* denotes first of all the direction toward a person (but nach toward a thing) + "to": *zu jemand gehen, kommen, sprechen*, etc. *Sie sang zu ihm, sie sprach zu ihm* (G.). *Zu sich kommen*, "come to"; *etwas zu sich stellen*, to put something in your pocket. (This is its only use in O. H. G. In M. H. G. its use spread.) In dialect and in poetry it stands before names of cities and towns (= at). *Zu Straßburg auf der Schanz* (Folk-song). *Ihr seid mein Gast zu Schwyz* (Sch.).

In certain very numerous set phrases and proverbs *zu* stands before names of things. Direction: *von Ort zu Ort*, from place to place; *zu Bett(e), zur Kirche, zur Schule, zu Grunde, zu Räte gehen* = "take council";

many loose compounds with *fahren*; zu Fall, zu Statten, zu Schaden, zu Ende, zu Ehren kommen; zu Schanden, zu Nichts werden.

Place where? „zu beiden Seiten des Rheins“ (Song); zu Hause, zur Hand sein; zu Füßen liegen. Manner of motion: zu Land, zu Wasser, zu Pferd (zu Ross), zu Wagen, zu Fuß = Eng. “by” and “on.” Transition or change: zum König machen, wählen, ernennen; zum Narren, zum besten haben, to make a fool of. Degree or size, numbers: zum Teil, in part; zu Hunderten, by the hundred; zu dreien waren wir im Zimmer, there were three of us in the room; zum Tode betrübt (G.), sad unto death. Combination of things: Nehmen Sie nie Pfeffer, Salz oder Senf zu (with) dem Ei? *Obst* hatt’ er kaum Wasser zu Schwarzbrod und Wurst (Bü.). Notice the use of *zu* before nouns followed by *hinein*, *heraus*, etc.: zum Thore hinaus; zum Fenster heraus. Time (rare): Und kommt er nicht zu Ostern, so kommt er zu Trinita’t (Folk-song). After the noun = “in the direction of,” “toward”: dem Dorfe zu, toward the village; nach dem Dorfe, to the village.

### Prepositions governing the Accusative:

#### 304. Bis, durch, für, gegen, ohne, sonder, um, wider.

1. *Bis*, till, until, denotes the limit in time and space. When denoting space it is followed by other prepositions, except before names of places. The nouns of time rarely have an article or pronoun. *Bis* fastnacht; *bis* ans Ende aller Dinge; *bis* hierher und nicht weiter; *bis* an den hellen Tag; neunzig *bis* hundert Mark; *bis* Braunschweig. (*Bis* < *bi* + *az*, + Eng. *by* + *at*.)

2. *Durch*, + “through,” denotes a passing through: *durch* den Wald, *durchs* Nabelöhr. Extent of time (the case often followed by *hindurch*): *durch* Jahrzehnte *hindurch*; die ganze Zeit (*hin*)*durch*. Cause and occasion, very much like *aus*: *durch* Nachlässigkeit, *durch* eigene Schuld. Means: *durch* einen Pfeil verwunden, *durch* einen Dienstmann besorgen, attend to through a porter. (*Durch* more definite than *mit*. See this and *mittels*. It denotes now no longer the personal agent.)

3. *Für*, + for, denotes advantage, interest, destination: Wer nicht für mich ist, ist wider mich (B.). Er sammelt für die Armen. Die Scheere ist kein Spielzeug für Kinder. Die Wahrheit ist vorhanden für den Weisen, die Schönheit für ein süßes Herz (Sch.). Substitution and price: Da tritt kein anderer für ihn ein (Sch.). Mein Leben ist für Gold nicht feil (Bü.). Limitation: Ich für meine Person. Genug für dieses Mal. Ihr zeigtet einen festen Mut . . . für eure Jahre (Sch.). Stück für Stück, point by point. In its old sense (local) only in certain phrases: Schritt für (by) Schritt, Tag für (by) Tag, Saß für (after) Saß. (See *vor*.)

4. *Gegen* denotes "direction toward," but with no idea of approach that lies in *zu* and *nach*. It implies either friendly or hostile feeling if persons are concerned = "towards," "against." *Gegen die Wand* lehnen; *gegen den Strom* schwimmen. Wenn ich mich *gegen* sie verpflichten soll, so müssen sie's auch *gegen* mich (Sch.). Gibt es ein Mittel *gegen* die Schwindsucht? *Gegen Dummheit* kämpfen Götter selbst vergebens. Exchange, comparison: Ich wette hundert *gegen* eins. Roland war ein Zwerg *gegen* den Riesen. Indefinite time and number: "towards." Der Kranke schlief erst *gegen* Morgen ein. Der Feldherr hatte *gegen* dreihundert tausend Soldaten. *Gegen* drei Uhr. *Gegen* once governed the dative almost exclusively and traces of it are still found in Goethe.

*Gegen* is still preserved in „*gen Himmel*.“ *Gegen* < *gên* < *gein* < *gegen*, + again. See *entgegen*, which implies a mutual advance.

5. *Ohne*, "without," the opposite of „*mit*," „*bei*.“ *Mit* oder *ohne* Klausel, gilt mir gleich (Sch.), "With or without reserve, it is all the same to me." Ein Ritter *ohne* Furcht und Tadel. In „*ohne*dem" is a remnant of the D. in M. H. G.; *zweifelsohne* of the G. occurring after the M. H. G. adverb *ane*, from. Etwas ist nicht *ohne*, there is something in it (Coll.). *Ohne* in Composition, see 489, 3; + infinitive, see 291, 1.

6. *Sonder*, "without," is now archaic except in set phrases like „*sonder* Gleichen," „*sonder* Zweifel," "without compare," "no doubt," + Eng. *asunder*. Once governed the accusative and genitive.

7. *Um*, "around," "about." Und die Sonne, sie machte den weiten Ritt *um* die Welt (Arndt). Und *um* ihn die Großen der Krone (Sch.). Her or herum often follows the case: In einem Halbfreis standen *um* ihn her sechs oder sieben große Königsbilder (Sch.). It denotes inexact time or number: *Um* Ritternacht begrabt den Leib (Bü.). *Um* drei hundert Hörer, an audience of about three hundred. (*Gegen* is rather "nearly," *um* means more or less.) But „*um* drei viertel fünf" means "at a quarter to five." "At about" would be „ungefähr *um*" or „*um* ungefähr," e. g., ungefähr *um* 6 Uhr. It denotes further exchange, price, difference in size and measure: Aug' *um* Auge, Zahn *um* Zahn (B.). Alles ist auch feil *um* Geld (Sch.). *Um* zwei Zoll zu klein. Er hat sich *um* zwei Pfennige verrechnet. Loss and deprivation: *um*'s Leben bringen, to kill; *um*'s Geld kommen, to lose one's money. Da war's *um* ihn geschēhn (G.), He was done for. Wer brachte mich *um* brum? (*um* deine Liebe) (F. 4496), Who robbed me of it? It denotes the object striven for: *um* etwas werden, spielen, fragen, bitten, streiten, beneiden, etc. The object of care, mourning, weeping: Wein' *um* den Bruder, doch nicht *um* den Geliebten weine (Sch.). Schade wär's *um* eine cure Haare (id.). Nicht *um* diese thut's mir leid (id.).

8. *Wider*, "against," always in the hostile sense. Denotes resistance and contrast: *Was hilft uns Wehr und Waffe wider den?* (Sch.). *Es geht ihm wider die Natur*, It goes against his grain; + Eng. "with" in withstand.

### Prepositions governing the Dative and Accusative.

**305.** *An, auf, hinter, in, neben, über, unter, vor, zwischen.*

1. In answer to the question whither? they require the accusative. In answer to the question where? the dative. *Pflanze die Bäume vor das Haus. Die Bäume stehen vor dem Hause.*

2. In answer to the question how long and until when? they require the accusative. In answer to the question when? the dative: *Im Jahre 1872 wurde Straßburg wieder als deutsche Universität eröffnet. Wir reisen auf vierzehn Tage ins Bad.*

3. When *an, auf, in, über, unter, vor* denote manner and cause, then *auf* and *über* always require the accusative, but *an, in, unter, vor* generally the dative, in answer to the questions how and why? *Wir freuen uns über (= over) and auf (= looking forward to) seine Ankunft. Auf diese Weise, but in dieser Weise. Der Bettler weinte vor Freuden über die herrliche Gabe.*

The above general rules, as given in Krause's grammar, will be found of much practical value.

### **306.** 1. *An + Dative.*

After nouns and adjectives of plenty and want: *Mangel an Geld, reich an Gütern.* After adjectives when the place is mentioned where the quality appears: *an beiden Füßen lahm, an einem Auge blind.* After verbs of rest, increase or decrease, and after those denoting an immediate contact or a perception: *An der Quelle saß der Knabe (Sch.). Es fehlt an Büchern. Der Auswanderer litt am Wechselstüber. Der Zigeuner führt den Bären an einer Kette. Den Vogel erkennt man an den Federn (Prov.).* It denotes an office and time of day: *am Theater, an der Universität, am Amte angestellt sein, to hold an office at . . . ; am Morgen, Abend; es ist an der Zeit . . . , it is time . . .*

2. **An + Accusative.**

After *denken*, *crünnen*, *maßnen* and similar ones, and verbs of motion. *Denkt an den Ruhm, nicht an die Gefahr.* *Setzen Sie sich doch ans Fenster* (near the window). Inexact number: *an die drei mal hundert tausend Mann* (as many as). From its English cognate "on" it differs very much in meaning. "On" generally is *auf*. See also 300, 2.

3. **Auf + "upon."** For *auf + Dative*, see 305, 1, 2, 3. It denotes rest or motion upon the surface.

**Auf + Accusative.**

Stands after verbs of waiting, hoping, trusting, etc., e. g., *auf etwas warten*, *hoffen*, *sich besinnen* (recall), *gefaßt sein*, *sich freuen* (see 305, 3), *verzichten*, (eß) *auf etwas wagen*, *hören*. Here it stands generally for the old gen. without preposition. *Ich kann mich auf die genauen Umstände nicht besinnen*, I cannot recall . . . *Der Hund wartet auf sein Fressen.* *Merke auf die Worte des Lehrers.* *Troßt nicht auf euer Recht* (Sch.). After adjectives denoting pride, envy, anger, malice, e. g., *eifersüchtig*, *neidisch*, *stolz*, *böse*, *erbozt*: *eifersüchtig auf seine Ehre* (Sch.); *stolz auf seine Unschuld*; *erbozt auf den Gefangenen* (über would mean cause). Exact time, limit, and measure; often with „bis.“ Here belongs the superlative, see 300, 2. *Bis auf's Blut.* *Bis auf Spris und Tranf* (Le.). *Es ist ein Viertel auf drei*, a quarter past two. *Auf die Minute*, *Schußweite*, *auf Schußweite*, at shooting distance. *Bis auf die Reige*, to the last drop. *Auf sieben schon eines wieder* (Le.). (Nathan had "toward" or "as a return for" his seven dead sons one child in Recha.) *Auf eine Mark gehen hundert Pfennige.*

4. **Hinter + "behind,"** opposite of „vor.“ See 305, 1, 2.

It denotes inferiority: *Die französische Artillerie stand weit hinter der deutschen zurück* (ambiguous, either stood far back of the G. or was much inferior to the G.). Notice the following idioms: *sich hinter etwas machen*, to go at with energy. *Ich kann nicht dahinter kommen*, I cannot understand it. *Es hinter den Ohren haben*, to be sly (coll.); *hinter die Ohren schlagen*, to give a box on the ear; *sich etwas hinter die Ohren schreiben*, to mark well.

5. **In + in, into** (A.).

The German and English prepositions are more nearly identical than any other two. See 305, 1, 2.

**In + Accusative.**

Denotes direction, including transition, change, division: *Demm ber Leib in Staub zerfallen, lebt der große Name noch* (Sch.). *Deutschland zerriß auf diesem Reichstage in zwei Religio'nen und zwei politische Parte'en* (id.).

6. *Neben*, near, by the side of. See 305, 1, 2. < *eneben*, lit. "in a line with."

7. *Über* + over, above. See 305, 1, 2, 3.

**Über + Accusative.**

After verbs denoting rule and superiority over, *e. g.*, *herrschen, steuern, verfügen* (dispose); laughter, astonishment, disgust, in general an expression of an affection of the mind, *e. g.*, *über etwas lachen, erstaunen, sich . . . beklagen, sich . . . entrüsten, sich ärgern*. (For an older simple genit.) *Karl der Große stieg über die Sachsen. Das Testament verfügt über ein großes Vermögen. Die stuzte der Pöbel über die neuen Livre'en* (G.). *Die Gefangenen beklagen sich über ihre Behandlung. Über sein Benehmen habe ich mich recht geärgert*. It denotes time and excess in time, number, measure: *Über's Jahr*, a year hence, only in certain phrases, duration: *über Nacht, die Nacht über*. *Den Sabbath über waren sie stille* (B.). *Über ein Jahr*, more than a year (ambiguous, either "more than a year" or "a year hence"). *Über drei tausend Kanonen. Über alle Begriffe schön*, beautiful beyond comprehension.

When it denotes duration or simultaneousness, or when the idea of place is still felt, then the dative follows; when it denotes the reason then the accusative follows. This is clear when the same noun stands in both cases, as in *Ich bin über dem Buche eingeschlafen*, means "while reading it I fell asleep." *Ich bin über das Buch eingeschlafen* means "it was stupid, therefore I fell asleep." *Über der Beschreibung da vergess' ich den ganzen Krieg* (Sch.). *Schade, daß über dem schönen Wahn des Lebens beste Hälfte dahin geht* (Sch.).

Notice von etwas and über etwas sprechen. *Ich habe davon gesprochen*, I have mentioned it. *Ich habe darüber gesprochen*, I have treated of it, spoken at length.

8. *Unter* + under. See 305, 3.

In the abstract sense this rule holds good. It denotes protection, inferiority, lack in numbers (Dative, opposite of *über*), mingling with, contemporaneous circumstance (D.). It stands for the partitive genit. (= among). *Unter dem Schutze. Der Selbstweibel steht unter dem Offizier. Wer will unter die Soldaten, der . . .*, he who wants to become a soldier (Folk-

song). Er ist drunter geblieben, he did not reach the number. Cambrai öffnete seinem Erzbischofe unter (amid) freudigem Zurufe die Thore wieder (Sch.), Wer unter (among) diesen (D.) reicht an unsern Friedland? (Sch.) (von diesen would be "of these"). It denotes time when none of the exacter modes of expressing time is used: Wir sind geboren unter gleichen Sternen (Sch.). Unter der Regierung der Königin Victoria = in the reign; während implies not a single act, but a commensurate duration, = during. Der Safrist'a'n schlief während der Predigt, but ging unter der Predigt hinaus. In „unterdessen,“ and other compounds of that class, inessen, etc., the gen. is probably adverbial and not called for by the preposition.

See zwischen.

9. Vor + before, in front of. See 305, 1, 2, 3.

Vor + Dative.

Introduces the object of fear and abhorrence: Kein Eisengitter schützt vor ihrer List (Sch.). Vor gewissen Erinnerungen möcht' ich mich gern hüten (id.). Mir graut vor dir. Time before which anything is to happen or has happened: Der König ist gesonnen, vor Abend in Madrid noch einzutreffen (Sch.). Vor dreißig Jahren, thirty years ago. Vor acht Tagen, a week ago. Hindrance and cause: Die Großmutter wird vor Kummer sterben (Sch.). Den Walb vor lauter Bäumen nicht sehen (Prov.). Vor Hunger, vor Durst sterben. Preference: vor allen Dingen, above all things; herrlich vor allen.

Vor and für are doublets and come from *fora* and *furi* respectively. In M. H. G. *für* + A. answered the question whither? *vor* + D. the question where? In N. H. G. they were confounded, even in Lessing very frequently, but in the last seventy years the present syntactical difference has prevailed. Goethe and Schiller rarely confound them

10. Zwischen.

“Between” *two* objects in place, time, and in the figurative sense. Kein muß es bleiben zwischen mir und ihm (Sch.). Die Wolkensäule kam zwischen das Meer der Ägypter und das Meer Israels (B.). See 305, 1, 2; also unter = among, sub 8.

## SYNTAX OF THE CONJUNCTIONS.

307. The conjunctions are divided: 1. Into the coordinating, like und, denn, etc.; 2. Into the subordinating, e. g., weil, da, als, etc. They are treated in the General Syntax, where see the various clauses.

## GENERAL SYNTAX.

### I. THE SIMPLE SENTENCE.

**308.** Subject and verb make up the simple sentence. This sentence may be expanded by complements of the subject and of the verb. The subject may be either a substantive, a substantive pronoun, or other words used as substantives. The attributes of the subjects may be adjective, participle, adjective pronouns, numerals. These are adjective attributes. Substantives, substantive pronouns, and the infinitive are substantive attributes. Their relation to the subject may be that of apposition and of coordination; or they may be connected by the genitive, or by preposition + case in subordination. Preposition + case is more expressive than the genitive alone, when the subject is to be defined as to time, place, value, kind, means, purpose.

The predicate is either a simple verb or a copula + adjective or substantive or pronoun which may be again expanded like the subject. The complements of the verb are object and adverb. The object is either a noun, substantive pronoun, or other words used as nouns. It stands in the accusative, dative or genitive, or is expressed by preposition + case. The adverb qualifies the verb, adjective, and other adverb. It is either an adverb proper or preposition + case of substantive or what is used as such. It may also be a genitive or an accusative.

**309.** As to form the main sentences may be divided as follows :

1. **Declarative sentences**, which either affirm something of the subject or deny something with regard to it. Affirmative : *Kurz ist der Schmerz und ewig ist die Freude (Sch.). Du hast Diamanten und Perlen (Heine).* Negative : *Das Leben ist der Güter*



höchstes nicht (Sch.). Sie sollen ihn nicht haben, den freien deutschen Rhein (Beck).

1. The double negative is still frequent in the classics and colloquially, but it is not in accordance with correct usage now: Keine Lust von seiner Seite (G., classical). Man sieht, daß er an nichts keinen Anteil nimmt (F. 3489) (said by Margaret, coll.). After the comparative it also occurs in the classics: Wir müssen das Werk in diesen nächsten Tagen weiter fördern, als es in Jahren nicht gedieh (Sch.).

2. After verbs of "hinderings," "forbidding," "warning," like verhüten, verhindern, warnen, verbieten, etc., the dependent clause may contain „nicht“: Nur hütet euch, daß ihr mir nichts vergießt (G.). Nimm dich in Acht, daß dich Raucht nicht verderbe (Sch.).

3. When the negative does not affect the predicate, the sentence may still be affirmative. Nicht mir, den eignen Augen mögt ihr glauben (Sch.). But nicht mir stands for a whole sentence.

2. Interrogative sentences: Hast du das Schloß gesehen? (Uh.). Wer reitet so spät durch Nacht und Wind? (G.). Double question: War der Bettler verrückt oder war er betrunken? Glaubst du das oder nicht? Willst du immer weiter schweifen? (G.). Wer weiß das nicht?

For the potential subjunctive in questions, see 284, 3.

For the indirect question, see 325, 2.

3. The exclamatory sentence has not an independent form. Any other sentence, even a dependent clause, may become exclamatory: O, du Wald, o ihr Berge drüben wie seid ihr so jung geblieben und ich bin worden so alt! (Uh.). Das ist das Los des Schönen auf der Erde! (Sch.). Was dank' (owe) ich ihm nicht alles! (id.). Wie der Knabe gewachsen ist!

For the imperative and optative sentences, see 284, 2; 286.

310. Elliptical clauses generally contain only the predicate or a part of it, including the object or adverb. Guten Morgen! Gest! Truly! Getroffen! You have hit it! Langsam! Schnell! etc. It is very frequent in the imperative, see 287.

Proverbs often omit the verb: Viel Geschrei und wenig Wolle. Kleine Kinder, kleine Sorgen; große Kinder, große Sorgen. See 309, 3, in which the last examples are really dependent questions.

### Concord of Subject and Predicate.

**311.** The predicate (verb) agrees with the subject in number and person.

Two or more subjects (generally connected by *und*) require a verb in the plural: *Unter den Anwehenden wechseln Furcht und Erstaunen (Sch.). Doch an dem Herzen nagten mir der Unmut und die Streitbegier (id.).*

1. If the subjects are conceived as a unit and by a license greater in German than in English, the verb may stand in the singular; also in the inverted order if the first noun is in the singular. Ex.: *Was ist das für ein Mann, daß ihm Wind und Meer gehorsam ist (B.). Eh' spreche Welt und Nachwelt, etc. (Sch.). Da kommt der Müller und seine Knechte. By license: Sagen und Thun ist zweierlei (Prov.). Das Mißtrauen und die Eifersucht . . . erwachte bald wieder (Sch.).*

2. The plural verb stands after titles in the singular in addressing royalty and persons of high standing. In speaking of ruling princes the plural also stands. Servants also use it in speaking of their masters when these have a title. Ex.: *Eure (Ew.) Majestät, Durchlaucht, Excellenz befehlen? Seine Majestät der Kaiser haben geruht, etc. Der Herr Geheime Hofrat sind nicht zu Hause. Die Herrschaft sind ausgegangen.*

**312.** After a collective noun the verb stands more regularly in the singular than in Eng. Only when this noun or an indefinite numeral is accompanied by a genitive pl., the plural verb is the rule. In early N. H. G. (B.) this plural was very common. *Die Menge floh. Alle Welt nimmt Teil (G.). Und das junge Volk der Schnitter steigt zum Tanz (Sch.). Alle Menge deines Hauses sollen sterben (B.).*

**313.** When the subject is a neuter pronoun, *es*, *dies*, *das*, etc., the neuter verb agrees with the predicate noun or substantive pronoun in number: *Das waren mir selbige Tage (Overbeck). Es sind die Früchte ihres Thuns (Sch.). Es zogen drei Jäger wohl auf die Birsch (Uh.).* In this case *es* is only expletive. *Wer sind diese?*

**314.** When subjects are connected by *entweder* — *oder*, *nicht nur* — *sondern auch*, *weder* — *noch*, *sowohl* — *als* (*auch*), the verb has the person and number of the first subject and joins this one if the subjects are of different persons. The verb for the second subject is omitted. *Entweder du gehst* (or *gehst du*) *oder ich*. *Teils war ich schuld*, *teils er*. Subjects of the same person connected by the above correlatives; by *oder*, *nebst*, *mit*, *samt* have as a rule a singular verb and the verb joins the second subject. *Dem Volke kann weder Feuer bei noch Wasser* (Sch.). Neither fire nor water can harm those people.

**315.** If the subjects are of different persons, the first has the preference over the second, the second over the third. Moreover, the plural of the respective pronouns is often added. *Der da und ich*, *wir sind aus Eger* (Sch.). *Du und der Vetter*, (*ihr*) *geht nach Hause*.

The adjective as a predicate or attribute has been sufficiently treated under the adjective, see 210-225.

**316.** The noun as a predicate agrees with the subject in case; if the subject is a person, also in number and gender, but in the latter only when there are special forms for masculine and feminine. See 167. Ex.: *Die Weltgeschichte ist das Weltgericht* (Sch.). *Die Not ist die Mutter der Erfindung* (Prov.). *Das Mädchen will jetzt Erzieherin werden*, *zuerst wollte sie Schauspielerin werden*.

1. If one person is addressed as *Sie* or *Ihr*, the substantive stands of course in the singular. „*Sie sind ein großer Meister im Schießen.*“ Poetic and emphatic are such turns as: *Regierte Recht so läget ihr vor mir im Staube jetzt*, *denn ich bin Euer König* (Sch., spoken by Maria Stuart).

**317.** The substantive in apposition has the same concords as the substantive in the predicate, only the rule as to case is frequently found unobserved in the best writers. *Was Venus hand*, *die Bringerin des Glücks*, *kann Mars*, *der Stern des Unglücks*

schnell zerreißen (Sch.). Ihr kennet ihn, den Schöpfer kühner Heere (id.).

The apposition may be emphasized by *nämlich* and *als*: Ihnen, als einem gereiften Manne, glauben wir.

## II. THE COMPOUND SENTENCE.

**318.** The compound sentence consists of two or more clauses, which may be coordinate (of equal grammatical value) or subordinate (one dependent upon the other).

### COORDINATE SENTENCES.

We may distinguish various kinds of coordinate sentences, which may or may not be connected by conjunctions.

**319. Copulative Sentences.** The conjunctions *und*, *auch*, *desgleichen*, *gleichfalls*, *ebenfalls*, and their compounds, *desgleichen auch*, *so auch*, *ebenso auch*; *nicht nur — sondern auch*; *nicht allein — sondern auch*; *sowohl — als (auch)*; *weder — noch* indicate mere *parataxis*. *Zudem*, *außerdem*, *übrigens*, *ja*, *sogar*, *ja sogar*, *vielmehr* emphasize the second clauses. Partitive conjunctions are *teils — teils*, *halb — halb*, *zum Teil — zum Teil*. Ordinal conjunctions are *erstens — zweitens*, etc.; *zuerst — dann — ferner*, *endlich*, *zuletzt*; *bald — bald*. Explanatory are *nämlich*, *und zwar*. *Ex.*: Die Müß' ist klein, der Spaß ist groß (F. 4049). Halb zog sie ihn, halb sang er hin (G.). Ich will weder leugnen noch beschönigen, daß ich sie beredete (id.). Nicht allein die ersten Blüten fallen ab, sondern auch die Früchte (id.).

1. Notice that the adverbial conjunctions such as *bald*, *zuletzt*, *dann*, *weder — noch*, *halb*, *teils*, etc., always cause inversion. Some admit of inversion, but do not require it, *e. g.*, *auch*, *erstens*, *nämlich*. The ordinal conjunctions and *nämlich* are frequently separated by a comma, then no inversion takes place. *Erstens* ist es so der Brauch, *zweitens* will man's selber auch (Busch).

**320. Adversative Sentences.** 1. One excludes the other (*disjunctive-adversative*): *oder*, *or*, *entweder — oder*, *sonst (else)*,

andernfalls, otherwise. **Ex.:** Er (Wallenstein) mußte entweder gar nicht befehlen oder mit vollkommener Freiheit handeln (Sch.). One contradicts the other (contradictory-adversative): sondern, vielmehr, sondern . . . vielmehr. The first clause contains nicht, zwar, freilich, allerdings, wohl. So wagten sie sich nicht in die Nähe der Feinde, sondern kehrten unverrichteter Sache zurück (Sch.).

2. The second sentence concedes the statement of the first in part or wholly. The first may contain nicht, etc., as above; the second has aber, often in the connection aber doch, dennoch aber, aber gleichwohl; allein, übrigens; nur. Allein is stronger than aber.

Mark the contrast between aber and sondern, Eng. but. Aber concedes, sondern contradicts. Er war zwar nicht krank, aber doch nicht dazu aufgelegt. "but he did not feel like it." Er war nicht krank, sondern er war nur nicht dazu aufgelegt (he only did not feel like doing it). Viele sind berufen aber wenige sind auserwählt (B.). Den Ungeheuern, den Gigantischen hätte man ihn (Cornille) nennen sollen, aber nicht den Großen (L.). Wasser thut's freilich nicht (It is not the water that is effective in baptism), sondern das Wort Gottes, so (which) mit und bei dem Wasser ist (L.).

3. The second sentence states something new or different or in contrast with the first without contradicting or excluding or limiting the same. It occurs commonly in narrative and may be called "connexive- or contrasting-adversative." Conjunctions: aber, hingegen, dagegen, übrigens, trotzdem, gleichwohl, indessen, etc. Die Beleidigung ist groß; aber größer ist seine Gnade (L.). Es scheint ein Rätsel und doch ist es keins (G.). Es ist die schönste Hoffnung; doch ist es nur eine Hoffnung (Sch.).

**321. Causal Sentences.** One gives the reason or cause for the other. Conjunctions: d(a)rum, deswegen, daher, denn, nämlich, etc. The clause containing the reason generally stands second, the one beginning with „denn“ always. Notice denn, "for," always calls for the normal order. **Ex.:** Soldaten waren teuer, denn die Menge geht nach dem Glüd (Sch.). Eine Durchlauchtigheit läßt er sich nennen; drum muß er Soldaten halten können (id.).

**322. Illative Sentences.** One sentence is an inference or effect of the other. Closely related to the causal. Conjunctions: so, a'iso, somit, folglich, mithl'n, de'mnach, etc. Meine Rechte (right hand) ist gegen den Druck der Liebe unempfindlich . . . so (then) seid ihr Götter von Verleumdungen (G.). Die Sonnen also scheinen uns nicht mehr (Sch.).

#### SUBORDINATE SENTENCES.

**323.** We shall distinguish three classes of dependent clauses, according to the logical value of the part of speech they represent:

1. Substantive clauses, with the value of a noun.
2. Adjective clauses, with the value of an adjective.
3. Adverbial clauses, with the value of an adverb.

#### SUBSTANTIVE CLAUSES.

**324.** The clause is subject: Das eben ist der Fluch der bösen That, daß sie fortwährend Böses muß gebären (Sch.). Mich reuet, daß ich's that (id.). Predicate (N.): Die Menschen sind nicht immer was sie scheinen (Le.). Object (A.): Glaubst du nicht, daß eine Warnungsstimme in Träumen vorbedeutend zu uns spricht? (Sch.). Was man schwarz auf weiß besitzt, kann man getrost nach Hause tragen (F. 1966-7). Dative: Wohl dem, der bis auf die Reize (to the very end) rein gelebt sein Leben hat (He.). Genitive: Wes das Herz voll ist, des geht der Mund über (B.). Apposition: Den edeln Stolz, daß du dir selbst nicht genügest, verzeih' ich dir (G.).

**325.** As to their contents the substantive clauses may be grouped as follows:

1. Daß, or declarative clauses, always introduced by „daß.“ Schon Sokrates lehrte, daß die Seele des Menschen unsterblich sei, or die Lehre, daß die Seele . . . , or wir glauben, daß die Seele . . .

More examples in 324.

2. Clauses containing indirect questions : *a.* Questions after the predicate always introduced by *ob*; in the main clause may stand as correlatives *es, das, dessen, davon, etc.* *Er hatte nicht geschrieben, ob er gesund geblieben (Bü.).* (See F. 1667-70). *b.* Questions after any other part of the sentence, introduced by an interrogative pronoun, by an interrogative adverb, simple or compounded with a preposition, *viz., wer, was, wie, wo, wann, womit, woher, wohin, etc.* *Ex.: Fraget nicht, warum ich traure (Sch.).* See F. 1971. *Begreiffst du, wie andächtig schwärmen viel leichter als gut handeln ist? (Le.).* *Noch fehlt uns Kunde, was in Unterwalden und Schwyz geschehen (Sch.).* *c.* The question may be disjunctive, introduced by *ob — oder; ob — oder ob; ob — ob.* *Ex.: Aber sag' mir, ob wir stehen oder ob wir weiter gehen (F. 3906-7).* *Und eh' der Tag sich neigt, muß sich's erklären, ob ich den Freund, ob ich den Vater soll entbehren (Sch.).*

REMARKS.—1. The mood in 1 and 2, according to circumstances, is either the indicative or the potential subjunctive. See the examples sub 1 and in 324.

2. In „*daß*“-clauses the other two word-orders are also possible, but without *daß*: *Socrates lehrte, die Seele sei unsterblich. Es wurde behauptet, gestern habe man ihn noch auf der Straße gesehen.*

3. When the subject is the same in both clauses or when the subject of the dependent clause is the object of the main clause, in short, when no ambiguity is caused, the infinitive clause can stand in place of *daß* + dependent order. *Man hofft, das untergegangene Schiff noch zu heben. Die Polizei hat dem Kaufmanne befohlen, sein Schild höher zu hängen.*

3. Clauses with indirect speech—after verbs of saying, asserting, knowing, thinking, wishing, demanding, commanding. They either begin with *daß* with dependent order or they have the order of the direct speech. The subjunctive is the reigning mood. For examples and tense, see 282.

4. Clauses containing direct speech, a quotation: *Das Wort ist frei, sagt der General (Sch.). Der König rief: Ist der Sänger da?*

## ADJECTIVE CLAUSES.

**326.** The clause is introduced by a relative pronoun or by a relative adverb. Nothing can precede the pronoun in the clause except a preposition. Unless the personal pronoun is repeated after the relative, the verb stands in the third person. Ex.: Du sprichst von Zeiten, die vergangen sind (Sch.). Die Stätte, die ein guter Mensch betrat, ist eingeweiht (G.). Der du von dem Himmel bist, süßer Friede . . . (id.).

For use of the pronouns and more examples, see 255-258.

**327.** 1. The relative pronoun can never be omitted as in English. In several relative clauses referring to the same word, the pronoun need stand only once, if the same case is required; if a different case is necessary, the pronoun should be repeated. This is often sinned against, for instance by Schiller: Sieh da die Verse, die er schrieb und seine Blut gesteht, instead of worin er . . . gesteht.

2. The relative clauses beginning with *wer, was* without antecedents are really identical with substantive clauses, e. g., Da steht, daß ihr tiefstimmig faßt, was in des Menschen Hirn nicht paßt. Für was drein geht und nicht drein geht, ein kräftig Wort zu Diensten steht (F. 1950-8).

3. Case-attraction between relative and antecedent is now rare.

Als welcher, denoting rather a cause than a quality, is now archaic, but still quite frequent in Lessing's time. Aneas, als welcher sich an den bloßen (mere) Figuren ergötzt, = "Aneas, since he delights . . ." (Le.). Von der Tragödie, als über die uns die Zeit ziemlich alles daraus (of Aristotle's Poetics) gönnen . . . "about tragedy, in so far as time has favored us . . ." (id.). "Da" in the relative clause is no longer usage. Wer da steht, sehe zu, daß er nicht falle (B.).

**328.** The mood depends upon circumstances. The potential subjunctive (of the preterit and pluperfect) is frequent after a negative main clause. Es ist keine große Stadt in Deutschland, die der Dnkel nicht besucht hätte (= did not visit). The subjunctive of indirect speech also stands. Die Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten beschwerte sich über die Landung sowieler Armen, welche manche europäische Regierung fortjchide.



## ADVERBIAL CLAUSES.

**329.** They are introduced by the subordinating conjunctions. The main clause often has an emphatic adverb, *e. g.*, also, dann, da, dahin, jetzt, daher, darum. So does not, as a rule, stand after main clauses expressing time and place, and generally becomes superfluous in English after main clauses of manner.

**330. Temporal Clauses. 1. Contemporaneous action** implying either duration or only point of time. Conjunctions: während, indem, indes (indessen), wie, da (all meaning "while," "as"); solange (als); so oft (als); so bald (als); da, wo (rare and colloquial) = when; wenn (wann is old) + "when," refers to the future; als, "when," refers always to the past with the preterit; weil, dieweil, derweil, = + "while," are archaic. Solange, so oft, sobald are now much more common without „als.“

Ex.: Ach! vielleicht indem (as) wir hoffen, hat uns Unheil schon getroffen (Sch.). Nur der Starke wird das Schicksal zwingen, wenn der Schwächling unterliegt (Sch.). Und wie (as) er sitzt und wie er lauscht, teilt sich die Flut empor (G.). Als des Sanctus Worte kamen, da schellt er dreimal bei dem Namen („Sanctus . . .“ is part of the mass) (Sch.). Es irrt der Mensch, solang' er strebt (F. 317). Sobald die ersten Perlen schwirrten (erschien) ein Mädchen schön und wunderbar (Sch.). Das Eisen muß geschmiedet werden, weil es glüht (Prov.). Will mir die Hand noch reichen, derweil ich eben lad (= while I was loading the musket) (Uh.).

**2. Antecedent action, i. e., the action of the dependent clause precedes that of the main clause.** Conjunctions: nachdem, after; da, als, wenn, after, when; seitdem, seit, seitdem daß (all mean + since); sobald (als), sowie, wie, as soon as; the adverb kaum + inverted order.

Ex.: Nimmer (no more) sang ich freudige Lieder, seit ich deine Stimme bin (Sch.). Wenn (after) der Leib in Staub zerfallen, lebt der große Name noch (Sch.). Und wie er winkt mit dem Finger, auf thut sich der weite Zwinger (id.). Kaum war der Vater tot, so kommt ein jeder mit seinem Ring (Lc.). (Notice the inversion.)

Der König verließ Nürnberg, nachdem er es zur Fürsorge mit einer hinlänglichen Besatzung versehen hatte (Sch.).

3. *Subsequent action.* The action of the dependent clause follows. Conjunctions: *Ehe, bevor, + "ere", "before"; bis, until, with or without daß.*

Ex.: Nie verachte den Mann, eh' du sein Inn'res erkannt hast (He.). Bevor wir's lassen rinnen, betet einen frommen Spruch (Sch.). Bis die Glocke sich verkühdet, laßt die strenge Arbeit ruhn (id.). Ehe wir es uns versehen (unexpectedly), brach der Wagen zusammen.

a. The main clause may be emphasized by *dann, damals, dann, darauf, and so*, if it follows the dependent clause.

In 2 and 3 the potential subjunctive can stand.

331. *Local Clauses.* They denote the place and direction of the action of the main clause. They begin with *wo, wohin, woher*, and the main clause may contain a corresponding *da, dahin, daher, hier*.

Ex.: Wo Menschenkunst nicht zureicht, hat der Himmel oft geraten (Sch.). Die Welt ist vollkommen überall, wo der Mensch nicht hin kommt mit seiner Qual (id.). Denn eben wo Begriffe fehlen, da stellt ein Wort zur rechten Zeit sich ein (F. 1905-6). Rein Wasser ist zu haben, wohin man sich auch wende.

a. The demonstratives *da, dahin, daher* in the local clause are now archaic. Do not confound the relative clauses and indirect questions with the local clauses which generally refer to an adverb.

The potential subjunctive may stand in them.

### Clauses of Manner and Cause.

332. *Modal clauses* express an accompanying circumstance and are therefore related to contemporaneous clauses. Conjunctions: *indem, daß nicht, ohne daß, without, indem nicht, statt or anstatt daß, instead of.* Ex.: Der Ritter ging fort, indem er auf den Gegner einen verächtlichen Blick warf. Ich bin nie in London, daß ich nicht das Museum besuchte (subj.).

1. They may have the potential subjunctive. But these clauses occur more frequently in the form of participial and infinitive clauses with

„ohne zu,“ „anstatt zu“: Al-Saß, anstatt zu empfangen, mußte zahlen. Er ritt fort ohne sich umzusehen.

**333.** *Comparative clauses* denote manner, degree, and measure. Conjunctions: *wie*, *als*, “as,” “than” with the corresponding *so*, *also*, *ebenso* (= *so*) in the main clause. After the comparative *als*, *denn* (rarely) + “than;” other forms: *gleichwie* — *so*; *so wie* — *so*; *just as* — *as*, *so*. *Wie* denotes rather manner and quality, *als* the degree and quantity. When the predicates are the same the contracted form is quite common. Then *wie* denotes likeness, *als* identity.

**Ex.**: Ich singe wie der Vogel singt (G.). Dankest Gott so warm als ich für diesen Trunk auch danke (id.). Wie du mir („thust“ understood), so ich dir (Prov.).<sup>o</sup> Du bist mir nichts mehr als sein Sohn (Sch.). Der träge Gang des Krieges hat dem König ebensoviel Schaden gethan als er den Rebellen Vorteil brachte (id.). Hatte sich ein Ränklein angemäßt? als wie der Doktor Luther (F. 2129-30) (als wie is colloquial). „Wie ein Ritter,“ “like a knight”; „als (ein) Ritter,“ “as a knight.” Sein Glück war größer als man berechnet hatte (Sch.). Einés Hauptes (by one head) länger denn alles Volk (B.).

1. Specially to be noticed are the clauses with *als* *ob*, *alswenn*, generally followed by the potential or unreal subjunctive. For *wenn* + dependent order occurs also the inverted *without wenn*. **Ex.**: Ihr eilet ja, als wenn ihr Flügel hättet (Le.). Suche die Wissenschaft, als würdest ewig du hier sein; Jugend, als hielte der Tod dich schon am sträubenden Haar (He.). But the indicative is possible: Und es waltet und siedet und brauset und jischt wie wenn Wasser mit Feuer sich mengt (Sch.).

2. *Denn* is preferable after a comparative when several „als“ occur. *Wie* is colloquial. Es fragt sich ob Lessing größer als Dichter denn als Mensch gewesen sei. *Nicht* in the clause after *als* is no longer good usage, though common in the 17th and 18th centuries. Lessing has it very frequently. Ich lebte so eingezogen, als ich in Meissen nicht gelebt hatte (Le.).

**a.** *Nichts weniger als* means “anything but,” literally “nothing less than that,” generally felt by English speakers as meaning “nothing but,” *e. g.*, Aber ich darf sagen, daß diese Einrichtung der Fabel nichts weniger als notwendig ist, *i. e.*, that this arrangement of the plot is anything but necessary (Le.). In „nichts als“ = “nothing but,” *as* after all negative pronouns, „niemand als du“ = nobody but you, *als* has exclusive force, = “but.”

3. Other correlatives are *so einer* — *wie*; *der nämliche* — *wie*; *derselbe* — *wie*; *solch-*, *so* + positive adjective — *wie* (quality) and *als* (degree); after

zu, allzu + positive and after ein anderer stand als + daß or wenn, als and infinitive, e. g., Er denkt zu edel, als daß er so etwas von uns erwarten könnte. Er ist der nämliche wie er immer war. Eure Veröhnung war ein wenig zu schnell, als daß sie bauerhaft hätte sein sollen (G.).

Notice the potential subjunctive after „als daß.“

**334.** Under this head comes really the *proportional clause*, which expresses the proportion of the decrease or increase of what is asserted in the main clause. The conjunctions are the following correlatives: je — desto, um so (or um desto, rarely); je — je, = the — the; je nachdem (or nachdem or wie, rarely), according as. If the main clause stand first, its correlative is dispensable.

Ex.: Je mehr der Vorrat schmolz, desto schrecklicher wuchs der Hunger (Sch.). Je länger, je lieber (Prov.). Je mehr er hat, je mehr er will. (Je) nachdem einer ringt, nachdem ihm gelingt (G.), "The success depends upon the effort."

1. Je = ever; desto, "on that account," "hence," see 442, a. Notice the dependent order in the first, the inverted generally in the second.

**335.** *Consecutive clauses* express the result or effect of the predicate of the main clause. Conjunctions: daß (so daß), that; in the main clause, if any correlative, so, so sehr, dergestalt, derart, solch. Ex.: So verabscheut ist die Tyrannei, daß sie kein Werkzeug findet (Sch.). Er schlug, daß laut der Wald erklang und alles Eisen in Stücken sprang (Uh.).

1 The result may also be expressed in the form of a main clause or of an infinitive clause: Doch übernahm' ich gern noch ei'nmal alle Plage, so lieb war mir das Kind (F. 3123-4). Ich bin zu alt, um nur zu spielen, zu jung um ohne Wunsch zu sein (F. 1546-7).

2. Mark the potential and unreal subjunctives of the preterit and pluperfect which may stand in these clauses: Vermeint Ihr mich so jung und schwach, daß ich mit Riesen stritte? (Uh.). Das Pferd war so lahm, daß wir schneller zu Fuß heim gekommen wären.

**336.** *Restrictive clauses* limit the value and scope of the statement of the predicate and border closely upon the conditional and comparative clauses. Conjunctions: nur daß, only

(that), außer daß, except that, in so fern (als), wofern, in wie fern, in so or in wie weit, in as far as, in as much as. The negative force is given also by the subjunctive and the normal order with the adverb denn or by es sei denn, es wäre denn, daß, which is now more common.

Ex. : Wir waren gar nicht so äbel dran, nur daß wir nichts zu trinken hatten. We were not at all so badly off, only . . . In so fern nun diese Wesen Körper sind, schildert die Poesie auch Körper (Le.). Er entfernte sich niemals weit, er sagt' es ihr denn (H. and D., IV. 42-3). Ich lasse dich nicht, du segnest mich denn (unless thou bless me) (B.). Ruhig (gedenke ich mich zu verhalten); es sei denn, daß (unless) er sich an meiner Ehre oder meinen Gütern vergreife (Sch.).

1. This is a very old construction, quite common in M. H. G. The negative force lies not in denn, but in the lost *ne* + the potential or concessive subjunctive. Denn < M. H. G. *danne*, is unessential. Compare M. H. G. *den lip wil ich verlassen, si en werde min wip* = my life will I lose, (she become not my wife) unless she, etc. *Swaz lebete in dem walde ez entrünne danne balde, das was zehant tot*, = Was im Walde lebte, das war auf der Stelle tot, es sei denn daß es halb davon lief or gelaufen wäre (quoted by Paul). *Ne* disappeared as early as late M. H. G., particularly after a negative main clause. It is left in nur < *ne waere* = (es) wäre nicht daß. See Paul's M. H. G. gram., § 335-40.

**337.** *Causal clauses* denote the cause, reason, and means. Conjunctions: da, since, weil, because, indem = by + present participle in Eng. Correlatives, if any: da'rum, da'her, so, deshalb etc. Da'durch daß, da'mit daß express rather the instrument. Weil expresses the material cause; da the logical reason; „indem“ is a weak causal and borders rather closely upon the contemporaneous „indem.“ Denn + normal order expresses a known or admitted reason. It is emphatic. See 320.

Ex. : Das Schlepptau (hawsor) zerriß, weil der Schlepddampfer (tug) zu schnell anzog. Mit dem besten Willen leisten wir so wenig, weil uns tausend Willen kreuzen (G.). Seden andern zu schicken ist besser, da ich so klein bin (G.). Dir blüht gewiß das schönste Glück auf Erden, da du so fromm und heilig bist (Sch.). Richelieu mußte sich nur dadurch zu helfen, daß er den Feindseligkeiten ein schleuniges Ende machte (Sch.).

1. Nun, dieweil, allieweil, maßen, sintemal, and others, are rare and archaic.

2. The clauses with *da'urch daß*, *da'mit daß* border closely upon the substantive clause. *Da*, says Becker, denotes the real *and* logical reason, *weil* the logical only when the kind of reason is not emphasized. *Weil* stands in a clause that answers the question as to the reason. *Warum wurde Wallenstein abgesetzt? Weil man ihn für einen Verräter hielt.*

**338.** *Final clauses* express intention and object. Conjunctions: *Damit*, *daß*, "in order that." *Auf daß*, *und daß* are archaic. In the main clause rarely stand *darum*, *dazu*, *in der Absicht*, *zu dem Zweck* (both followed by *daß*).

Ex.: *Darum eben leiht er seinem, damit er stets zu geben habe (L.). Dazu wird ihm der Verstand, daß er im innern Herzen spüret, was er erschafft mit seiner Hand (Sch.). Ehre Vater und Mutter, auf daß dir's wohl gehe und du lange lebest auf Erden (B.).*

1. The reigning mood of this clause is the subjunctive. If the object is represented as reached, the indicative may also stand. *Um zu* + inf. forms a very common final clause; *Man lebt nicht um zu essen, sondern man ist um zu leben.*

**339.** *Concessive clauses* make a concession to the contradiction existing between the main clause and the result expected from it in the dependent clause. They are called also *adversative causal clauses*. Conjunctions: *obgleich* (*ob . . . gleich*), *obgleich* (*ob . . . schon*), *obwohl* (*ob . . . wohl*), *ob auch*, *ob zwar*, *wenn auch*, *wenn gleich*, *ob*, all = "although." The main clause may contain *de'nnoch*, *doch*, *nichtsdestoweniger*, *gleichwohl*, but *so* only if it stands second.

Relative clauses with indefinite relative pronouns and adverbs, *wer . . . auch* (*immer, nur*), *wie . . . auch*, *so . . . auch* (*noch*); inverted clauses and those with the normal order, containing the adverbs *schon*, *gleich*, *zwar*, *wohl*, *freilich*, *noch* have also concessive force.

Ex.: *Ist es gleich Nacht, so leuchtet unser Recht (Sch.). (Compare Obgleich es Nacht ist, ob es gleich Nacht ist . . .) Was Feuerswut ihm auch geraubt, ein süßer Trost ist ihm geblieben (id.). Mutig sprach er zu Reinefens besten (in favor of R.) so falsch auch dieser bekannt war (G.). Ein Gott ist, ein heiliger Wille lebt, wie auch der menschliche wankt (Sch.). Erfüll' davon dein Herz, so groß es ist (F. 3453).*

Man kommt ins Gerede, wie man sich immer stellt (G.). Dem Bösewicht wird alles schwer, er thut was er will (Hölty). Zwar weiß ich viel, doch möcht' ich alles wissen (F. 601).

1. Mark also the form of the imperative and *und* + inversion: Sei noch so dumm, es gibt doch jemand(en), der dich für weise hält. Der Mensch ist frei geschaffen, ist frei, und würde er in Ketten geboren (Sch.).

2. Mood: if a fact is stated, the indicative; if a supposition, the concessive and unreal subjunctive. See examples above.

3. When certain parts of speech are common to both clauses, there may be contraction. Obwohl von hohem Stamm, liebt er das Volk (Sch.).

**340. Conditional clauses** express a supposition upon which the statement of the main clause will become a fact. If the supposition is real, the conditional clause has the indicative; if only fancied or merely possible, the potential subjunctive; if it implies that the contrary of the supposition is about to happen or has happened, then it has the unreal subjunctive of the imperfect or the pluperfect. Conjunctions: *wenn*, if; *falls*, in *Falle daß*, in case that; *wenn anders*, if . . . at all; also *wofern*, *sofern* (such often difficult to distinguish from a concessive clause); *wo*, *so* (rare). The main clause may have *da*, *dann*, in dem *Falle*, and if it stand second, generally begins with *so*.

Ex.: Wenn sich die Völker selbst befreien, da kann die Wohlfahrt nicht gedeihen (Sch.). Wenn du als Mann die Wissenschaft vermehrst, so kann dein Sohn zu höh'rem Ziel gelangen (F. 1063). Wer miede nicht, wenn er's umgehen kann, das Äußerste (Sch.). So du kämpfest ritterlich, freut dein alter Vater sich (Stolberg).

1. Other forms of the conditional clause are the inverted order, the imperative, and the normal order with *benn* + subjunctive (= if . . . not, unless; see 336, 1). Sei im Besitze und du wohnst im Recht (Sch.), Possession is nine points of the law. Dem lieben Gotte weich' nicht aus, find'st du ihn auf dem Weg (Sch.).

2. *Wofern nicht*, *außer wenn*, *es sei benn daß*, if not, unless, denote an exception to a statement true in general. Der Wolf ist harmlos, außer wenn er Hunger hat. See 336, 1.

3. Sometimes the preterit ind. is substituted for the unreal subjunctive in the dependent or in the main clause or in both. Its force is

assurance, certainty. Traf ein Kärbis mein Gesicht, ach, so lebt' ich sicher nicht (Gleim). Mit diesem Pfeil durchschoss ich Euch, wenn ich mein liebes Kind getroffen hätte (Sch.). Du wärst du wahr gewesen und gerade, nie kam es dahin, alles stände anders (Sch.).

4. Contracted and abbreviated forms: Entworfen bloß ist's ein gemeiner Frevel; vollführt ist's ein unsterblich Unternehmen (Sch.). Wenn nicht, wo nicht, wo möglich are very common. Wir versuchten ihn wo möglich zu beruhigen, wenn nicht ganz zu entfernen.

For the tenses see also 275-280.

### WORD-ORDER.

**341.** We distinguish three principal word-orders according to the position of subject and verb:

1. The normal, viz., subject — verb.
2. The inverted, viz., verb — subject.
3. The dependent, viz., verb at the end.

(By "verb" we shall understand for the sake of brevity the personal part and by "predicate" the non-personal part of the verb, viz., participle and infinitive.)

**342.** The normal occurs chiefly in main sentences: Der Wind weht. It is identical with the dependent order if there is only subject and verb in the dependent clause. Die Mühle geht, weil der Wind weht.

**343.** The inverted order occurs both in main and dependent clauses: Geht die Mühle? Weht der Wind, (so) geht die Mühle. It occurs:

- a. In a question.
- b. In optative and imperative sentences.
- c. In dependent clauses, mainly conditional and after als + subjunctive when there is no conjunction like wenn, ob, etc.
- d. If for any reason, generally a rhetorical one, any other word but the subject, or if a whole clause, head the sentence.
- e. For impressiveness the verb stands first.

Examples with adjuncts (objects, adverbs, etc.) added:



a. Schreibt der Freund? Bleibt der Diener nicht lange aus? Was schreibt dir der Freund?

But when the inquiry is as to the subject the normal order stands of course. Wer schreibt einen Brief? Was ist der langen Rede kurzer Sinn? (Sch.).

b. Möge nie der Tag erscheinen, wenn des rauhen Krieges Horden dieses stille Thal durchstoben (Sch.). For more examples, see 284, 1, 2.

But the inverted order is not required: Die Zahl der Tropfen, die er hegt, sei euren Tagen zugelegt! (F. 989-990).

c. Willst du genau erfahren was sich ziemt, so frage nur bei edlen Frauen an (G.). Wird man wo (= irgendwo) gut aufgenommen, muß man nicht gleich wiederkommen (Wolff). (Er) Strich drauf ein Spange, Kett' und Ring', als wären's eben Pfifferling'; dankt' nicht weniger und nicht mehr, als ob's ein Korb voll Rüsse wär' (F. 2843-6).

Notice here the inversion after *als* alone, but dependent order after *als ob*. See 340, 1; also F. 1122-25, 1962-3.

But for emphasis and to add vividness, the normal is still possible: Du stehst still, er wartet auf; du sprichst ihn an, er strebt an dir hinauf (F. 1168-9). This is mere parataxis.

d. Die Botschaft hör' ich wohl, allein mir fehlt der glaube (F. 765). Ernst ist das Leben, heiter ist die Kunst (Sch.). Mich hat mein Herz betrogen (id.). Wo aber ein Nas ist, da versammeln sich die Adler (B.). Deines Geistes hab' ich einen Hauch verspürt (Uh.). See also F. 860-1, 1174-5, 1236. Übers'ehen kann Caylus dies Gemälde nicht haben (Le.). Geschrieben steht: „Im Anfang war das Wort“ (F. 1224). See also 236, 3.

1. The main clause, inserted in any statement or following it, has inversion according to this rule. Das, spricht er, ist kein Aufenthalt, was fördert himmelan (Sch.). Wie seid ihr glücklich, edler Graf! hub er voll Arglist an (id.). For emphasis the speaker can insert a clause uninverted: Denn, ich weiß es, er ist der Güter die er bereinst erbt, wert (H. and D., III. 58).

2. The coordinating conjunctions *aber*, *allein*, *demn*, *nämlich*, *oder*, *sondern*, and standing generally at the head of the sentence, any adverb with the force of an elliptical sentence (*war*, *ja*, etc., having generally a comma

after them) call for no inversion. After *entweder* there is option. Ex.: *Aber die Kunst hat in den neueren Zeiten ungleich weitere Grenzen erhalten (Lc.). Swar euer Bart ist frau, doch hebt ihr nicht die Niegel (F. 671). Fürwahr! ich bin der einzige Sohn mir (H. and D., IV. 91). Ja, mir hat es der Geist gesagt (id., IV. 95). Denn die Männer sind heftig (id., IV. 148).*

8. When the dependent clause precedes, the main clause can for emphasis and very frequently colloquially have the normal order. Ex.: *Hätte er die Ursachen dieses allgemeinen Aberglaubens an Schaffere's Schönheiten auch gesucht, er würde sie bald gefunden haben (Lc.).*

e. *Hat die Königin doch nichts voraus vor dem gemeinen Bürgerweibe (Sch.). Stehen wie Felsen doch zwei Männer gegen einander! (H. and D., IV. 229). Generally contains doch.*

**344.** The dependent order occurs only in dependent clauses. The clause begins with a relative or interrogative pronoun which may be preceded by a preposition; with a relative or interrog. adverb; or with a subordinating conjunction. Ex.: *Wenn ich nicht Alexander wäre, möchte ich wohl Diogenes sein. Je mehr er hat, je mehr er will (Claudius). So stolz ich bin, muß ich mir selbst gestehen: dergleichen hab' ich nie gesehen (G.). Wie solche tiefgeprägte Bilder doch zu Zeiten in uns schlafen können, bis ein Wort, ein Laut sie weckt (Lc.). See also F. 2015-18, 2062.*

**345.** The dependent order does not occur in main clauses, but it is not the only order of the dependent clause.

1. The verb precedes two infinitives. One may be the past participle of a modal auxiliary. Ex.: *Kann ich vergessen wie's hätte kommen können? (Sch.). Daß ein Mensch doch einen Menschen so verlegen soll machen können! (Lc.).*

a. But in this case and in other compound tenses the "verb" (i. e., the personal part) may also stand between the participle and the other auxiliary or the infinitive, e. g., *weil der Kaufmann das Haus soll gekauft haben or gekauft soll haben (in poetry). Gekauft haben soll is the common order.*

2. The normal order may stand:

1. In dependent clauses containing indirect speech. Er

glaubt, Shafpere habe Brutus zum Helden des Stückes machen wollen (Le.).

2. In certain clauses with negative force containing an enclitic „denn“: es sei denn daß + dependent order. See 336.

3. In substantive clauses: Gott weiß, ich bin nicht schuld (Le.). This is mere parataxis without conjunction.

**346.** The auxiliaries haben and sein are also frequently dropped in dependent clauses to avoid an accumulation of verbal forms, both in prose and poetry. Lessing, Goethe, and Klopstock, especially the first, drop the auxiliary very freely and skillfully.

Ex.: Wie unbegreiflich ich von ihm beleidigt worden (supply bin here or before beleidigt) und noch werde (Le.). Möglich, daß der Vater die Tyranne'i des einen Rings nicht länger in seinem Hause (supply hat) dulden wollen (id.).

**347.** The dependent order in main clauses is archaic and poetic. Ex.: Siegfried den Hammer wohl schwingen sumt (dialect for soumt) (Uh.). Urahn, Großmutter, Mutter und Kind in dumpfer Stube beisammen sind (Schwab).

**348.** 1. The inverted order in the conditional clause and in a main clause for the sake of impressiveness has sprung from the order of the question. Compare, for instance: 1. Ist der Freund treu? (question). 2. Ist der Freund treu? (question). Gut, so wird er mir beistehen. 3. Ist der Freund treu (conditional clause), so wird er mir beistehen. 4. Ist mir der Freund doch treu geblieben! (impressive inversion).

2. The main clause has inversion when the dependent clause precedes, because it generally begins with an adverb like so, bann, etc. Weißt du nicht, so thust du Unrecht. Without so, the inversion really ceases. Hence we say, the normal order may still stand for emphasis. But so, etc., were so frequent that inversion became the rule. Inversion is therefore limited originally to the question and to the choice of placing the emphatic part of the sentence where it will be most prominent.

**349.** 1. The dependent order was in O. H. G. by no means limited to the dependent clause. Toward the 10th century it begins to become rarer in the main clause. In early M. H. G. it became limited to the dependent clause, so that now we may justly call it the “*dependent-clause order*.”

2. The verb at the end is, no doubt, a great blemish of German style—second only to the separation of the little prefix of separable compound verbs, which may turn up after many intervening parts at the close of the sentence. According to Delbrück, the dependent order—subject, object, verb—was the primitive one, still in force in Latin.

GENERAL RULES FOR THE ORDER OF OTHER PARTS OF THE  
SENTENCE BESIDES SUBJECT AND VERB.

Position of the Predicate.

**350.** The predicate, be it an adjective, a substantive, participle, infinitive, or separable prefix of a compound verb or the first element of a loosely compounded verb, stands at the end of a main clause in a simple tense. The adjuncts of the predicate, such as objects, adverbs, stand between verb and predicate.

*Ex.:* Der Senne muß scheiden, der Sommer ist hin (Sch.). Ihr seid ein Meister (id.). Er hat verlorn'ne Worte nur gesprochen (id.). Kein Schld fing diesen Mordstreich auf (id.). Strafloje Frechheit spricht den Sitten Hohn (id.). Gestern fand ein Wagner-Conce'rt statt.

In the dependent clause only the verb changes position, subject and predicate remain as in the main clause, and the adjuncts stand between them. For instance: Glaubt das nicht! Ihr werdet dieses Kampfes Ende nimmer erblicken (Sch.), becomes Glaubt nicht, daß ihr dieses Kampfes Ende je erblicken werdet.

**351.** In the compound tense the separable prefix immediately precedes the participle, be it in a main or in a dependent clause. Dreißig Jahre haben wir zusammen ausgelebt und ausgehalten (Sch.). Die Cholera will (is about to) ü'berhand nehmen.

Order of Objects and Cases.

**352.** a. Case of a person before a case of the thing. Aber auch noch dann . . . fuhr der Kaiser fort, den Ständen den Frieden zu zeigen (Sch.).

b. Case of a pronoun before a noun. Man bestimmte sie (them) dem allgemeinen Unwillen zum Opfer (Sch.).

c. The dative stands before the accusative; if both are persons, the accusative may stand before the dative. Er selbst hatte dem Dienste dieses Hauses seine ersten Feldzüge gewidmet (Sch.).

d. The accusative-object stands before remoter objects, a genitive or a preposition + case. But see also a. Man möchte sagen, Voltaire habe ein Gefühl von der Wichtigkeit dieser Persönlichkeit gehabt (H. Grimm). Die Schülerin schrieb einen Aufsatz über den Winter.

e. As to pronouns, *sich* stands generally before *es*, and both before every other pronoun. The personal pronoun stands before the demonstrative. The personal and *sich* may stand before the subject, if it be a noun, in the inverted and dependent orders. Er hat *sich es* angeeignet. Krummau (a proper name) nähert *sich ihm* (Sch.). Wer darf *sich* so etwas erlauben? Jenem den Weg zu dem böhmischen Throne zu verschließen, ergriff man die Waffen schon unter Matthias (Sch.). Was *ihm* die vergrößerte Macht der Stände (estates) an Selbstthätigkeit noch übrig ließ, hielten seine Agnaten (relatives) unter einem schimpflichen Zwang (id.). Hat *sich* die Flotte ergeben? Hast du *es ihm* wieder gegeben?

1. *e* also includes the personal pronouns: Wie konnt' *ich ohne* Zeugen mich *ih* näh'n? (Sch.). The rules *a, c, d* are by no means strict.

**353.** For the position of the adjective, see the use of the adjective, 194, 212. Notice that what depends upon an adjective, participle, or infinitive precedes them. Die Engländer sind ihrem Herrscherhause ergeben. Zum Sehen geboren, zum Schauen bestellt, dem Turme geschworen, gefällt mir die Welt (G.). Wir baten ihn, den Brief auf die Post zu geben. (Shakspeare's Werke sind) keine Tugendlehren, in Kapitel gebracht und durch redende Exempel erläutert (Lc.).

#### Position of Adverbs.

**354.** In general, adverbs stand before the words they qualify. The modal adverbs nicht, etwa, zwar, schon, wol, etc., and the adverbs of time immer, schon, jetzt, nie, nimmer stand generally immediately before the predicate or in place of it if there is none. Dies Bildniß ist bezaubernd schön (Mozart's Zauber-

flöte). Ein sehr heftiger Husten greift den Kranken stark an. Das schwere Herz wird nicht durch Worte leicht (Sch.). Schon viele Tage seh' ich es schweigend an (id.). Ich habe euch noch nie erkannt (B.). Hast du ihn noch nicht besucht? (Notice the opposite of the English order in "never yet," "not yet.")

**355.** An adverb of time stands before one of place, and both before one of manner. Ex.: Viele Bauern waren gestern nach der Stadt zu Markte gefahren. Wir fahren morgen per Eisenbahn nach Rudolstadt. Es tanzt sich auf diesem glatten Fußboden nicht sehr gut.

1. Of several adverbs of time or place the more general precede the more specific. Wir reisen morgen früh um 6 Uhr 59 Minuten ab. Der Polizeistand den Betrunknen auf der Fahrstraße im Dreck liegen.

2. Adverbs of time precede objects when these are nouns, but pronouns precede all adverbs. Wir feiern bald den 4ten Juli, den Tag der Unabhängigkeitserklärung. Wir hoffen ihn morgen auf dem Bahnhofe zu treffen.

**356.** Only aber, nämlich, jedoch, and a few others, can separate subject and verb. Ex.: Der Richter aber sprach (Le.). Die Nachtigall jedoch singt wunderschön.

**357.** As to the position of the prepositions, they, with very few exceptions, precede the noun; when they follow the noun has been stated under Prepositions. See, for instance, 303, 7, 8, 10.

### Position of Clauses.

**358.** Dependent clauses have, in general, the positions of those parts of speech and of the sentence which they represent, *i. e.*, the substantive clause standing for the subject or object has the position of the subject or the object in the sentence, etc. No special rules are needed for them. When there are several dependent clauses, the last often takes for variety the normal order introduced by und.

The following examples show well-placed dependent clauses: Kein Kaiser kann, was unser ist, verschenten (Sch.). Versiegelt hab' ich's und verbrieft,

daß er mein guter Engel ist (id.). Die Ehr', die ihm gebürt, geb' ich ihm gern; das Recht das er sich nimmt, verweig' ich ihm (id.). Als ich jünger war, liebte ich nichts so sehr, als Roma'ne (novels) (G.). Richelieu wußte sich dadurch zu helfen, daß er den Feindseligkeiten zwischen beiden ein schleuniges Ende machte (Sch.). Mein guter Geist bewahrt mich davor, die Ratter an den Busen mir zu legen (mir before die Ratter in prose) (id.). Der Mensch begehrt, alles an sich zu reißen (G.). Wie glücklich ist der, der, um sich mit dem Schicksal in Einigkeit zu setzen, nicht sein ganzes vorhergehendes Leben wegzunwerfen braucht (id.).

359. The rules given can hardly be abstracted from poetry. Even in prose they will be found frequently infringed. Rhythm, rhyme, and, in prose, emphasis control the order of words and allow of much choice. But students translating into German should adhere to the rules very strictly. It will be noticed that the German word-order coincides very nearly with the old English, and does not differ after all so much from the modern English word-order. The chief points of difference are the dependent order, the position of adverbs of time, which in English stand generally at the end, and the position of the adjuncts of adjectives, participles, and infinitives, which precede the latter instead of following them as in English.

1. The word-order required by certain conjunctions has been frequently mentioned in the General Syntax. See, for instance, 320.

SECOND PART.

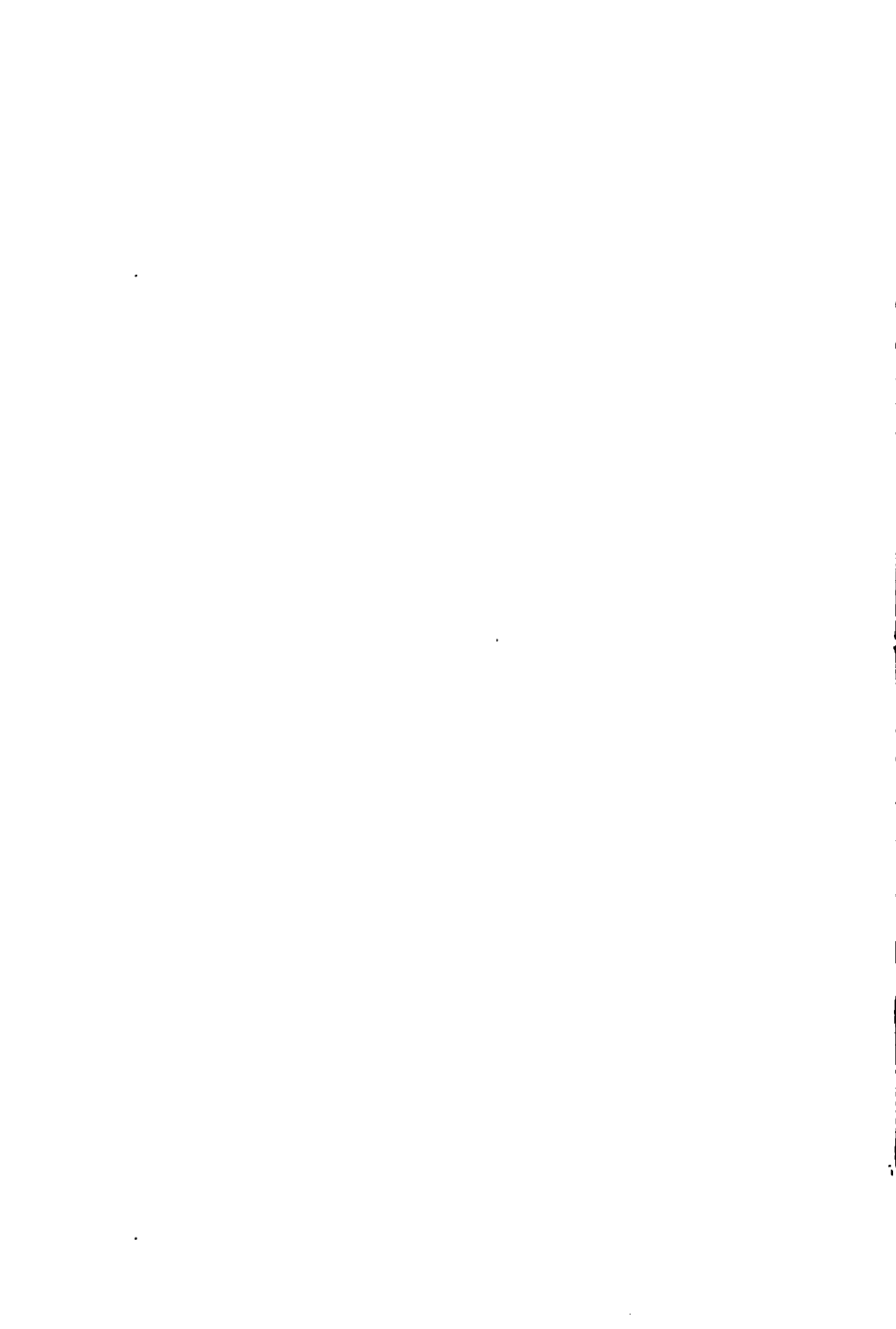
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ADVANCED GRAMMAR.

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FIRST SECTION,  
CONTAINING PHONOLOGY, HISTORICAL COMMENTARY  
ON THE ACCIDENCE, HISTORY OF  
THE LANGUAGE.





## A. PHONOLOGY.

### Historical Notes on the Orthography.

360. The letters used in Germany are the strongly modified Latin (Roman), called "Gothic," in vogue all over Europe during the later Middle Ages, when printing was invented. Germany is the only nation of the first rank which retains them, and for this reason they may be justly called "German" now. In Denmark, Sweden and Norway they are also still in use to a certain extent. Italy, France, England and Holland abandoned the ugly "Gothic" alphabet very early and returned to the Roman. The German people and the more conservative among the scholars make the retention of the "German" letters a matter of patriotism.

1. An edition of Schiller in Latin type ruined a Leipzig publisher twenty years ago. Yet in the 18th century much literature was printed in Latin type. It is an interesting fact, stated by a correspondent of the "*Evening Post*," of New York, that the first German book published in America was printed in Latin type by Benjamin Franklin. It was a sectarian hymn-book, "*Harfe Zion's*."

2. Nearly all German scientific books are printed in L. type to-day, because all scholars and civilized nations that would read such books are accustomed to this type. *Grimm* advocated it strongly and had all his books printed in it. *Koberstein's Literaturgeschichte*; *Bauer's*, *Krause's*, and *Wilmanns'* grammars are printed in it. That G. type was not banished from the schools by the new "Rules" is due to the personal prejudice of the Chancellor of the German Empire, who, not long ago, when a publisher sent to him a book in Latin type, returned it, because it was more troublesome for him to read than German type.

3. German children therefore still continue to learn to read eight alphabets and to write in four, viz., capital and small Latin script, and capital and small German script. In the Swiss schools German type and script have just been given up. The Latin type and script seem bound to prevail in Germany before very long.

361. The German alphabet represents the sounds of the language more adequately than the English does the English sounds, but that is not saying much. In no living language do the signs keep step with the sounds; they are always behind, nowhere more so than in English. But

in German also are several signs for the same sound and one sign may have to stand for several sounds. For instance, *ç* in „*ach*“ and „*ich*“, *n* in *fünf*, *fant*, *fang*, denote different sounds; *ß*, *f*, *ff*, *ſ* stand for the same sound; also *ä* (short) and *æ*. The long vowel is indicated by doubling in *Saal*, *Bost*, *Bett*; by *h* in *Wahl*, *Wohl*, *Weth*, and not at all in *Buch*, *Fuß*, *But*. And yet, while German spells more phonetically than English, its standard of spelling is as uncertain as the English, if not more so.

1. In 1876 an orthographical conference was called at Berlin, which was to discuss certain modifications and propositions aiming at uniformity, laid before them by R. von Raumer. They met and agreed upon certain rules, which proved, however, unacceptable both to the government and the public.

2. In 1879 and 1880 the various governments in Germany took the matter in hand and prescribed the spelling to be followed in their schools. Thus we have Prussian, Bavarian, Saxon, Austrian rules, but they vary very little. The kingdom of Würtemberg alone, with true Suabian tenacity, still clings to the old spellings. Some seven millions of children, therefore, now have to learn spelling according to these official rules. All new books introduced must be spelt according to them. Influential journals and periodicals have taken up the matter. The excellent new edition of the classics now appearing in *Cotta's* „*Bibliothek der Weltliteratur*“ is spelt accordingly. While these „Rules“ leave much to be wished for, yet no one can deny that some of them are a great step in advance. They change the spelling about as much as the five rules for modified spellings of the American Spelling Reform Association would change English spelling. This grammar is spelt according to the rules. We shall not give them, since they can be so easily obtained. For title of the speller, see 37.

A few explanatory remarks are given on certain points.

### 362. Umlaut signs.

Of the numerous signs in M. H. G. only two are left, viz., *ë* after and *ö* over the vowel; *ë* is to be discarded now entirely even with capitals, after which it was generally put. Umlaut of *ä* was always *æ*, not to be confounded with *è*, which is old *e*. In N. H. G. *ä* has been put for *æ* in words whose connection with words containing *a* was transparent. *Vater*, pl. *Väter*, but *Beiter*; *alt*, *älter*, but *Eltern*; *Mann*, *Männer*, but *Mensche*.

1. Dictionaries and encyclopedias often put *ä*, *ö* after *ab*, *Ab*, which is very annoying. Unfortunately none of the umlauts have a fixed place in the alphabet. They stand generally mixed up with *a*, *o*, *u*.

2.  $\ddot{a}$  was  $at$ ,  $\ddot{a}$ ,  $\alpha$  in M. H. G.  $\ddot{b}$  was rarely marked;  $\ddot{c}$  was  $sc$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\delta$ ;  $\ddot{u}$ , also frequently not marked, was  $\ddot{u}$ ,  $uc$ ,  $\ddot{u}$ ,  $\ddot{u}$ . The stroke over  $\rightarrow$  is the remnant of  $s$  over  $u$ , which stood for the diphthong  $us$ . This became  $\ddot{u}$  in N. H. G. (see 488, 4), hence the stroke.

### 363. On the marks to show length.

1. M. H. G.  $i > \ddot{i}$ , but the sign  $i$  of the old diphthong remained and was put also where  $i$  was lengthened as in  $kil > Kiel$ ,  $spil > Spiel$ .

2.  $\text{̣}$  was used as a sign of length for several reasons. 1. It became silent as in  $\text{̣}en$ ,  $\text{̣}mä\ddot{c}er$ ,  $\text{̣}en$ ,  $\text{̣}et\ddot{i}en$ . It stands frequently now, where an old  $j$  or  $w$  was dropped, as in  $bl\ddot{u}\text{̣}en$ ,  $Ku\ddot{s}\text{̣}t$ ,  $br\ddot{o}\text{̣}en$ ,  $Ku\ddot{s}\text{̣}$ ,  $\text{̣}tro\ddot{s}$ , but it is not pronounced. The preceding vowel was long originally, or became long according to the general vowel-lengthening. See 488, 2. 2. O.H.G.  $\ddot{a}$  (= Eng.  $\ddot{a}$ ) passed into  $\ddot{a}$ . This sign after the sound had changed appears still in the M. G. of the 12th and in the succeeding centuries, and stands not only for  $\ddot{a}$  but also for  $t$ .

3. Since the 15th century many MSS. have regularly  $i\text{̣}$  for  $i$ , and this  $i\text{̣}$  was used indiscriminately whether the vowel after or before it was long or short, when printing was invented. In the 16th and 17th centuries  $i\text{̣}$  was very frequent. Whether the breath-glide (aspiration) after  $t$  was then pronounced, and if so, whether it was appreciated and expressed by  $\text{̣}$ , is a question. *Paul* thinks this was the case. It would then be a development parallel to the Eng.  $t$  in  $tch$  for  $ch$  (=  $tsh$ ). Certain it is that  $\text{̣}$  after  $t$  was no "dehnungs- $\text{̣}$ " originally. In  $\text{̣}irth$  and  $\text{̣}urm$ , still in vogue, in older  $\text{̣}anne$  (=  $\text{̣}anne$ ),  $\text{̣}i\text{̣}\text{̣}$  (=  $\text{̣}i\text{̣}\text{̣}$ ),  $\text{̣}ar\text{̣}ten$  (=  $\text{̣}arten$ ),  $\text{̣}$  could not be "dehnungs- $\text{̣}$ ." The grammarians of the 17th and 18th centuries began to consider it a dehnungs- $\text{̣}$  and tried to limit its use. It has lost ground with every coming generation, and it is a pity that the official spelling does not abolish it entirely.

4. The doubling of vowels is the oldest method to show length.  $u$ ,  $i$ , and the umlauts are never doubled.

### 364. The use of initial capitals.

This is a self-imposed task of great difficulty and „*Reißerbrechen*." In the MSS. capitals were only used for the beginning of a paragraph, sometimes of each line; so also in the early printed books, in which the capitals were added by hand. In 1529 *Kolross* prescribed capitals for the beginning of every sentence, for proper names, for „*Zeit*“ and „*Zeit*“

(Lord), as he says „Gott zu ehren und respect.“ Soon capitals spread over appellatives, then over neuter nouns, and then over the abstract. In the 17th century every noun and any part of speech that could possibly be construed as such got a capital. English can boast of some superfluous capitals in the names of the months, days of the week, points of the compass, adjectives derived from proper nouns, but German carries off the palm among the languages of civilized nations. The official spelling reduces capitals considerably.

**365.** The spelling of foreign words is in a hopeless muddle. There is no system and no rule. All that can be said is that there is a preference of one spelling over the other. The official spelling leaves much liberty.

### ANALYSIS AND DESCRIPTION OF GERMAN SOUNDS.

**366.** In Part I. we have treated of the alphabet and the pronunciation of the letters in the traditional way. But this way is quite unscientific and is barely sufficient to start the student in reading. To describe the sounds of a language, however, is not an easy matter. If the instructor were acquainted with the Bell-Sweet system as presented in Sweet's "Handbook of Phonetics," Oxford, 1877 and in Sweet's "Sound-Notation," the matter would be comparatively easy and might be disposed of within small space. The system analyzes the vowels as well as the consonants according to the position of the organs, for nothing is more delusive than to "catch" vowels by the sound alone as is generally done. Sweet's Hdbk. gives specimens of German, French, English, Dutch, Danish, Icelandic, and Swedish, transcribed in Latin type, and if the student have a little perseverance, these transcriptions will be a great help to him in learning to pronounce any of the above languages.

The system uses none of those big Latin terms, which hide a multitude of inaccuracies and which are so much affected by philologists.

### The Vowels.

**367.** 1. The most tangible quality of vowels is "roundness," produced by the rounding of the mouth-cavity in that region where the vowel is made. Pronounce *ie* of *Bient*, round it and you have *ü* of *Bühne*. Pronounce *ε* of *Bette*, and round it and you have *ö* of *Böte*. Pronounce *α* of *Falter*, round it and you have *o* of *Fölter*. In *o* is very little lip-rounding (labialization), but mostly cheek or inner rounding.

2. The second, but less palpable quality, of vowels is "narrowness." Its opposite is "wideness." A vowel is "narrow"

by the convexity of the tongue caused by a certain tenseness in it. It is "wide" when the tongue lies flat and relaxed. This is the difference between  $\bar{i}$  of *Viene* and  $\bar{i}$  of *bin*, between long  $\bar{u}$  of *Mühle* and short  $\bar{u}$  of *Müller*, between  $\bar{o}$  of *Sohle* and  $\bar{o}$  of *sohl*, between the Eng. vowels of "mare" and "man," "sought" and "sot."

3. The third important element in producing vowels is the position of the tongue. Two positions should be distinguished, the vertical (height) and horizontal (forwardness or retraction). In each we distinguish three grades, viz., "high," "mid," and "low"; "back," "mixed," and "front." In the vowels of „liegt," „Licht," „lügt," „Lüde" the tongue is "high" and "front"; in the vowels of „Buch" and „Bucht" the tongue is "high" but "back." The table on next page shows the relation of the German vowels to each other and also to the English vowels.

### Key-words for Vowels.

We give below some more key-words, some hints as to acquiring the sounds and some of the dialect-variations in pronunciation.

#### HIGH VOWELS.

368. 1. *u* (high-back-narrow round) is only long. Ex.: *hut*, *Luch*, *Ruhe*, *Uhu*. Short it is rare in S. G. *Mutter*, *Futter*. Since  $\bar{u} < uo$ , the second element still appears in S. G. as *eh* (in *Gabe*), but this pronunciation is not classical. See Hart's Goethe's prose, p. 40. Identical with Eng. *oo* in *too*, *boot*. Its length is either unmarked or indicated by  $\bar{u}$ , e. g., *Luch*, *Luhn*, *thun*. It is never doubled.

2. *u* (high-back-wide-round) is identical with Eng. *u* in "full," but for a stronger labilization in G. Ex.: *Mutter*, *Sunger*, *Spruch*. It is always short. The  $\bar{u}$  pronounced by the extreme N. G. is rather like Eng. *u*.

TABLE OF ENGLISH AND GERMAN VOWELS.

NARROW.			WIDE.		
high-back	high-mixed	i high-front Biene E. bean	high-back	high-mixed	ɪ high-front bittern E. bid
mid-back E. but	eh mid-mixed Gabe	e mid-front Ettel E. sale	a ( ʰ ) mid-back Gater E. father	eɪ mid-mixed E. eye (eh[ɪb])	e mid-front Ettel E. men
low-back	æh low-mixed E. err, bird	æ low-front E. air	a low-back Sc. father	æɪ low-mixed E. how (æh[oh])	e, lowered mid-front Ett e low-front E. man
NARROW-ROUND.			WIDE-ROUND.		
u high-back gut E. woo	high-mixed	y high-front Hütte N. G.	u high-back muff E. pull	high-mixed	y high-front Hütte N. G.
o mid-back fo E. so	mid-mixed	ø mid-front [søn } S. G. [Gott] }	o mid-back Sonnt N. G.	oɪ mid-mixed Fr. <i>homme</i>	ø mid-front [søn } N. G. [Gott] }
o low-back E. water	low-mixed	œ low-front Fr. <i>peur</i>	o low-back E. not	low-mixed	low-front

3. *y* (high-front-narrow round). This differs from *u* by having the tongue-position of *i*, that is, it is high-front, instead of high-back. Ex.: *hüten, grüßen, Füße*. Long all over Germany, but diphthongal in S. G. „*Güte*“ = „*Güete*,” which, like *ue* for *ü*, is not classical, though old. M. and S. G. rounding of *ü* is not so emphatic as N. G., so that *ü* sounds more like *i*. Its length is sometimes shown by *h*, oftener unmarked. Ex.: *Mühle, Stühle, Hüte, Tücher*.

4. *y* (high-front-wide-round). This is N. G. short *ü* in *Hütte, Flüße*, etc. S. G. short *ü* is only slightly rounded and rather the short of their long narrow *ü*, and therefore itself narrow. Extreme N. G. *ü* (in Bremen, Holstein, etc.) is rather “mixed” than front. The first *ü* (N. G., Hanover) is classical.

In the alphabet the *ü*-umlauts are represented by *ü, üh, and y*, as in *Yfüße* (short), *Yfühl* (long), *Myrite, Yy'rif*.

369. 1. *i* (high-front-narrow). The same all over Germany. Ex.: *Steig, mir, vier, sieh*. Before final *l* and *r* it is slightly diphthongal, showing a “vanish” or “glide” before the consonant. *Biel, vier* are not *fil, fir*, but, marking the voice-glide by <sub>Λ</sub>, *fi<sub>Λ</sub>l, fi<sub>Λ</sub>r*. (See Sweet's Hdbk., p. 133.) Always long. It is represented by *i, ih, ieh*, but generally *ie*. Ex.: *Mir, ihr, Bier, siehlt*.

2. *i* (high-front-wide). Peculiar to Hanover and M. G., as in *hin, Bind, Rind*. The strict Low Germans of Holstein, Hamburg, Bremen lower this *i* toward *e* as in Eng., making it *e<sup>1</sup>*, so that their *Rind* sounds much like *kent*. In S. G. neither *ɨ* occurs. For it the medium long narrow *i* is substituted. Hence a S. G. pronunciation of Eng. *little* sounds like “*leetle*,” while a N. G. has no difficulty with it. The wide *ɨ* of Hanover and M. Germany may be considered classical. Always short. It is represented by *i*; by *ie* in *vierzeñ, vierzig*, generally also in *stellecht*.



## MID VOWELS.

**370.** 1. *o* (mid-back-narrow-round). The regular German *ō* of *Sohn*, *Thron*, *Hof*. *ō* is S. G., as in *hoffen*, *Loch*, *doch*. *ō* is represented by *o*, *oh*, *oo*. Ex.: *Mond*, *wohnen*, *Boot*.

2. *o* (mid-back-wide-round). *ō* of M. and N. G., where S. G. has the narrow *ō*. Ex.: *Sonne*, *toll*, *Stod*. This and *ō* are perhaps the most difficult vowels for Eng. speakers. Do not lower *ō* to low-back, making it like Eng. *o* of *stock*, *not*. Eng. *o* is equally hard for N. G., as they too feel that the effect upon the ear is much the same, and they do not readily appreciate the difference in articulation.

The *o*-umlaut has very different shades in different parts of the country. The S. G. *ö*, whether long or short, is narrow (more "close"). The N. G. is wide (more "open").

3. *e* (mid-front-narrow round) is both long and short in S. G. Long *ö* in *böfe*, *löjen*, *Goethe*; short *ö* in *Löcher*, *Röcher*, *Stöde*. S. G. *ö* is identical with Fr. *eu* in *feu*.

4. *ə* (mid-front-wide-round) is long and short in N. G. Long *ö* in *schön*, *Möve*, *Löwe*; short *ö* in *Götter*, *Spötter*, *Störche*. Do not confound *ö* with the vowels of Eng. *bust*, *bird*. The *o*-umlauts are represented by *ö* and *öh*; by *eu* in French words: *Couleur*.

Popularly speaking, S. G. *ö* is closer than N. G. *ö*. To acquire the sound it is best to start with *ö* as in „*bette*“ and contract the mouth corners, in which the rounding mainly consists in this vowel, and „*böte*“ will have to result. In *ä* the rounding is mainly in the lips (labialization).

In Berlin and M. G. there is a provincial pronunciation of *ö* which sounds very much like *ö*. It is caused by imperfect rounding and is by no means to be imitated.

**371.** 1. *e* (mid-front narrow) is easily produced. But guard against diphthongizing and widening it as in Eng. *may*, *paid*, *pate*. Ex.: *Bett*, *welt*, *Thet*, *Reh*. Pure Fr. and G. narrow *e* sounds as if it were cut off short, and so it really is compared with Eng. *et* in *say*. Signs are *eh*, *ee*. Always long.

2. *e* (mid-front wide) is the common short *e* in Eng. and G.  
 Ex.: *Menſch*, *wenn*, *Zeit*(ei).

*ɛ* (*e*,) is slightly lowered toward the Eng. vowels of man, mare; for instance, *Räſe*, *Ähre*, *wäre*. Complete lowering to the Eng. vowel is provincial. Signs, *e*, *ä*, *äh*: *wenden*, *Sünde*, *Mähr*. Distinguish therefore: *Èhre*—*Ähre*; *Reer*—*Mähr*.

3. *eh* (mid-mixed-narrow) is unaccented *e* and distinct from "long" and "short" *e*. It is more closely related to the Eng. "neutral" vowels of "cut" and "cur" than to any German vowel. Ex.: *trage*, *glaube*, *Getränk*, *gewettet*.

4. *a* (mid-back-wide). This has various sounds. In the city of Hanover *ā* is almost fully lowered to low-back. It sounds affected. The average G. *a* is almost identical with the *a* of Eng. father, only the latter, as I have frequently heard it, has the slightest trace of rounding.

The Austrian long *ā* has a very "deep" hollow sound. It is distinctly rounded and lowered, and is either low-mixed or low-front-wide-round. Signs, *a*, *aa*, *ah*: *Lage*, *Saal*, *Wahl*.

#### DIPHTHONGS.

372. There are three of these, in which both elements are short and by no means the same throughout Germany.

1. The first is represented by *ei* and *ai* in the alphabet. The value of the signs is the same in N. G. and is *æ'*. Its first element is not fully retracted and is exactly identical with the first element of Eng. "long" *i*. In S. G. the second element is clearly raised and even narrowed *i*, and is better represented by *ai*. The first element of S. G. *ai* is clearly mid-back. (See Sweet's Hdbk., p. 133.)

2. The second diphthong, spelt *au*, is composed of *a* and *o* (short wide *o*) = *ao*, certainly in S. G. In N. G. the second element is, in my opinion, mid-mixed narrow-round, i. e., the *ɔ* of *Gabe* rounded.

3. The third diphthong, spelt *eu*, *äu*, rarely *et*, is *oe'* (*e'* = *e* raised towards *i*) in N. G. and *oi* in S. G., *e. g.*, *Freude*, *Geläute*. The former is classical. Any approach of *eu* towards *et* is provincial and not elegant.

**373. General Remarks on the Vowels.** There are thirteen vowels, counting either N. G. or S. G. *ö* and not counting *ä* lowered mid-front. There are no "low" vowels in G. at all as in Eng. *naught*, *not*, *snare*, *err*, *bag*. All Eng. long vowels tend toward diphthongization, as in *say*, *so*, *saw*. The German vowels are pure single sounds and seem to an Eng. ear cut off short, *See*, *ju*. Fr. and G. vowels are alike in this respect. They are strictly narrow. While German has no low-back-round vowels (*saw*, *sot*), the front-rounding is very emphatic, and the back-vowels are very fully back, yielding a full sonorous tone. See Sweet, p. 132.

### The Consonants.

#### OPEN CONSONANTS.

**374. 1. H** (throat-open-surd) is the same in Eng. and G. It has always the articulation of the following vowel, and might be called therefore a surd vowel. Ex.: *hat*, *hut*, *hier*, *horch*.

Sign: *h*. A *h* not initial is always silent, *e. g.*, *gehen*, *geht*, *ihun*, *Rathe'ber*.

**2. R** (throat-open-sonant) is strongly "guttural," and the provincial N. G. pronunciation of *r*, *r̄*, *e. g.*, in *Regen*, *Regen*, *Bär*, *Furche*.

For the regular, classical *r* (divided) see 377.

**375. 1. kh** (back-open-surd) is the surd guttural spirant after back vowels, viz., *ā*, *ā̄*, *ū*, *ū̄*, *ō*, *ō̄*.

Sign: *ch*. Ex.: *Loch*, *Naht*, *waschen*, *Buch*, *Bauch*. This is the Sc. *ch*, as in *loch*. After *a*, finally and before a consonant, it is more easily acquired than after *u* and before a front vowel. In S. G. dialect this is the only *ch*-sound, the front *ch* being unknown there.

## TABLE OF GERMAN AND ENGLISH CONSONANTS.

	Throat.		Back.		Front.		Point.		Palat-teeth.		Blade.		Blade-point.		Lip.		Lip-back.		Lip-teeth.			
	Surd.	Sonant.	Surd.	Sonant.	Surd.	Sonant.	Surd.	Sonant.	Surd.	Sonant.	Surd.	Sonant.	Surd.	Sonant.	Surd.	Sonant.	Surd.	Sonant.	Surd.	Sonant.		
Open . . . . . (Spirants) . .	H kamb	R ramb N. G.	kh sch	gh Bhage	jh j	l liege lung	r rot M. & S. G.	th E. thin then	dh	s G. wes	ʃ E. lagen N. G.	sh ʃsh	ʃh ʃage (for- eign)	bh Bhaffer S. G.	wh E. which	w E. water	f famb N. G.	v Vamb N. G. E. vie				
Divided . . . .							t Zon	d d G. l laff Felle			E. t E. d	E. l										
Shut (Mutes, Ex- plosives) . .			E. & G. k	g									G. K. p	G. b								
Nasal . . . . .								n famb														

376. In explanation of some of the terms it may be necessary to state the following. See Sweet, p. 31-38. *Throat* and *Back* are included in "guttural," but are formed by the root of the tongue and the soft palate. *Front*, *point*, *blade*, *back* refer to the tongue. "Front" means the front or middle of the tongue and the roof of the mouth (palata). "Point" means the point of the tongue and the upper gums or teeth (alveolar, dental). "Point-teeth" means interdental. "Blade" is very forward "front." "Divided" means that the current of air is stopped in the middle of the passage and allowed to escape on the sides. *Spirants* (voicelessness) and *sonant* (= voice, produced by the vibration of the vocal cords) apply to every consonant, though the liquids are not surd in German. *Shut* consonants or *stops* are so called from the entire closure of the passage. *Open* means no contact or closure, at most a narrowing of the passage. *Nasal* means closed mouth passage, but open nasal passage. *h* is a more dactylic after *k*, *g*, etc.

2. **jh** (front-open-surd) is sometimes called the "palatal-guttural." It stands after the front (palatal) vowels (*i. e.*, after all vowels except *a, o, u*), including the diphthongs, *ai, eu, äu*, and always in the suffix *-chen*. Ex.: *Ḷḳ, eud, Bücher, mödte, ſeidt*.

3. The sonants corresponding to *kh* and *jh* are *gh* and *j*; *gh* stands after back vowels, *j* after front vowels and initially. Ex.: *Woge, Zuge; Ziege, Biege, lügen, je, jagen, böge*. But *gh* for *g* (back-shut-sonant) in this position, though very common, is not classical.

4. In the alphabet these four sounds are represented as follows:

*kh* by *ḳ* after back vowels, as above; by final *g* in N. G. after back vowels, not counting consonant suffixes, *e. g.*, *Tag, Zug, bogſt, wagt, Tagt*. See *ḳs*, 383.

*jh* by *ḷ* after front vowels and consonants; always in *-chen* no matter what precede. Ex.: *Lidht, Furde, Eitorḳ, Rädchen, Ramachen, leudten, eud, Wolḳ, Milḳ*. See *ḳs*, 383. Also by *g* final or at the end of a syllable in N. G. after front vowels and consonants, not counting consonant suffixes. *Ḷffig, mellig, lügſt, liegt, ſegen, legſt*. Also by initial *ḷ* in foreign words before front vowels, *e. g.*, *Ḷhem'c, Ḷherub, Ḷhiru'rg*. See also 383. Do not confound this sound with *H + j (= y)* in Eng. *huge, hue*.

*gh* by medial *g* after back vowels, *e. g.*, *Tagt, Wogen*. See sub 3.

*j* by medial *g* after front vowels, *liegen, Zeuge, gü'ter*. But this sound of *g* is provincial even in N. G. and the "hard" one (= shut, stop) is preferable.

Regularly by *j* initial. In N. G. a strong friction (buzz) is heard as in Eng. *ye, yew*. Ex.: *Jäger, jung*. S. G. *j* is a mere *i*, *je = ie, jung = iung*. The latter is, no doubt, the better pronunciation. I have heard even a regular Eng. *j (= dzh)* in Bremen.

5. Sweet, I believe, was the first to notice a slight labial element after *ḳ* when preceded by *u* and *au*, indicated by *w*. Hence *auḳ = aokhw*. See 378.

**377.** **r** (point-open-sonant) is the classical *r* of M. and S. G. Eng. *r* is rather "blade" (dorsal) than "point."

Popularly speaking, Eng. *r* is "rolled," G. *r* is trilled. The effect upon the ear is very different in the two *r*'s, though their articulation is not so dissimilar. See Sweet, § 109 and p. 134.

**378. s, z, sh, zh** (blade and blade-point) form a group of "sibilants" closely related to each other and to Eng. *th*, *dh* (point-teeth). They are very much alike in Eng. and G., and no description is needed to acquire the German. (For the different varieties see Sievers' *Phonetik*, § 15, 2, and Sweet's *Hdbk.*, p. 39.) The N. G. sounds are more forward than the S. G. and Eng. Eng. *th* is farthest forward (point-teeth), then *s*, and then *sh*, on the palate. In *th* the current of air passes over the "point" (tip of the tongue), in *s* over the "blade" which is back of the point, and in *sh* over blade and point, presenting more tongue-surface. In the G. sounds a slight labialization is noticeable, marked by Sweet *shw*. It consists in a slight contraction of the mouth corners.

1. **s** (blade-surd) is represented by various letters of the alphabet (except in N. G.), viz., by *s*, *ß*, *ff*. Ex.: *soß*, *fausß*, *Fluß*, *Wasser*.

2. **z** (blade-sonant) by medial and initial *s*, peculiar to N. G., as in *lesen*, *raßen*. Initial *s* begins surd, marked by Sweet *s<sub>h</sub>*, as in *s<sub>h</sub>ol*, but ends sonant. The standard is hardly fixed in favor of *s* or *z*. See 391, 4.

3. **sh** (blade-point-surd) by *sch* and *s* in the initial *st*, *sp* of S. and M. G., as in *Schlange*, *Schinken*, *waschen*, *Stadt*, *Sprache*. The first word would be = *shwlaqe*. By *sch* in foreign words, *Champa'gner*, *Chifa'ne*. See 375, 4. On *st*, *sp* also 389, 4.

4. **zh** (blade-point-sonant) occurs only in foreign words; by *g* in *Charge*, *Gage*, *Page*, *Loge*, *Gendarm*. = *j* in *Journal*. In jovial *j* = *j* and frequently *j* in *Journal* = *dzh*, Eng. *j*. Compare Eng. *azure*, *crossier*, *glacier*.

**379. bh** (lip-sonant) is the S. and M. G. *w*, pronounced with the lips only. Blow to cool which would be surd *bh* and then intonate the breath (Sweet, p. 41). Do not confound with Eng. *w*, in which the back of the tongue is raised and

the cheeks are narrowed. S. G. *w* is less consonantal than Eng. *w*.

**380.** *f* (lip-teeth-surd), *v* (lip-teeth-sonant). The above sounds are "labio-labial." These are labio-dental. The passage is formed by the lower lip and upper teeth.

1. *f* is represented by *f*, *v*, as in *Hafer*, *faul*, *Sclave*, *Frevel*, *Nerv*, *Passiv*, *Lebste*; by *ph* in foreign words: *Philologie*. For *pf* see 389, 1.

2. *v* is represented by *w* in N. G., like Eng. and Fr. *v* but less energetically buzzed. Ex.: *Wagen*, *Löwe*, *Schwester*. After *sch*, however, *w* is often made labio-labial in N. G., as well as in M. and S. G. The pronunciation of *v* as *bh* or *v* between vowels is hardly classical, for instance, *Frevel* = *frevel* or *frehhel*. By initial *v* in foreign words, as in *Bala'nä*, *Baſe*, *Beht'tel*, *nervö's*.

**381.** German *l*, *t*, *b*, *n* differ somewhat from the Eng. The place of contact (on the palate) in the G. sounds is much more forward than in the Eng. and the "point" of the tongue is used in the former while the "blade" is used in the latter. Eng. "well" is the shibboleth of the German speaking Eng., and G. "wohl" that of the Englishman speaking German. The difference should be thoroughly appreciated by all who wish to speak "pure" German.

1. *l* (point-divided) is represented by *l*, as in *Licht*, *Fall*, *wohl*, *Falter*.

German *ll* is peculiarly hard. Practise upon *Welt*, *Balle*, *ſalle*, *Wolle*. See 376.

#### SHUT CONSONANTS OR STOPS.

**382.** Next comes a group of sounds in which there is a complete closure of the mouth-channel. When the closure is opened an explosion takes place, hence their name "*explosivæ*." "Stops" is a less pedantic name. When the closure is far back, formed by the root of the tongue and the soft palate, we get the back-stops *k*, *g*, called also not so well "*gut-*

*tural*" and "*palatal*." When the closure is forward, formed by the point of the tongue and the teeth, gums, or palate, as the case may be, we have the point-stops *t*, *d*, called also "*dental*" or "*lingual*," or "*alveolar*." If the closure is made by the lips, we have the lip-stops or "*labials*." The great difference between G. and Eng. stops, particularly of the surd, lies in the more energetic closure and explosion of the G., amounting almost to an **H** (aspiration).

**383.** 1. **k** (back-shut-surd) is represented by *k*, as in *Kaſt*, *buſ*, *Kragen*; by *ch*: *a*, before *e* (in the same stem); *b*, in foreign words before back vowels. Ex.: *a* *Juchſ*, *ſechſ*, *Buchſbaum*, *wachſen*; but *wachſam*. *b*. *Chara'cter*, *Chaos*, *Cholera*. But see **375**, 4; **378**, 3. Also by *dt*, with prolonged closure: *Zude*, *zurückſehren*. By final *g* in S. G. and according to the standard pronunciation. See **375**, 4; **385**, 3; **20**.

This *g* is not strongly exploded, has no aspiration, and is called with final *b* and *b*. by German phonetists "*tonloſſe media*," by the people "hard" *b*, *b*. To English speakers it seems absurd to speak of a "surd" or "hard" *b*. We would call these sounds *p*, *t*, *k*; *i. e.* surd stops, unaspirated, slightly exploded.

*a*. Also by final *g* preceded by *n*, but only in N. G., as in *lang*, *jung*. See **386**, 1.

2. **g** (back-shut sonant) is represented by *g* initial and when doubled, as in *geſehen*, *ſagen*, *ärgern*, *baggern*, *Egge*. See **375**, 4.

**384.** 1. **t** (point-shut-surd) is represented by *t*, *tt*, as in *Wette*, *heute*, *Tante*, *ſut*; by *th*, as in *That*, *Thal*, formerly very common finally, as in *Muth*, *ſeitath*, *ſeimath*, which are now spelt without *h*. Also by *d* final, as in *Tod*, *geſcheid*, *ſind*, *Kleid*, *Händ-ſchen*. See **385**, 3. By *dt* only in *Stadt* and its derivatives, but formerly more frequent, as in *tot*, *Brot*, *geſcheidt*, *Erntte*, which are now spelt *tot*, *Brot*, etc.

2. **d** (point-shut-sonant) is represented by *d* initial and medial, as in *danken*, *der*, *Boden*, *Kleider*, *Widder*.



**385.** 1. **p** (lip-shut-surd) is represented by *p*, *pp* (see **382**, but Eng. *p* before vowels is often as strongly aspirated, *e. g.*, pound, par, pat. Ex.: Pulver, Pracht, Haupt, Kappe, Wappen. Also by *b* final, as in Dieb, gab, lieb, hob, hobst, webst, liebst. See sub 3.

2. **b** (lip-shut-sonant) is represented by medial and initial *b*. For final *b* see sub 3. Ex.: Böje, Bube, Ebbe, trabbeln.

3. Final *b*, *b* are therefore pronounced *t*, *p* all over Germany, and *g* as *k* according to the standard pronunciation, but not in N. G. See **383**, 1. For *g* after *n* see **383**, 1, *a*.

4. Before *b*, *b*, *g*, pronounced as surd stops, the liquids *l*, *n*, *m* are short, and not long as in English. Pronounce *wilt* therefore nearly with the *l* of Eng. *wilt*, *und* with the *nd* of *hunt*, not of *hound*, *wild*.

#### NASALS.

**386.** The nasals are also "shut" consonants, but they are not stops (with explosion). The air passes through the nose, and we distinguish them according to the place of contact.

**q** is the "back-nasal-sonant" common to Eng. and G., as in Eng. *bring*, G. *bringe*, *ſinge*.

1. **q** is represented by *n* before *t*, before *g* in N. G., and by medial *ng*. Ex.: Tranf, Wint, bange, lange, ſinger. Final *ng* is **q** according to the standard, *e. g.*, Gefang, ſing. For N. G. final *ng* see **383**, 1. Also by *n* of *en*, *in*, *on*, *an*, *ent* final in foreign words, as in Dauphin, balancierem, Avancement, Escadron, Bonbon.

This is an unsuccessful attempt of Germans at pronouncing the French nasal vowels, which are not at all identical with **q**; **q** does not exist in French. Though incorrect, this sound is given by the educated classes and by the stage.

**387.** **n** is the "point-nasal" (half-dental). For Eng. and G. *n*, see **381**. *n* is represented by *n*, *nn* as generally written, except where it becomes either guttural or labial by the proximity of guttural and labial consonants. (See **386**.) Ex.:

senden, Hand, Spinne, Bündel, manche, Lünche, wohnen, Thron, wandten = vantn.

**388.** *m*, the lip-nasal, is identical in Eng. and G. It is represented by *m*, *mm*: Mund, Stimme, warm; also by *en* after *b* and *p*, as in *pumpen* = *pumpm*, *Treppen* = *trep<sup>m</sup>*.

1. In untaught pronunciation not influenced by the letter, *n* is also pronounced as *m* before *f*, as in *sanft*, *fünf*, *hanf*, *Zukunft*, *Sunft*. Over-precise speakers pronounce as two full syllables words like *blei-ben*, *Lumpen*, *fin-den*, *fin-gen*, etc., but persons speaking naturally pronounce as stated above.

#### COMPOUND CONSONANTS.

**389.** These are composed of single sounds already described, but some of them seem to call for special mention. Their elements are closely joined together without any glide.

1. *pf* is composed of *p* and *f*, and is always represented by *pf*, as in *Pfirsch*, *Kampf*, *Karpfen*, *Gumpf*. But this *pf* is not pronounced except by a special effort. The current and "natural" *pf* is composed of a lip-teeth-stop and *f*. (This was first noticed by Sievers and Sweet.) The first element being formed by lower lip and teeth instead by lower and upper lips, as in a real lip-stop. Final *pf* is in N. G. commonly made into *f*, but it is not to be imitated.

2. *ks* is composed of the surd back-shut and the surd blade-open, as in Eng. Represented by *x*, as in *Art*, *Tert*, *Nixt*, *Alexander*; also by *chs* and *chf*, if of the same stem, as in *Wachs*, *Dächfen*. See 383, 1.

3. *ts* is composed of the surd *t* (point-shut) and *s* the surd blade-open. Represented by *z*, as in *Zunge*, *Ziel*, *Weizen*, *Wanze*; by *tz*, as in *Sprützen*, *Schwitzen*, *Kasse*; by *c* in foreign words before front vowels, as in *Acc'e'nt*, *Civ'l*, *Recense'nt*, *Eöliba't*, etc.; by *t* in foreign words before *i*, as in *Patie'nt*, *Ratio'n*, etc.

4. G. *ts* differs from Eng. *ts* in *cats*, *hats* in this respect. In G. *ts* *s* is long, in Eng. *ts* *t* is long. In *st* = *sht* and *sp* = *shp* (see 378. 3) the first element is also short. In "natural" pronunciation final *š* in N. G. is made into *š̄* after *n*, rarely after *r* and *l*; so that *ganj* becomes *Ganš̄*, *Ščwanj* > *Ščwanš̄*. But this is not classical.

5. Though there are doubled letters, both vowels and consonants, there are no doubled sounds. Double vowels denote one long vowel, as in *Saal*, *Staat*, *Ross*, and double consonants are long energetic consonants, as in *Wette*, *hassen*, *Treppe*, *zerren*, *Treffter*, *Sonne*, *allē*. But the consonants are not always long and short in G. in the same places where they are so in Eng. See, for instance, 385, 4. Final consonants are short in German. Compare *Ramm*, *wähl*, *Put* with Eng. *man*, *well*, *but*. The Eng. sonant stops *d*, *g*, *b* are very long and their sonancy is very emphatic. This is not so in German. Compare *Ebbe* — *ebb*, *Eggt* — *dagger*, etc.

#### ON A STANDARD OF PRONUNCIATION.

390. While Germans have a common literary language, they have not a common spoken language. German cannot boast of such authorities in pronunciation as French has in Paris, in the French Academy and in the Théâtre Français. Provincialism, so strong in German politics and other institutions, is particularly strong in pronunciation. All sections of the country readily acknowledge the "*Schriftsprache*" as the common language of the country, but in pronouncing the same they claim the utmost liberty.

1. You can hear professors of the German language at the universities speaking in the purest dialect-pronunciation; so you can, preachers in the churches and representatives in the state-legislatures and in the „Reichstag.“

2. The great authors of the classical period, Lessing, Goethe, Schiller, Klopstock, etc., pronounced the literary language with strong dialect coloring. One of Lessing's favorite phrases was: „*Es kommt doch nichts dabei heraus*,“ which he is said to have pronounced „'s fömmt doch nischtapei 'raus.“ Goethe was called "*Götze*" by them. Compare Goethe's defence of dialect in „*Auś meinem Leben*“ (Hart's Goethe's Prose, p. 19-20).

3. To dialect pronunciation are mostly due such bad rhymes as : *Leute* : *Weiße*; *schön* : *gehen*; *früh* : *nie*; *Stöh'* : *See*; *ferne* : *Gehörne*; which occur in their poems. Platen, Rückert, and Bodenstedt carefully avoid these rhymes. In families of culture in Cologne you hear *dit* and *dat* for *dieß* and *baß*. In Bremen are still families who take pride in having the children learn the L. G. dialect first.

4. In Hanover, both in the city and in the surrounding districts of the province, the pronunciation is generally considered classical, and yet Hanoverian has three strong provincialisms : 1, *f*, *sp*, which most Germans pronounce *schf*, *schp*; 2, they pronounce the sonant stop *g* as the spirant, while it should be pronounced as a surd stop just what all Germans make of *b* and *g*; 3, in the city itself *a* is made almost into long *ä*.

**391.** The only institution that claims to have a standard and tries to come up to it is the stage. The best theatres of Germany and the better actors, followed by a very small number of the cultured, strive after a dialect-free pronunciation. The standard set up by them decides the disputed points as follows :

1. Initial *f*, *sp* are to be pronounced *schf*, *schp*. But only the initial. Never pronounce *ist* — *ischf*, *bist* — *bischf*.

2. Pronounce *g* surd : *Berg* = *Berf*, *Weg* = *Wef*, *liegt* = *lieft*.

3. Pronounce *r* trilled, not uvular or guttural, as in North Germany.

4. North and Middle Germans pronounce initial *j* and *f* between vowels as sonants; the standard is not quite settled, but will probably come to sonant *j*.

5. The rounded vowel should be fully rounded. The extreme N. G. pronounces *u*, *o*, *ü* (short) in *hagebutte*, *lomm'*, *hütte* too much like Eng. *but*, *come*, *hut*. The extreme S. G. likes to unround *ü* > *i*, *ö* > *e*.

6. *Lag*, *Zug*, *Weg* have long vowels, = *tāc*, *zūc*, *wēc*. See sub 2; also 488, 2, *b*.

7. The lip-teeth *w* and not the S. G. labio-labial *bh* has the preference.

**392.** 1. But it is possible to have a dialect-free pronunciation and yet have dialect-accent, *i. e.*, "intonation," "modulation of voice." Very pronounced are, *e. g.*, the "accents" of Berlin, Vienna, Bavaria (München), Saxony, which can be distinguished without much difficulty even in a good pronunciation. The stage favors the North German "accent," particularly the Hanoverian, and this is at bottom what is meant by saying the Hanoverian is the best pronunciation.

2. There is another reason, however, why the N. G. pronunciation is "purer," as it is generally called, than S. G. The Low German dialects are farther removed from the classical language than the High German. The contrast is felt more in North Germany than in South Germany. The school and the educated make a stronger effort to acquire the standard pronunciation as far as there is any. The N. G. is more influenced by, and has a higher respect for, the written language. He pronounces according to the letter before him. Compare, for instance, *b* and *þ*, which the Saxon calls a "soft *b*" and a "hard *b*."

3. Another reason for the purity of N. G. lies also in the political and intellectual predominance of the Northern half of Germany for nearly two hundred years. The speakers of S. G. dialects are divided between Switzerland, Germany, and Austria. The modern theatre also developed earlier in N. Germany than in S. Germany.

4. The Swiss too can speak dialect-free German when conversing with strangers, of whom they of course see a great many. They make then a special effort to drop their dialect, which is nearly as far removed from the written language as is a Low German dialect.

5. One thing is surprising, *viz.*, that the excellent G. school-system has not more power to spread a common spoken language. It is true, the school does modify the dialect, but when the child has left school, its language relapses, as a rule, into pure dialect.

#### SOME PHONETIC LAWS, LIKE ABLAUT, UMLAUT, GRIMM'S AND VERNER'S LAWS, ETC.

##### ABLAUT.

**393.** Ablaut is the gradation of vowels, both in stem and suffix, under the influence of accent. The vowels vary within certain series of related vowels called *ablaut-series*.

The ablaut of suffix-vowels, *e. g.*, of case-suffixes, is difficult to determine even for so early a period as O. H. G. or Ager. We shall speak only of the stem-vowel-ablaut.

The phenomenon of ablaut appears in all the I. E. languages and is characteristic of the Teutonic languages, only in so far as a very large system of verb-inflection has been developed. On the Greek ablaut, see Amer. Journ. of Phil. vol. I., No. 3, p. 281—, an article by Bloomfield.

394. Osthoff and Brugman have the credit of establishing as many as four grades or stages of ablaut, viz., *hochstufe*, strong and weak; *tiefstufe*, strong and weak, which may be called in Eng. *strong, medium, weak, zero*. They do not appear in every series. But the second has them all, viz., “*au*” strong; “*eu—iu*” medium; “*ü*” weak; “*ü*” zero. The first two stand under the strong accent; the third under the secondary, the last in the unaccented syllable.

Why there should be a difference of vowel under the strong accent is not clear, but the fact of two grades is undeniable.

1. For the I. E. or Parent-speech-period three series have been reconstructed with tolerable certainty and there are traces of several more. But the exact quality of the vowels can hardly be determined. *o* of the first I. E. series was probably unrounded, and more a than *o*, see 459.

1. *e—o*, G. T. *e, i—a*, appears in I. to V. 3

2. *ǣ—ǣ*, G. T. *a—ô*, in VI., see 459, 4.

3. *ē—ô*, O. H. G. *ē—uo*, in G. *tât, ȝhat — tuon, t̃un*.

We give the Germanic series in Branne's order. (See his Gothic grammar, followed also by Sievers in his Ager. and Paul in his M. H. G. grammar.)

### 395. \* I. Ablaut-series.

	* 1 <i>strong.</i>	2 <i>medium.</i>	3 <i>weak.</i>	4 <i>zero.</i>
G. T.	ai	ei	î	i
		⏟		
		î		
O. H. G.	ai, ei, ê	î		i, e
N. H. G.	ei (ie, i), ē	ei		i (ie), ē, ǣ.

Compare Gr. *πέποιθα, πείθω, κλίμαξ, πέπιθμεν; οἶμος, εἶμι, ἴμεναι, ἴμεν*. *I* is the zero stage, because the first element of the diphthong, *e—o*, has disappeared, while the second, the consonant element of the falling diphthong, has become a vowel.

\* The figures I., II., etc., always refer to the ablaut-series: the figures 1, 2, 3, 4 refer to the ablaut stage.

Ex. : 1, *lêren*, *lêren* < *laisjan*, to teach; *lêra*, *lêren*, + Ags. *lâr*, Eng. *lore*; *lêisten* + *last* (Kluge); pret. sg. of strong verbs of Cl. I. 2 and 3, pres. of verbs of Cl. I. 4, *lêist*, *lernen*, with the words of 1, from the same  $\sqrt{lx}$ . x represents the vowel that is to appear according to accent and is an unknown quantity in the root. 1, *lêigen*, *Zeigfinger*; 2 and 3, *lêihen*; 4, *geleihen*, *verleihen*, all from a  $\sqrt{lx}$ . Compare L. *dîcere*. Notice the Eng. cognates show in 1, a, ð: *ladder*, *wrote*, *last*, *lore*, *loaf*; in 2 and 3: *i*, *rise*, *smite*; in 4, *i*: *risen*, *smitten*, *list*.

### 396. II. Ablaut-series.

	1	2	3	4
G. T.	au	öu	û	ÿ
O. H. G.	ou, ô	iu, eo, io	û	ÿ, ö
N. H. G.	ö, ð	ie, eu	au	u, ö, ð.

All four grades still apparent in German. ÿ bears the same relation to öu, au as i to ôi, ai. See above. Compare  $\chi\epsilon\phi\omega$ ,  $\chi\omicron\phi\acute{\eta}$ ,  $\chi\omicron\mu\acute{o}\varsigma$ ,  $\chi\upsilon\tau\acute{o}\varsigma$ .

Ex. : From the  $\sqrt{lxk}$ : 1, *lêse*, *flame*. 2, *lêcht* < *lêcht*, *leuchten*, + *light*. 4, *luchse* + *lynx* (?). From a  $\sqrt{klû}$ : 2, *leumund*. 3, *laut* < *lât* + *loud*; 4, *Ludwig*, *Luther*, Gr.  $\kappa\lambda\upsilon\tau\acute{o}\varsigma$ , L. *inclûtus*. Again, 2, *sick* + *sick*, *Stuche*, and 4, *Stucht*. See the strong verbs of Cl. II. <  $\sqrt{b'xd'}$ : 1, *bot* pret. of *bieten*. 2, *bieten*, *Gebiet*. 4, *Bote*, *Gebot*, *Büttel* + *beadle*. Eng. *bid* represents older *beodan* II. and *bidan* V. The corresponding Eng. vowels are very irregular.

### 397. III. Ablaut-series.

	1	2	3, 4
G. T.	a	ë, i	u before r, l, m, n
German	a, e (umlaut)	e, i	u, ö.

As to 3 and 4, see 459, 3, a. The roots all end in r, l, m, n + cons.

Ex. : See the strong verbs of Cl. III. From the root of *wand*, *wand*, *gewunden*, + *wind*: 1, *die Wand*, *wenden* < *\*wandjan*, + Eng. *wend*, *gewandt*, *wandern* + *wander*, etc. 2, *die Winde*, *Windel*. < Germanic  $\sqrt{bxrg}$ . 1, *berg* pret. sg. 2, *Berg*, *Gebirge*, *bergen*. 3, 4, *Burg*, + *burgh*, *borough*, to *burrow*. *Bürger*, *Bürge*, *borgen* + *borrow* (?). Also + *bury*. Corresponding Eng. vowels in verbs before nasals are i in 2, a in 1, u in 4, e. g., *spin*, *span*, *spun*. In nouns, etc., they are quite irregular, but generally also i, a, u, o.

## 398. IV. Ablaut-series.

	1	2	3, 4
G. T.	a, á	ō	u
O. H. G.	a, á	ē, i	u, o
N. H. G.	ā	ē, ě, ie, i	ū, ū, ö, ő.

The roots end in a single liquid or nasal, or these stand before the vowels. ē, ő are not yet explained.

Ex.: Verbs of Cl. IV., *steñlen, stañl, gestoñlen*. 1, *Diebstañl*. <  $\sqrt{dxm}$ . 1, *jañm, jañmen* + tame. 2, *gejetmen*. 3, 4, *Sunft*. <  $\sqrt{b'xr}$ . 1, *bie Bañre*, + *hier, barrow(?)*, *siñ gebañren, bie Gebårbe, -bar*. 2, *gebåren* + bear, *Eimer* < *ein-ber*, *Zuber* < *zwoiber* (see Kluge). 3, 4, *bie Bårbe* + burthen, *bie Geburt* + birth, *bie Gebühñr(?)*, *gebühñrlíñ*. Eng. cognates show generally ea, ö, e. g., bear, bore.

## 399. V. Ablaut-series.

	1	2, 3, 4
G. T.	a, á	ō
O. H. G.	ā, ā	ē, i
N. H. G.	ā, ā	ē, ě, i, ie

Only two grades. The roots end in a single consonant, not a liquid or nasal.

Ex.: Verbs of Cl. V. < Germanic  $\sqrt{gxb}$ . 1, *gab, Gabc*. 2, 3, 4, *geben, gegeben, du giebst, bie and baß Gíft*. Eng. vowels the same, + give, gave, gift.

## 400. VI. Ablaut-series.

	1	2, 3	4
G. T.	ó	a (o?)	u
O. H. G.	uo	a, e	u
N. H. G.	ū, ū	a, e (umlaut)	ū, ū

4 Not in the past part., only in nouns. A difficult series.

Ex.: Verbs of Cl. VI. <  $\sqrt{pxr}$ . 1, *fuñr, fñhren*. 2, 3, *fåhren, bie Fañrt*. 4, *bie Fñrt* + ford. <  $\sqrt{mxi}$ . 1, M. H. G. *muol* (now *måhlte*). 2, 3, *måñlen, Mēñl* + meal, *malmen, Måltcr*. 4, *Mñhle* + mill, *Mñller, Mñll, Mñulwurf* + mole, by popular etymology < *moltwurf* + mould-warp.



## UMLAUT.

**401.** Umlaut is the modification of an accented vowel by an *i* (*j*) in the next syllable.

1. By it *a*, *o*, *u* become sounds lying nearer to *i*. In other words, back and mixed vowels become more like front vowels through the influence of front vowels. The tongue-position of back and mixed vowels changes to "front," while the rest of the articulation remains the same. This "fronting" is called by the Germans "mouillierung," *i.e.*, palatalization. Sievers' theory is that the intervening consonants were first affected and then the immediately preceding vowel. Such palatalized consonants are the Fr. *l* and *n* still in "*feuille*" < *folium*, *Espagne* < *Hispania*.

2. To understand umlaut we must go back to a period in which *i* (*j*) was still tolerably intact as in O. H. G. But there was only one umlaut marked in that period, *viz.*, that of *ǣ* and its sign was *e* just like the original *e* now distinguished by  $\bar{ } = \tilde{ }$ . In M. H. G. the umlaut of the other vowels appears and is unfortunately very irregularly represented. Sievers supposes that the consonants were already palatalized in O. H. G. and that they imparted their change to the vowel in M. H. G. But it is also very likely that the vowels were already palatalized in O. H. G., only the alphabet was not sufficient to show the change.

Ex.: *lamp—lambir*, *Lämmer*; *gabi* > *gaebe* > *gäbt*, pret. subj.; *gast—gasti* > *geste*, *Geßt*; \**ali-lantjo* > *eli-lenti* > *ellende* > *elmb*, unfortunate because in an "other country"; *scöni* > *schoene* > *schön*; *angül* > *Engel*; *bösi* > *böse*, etc.

**402.** The extent of this phenomenon varies with the period and the dialect. Certain consonants have prevented umlaut. But we cannot enter upon a further discussion. Compare *gebußig*, *gewaltig*. By umlaut, then, *a* > *ä*, *e*; *o* (≠) > *ö* (≠); *u* > *ü* (≠); *au* > *äu*, *eu*, but this only seemingly in cases where *au* < *ü*, since *ü* passed into *ü* (*iu*) and this into *eu*, *äu*, according to 488, 5.

1. While in German umlaut is still a living principle, it is dead in Eng. and has been for some 8-900 years. Eng. only has isolated forms with umlaut, *e.g.*, *mouse—mice*, *cow—kine*, etc., that belong to no system of inflection or derivation in which umlaut serves as the expression of a function or meaning. We call the above examples "irregular" plurals.

2. There is no such thing as "rückumlaut" = "umlaut reversed," as the old grammarians called it. *e.g.*, in *benten*, *baßte*, *gebaßt*. See 454, 2.

**Interchanges of Vowels: *e* — *i*, *ie*; no Umlaut — Umlaut;  
*u* — *o*; *ie* — *eu*.**

**403.** *e* — *i* (*ie*). 1, where *e* is original, that is G. T. and I. E. *ë* passed into *i* before *i* (*j*) standing in the unaccented syllable, a process exactly analogous to umlaut; *ë* > *i*

also before a nasal belonging to the same syllable, generally before nasal + cons. The physiological reason for the latter change is not clear.

Ex.: The present of Cl. III., IV., V., see also the O. H. G. paradigm. The first p. sg. *nimu* may be due to analogy, but in O. H. G. and Ags.  $\bar{e} > i$  also before u and it may therefore be a phonetic transition. *ſiſen*, *litzen*, *bittzen* have i all through, see 457. 1, but *ſeſſel* < *sezzal*. *Feld*—*Gefilde* < *giſildi*. *recht*—*rihten* < *\*rihtjon*, + L. *rectus*. *Feder*—*Geſteber*; *fern*—*firn* < *firni*. Verbs of III. Cl.: *ſtuden*, *ſchwimmen*. *Geben*—*Geft* < *giſti*.

2, i is original, but passed into  $\bar{e}$  before a, e, o in the next syllable or if the word ended in a consonant. i remained before i (j) and before w.

The cases of  $i > \bar{e}$  are not numerous. It is a High German and Old Saxon peculiarity. Eng. has still i.

Ex.: *teſſ*—*erquiden* + quick, quicken; *leben* + live, *ſlehen* + cleave, *ſchweben* belong to ablauts. I. with the zero grade. *Verweſen*, to decompose, compare L. *virus*, Skr. *viſh-am*. *Leber* + liver. *Pech* + Eng. pitch < L. *pic-s*. *Steg* < same root as *ſteigen* I.; *Wechſel*— + Lat. *vic-es*. *er* < *ir*, + Lat. *is*.

#### 404. Umlaut — no umlaut.

Ex.: Verbs of VI. and VII. Cl., but in the latter mostly by analogy, e. g., *ſaru*, *ferſt*, *ferſt*—*ſahrſt*, *fährſt*, *fährſt*. *Alt*—*Eltern* < *eltirôn*. Comp. + elders. *Abel* < *adal*—*ebel* < *edils*. Comp. + Ethel. Very numerous and the umlaut often more or less hidden.

405. u — o. In the stem-syllable u is always the older and passed into o before a, e, o. It was preserved like i before i (j), w and a nasal belonging to the same syllable.

This process is also one of assimilation similar to umlaut, called "brechung" by the older grammarians.

Ex.: See verbs of Cl. II., III., IV. in the past part. and compare with them the pret. pl. and nouns from the same stem, e. g., *Flucht*, *Zucht*, *Bernunft*, *Zunft*. *Sollte* < *scolta*—*Schuld*; *holb*—*ſulb* < *huldſ*; *hoſl*—*Hülle*,  $\bar{h}$  <  $\sqrt{kl}$ . *Gold*—*Gulden* (a coin), but *golden* + golden by analogy; *Bot*—*Büttel* < *butil*. The transition before nasals is quite modern and M. G. Comp. *Sonne* < *sunna*; *Sommer* < *sumer*; *Sohn* < *sunu*; past part. of III. Before n + cons. (not n) u remains now, *gefunden*, *Bund*, *gefunden*, *Ankunft*.

**406.** *ie* (io) — *eu* (iu). *iu* being levelled away and *ie* standing for both *io* and *iu*, this interchange is not common now. Both *iu* and *io* < G. T. *ēu*. *ēu* > *iu* before *i* (*j*) and *w*, but > *eo* before *a*, *e*, *o*; and later *eo* > *io* > *ie*, *te*. The process is *ē* > *i* and *u* > *o* in the same diphthong.

Ex. : Ablauts. and Cl. II., see 124, Remark. *Was ba freucht und flucht* (Sch.). *bieten* — *Beute* (?), *Beutel* (?).

**Grimm's Law** or the "*shifting of mutes*," Lautverschiebung.

**407.** It concerns the so-called "*mutes*," *b*, *p*, *f*; *d*, *t*, *th*; *g*, *k*, *ch*, *media*, *tennis*, *aspirates*. This law was discovered by *Rask*, but first fully stated by *Jacob Grimm*. It includes two great shiftings, the first prehistoric, that is, *General Teutonic* or *Germanic*; the second, *historical* or *German*. The first is a peculiarity of the whole group and shared to very nearly the same extent by every member of the group; the second is a peculiarity of the *German dialects* proper, is partial both as to the number of sounds and of dialects affected. We very briefly represent the first shifting. See the author's article in the *Amer. Jour. of Phil.*, vol. I., for a fuller account. Let *y* represent the *sonant stops*, *z* the *surd ones* and *x* the so-called "*aspirate*," which represents various sounds. The following formulas will be of use. *G.* is added now merely for illustration.

	Parent-speech, I. E.		G. T.		G.
I.	x	>	y	>	z
II.	y	>	z	>	x
III.	z	>	x	>	y

Notice *I. E.* is the oldest stage of the language reconstructed from the various *I. E.* dialects. You can substitute for *I. E.* any language but the *Teutonic*, provided you make allowance for any changes in that particular language, *e. g.*, *d'* has become *f* or *d* in *Latin*. By *General Teutonic* or *Germanic* is meant that stage which is reconstructed from all the *Teutonic dialects*. By *G.* we mean the written language of *Germany*; *H. G.* means *South and Middle* as opposed to *Low German*.

Substitute in each formula the labials, dentals, etc.

**408.** Form. I.  $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{d}'$ . I. E.  $\mathbf{d}' = \mathbf{d} +$  sonant aspiration (Ellis), "sonant affricate," this  $\mathbf{d}'$  through G. T.  $\mathbf{dh}$  (sonant spirant)  $> \mathbf{d} > \mathbf{H}$ . G.  $\mathbf{t}$ , but  $\mathbf{dh}$  remains in Go. and Scand., e. g., I. E. \* $\mathbf{d'ur-}$ , Gr.  $\delta\upsilon\rho\alpha$ , L. *fores*,  $>$  G. T. \* $\mathbf{dur-}$ , Eng. *door*  $>$  G.  $\mathfrak{I}\text{hor} - \mathfrak{I}\text{h}\ddot{u}\text{r}$ , doublets.

2.  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}'$ . I. E.  $\mathbf{b}' >$  G. T.  $\mathbf{bh}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} >$  G.  $\mathbf{b}$ , e. g., I. E.  $\sqrt{\mathbf{b'xd}'}$ , ablauts.  $\mathbb{I}$ , Gr.  $\pi\upsilon\theta-$   $>$  G. T.  $\sqrt{\mathbf{bx\ddot{d}}}$ , Eng. *bid*  $>$  G. *bieten*, *bot*, *geböten*. No German shifting of  $\mathbf{b} >$   $\mathbf{p}$  therefore.

3.  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{g}'$ . I. E.  $\mathbf{g}' >$  G. T.  $\mathbf{gh}$ ,  $\mathbf{g} >$  G.  $\mathbf{g}$ , e. g.,  $<$   $\sqrt{\mathbf{g'u}}$  (Skr.  $\sqrt{\mathbf{h}\acute{u}}$   $>$  G. T.  $\sqrt{\mathbf{gu-}}$ ), \* $\mathbf{gud-}$ , Eng. *God*  $>$  G.  $\mathfrak{G}\text{ott}$ , "the being invoked" (see Kluge). No German shifting of  $\mathbf{g} >$   $\mathbf{k}$ .

4.  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{g}^2$ , the second series of gutturals, the "labialized"  $>$  G. T.  $\mathbf{g}$ ,  $\mathbf{gw}$  ( $\mathbf{w}$ ) if medial,  $>$  G.  $\mathbf{g}$ , or zero if medial, e. g., I. E. \* $\mathbf{ang}^2$ , L. *angustus*  $>$  G. T. *angu-*, Go. *agguvus*  $>$  G. *enge*  $<$  *angi*  $<$  \**angujo*. I. E. \* $\mathbf{g}^2\text{ostis}$ , L. *hostis*  $>$  G. T. *ghast*, *gast*, + Eng. *guest*  $>$  G.  $\mathfrak{G}\text{ast}$ .

**409.** Form. II.  $\mathbf{x}$  in G., see later.

1.  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{d}$ . I. E.  $\mathbf{d} >$  G. T.  $\mathbf{t}$ , Eng.  $\mathbf{t}$ .  $<$   $\sqrt{\mathbf{dxnt}}$ , to eat, I. E. *dont-*, L. *dent-s*  $>$  G. T. *tunth-*, Eng. *tooth*  $>$   $\mathfrak{Z}\text{ahn}$ ,  $<$  *zand*. Before  $\mathbf{d}$  the vowel has disappeared by apocope. The form is participial = "the eater" (Kluge). Comp. L. *edere*  $>$  Eng. *eat*  $>$  G. *essen*.

2.  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$ . I. E.  $\mathbf{b}$  is very rare and examples doubtful.

3.  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{g}^1, \mathbf{g}^2$ . I. E.  $\mathbf{g}^1 >$  G. T.  $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{G. k}$ .  $<$   $\sqrt{\mathbf{gx\ddot{l}}}$ , L. *gelare*  $>$  G. T. \**kald*, Eng. *cold*, *cool* + G. *kalt*, *kühl*, ablauts. VI. I. E.  $\mathbf{g}^2 >$  G. T.  $\mathbf{kw}$ ,  $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{G. t}$ ,  $\mathbf{qu}$ , e. g.,  $<$   $\sqrt{\mathbf{g}^2\mathbf{xm}}$ , L. *venio* ( $<$  \**gvemio*)  $>$  G. T. *quēman*, Eng. *come*, + G. *kommen*, adj. *bequem*. The phonetic change of  $\mathbf{y} >$   $\mathbf{z}$  consists in the loss of sonancy.

**410.** Form. III.  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G. T. surd spirant}$ , I. E.  $\mathbf{z} =$  unaspirated surd stop.

1. **z = I. E. t.** t through the transition stage  $t' = t + \text{surd}$  aspiration > G. T. th > H. and L. G. d, e. g., L. *tertius* > G. T. *thridj-*, Eng. third, > *tritte*.

2. **z = p.** I. E. p > G. T. f, bilabial, Eng. f > G. f: L. *pisc-is* > G. T. \**fisk-os* > *Fiſch*, + Eng. fish.

3. **z = k<sup>1</sup>, k<sup>2</sup>.** I. E. k<sup>1</sup> > G. T. h, kh, > G. h, ch. Ex.: L. *pecus* > G. T. *fēhu*, Eng. fee, > *Viēh*. I. E. k<sup>2</sup> > G. T. hw, h, Eng. wh, > G. w, zero = silent h. L. *sequ-or* > G. T. *sēhu-an* > *ſēhen*, + Eng. see. L. *quis, quod* > G. T. *hwēr, hwat* + Eng. who, what, > G. *wer, was*.

### Verner's Law.

**411.** After the first shifting and when the accent was not yet limited to the root-syllable (see 420, 2) a new phenomenon appeared, viz., Verner's Law or the "shifting of spirants." The G. T. surd spirants th, kh, f, s became sonant spirants and later sonant stops, when the immediately preceding vowel was unaccented. This affects only form. III, but the transition of sonant spirants into sonant stops is identical with the transition of the sonant spirants which sprang < sonant affricate according to form. I. See 408. Hence there is an interchange of the following consonants: th — dh, d which became G. t; f — bh, b; kh, khw — gh, ghw, g, w; s — z, r. See 416.

As to accent, see 420. Students who know Greek can generally go by the Greek accent, which is often still the I. E.

Ex.: Gr. *πατήρ* > G. T. *fathar* > *fadhār* (Go.) > *fádar* (Ags.) > G. *Vater*, M. Eng. has again dh (through Norse influence?), but L. *fráter* > G. T. *bróthar*, Eng. brother > G. *Bruder* according to form. III. G. T. *lithon, laith*, but pl. *lidhon-*, part. *lidhan-*, Eng. loathe, > G. *leiben* (lit by levelling), *gefittēn*. L. *sequ-or* > G. T. *sēhwan, sahw, sēgwan-*, *sēgwan-*, O. S. *sehan, sah, sēhwan, gisewan*, Eng. see, saw, seen (levelling) > G. *ſēhen, ſah, geſēhen* (levelling, h silent). G. T. *wēsan, was, wērum-*, *wēsan-* > Eng. was — were > G. *war* (levelling), *waren, gewēsen* (levelling). Compare *ſēhen* — *lōs* (*lor*, levelling) — *gefōren*.

412. In certain consonant groups the first shifting of Grimm's Law allows of modifications.

1. Original *st*, *sk*, *sp* remain, e. g., L. *vestigium* + G. *Steg*, *Stig*; L. *sc* in *poscere* + G. T. *sk*, Eng. and G. *sh*, *sch* in *forſchen*, *waſchen* (see 457, 4). L. *sp* in *spicere*, *speculum* + G. *ſpähen* + *espy*, *spy*.

2. Before *t* every dental has become *s*, every labial *f*, every guttural *kh*, *ch*, while *t* remains intact, but *st* can become *ss* by assimilation. Examples are very numerous.

*Du weißt* < *waist* < \**waid* + *t*; L. *cap-tus* + G. *-ſaft* (but see Kluge); L. *noct-em* + G. *Naht* + night; *Naht* + might <  $\sqrt{\text{maxg}}$ , from which *mag*—*mögen*, ablaut. VI.; *gewiß* < \**wid-to*' a past participle <  $\sqrt{\text{wxd}}$ , + L. *vid-*, + to wit, *wist*. The differentiation into *st* and *ss* is difficult to explain. Kögel ascribed it to accent, but see Kluge, P. and B. Beiträge, vol. VIII. A different origin has the *st* of *Reſt*, *Raſt* (of a ship), *Geſt*, and a very few others, viz., < *zd*. For these see Kluge. See also 454, 8.

### THE GERMAN SHIFTING.

The second or German shifting we shall treat chiefly with a view to represent Eng. and G. cognates. We shall not treat of every dialect separately. It must suffice to say that upon the extent of shifting the classification of the dialects is based. See 480. For a full account, see Braune's article in P. and B. Beitr., vol. II. In fact, to Braune we owe the best light that has been thrown upon this difficult subject. This second shifting, though coming within the historic period of the language, had been much less understood and more misrepresented than the first shifting. The material was very different from that of the first shifting and the result had to be different, though Grimm supposed that the first stage was reached again in H. G. Nor is there room to enter into the chronology of the various steps, though it has been tolerably settled. The latest shifting, *th* > *d*, we find still going on in the 13th century, and is the most extensive of all the shiftings. Geographically the movement began in the South and the farther North it spread the less it grew and the later it occurred. See 480. We follow the order of the formulas. Where Eng. is identical with G. T., as is generally the case, the Eng. examples will at the same time illustrate the corresponding sounds and the cognates of Eng. and G.

413. Form. I. 1. G. T. *d* > G. *t*. Eng. dead—G. *töt*; do—*tūn*; bed—*Bett*; steady—*ſtetig*; mother for M. Eng. *moder*—*Mutter* (see 411); hoard + *hort*.

a. Where Eng. *d*—G. *b* in a small number of words, there *d* has been restored in N. H. G. through L. or M. G. influence, M. H. G. showing *t*; or the word has come from L. G. into the written language. Eng. *dumb*

—bumm; dam — Damm; down — Dünre; "Dutch" is L. G. > Eng., while G. *brutſch* belongs to form. III. After l and r are some cases of d — b, e. g., wild — wilb; mild — milb; murder — Mord. These are due to a change of Ags. th > d. Also after n, e. g., wind — winben; bind — binben. These are due to a change of O. H. G. t > d.

2. Eng. b and g = G. b and g, see 403, e. g., bold — balb; beck — Bač; gold — Gold; garden — Garten. For mb — mm, see 490, 4. But b and especially g have often disappeared in Eng. Compare hawk — *Ĥabicht*; Ĥaupt, < *houbit*, — head; Regen — rain; Wagen — wain. G. b — Eng. v, Ĥaben — have; lieben — love, etc.

3. G. T. bb > G. pp: Rappē < \**rappo*, G. T. rabbo-, but Rabe — raven. Knappe < \**knappo*, G. T. knabbo-, but Knabe — knave. Ebbe + ebb, is L. G.

4. G. T. gg > G. tt, but G. T. gg > Eng. dzh (-dge). \**mugjō*, Ags. *mycge*, Eng. midge — G. Mūdte. \**hrujjo*, Ags. *hrycge*, Eng. ridge — G. Rūden. Eng. edge — Ede, bridge — Brūde, etc. Egge, harrow, is L. G.

5. y = sonant stop has sprung either from I. E. x = sonant affricate according to form. I. or from I. E. z = surd stop > G. T. surd spirant according to form. III. and Verner's Law, in both cases through a sonant spirant. Notice "affricate" is a double consonant, "spirant" is a single one. The process of G. T. y > G. z is loss of sonancy the same as I. E. y > G. T. z. Notice that consonants were doubled, t, e., lengthened before West-germanic j, w, r, l, as the examples show, see 389, 5.

414. Form. II. 1. G. T. z > G. x. G. T. t > G. ts (t, t̃) and this remains when initial, after r, l, n and when sprung from tt, but becomes z (Grimm's sign), supposed to have been a lisped s, and later s (ſ, ſ̃), see 490, 2.

In M. H. G. this z and s never rhyme, hence they must have been different sounds. tt > ts is much later than t > ts.

Examples exceedingly numerous: tongue — Zunge; wart — Warze; holt — Holz; mint — Münze < L. *moneta* through \**minuta*; \**sattjan* > Eng. set — G. setzen; whet — wezen; wheat — Weizen; sweat — Schwitzen; water — Wasser; hate — Haß, haßen, etc. All seeming exceptions can be explained in some way or other, e. g., in foreign words introduced since the shifting: tar — Teter < L. G.; temple — Tempel < L. *templum*; tun

—*Lonne* > Keltic(?). The combination *tr* is an exception. Compare also *ft*, *kht*, *st*, 412, 2. True — *tru*; bitter — *bitter* < G. T. *bitr-os*; winter — *Winter*. *Winter* and *unter* are M. H. G. *hinder*, *under*, see 413, 1, a. Words introduced before the shifting are Germanized, e. g., *plant* — *Pflanze* < L. *planta*; *tile* — *Steigel* < L. *tegula*.

2. G. T. *p* > G. *pf*, which remains initially, after *m*, and when sprung from *pp*, but passes into *f* after vowels and *r*, *l*.

Ex.: Eng. *path* — G. *Pfad*; *pea(-cock)* — *Pfau* < L. *pavo*; *plight* — *Plicht*; *swamp* — *Sumpf*(?); *rump* — *Rumpf*; *hop*, *hip* — *hüpfen*; *stop* — *stopfen*; *sleep* — *schlafen*; *hope* — *hoffen*; *sharp* — *scharf*; *help* — *helfen*.

a. Where Eng. and G. *p* correspond, they indicate either L. G. or other foreign words introduced since the shifting, e. g., *pocks* — *Pocken*; *poke* — *pecken* < L. G.; *pain* — *Pein* < L. *pæna*; *pilgrim* — *Pilger* < L. *peregrinus*; *pulpit* — *Pult* < L. *pulpitum*.

3. G. T. *k* > G. *kh*, *jh* (ʃ), except initial *k* and double *k*, which appears as *f*. Eng. has frequently palatalized its *k* into *tsh*, written *ch*, *tch*.

Ex.: Eng. *like* — *gleich*; *bleak* — *bleichen*; *knuckle* — *Knöchel*; *knee* — *Knie*; *church* — *Kirche*; *cook*, *kitchen* — *Koch*, *Küche*. Westgerm. *kk* — Eng. *k* — G. *f*: *bake*, *baker* — *backen*, *Bäcker*; *waken* — *wedden*; *acre* — *Acker*; *naked* — *nackt*.

a. The links between G. T. *s* and G. *x* are probably *surd stop + aspirate*, *surd stop + spirant*, *spirant*, e. g., *k* > *k + H* > *kkh*, an affricate, > *kh*. *kkh* is still S. G., *tth* is the Irish pronunciation of Eng. *th*. The processes are identical with those of I. E. *s* > G. T. *x*. But G. *x* is a long consonant or an affricate, while G. T. *x* < I. E. *s* is a single, weaker consonant. Compare the present *wachsen* having a long and strong *ç* with *Wacht*; *hoffen*, *hanf* with the initial *f* as in *für*, *Feuer*, *vor*. The latter corresponds to G. T. *f*, the former to G. T. *p*. See below.

415. Form. III. G. T. *x* > G. *y*. This shifting only took place in the dentals. G. T. *th* > G. *d*. Eng. *thing* — G. *Ding*; *that* — *das*; *hearth* — *Herd*; *earth* — *Erde*; *brother* — *Bruder*.

As to extent and time of this shifting, see p. 185. The process of the shifting of the G. T. *surd spirant* under the accent > G. *sonant stop*, *final surd stop* is identical with that of G. T. *surd spirants unaccented* > G. T. *sonant spirant* > G. T. *sonant stop* in certain positions. For this G. T. *y* > G. *s*, see 411.

1. Eng. *h*, *gh*, *f* correspond to G. *h*, *ŋ*, *f* (v), but Eng. *gh* is often silent.



Ex.: Eng. floor — G. *Flur*; fowl — *Vogel*; heart — *Herz*; hart — *ſirch* < *hirz*; ; might — *Macht*; fraught, freight — *Fracht*.

2. G. T. **hw**, Eng. **wh** — G. *w*. Ex.: Eng. which — G. *welch*; whelp — *Welf*.

3. All irregularities must be explained as before, either as due to levelling or to foreign origin. See 414, 1. herd — *ſerbe*, L. G., but *ſirt* — shep-herd according to rule; throne — *ſtron* < Gr.-L. *thronus*. The relation of *Tauſend* to thousand is not cleared up.

Eng. *f* — G. *ǫ*, L. G., see 403, 4. *h* before *l* and *r* has been lost in both languages. Comp. *κλυτός*, Ags. *hlūd* — Eng. loud, G. laut; <  $\sqrt{\text{krx}}$ , ablauts II. Lat. *cruur* — Ags. *hrea* — Eng. raw, G. *rōh*.

#### THE INTERCHANGES RESULTING FROM THE SHIFTING OF G. T. SPIRANTS. See 411.

416. Levelling has so largely done away with the results of Verner's law in German that what is left of them may be looked upon as isolated cases. They appear more in derivatives of the same stem than in the verb-inflection.

1. *ɔ* — *t* most frequent: *leiden* — *litt*, *gelitten*; *leiten*; *sieden* — *jott*, *gefotten*. *f* — *b*: *darf*, *dürfen*, *Rotburſt* — *darben*, *verderben* (?). *h*, *ǫ* — *g*: *ziehen* (*h* silent), *Zucht* — *gezogen*, *Herzog*. *f* — *r*: *Ber-luſt*, + *loss* — *verlieren* (levelling), *verloren* + *forlorn*; *kiesen* — *Kur*, *erforen*.

417. Correspondences between Eng. and G. consonants outside of the shiftings.

1. Loss of *n* before spirants in G. T. and later. Before G. T. *kh* as in *ſaßen* (archaic for *ſangen*) < \**ſanhan*; *danhte* < \**danhte*, + *thought*, etc. Ags. — Eng. also before *th* and *f*, when G. has preserved *n*. Compare: *tooth* — *Zahn*; *mouth* — *Mund*; but *south* — *Süð*, of L. G. origin; *soft* — *ſanft*, but *ſacht*, of L. G. origin.

2. Eng. *wr* — G. *r*: Eng. *write* — *reißen*, *rißen*; *wrench* — *renten*; *wretch* — *Rede*; *wring* — *ringen*.

3. Eng. *w*, *r*, *l*, *m* correspond to G. *w*, *r*, *l*, *m*.

4. For Eng. m — G. n, see 490, 5. For Eng. mb — G. mm, see 490, 4.

5. Eng. s (original s) — G. s: house — *haus*; sink — *senken*.

α. Eng. x — G. x, *ch*. The phonetic value of the sign is the same in both languages. The sign x, borrowed from Latin, stands for *ch*, *ts*, *dx*.  
 Ex.: Eng. wax — G. *wachsen*; fox — *Fuchs*; axle — *Achse*; box — *Büchse* < Gr. *πυξίς*; box — *Buchstbaum* < L. *buxus*.

### ACCENT.

418. We are following still the traditional method of treating of the accent, but, as a matter of fact, in speaking we never divide the word into the syllables or the sentence into the words as they are printed or written. Such a division is purely for the eye and artificial. We speak in "*breathgroups*," as Sweet calls them. Sievers uses "*Sprachtakt*," but "*Sprechtakt*" would be better. A breathgroup consists of a certain number of sounds that can be pronounced "in one breath," as we say. If one or two sounds have very strong stress then the number of "syllables" in the group is small, because the store of air is spent. If one syllable has only the amount of air spent upon a secondary or medium accent, then the number of syllables can be larger. Eng. and G. have a prevalingly falling rhythm, that is, the stress falls upon the initial sounds or syllable of a group. French is different. Its stress is very uniform and the predominant stress very difficult to place in the group. Excellent authorities, both French and Dutch, claim that the stress lies at the beginning; other authorities, just as high, that it lies at the end of the group. The French groups are very long.

In G. and Eng. the amount of stress concentrated upon some part of the group varies, else there would be a great monotony as in French, but Fr. has a more varied intonation or "tone," which gives it an advantage over Eng. and G.

1. For very trustworthy division into breathgroups, see Sweet's transcriptions of Eng., G. and Fr. in his "Handbook." For the whole difficult subject of the synthesis of sounds, see Sweet and also Sievers' *Phonetik*, § 83. Notice that the principle of breathgroups is recognized when we speak of proclitics and enclitics. All syncope, elision, contraction, metre, assimilation take place according to this principle. When there are too many syllables to be pronounced conveniently by one breath-impulse some are cut off and always according to a certain fixed rule varying with the different languages. Or if the sounds coming together in a group are very different we assimilate them to each other. This we call "ease of utterance" or "euphony."

419. We distinguish three degrees of accent or "stress," viz., *chief* (strong, primary), *medium* (secondary), and *weak*, marked respectively ' , ˘ , ˘˘. Thus: *U'pfel*, *da'nfba'ɾ*, *Da'nf:ba'ɾfel't*.

1. "Weak" also includes "unaccented," when there are not syllables enough, e. g., *D'ʃlga'ɾt'e'n*, *U'pfe'lbau'm*. But when the word is very long

or in a group of several words we may distinguish not merely between weak and unaccented, but the variety of stress can be further marked by figures, *e. g.*,  $\text{Bere}^1\text{bfa}^2\text{mfti}^3\text{'t}$  (Be unmarked or  $^1\text{ }^2\text{ }^3\text{ }^4\text{ }^5$ ):  $\text{Gros}^1\text{ß}^2\text{er}^3\text{zogtum}^4$ ,  $\text{Ältertums}^1\text{funde}^2$ ,  $\text{Wier}^1\text{t}^2\text{ig}^3\text{j}^4\text{ähriger}^5$ .

### Accent in Uncompounded Words.

**420.** The chief accent rests in all uncompounded words on the stem-syllable (no matter if suffixes and inflectional endings follow). This syllable is always the first, *e. g.*,  $\text{Ba}^1\text{'ter}$ ,  $\text{v}^1\text{ä}^2\text{'terlich}$ ,  $\text{fo}^1\text{'lgjam}$ ,  $\text{L}^1\text{ä}^2\text{'cherlichfeit}$ ,  $\text{K}^1\text{lei}^2\text{'nod}$ ,  $\text{sch}^1\text{mei}^2\text{'cheln}$ ,  $\text{die Hu}^1\text{'ngernden}$ .

1. Exceptions:  $\text{Ie}^1\text{be}^2\text{'ndig}$  from  $\text{Ie}^1\text{'ben}$ ; words in  $-\text{ei}$  and  $-\text{ier}$ ,  $-\text{ieren}$ , *e. g.*,  $\text{Mal}^1\text{erei}^2$ ,  $\text{bene}^1\text{de}^2\text{'en}$ ,  $\text{vermale}^1\text{de}^2\text{'en}$ ,  $\text{stubi}^1\text{'ren}$ ,  $\text{Bar}^1\text{bi}^2\text{'er}$ ;  $\text{Iu}^1\text{th}^2\text{'erisch}$  (long *e*), meaning "Lutheran," pertaining to that confession, but  $\text{Iu}^1\text{th}^2\text{'er(i)sch}$ , of, pertaining to Luther;  $\text{ä}^1\text{th}^2\text{'erisch}$ ; a few derivatives in  $-\text{ha}^1\text{'tig}$  (see 526, 2);  $\text{wa}^1\text{hr}^2\text{ha}^3\text{'tig}$ ,  $\text{Ie}^1\text{ib}^2\text{ha}^3\text{'tig}$ , sometimes  $\text{te}^1\text{il}^2\text{ha}^3\text{'tig}$ ; also  $\text{wa}^1\text{hr}^2\text{sch}^3\text{'tlich}$ , but see 422, 2.

2. This limitation of the primary accent to the root syllable is a peculiarity of the Germanic languages. It is called the logical or "gebundene" accent. The other Indo-European languages have the "free" accent, which can fall on any syllable. The original accent must have been preserved in G. T. until after the shifting of I. E.  $\mathbf{x} > \text{G. T. } \mathbf{x}$ , because then the law of spirants (see 411) went into effect.

3. The Tentic element of Eng. has, of course, the same accent as G. and even the Norman-French element in Eng. has largely submitted to the Germanic accent, *e. g.*,  $\text{sea}^1\text{'son} < \text{L. } \text{ratio}^1\text{'nem}$ ;  $\text{rea}^1\text{'son} < \text{L. } \text{ratio}^1\text{'nem}$ ;  $\text{I}^1\text{'berty} < \text{L. } \text{lib}^1\text{erta}^2\text{'tem}$ . Compare the foreign accent in G.  $\text{Sai}^1\text{so}^2\text{'n}$ ,  $\text{ra}^1\text{ison}^2\text{'nen}$ ,  $\text{Qualit}^1\text{'ät}$ . It is to be noted that the two past participles and the pret. pl. were not stem-accented, originally, standing in contrast with the pres. and pret. sg. The accented suffixes we cannot enumerate.

### Accent in Compound Words.

**421.** In compound words the chief accent rests upon the stem-syllable of the first component part if the second part is a noun (subst. or adj.); on the stem-syllable of the second part if this is a verb or derived from a verb:  $\text{Fa}^1\text{'hrstra}^2\text{'ße}$ ,  $\text{Na}^1\text{'chtw}^2\text{'ä}^3\text{'chter}$ ,  $\text{Sch}^1\text{ö}^2\text{'p}^3\text{hu}^4\text{'nd}$ ,  $\text{Ie}^1\text{'brei}^2\text{'ch}$ ,  $\text{gn}^1\text{a}^2\text{'de}^3\text{'nvo}^4\text{'ll}$ ,  $\text{Be}^1\text{'trag}$ ,  $\text{A}^1\text{'nt}^2\text{wort}$ ,  $\text{Jü}^1\text{'rpre}^2\text{'ch}$ ,  $\text{U}^1\text{'rteil}$ ,  $\text{vo}^1\text{'rne}^2\text{'hm}$ ,  $\text{Mi}^1\text{'ßgun}^2\text{'st}$ ; but  $\text{ver}^1\text{spr}^2\text{'e}^3\text{'chen}$ ,  $\text{ertei}^1\text{'len}$ ,  $\text{ver}^1\text{ne}^2\text{'hmen}$ ,  $\text{beta}^1\text{'gen}$ ,  $\text{voll}^1\text{br}^2\text{'ingen}$ ,  $\text{miß}^1\text{li}^2\text{'ngen}$ ,  $\text{voll}^1\text{st}^2\text{'mmen}$ .

1. This old principle should be understood even by the beginner, though to him there will seem to be many exceptions, which an advanced scholar will generally account for.  $\text{A}^1\text{'ntworten}$ ,  $\text{u}^1\text{'rtellen}$  are no exceptions, because they are derived from the nouns

W'ntwort, W'rtel; nor are das Berial'ngen, der Befehl, verne'hml'ch, because they are derived from the corresponding verbs. Wohl'ommen has the correct accent, because it is a past participle.

The prefixes are fully treated in the word-formation, which see.

#### 422. The more striking exceptions are as follows :

1. A large group of words which have not become real compounds but have sprung from mere juxtaposition in orthography : Das Lebew'ch, vivat; viellet'cht, Biellie'b'chen, Lebew'hl, Verg'hm'einnicht, Fanena'rr, Hoherprie'ster, Langewe'l'e (but La'ngweil after the genuine compound Ru'r'zweil), Jahrhu'ndert, Jahrz'e'hut, dreie'n'ig, Dreie'n'igkeit, aller- + -lie'b'ft, -'r'ft, -he'l'ligenfest, etc.; Dreif'zig'fest. Their etymologies are apparent.

2. In a number of adjectives, most of them ending in -lich, and their derivatives, the chief accent has shifted from the original position to the syllable preceding the suffix : vorz'u'glich, but Vo'r'zug; vortre'fflich; abfcheu'lich, but A'bfcheu; ausbr'u'chlich, but Au'sbruch; die Vortre'fflichkeit, die Ausfu'hrlichkeit, leibet'gen. In some the accent is uncertain, but the chief accent on the first element is preferable, e. g., ha'ndgreiflich better than handgre'flich; no'twendig, wa'hrfcheinlich, ei'gentu'mlich. A distinction is sometimes made between ei'gentu'mlich, "belonging to," and eigentu'mlich, "peculiar to." Notice offenba'r.

3. barmhe'rzig, full of pity, Kar- (formerly Char) as in Karfreitag, Good-Friday, Karwo'che, Holy Week (K a r- + care, sorrow, but also Ka'rwoche), Kro'nle'i'chnam, Corpus Christi, perhaps because the meaning of the first element is no longer clear. Su'bo'ft, Su'bu'bo'ft, no'rbwe'flich as in English.

4. In a large number of adjectives in which the first element denotes a comparison or a high degree, e. g., himmelho'ch, as high as heaven, eif'alt, as cold as ice, fo'hl'chwa'r, the accent may stand on the second element, but must remain on the first when the adj. is inflected. Steir'e'ich, "very rich," originally "rich in precious stones," ste'ir'e'ich, stony, are sometimes distinguished.

5. aller- is accented only in a'llerhand and a'llerlei, doubtful in several, as in a'llerfeits. all- is generally unaccented : alle'n, allma'hlich, allgeme'n, but also A'llmacht, A'llwater, A'lltag and its derivatives, but also all'a'glich, as sub 4.

6. un-. For this prefix it is difficult to find a general rule. The best founded and most practical is this, based upon nominal and verbal compounds : un- compounded with nouns and adjectives not derived from

verbs attracts the chief accent; if they are derived from verbs, then the stem-syllable retains its original accent, *e. g.*, u'nfruchtbar, u'nbanfbar, u'nflar, u'nmenſch, but unglau'blid, unſü'glic, unentbe'hrlic, unvera'nwortlic, unbegre'tlic. Notice, however, un'nblid, unge'he'r — u'nge'he'r. See *a*.

*a*. With regard to adjectives there is also a feeling approaching a principle, that *un* should have the chief accent, when a regular adjective exists, of which the compound with *un-* denotes the contrary or negation: bran'q̄bar, u'nbrauq̄bar, ſ'q̄tbar, u'nſi'q̄tbar, etc. This feeling frequently unsettles the accent, as unver'ge'tlic > u'ner'ge'tlic.

7. *Öbr-* varies in accent in compounds consisting of three parts. When it belongs to the second part it has chief stress, and the third part secondary stress: *Ö*'berſieſer'veric'jung, injury of the upper jawbone. But if the second and third form one subdivision and *öbr-* denotes rank, then it has less stress than the third part and the second has chief stress: *Ö*br'ſchü'lle'hrer = chief school-teacher; *Ö*br-mu'nſche'nf; *Ö*bergeri'cht'a'mwalt, chief attorney. But accent the first and last examples differently and they mean different persons, viz., *Ö*'berschü'lle'hrer, teacher at a high-school; *Ö*'bergeri'cht'a'mwalt, attorney at a high-court of justice.

**423.** In compound adverbs the chief accent falls generally upon the second element, if they are compounded of a simple adverb and a preceding or following noun or pronoun; or if compounded of two adverbs, *e. g.*, bergau'f, ſtroma't, jahrei'n, jahrau's, zuſo'lge, anſta'tt, hinü'ber, heruo'r, ſofo'rt, daſi'n, dahe'r, überau's, überei'n, überhau'pt, vorha'nden, abha'nden.

1. This includes their derivatives ſofo'rtig, zuſie'ben, vorha'nden.

Exceptions are: 1, compounds which contain demonstrative and possessive pronouns, *e. g.*, be'mnach, be'rgeltalt, mei'netwegen, etc.; a'nber- or a'nberſ-, -'halb, -'wärts, -gestern, *e. g.*, a'nberöwo, a'nberſeit, o'berhalb, he'i'mwärts, vo'r-wärt, vo'rgestern, etc.; be'mnach, e'mwa; 2, many compounds which are fused adverbial phrases and derivatives from compounds. They retain their original word accent, *e. g.*, a'ngeſicht, a'bfreit, na'chmittags, ü'bermorgen, zu'ſehen.

See the rhetorical accent, **426**.

**424.** For the secondary accent rules can be given only in derivatives and compound words.

1. Certain nominal suffixes have always medium stress.

a. Substantive suffixes: -at, -ut, -od; -heit, -richt, -in, -keit, -lein, -ling, -nis, -sal, -schaft, -tum, *e. g.*, *Hei'ma't*, *Klei'no'd*, *E'wigkei't*, *Hi'nsterni's*, *Trü'bja'l*, *Kö'nigtu'm*.

b. Adjective suffixes: -bar, -haft, -icht (?), -isch (?), -lich, -sam, -selig, *e. g.*, *bellä'gba'r*, *e'hrenha'ft*, *e'rdi'cht*, *he'rri'ch*, *la'ngsa'm*, *trü'bje'lig*.

2. In nominal compounds the secondary stress falls upon the root-syllable of the second part, *e. g.*, *Rü'dgra't*, *Ha'hrma'sser*, *Ku'fensel'te*, *Ri'chterfü'lung*, *U'ngere'chtigkeit*, *le'bensmü'de*, *hi'lsbe=dü'rftig*.

3. In double compounds when one or both parts are again compounded the secondary stress falls upon the first or the only stem-syllable of the second part. But care must be taken in properly separating the parts, *e. g.*, *Be'tt-wo'rhang*, *Re'chnung<sup>4</sup>-a'blage<sup>5</sup>*, *Ge'lb-be'rgwe'rt*, *Ve'li-ja'nschu'h*, *He'lma'rschall*; but *Ja'nschu'h-ma'cher*, *Ku'fba'u-m-hö'ly*, *Schri'ftst'e'ckerri'n*.

The misplaced medium stress would give no meaning at all, *e. g.*, *Ku'f-bau'mhö'ly*, because *bau'mhö'ly* is meaningless. In *He'u'ervertöcherungs-gesell'schaft* secondary accent on -f'ch- is only possible, if there is such a thing as *He'u'er-re'itungs-gesell'schaft*.

4. The foreign endings, of course, also cross this accentuation, *e. g.*, *Bu'chdruckeri'*, *U'ntersekretaria't*, *i'rri'chtelle'ren*.

425. Unaccented are all inflectional endings, many prefixes and suffixes. The syllables generally contain *e* = *eh*.

426. The rhetorical accent (emphasis) can interfere with the placing of the various degrees of stress, but this does not differ from the English: *da'rbei* and *dabei'*; *ei'nmal*, *einma'l*. In Sch.'s *Wallenstein* occurs *Ra'nn nicht sein*, *fann ni'cht sein*, etc.

427. The accent in foreign words is as a rule foreign. Very few words have taken German accent when introduced since the O. H. G. period. Substantives in -ic and -ei, verbs in -ieren retain, for instance, the primary accent on these suffixes, *e. g.*, *Magie'*, *Lyologie'*, *Druckeri'*, *subie'ren*, *hantie'ren*.

## B. HISTORICAL COMMENTARY UPON THE ACCIDENCE.

### Comments on the Noun-Declension. 1. Vowel-Declension.

[See table on next page.]

There are two numbers, three genders. Only two cases have now endings, viz., G. sg. and D. pl., but other parts of speech still inflect for the N. and A. The number of cases was gradually reduced. In O. H. G. there is still an Instrumental.

428. 1. There were two large systems of declension according as the stem ended in a vowel or in a consonant. Vowel stems ended in *o* or in *ā*. We generally count here also the *i*- and *u*-stems, but they really belong to the consonant stems, since *i* and *u* have the functions of consonants as well as of vowels. Stems in *o* (*jo*, *wo*) belong to the I. E. *e*—*o* ablaut-series and are always masculine or neuter. Stems in *ā* (*jā*, *wā*) belong to the *a*—*ā* series and are always feminine. *jo*, *wo*, *jā*, *wā* are counted as separate classes, because *j* and *w* produced some peculiar changes. *u*-stems are very rare, since they soon became *i*-stems, e. g., *sunu*, pl. *sunī*, *Sōhne*. There is only one neuter *i*-stem in O. H. G., viz., *meri*, *bað Rter* + L. *mare*.

2. The consonant stems end in *n*, *r*, in a dental and in a guttural. The most frequent are the *n*-stems, to which went over a great many feminine nouns from the earliest times, e. g., *sunga* + L. *lingua* for *dingua*.

3. J. Grimm fancied that there was strength in the vowel-declension and so called it "strong," the consonant declension he called "weak." The names have been generally accepted and though Grimm's reasons are fanciful the terms have the advantage of brevity.

4. The stem and case endings have been very much reduced according to certain principles called the "laws of finals" and the "rules of syncope." We cannot illustrate these here, as it would presuppose a knowledge of the older dialects. There was also a great levelling of cases, e. g., the N. sg. fem. (*β*-stem) took *a* from the A. sg. fem. Its own vowel had to go according to the law of finals.

### 429. *I*-Stems.

The paradigms of "kraft" and "gast" show which cases were entitled to umlaut. The sg. of the masc. very early took its G. and D. from the *o*-stems. The feminine was made invariable in M. H. G. since the apparent cause of umlaut had disappeared and since all other feminines, strong and weak, did not vary in the root-vowel.

O-STEMS. J-O-STEMS. I-STEMS. U-STEMS.

Short-stem. Sg. N. tac	Long-stem. fogal	O. H. G.	M. H. G.	O. H. G.	M. H. G.	M. H. G.	O. H. G.
G. tages	fogales		vogel	hirti	hirte	gast	sunu
D. tage	fogale		vogel(e)s	hirtes	hirtes	gastes	sunes
A. tac	fogal		vogel(e)	hirte	hirte	gaste	sun(i)u
I. tagu	fogalu		vogel	hirti	hirte	gast	sunu
				hirt(i)u			
PL N., A. tagá	fogalá		vogel(e)	hirte	hirte	geste	sun(i)u, -i
G. tago	fogaló		vogel(e)	hirt(e)o	hirte	geste	sun(e)o
D. tagum	fogalum		vogel(e)n	hirtim	hirten	gesten	sunum, -im

Masculine.

Sg. N. geba	O. H. G.	M. H. G.	O. H. G.	M. H. G.	O. H. G.	M. H. G.	O. H. G.
G. gebá	gebe	kraft	kraft	zunge	zunge	naht, through	mágin
D. gebu	gebe	krefli	krefte, kraft	zungun	zungen	the sg. and in	máginna
A. geba	gebe	krefi	krefte, kraft	zungun	through	N. and A. pl.	máginna
		kraft	kraft	zungun	all cases		máginne
PL N., A. gebá	gebe	krefi	krefte	zungun	sg. & pl.		máginne
G. gebóno	geben	kref(e)s	krefte	zungono		nahto	máginno
D. gebóm, ón	geben	kreftim	kreften	zungóm, ón		nahtum	máginóm

Feminine.

Sg. N., A. wort	O. H. G.	M. H. G.	O. H. G.	M. H. G.	O. H. G.	M. H. G.
G. wortes	kalb	kalp	herza	herze	herzen	
D. worte	kalbes	kalbes	herzin	herzen	all through	
	kalbe	kalbe	herzin			
PL N., A. wort	kalbir	kelbir	herrun			
G. worte	kalbiro	kelber(e)	herzóno			
D. worten	kalbirum	kelber(e)n	herzóim			

Neuter.



430. 1. A small group of fem. is interesting, because the sg. was levelled in favor of the longer umlaut-forms of the G. and D., while the pl. became weak at the same time. For instance, *bie Ent*, the duck, inflected M. H. G. at first *ant*, *ente*, *ente*, *ant*; pl. *ente*, *ente*, *enten*, *ente*. Then it became *ente* for the whole sg., *enten* for the pl., as it is now. Similarly M. H. G. *bluot*, now *bie Blüte* + blowth; *sell*, now *bie Säult*, column; *vurch*, *bie Furche* + furrow, no umlaut in M. H. G.; *huf*, *bie Hüfte*, this form "huft" with excrement t, + hip, also Eng. with umlaut, + Ags. *hype*; *stuo*, *bie Stute*, + stud. *Träne*, *Bähre* + tear, *Thür* (?) + door, are originally plurals, that have become singulars. See Kluge.

a. In this way doublets could spring up, e. g., M. H. G. sg. *stat*, *stete*, *stete*, *stat* furnished *bie Statt* + stead, *bie Stabt*, pl. *Stäbte*, city, and *bie Stätte*, pl. -n, place, spot— all + Eng. *stead*. *Statt* only occurs in the sense of representation "in place of," *anstatt*, an *setner Statt*, an *Kindesstatt*, to adopt as one's own child. Another such is M. H. G. *fart*—modern *bie Fahrt*, pl. *Fahrten*, ride, and *bie Fahrt*, pl. *Fährten*, track, scent.

2. All nouns in *-heit*, *-keit*, *-schaft* and a large group of others were in M. H. G. still strong (mostly i-stems), but are now weak.

3. The modern fem. nouns in *-in*, pl. *-innen*, are also strong in O. H. G. The suffix *-in* < *-ind*. See paradigm of *māgin*. They had the fate of all fem. nouns, viz., invariable in the sg., generally *-en* in the pl.

#### 431. Plurals in *-er*. See paradigm, p. 195.

1. This sign started from old *os*-stems corresponding to L. *genus*, *generis*; *corpus*, *corporis*. It is rare in O. H. G. in the sg., where it may have been even reintroduced from the pl. In the G. and D. pl. *-o*, *-um* are the regular case-endings. *-ir* therefore is really stem-ending, but it was too convenient a form for the pl. to escape being used as a pl. sign. Some eight to ten nouns are thus inflected in O. H. G. In M. H. G. *-er* spread and gradually formed a pl. even of masculines.

2. The word *ei* is originally a *jo*-stem. The double plurals in *-t* and *-er* have sprung up from the apparent necessity of distinguishing sg. and pl. of neuters, which according to the law of finals had to lose all endings. Some nouns took *t*, some *er*, some both. In the latter a distinction in meaning developed. See 58 and the inflection of *wort* and *kalt*, p. 195.

## 2. Consonant Declension.

**432.** The masculine and neuter *n*-stems ended once in *-on*, *-jon*, the feminines in *-ōn*, *-jōn*. They correspond to the L. *homo*, *hominis*; *fulmen*, *fulminis*; *ratio*, *rationis*. As to their frequency in the Teutonic languages, see **478**, 5. The Latin declension shows also in the singular, how the case-endings were added; in O. H. G. these appear still in the pl., e. g., in *herzono* *ō* is sign of G. pl. What was therefore the mere stem-suffix has become a means of inflection in the course of time.

1. *r*-stems are the names of relationship, *Vater*, etc. They with the dental stems were forced into the strong, first into the *o*-, then into the *i*-declension for lack of case-endings, which could appear only in the G. and D. pl., viz., *fatero*, *faterum*. Already in M. H. G. the umlaut appears in the *r*-stems.

2. Nouns like *Witze*, *Wenge*, *Größe* end in *f* or *fn* in O. H. G.: *guoſ*, *managf*, *-fn*. That is, they were *fd*- and *fōn*-stems. They are all derivatives from adjectives, and those in *fn* are later than those in *f*. In O. H. G. they had *f* or *fn* throughout except in the G. and D. pl., which were *managino*, *managim* respectively. Therefore umlaut throughout. The *fn*-forms had to coincide in time with the strong feminines in *-fn(n)* at least in the sg. and therefore disappeared. They were rarely used in the pl. See paradigm of *māgin*, p. 195.

**433.** 1. All feminines having now no inflection in the sg. and the old strong fem. having taken *e(n)* in the plural, it is difficult to tell the original vowel-stems from *n*-stems. It would be correct to summarize the changes that have taken place in them, thus:

All fem. nouns have become strong in the sg. and most of them by far, weak in the plural.

2. The fem. *d*-stems (see paradigm) had already two cases in *-en*, viz., G. and D. pl., the other two were like the whole sg. It is not to be wondered at, then, if N. and A. pl. also took *-en* and thus a sharp contrast was formed between the sg. with no variation and the pl. with *-en* throughout. By this levelling and by the *fōn* (*f* and *fn*) stems the loss of *-en* in the sg. of *n*-stems was brought about.

**434.** 1. *-n* in the D. and G. sg. is still frequent in the 16th century and is preserved in certain phrases and in poetry. Schiller's *Wallenstein's Lager* has *Kirde*, *Stube*, *Sonne*. *Festgemauert in der Erden* (Sch.). See **171**.

2. The masculines in *-t* are the bulk of old *n*-stems in M. H. G. Some nouns have become strong, e. g., *War*, *ſaſn*; others have become weak, *ſirt* (originally *jo*-stem), *ſelb* (already in M. H. G.). See **61**.

3. As to the nouns in **46**, 1, in M. H. G. *e* was dropped after *r* and *l* in

the N. sg. and all through; after *m* and *n* only in the N. In modern G. no *-t* is the usage. See paradigm of *vogel*, p. 195.

435. 1. In O. H. G. were only four neuter *n*-stems, viz., *bra*, *Ńhr*; *ouga*, *Aug*; *herza*, *Ńer*; *wanga*, *Ńange*. In M. H. G. they inclined toward the strong and now the first three have joined the mixed declension; *wanga* has become weak and fem.; *nano*, *ber Name*, was once neuter. Comp. L. *nomen*, *nominis*.

2. Interesting are *bie Biene* + *bee* and *bie Birne* + *pear*, in which the inflectional *n* has entered the stem. Compare the older *Be*, *Bir*. This entering of *n* into the N. of masculines is very common and has furnished the bulk of strong nouns, 1. class sub 1 and 4, 46, e. g., *Räden*, *Galgen*, *Ńofen*, *Roggen*, *ŃŃaben* (but notice the isolated „*es iŃt ŃŃabe*,“ it is too bad). One can tell these by comparing them with their Eng. cognates + *ridge*, *gallow(s)*, *post*, *rye*, etc., which show no *n*.

3. In *ber Ńeibe* < *heidan* + *heathen*; *Ńhrif* + *Christian* < *kristen* < L. *christianus*; *Rabe* < *rabe* and *raben* + *raven*, *n* is lost as if it had been regarded an inflectional suffix and the nouns became weak.

4. In *bie ŃerŃe* < *fersana*, *Ag.* *fyren*; *Ńette* < *ketene*, *chetina* + Eng. *chain* through Romance < V. L. *cadina*, L. *catena*; in *bie Rüche* < *küchene*, *kuchin* < V. L. *cucina*, L. *coquina* + Eng. *kitchen*; in *bie Ńette* < *metten*, *mettina* < V. L. *matina*, L. *matutina* (*hora*) + Eng. *matin*, the *n* has also been lost and the nouns became weak.

### Comments on the Adjective-Declension.

#### 436. O. H. G. paradigm of *o*-stems:

	Masc.	Fem.	Neuter.
<i>Sg.</i> N.	BLINT, blintêr	BLINT, blintû, -(i)û	BLINT, blintaz
G.	BLINTES	blintera, -u	BLINTES
D.	blintemu	blinteru, -a	blintemu
A.	blintan	BLINTA, -e	BLINT, blintaz
Instr.	BLINTU		BLINTU
<i>Pl.</i> N.	blinte	blinto	blintû, -(i)û
G.	blintero	blintero	blintero
D.	blintêrn, -ên	blintêrn, -ên	blintêrn, -ên
A.	blinte	blinto	blintû, -(i)û

437. The adjective was once declined like the substantive, when both were still “nouns.” In the Teutonic languages the so-called “uninflected” forms are still the noun inflection, because \**blindos* > *blind(t)* just as \**dagoe* > *tag*. The *strong* declension is the pronominal inflection, which in some cases coincided with the substantive declension. These cases and the uninflected forms are put in small capitals in the paradigm.

1. The adjective pronouns led the way in this coalescence of the two inflections into the one *strong* one. *dāntēr* is only S. G., the uninflected alone occurs in M. and L. G.

2. The double forms *dāntān*, *dāntis* are perhaps due to *jo*-stems (Paul). *dāntis* could give M. H. G. *blinde*. The M. H. G. forms, both strong and weak, differ very little from the O. H. G. In the neuter pl. *dāntān* lasted long.

3. In O. H. G. the vowel-stems are reduced to *o*- and *jo*-stems.

The *jo*-stems are still recognizable by the umlaut which runs throughout, e.g., *fōsa*, *bōte*, *trāge*.

4. The weak declension was exactly like the *π*-subst. declension. Now the sg. A. fem. and neuter are like the sg. N. just as in the substantives.

### Comparison of Adjectives.

438. *-r*, *-ft* represent O. H. G. *-iro*, *-ōro*, *-ist*, *-ist*. The *o*-forms, are not frequent in O. H. G. *i* in *ir*, *ist* produced umlaut, which spread in M. H. G., so that even then the umlaut began to be looked upon as an essential part of comparison.

They were declined almost exclusively weak at first. *e* of *bepere* (N. sg.) was lost just like the *e* of *vogele*, see p. 195.

1. It is generally stated that *-iro*, *-oro* come from an I. E. suffix *-jaws*, but how has never been made clear. It is probable that, since *-oro* was at first attached only to *o*-stems, the *o* is secondary and due to the stem-suffix. The comparative-suffix seems to have been *-is* and to this *-r* was added for the superlative. But *-t* is probably identical with the ordinal-suffix.

### Irregular Comparison.

439. *besser* < O. H. G. *bezziro*, Ags. *betera*, *best* < *bezzist*, Ags. *betst*; *mehr* < O. H. G. *mēro*, Go. *maiza*, *meist* < O. H. G. *meist*, Go. *maists*; *minder* < O. H. G. *minniro*, M. H. G. *minre*, *mindest* represents O. H. G. *minnist*, M. H. G. *minnest*.

1. All contain the regular suffixes. *besser* comes perhaps from a stem \**b'ad*. *bāß* is the regularly developed comparative adverb. Comp. M. H. G. *min*, *mē*, Ags. *min*, *mē*. *r* disappeared according to the law of finals. Whether *mē* is related to L. *magis*, major, is doubtful. *minder* has excrescent *b*. The O. H. G. *nn* shows that L. *minu-s* is its cognate. *mindest* is a N. H. G. superlative < *minder*.

2. *Grß* is < O. H. G. *gristo*, comparative *griro*. *Grße* is a modern formation for the positive, + Eng. *ere*, *erst*. *Grßt* comes from a stem \**lat*, from which Eng. *late*, *later*; *last* — *latest*; also + to let = "hinder." *lāß*, tired. *Grßt* < *last*, *lat(ist)*, just as Eng. *last* < *latest*. See Kluge. *Grßt* + *first* is < O. H. G. *furī* (adverb), *furiro*, *furisto*.

## Comments on the Pronouns.

## 440. PERSONAL PRONOUNS.

		M. H. G. Common gender.		
		I.	II.	III. refl.
<i>Sg.</i>	N.	ich	du, dū	—
	G.	{ mīn (mīnes, -er)	dīn dīner	sīn sīner
	D.	mir	dir	(im)
	A.	mich	dich	sich
<i>Pl.</i>	N.	wir	ir	—
	G.	unser	iurwer	(ir)
	D.	uns	in	(in)
	A.	{ uns unsich	{ inch inwih	sich
III. person with form for each gender.				
<i>Sg.</i>	N.	ēr	siu	ēz
	G.	sīn, ēs	ir, iro	ēs, sīn
	D.	im(e)	ir, iro	im(e)
	A.	in, inen	sie	ēz
O. H. G. inan				
<i>Pl.</i>	N., A.	si(e)	si(e), sī	siu
	G.	ir (O. H. G. iro)		
	D.	in (O. H. G. im)		

1. The pronouns of common gender come from various stems, which as well as the inflections are difficult to analyze. *er, ſie, es* come from two stems *i* (< *es* - *of*) and *id*. For *es* < *ez* + Goth. *ita*, see 490, 2. Compare L. *is, ea, id*.

2. The pronouns were extended by two endings, *-er* and *-en*, in N. H. G. The G. sg. *miter*, etc., are no doubt due to the influence of the strong adjective declension and to *unſtr*, *eur* (G. pl.). The same endings appear in *berer* and *benen*, but these are later, since both *mīnes* and *mīner* appear in M. H. G. sporadically. *iuch*, originally A., spread over D. like the reflexive "sich." *sīn* crowded out *es* (G. masc.) already in O. H. G. and *es* (neuter G.) has general force, not referring to a single object. N. H. G. *ſhre* is probably an analogous form with "dero" before a title and not

the old fem. G. sg. or pl. *iro* as generally stated. *ir* (G. pl.) was still the rule in the 16th century and as G. sg. still in the 17th. *beintr* was established later than *meintr* and *feintr*, which were the rule early in the 17th century.

#### 441. POSSESSIVE PRONOUNS.

a. The possessive pronouns are of the same origin as the genitives *mein*, *bein*, *fein*, etc., of the personal pronoun. They are most likely not derived from the latter as is generally stated, but rather the reverse. The adjective suffix *-in* < *in* seems to lie in them attached to the primitive stems \**ma*, \**iwa*, \**swa*, which appear in all Indo-European languages. Comp. L. *meus*, *tuus*, *suus*, *mei*, *tui*, *sui*.

1. In O. H. G. the possessives were declined strong even when preceded by the definite article. In M. H. G. the weak declension came into use. The long forms in *-ig* sprang up late in the 16th century.

2. *Sîr*, her, their, however, is derived from the G. of the personal pronoun of the third person. It sprang up in the 12th century and was fully established in the 15th.

#### 442. THE DEMONSTRATIVE PRONOUN.

O. H. G.	Masc.	Fem.	Neut.
<i>Sg. N.</i>	dê (thie), dër	diu	daȝ
	G. dës	dëra, -o	dës
	D. dëmu, M. H. G. dëm(e)	dëru, M. H. G. dër(e)	dëmu
	A. dën	dê, dea, dia	daȝ
	In. diu		diu
<i>Pl. N., A.</i>	dê, dea, dia	deo, dio	dei, diu
	G.	dëro	
	D.	dëm	

a. Sievers assumes two I.-E. stems, *to*, *to*; Paul only one, *to*, explaining *i* as due to the diphthongization of *ê* > *ea* > *ia*. *dê* without *r* is the older; *r* is the same as in *wer*, *er*, + L. *quis*, *is*. *to* is treated as *o* and *i* stem. *dê* < *thai*. *dei* is probably dual like *zwei*. O. H. G. *das* < G. T. *thata*, in which final *t* is a particle. The Instr. exists still in the isolated „*beis*,” + the in “the more,” < *deede* < *des-diu*. *des* is the Gen.

#### 443.

	Masc.	O. H. G.	Fem.	Neut.
<i>Sg. N.</i>	dëse, dëssê-r	dësin, diusin	dësera, derra	diz, dëzi, diȝ
	G. dësses		dësera, derra	dësses
	etc.		etc.	etc.

*dese* is composed like a strong adjective of *de* and a particle *sa*. In the G. sg. both elements are inflected, generally only the second. *diȝ* has in  $\ddot{z}$  the neuter pronominal

suffix, but nothing else in it is explained. In M. H. G. the forms beginning with *dī-* prevailed, always short. *bieß* goes back to O. H. G. *diß*, but *bießes* first appears as late as the 16th century. Hans Sachs still spells *diß*, *dīts*.

1. *jen-er* seems to contain the same suffix *-in* as the possessive pronouns. Its stem is limited to the Teutonic languages.

The origin of „*selb*“ + self is dark.

*ſelā* + such is compounded of *swa*, so, *ſo* and *lich*, like, *-liā*.

2. The pronominal stem *hi*, which appears also in the Eng. pronoun *he*, his, him, her, is hidden in *hute* < *hiudagu* (Instr.), *huter* < *hiujaru*, *hinet* (now dialectic) < M. H. G. *hinet* < *hinacht*, + to-night. It occurs also in the adverbs *hin*, *her*, + *hi-ther*. Compare L. *hi-c*, *hac-c*, *ho-c*.

#### 444. INTERROGATIVE PRONOUNS.

O. H. G.	Masc. and Fem.	Neuter.	M. H. G.
N.	huēr	huaz	wēr, waz
G.	huēs		wēs
D.	huēmu		wēm(e)
A.	huēn(an)	huaz	wēn, waz
Instr.		huiu, hiu	wiu

a. From the stem *-ko* with *k'* that was labialized in Latin and the Teutonic languages. Compare L. *quis-quis*, *quod*, which perhaps requires another I. E. stem *hi*. A. *huenan* is only O. H. G. and the ending is taken from the adjective declension.

1. *wit* < O. H. G. *wiu*, *huiu*, + *why*, *how*, comes from this stem, G. T. *hwa-*, I. E. *ko-*, + Go. *hwaiwa*, Ags. *hū*. But the phonetic relation between *wit*, *why* and *how* is not yet cleared up.

Eng. *whom* is really the D. + *wem*, but served as D. and A. very early.

2. *welā* < O. H. G. *hwēlih*, *wēlich*, + *which* < Ags. *hwylc*, lit. "how or what like."

3. *wēter* + *whether*, now only conjunction, is still a pronoun in the 16th century. Formed by the comparative suffix *-ter* < *thar* < *tero* from *ko-* the interrogative stem. Comp. Gr. *kóteros*, archaic form.

#### 445. INDEFINITE PRONOUNS.

1. *jeber*, *jemand*, *nemand* contain the prefix *io*, *ie*, *it*, + *ever*. *io* gave the original interrogative *weder* indefinite force, *jeber* < *iewēder* < *iewēder*. Like "either," it meant "one of two," "which ever you please." The end-

ing -er was confounded with the adjective-endings -er, -e, -es and the full forms jebterr, jeberr, jebere are preserved, though rare, down to the 17th century.

jemanb is compounded of *ie*-man, nemanb of *ni*-*ie*-man. As to b, see 491. 2.

jeglitā < *iegetih* < *ie*-*giltih*, "ever (the) like."

2. jebweber < *ie*-*deuöder*, "any one of two." It contains an element *de*, which is also in *ettā*, *ettāð*. Its origin is unknown. *frin* < *dechein*. This also contains an obscure element *dech*-.

3. *ander* + other is a comparative like *weber*, < O. H. G. *andar* < \**an*-*tero*.

### Comments on the Conjugation.

#### 446.

#### STRONG VERBS.

	O. H. G.		M. H. G.
	<i>Pres. ind.</i>	<i>Subj.</i>	
<i>Sg.</i> 1.	nimu	nēme	nime nēme
2.	nimis(t)	nēmes	nimest nēmest
3.	nimit	nēme	nimet nēme
<i>Pl.</i> 1.	nēmam(és)	nēmém(és)	nēmen nēmen
2.	nēmat, et	nēmét	nemet nēmet
3.	nēmant	nēmèn	nēment nēmen
	<i>Pret. ind.</i>	<i>Subj.</i>	
<i>Sg.</i> 1.	nam	nāmi	nam næme
2.	nāmi	nāmís	næme næmest
3.	nam	nāmi	nam næme
<i>Pl.</i> 1.	nāmum(és)	nāmím(és)	nāmen næmen
2.	nānut	nāmít	nāmet næmet
3.	nāmun	nāmín	nāmen næmen
	<i>Imp.</i>		
2. <i>sg.</i>	nim	<i>Inf.</i> nēman	nim nēmen
1. <i>pl.</i>	nēmam(és)	<i>Ger.</i> ze nēmanne	nēmen ze nēmenne
2. <i>pl.</i>	nemat	<i>Pres. part.</i> nēmanti	nēmet nēmende
		<i>Past part.</i> ginoman	genomen



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## WEAK VERBS.

	O. H. G.	M. H. G.
<i>Imp. 2. sg.</i> neri	salbo	ner salbe
<i>Prët.</i> nerita	salbôta, dâhta	nerete salbete
<i>Inf.</i> neren	salbôn	neren salben
<i>Part.</i> nerenti	salbônti	nernde salbende
· ginerit	gisalbôt	genert gesalbet

a. Grimm called a verb "strong" because it would form its preterit of its own resources, without the aid of composition. We retain the terms "strong" and "weak" simply because they are generally used.

## 448. Tenses.

There are only two simple tenses left in the Germanic languages, viz. the present and the "preterit" which corresponds in form to the "perfect" of the other I. E. languages. What we call "the subjunctive" is in form the optative, the suffix for which was *iē—i*, in an *o*-verb of course *-oi*. Compare the Greek *ῥέποι*—Go. *nimas*.

449. Personal suffixes. There were two classes. The primary were added to the present and the subjunctive mood, the secondary to the preterit and the optative mood. The O. H. G. 1. pl. in *-mēs* is quite a mystery. The 2. p. sg. present in *st*, prevailing in O. H. G., has sprung from analogy with *nimis—tu* and the pret.-present verbs, e. g., *canst*. "*bistu*" occurs in the very oldest sources.

1. The 1. p. sg. present is either *u* < *o* in nearly all verbs or *m* < *mī* in the few *mī*-verbs, e. g., *nimu* but *tuom*. Peculiar is that the 2. p. preterit subj. has entered the preterit ind. The regular ending was *-t*, as still found in Gothic and in the preterit-present verbs, e. g., Go. *namt*, G. *bu wilt, folt* (archaic). The other personal endings are quite regular.

2. These suffixes were either attached to the bare stem as in the *mī*-verbs or by means of a connecting vowel generally called "thematic vowel," which was I. E. *o—e* for all strong verbs and in O. H. G. *i, ē* or *ô* for weak verbs.

450. IMPERATIVE. The 2. p. sg. has the syncopated form of short-stemmed verbs which once ended in *-e*: *neme* > *nimi* > *nim*. In

weak verbs the ending is amalgamated with the connecting vowel: *neri, salbo*. *neri* should become *ner*, but there was levelling in favor of the long-stemmed verb. The 1. p. pl. is exhortative. It is indicative.

**451. INFINITIVE.** This is a verbal noun ending in *-no-*. Perhaps an isolated accusative.

**452. GERUNDIVE.** It is confounded with the infinitive with which it has originally nothing to do. Suffix is *-nj-*; hence the double n. It was inflected like any noun. Since in modern German it has taken a construction similar to the Gerundive of Latin grammar, we have called it "Gerundive." The form with *-t* occurs, according to Weinhold, as early as the 13th century in Alemanic. *ei tuonne* and *ei tuonde* were confounded. In the latter form lies the modern construction, as in *ein zu beachtende Verſchrift*.

**453. PARTICIPLES.** The suffix of the present participle was *-nt*, a consonant stem, but afterwards a *jo-*, *jā-stem*, hence *nemanti*. For the nouns *Strumb, Feind, Feiland*, see 505.

1. The passive participles are two verbal adjectives formed by means of *-tō-* and *-nō-* (both accented) from the verb-stems, not from the tense-stems. They were at first not limited, *-tō-* to weak verbs and *-nō-* to the strong. Compare *miss-* (the modern prefix *miß-* + Eng. *mis-*) < *misto* < \**mith-tō* the weak stem of the verb *reiben, re-gemeben*, to avoid: *gewiß* < *gawiss* < \**witta* < \**wittō*, from the stem of *weiß, wissen*; *alt + old* < *al-tō-* from the strong verb (Go.) *alan* + L. *alere*, to nourish. Besides in these and other isolated forms *-tō-* occurs in the past part. of the pret.-pres. verbs and in a class that had no connecting vowel, e.g., *gebracht, gebacht*, etc., see 454, 8. Compare Gr. *-ρός*, L. *-tus*. *-no* is rare in non-Germanic languages; compare L. *dignus, plenus* + full.

2. *The prefix ge-*. It is the inseparable prefix *ge-* and belonged at first only to the participle of verbs compounded with it. But in simple verbs it could give the present the force of the future, it would emphasize the preterit or give it the force of the pluperfect and give the infinitive dependent upon a modal auxiliary the force of the perfect inf. Thus also in the participle it emphasized the completion of an act. Some participles very rarely took *ge-* in M. H. G., e.g., *komen, worden, finden, lägen, fressen, heizen*. „*©nabe finden*“ is common in the Bible. The Patriarch in Lessing's *Nathan* uses it. Compare Eng. *yclad, yclept*.

## 454.

## WEAK VERBS.

1. The connecting vowels are i(j), ē, ō in O. H. G. The original type of connecting vowel is supposed to have been ojo—ejo, but the reduction to ē (Go. al) and ō is by no means clear. The large majority have i(j) < \*ejo, but a not small number both of originally strong and weak verbs have none. The preterit is formed by the suffix -ta, now -te. Its origin is by no means settled. Paul reconstructs two suffixes, viz., -dhd and -ta. The Old Saxon forms *sagda*, *habda*, *hūda* with corresponding participles can only come from *√dhā*, from which is also *thun* + to do. The majority of verbs take I. E. -ta, > *tha* > *da* > *ta* according to Verner's Law. See 411.

2. We distinguish originally three classes: 1, no connecting vowel in the preterit; 2, connecting vowel and short stem; 3, connecting vowel and long stem.

3. There was very early (in O. H. G.) a levelling between the 2. and 3. classes, because in short-stemmed verbs, in which no syncope could take place, j(i) caused doubling of the final consonant. This made them appear like long-stemmed ones. The first class has now been reduced to the three verbs *benfen*, *bünfen*, and *bringen*, see 454, 2. Compare O. H. G. *denken*, *dāhta*, *gidāht*; *dunken*, *dūhta*, *gidūht*; *bringen*, *brāhta*, *gibrāht*. Long ā < ā nasalized < an. *brauŋen*, *fürŋten*, *ſuŋen*, *wirŋen* (< *würfen*) belonged here also. Eng. *buy*, *bought*, *bought*; *work*, *wrought*, *wrought* show still their origin in the gh before t. *Bringen* is of course a strong verb and so are *brūkan* (II.), *ſuoŋen* (VI.) as their ablaut shows. *Beginnen* belonged here perhaps too, since we find still in dialect *beŋunnte* (F. 3176). That these verbs never had any connecting vowel is shown: 1, by the change of the guttural stop > guttural spirant which takes place only directly before t; 2, by the umlaut in the pret. subj. For the M. H. G. forms are *denken*, *dāhte*—*dāhte*, *gedāht*; *dunken*, *dūhte*—*diuhte*, *gedūht*; *bringen*, *brāhte*—*brahte*, (*ge*)*brāht*. *būnten*, *būntite*, *gebūnt* begins as early as M. H. G. The present *mir būnt* is a N. H. G. formation from the preterit. That *fürŋten* once belonged here is shown by the archaic form „*fūrŋte*," e. g., *Der maŋ're Sŋwabe fürŋt' ſiŋ nit* (U.). Lessing has „*fūrŋte*," < O. H. G. *fūrhten* (*vūrhten*), *for(a)hta*, *gifor(a)ht* (the a is a secondary development).

455. The verbs in 119, 1, are the only verbs that still show the difference between the long and short-stemmed of the i(j)-class. They formed their principal parts in O. H. G.: *brennen*, *branta*, *gibrennit*—*gibrantēr*; *nennen*, *nanta*, *ginennit*—*ginantēr*. According to syncope \**brannita*, \**gibrannitēr* had to become *branta*, *gibrantēr*. The i that produced umlaut in *brennen*,

*gibrennit* had disappeared from *brannita*, *gibrannitler* and therefore there is no umlaut in *brannte*, *gebrannt*. The participle with umlaut was levelled away.

1. The umlaut in the modern pret. subj. is due to analogy with *brächte*, *bürfte*, etc. It is a Middle German feature. Even preterits indicative with *e* of *rennen*, *brennen*, *nennen* occur now and then in the classics. The levelling into *senben*, *senbete*, *gesenbet*; *wenden*, *wendete*, *gewendet* is not uncommon. Schiller has . . . die Grenze, wo er das von den Schweden eroberte Cham berennt.

2. All other differences were levelled away, e.g., M. H. G. *hæren*, *hërte*, *gehæret*—*gehört*, becomes *hören*, *hörte*, *gehört*; *fürchten*, *fürchtete*, *gefürchtet*; *sprenge*, *sprengte*, *gesprengt*; *füllen*, *füllte*, *gefüllt*; *beden*, *bedte*, *gededt*.

3. A few isolated participles are left, such as *gestalt* (*ungestalt*), *getroft* (*adverb*), and others.

#### STRONG VERBS.

#### 456. The Present.

1. The interchanges of *e*—*i*; *ie*—*eu*; no umlaut—umlaut in the present and the umlaut in the pret. subj. are accounted for in the phonology. See 403. See also under each class of verbs.

2. The first p. sg. has followed the analogy of the forms that have *e* and of the verbs of VI. which had of course no umlaut in 1. p. sg., e.g., O. H. G. *faru*, *ferist*, *ferit*. The contrast is now for all classes between 2. and 3. pers. sg. with *i*, *ä*, etc.: *bu fährst*, *er fährt*, *bu gibst*, *er gibt* and all the other forms with *a* and *e*: *fahren*, *ich fahre*, *wir fahren*, *ihr fahrt*, *sie fahren*; *geben*, *ich gebe*, *wir geben*, *ihr gebet*, *sie geben*. Formerly the contrast was between the whole pres. sg. and the whole pl. for Cl. III, IV., V. See paradigm, p. 203.

457. Of the numerous formations of the present-stem the following are still to be recognized by certain peculiarities:

1. I. E. *jo*—*je*, L. *capio*, *fugio*, German *bitten* V. < *bidjan* < \**bedjan*, according to the interchange of *e*—*i*, but the participle *gebeten* < *bedan*-. Exactly like this *stehen* V., *stegen* V., but *gesehen*, *gelegen*. Also *heben* VI. and *schwören* VI., e.g., *schwören* < *swern* < *swerien* < *swarjan*, *swör*, *swaran*-. Hence *i*, or in the last two, a umlaut through the whole present. This was once a large group. Here belonged for instance the class *benfen*, *baçhte*, see 454, 3, + Go. *thankjan*.

2. The suffix *-n* (*-nw*, *nj*), which also entered the pret. if it was within the root. *fragen* < \**frehnan*, Ags. *frignan*, but already weak in

O. H. G. *crudhnen* < an O. H. G. *(ri)-wadhinnen*, *nn* < *nj*. *beginnen*, *rinnen* and others have *nw*. Go. *standan*, German *stund*, *stund*—*gestanden*; (*gēhen*), *gicng*, *gegangen*, *fangen*, etc. Compare L. *tundo*, *tutudi*.

3. Reduplication, corresponding to Gr. *τίθημι* and *πίπτω*, is preserved in *bēten* < *bibēn*, to quake, and *gittern*, to tremble, both weak (Kluge).

4. *sk*, corresponding to L. *-sco*, in *breschen*, *ferschen*, *wünschēn*, *waschen* (see Kluge's Dict. for these words).

### 458. The Preterit.

1. *Reduplication*. There are traces of ablaut without reduplication, but generally the two occurred together. In Gothic are still verbs which have both. The reduplication consisted in the repetition of the initial consonant + *e* or if beginning with a vowel by prefixing 'e. e. g., Go. *haldan*, *hahald* (*ai* = *ē* in Gothic), *aukan*, *aiak*. O. H. G. has only one clear example, viz., *teta*, *tē* that. Compare L. *fallō*—*festit*, *tango*—*tetigit*. How the reduplicating syllable was lost, how it coalesced with the stem is not yet clear. Our VII. class includes the reduplicating verbs, that is, those still reduplicating in Gothic, though it is by no means certain that Gothic has preserved the original method of reduplication.

2. In O. H. G. the stem-vowel of the reduplicated preterit appears as *ē* and *eo*, e. g., *rātan rēt*, *fāhan fēng* and *fēng* (*fāhan* < *fanhan*). *ē* by diphthongization > *ea* > *ia* > *ie*; *eo* > *io* > *ie*, so that already in M. H. G. we have *ie* as the regular vowel of the preterit. Examples: *stōzan*—*steoz*, *stivz*, M. H. G. *stiez*—*gistōzan*; *hloufan*—*hleof*, *hliof*, M. H. G. *lief*—*gihloufan*, N. H. G. *laufen*—*lief*—*gelaufen*; *fallan*—*fēl* > *feal* > *fial* > *fiel* (M. H. G.)—*gifallan*, N. H. G. *fallen*—*fiel*—*gefallen*; *heizzan*—*hēz*, *heaz*, *hiag*, M. H. G. *hiez*—*gihēizzan*, N. H. G. *heizen*—*hietē*—*geheizen*.

3. However the vowel appearing in the pret. may have arisen, it is not *ablaut*. It never appears in derivatives as all the ablaut vowels do. *Unterfietē* is only a seeming exception, since it stands for the older „*Unterfietē*,” which was crowded out, because the verb went over into the I. Cl.

### The Ablaut-series and the Verb-classes.

459. No one verb shows all the four stages of ablaut as they have been determined. See 394. The first five classes belong to the original I. E. *e—o* series, the VI. is the I. E. *ā—ā*, G. T. *ā—ō* series. To the latter series belong also the reduplicating verbs which have in the stem *a* + liquid + cons. (*halten*); *ai* (*ei*); and *au*, *o*.

In the first group  $\delta$  corresponds to G. T.  $\delta$ ,  $i$ ;  $o$  to G. T.  $a$  in the pret. sg., for in I. and II. we must count  $i$  and  $u$  as consonants. The five classes can be grouped as follows :

1.  $\alpha$ . I., II.:  $i$  and  $u$  as consonants in the pres. and pret. sg.; as vowels in the pret. pl. and part., viz.,

$\delta - i + \text{cons.}$	$a - i + \text{cons.}$	$i + \text{cons.}$
$\delta - u + \text{cons.}$	$a - u + \text{cons.}$	$u + \text{cons.}$

The stem ends in  $i$  or  $u + \text{cons.}$

$\beta$ . III., IV., V. have in the present  $\delta - i + \text{liquid or nasal} + \text{cons.}$  (III.);  $e + \text{liquid or nasal}$  (IV.), or  $e + \text{cons.}$  (V.). In the pret. sg. they have  $a$ . The stem ends in a liquid or nasal + cons. (III.); in a single liquid or nasal (IV.); in a single cons. not liquid or nasal (V.).

2. I., II., III. have the weakest stages of ablaut in the pret. pl. and participle; IV. in the part. only; V. in neither. IV. and V. have a long vowel in the pret. pl., that is very difficult to account for. O. H. G.  $\bar{a}$  corresponds to G. T.  $\bar{e}$ , the length of which may be due to compensation, e.g., \**gégbum* > *gêbum*. See 458, 1.

3. A third grouping is possible according to the quality of the vowel, viz., I. to V. run in a system of unrounded vowels, VI. runs in a system of rounded.

$\alpha$ .  $u$  ( $o$ ) in II. is either consonant in the accented stage (pres. and pret. sg.) or vowel in the unaccented stage (pret. pl. and past part.).  $u$  before  $r, l, m, n$  in the unaccented stage is also due to their double nature, according to which they serve as vowels or as consonants. *Nasals* and *Liquida sonans* (Brugman) are represented in all the Teutonic dialects by  $ur, ul, um, un$ , a characteristic of the whole group.

4. VI. stands alone and contains rounded vowels. Its  $a$  cannot have been originally the same as the  $a$  of the other series. It was probably more  $o$  than  $a$ .

#### LEVELLING IN THE PRETERIT.

460. Tracing the classes from O. H. G. to N. H. G. we have to notice one great levelling in all the classes, viz., of sg. and pl. pret. This was started by VI. and VII., which had sg. and pl. alike. In IV. and V. the difference was only one of quantity. The sg. was short and the pl. was long. The sg. had to take a long vowel according to 458, 2.

1. In Cl. II. G. T.  $au > ao > \delta$  before dentals, before  $l, r, h$ , and finally

There were therefore already *ō*'s in the pret. sg. The levelling was in favor of *ō*, but of *ō* before certain consonants (*ff, φ, f, b — t*). *ō* was already in the past part. < *ū*. Only I. and III. are left. But in I. *i* > *ei* according to 488, 5. The pres. and pret. had to become alike. The principle of ablaut was thus interfered with in I., and the levelling in the pret. was in favor of the pl. and part., viz., *i* or *ie* according to the following consonants. III. is the only class in which the levelling was in favor of the pret. sg. Before nasal + cons. *u* stood in the pl. and part. A levelling in favor of the pl. was therefore not likely. In IV. and V., where such a levelling occurred, the pl. and part. had different vowels. Before *l, r, + cons.*, to be sure, there was *u* in the pl., *o* in the part., but *u — o* stood in no ablaut-relation. But this levelling was the latest of all and we find none in S. G. dialects at the present day. In the written language of the 16th and 17th centuries it is rather rare; in the 18th it is the rule with not a few exceptions. *Werben, warb — wurde, geworden* is the only verb of III. in which the pl.-vowel stands by the side of the sg. But this verb stands isolated from the rest as an auxiliary verb. The pret.-pres. verbs have not suffered levelling except *ſollen* (see 471, 2), but these have stood in an isolated position toward all the other strong verbs from pre-historic times.

461. We give a few examples of the classes in their earlier stages. Space will not permit to trace each verb of each class. It would be easy to show what verbs have died out, what verbs have become weak, and what weak or foreign verbs have become strong. The stock of verbs belonging to each class varies with every period; in fact, it is ever varying. Compare, e.g., *jaſ, juſ, frag, frug* VI. (see 129), and the large number of doubtful ones in VIII.

462.	I. Cl.	O. (M.)	H. G. <i>ī</i>	<i>ei, ê</i>	<i>i</i>	<i>i</i>
	<i>grifan</i>	<i>greif</i>	<i>grifum</i>		<i>—grifan</i>	
	<i>greifen</i>	<i>griff</i>	<i>griffen</i>		<i>gegriffen</i>	
	<i>zihan</i>	<i>zéh</i>	<i>zigum</i>		<i>—zigan</i>	
	<i>zeihen</i>	<i>zieh</i>	<i>ziehen</i>		<i>geziehen</i>	
	<i>snidan</i>	<i>sneit</i>	<i>snitum</i>		<i>—snitan</i>	
	<i>ſchneiden</i>	<i>ſchnitt</i>	<i>ſchnitten</i>		<i>geſchnitten</i>	

1. The interchange of *h—g, d—t* according to Verner's Law, see 416. *i* > *ei* according to 488, 5. N. H. G. *i* in the whole pret. by levelling. *ei* > *ê* before *h, r, w*. *i* represents both the medium stage G. T. *ēi* and the weak stage *ī*. *i* is the zero stage.

<b>463. II. O. H. G. iu — io</b>				<b>ou, ô</b>	<b>ü</b>	<b>ö</b>
triofan	trouf	trufum	—trofan			
triefen	troff	troffen	getroffen			
<b>kiosan</b>				<b>kôs</b>	<b>kurum</b>	<b>—koran</b>
kiefen, kûren	løø, for	(er)foren	erforen			
siodan	sôt	sutum	—sotan			
sieden	ſott	ſotten	geſotten			
<b>sûfan</b>				<b>souf</b>	<b>sufum</b>	<b>—sofan</b>
ſauſen	ſoff	ſoffen	geſoffen			

1. The interchange of iu — io according to 406; iu in the pres. sg. triufu, triufist, triufit, but pl. triufamês, etc., inf. trioſan. For a period this iu, having passed > ü, became eu by diphthongisation. These forms are now archaic, ie prevailing through the whole present, see 124. M. H. G. io > ie. G. T. au > ou, but > ao > ô before dentals, l, r, h and finally. The interchange of s — r, d — t according to Verner's Law, but levelled, as in ſchneiden I., in favor of t, in the whole preterit. In M. H. G. kiesen, kos, korn, gekoren for a while, but later, kiefen, løø, gefoſen; kiefen, for, geforen; now kûren, for, geforen. See 132.

2. In this series all the four grades of ablaut are represented. ou strong; io, iu medium; ü the weak; ö zero. ü > au regularly. ü appeared in verbs that had the accent on the suffix. Compare 457.

**464. III. Cl. O. (M.) H. G. ë—i**      **ä**      **ü**      **ü—ö**

ä, a, u before nasal + cons.; e — i, u — o before r, l + cons.

swimman	swam	swummum	—swumman
ſchwimmen	ſchwamm	ſchwammen	geſchwommen
fintan	fant	funtum	—funtan
finden	ſand	ſanden	geſunden
hëlfan	half	hulfum	—holfan
helfen	hãlf	hãlfen	geholfen

1. This is in N. H. G. the most primitive series. finden, ſand, geſunden is already the G. T. series. In the second group (see 125, 2) the secondary



transition of  $u > o$  is a M. G. feature. It takes place before  $mn$  and  $mm$ . The older transition from  $u > o$  before  $l, r + \text{cons.}$  is already O. H. G. See 405.

2. The interchange of  $\ddot{e} - i$  is regular (see 403). It appears in III., IV., V. alike.

3. The double preterit subjunctive (see 125) is due to the levelling of the indicative. The subjunctive was regularly formed with the vowel of the pl. and umlaut of the same. Now when the vowel of the sg. spread over the pl. it is natural a new subjunctive should be formed also by umlaut:  $f\ddot{a}n\ddot{e}$ ,  $b\ddot{a}r\ddot{g}e$ . Wherever the new pret. subj. in  $\ddot{a}$  did not approach too closely to, or coincide with, the present ind., it prevailed as in the first division:  $f\ddot{a}n\ddot{e}$  —  $f\ddot{a}n\ddot{e}$ ,  $b\ddot{a}n\ddot{e}$  —  $b\ddot{a}n\ddot{e}$ ,  $g\ddot{e}l\ddot{a}n\ddot{g}e$  —  $g\ddot{e}l\ddot{a}n\ddot{g}e$ . Where such a coincidence was the case, the old subjunctive is still in use and preferable as in the third division:  $b\ddot{e}r\ddot{g}e$  — ( $b\ddot{a}r\ddot{g}e$ )  $b\ddot{u}r\ddot{g}e$ ,  $f\ddot{t}r\ddot{e}$  —  $f\ddot{t}r\ddot{e}$ ,  $w\ddot{e}r\ddot{e}$  —  $w\ddot{u}r\ddot{e}$ , see 126.  $B\ddot{e}f\ddot{e}h\ddot{e}n$  and  $e\ddot{m}p\ddot{f}e\ddot{h}e\ddot{n}$  of IV. belong here since in M. H. G. they were *bevelhen, enpfelhen*, containing  $l + \text{cons.}$   $f\ddot{t}e\ddot{h}e\ddot{n}$  IV <  $st\ddot{e}h\ddot{e}$  has followed the analogy of III., 8, on account of  $f\ddot{t}\ddot{a}p\ddot{f}e$ , the regular subj. and  $f\ddot{t}e\ddot{h}e$  the pres. ind. The 2. division has  $\ddot{o}$  for older  $\ddot{u}$  just as it has  $o$  for  $u$ :  $g\ddot{e}w\ddot{u}n\ddot{n}e > g\ddot{e}w\ddot{u}n\ddot{n}e$ , but the new ones in  $\ddot{a}$  are quite common except of  $r\ddot{i}n\ddot{n}e$ , on account of  $r\ddot{e}n\ddot{n}e$ .

4.  $\ddot{e} - i$  is the medium stage, a the strong; the weak and zero appear as  $u - o$ .

465. IV. Cl. O. (M.) H. G.  $\ddot{e} - i$        $\ddot{a}$        $\ddot{a}$        $\ddot{o}$

$st\ddot{e}l\ddot{a}n$	$st\ddot{a}l$	$st\ddot{a}l\ddot{u}m$	$-st\ddot{a}l\ddot{a}n$
$f\ddot{t}e\ddot{h}e\ddot{n}$	$f\ddot{t}\ddot{a}b\ddot{l}$	$f\ddot{t}\ddot{a}b\ddot{l}\ddot{e}n$	$g\ddot{e}f\ddot{t}\ddot{a}b\ddot{l}\ddot{e}n$
$k\ddot{o}m\ddot{a}n, qu\ddot{e}m\ddot{a}n$	$qu\ddot{a}m$	$qu\ddot{a}m\ddot{u}m$	$-k\ddot{o}m\ddot{a}n$
$f\ddot{o}m\ddot{m}e\ddot{n}$	$f\ddot{a}m$	$f\ddot{a}m\ddot{e}n$	$g\ddot{e}f\ddot{o}m\ddot{m}e\ddot{n}$

1. Here is again interchange of  $\ddot{e} - i$ .  $\ddot{a}$  prevailed in the pret.  $u > o$  regularly.

3.  $Qu\ddot{e}m\ddot{a}n > k\ddot{o}m\ddot{a}n$  according to 489, 1. It is possible that "koman" is the weak grade (see 471, 2).  $f\ddot{t}\ddot{a}h\ddot{e}n$  belonged originally to V.; it has no liquid. Before  $\ddot{c}$  and  $f\ddot{f}$  the vowel is short, except in the pret. of course:  $f\ddot{t}\ddot{a}h\ddot{e}n, f\ddot{t}\ddot{a}c\ddot{h}, g\ddot{e}f\ddot{t}\ddot{a}h\ddot{e}n$ .

466. V. Cl. O. H. G. ē	ǣ	ǣ	e
gēban	gab	gǣbum	-gēban
geben	gab	gaben	gegeben
ēzzan	ǣz, az	ǣzum	-ezzān
eſſen	aſſ	aſſen	(ge)geſſen
bitten	bat	bātum	-bētan
bitten	bat	baten	gebeten
wēsan	was	wārum	-wēsan
(ſein)	war	waren	gewēſen

1. In ē the three lowest grades are represented, there was no liquid or nasal to represent the 3 and 4. grades. ǣ is the strong stage. The origin of ǣ is not certain. ǣz is perhaps from 'eaz, 'e being the reduplicating syllable. For bitten, see 457, 1. In the part. the interchange of s — r was levelled away after the inf. as early as O. H. G.; in the pret. with the levelling of the vowels. *Wāſ* is archaic in Feuchteerleben's: *Es (if) bir geſchenft ein Rnſſlein wāſ*. Interchange of ē — i as usual and quantity of ē depends upon the following consonants.

467. VI. Cl. O. H. G. a—e	uo, ō	uo, ō	a
faran	fuor	fuorum	-faran
ſahren	fuhr	fuhren	geſahren
heffen	huob	huobum	-haban
M. H. G. heben	huop	huobum	-haben
heben	hob, huob	hoben, huben	gehoben (er)haben

1. This series has only two grades, strong and weak-medium, see 400. G. T. ō > uo > u. For e in heffen, heben, see 457, 1. For a > o, see 489, 3.

468. VII. Cl. Its verbs do not form an ablaut-series, see 458.

469. VIII. Cl. Its verbs have mostly o for ǣ, ǣ in the pret. and the majority belong to III., IV., V. Some of these were unsettled very early, e. g., M. H. G. *pflegen* IV. and V. For ǣ > o, ō, see 489, 3.

### The Preterit-Present Verbs.

**470.** In these the meaning admitted the perfect to be used as a present. They are a primitive class. Compare Gr. *oída, ἴδμεν*, Lat. *odi, novi*. With a few irregularities they can yet be assigned to the regular ablaut-series as has been done (see 135). Weak preterits were formed without connecting vowel. Therefore umlaut in the subj. The stem-vowel is the same for the old pret. pl., the new preterit, the participles and the infinitive. The participles (see 453, 1) were formed either weak or strong, generally weak. Since the infinitive is a new formation as well as some of the strong participles, and since as in *gan—gunnen (gōmnen)* the strong participle was formed before there was an infinitive, it is hardly correct to say the infinitive is used instead of the part. in modern German: *tigen*, O. H. G. *gawizzan*, M. H. G. *gunnen, gegunnen, (er)kunnan* are strong participles. The others, *bürften, fōnnen, mögen, sōllen*, were formed later. No doubt, participles like *heizzen, lâzen, etc.* (see 453, 2), had their influence in the non-use of *ge-*.

1. The inflection of the present is that of the regular strong pret. They have even one very old feature, viz., in 2. pers. sg. *t* is used, the secondary ending, while in all other strong verbs the optative has entered the indicative, e. g., *nāmi*, but *tarst* (+ *durst*) *darfst, scalt* (+ *thou shalt*), *maht*. *st* in *canst, anst* is a mystery. This *t* still occurs in the 16th and 17th centuries, *bu solt nicht steñen* (B.).

**471.** 1. O. H. G. *weiz* — *wizzum* I. corresponds exactly to Gr. *oída* — *ἴδμεν*, in ablaut and consonants.

2. *scal, scalt* (2. pers. sg.), *sculum, scolta* IV.

It is possible that *sculum* is older than the long vowel of IV. ("stālum"), for it may be the weak grade of ablaut, like *-boran, sūfan*.

3. O. H. G.	<i>muoz</i>	<i>muost</i>	<i>muozum</i>	<i>muosa</i> and <i>muosta</i>
M. H. G.	<i>muoz</i>	<i>muost</i>	<i>müezen</i>	<i>muose, muoste</i>
				subj. <i>müese, müeste</i>
N. H. G.	<i>muß,</i>	<i>mußt,</i>	<i>müssen,</i>	<i>mußt, müßt.</i>

Of the double form *muose* — *muoste* the former is the older and regularly developed. *muose* < \**mōt-ta*, *muosta* has the suffix added once more. The umlaut that appears in M. H. G. and later in the pres. pl. and inf. is difficult to account for.

4.  $\text{ſo}ll < \text{ſchol} < \text{ſchal} < \text{ſcal}$ . Why  $\text{ſ} < \text{ſ}h$ ? Compare O. and M. H. G.  $\text{skal} - \text{sal}$ , but always  $\text{ſ}h\text{u}lb$ .

5.  $\text{g}mnen$  III. and  $\text{taugen}$  II. have become weak. They come respectively  $< \text{gan-gunnen}$ , in which  $\text{g-}$  is prefix, and  $< \text{touc-tugen}$ , to be fit, + Eng. do in "it will not do," "how do you do" (?).

6.  $\text{eigen} + \text{own} < \text{eigan}$  is the strong part of a stem of which there appears only a pl.  $\text{aigum}$  in O. H. G.  $\text{g}$  according to Verner's Law. It belongs to the  $\text{a} - \text{ſ} \text{ablaut-series}$  like  $\text{heizzan} - \text{h}ez - \text{giheizzan}$ .  $\text{tar} - \text{turren} + \text{dare}$  has disappeared. Its meaning has passed into  $\text{darf} - \text{b}urftn$ .

472. 1. Notice that Eng. *must* is really a double pret.-pres. verb. *must* is the *weak* preterit used again as a present.  $\text{mu}ſt\text{e} < \text{we}ſt\text{e}$ , see 489, 1. Compare Eng. to wit, wist, wot. See Skeat.

2. O. H. G.  $\text{wili} \text{wilt}$ , will, pl.  $\text{wellem}e\text{s}$ ,  $\text{wellet}$ ,  $\text{wellent}$ , pret.  $\text{welta}$ , inf.  $\text{wellan}$ .  $\text{o}$  appears already for  $\text{e}$  in this period (see 489, 1). M. H. G. 3. pers. sg. is  $\text{wilt}$ ,  $\text{wil}$ . N. H. G.  $\text{wi}ll\text{ſt}$ . This is really no pret.-pres. verb, but we have according to custom put it at the end of this class. It is really a mi-verb, whose ind. was lost. Compare L. *velim*.

### Mi-Verbs.

#### 473. $\text{ſ}e\text{in}$ .

1. O. H. G.  $\text{bim}$ ,  $\text{bis}(t)$ ,  $\text{ist}$ ,  $\text{birum}$ ,  $\text{birut}$ ,  $\text{sint}$ . Subj.  $\text{ſi}$ , etc. Inf.  $\text{ſin}$ ,  $\text{w}e\text{s}an$  V. Imp.  $\text{wiſ}$ ,  $\text{weſat}$ ,  $\text{ſit}$ ; pret.  $\text{was}$ ; subj.  $\text{w}ari$ . In M. H. G. the pres. pl. runs: 1. p.  $\text{birn}$ ,  $\text{sint}$ ,  $\text{ſin}$ ; 2. p.  $\text{birt}$ ,  $\text{ſit}$ ,  $\text{sint}$ ; 3. p.  $\text{sint}$ ,  $\text{ſin}$ . In N. H. G.  $\text{wir ſind} < \text{the}$  3. person;  $\text{i}hr \text{ſeid} < \text{the}$  subjunctive;  $\text{ſit ſind}$  is primitive, comp. L.  $\text{sunt}$ ,  $\text{sint}$ .

2. Three stems have helped to form its conjugation, viz.,  $\sqrt{\text{es-}}$ ,  $\sqrt{\text{b'x-}}$ , L.  $\text{ſui}$ , Gr.  $\text{ſ}i\omega$ , and the verb  $\text{w}e\text{s}an$ . It would lead us too far to enter minutely upon the part each plays, but the development is not at all difficult to trace. Only  $\text{r}$  in  $\text{birum}$ ,  $\text{birn}$  is a mystery, but it appears also in the reduplicating verbs of VII.

#### 474. $\text{g}an$ , $\text{g}en$ , $\text{gangan}$ , $\text{g}e\text{h}n$ , + $\text{go}$ .

1. O. H. G.  $\text{g}am$ ,  $\text{g}as$ ,  $\text{g}at$ ,  $\text{g}am$ ,  $\text{g}at$ ,  $\text{g}ant$ ;  $\text{g}em$ ,  $\text{g}es$ ,  $\text{g}et$ ,  $\text{g}et$ ,  $\text{g}ent$ ; the subj. only  $\text{g}e$ ,  $\text{g}es$ ,  $\text{g}e$ , etc. Imp.  $\text{ganc}$ ,  $\text{g}at$ ,  $\text{g}et$ .

2. The verb *gangan* is of VII. The relation of *â* to *ê* is not clear. Kluge has shown that *gên* is compounded of *ga* (prefix) + *√i*, L. *ire*. Then *gêm* < *ga-im*, *gês* < *ga-is*, etc. See his Dict.

**475.** *stân, stên, stantan, st̥n, + stand.*

1. It inflects just like *gên*. *standan, stuont* — *gistandan* according to VI. A past participle *gestân* occurs also.

2. Both *gangan* and *stantan* show a secondary stem and a present-formation with *n* (see 457, 1), which *n* also entered the preterit and the other forms.

**476.** *tuon, t̥n, + do.*

1. O. H. G. *tuom, tuos, tuot, tuom, tuot, tuont*; subj. *tuō, tuos, tuo, tuom, tuot, tuon*; pret. *teta, tâti, teta, tâtum, tâtut, tâtum*; subj. *tâti, tâtis, tati*. M. H. G. subjunctive with umlaut. Past part. *gitân*.

2. *teta* is the pure reduplicated perf. *te + ta*, the stem. The pl. in *â* is probably ablaut of the almost lost series I-E. *ê — ô*, O. H. G. *â — uo*. Comp. Gr. *ρήννμι — ἔρωγα*. N. H. G. *tât* < M. H. G. *tet* is archaic and has a curious spelling as if it were subj.

## C. HISTORY OF THE LANGUAGE.

477. "German" belongs to the Germanic or Teutonic group of languages, which again is a member of the Indo-European group. To the latter belong the following: the *Aryan* (Sanskrit, etc.), the *Iranic* (old Baltic and Persian), *Greek*, *Latin*, *Keltic*, *Slavic*, *Lithuanian*, *Germanic*, and perhaps as a separate member *Armenian*. Whether the Germanic languages are more intimately related with one member than with another is considered very doubtful by most authorities, though some think Slavic and Germanic so related.

### 478. Characteristics of the Germanic Languages:

1. Grimm's Law with Verner's Law (see 407—416).

2. The double verb-inflection, one by ablaut, the other by composition. All the related Indo-European have ablaut to be sure, but none so extensively developed in the verb. The suffixes *-da*, *-ta* in the preterit are quite peculiar.

3. A certain "law of finals" showed itself in General Teutonic in the consonants, but the "law of final vowels" belongs entirely to the individual dialects. For instance: I.-E. *\*b'eroi* became G. T. *\*beroi*, Go. *berai* (e written for Go. ai). N. sg. masc. o-stems: G. T. *\*dagoz*, Go. *dags*, Scand. *dagr*, Ags. *dæg*, O. H. G. *tac*.

N. sg. fem.: I.-E. *\*gebā* > G. T. *gebō*, Ags. *giefu*, but by levelling of Acc. and Nom. O. H. G. *geba*.

4. The limitation of the accent to the stem-syllable was probably General Teutonic, though Verner's Law shows that the Indo-European accent was preserved until the surd spirants in the unaccented syllable became sonant. Gr. *πατήρ* shows I.-E. accent, but G. T. *fathār* > Go. *fadhār* > *fadar* > O. H. G. *fater*.

5. The spread of the n-declension, which in German is still going on. See 428, 2.

6. The double adjective declension. The other I.-E. dialects decline adjective and substantive alike. The Germanic has, 1, a strong declension made up of substantive and pronominal case-endings; 2, a weak declension identical with the n-declension of substantives. See 437.

### Classification of the Germanic Languages.

479. The following is in our opinion the best classification.

I. EAST GERMANIC, viz., *Gothic*, the language of the Goths, who once probably occupied European Russia. The chief literary monument is part of the Bible translation made for the Westgoths by their bishop Ulfila (A. D. 310—381). The manuscript is of the sixth century.

a. In comparison with Anglo-Saxon and O. H. G. the language is "simple," but in spite of the great age of its literary monuments, it should be made the basis for the comparative study of the group only with great caution.

II. THE NORTH GERMANIC OR SCANDINAVIAN LANGUAGES. Two groups: *East-Scandinavian*, viz., *Swedish* and *Danish*; *West-Scandinavian*, viz., *Norwegian* and *Icelandic*. Earliest literature of East-Scandinavian of the fourteenth century consisting of laws. Runes of the 10th century. Rich literature of West-Scandinavian on Iceland, colonized by Norwegians, of the 12th century and earlier. The literary language of Norway, Sweden and Denmark is East-Scandinavian. Norwegian exists only in dialects. Icelandic is the state-language of Iceland.

III. WEST GERMANIC DIALECTS. *English* was very early isolated from the rest of the group, being the language of the early colonists in England, who were mainly Frisians, viz., Angles, Saxons and Jutes. The Frisians emigrated from their old homes on the coast of the North Sea from the Zuider Zee to the river Eider in Schleswig. The Jutes lived to the north of them. This settlement continued during the 5th and 6th centuries. In the 9th the Danish conquest occurred and in the 11th the great Norman conquest, which gave to English that great influx of Romance words and removed it still more from its cognate dialects on the continent. Literature beginning with the 7th century. Runes, Beowulf, Cædmon, etc.

a. The oldest dialects are, 1, Anglian, incl. Northumbrian and Mercian; 2, Saxon, the chief is West-Saxon; 3, Kentish.

480. The Continental West-Germanic dialects are divided according to Grimm's Law. The North and East-Germanic, and English only underwent the first shifting, that is, the General Germanic (Teutonic) shifting. The continental dialects shifted again, some more, some less.

### Classification of the German Dialects.

1. The **LOW (or NORTH) GERMAN** shifted only *th* > *d*, compare Engl. "the" — Low German "de".

2. The **MIDDLE GERMAN** shifted much more.

3. The **SOUTH GERMAN** (*Oberdeutsch*) shifted most of all.

a. "High German" if it is to translate "*Hochdeutsch*" is ambiguous, since many still make "hochdeutsch" include "*Oberdeutsch*" and "*Mitteldeutsch*." *Nieder* (low), *Mittel* (middle), and *Ober* (upper, south) refer to the geography of the country only.

#### 481. I. THE LOW GERMAN DIALECTS.

1. *Frisian*. Though the literature is only of the 15th and 16th centuries, the language shows a stage at least some 300 years older. Its territory (see 484) has been largely encroached upon by Low Saxon and Frankish. It embraces still the northern provinces of Holland (West Frisian); Oldenburg and the Hanoverian county of Ostfriesland (East Frisian); North Sleswic with the islands off the western Sleswic-Holstein coast (North Frisian). But the modern dialects of the region described are strongly influenced by Low Saxon.

2. *Low Saxon*. Earliest literature the *Heliand* of the 9th century. Territory very large.

Draw a line from Düsseldorf to Cassel curving slightly southward; from Cassel to Quedlinburg to Posen and to the boundary of the empire. All that is north of this, except Frisian and Slavic in East Prussia, is Low Saxon. Two thirds of its territory is colonial, however. The Slavic conquests from the 6th to the 9th centuries had their western limit in the following line: Kiel, halfway between Brunswick and Magdeburg, Naumburg, Coburg, Linz, Klagenfurt. What is east of it is colonial for the German language, either for Low, Middle, or High German. About half of Germany and three fourths of Prussia therefore are on once Slavic territory.

a. Frisian and Low Saxon together are now often called "*Plattdeutsch*," which even in our day can boast of a poet, Klaus Groth (Holstein dialect), and of such a capital novelist as Fritz Reuter (Mecklenburg dialect) who died a few years ago.

3. *Low Frankish*. Literature: oldest the *Lex Saliica*, very badly preserved, and fragments of a translation of the Psalms. Of the 12th century the "Eineide" by Veldeke, and in the 13th a very rich literature in Holland and Brabant. Territory: Holland (Dutch crowding out Frisian), the northern half of Belgium (Flemish), and the northern part of the Prussian Rhine Province. Dutch is now the only Low German literary language. Attempts are making to revive Flemish.



## 482. II. MIDDLE GERMAN.

For this group draw about the following line, which will separate it from the South German dialects: From Nancy (but this is French) across the frontier with a curve north of Strassburg to Rastatt in Baden, through Heilbronn to Eichstätt, then north to Eger, from there directly eastward, but Bohemia is Slavic, of course.

Beginning in the west we have then:

1. *Middle Frankish* (according to Braune). Its territory consists chiefly of the Rhine Province, whose centre is Cologne. Very little literature.

2. *South Frankish* and *Hessian*. South and west of 1, and north of South German line. The eastern limit would be a line drawn from Cassel to Heilbronn. A rich and old literature: Isidorus of the 8th century. The great gospel harmony of Otfrid of Weissenburg. The Ludwigslied and much more.

3. *East or High Frankish*. East of 2. Eastern limit is the S. G. line from Eichstätt to Eger and a line from Eger to Cassel. Its old literary centre was Fulda. The larger monuments are Tatian, and Williram's paraphrase of the Song of Songs, about the year 900.

The next three are almost entirely on colonized territory, viz., 4. *Thuringian*, north of 3 and south of the Low German line; 5. *Upper Saxon*, chiefly the present kingdom of Saxony; 6. *Silesian*. 5. and 6. are east of the rest, but do not extend to the boundary of the empire, since there is a long stretch still Slavic, though with German written language. Their literatures belong to the M. H. G. period.

## 483. III. SOUTH GERMAN.

The southern limit towards the Romance dialects would be, roughly speaking, a line drawn from the lake of Geneva eastward to Klagenfurt in Austria and beyond, then directly north through Pressburg to Brünn. The eastern boundary is the Hungarian, the northeastern the Slavic of Bohemia and Moravia.

1. *Alemanic*, divided into: *a. Alemanic* proper, covering Alsace, the larger part of Baden and Switzerland. *b. Suabian*, covering the larger part of Würtemberg and Suabian Bavaria. The eastern limit would be a line from Eichstätt to Füssen. The literary centre was St. Gallen. Abundant literature of the 8th and 9th centuries. The "Benedictiner Regel." The Paternoster and Credo of St. Gallen. Vocabularius St. Galli. Murbach Hymns. "Christ and the Samaritan woman." The extensive works of Notker.

2. *Bavarian-Austrian*, covering the larger part of Bavaria and non-Slavic Austria. The oldest of all Old H. G. is the Glossary of Kero (740); the Glossary of Brabanus Maurus; the so-called "Exhurtatio" and the poem Muspilli, besides smaller pieces.

484. It is impossible for us to give here a description of the phonology of these dialects. Besides Grimm's Law the long vowels and the diphthongs are the chief criteria for their classification. Their territories have not remarkably changed. Note that Frisian has been driven out of Holland by Dutch and in Germany it leads a very precarious existence upon the islands off the coast of Hanover and Oldenburg, having been crowded out by "Plattddeutsch." Low German has also encroached upon Middle German territory in northeastern Germany. The only scientific description that we have of any modern dialect is that by Winteler of the Kerenzer dialect (Swiss-Alemanic).

### History of German.

485. In point of time we divide the history both of the language and of the literature into three periods, viz., Old High-German till 1100; Middle High German till 1500; New High German since then, perhaps better till about 1800, because the literary language of the 18th century is already taking on an archaic character in comparison with the language of the last fifty years. See 487, 3.

1. The literature of the O. H. G. period is entirely dialectic and clerical. We have one poem, unfortunately only fragmentary, the *Hildebrandslied*, that goes back in matter and meter to the period before the introduction of Christianity.

2. There has been much contention, whether there was a standard written language in the M. H. G. period. Lachmann and his school maintain that there was and that it died out with the decay of literature in the 14th century. But the opinion is losing ground. The reasons against are well stated in Paul's "Gab es eine mittelhochdeutsche Schriftsprache?" The literature was mainly lyrical and epic. Its climax falls in the 12th century. The chief differences between the O. and M. H. G. periods are: 1, the spread of umlaut; 2, the weathering of unaccented and inflectional vowels to mere e.

486. With the N. H. G. period begins the written language that became not suddenly, but gradually the standard literary language of Germany. In phonology it agrees with that of the East Frankish dialect, which is the M. G. dialect that is most closely related to S. G. Its territory was in

the very centre of Germany. Both this position and this relationship are two elements that help to account for its spread.

1. From this same centre started the Reformation. Luther's share in the establishment of the written language is generally not well stated and even overrated. Fourteen translations of the Bible had been published up to 1518 in H. G. alone, made from the Vulgate. The language was based upon the "*Kanzleisprache*," i. e., the "official" language in which emperor and princes published decrees and laws and in which all government business was transacted.

2. There were at first several of these "*Kanzleisprachen*," differing more or less. We find traces of them as early as the 14th century. Those of Austria, Bohemia and Saxony were first amalgamated. It was this language that Luther used in his Bible translation, moulded by him, of course, as every man of genius will mould his mother-tongue. Luther, by birth a Low German, had come in contact with people of all stations, speaking Low and South German. No Bible, the circumstances being the same, translated into strict South German would and could have been accepted by North Germany. Again Luther had sprung from among the people and had a most hearty appreciation of folk-lore and all that is "*volkstümlich*," of proverbs, saws and songs. This made him a translator for the people. The proverbs of Solomon and the psalms are without doubt the most taking portions of his translation.

487. The spirit of the Reformation was one roused from the lethargy of the preceding centuries and ready for something new. Luther's New Testament appeared in 1522, the whole Bible in 1534. Besides the Bible the catechism, hymns, sermons and the numerous polemical pamphlets were written and read in the new language. With the Reformation began also the public school ("*volkschule*") and the first grammars and "*formelbücher*" appeared, written often by the lawyers, who, of course, favored the "*Kanzleisprache*." But last and foremost of all the *invention of printing* some fifty years before the Reformation made a common language possible.

1. The clerks would write and spell as they spoke, i. e., according to their own dialect. Printing brought about a certain uniformity in the orthography. It spread the language to the most different parts of the country. About the year 1600, books were already cheap in comparison to the costly manuscripts. In 1528 a Bible was printed at Bâle, which had as appendix a sort of dictionary explaining the terms unfamiliar to the Swiss.

2. The struggle of the new language was hardest in Switzerland. Both Catholic and Calvinist objected to a Lutheran language. In North Germany it was favored by the fact that the whole North became Protestant en masse. Yet hymns were printed there in Low German for a long time. In the 17th century High German preachers came to the North. But through printing the writings of one man exercise a great influence upon the speech of his readers. Printing in fact has introduced into the development of language a certain stiff, artificial element that the written, and especially the unwritten, dialects do not have. The printed language has more of a fixed, stereotyped character than dialect. But on the other hand we must remember that the letters of the alphabet are not the language. They are only contrivances that represent speech very imperfectly, contrivances invented several thousand years ago, which we try to apply now to that most subtle institution—language, that has been changing and developing ever since.

3. The language of the 19th century differs not a little from the language of the 16th. The differences in forms and functions have been treated to some extent in Part I. The 17th century is a dark gloomy page in the history of Germany and almost a blank in its literature. In the first half of the eighteenth we see the beginnings of the classical period. Until then Latin was the language of the learned, and in the 17th and 18th centuries there was a large number of foreign words both in the written and spoken languages that were never assimilated, but driven out again by a school of literary men that started a revival of the love of old German.

The following are the more important and far-reaching sound-changes in the transition from M. H. G. to N. H. G.

#### 488. A. VOWELS.

##### 1. The further spread of umlaut by analogy (levelling).

Ex.: as a sign of the plural, see 48; in derivatives as in: gläubig, väterlich, brüderlich, Brüderchen, Töchterlein; in long-stemmed weak verbs as in: hören, hörte, gehört < hœren, hörte, gehôrit — gehôrter (see 455, 2).

2. The lengthening of short accented stem-vowels in the open syllable, and of a and e before r, rt, rd. To this process the largest number of the present long vowels is due.

Ex.: Vogel, Hof — Hofes; gebären (< bärn), gewähren, leben, weben, sehen; Faßn—Faßnes; Ihr, mir, wir, er, der (demonstrative), bar (but bärfuß); Ferd, werde, wert, irt, Bart. Ur in the sense of "great" as in : Urgröfwater, otherwise short or long : Urlaub, Ursprung, but Urteil is always short. —art and —arj are unsettled still. Compare Färj, Wärje.

a. The short vowel is retained before more than one consonant and in a closed syllable, except before r (rt, rd). Ex.: hoffen, wöll, rennen, Fede, wollen, faß, etc., but mir, wir, as above.

b. This point of N. H. G. phonology is by no means all cleared up. Paul is the only one that has thrown any light upon it. See P. and B. Beiträge, VII. p. 101-. When through inflectional endings the stem-vowel is now in an open, now in a closed syllable, the standard pronunciation demands levelling in favor of the long vowel of the open syllable. For instance, baß Glas, Glasen, Glase, Glas, Gläser, all with long stem-vowels. In N. G., however, Glas, Grass, Tag, Lob, (N. and A. sg.), are always short according to the law of short vowel in a closed syllable. N. and S. G. agree in the levelling between the sg. and pl. pret. of ablaut-series, IV. and V. in favor of the long vowel of the plural, e. g., gab—gaben, saß—saßen.

c. This principle may be stated in another way : N. H. G. makes a M. H. G. accented syllable containing a short vowel long, either by lengthening the vowel or by lengthening, i. e., "doubling," the consonant, particularly if that consonant be t or m, and if a single consonant is followed by r, el, en.

Ex.: Stätte, Stitte, kommen, Sommer, Wetter; in the pret. and past part. of the I. and II. ablaut-series : schnitt—geschnitten, sott—gesotten. This change began in the M. H. G. period, starting from L. G. it spread over M. and over S. G. as late as the 16th century.

3. Long accented vowels are shortened before more than one consonant.

a. This process is not far-reaching, but includes also the long vowels sub 4, that have sprung from diphthongs. It started with the M. G. dialects.

Ex.: eßt L. G., see 493, 4, < *thaft*; bahte, brachte (see 454, 3). Aht < *Ahte*; Herr, herrschen; horden; sing, hing, ging < *sienc, hienc, gienc*; vier in the compounds vierzehn, —zig, vieriel, etc., Rutter < *muoter*.

4. The simplification of the diphthongs ie > i, still spelt ie; uo > ü; üe > ü long.

Examples very numerous: Blut < *bluot*; Rut < *muot*; Güte < *giute*; fuß < *suce*; führen < *vüeren*; blähen < *blüejen*; lieb; tief; always in the

preterit of Class VII. and in the present of Class II., viz., *rieten, fielen, bitten, fielen*, but see 3.

a. This also is a M. G. feature that was fixed upon the "Schriftsprache," showing itself as early as the 18th century. The S. G. dialects do not know it yet (see *Hurt's Goethe's Prose*, p. 40, bottom).

5. The diphthongization of the long vowels *i, û, iu* (whether < G. T. *eu* or umlaut of *û*, value *ü* long) > *ei, au, eu* (*äu*), respectively.

Ex.: *brü* < *brî*, *Weib* < *wîp*; *ei* in the present of the I. Class; *laut* < *lât*; *haut* < *hât*; *Sau* < *sâ*; *Häuser* < *hiusir* < *hûs*; *Mäuse* < *miuse* < *mûs*; *Ernte* < *triuwe*; *tauch* < *iuch*; *Leuchte* < *liuchte*; *er beut* < *biutel*. The Eng. cognates, e. g., the verbs of the I. Class write — wrote, shine — shone; loud, hide (< Ags. *hîgd*), sow, house, mouse — mice show that a similar diphthongization of long *i* and *u* has taken place. *o* in *wrote, shone* < Ags. *ô* < *ai* corresponds to the old diphthong, M. H. G. *ei* as in *schein, reiz*, etc. Modern German *ei* therefore goes back to *i* in *Feirat* < *hîrat*; to *ei* in *scheiden* < *scheiden*; *ai* always goes back to *ei, ai* as in *Mal, Kaiser*. *au* < *û* in *Faust* < *hûs*; but < *ou* in *laufen* < *loufen*; *äu* (*eu*) < *iu* < *û* by umlaut, in *Häuser* < *hiusir* < *hûs*; but *eu* < *iu* (*eu*) in *Leute* < *liute*, *heulen* < *hiulen*; and another *eu* < *ou* umlaut of *ou* (< *au*) in *Freude* < *vrûde* (< *\*frauuida*), *beugen* < *bûgen* < *bougen* (< *\*baugjan*, ablauts. II.).

a. This is a S. G. feature, especially Bavarian, in which dialect it started about 1200. It spread over East Frankish and Upper Saxon in the 14th and 15th centuries and latest over Suabian. All the other dialects whether L., M. or S. G. do not know this change. "House" is still "*hûs*" in Bremen and in Bâle. The new diphthongs are still kept apart from the old ones in dialect, but the standard spoken language recognizes no difference.

489. The following changes do not affect very many words. They are mostly S. G. features and though quite old, the standard and the common spoken language do not agree upon all words. The former favors *e* and *i*, the latter *ê* and *ü*.

1. *e, ê* > *ê* in *ergöhen* (Classics still *ergerhen*), *Stille*, *Löffel*, *Löwe*, *zwölf* (standard *zweif*), *schwören* and a few others. Rarely *e, ê* > *o* or *u* after *w*: *wollen* < *wellen*; *wohl* < *wêla*; *fommen* < *quêman*. This is as old as O. H. G., however.

2. *i* > *ü* in *Hülfe* — *Hilfe*; *sprühen* — *sprîhen*; *würdig*; *wüste*; *Sprichwort* — *Sprîchwort*. *i* < *û* in *wirken* + work and *Rissen*, but also still *Rüssen* + cushion.

3.  $\hat{a} > \delta$ , *Dh̄nmaht*, folk-etymology for *Dh̄maht* < *Amah̄t*; *wo* < *wol*; *oh̄ne* < *āne*; *Ronat* < *mānōt*; and *Dohle* < *idhelo*. Compare *Wahn* and *Argewohn*.

4. Both S. and M. G. is  $u > o$ ,  $\ddot{u} > \ddot{o}$ , regularly before modern *mm*, *nn* and *n* + any other cons.

Ex.: Past part. and pret. subj. of Class III., 8; *Wonne* < *wunne*; *fromm* < *vrum*; *sonder* < *sunter*; *umsonst* < *umbesun*; *Sohn* < *sun*. Compare *Bronn* (poetic), but *Brunnen* (why *u* is not clear); *Mönch* < *mūnich*

5. Before palatal  $g, \check{c} e > i$ . By this *-ig* and *-iĉ* have become the only suffixes instead of O. and M. H. G. *ec, ac, ech, ach*, see 509.

Ex.: *Fittich* < *fettach*; *Kranich* < *kranech*, O. H. G. *chranuh*; *fertig* < *vertec*; *Honig* < *honec*.

#### 490. B. CONSONANTS.

##### 1. The spread of *ſch* for *ſ* before *l, m, n*, and *w*.

Ex.: *Schlaf* < *slaf*, + sleep; *Schleim* < *slim* + slime; *Schmerr* < \*smear; *Schmeißen* < *smiſen*, + smite; *Schnee* < *snē*, + snow; *Schnepfe* < *snepfe*, + snipe; *Schweiß* < *sweiſ* + sweat; *Schwimmen* < *swimmen*, + swim. The Eng. cognates still show old *a*.

*a.* This is a S. G. feature, starting in the 15th century and extending over the M. G. and the colonized eastern L. G. dialects (Paul). In the 16th *ſch* was substituted for *ſ* after *r* in a few words and later still in initial *ſp, ſt*.

All these *ſch*'s are recognized by the standard pronunciation, but the S. and M. G. dialects know almost no limit in the use of *ſch*. M. G. dialects substitute it even for *ſ*, viz., *miiſch* for *miſch*. See 391, 1.

*b.*  $\check{c} < ſch$  also after *r, e, g.*, *Hirſch* < *hirz* + hart, *Hirſcht* < *hirse* + cherry, *Herrſchen* < *hērsen*. Since *ſchp, ſcht* are not recognized in the spelling of initial *ſp, ſt*, Eng. *st, sp*, and G. *ſt, ſp* correspond: *Stadt, Statt, Stätte* < *stat*, + stead; *Spieß* < *spiz* + spit.

*c.* This *ſch* for *ſ* is not a phonetic change as is generally taken for granted. In the transition from O. > M. H. G. *sc* had become *sch* first before the front vowels, then before all the vowels and then before *r*. *sc > sch* before a palatal vowel is a phonetic transition called *palatalization* due to the following vowel and attended by loosening of the contact, and is known in Eng. and the Romance dialects as well. See Ellis' Early Eng. Pronunciation, p. 1154-. The transition-sound was no doubt the present Westphalian *sjh*, a double sound. At first only *sc > sch* in the above order, and not *s > sch*. The links were *sk* + pal. vowel > *skj* > *sjh* > *sch*.

d. Before vowels and r G.  $\text{sch}$  corresponds to Eng. *sh*, e. g.,  $\text{Schiff}$  + ship;  $\text{Scham}$  + shame;  $\text{schön}$  + sheen;  $\text{Schrot}$  + shread, shroud;  $\text{Schrein}$  + shrine. When Eng. *sc*, *sk* corresponds to G.  $\text{sch}$ ,  $\text{st}$ , there is something wrong, due generally to foreign origin or influence, in one or the other. Compare  $\text{Schule}$  + school;  $\text{Schaum}$  + scum (Norse);  $\text{Landschaft}$  + landscape (D.);  $\text{Schanke}$  + scandal (Fr.).

2.  $\text{z}$  ( $< z < t$ , see 414, 1)  $>$  *s*, written  $\text{f}$ ,  $\text{s}$ ,  $\text{ff}$ ,  $\text{ß}$ .

This is a S. G. feature, beginning with final *z* in the 18th century, spreading over M. G. L. G. still like Eng.; notice the cognates. Ex.:  $\text{was}$   $<$   $\text{waz}$  + what;  $\text{aus}$   $<$   $\text{as}$  + out;  $\text{Wasser}$   $<$   $\text{wazzor}$  + water;  $\text{Binse}$   $<$   $\text{bins}$ , + bentgrass. Examples very numerous.

3.  $\text{ch}$  =  $\text{kh}$  ( $<$  old  $\text{ch}$ ,  $\text{cch}$  and medial  $\text{h}$ ) has become  $\text{jh}$  after front-vowels and after *r*, *l*, and *n*. See 375.

This transition is not shared by S. G. The Eng. cognates show *k* or silent *gh* for I.-E. *k*:  $\text{niht}$   $<$   $\text{niht}$  (=  $\text{nikht}$ ) + not, nought;  $\text{Wicht}$   $<$   $\text{wikt}$  + wight.

a.  $\text{ch}$  before *s* in the same syllable  $>$  *ks*, the same in Eng. as early as Anglo-Saxon.

Ex.:  $\text{Fuchs}$   $<$   $\text{fuhs}$  + fox;  $\text{Buchs}$   $<$   $\text{buhs-boum}$ , + box;  $\text{sehs}$   $<$   $\text{sehs}$  + six;  $\text{Achse}$   $<$   $\text{ahse}$ , + axle;  $\text{Axt}$   $<$   $\text{acchus}$  + axe (*t* is excrescent).

b. Medial  $\text{h}$  at the end of a syllable is silent now,  $\text{sehen}$ ,  $\text{steh}$ — $\text{st}$ , but  $\text{ch}$  still in  $\text{Geficht}$ ;  $\text{fleucht}$ — $\text{flicthen}$ ;  $\text{hoch}$ — $\text{höher}$ ;  $\text{rauch}$  still in  $\text{Rauchwerk}$ , furs, — $\text{rauh}$ ;  $\text{schmähen}$ — $\text{Schmach}$ .

4.  $\text{mb}$   $>$  *mm*, Eng. still *mb*:  $\text{Lamm}$   $<$   $\text{lamp}$ — $\text{lambes}$  + lamb;  $\text{Kummer}$   $<$   $\text{kumber}$ , + to cumber.

5. *m*—*n*, Eng. still *m*.  $\text{Besen}$   $<$   $\text{besem}$  + besom;  $\text{Faden}$   $<$   $\text{fadem}$  + fathom.

6. *w*  $<$   $\text{bh}$ , the labio-labial  $\text{bh}$  has become labio-dental *v* in the standard-pronunciation; it has disappeared after *ou*, *iu* (now *au*, *eu*); in a few cases  $\text{hw}$   $>$  *au*; after *l* and *r* it became *b*, beginning in the 14th century. Eng. cognates show a vowel + some silent letter.

Ex.:  $\text{neu}$   $<$   $\text{niuwe}$ , + new;  $\text{schauen}$   $<$   $\text{schouwen}$  + show;  $\text{grau}$   $<$   $\text{grd}$ — $\text{grāwes}$ , + gray;  $\text{blau}$   $<$   $\text{blā}$ — $\text{blāwes}$  + blue, due to Fr. *bleu*.  $\text{Gerben}$   $<$



*garwen*, + *yare*; *Schwälbe* < *swalwe*, + *swallow*; *Narbt*, a scar < *narwe*, + *narrow*, lit. "contracted surface;" *gelb* < *gel* — *gelwes*, + *yellow*. Some cases show doublets due to levelling in favor of the uninflected form: *fahl* — *faß* < *val* — *valwes* + *fallow*; *Sper-ling* + *sparrow* — *Sperber* < *sparwaere* + *sparrow-hawk*.

491. 1. Other transitions are not general enough to deserve special mention. It is important to distinguish real phonetic transitions and differences between the two periods in the history of the language due to levelling and analogy. The latter have been frequently treated in the comments upon the various inflections. See the levelling in the declension of fem. nouns, 433, between sg. and pl. pret., 460.

2. The disappearance of sounds by contraction ought also to be considered, *e.g.*, of *j* for which a merely orthographical *þ* has been substituted (see 363, 2) or of *t* in 3. pers. sg. of strong verbs whose stem ends in *t* as *schilt* < *schiltet*. Examples of new sounds are *t* between *i*, *uo*, *fi* and *r* as in *Trauer* < *träre*, *Geier* < *gir*; of *t*(*b*) after final *n* and *s* as in *jemand* < *iemant*, *eigentlich* < *eigenliche*, *Obst* < *obez*, *Art* < *ackes*.

### The German word-stock.

492. The following sources have furnished words and forms older than any occurring in the literatures :

1. *Runes*, *e.g.*, the famous inscription on the golden horn, which reads *ek hlewagastiz holtingaz horna tawido* = I, Hlewagastiz (= lea-host ?) of Holstein, made (the) horn.

2. The words borrowed by Fins and Laplanders before the race-migrations, when the latter were in contact with the Scandinavians, the former with the Goths in the South, *e.g.*, "*kunungas*," "king."

3. Words and proper names occurring in Latin and Greek authors, *e.g.*, the name "*Teutones*" would seem to go back to a period before Grimm's Law (see Kluge's dictionary); *glæsum* = amber, *Ags. glære*, + glass in all Germanic dialects; "*alces*" in Caesar = meaning "elk," O. H. G. *elch*, *Ags. eolch*; modern Eng. "elk" is reimported from Norse.

4. German has a much larger Germanic word-stock than Middle and modern English, because through the Norman conquest the Romance was engrafted upon old English and so many old English (Germanic) words died out. But compare the couplets *calf* — *veal*; *deer* — *venison*; *sow*, *swine* — *pork*; *hunt* — *chase*.

a. German, never having had to accept such a large foreign element, has treated foreign words very stepmotherly. English welcomes every stranger, at least our large dictionaries do, which contain as much as ten per centum of words that are no more English than they are German. A German, seeing such a dictionary with colored flags, steam-engines, animals, and what not, takes it for an encyclopedia. In German a foreign word has to undergo a long period of probation before it is accepted in the language and in the dictionary. Foreign words are collected mostly in the "*Fremdwörterbuch*," i. e., Dictionary of foreign words.

493. The first larger influx of foreign words into German came through contact with Roman civilization, e.g., *Straße*, *Wahl*, *Käse*, *Rübe*, *Kette*, *Münze*, *Keller*, *Fenster*; the second through Christianization: *Kirche*, *Isst'ern*, *Kreuz*, *Engel*, *Priester*, *Wasser*, *predigen*, and a great many others. These and other foreign words of the O. H. G. period were quite thoroughly Germanized. They took part in the shifting then going on and their accent was put upon the stem-syllable.

1. In later O. H. G. and in M. H. G. the chief source, from which foreign words came, were the crusades and the institution of chivalry; in later M. H. G. and early N. H. G., the revival of learning and the thirty years war, e.g., *Wald'st*, *Hiute*, *Lourn'ern*, *L'ron*; in fact all older nouns in *-it'ern* and verbs in *-it'ern*. Schiller's *Wallenstein* has many foreign words, e.g., *Armbrust*; *maldeit'ern*; *Danier*, *Pulver*, *Pult*.

2. In the last 200 years Germans have taken up, as all nations have done, a large number of words from Greek, Latin and the Romance languages, words which the progress of civilization calls for. But beginning with the M. H. G. period German has not been able to change the foreign accent, e.g., the verbs in *-it'ern*, even when this ending is added to German words as *hofferen*, *stol'igsteren*, *hauseren*; *Melodei'* or *-die'*, *Bastei'*, *Bataillo'n*, *Balla'be*, *Ballo'n*, *Wasser'it*; the many nouns in *-it'*. Compare English which changed in its middle period the accent of nearly all Norman-French words, e.g., reason, season, melancholy. Later *te'legraph*, but German *Telegra'ph*.

a. There has sprung up since 1870 a tendency in high official circles to banish foreign words, but it is not likely to meet with much success. The military system uses hundreds of them still.

The Postmaster-General of the German empire objected to *Teleph'o'n*, because he could not decide upon the gender, and so „*Fernsprecher*“ was made the official word. A letter to be called for must have on it „*Postlagernd*“, not "poste restante" as formerly.

3. One more large source of borrowed words has to be mentioned which began as early as the 15th century, viz., Low German and Dutch (also English). All words that contain "p," for instance, must be either foreign (*Wappel*, *Pant'her*) or non-High-German, because there can be no p

in H. G. (see 409, 2). If the words do not come directly from Low German, they have been influenced by it and taken L. G. form.

Ex.: puffen, pusten, Puste, Post, glatt, Plunder, Wappen. Words in *gg*, *bb*: Ebbe, Egge, Rogge, Flagge, Bagger, flügge.

4. Notice the many shipping terms: Flagge, Bord, Boot, Sprit, Lotz, Brad, Steven (*v = w*). Words in *-cht* for *ft*, e. g., *sacht*, H. G. *sanft*; *Schacht*, H. G. *Schafst*; *Schlucht* for *Schlust*. The ending *-chen* is Low and M. German; *-lein*, South German. *Feit* for *feist* is L. G.

494. A small group of words was introduced twice, but at different periods, e. g., *Wfalz* (O. H. G.), *Wala'st* (M. H. G.) < *palatium*, but see Kluge's Dict. *Barge* (O. H. G.), *Lartische* (M. H. G.) + Eng. *target* < V. L. *targia* (if this is not originally German and belongs to the next group). *Melodei* was really borrowed, *Melobie* is a later doublet after the many nouns in *-it*. *Fehlen* + to fail, *fallieren*, to fail (in business) < F. *faillir*.

1. Compare Eng. *frail* and *fragile*; *quite* — *quiet*; *exploit* — *explicite*. Many originally German words, adopted by another language, are borrowed again in a foreign form: *Wagen* — *Waggon* + Eng. *wain* — *wagon*; *Spion* < *spähen* — German *Späher*; *Divoual* < *bivacht*, *Beiwacht*; *die Garde*, *die Garberobe* + *guard*, + *wardrobe* < *warta*, *wartên* — *die Warte*, *der Wart* + *ward*; *Stucc* < Ital. *stucco* and this from G. *Stiuf*, O. H. G. *stucchi*.

2. Besides isolated and obscure German words a large number of foreign words are exposed to "folk-etymology," because they are not understood. These have been collected by *Andresen* in his "deutsche Volksetymologie." (See also *Palmer's Folk-etymology*). *Federich* < L. *hederaea*, ground-ivy. *Abenteuer* (archaic spelling even *Abentteuer*), < M. H. G. *aventureure* < Rom. *aventure*.

3. *Vielfraß*, wolverine < Norse *fallfress* = mountain-bear, as if it were a great eater; *Sündflut* as if from *Sünde* and *flut*, "the flood that came on account of sin," but it is from *Sin* — meaning "ever," "universal" as in *Singrün*, evergreen. *Leumunt* as if it meant "Lügenmunt" or "Leutemunt," but < *hlüumunt*, *hlüum*, in which *-munt* is suffix, "hliu" < the same root as *laut*, loud + Gr. *κλύω*. See *Waulwurf*, 400. Compare Eng. *causeway* < O. Fr. *chaucié* < L. *calciatam (viam)*; country-dance < counter-dance, Fr. *contredanse*.

Hundreds of examples will be found in *Andresen* and *Palmer's* collections. The words in 494, 494, 1, have never been collected.

## D. WORDFORMATION.

This chapter does not contain a complete German etymology. It aims merely at giving a brief, practical survey of the derivation of German words for students who know a little English and Latin. A knowledge of the older forms of some Germanic dialects cannot be expected from the student. For practical reasons only, the following subdivisions of the chapter are made.

**495.** We may distinguish four ways of forming and deriving words :

1. By ablaut without derivative suffix, see 496, 1, 3.
2. By suffixing some element which was once perhaps an independent word.
3. By prefixing such element.
4. By composition of independent words.

**496.** The pronouns have roots peculiar to themselves and many adverbs are formed from the pronominal roots. Nouns (that is, substantives and adjectives) and verbs had probably the same roots, though it is customary to speak, in contrast to pronominal roots, only of verbal roots, from which nouns were formed later. We count as primitive all strong verbs and those nouns which have no apparent derivative suffix. From a  $\sqrt{b'xnd'}$ , in which x represents the vowel, that is to appear according to the various ablaut-grades, both nouns and verbs were formed. In G. T. this root would be *bend*. It furnished *binden*, *bänd*, *gebunden*, *baß Bänb*, *ber Bänb*, *ber Bänb*, *baß Bänb* (for *Bänbel*). Both nouns and verbs had their stem-suffixes, of course. These made them into words. Roots are to the etymologist what x, y, z are to the mathematician. They are something unreal and abstracted from the actual phenomena of languages. No one ever spoke in roots. In a word, we distinguish the stem and the inflections. The stem minus the stem-suffix is the root. Of every root, noun and strong verb are not now extant, for instance, *ließ*, *loß*, but weak verbs by means of the suffix *jo-je*, were formed from the same root, I. E.  $\sqrt{ixub'}$ . G. T.  $\sqrt{ixub}$ , *a. g.*, (g)lauben, loben. x appears as e-*i* in *ließ*, *ließe* < *loba*, \**lob-*; as a in (g)lauben, (er)loben; it disappears in *loß*, *loben*, the weakest or zero stage of ablaut. See 394.

1. Formed by ablaut alone, we consider strong verbs, nouns of the same roots and nouns from roots that may have no strong verb extant.

2. The stem-suffix may have been *o*, *jo*, *i*, *u*, *d*, *ja* (fem.), etc. We are inclined to look upon the *jo*-stems as derivatives because they suffered umlaut, *e. g.*, *Bürge*, *Geſchüß*. There is some reason for this because *jo*, *ja*, *wo*, *wä* are not primary stem-suffixes, but for our purposes there is no harm in confounding the primary and secondary suffixes.

3. Examples of the derivation of verbs and of substantives by ablaut alone.

I. ablaut-series: beißen, der Biß; reich, Reib. II.: schließen, das Schloß, der Schluß; triefen, der Tropf, die Traufe; das Loch, die Lücke. III.: schwimmen, der Schwamm, der Sumpf (?), die Schwemme; der Schlund, der Ring. IV.: bergen, der Berg, die Burg, der Bürger; schallen, schellen, der Schall. V.: geben, die Gabe (rather *geba*), gebe or gäbe (adj.). VI.: graben, das Grab, die Grube; ich muß, der Haßn, das Fußn.

To the G. T. â — ô series: thun, gethan, die That. See 476, 2.

### Derivation of Substantives

497. Derived by a late ablaut, also directly from a weak verb.

Ex.: Der Schumb < schinden, = refuse; der Befehl < befehlen; der Handel < handeln; das Opfer < opfern; der Ärger < ärgern. Feminines in -t: die Binde + windlass < winden; die Fähre + ferry < *vern* < *faran*.

### 498. DERIVATION BY VOWEL-SUFFIXES:

1. e < i formed from adjectives, all feminine, e.g., Größe < groß; Höhe < hoch; Schöne < schön; Balbe < bald (now only adverb); Güte < gut — *guoti* < *guot*. i produced umlaut.

2. e < i < jo Hirte < Herde.

3. ei < ie < Romance ie, ia, always with chief-stress upon it, at first only in foreign words, then spreading very rapidly in N. H. G.

It is attached most frequently to nouns and verbs ending in -el, -er, -en, so that the ending was felt to be -erei, e.g., Sauberei', Arznei', Feuchtelei, Sägerei. It denotes also a place of business: Druckerei, Bäckerei. It implies a slur, Juristerrei, Kinberei.

4. ie only in foreign words. It is the later form of ia, ie, and the nouns were formed after i had become ei.

Ex.: Astronomie', Geographie', Theologie', etc. -ie has crowded out the older -ei, or they appear together with a difference of meaning. Melodie — Melodie, both mean "melody"; Partei = party, faction — Partie = game, match, company, excursion; Phantasie + fancy, — Phantastie + phantasy.

## DERIVATION BY CONSONANT SUFFIXES.

## 499. Liquids and their combinations.

1, generally *el* < O. H. G. *ul* (*al*), *ü*. *ü* produces umlaut. It is weak or unaccented. + Eng. *le*, + L. *-ul-us*. Majority of substantives are masculine.

Ex.: 1. *I* < *ul, al*: der Böh(e)l, Stahl, das Beil, Maul, die Seele.

2. *el* (< *ul, al*): der Wandel, Mangel, Kabel, Schnabel, Sattel, Kegel; die Fadel, Gurgel, Wurzel, Fasel, Schaufel.

3. *el* < *ü*. Most of them denote means and instruments like the feminines < *ul, al*.

Ex.: der Beutel, Büttel (+ beadle), Löffel, Kegel + cudgel (?), Schlüssel, Kirmel, Bügel. These are very numerous.

4. *el*, + Eng. *-le*, sign of diminutives, < *ila, iü*. Neuter gender. A S. German favorite from old times, now *le, l*, see Goethe's famous Schwärzcrlich.

Ex.: Bündel, Büchel, Rinbel. Proper names: Friebel, Zacherl.

5. *el* in foreign words: die Orgel < V. L. *organa*; Teufel < *δαιμόλιος*; das Siegel < L. *sigillum*; der Esel < L. *asinus*; der Kümmel < L. *cuminum*.

500. *I* combined with other suffixes.

1. with *s* in *fel* (weak accent), *sal* (secondary accent) < *sal, is* + *al*, generally producing umlaut. Gender prevailingly neuter, but also a few fem. and very few masc.

Ex. of *-fel*: der Wechsel, das Rätsel, Überbleibsel, Käffel.

Ex. of *-sal*: das Schicksal, das Labfal, das Schensal, die Saumsal, die Trübsal. Some have double gender.

2. *-lein* < *ü* + *in*, secondary accent, very numerous, produces umlaut, noun always neuter. See 493, 4. Now only in solemn diction and poetry.

Ex.: Rinlein, Lämmlein, Mägdlein, Söhnlein, etc. *-elchen* is rare: Büchelchen, F. 3779.

3. *-ling* < *ul, ü* + *ing*, + Eng. *-ling*, weak accent, often with a depreciative force. Its second element was at first only added to nouns in *-l*, then *-ling* became the suffix.

Ex.: Frembling, Findling + foundling; Jüngling + youngling; Bißling, Däumling; Mietling, hireling; Säugling + suckling; Schößling, Zwilling.

a. -lingen (en is Dative pl.) forms many names of places, Hamelingen, Gravelingen.

4. *ler* < *l* + *er* is a quite modern suffix. For *er*, see 507, 1. It started with nouns that came from verbs in *-eln* or nouns in *-el*.

Ex.: Künstler < künsteln; Schmeißler < schmeißeln; but Häusler < Haus; Tischler < Tisch. Implies a slur, e.g., Rechtler < Recht. Comp. Eng. hostler < hostel.

**501.** *em, m, am, en* < *em*. Of these *m, en* are unaccented and form no syllable; *-em* has weak accent, *am* has secondary. < O. H. G. *m, um, am,* + Eng. *m, om*. For *em* > *en*, see 490, 5.

Ex.: der Baum, + beam; Traum, + dream; Zaum + team; Schwarm + swarm; der Atem (Dem, the biblical form), Brodem; der Boden, der Busen, der Faben, der Defen; der Eibam, der Brosam, in which *am* has been restored in place of older *-em*. das Bittum belongs here, but *tum* has crept in for older "*widem*," as shown in the verb *widmen*.

*m* is a suffix in *-tum* <  $\sqrt{d}^{\bar{a}}$ , see 515, 5.

**502.** *en, n,* < O. H. G. *an, in* + Eng. *en, n, on, in*.

Ex.: der Dorn, + thorn; Hafen, + haven; das Korn, + corn; das Zeichen, + token, der Degen, + thane. Regen, + rain; Wagen, + wain, wagon. Often lost in G., compare der Rabe, + raven; die Wolke, + welkin; Küche, + kitchen; Kette, + chain. *en* of inf. is lost in English. In G. *en* has crept into the Nominative and changed the inflection, see 435, 2. In some cases, e.g., Korn, Born + Ags. *torn*, *n* is the participial suffix *-no*, see 453, 1.

1. The *-en* of the weak declension really belongs here, since it forms nouns denoting the agent, for instance, from verbs, *Wieten, der Wote, des Woten*. But we feel it now as an inflectional ending. See 432.

*-ner* is not a real suffix. Compare *ler*, 500, 4. In *Rebner* *n* belongs to the stem < *redina, redinōn*. In others *n* is added by analogy: *Gläserner* < *Glode*; *Kirchner* < *Kirche*; *Pförtner* < *portenarius*; *Silbner* < *soldenarius*, *Solb*.

2. *en* < *en*, a now rare diminutive except in composition in *-lein, -chen*. Ex.: das Füllen (Folen) + filly, foal; Schwein, + swine < G. T. *sū*; das Küfen for *Küchlein* + chicken < from the same stem as "cock."

**503.** *nis, niss-*, forms neuter and fem. nouns, generally abstract ones denoting existence and condition, sometimes place, + Eng. *-ness*.

Generally from noun and verb stems, but also from adjectives: *die Willnis* < *will*, *Finsternis* < *finster*. It represents now older *-niss-* and *-nuss-*, Go. *-nassus*, and generally produces umlaut. *-niss*, *-nuss* are compounded of *n* + *issi*, *issa* and *n* + *ussi*.

Ex.: *das Begräbnis, Gefängnis, Vermächtnis*; *die Erlaubnis, Kenntnis, Betrübnis*.

**504.** *in, inn-* forms fem. nouns, denoting females, from masc. < M. H. G. *in, in, inne* < O. H. G. *innd, in*, + L. *ina* in *regina*.

Ex.: *Gott, Göttin*; *Fuchs, Füchsin* + *vixen*; *Hannoveraner, Hannoveranerin*. Very numerous. Not extant in Eng. except in *vixen*, Ags. *fyzen*. To be translated by "female," "she-," "lady-."

1. *-in* has become (e)n and is attached to surnames having the force of the more elegant *Frau* + surname without suffix, e. g., *die Müllerin* instead of *Frau Müller*, *die Spannhafen* instead of *Frau Spannhaf*.

**505.** *-nd, end, (and, ant)*, really participial suffix (see 453), + Eng. *-end*.

Ex.: *der Freund* + *friend*; *Feind* + *fiend*; *Beigand*, *champion*; *Heiland*, + *Saviour*; *Valant*, but the cognate *ant* is foreign and has chief-stress, e. g., *Russla'nt, Ministra'nt*. No participial ending in *der Abend*, *der Elefa'nt*.

**506.** *-ng, -ing, -ung*, < older *ing, ung*, + Eng. *ing, ng*, weak accent.

Ex.: *der Häring* + *herring*; *der Schilling* + *shilling*; *das Messing*, *brass*, Ags. *mǣsing*.

1. *n* is lost in *Rönig*, + *king*; *der Pfennig* (< *pfenninc*) + *penny*.

2. *ung* forms numerous fem. nouns from verbs. Like Eng. *ing* they denote mostly action. The suffix is gaining ground. But Eng. nouns in *ing* are frequently best translated into German by an infinitive. Ex.: *die Erfahrung*, *Bildung*, *Zeitung* + *tidings*, *Anfertigung* + *manufacture*; *Verdampfung*, *evaporation*, etc. *Riding* + *das Reiten*; *building*, *das Bauen*.



3. *ing* and *ung* + *er* and *en* form many patronymics and names of places: Thüringen, Meiningen, Ewifringen, Nöhrungen, Formung, Ribelingen, Merovinger, Sähringer, Eothringer. For *er* (see 507, 2). *-en* is originally dative pl.

### 507. *-er* is of various origins.

1. It denotes the agent, < *ere* < *ære* < *ári*, + Eng. *er*, *or*, *ary*, + Lat. *-arius*.

It is attached to both nouns and verbs and is preceded by umlaut as a rule.

Ex.: Zauberer, Kämmerer, Schüler, Ritter, Schneider, Reiter, Länger. Very numerous.

*a.* Borrowed words not denoting the agent: Zentner, < L. *centenarius* + centenary, a hundred weight; Trichter < late L. *tractarius* (?), funnel.

2. *-er* denotes origin and home, attached to names of places and countries.

It was originally a Genitive pl., but of the same origin with the preceding: Thüringer, Berliner, Wiener, Schweizer.

3. *-er* without any particular force, and words with it are looked upon as primitive < *r*, *ur* (*ar*), *ir*, + Eng. *r*, *er*, *re*, + I.-E. *-ro-*.

Ex.: der Ader, Hammer, Sommer, Donner; die Ader, Feder, Leber, Schulter; das Futter, Leder, Wetter, Silber, Wasser.

4. *-ier* in foreign words, *e. g.*, der Cavalier, Barbier, is identical with *er* sub 1, but is of Romance form, < L. *-arius*.

For *-er* as a sign of pl., see 431.

### 508. Suffix *-ter*, *der*.

1. < *tar*, forms names of relationship + Eng. *ter*, *ther*, < I.-E. *-t-r*. It is unaccented. Ex. der Vater, Bruder, die Mutter, Schwester, Tochter.

2. < *tara*, *tra*, *tira* + Eng. *ter*, *der*. Denotes Instrument. Not numerous, unaccented. + L. *trum*, G. *τρον*, *τρια*.

Ex.: Klastar, cord; die Leiter + ladder; das Gelächter + laughter; Kaster < *lahstar*, *lastar* < *lahan*, to blame. In the last word *-star* is secondary

suffix. It appears also in *der Samster*, badger; *die Elster*, magpie, which are of doubtful origin. *Das Fenster* < Lat. *fenestra*.

*ber* (tr) as comparative suffix, see 530.

**g, f, idj, ðj.**

*g* and *f*, Eng. *g* and *k*, it is difficult to separate from the rest of the stem. Nouns ending in them must be considered primitive.

**509.** *-idj*, sometimes spelt *-ig*, forms a few masc. nouns. It represents M. H. G. *-ech* and *-ich* < *uh*, *ah* and *ih* < *uk*, *ak*, *ik* + Eng. *-ock*, *-k*. See 489, 5.

Ex.: *der Böttich* (+ buttock), *der Habich(t)* + hawk; *Kranich* + crane; *Stittich*, *Leppich*; *das Reifich*, *Reifig*, brushwood; *der Rettig* (*-idj*) + radish < L. *radic-em*; *Reisch* < M. H. G. *mol*, + mole, but means lizard. *der Essig* (*ig* for *idj*), (+ Eng. acid) < L. *acetum*, through *\*atecum* (?). *Rab'éschen* is of later importation. *Der Käfig*, *Käfsich*, does not belong here, but < *kevsje* (> *kefje*) < L. *cavea*.

1. *-idjt* = *idj* + *t*, for which see 512, 2, forms a number of neuter nouns denoting fullness, plenty, frequency. Late suffix of 15th century. *Das Dickicht*, + Eng. thicket (but *-et* is Romance); *das Strohicht*, sweepings; *das Strohicht*, reeds. *Der Sachticht* (see above).

**510.** *-chen* forms the common neuter diminutives and has crowded out *-lein* in the spoken language. See 493, 4.

Compounded of *idj*, see above, and *n* < *in*, *fn*, see 502, 2. Always produces umlaut. Has weak accent, + Eng. kin. Ex.: *das Männchen*, + manikin; *Lämmchen*, + lambkin; *Würmchen*, *Mäbchen*, *Beißchen*.

**d, t, ð, f, idj.**

**511.** 1. *-d-* + Eng. *-th*, < G. T. *-'th-*, < I. E. *-'t-*.

Ex.: *Der Tod*, + death; *Mund*, + mouth; *das (die) Nachb*, + aftermath; *die Hute*, + booth; *die Bürde*, burthen. Not numerous in German. Where Engl. forms abstract nouns in *-th*, from adjectives generally, G. forms the same in *-t*: *Wärme*, warmth; *Wahre*, truth; *Tiefe*, depth.

2. *-de* < *-ida*, *-idá*, unaccented; *-vd*, *-öde*, *-at*, < *-öta*, *-öti*, *-uoti*, secondary accent, form neuter and fem. nouns.

Ex.: Die Fremde, Freude, Gebärde, Bierde, Begierde; das Getreide < *getregede* < *gītragida*, what is born on the fields, crops, grain. Das Gelübde, Gebäude, Gemälde.

a. Das Kleinod, jewel; die Einöde due to folk-etymology after Ödt, desert, then wilderness = solitude, lone-ness. Der Monat + month < *mānot*; die Heimat, + home, native land; der Zierat, ornamentation. But Scirat, marriage < *hi* < *hiw* + *rāt*. Die Armut belongs here, its ut < *uoti*, O. H. G. *armuoti*. Wermut, + Eng. wormwood, has this suffix, but its root is doubtful. For -at in foreign words, see 163, 1.

**512.** -t forms numerous fem. nouns and a few masculines, + Eng. t when preceded by surd spirants, see 412, 2, < original t.

Ex.: die Kraft + craft; die Macht + might; die Trift + drift; die Flucht + flight; der Frost + frost; der Geist + ghost; der Gast + guest; die Raft, + mast (of animals); Gift, + gift; Gruft + crypt.

1. This -t forms other nouns, but it then corresponds to Eng. d, rarely th; mostly < I.-E. -t- before the accent, with which the suffix of the weak past participle is identical (see 453, 1): die Furt + ford; der Wart + ward; Saat, + seed; That, + deed; die Flut, + flood; die Blüte, bloth; die Stätte, Stabt, + stead; der Mut, + mood; die Wut, + wood (mad).

2. Notice the excrement t, which the many nouns ending in a spirant + t encouraged, e. g., der Saft + sap; die Axt + axe; das Obst < *odes*; in -schaft + -ship, -scape (?). After -ch, see 509, 1. In foreign words, e. g., der Pala'ß, + palace; Papst, + pope; Morast, + morass.

3. -st in Kunst < können, Brunst < brennen, Günst < gönnen is not clear. To call it "euphonic" does not explain. Arzt < O. H. G. *arzāt* < late L. *archiater*, but phonetically not quite clear. Die Magd, Maid + maid < M. H. G. *maget*, *meit* has the suffix b-t, < G. T. th, derived from a masc. *magus*, "boy."

**513.** s, f- is rare, + Eng. s, < is-, es-.

Ex.: Flachs + flax; Fuchs, + fox; Luchs + lynx (?); die Achse, + axle; die Hülse, pod; der Krebs < *crebege* + crayfish, due to popular etymology, as if "cray-fish"; die Bremse, brake; die Hornisse + hornet; die Gans + goose.

**514.** [ch]- is of various origins, but generally inseparable.

< isk- comes the frequent adjective suffix -sch + Eng. ish, sh, e. g., der Mensch < O. H. G. *mennisko*, an adjective; der Frosch + frog (see Kluge);

Bel[sch] + welsh. In Fir[sch] + hart, [sch] < s, z. In Str[ische] + cherry < \**ceresia* [sch] < s. See 525, 4.

a. -[sche] is added to surnames to denote Mrs., but is quite colloquial, *die Reinhardt[sche]* for *Gran Reinhardt*, *die Sandwehrs[sche]* for *Gran Sandwehr*.

NOUNS DERIVED BY NOMINAL SUFFIXES, WHICH CAN BE TRACED TO INDEPENDENT WORDS STILL EXTANT IN THE OLDER GERMANIC DIALECTS.

For earlier periods of the language this derivation would therefore properly come under the head of wordcomposition.

**515.** The suffixes are: -heit, -feit, -ric[h], -[sch]aft, -tum. They all form abstract fem. nouns, chiefly from substantives and adjectives, except those in -ric[h] and -tum, and have secondary accent.

1. -heit + Eng. -hood, -head. < O. H. G. *heit*, Ags. *hād*, meaning character, nature, rank. In a few nouns it means "a body of," and has collective force. Very frequent: *die Freiheit*; *Gottheit* + godhead; *Kindheit* + childhood; *Mens[ch]heit*, mankind; *Christenheit*, Christendom.

2. -feit composed of -heit and the adjective suffix -ec or ic, to which it was attached in M. H. G. First ec-heit, ic-heit (> echeit, icheit) > ekeit, ikeit > keit, feit. -feit is attached only to adj. in -bar, -er, -ig, -lich and -sam. Very numerous.

Ex.: *die Dankbarkeit*, *Eitelheit*, *Feierheit*, *Ewigheit*, *Freundlich[ig]heit*, *Einsamkeit*. The derivation from adjectives in -ig is so common, that -igheit was looked upon as the suffix and adjectives in -los and bast only form nouns in this way: *die Ehrlosigheit*, *Straflosigheit*, *Lügenhaftigheit*, *Krankhaftigheit*. In -ig-heit ig has been restored in many nouns, after it had helped form *feit*, e. g., *Süßigkeit* < *süezekheit*; *Ewigkeit* < *ewocheit*. See 489, 5.

a. Mark the distinction sometimes made between nouns in -igheit, -feit and -heit from the same adj. *Die Reinigkeit* = trifle, *die Kleinheit* = littleness; *die Neuigkeit* = a piece of news; *die Neuheit* = newness; *die Reinlich[ig]heit*, cleanliness; *die Reinheit*, purity, clearness.

3. -ric[h] + Eng. -ric, -ry < O. H. G. *ri[ch]* + L. *rēx*, *rēgis*, forms a number of proper names. Denotes "powerful," "commanding." Ex.: *Wütrich*, blood-thirsty person, tyrant; *Friedrich* + Frederic; *Scinrich* + Henry; *Wegerich*, a plantain, lit. "ruler of the way."

a. -ric[h] appears in the names for certain male birds. The oldest is *Gunterich* + drake < *endrake*. This is certainly not identical with the above -ric[h]; it may have been shaped after it on account of *antreche*, O. H. G. *antrahho*, which cannot go back to -ric[h].

Öanjerich + gander, Zauberic, cock-pigeon, are N. H. G. forms after Enterich, < Öanfer, Zauber < Öans, Zaube. Fahric, ensign, < older G. *venre, faneri*, has -ich by analogy. Fahndric may be due to D. *vendric* (Wiegand) < *fahne, flag*. By folk-etymology. ber Öeric, from L. *hederacea*.

-rich comes under composition.

4. -schafft + Eng. -ship, shape < O. H. G. *scafft*, meaning character, being, creature; itself a derivative by t < G. T.  $\sqrt{\text{skap}}$ , from which to shape, schaffen. Forms mostly fem. abstract nouns and a few collectives.

Ex.: die Freundschaft + friendship; Grafschaft, county; Landschaft + Ags. *landsipe*, + Eng. landscape (*scape* due to D. and Norse influence); die Gesandtschaft, embassy; Priesterschaft, priesthood; Verwandtschaft, relationship; Gesellschaft, company.

5. -tum + Eng. -dom < O. H. G. *tuom*, *M.* and *N.*; Ags. *dōm* *M.* + Eng. doom = judgment, law, dominion, power. It forms neuter nouns from nouns, but neuters and masculines from adjectives. The nouns are abstract, but many denote domain and place.

Ex.: das Herzogtum + dukedom; Königtum, + kingdom; Heiligtum, + heathendom; Heiligtum, sanctuary; der Irrtum, error, Reichtum + riches.

a. Mark a difference in meaning between nouns derived by means of *heit*, *schafft*, -tum from the same stem: die Eigenheit, stubbornness, peculiarity; die Eigenschaft, quality; das Eigentum, property; die Christenheit = Christendom; das Christentum = Christianity; die Bürgerchaft, all the citizens; das Bürgertum, citizenship; die Weisheit + wisdom; das Weistum, statute.

#### DERIVATION OF NOUNS BY MEANS OF INSEPARABLE PREFIXES.

516. The composition of nouns by means of independent parts of speech, such as prepositions and adverbs, will not be treated here except the composition by means of those prefixes, such as *bei*, *über*, etc., which retained the strong form under the noun-accent, but wore down to a weaker form in the verb accentuation and thus became "inseparable." For the principle of accent, see 421. Whenever the prefix of a noun is unaccented and has weak form, the noun is not old, but it is late and derived from the verb, except in one case, viz., the prefix *ge-*, *g-*.

This is really composition, but we treat of the subject here for convenience.

1. *Über-* has the force, 1) of *über-* *über*, from Dutch = excessive. It is rare. Der Aberglaube, superstition, die Überacht; "*proscriptio superior*;" Überwitz, conceit, presumption, imbecility, is M. H. G. *aberwites, abewites*, in which *aber* = *abe*, *ab*. O. H. G. *āwiazī*.

2) The force of *again toward, against*. It is depreciative: *ber U̇berwandel, forfeit, back-sliding*; *U̇bername, nick-name*; *die U̇berfaat, second-sowing*; *ber U̇berfaifer = Gegenfaifer, rival emperor*. In this sense = *after* and both probably < *af, ad + -or* and *-tar* respectively.

2. *U̇f t e r-* + Eng. *after*: not the first, not genuine, second, retro-, false: *Das U̇fterblatt, stipule* (in botany); *die U̇ftermuse, false muse*; *die U̇fterkritik, false, second-hand criticism*; *U̇fterwelt = Nachwelt, posterity*; *U̇ftermicke, subletting*.

3. *U̇ n t-* + Eng. *an-, a-, am-* in *answer, acknowledge, am-bassador*, + L. *ante-*, Gr. "δύρι." Force: *against, opposite, in return, removal*.

Ex.: *die Antwort, + answer*; *das Antlitz, face*; *ber Antlaß, absolution*; *das Amt, office, court* < O. H. G. *ambaht*, Go. *andbanti, and + bahto, a servant*, Eng. *ambassador, embassy* < Romance forms < Low L. *ambasta* < O. H. G. *ambaht*.

Unaccented it became *ent* (see 541). *U̇nt-* has in some really old nouns given place to the *ent-* of verbs, e.g., *ber Empfäng* for older *ántvanc*.

4. *B e i-*, *b-* rare as old prefix, but common in modern compounds, consisting of preposition + noun, + Eng. *by*; in verbs *bt,* + Eng. *by-*, *be-* < *bē, be*; see Kluge. Perhaps related to Gr. ἀμφί, L. *ambi*.

Ex.: *das Beispiel, example* < *bispel*; *die Beichte, confession* < *bichte* < *bighte* < *bi + jehen*; *ber Beischlaf, cohabitation*; *ber Beisatz, + settler, unnaturalized comer*; *Beifuß, wormwood*. The weak unaccented form *be-* is very common in late derivatives from verbs. In M. H. G. appear the doublets *biraht* — *Beira'cht*; *bigrast* — *begräft*; *biecht* — *besiht*.

5. *F ü r-* occurs only in one old noun, *Fürfürsch, mediator, attorney*. In the 18th century *für* and *vor* were used indiscriminately and a great many compounds now have *Vor-* only. Unaccented *Vor-* sub 11.

6. *Er̄-*, + Eng. *arch-*, means *chief, original, great-* < V. L. *arci-* < Gr. ἀρχί-.

Ex.: *ber Er̄bischof + archbishop*; *Er̄lügner, a great liar*; *Er̄narr, arrant fool*; *Er̄spieler, professional gambler*.

7. *Ge-*, *g-*, the traces of its accent are difficult to find even in the oldest stages of the Germanic dialects, though there are some in Ags. (found by Kluge) and in Go. There are none left in German. It is always unaccented. < O. H. G. *ga, gi*. Its connection with L. *cum, con*, is generally asserted, but is difficult to prove. Has intensive, generally collective

force. Nouns of the form *Ge*-t, < *ga*-jo are almost all neuter and very numerous.

Ex.: der Glaube + belief; der Gefelle; das Glück, die Schuld, die Gnade; die Gefahr; das Gebäude; Getreide; Geschmeide; Gewerbe; Gebirge; Gehölze. *Ge*- appears before l, r, n.

8. *Ri*ß- + Eng. mis-. Force: negative, false, failure. For its origin see 453, 1. In M. H. G. still an adjective, now inseparable, always accented prefix. Only one compound with its derivatives retains *miss*-, viz., *Ri*ßthat + misdeed.

Ex.: Very numerous: der *Ri*ßbrauch, die *Ri*ßcrute, der *Ri*ßflang, der *Ri*ßmut, der *Ri*ßgriff.

9. *Ur* + Eng. or- only in "ordeal" and "ort," < older *us*, *ur*. Force: origin, great age, great-. Weak, unaccented form = *er*- in verbs and their derivatives. *u* always long except in *Ur*teil. das *Ur*teil + ordeal; der *Ur*sprung, die *Ur*funde; der *Ur*laub, der *Ur*großvater; die *Ur*sache; der *Ur*quell.

10. *Un* + Eng. un-, of like force, privative, + L. *in*-, Gr. *av*-, *a*-.

Ex.: die *Un*art, der *Un*banf, die *Un*gunft, der *Un*wille. In ungefähr *un*- stands for *ohn*-, < *ân* *gewore*, but in *D*hnmacht, *ohn* stands for *D*hnmacht < *amaht*, containing the obsolete *â* privative.

11. *Ver*-, *fr*- always in this weak form and unaccented like *Ge*-. Traces of early accent upon it very rare, none now, + Eng. *for*-. Rare in older nouns, very common in later nouns derived from verbs, see 516, < O. H. G. *far*, *fir*.

Ex.: der *Ver*luft, die *Ver*munft, *Fre*vel + Ags. *fr*afelo; *Fr*aß — *fr*essen; *Fr*aht + *fr*aught, *fr*eight (see Kluge's Dict.).

12. *St*er occurs only in nouns derived from verbs. See therefore 546. Ex.: die *St*erftreuung, *St*erftörung.

a. For *brittel*, *viertel*, see 532, 2. *Jungfer*, maiden < *jun*gfrouwe, daughter of a noble family. *Jun*fer, young nobleman + *you*nker < *jun*c-*herr*. *Jung*frau, virgin, is a modern compound. In such words as *A*bler, *B*imper, *Ra*chbar, *E*chfter, and many others, the second elements are no longer felt; they are suffixes to all intents and purposes. See the dictionary for their derivation.

### Composition of Nouns.

517. The second element is always a noun, in a few cases an adjective, but used as a noun. This noun always determines the gender and inflection of the compound. The first element always has the primary accent, the second the secondary accent. See 421; 424, 2. The first element may

be any other independent part of speech, a noun, adjective, verb, adverb, or preposition.

NOUN + NOUN.

518. The relation of the component parts is syntactical; the first element may stand in apposition to the second or it stands in case-relation to it.

In apposition: das Stimmrecht, die Sommerzeit; many names of plants and trees, der Apfelbaum, die Heidelbeere.

In the G. relation: der Kugapfel, der Schnitzstuhl, die Rumpelstilz.

In the D. relation: der Schieferstuhl, das Lintenschiff, die Langhaube.

In the A. relation, including the objective Genitive: der Begleitler, Herzog, Vatermörder.

In the Ablative relation of origin, material, cause: die Freudenträne, der Westwind, die Stahlfeder.

In the Instr. relation, denoting instrument, means, connection: der Fußtritt, der Fußschlag, die Beimute.

In the Locative relation, denoting place, association, even time: die Dachstube, das Bahnsteig, Lagerwert, der Fußsohle.

a. The earliest method of combining the nouns was that of attaching the second noun to the stem with its stem-suffix, that is, to the "theme." The vowels of the stem-suffixes became e in M. H. G. or were lost. A later way was that of joining the second noun to the Genitive sg. or pl. of the first noun. This way originated in the relation of noun and its dependent genitive. The sign of the G. sg. *s*, *tē* was then added also to feminine nouns, which of course were not entitled to it.

1. Stem + noun. *Composition proper.*

a. With stem-suffix: der Lagedieb, der Fagedorn, das Lagedieb, die Baberise, der Bräutigam, die Nachtigall, die Gänseblume. See the examples with *en* sub 2, since *en* was originally stem-suffix. See 502, 1.

b. Without stem-suffix. Very numerous: der Wilddieb, das Jagdhorn, das Weltmeer, das Gartenhaus, das Handwerk.

2. G. sg. or plural + noun. Secondary composition. Case-endings: (*e*)*s*, *er*, *en*. *en* and *er* were also encouraged by the other cases in which they stood, *e. g.*, N. and A. pl. and in the other cases of the sg. of masc. weak nouns. Indeed (*e*)*s* and (*e*)*n* were gradually looked upon as connecting elements between two nouns and crowded out many compounds of proper composition.

Ex.: das Sonntagstieb, das Wirtshaus, der Landesherr; der Häuserverkauf, die Kinderlehre, die Männerwürde; der Ehrenhort, das Freudenfest, die Blumenlese, der Palmenbaum, Feigenbaum, der Eichenwald, der Sternenhimmel.



3. *s* between fem. noun + noun. This began as early as the 12th century. *-s* is a favorite after nouns in *t*, particularly after the suffixes *-t*, *-heit* (*feit*), *-schaft* and *-ung*; and the foreign nouns in *-ion* and *-ität*.

Ex.: *der Geburtstag*; *die Freiheitsliebe*, *Heimatsliebe*; *der Freundschaftsbote*; *das Hoffmingsglück* (G.); *der Weihnachtsmama*, *der Hochzeitstag*; *das Missionsblatt*, *die Universitätshalle*, *der Liebesbrief*.

#### ADJECTIVE + NOUN.

519. The adjective appears without stem-suffix, but see 522. The relation of adjective and noun is that of an attribute or of apposition.

Ex.: *die Gutmütigkeit*, *die Weihnachtsfeier*, *Hochzeit*; *der Langbein*, *der Ritt(woch)*; *die Ritt(woch)*; *die Jungfrau*, *die Selbtsucht*, *die Kurzweil*; *der Großmaul*; *der Bösewicht*.

1. In many compounds the adjective is used as noun and is then inflected, generally in the weak G. pl.: *die Blinden*, *die Taubstummengemeinschaft*, *das Krankenhaus*.

2. There is a small group of compounds in which the union of the elements is not intimate and the adjective is inflected, e.g., *die La'ngewe'ile*, *La'ngwe'ile*; *So'herrie'ster*, *der So'herrie'ster*; *Geheimerrat*, *ein Geheimerrat* (but also uninflected *der*, *ein Geheimrat*). *Mitternacht* is a secondary compound for the older *mīnnaht* + midnight. For their accent, see 422, 1.

#### 520. 1. NUMERAL + NOUN.

Ex.: *der Dreifuß*, *das Viereck*, *die Einbeere*, *der Zweikampf*, *der Zwieback*, *das Zwielicht* + twilight, *das Siebengestirn*, *die Erstgeburt*.

#### 2. ADVERB + NOUN.

Many of them are formed from compound verbs.

Ex.: *die Wohlthat*, *die Herkunft*, *der Eingang*, *die Wollust*, *die Außenwelt*, *die Nichtanerkennung* (= non-), *die Abart*, *der Abgott*, *der Eingang*.

#### 3. PREPOSITION + NOUN.

The majority are formed from compound verbs. But not a small number are made directly of preposition + noun.

Ex.: *die Anzahl*, *der Anstoß*, *die Ansprache*, *der Aufgang*, *der Beinamen*, *der Beitrag*, *die Durchfahrt*, *der Durchbruch*, *der Fürwitz* or *Vorwitz*, *die Gegengabe*, *die Hinterlist*, *der Inbegriff*, *der Mitmenschen*, *der Nachkomme*, *das Nebengebäude*, *die Niederlage*, *das Obdach*, *der Oberkellner*, *die Oberhand*, *die Übermacht*, *der Umkreis*, *der Untersatz*, *die Unterwelt*, *die Vorwelt*, *der Widerwille*, *der Suname*, *das Zwischenspiel*.

## 4. VERB + NOUN.

Very numerous. A few with the connecting vowel *-t-*, which represents the suffix-vowel of weak verbs, older *ô, ê*.

Ex.: *der Spürhund, der Singvogel, die Schreibfeder, das Lesebuch, der Lebensmann, die Reifelust, der Leitstern.* (See below.)

a. Osthoff (see his *Verbum in der Nominal Composition*) has proved that these compounds are not primitive in the I. E. languages, but that they are originally compounded of noun + noun, in which the first noun was felt to be, on account of its stem-suffix, a verb-stem, and this led to the formation of many compounds, in the Germanic, Greek, Slavic and Romance languages, by analogy. Thus *Leitstern*, + *lode-star*, does not come from *leiten* and *Stern*, though meaning „*leitender Stern*," but < M. H. G. *Leitstern*, in which *leits* + *lode* is a noun = guidance, direction.

**521.** Compounds of more than two words. The accent deserves here special attention, see 421; 424, 3.

1. Three words, but only two parts: *der Steiratetramag, der Dampfschiffahrt, die Dampf-schiffahrt, steam-navigation, but Dampf-schiffahrt, steamboat-ride; der Dampfschiffahrt, der Dampfschiffahrt, die Dampfschiffahrt, steam-ship.*

2. Four words and more. These are not common, much rarer than is generally supposed. *Dampfschiffahrtsgesellschaft, Staatsschuldenliquidationskommission, office of the commission for the liquidation of state-debts; Steinfabrik, Generalstab.*

a. To get a quick survey of such a word, *s* ought to be inserted once at least in the first and second words and the last words might begin with a capital as in English.

b. The capacity of German for forming such compounds is generally exaggerated and that of English underrated. The custom of writing these long nouns as one word is very bad. We might just as well write them so in Eng., e. g., *Fireinsurancecompany's office*, and we should have the same compound. Official language, certain schools of philosophy and the newspaper are the main sources of such monstrosities. Moreover, the composition exists only for the eye. When we speak we do not divide according to words; we speak in breath-groups, see Sweet's *Hdbk.*, p. 86.

3. Similar to the compounds in 520, 4, are such whole phrases as *Steinfabrik, rendez-vous; Dampf-schiffahrt, ne'er-dowell; Dampf-schiffahrt, good-for-nothing.*

## Derivation of Adjectives.

The comparison of adjectives, and the past participles come really under this head, but see 438 and 453, 1.

## 522. ADJECTIVES FORMED BY ABLAUT.

These may be called primitive. See 496. They fit into the ablaut-

series just as substantives and verbs do. All have lost stem-suffixes except the *jo*-stems, still recognizable by the umlaut and generally by the final *e*.

Ex.: *rtif, steif, biß*; *lieb, tief*; *blind, hoßl, schön, fäñn, dumm*. With *-t*: *enge, zäße, mübe, böße, träge*.

#### ADJECTIVES DERIVED BY SUFFIX.

523. 1. *-t l*, see 499, roots generally obscure: *eitel* + idle; evil, *übel*; *ebel* (+ *Athel-*, *Ethel*); *bunfel*.

2. *-t m*, see 501, rare. Ex.: *warm* + warm.

3. *tr* < *-ar, -r*, rare, same as *ar* of nouns in 507, 3. Ex.: *wader* + watchful, brave; *bitter* + bitter; *heittr, lauttr, schwanger*; *stär* < *L. securus*.

524. *-en, -n*, see 502. Very frequent and of various sources, + Eng. *en, n*.

1. *en* < O. H. G. *an*, in a few words of doubtful origin.

Ex.: *eben* + even; *stein*, small + clean; *grün* + green; *schön* + sheen; *fern* + far; *rein* < *√hrē*. It is late in *albern* < *alwære*, *lästern*, *schüßtern*, from adj. in *-tr*, < *-ni, -njo*.

2. < *in, in*. Denoting material, "made of."

Ex.: *golben* for older *güßen* + golden; *wollen* + woollen; *selben*, silken; *silbern* + silver; *lebern* + leather.

3. *ern* < *n* + *er*, due to the influence of *er* in such nouns as *Silber*, *Leber* and of *er* in the plural. Compare *-ler, ner* in nouns, see 500, 4.

Ex.: *steinern*, of stone; *flächtern* + flaxen; *tönern*, of clay; *hölzern*, wooden; *nüßtern* (?), sober.

4. *en* < *an, in* < G. T. *-nd* in all strong past participles. Some fifty or sixty of these stand now "isolated," that is, separated from the verb still extant or the verb is obsolete. See 453, 1.

Ex.: *eigen* + own VII. Cl., *gebtegen* I. Cl. (old doublet of *gebtehen*), pure; *bescheiden* VII. Cl. (old doublet of *bescheiden* I. Cl.), modest; *gelegen*, convenient (verb obsolete); *verlegen*, embarrassed (v. obsolete); *erhaben* VI. Cl. (doublet of *erhaben*), lofty; *beritten* I. Cl., mounted; *offen* (?), open; *troden* + dry, < *√drūk*.

525. 1. *-ig, + Eng. -y*, represents now both older *-ec, -ac* and *-ic*. See 489, 5.

The umlaut could occur only in the adjective which had *-ic*. It is a living suffix and new adjectives are still being formed with it from any part of speech except verbs.

Ex.: *traurig*, *blutig*, *häuſig*, *gültig*, *ſpaltig*, *gewaltig*; late formations: *ſcutig*, *ſiefig*, *obig*, *berzig*. For *ſelig*, see 528, 2, a. *Manſ* + many, < *manec*. Its *ſ* for *g* is L. G. (?).

2. *ig* + *liſ* = *igliſ*, once very common and attached where there was no *-ec*, *-ic*. It is now rather adverbial, see 554, 2, and rare in adjectives, a. *g*-, *cwiſgliſ*, *gnäbigliſ*.

3. *-i ſt* < *-eht*, *-oht*, *-ohti*, is more common in adjectives than in substantives. See 509.

a. *-ig* and *-iſt* furnish doublets, sometimes with a distinction in force. *iſt* with *i* must be due to *-ig* with *i*, as it is very late.

Ex.: *ſteintiſt* + stony, *tſörriſt*, foolish, *nebeliſt*, foggy, *ſtaſcheliſt*, prickly. *-iſt* implies only a slight resemblance: *öliſt*, slightly oily — *ölig*, oily.

4. *-iſſ*, *-ſſ* + Eng. *ish* < older *-iſt-*, implies a bad sense in contrast with *-liſ*, as in Eng. *ish* and *like*. See 514.

Ex.: *ſindliſſ* + childish, *ſindliſ* + childlike; *bäu(e)riſſ* + boorish, *bäuerliſ*, rustic; denotes origin: *preuſſiſſ* + Prussian; *bairiſſ* + Bavarian. Corresponds to *-icus* in adjectives derived from L.: *fomiſſ*, *legiſſ*, *pſiſſ*—*legiſſ*. See 514.

5. *-t n b* in the present participle, see 453; 505.

6. *-(e)t*, the past participle, see 453, 1.

But notice those that we no longer feel as participles: *tot*, *laut*, *ſalt*, etc. Later formations: *traut*, *ſart*.

**526.** Adjectives derived by the nominal suffixes *-bar*, *-haft*, *-liſ* and *-ſam*, which were once independent nouns (see 515). For accent, see 424, 1, b.

1. *-bar* < M. H. G. *bære* < O. H. G. *bäri*, < the root of the verb *gebären* + Eng. *bear*. Should have become *-ber*, which really occurs in living dialects, but the levelling was in favor of the full form. Compare L. *-fer-*, Gr. *φορός*.

a. In meaning it corresponds to Eng. *-able*, *-ible*, *-ful*. It means: bearing, producing, capable of, and is attached only to nouns and verbs.

The only adjective to which it is attached is *offenba'r*, with the accent of the verbs *offenba'ren*, *geba'hren*.

Ex. very numerous: *trunb'ar*, separable; *hör'bar*, audible; *banf'bar*, grateful; *eh'r'bar*, honorable. *Ur'bar* < M. H. G. *ur'bor*, has the weak ablaut like the L. and Gr. forms given above.

2. *-h a f t*, a participle either from the root of *haben* + have, or L. *capere*, *captus* (Kluge).

a. It denotes "possessing," "similar to-," "approaching-." In meaning it corresponds frequently to Eng. *-y* (+ G. *ig*), *-ful*, *-ly*. It is attached to nouns, adjectives and verbs and is sometimes increased by *-ig*.

Ex. numerous: *fehler'haft* + faulty; *schad'haft*, harmful; *leb'haft* + lively; *spass'haft*, funny; *wa'r'haft*, *wa'r'haftig*, truthful, true; *schüler'haft* + scholar-like, boyish; *meister'haft* + masterly; *leib'haftig*, bodily, incarnate.

3. *-l i ch* < M. H. G. *lich* < O. H. G. *lîch*, + Ags. *-lic* + Eng. *ly*, later again "like."

Originally an adjective, occurring only in compounds, but derived from the subst. Ags. *lic*, O. H. G. *lîh* = body, form.

a. In both languages its earliest meaning is "like" or "similar to," then "appropriate," "adapted," finally it became very frequent and often without particular force.

b. The umlaut generally precedes *-lîch*, but is not produced by it. It started originally in stems with *i* suffix and spread by analogy. This is the most frequent suffix and attached to substantives, adjectives, and verbs.

Ex. *gött'lîch*, godlike; *ritter'lîch*, chivalrous; *trau'lîch*, familiar, devoted; *fröh'lîch*, merry + frolic; *sterb'lîch*, mortal; *behar'r'lîch*, persistent; *begreif'lîch*, comprehensible; *erbau'lîch*, edifying; *glau'b'lîch*, credible. For *-iglîch* see 552, 2.

c. *er* in *leher'lîch*, *fürst'ler'lîch*, etc., is due to analogy. These lengthened forms have crowded out the proper old forms *lehlîch*, *fürst'fîch*. In certain adjectives the ending has been mistaken for *-ig*, and the spelling has followed this notion. *ab'eig*, *st'ig*, *ungh'ig* have the suffix *-lîch*, but cannot now be corrected. *allmäh'ig* is the official spelling, though frequently *allmäh'ig* is met with < *allgema'ch*, gentle, manageable.

4. *-f a m* < older *-sam*, originally a pronoun (+ Eng. *same*), + Ags. *-sum*, + Eng. *-some*, + Gr. *ὁμός*, + L. *sim-ilis*.

It denotes originally identity, similarity, but has now no particular force, unless it be capacity, inclination.

Examples not so numerous, the suffix has lost ground.

Ex.: einsam + Eng. lonesome; langsam, slow; gemeinsam, common; arbeitfam, industrious; heilsam + wholesome; grausam, cruel, + gruesome.

-voll, + ful, -los + less, come under composition, though in Eng. they might come under this head.

For -fach, -fältig, -fältig, see the numerals 531, 1.

### Derivation of Adjectives by Prefixes.

**527.** The prefixes in substantives have the same force and accent when attached to adjectives, but only ab-, er-, ge-, un-, ur- form immediate compounds. Adjectives with the other prefixes are derived from substantives, verbs, etc. Ex.: a'berflug, e'rschau, getreu', u'nnützig, u'raut, etc.

### Composition of Adjectives.

**528.** The second element is always an adjective or participle. The first element may be any part of speech and stands in the same relation to the second as it does in a compound noun. Accent and form of the first element are also the same. Some old past participles without ge- are preserved in composition, e. g., trunken, baden, in wounnetrunken, intoxicated with delight; hausbaden + homebaked, homely.

#### 1. ADJECTIVE + ADJECTIVE.

Ex.: tollfährig, bummelreißig; bunfelblau; hochmütig < Hochmut (see 2, b); blaueugig, rotbäckig.

#### 2. SUBSTANTIVE + ADJECTIVE.

Ex.: totkrank, \*frei'beweis, \*goldgelb, liebeskrank, wounnetrunken, \*mausetot, \*federleicht, liebesvoll, gedankenreich, hoffnungslos, freudeleer, totenbleich, verschriftsmäßig, amtswirrig, \*blutung, hulbreich, \*felsfest. In those with \* the noun expresses a comparison and has often intensive force. Notice -reich, los, voll have almost become suffixes.

#### a. Adjectives in -felig are of double origin.

1. The real adjective felig < Seele, + soul, as in glückfelig, leutfelig, gottfelig.

2. felig < fal (see 500, 1) + ig: mühselig, trübselig, faumfelig < Drühsal, Trübsal, etc. It does not belong here at all.

b. A large class of adj. do not come under this head, e. g., hoffärtig, ehrsüchtig; many in -süchtig, as monchsüchtig, schwindsüchtig. They are derivatives of the compound nouns Hoffahrt (< *Mohawort*, ch and f assimilated), Ehrensucht, Gsüchel.

## 3. PRONOUN + ADJECTIVE.

Ex.: selbstredend, selbstgenügsam, selbstlos, etc., only with selbst-

## 4. VERB + ADJECTIVE.

Ex.: wißbegierig, denkfaul; many with -wert and -würdig: bankenwert, liebenswürdig.

## 5. NUMERAL + ADJECTIVE.

Ex.: einäugig, zweieckig, zweifelhändig, erstgeboren, ei'ngelboren, only child.

## 6. ADVERB + ADJECTIVE.

Ex.: hochgepriesen, alt-, frisch-, neu-baden, wohlfeil, wohlgeboren.

## 7. PREPOSITION + ADJECTIVES.

Ex.: anheimlich, einheimisch, eingeboren, native, + inborn; abhölz, überflüg, vo'rnehm, u'nterthan, vo'rlaut. fürlic'b does not belong here, für = as, *als*, als lieb annehmen, ansehen. Compare zufried'en, at peace, content.

## Derivation of Numerals.

529. Zwei is probably an old dual. Zweru < *zwēne* has the distributive suffix ni, + Eng. twain, twin, + L. *binī*. With *zwo* fem., < older *zod*, *zoo*, compare M. Eng. *twa*, two, also feminine. The numerals, as far as 10 incl., can be easily compared with the cognates of other languages according to Grimm's and Verner's Laws. *elf* and *zwölf* contain perhaps a stem *lik*, ten, that appears in Slavic. They come from older *eintif*, *zuelif*. *elf* is archaic. As to *zwölf* for *zwelf*, common in N. H. G., see 489, 1.

1. The ending -ig, < *zug* + Eng. -ty, differs originally from *zehn* in accent, *zehn* < I.-E. \**dēkm*, L. *decem*. See Verner's Law.

2. Hundert, + hundred, is compounded of *hund* + *rath-*; the latter from the same stem as *Rebt*, Go. *rathjan*, to count. *hund* alone means 100, compare L. *centum*, Gr. *ἐκατόν* according to Verner's Law. See further Kluge's Dict. Tausend < older *tisunt*, a fem. noun. It is not an I.-E. numeral like all the others. Root doubtful.

530. The suffixes for the ordinals are really the superlative suffixes -to, -sta. Only German and Icelandic use -sto. *zweit-* only sprang up in the 15th century. Instead of it was used, as in all Germanic dialects, *ander* + other, a comparative in -ter. Comp. L. *alter*. *ander* has not quite died out. Comp. zum ersten, zum andern und zum dritten Male, still used at auction. Ach Gott! wie doch mein erster war, sind' ich nicht leicht auf dieser Welt den andern, F. 2992-3. *anderthalb*=one and a half; *selbander*=lit. himself the second,

i. e., two of them, of *ua*. *britt-* has the short vowel of the stem "*thriu*," still in the neuter *O.* and *M. H. G.* *driu*. *t* < *dd* < *dj* as in *Go.* *thridja*, *Ags.* *thridda*, + *L.* *ter-ti-us*. *ber* *hundertst* was in *O. H. G.* *zehanzogsto*, *zehanzug* being the other word for 100; really "ten tens." For *erst*, *lezt*, *Fürst*, see 439, 2.

### Numeral Derivatives and Compounds.

#### 531. From cardinals.

##### 1. MULTIPLICATIVES:

Suffixes *-fach*, *-fältig*, e. g., *dreifach*, *vierfach*, *vielfach*. In *O. H. G.* *-fach* is only noun. *-fach* expresses a certain number of parts, divisions, = "*fäcker*." *-falt-*, *faltig*, *fältig* + *-fold*, expresses also variety besides quantity. It comes from the same stem as the verb *falten* + *fold*, and is quite old. *-falt* is archaic now. *beppelt* + *double*, is < French. *t* is "excrecent"; in compounds *t* does not appear: *Doppelabtr*, *Doppelgänger*.

*zwit-* in *zwiefach*, *zwiefältig*, comes from older *swi*, + *Gr.* *di-*, *L.* *bi-*.

##### 2. ITERATIVES:

*-mal*, rare *-stund*, *ei'mal*, *zwei'mal*, *drei'mal*, *manchmal*; *einmal'*, "once upon a time." *-mal* is the noun *Maß* + *meal*, *O. H. G.* *ml*. Notice *„abermal(s)“*, once more, adverb *„abtr“* = "again;" *ein(mal)* für *allemal*. *„eins“* + "once," is seemingly the neuter *N.* or *Acc.*, but it is a *Gen.* < older "eines," form which *ein*st with excrecent *t*, + once, "onst." *„eins“* is now rare and so is *„stund.“* *Uhland* has *„allstunb“* = all the time. *Stund* and *halb* are isolated now; *mal* is plural, being neuter (see 176).

*zwittr*, now rare, comes from older *swiro*, *swirōr* (*r* < ?)

#### 532. From the ordinals:

1. Adverbs like *erstens*, *zweitens*, etc., see 555, 2.

2. FRACTIONS by *-tel* < *Teil*, *Drittel*, *Stiertel*, *Fünftel*, one *t* is lost in writing, *Swanzigstel*. They are neuter, of course. "*Drittel*," the full form is now archaic. "*Zweitel*" has not come up on account of the late origin of *„zweite“*, "*anderthalb*" is used, see 229. Notice *ber* *Zweitelste*, next to the last; *ber* *Drittelste*, third from the end.

See also syntax, 226-229.

533. VARIATIVES are formed by *-lei* < *M. H. G.* *leie*, fem. meaning "kind," probably < Romance. The numeral preceding it is inflected like an adjective, *mancherlei* (*G.*), *vierlei*; *viererlei*, four kinds, etc. But the compound is invariable.



### Derivation and Composition of Verbs.

534. As primitive are regarded all strong verbs except *preſen*, *ſchreiben*, which are foreign, and a large number of weak verbs, which are either very old, such as *haſen*, *fragen*, or they are those whose origin is obscure or whose stem no longer appears in other primitive parts of speech, e. g., *ſolen*, *hoffen*. All other weak verbs are derivatives except the originally strong that have become weak, e. g., *walten*, *maſſen*, *beten* (see Kl.). They are derived from other parts of speech by means of *e*, the connecting vowel representing older *i*, *o*, *u*, which unites the verbal inflections with the root or with those words from which the verb is derived. (This *e* may drop out.) The connecting vowel *i* or *j* (< *jo*) produced umlaut, which, since the *j* class was by far the largest of the three classes of weak verbs, was soon used through analogy as a common means of deriving verbs after umlaut had ceased to work. Besides the vowel *e*, there occur certain secondary suffixes, some of which have a peculiar force.

535. 1. Derivation with umlaut due, *a*, either to an old *i* or, *b*, to analogy, or, *c*, to the fact that there was an umlaut already in the noun-stem.

*a*. A large number from strong verbs of the II., III., IV., V., VI. ablaut-series with the strong ablaut, i. e., with the vowel of the pret. sing., and from the reduplicating verbs with the vowel of the infinitive, e. g., *flößen* < *fließen*, *floß*, *gefloffen* < *flözjan* < *\*flötjan*, to cause to float, II.; *ſenken* < *ſinken*, *ſank*, *geſunken*, < *senken* < *\*sankjan*, to cause to sink, III.; *zähmen* + *tame* < *zemen* < *\*zamjan*, this < *zēmen*, IV., now a weak verb *ziemen*; *legen* < *liegen*, *lag*, *gelegen*, < *\*lagjan* + *lay*, V.; *führen* < *ſahren*, *fuhr*, *gefahren* < *vūeren* < *fuorjan*, VI., to cause to go, to lead; *fällen* < *fallen*, *fiel*, *gefallen*, < M. H. G. *fellen* < *\*falljan*, to cause to fall, + *fell*; *fürchten* < *Furcht*; *lähmen* < *lahm*; *töten* < *tot*; *trösten* < *\*trōstjan* < *trōst* + *trust*.

*b*. *pfügen* < *ſflug*, *bräunen* < *braun*; *zähnen* < *Bahn*; *baſſen* < *baſſ!*; *räumen* < *Raum*; *öffnen* < *offen*.

*c*. *grünen* < *grün*; *trüben* < *trübe*.

*Rem. 1.* If the strong verb is intransitive then the derivative is transitive or causative; if transitive, then the derivative is intensive or iterative, e. g., *ſchwemmen* < *ſchwimmen*, to cause to swim; *ſeßen* < *ſißen*, to cause to sit; *beten*, to pray, < *bitten* (?), to ask for. The same principle prevails in English: to fall — to lie — to lay, to drink — to drench.

*Rem. 2.* *j* (or *i*) has caused certain changes in the final consonants of the stems because these were doubled before the "lautverschiebung," and when doubled they shifted differently from the single consonants. For instance in *weden* — *wachen*, *beden* — *Dach*, *ē* < *kk* < *kj*, but *q* < *k*; in *äßen* — *eſſen*, *beigen* — *beißen*, *ſchneizen* — *ſchneiben*, *heßen* — *haſſen*, *h* < *tt*, *tj*, but *ſ* < *t*. Similarly *ſchöpfen* (for *ſchepfen*) — *ſchaffen*; *henken* — *hängen*, compare Eng. *henchman*; *biegen* — *büßen*; *ſchmiegen* — *ſchmüden*; *geſchēßen* — *ſchiden*. Compare also Eng. *drink* — *drench*; *stink* — *stench*.

2. Derivation by *ε* without umlaut.

These are late or if old, absence of umlaut is due to the fact that certain vowels did not suffer umlaut in certain positions or that the connecting vowel was *ê* or *ô*.

Ex.: *bahnen* < *Baĥn*, *fuĥen* < *Fuĥ*, *adern* < *Adter*, *formen* < *Form*, *altern* < *Altter*. Older are *beten* < *betĥn* < *beta*, prayer; *fassen* < *fazzĥn* < *faz*; *fasten* < *fastĥn* < *fasta*; *bulben* < *dultĥn* < *dult*. Notice the difference between: *brufen*, to print, *brũfen*, to press; *franfen*, to be ill, *frãnfĥn*, to grieve; *wãlzen*, to roll, technical as in a rolling-mill, *wãlzen*, to roll, revolve; *erfalten*, to grow cold — *erfãlten*, to take cold.

536. Derivation by *ε* preceded by a suffix, but *ε* drops out after *l* and *r*.

1. *-ĥεn*, intensive force, rare: *hĥrĥen*, listen + hearken < *hĥren* + hear; *ŝĥnarĥen* + snore < *ŝĥnarren*.

2. *-εln*, always preceded by umlaut if attached to other verbs. It is also attached to substantives and adjectives.

It has intensive, iterative force and, from association with the noun-suffix, diminutive and hence derisive force. Numerous in N. H. G. on account of the many nouns in *-el*. Generally umlaut.

Ex.: *betteln* + *beg(?)* < *beten*, *bitten*, pray, ask; *ŝĥmeiĥeln*, flatter < *ŝĥmeiĥen* (rare), smooth; *lãĥeln*, smile < *lãĥen* + laugh; *frãnfĥeln*, be sickly < *franfen*, be sick; *frũfĥeln*, to feel chilly < *Frũft*; *liebĥeln*, to dally < *lieben*, *lieb*; *frũmmeĥeln*, cant < *frũmm*, pious; *ĥandĥeln*, to trade < *ĥand*.

537. 1. *-nεn* + Eng. *-n*, on (rare).

Ex.: *bienen*, from the same stem as *De-* in *Demut*; *lernen* < the same stem as *lehren*; *rãĥnen* < O. H. G. *rehhandĥn*, + Ags. *recensian*; *warnen*, + *warn*, < same stem as *wãhren* (?); *verdammēn*, + condemn, also contains *-n* < M. H. G. *verdammēn*, but < L. *damnare*. Compare *zeichēn* < *Zeichen* + token, *regēn* < *Regen* + rain, in which *n* belongs to the noun, see 502.

2. *-εrn*, + Eng. *-r*, has intensive, iterative, and causative force. Rarely preceded by umlaut; not unfrequent both in Eng. and German.

Ex.: *glũbern* + Eng. *glitter*, < *glitzen* < *glũzen*; *flũmmern* < *flũmmen*; *glũmmern* + Eng. *glimmer* < *glũmmen*; *stũttern* < L. G. *stũttern* < *stũtten*, + H. G.

stoßen, + Eng. stutter; zögern < *zogen* < *zichen*; fidern + Ags. *sicerian*, to trickle.

a. Nouns both sg. and pl., adjectives and their comparatives in -er have started many of these verbs, e. g., säubern, erweitern, blättern, räubern, ärgern < arg; fördern, to promote, forbern, to demand.

**538.** -ieren, -iren, of Romance origin, always accented, at first only in borrowed words, and then added to German noun-stems.

Ex.: Foreign words: fallieren + fail, regieren + reign, studieren + study, hantieren, trade (rather from French *hantier* than from *hant*, see Kluge). German stems: hantieren, peddle; stolzieren, strut; halsbieren. In Goethe's *Faust*: irrlichtelieren.

a. These were formed as early as M. H. G. in no small numbers, but were most numerous during the Thirty Years' War and the first half of the 18th century. Now they are excluded, except the oldest of them, from elevated style. These verbs are very numerous in the journals.

**539.** 1. -ien, -eien, + Eng. s, < O. H. G. -ison. Rare both in English and German.

Ex.: grinzen, + *grin*, < *grinen*, M. H. G. *grinen*; graufen < O. H. G. *gruweisen* < stem *grû*, G. *grausam*, Gräucl, + gruesome. graspen + Eng. grasp.

a. -fen is hidden in geizen < *gitsen* < *gütison* < subst. *güt*. Compare Eng. cleanse < clean. -fen stands for -zen in gadfen < *gagzen*, mudfen < M. H. G. *muchzen*.

2. -fchen. This is of double origin: 1) From -fen, see 490, 1, b: herrschen < *hêrsen* < *hêrison* < *hert*, *hërro*; feilschen < *veilsen* < *feit*.

2) From -ak, L. *sc*, + Eng. sh, forschen < *foraken*; perhaps in haschen < \**hafakôn*, if that comes from a stem *haf-*. For more examples, see 457, 4.

3. -ien < older -ezen. Has sometimes iterative and intensive force.

Ex.: buzen, ibzen, erzen, to call thou, you, he; ächzen < *ach*, to groan; lechzen, to thirst, < *lechen* + leak; seufzen < *siufzen*, from the same root as saufen; schluchzen, to sob, M. H. G. *sluckzen* < *schluden*.

a. -enzen in faulenzen < *faul*, is due to the influence of L. nouns in -entia.

4. *-ig e n*. This is a secondary suffix, starting with verbs derived from adjectives in *-ig* (see 525), e.g., *würdigen* < *würdig*, *nütigen* < *nütig*. It was felt to be a verbal suffix, hence: *enbigen* < *Enbe*, *freuzigen* < *Freuz*, *reuzigen* < *reuz*, *hulbigen* < *Hulb*. Quite numerous.

VERB FORMATION BY MEANS OF INSEPARABLE PREFIXES, viz.:

*b e-*, *e n t-*, *e r-*, *g e-*, *v e r-*, *j-*, *j e r-*. Always unaccented.

540. *b e-*, *b-* before *l*, + Eng. *be-*. See *Bei-*, 516, 4.

1. *Ø e-* has lost nearly all local force of "by," "near," "around," which is felt still in *befängen*, cover by hanging, *befschneiden*, cut on all sides, to trim, but in these it approaches already its common force, which is intensive: *bebauen*, *befragen*, *begehren*, *berühren*, *bedecken*, *berufen*.

2. It makes intransitive verbs transitive: *fallen*—*befallen* + *befall*; *reisen* (in einem Lande)—*ein Land bereisen*, travel all over a country; *fahren auf etw.*, but *etwas befahren*. This is its most frequent use.

3. In verbs from noun-stems it denotes "provide with," "make": *befußten*, provide with shoes; *bevölkern*, populate; *befreunden* + *befriend*; *betrüben*, make sad; *bestärken*, confirm. Notice certain participial adjectives which have no corresponding verb, e.g., *beliebt*, corpulent; *betagt*, "full in years;" *belesen*, well read; or they are isolated from the verb, e.g., *befcheiden*, modest; *bestallt*, holding an office; *befschaffen*, conditioned.

4. It has privative force still in *benennen*, to take away; *sich begeben* (with G.), to give up. Compare Eng. *behead* and M. H. G. *behoubeten*, for which now *enthaupten*. N. H. G. *behaupten* strangely represents M. H. G. *behaben* and *beheben*, for which once *behouben*, to maintain, assert.

541. *e n t-*, *e m p-* before *f*, < O. H. G. *int-*. See *ant-*, 516, 3.

Its force is: 1. "Opposite," "in return;" in *empfehlen*, recommend; *empfangen*, receive; *entgelten*, pay back, restore; see sub. 2.

2. Contrary, "against," privative, "away from:" *entgelten*, suffer for; *entfagen*, renounce; *entbinden*, deliver; *entstehen*, to lack (but see below); *entbeden*, *entlaufen*. From nominal stems: *entgleiten*, run off the track; *entthronen*, dethrone; *entvölkern*, depopulate.

3. "Transition into," inchoative "springing from," "out of:" *entstehen*, spring from, arise; *entbrennen*, to take fire, break out; *entschlafen*, fall asleep. A quite common force.

**542.** *er-* < O. H. G. *ir, ar* + Eng. *a-*, see 516, 9.

Force : 1. "Out from," "upward" : *erheben*, arise ; *erwachen*, awaken ; *erforschen*, find out ; *erfinden*, to invent.

2. Transition into another state, inchoative like *ent-* : *erfalten*, grow cold ; *erblühen*, bloom ; *erbeben*, tremble. Many from adjectives : *erkranken*, to fall ill ; *erblinden*, to become blind.

3. Completion and success of the action : *erjagen*, *erbeteln*, to obtain by hunting, by begging ; very frequent. Compare Eng. *arise*, *abide*.

In certain forms : only pret. *erstarb*, past part. *erlogen*, *erträgt*.

**543.** *ge-*, *g-* before *l*, see 516, 7, + Eng. *a-*.

Force : 1. "Together" only in few verbs like : *gefrieren*, congeal ; *gerinnen*, curdle ; *gehören*, to belong ; *geleiten*, accompany ; *gefallen*, to please.

2. Frequentative and intensive : *geloben*, *gedenken*, *gebieten*, and finally no force at all as in the past participle and in verbs like : *gebeissen*, *gelüfteln*, *genessen*, *genießen*. Numerous past part. from nominal stems, with the force of "provided with," see 540, 4 : *gestieft*, in boots ; *gestimt*, disposed ; *gestirnt*, + starry.

**544.** *miß-*, + Eng. *mis-*, as to its force, see 516, 8 ; as to its origin, 453, 1.

Ex. : *mißglücken*, to fail ; *mißhören*, to misunderstand ; *mißgönnen*, to grudge.

**545.** *ver-*, *ir-*, < *ver, far, fir*, Go. *fra, fr*, + Eng. *for-*. Very frequent.

Force : 1. "Through," "to the end," intensive, "too much" : *verlieren*, + lose, + forlorn ; *vergeben* + forgive ; *veralten*, grow antiquated ; *vergraben*, hide by burying ; *verbergen*, hide ; *verhindern*, prevent ; *ver schlafen*, + sleep too long ; *verkommen*, to deteriorate ; *verblühen*, fade ; *verzagen*, despair ; *verfluchen*, curse ; *verlaufen*, scatter ; *fressen*, to eat (used of animals).

2. The opposite, the wrong, a mistake : *verlaufen*, *verbieten*, *verführen* ; *verlegen* + mislay, but also (sub. 1) to publish (a book) ; *verbauen*, build wrongly ; *sich verlaufen*, lose the way ; *sich verhören*, to mishear ; *sich verirren*, to get hold of the wrong thing ; (*sich*) *vergeben*, to misdeal (in cards).

3. Waste and consumption of the object : *verbauen*, use up in building (see sub. 4) ; *verausen*, waste in drinking ; *verspielen*, lose, gamble away.

4. From nominal stems : "change into," "give the appearance of," "bring about a certain state of," e.g., *verglasen*, glaze, turn into glass ; *vergolden*, + gild ; *verknöchern*, ossify ; *verzuckern*, cover with sugar, turn into

sugar; *verarmen*, grow poor; *verschlechtern*, make or grow worse; *verbaun* (sub. 8), cover by building in front of.

a. *ver-* in past participles: *verwandt*, related, but of the regular verb = "applied;" *verschämt*, bashful.

546. *zer-* < M. H. G. *zer-*, *ze-*, O. H. G. *zur*, *zar*, *zir*, + Go. *tus-*, + Gr. *δύς-* + O. Eng. *to-brecan*, *zerbrechen*. Least frequent of these suffixes.

Its force is: "separation," "scattering," "dissolution," "to pieces": *zerhauen*, cut to pieces; *zergliedern*, dismember; *zertrümmern*, dash to pieces.

1. If *be-* and *ver-* precede other prefixes, separable or inseparable, the verb is always an inseparable compound. Ex.: *verunglücken*, *beeinträchtigen*, *benachrichtigen*. These come from the compound nouns *Unglück*, *Eintracht*, *Nachricht*. See 547. Notice the difference between *bevo'r-munden* < *Vormund* (insep.) and *bevo'r-sich-en* < *bevor* + *sich-en* (sep.).

2. Notice such compounds as *auf-fer-sich-en*, *a'-ner-sich-en*, *vor-auf-über-sündigen*, in which the second prefix is inseparable. The first and second do not occur in the simple tenses. Their past part. are *auf-er-standen*, *an-er-rogen*. The pret. of the third is *sündigte voraus*, but the past part. is *voraus-über-sündigt*, without *ge-*. See 550.

### Compound Verbs.

547. The first element is either substantive or adjective or adverb or preposition; the second is always a verb. The important questions are accent and whether the compounds are separable or inseparable, or both; whether direct or indirect.

1. Indirectly compounded are the verbs derived from compound substantives and adjectives. They are inseparable and have noun-accentuation, i. e., accent on the first element.

Ex.: *herbergen* < *Herberge*, inn; *ratschlagen* < *Rat'schlag*, council; *wal-fahrten* < *Wallfahrt*, pilgrimage; *frühstücken* < *Frühstück*; *argwöhnen* < *Arg-wohn*, suspicion; *be-willkommen* < *Willkommen*.

2. That these are not genuine compound verbs their inflection shows. The seemingly strong verbs, as in *ratschlagen*, *heiraten*, etc., are not inflected strong, but weak: *ratschlagte*, *geratschlagt*; *heiratete*, *geheiratet*. Note also: *handhabte*, *gehandhabt*, not *handhabte*, *ha'ndhabt* or *handgehabt*.

3. Under this head come also: 1. Verbs of which the compound substantive or adjective is no longer common, e. g., *wetterleuchten* < *weterleich*; *rechtfertigen* < *rechtverteg*; *brandstiften* < *Brandstift*. 2. A few verbs which

seem due to analogy with the above and formed by mere juxtaposition of adjective or substantive and verb, *e. g.*, *lie'bföfen*, *will'fahren* (accent doubtful), *fröh'föden*, *lie'bängen*, *wel'sagen* (as if it were from *weise* and *sagen*, but it comes from the noun *wizago*, prophet). Principal parts: *lieb'föfen*, *lieb'föste*, *gelieb'föft*; *fröh'föden*, *gef'röh'födt*.

**548.** All the other compound verbs are directly compounded, separable and accented on the first part excepting certain propositions, see 549, which form the only genuine old compounds with accent on the stem-syllable of the verb. These and the verbs in 540-546 are the compound verbs proper with the original verb-accent.

#### 1. SUBSTANTIVE + VERB.

The substantive is the object of the verb.

Ex.: *fin't'finden*, *han'shalten*, *teil'nehmen*, *dan'ksagen*, *prei'de'geben*.

NOTE.—But for the fact that in certain tenses they are written together and the substantive is now according to the "Rules" to be written without capital, these verbs are no more compounds than the corresponding Eng. to keep house, take place, give thanks. As late as early N. H. G. these and the following groups were not treated as compounds.

#### 2. ADJECTIVE + VERB.

The adjective is generally factitive predicate, *e. g.*, *wahr'nehmen*, "take notice of"; *töt'schlagen*, strike dead; *frei'sprechen*, declare not guilty; *voll'gießen*, —*schütten*, see 549, 5.

*a.* A large number of compounds with substantives and adjectives occur only in certain forms, viz., in the two participles and in the infinitive used as a noun, *e. g.*, *blut'stillend*, *pflicht'vergessen*, *still'beglückt*, *das Schönschreiben*, *das Stillschweigen*.

#### 3. ADVERB OR PREPOSITION + VERB.

The adverb qualifies the verb expressing manner, direction, time. The preposition in this case has the force of an adverb. Exceptions below.

Ex.: *h'i'nschicken*, *h'er'hölen*, *na'machen*, *vorau'setzen*, *zusammenkommen*, *wö'h'wollen*.

**549.** Separable and inseparable compound verbs occur with *durch*, (*h'inter*), *über*, *um*, *unter*, *voll*, *wider*, *wieder*.

*a.* Inseparable verbs compounded with these prepositions are transitive, and have the old accentuation of verb-compounds (see 421). Here belong also all verbs with *h'inter*-, *wider*- and a few with *voll*-, *e. g.*, *voll'br'ingen*. These verbs are nearly all old, but some new ones have been

formed after them. The force of the preposition has entered into and modified the meaning of the verb, so that if the simple or separable compound verb was intransitive the inseparable compound became transitive; if transitive, the compound developed a different meaning, generally figurative, often intensive.

The separable compounds have not the verb-accentuation and the force of the preposition remains literal and intact.

Very few verbs allow of both compositions.

1. *burc̄-* means + "through," "thoroughly," completion of the action, "filling with," "to the end of a fixed limit of time," *burc̄bringen*, crowd through, penetrate, carry to a successful issue, e.g., *die Kugel ist burc̄gebrungen*, the ball went through. Trans.: *Die Kugel hat das Brett burc̄brungen*, the ball penetrated the board; *„von dem Gefühle seines Nichts burc̄brungen.“* In *„Die K. ist burc̄ das Brett gebrungen“* there is no compound. *Durc̄schauen*, look through, *etwas durc̄schau'en*, see through, understand thoroughly; *burc̄tanzen*, to spend in dancing, *burc̄tanzen*, to dance through, to pass through dancing; *burc̄sehen*, to look through (a hole), hurriedly through a book; the inseparable *burc̄fehen* is obsolete, it would have the force of *burc̄schau'en*, to understand thoroughly.

2. *hint-*, + behind. Separable compounds with *hint-* do not really occur in good style. In *hintergieſen*, -bringen it stands for *hinunter* = pour down, swallow. The inseparable compounds are always figurative and transitive, its force is the opposite of straight, "deceptive": *hintergehen*, deceive; *hintertreiben*, to prevent, circumvent; *hintergehen* would mean the more usual *hintertre'r* or *hintenna'nggehen*, to walk behind.

3. *u'ber-* = a) separable: over, beyond, across = *hinu'ber*; b) in close compounds: transfer, covering, a missing, figurative sense, extent of a certain limit of time.

a. *u'berfehen*, cross, take across (a river); *u'bergehen*, go over.

b. *u'bergiehen*, cover with; *u'berna'chten*, spend the night; *u'berschrei'ben*, head a column or chapter; *u'berho'ren*, not to hear; *u'berle'gen*, consider; *u'berschlagen* = *u'mschlagen*, tip, turn over; but *u'berschlagen*, calculate (expenses); *u'berse'hen*, to translate; *u'berge'hen*, pass over, skip; *u'berse'hen*, overlook.

4. *um-* a. separable = around, about, again or over, upside down, change of place, loss of something, failure.

Ex.: *u'mha'ngen* (einen Mantel), put on, (ein Bild) change the place of a picture; *u'mlaufen*, overthrow by running; *u'mkleiden*, change clothing; *u'msehren*, turn back; *u'mkommen* (viz., *um's Leben*), perish, *u'mbringen*, take the life of; *sch' u'mgehen*, take a roundabout course.



ð. inseparable: literally denotes the encircling of an object, figuratively it has the force of *h i n t e r*, deception: *uma'tmen*, embrace; *umfäi'f-fen*, sail around, double; *umfäi'ben*, cover, drape; *umgr'hen*, avoid, deceive.

5. *u n t e r*, separable: under, down, among (with): *u'nterhalten*, hold under, down; *u'nterbringen*, provide for (figurative); *u'ntergehen*, go down, set.

Inseparable, figurative sense: *unterhalten*, entertain; *unterfa'gen* (Dat.), forbid; *sich unterste'hen*, make bold; *unterne'hmen*, undertake; *unterla'ssen*, leave undone; *unterlie'gen*, to be overcome by.

6. *v o l l*, separable: + full, always literally with verbs denoting pouring, filling and similar ones: *vo'llbringen*, *vo'llgießen*, *vo'llschütten* (ein Gefäß), bring, pour a vessel full. Inseparable: "to the end," accomplishment: *vollf'hren*, *vollbr'ngen*, execute; *voll'nden*, finish, compare Eng. *fulf'il*; *vollfo'mmen* (part.), perfect.

7. *w i d e r* in the sense of "against" is always inseparable and unaccented, generally figurative sense: *widerle'gen*, refute; *widerste'ben* (with Dative), resist; *widerspre'chen*, contradict (also Dat.); *widerste'hen*, to resist.

8. *w i e d e r*, separable: "again," "back": *wie'derholen*, fetch back; *wie'dergeben*, give back; *wie'dersagen*, say again. Very loose compounds. Inseparable: figurative sense only in *wiederho'len*, repeat; *wiederha'len*, *wiederho'e'nen* also *wie'derscheinen*, *wie'derhallen*; usage is unsettled in these.

a. The difference in the spelling *wider*—*wieder* is quite modern.

550. Separable and inseparable composition with these adverbs is quite old, but in O. H. G. probably no distinction was made in force or meaning. Even now „Die Kugel hat das Brett durchbrungen“ and „die K. ist durch das Brett gebrungen“ amount to quite the same thing. In fact separable composition is no real composition. Many still write the prefixes separately before the verb where any other adverb would stand. In M. H. G. the great majority of our modern separable compounds are not felt at all as compounds. Two things have brought about this feeling that they are such:

1. The substantives compounded with the same element as the verb, e. g., *U'mgang*, *Du'rchsahrt*, *K'ebren*, have lead us to associate *um* and *gehen*, *durch* and *fahren*, *ab* and *brechen*.

2. When a meaning different from the literal or common one was developed, verb and adverb were felt as belonging together, e. g., *etwas durchsetzen*, to carry something through, to the end; *vorschlagen*, to propose; *nachschlagen*, to look up a reference, etc.

a. Very often there is no difference in meaning, but only in construction, between the simple verb + preposition and the close compound, e. g., 1. *Das Pferd ist über den Graben gesprungen*, = "The horse has jumped over the ditch," and, 2. *das Pferd hat den Graben übersprungen*, The horse has jumped the ditch. In 2, perhaps the act of the leap is emphasized, it did not swim across; in 1, the extent of the leap. But compare

also the other, not literal meaning of *überprüfen*, viz., to skip, omit, in: *Der Reisende hat einen Posten überprüngen*, the traveller has skipped one item. *Der W. ist über den Posten gesprungen* would be meaningless.

### Derivation of Adverbs.

The adverbs are derived from pronominal stems and from noun-stems.

**551.** The two suffixes *en* and *er*, < older *an(a)*, *ar(a)*, are attached to the stems.

#### ADVERBS FROM PRONOMINAL STEMS.

##### 1. From the stem of the demonstrative pronoun:

a. From the stem *ta-tha*: *bar*, *da* + there, *bann* + then and *benn*, conj. "for," this double form is M. H. G., but the difference in meaning was only established as late as the 18th century, < older *danne*, *denne*, which have not been explained yet. *Dannen* < *dannana* stands only in "*von bannn*", hence. *Deſto*, see 442, a; *dort* < *darbt*; *doch* + though (?).

b. From the stem *hi*: *her* + hither; *hin*, away; *hier* + here; *hinnen*, in *von hinnen*, hence. *hinten*, *heute*, *heint*, *heuer*, see 443, 2.

##### 2. From the stem of the interrogative pronoun:

*wann* + when, *wenn*, if; *wo-*, *wo* + where < *wol*, *wolr*; *von wannen* + whence is rare. For *wie* + how + why, see 444, 1. *Waru'm* < *wolr* + *umbe* or *wara* + *umbe* (?).

3. From the stem *sua-*: *so* + so; *samt*, *zusammen* (?), *sonder*, *als*, *also*, *sonst* < *sunst*, *sust*, *sus*. From various stems: *oben*, + above; *unten*, *unter*, + under; *nib* (rare), *nieden* + beneath; *nun* + now; *außen*, *außer*; *innen*, *inner*.

#### 552. ADVERBS FROM NOUN-STEMS.

These adverbs are always cases of nouns, the Genitive being the most frequent. See 187.

1. *Genitive*: *abends*, *morgens*, *nachts*, *teils*, *flugs*, *derweil*, *dermaßen*, *nichts*. *s* was looked upon as an adverbial ending and added to fem. nouns and even to other cases and whole adverbial phrases, e.g., *-seits* in many compounds: *die'seit*, *mit'nerseit*, *allerdi'ngs* (really a G. pl.), *vs'rmals*, *unterwe'gs*, *e'hemals*, *allerwe'gen*. Compare Eng. *needs*, *now-a-days*, *always*, *sometimes*.

2. *Dative*: *zuwe'l'en*, *mitten*, *halben*, *traun*(?), *morgen* (sg.?), *abha'nden*, *vor-*

h'nden, zufolge, anstatt. Compare Eng. to-morrow, o'clock, a year < on (in) the year, a day < on (in) the day, because, asleep, whilom.

3. *Accusative*: weg (r) + away; heim + home; mal, once; biweil, + while; überhaupt, je, nie.

-weise following at first only after a Gen., later the uninflected noun: zwangweise, by force, ausnahmeweise, exceptionally, stückweise, piecemeal. Compare Eng. nowise, otherwise, the while.

4. *Instrumental*: heutt, this year < hiujaru; heutt, to-day < hiutagu; heint < hīnaht (a Dat.?). See 443, 2.

### 553. Derivation by suffix: -l i n g ē and -w ä r t ē.

1. -lingē comes from the G. of nouns in -ling and is a late formation: rücklingē, backward; blinblingē, blindly. Compare Eng. sideling, headlong.

2. -wärtē + ward is really the G. of an adjective wert, wart. It is very common after prepositions: heimwärtē, homeward; walbwärtē, towards the forest; abwärtē, downward, aside; vorwärtē + forward.

### ADVERBS FROM ADJECTIVES.

#### 554. Almost all adjectives can be used as adverbs.

Adverbs with a suffix:

1. -e, this is now rare but once very frequent < older -o, which was probably the A. sg. fem.: gern(e), fern(e), balbe in Goethe's „Bart nur, balbe Ruheft du auch.“

a. Remark here the doublets fast — fest, schön — schön, fruh (rare), — früh, spat (rare), — spät. Those without umlaut are the regularly formed adverbs from jo-stems. Those with umlaut are adjectives used as adverbs. In trägt, böse, etc., e does not go back to -o, but O. H. G. i < jo, since they are adjectives (jo-stems) used as adverbs and not transformed into adverbs.

2. -l i c h + -ly, is really no adverbial suffix, but the adjective suffix to which the adverbial e (< o) was added, -liche, -lilo: treulich — treu + truly, faithfully; wahrlich — wahr, göttlich — gut, freilich, to be sure, — frei; bitterlich — adjective bitter.

a. The corresponding adjective in -lich is perhaps no longer in use. Compare freilich, to be sure — frei + free.

b. -lich has also been added to other stems: einträglich, hoffentlich, wissenschaftlich.

### 555. Adverbs, cases of adjectives.

*Genitive*: 1. rechts, links, eifens, vergebens, stets + steadily.

2. -ens from superlatives and ordinals: erstens, höchstens, meistens, brittens. -ens contains the inflection -en of the adjective.

a. Genitive with excrement t. Such are felt as superlatives: jüngst, längst, nebst; einst (?), but in O.H.G. are doublets *einset* and *einés*. Compare Eng. once < *anes* and dial. "onst"; also amidst, amongst, dial. "acrost." Pure Gen. in Eng. else < *elles*, unawares, etc.

*Rem.* The above explanation is rejected by *Lexer* in *Grimm's Dict.*

3. *Dative*. It is hidden in *zwar* < *zewdre*, lit. "in truth," to be sure. *Einzel*, singly < *einzel* by suffix -il from *ein(as)* < *ein*; adj. *einzel*-er. In adverbial phrases: am leichtesten, am schönsten. In M. H. G. this Dative was very frequent, e. g., in -lichen, -lingen, etc.

4. *Accusative*, also in the comparative and superlative degrees: wenig, viel, genug, mehr, meist, besser, höchst, möglichst. In adverbial phrases: insbesondere, fürwahr, auf's reinste, schönste. See 300, 2.

a. Note also those preceded by prepositions: zuletzt, at least, neben (< *eneben*), zugleich, at the same time, fürba's or für'raß, farther.

PREPOSITIONS and CONJUNCTIONS have the same origin as the adverbs, being originally adverbs.

Three classes of words may be comprised under the head of PARTICLES.

### Prepositions.

556. 1. As old and simple prepositions may be regarded: ab, an, auf, aus, bei, vor and für (doublets), durch, gegen (+ again), in, mit, ob, zu, um (< *umbe*).

2. Derived by suffixes: -er, -ber, -ter, mostly from pronominal stems and from the older forms *ar*, *dar*, *tar*, which are probably all three comparative suffixes: über, unter, hinter, wieder, außer. See 551, 3.

3. A number of nouns and adjectives in the various cases: kraft, unweit, während, mittel (mittelst), statt, längs, trotz, halben, wegen, willen, nächst, nebst, laut, nach, zwischen.

a. The number of prepositions governing the Gen. is really difficult to state, because, like many of the above and many others, they are really nouns with a G. dependent upon them, viz., zwecks, behufs, betreffs, seitens, etc.

**557.** COMPOUND PREPOSITIONS are generally adverbs, but the following may be classed here :

1. Preposition (or adverb) + preposition or adverb : binnen < bi + innen, biß < bi + az (az + Eng. at), neben < en + eben. zuwider ; entge'gen < en + gegen (t excrescent,) etc.

2. Noun + noun, or prep. + noun, or pronoun + noun : zufolge, several in -halb and -seit : außerhalb, jenseit, anstatt.

### Conjunctions.

**558.** 1. From pronominal stems : For da, denn, so, wenn, wie, and others, see among adverbs, 551. Aber, auch, und, oder, sondern, weder, show suffixes.

2. From nouns and adjectives : falls, gleich, ungeachtet, weil, während, and others.

3. Compounds : adverb and preposition : bevor, sobald, mithin, somit, daher, darum, and others.

4. Preposition or adverb + pronoun or adjective : indem, seitdem, sobald, als daß, allein, entweder < ein- de- weder, one of two ; nichtsdestoweniger, nevertheless.

### Interjections.

#### 559. Interjections proper.

1. Joy is expressed by : ah, o, hei, juchhe, heisa, hurrah. Surprise : ei, poß, ha. Pain by : oh, wehe, au, ach, hu. Disgust : pfui, fi, bah. Doubt : hm, hem, hum. Commands to be silent are : psi, hst, sch ; to stop or pay attention : brrr (to horses), heba, he, ho, holla, halloß.

2. Imitations of sounds in nature : plumpß (fall), piss, pass, puff (shot), hui (whizz), bauß (fall), muß (cow), miau (cat), wau (dog), hopfa (stumble), bum — bum (drum).

3. Burdens of songs : Dubelbumbel, Juvisallera, schrum — schrum — schrum.

**560.** Certain regular words which have become exclamations, often oaths in much changed forms : Halt, Wetter, Donner und Blitzen, Postausenß, Heil, Bravo, D je, D jemine, Sapperment, Saferlot, Mein Himmel, Donnerwetter noch einmal.

## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS THAT REQUIRE EXPLANATIONS.

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<p><b>Ags.</b> = Anglo-Saxon.  <b>(B.)</b> = Bible.  <b>(Bo.)</b> = Bodenstedt.  <b>(Bü.)</b> = Bürger.  <b>(Ch.)</b> = Chamisso.  <b>D.</b> = Dutch or Dative.  <b>(F.)</b> = Hart's Edition of Goethe's          <i>Faust</i>, Part I.  <b>Fr.</b> = French.  <b>(G.)</b> = Goethe.  <b>Go.</b> = Gothic.  <b>Gr.</b> = Greek.  <b>G. T.</b> = General Teutonic.  <b>(H. and D.)</b> = Hart's edition of          Goethe's <i>Hermann and Dorothea</i>.  <b>(He.)</b> = Herder.  <b>H. G.</b> = High German.  <b>(Hu.)</b> = A. von Humboldt.  <b>I.-E.</b> = Indo-European.  <b>L.</b> = Latin.  <b>(Lc.)</b> = Lessing.</p>	<p><b>L. G.</b> = Low German.  <b>(Lu.)</b> = Luther's works excepting          his translation of the Bible.  <b>M. G.</b> = Middle German.  <b>M. H. G.</b> = Middle High German.  <b>N. G.</b> = North German or North          Germany.  <b>N. H. G.</b> = New High German.  <b>O. Fr.</b> = Old French.  <b>O. H. G.</b> = Old High German.  <b>(Prov.)</b> = Proverb.  <b>(R.)</b> = Rückert.  <b>Rules</b> = the official rules for spell-          ing, see 37.  <b>(Sch.)</b> = Schiller.  <b>S. G.</b> = South German.  <b>(Sh.)</b> = Shakespere translated by          Schlegel and Tieck.  <b>(Uh.)</b> = Uhland.  <b>V. L.</b> = Vulgar Latin.</p>
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< means "derived from," "sprung from," "taken from."

> means "passed or developed into," "taken into."

+ between a German and non-German word denotes common origin or "cognates." In other positions it means "accompanied or followed by."

\* before a word means that that form of the word does not actually occur, but is conjectured or reconstructed.

: = : or : as : means a relation as in a mathematical proportion.

I, II, III after verbs indicates the strong verb-classes.

— between letters means "interchanges with," e.g., *h* — *ç* as in *høher* — *høç* or *ç* — *i* as in *nihmen* — *nimmfi*.

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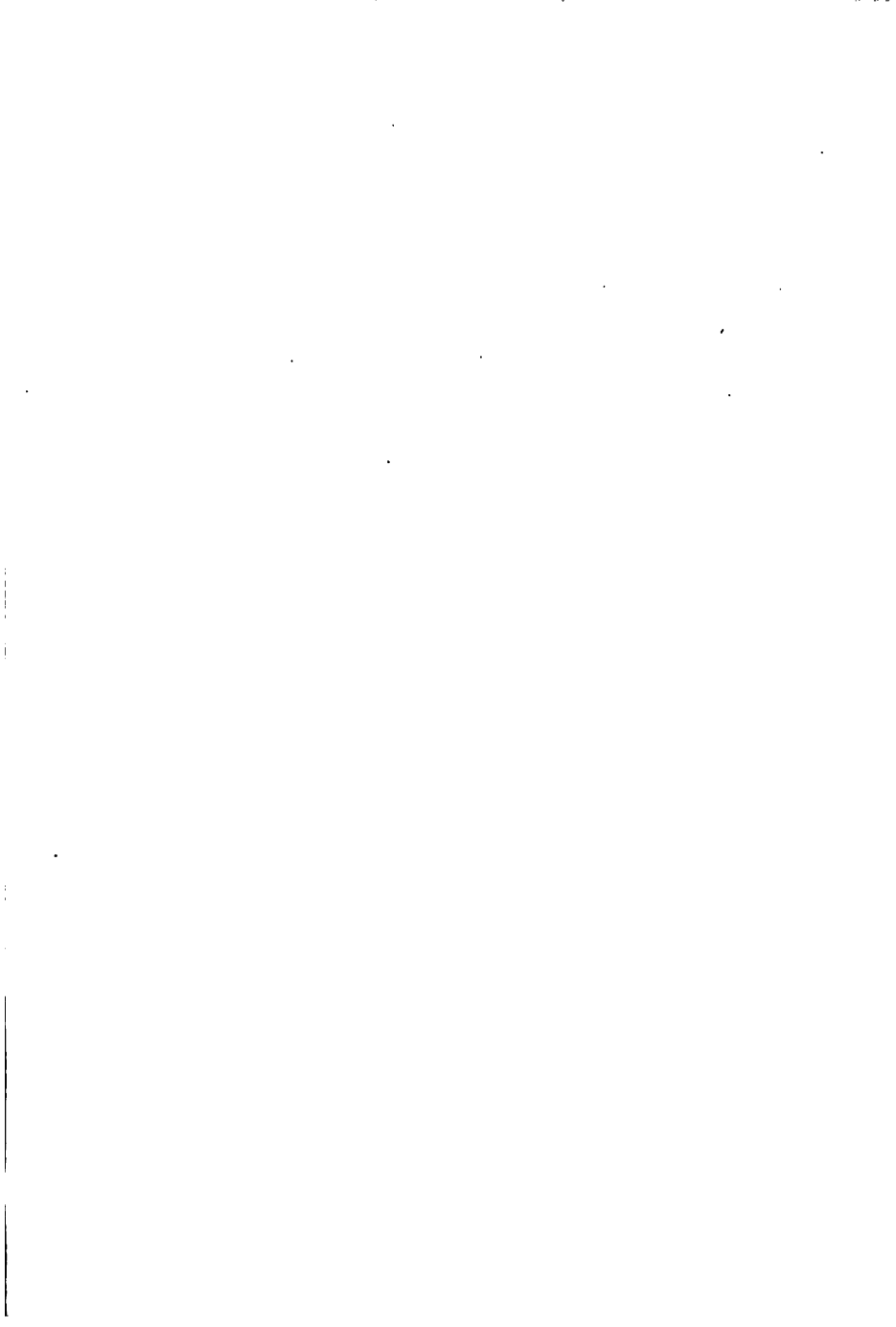
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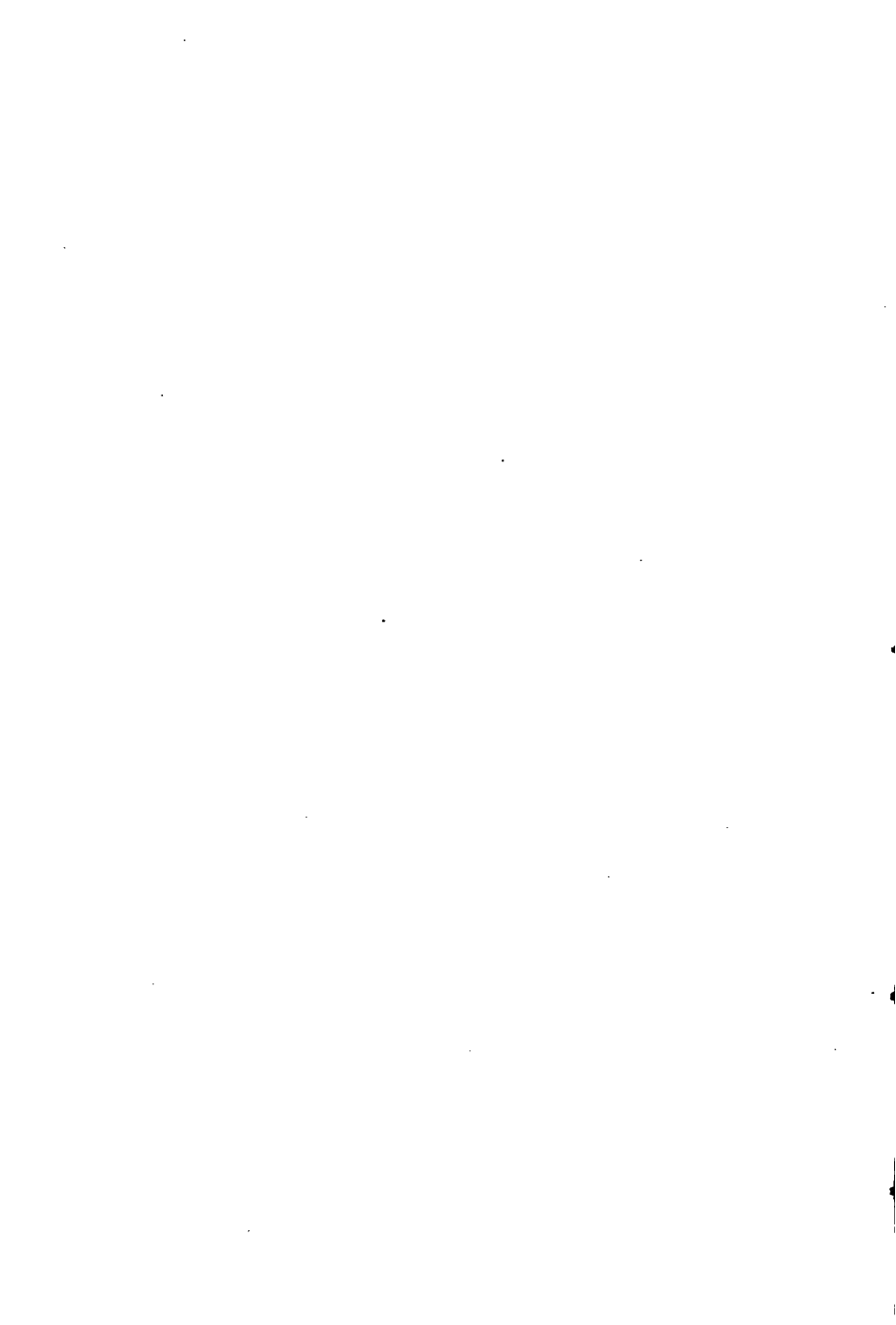
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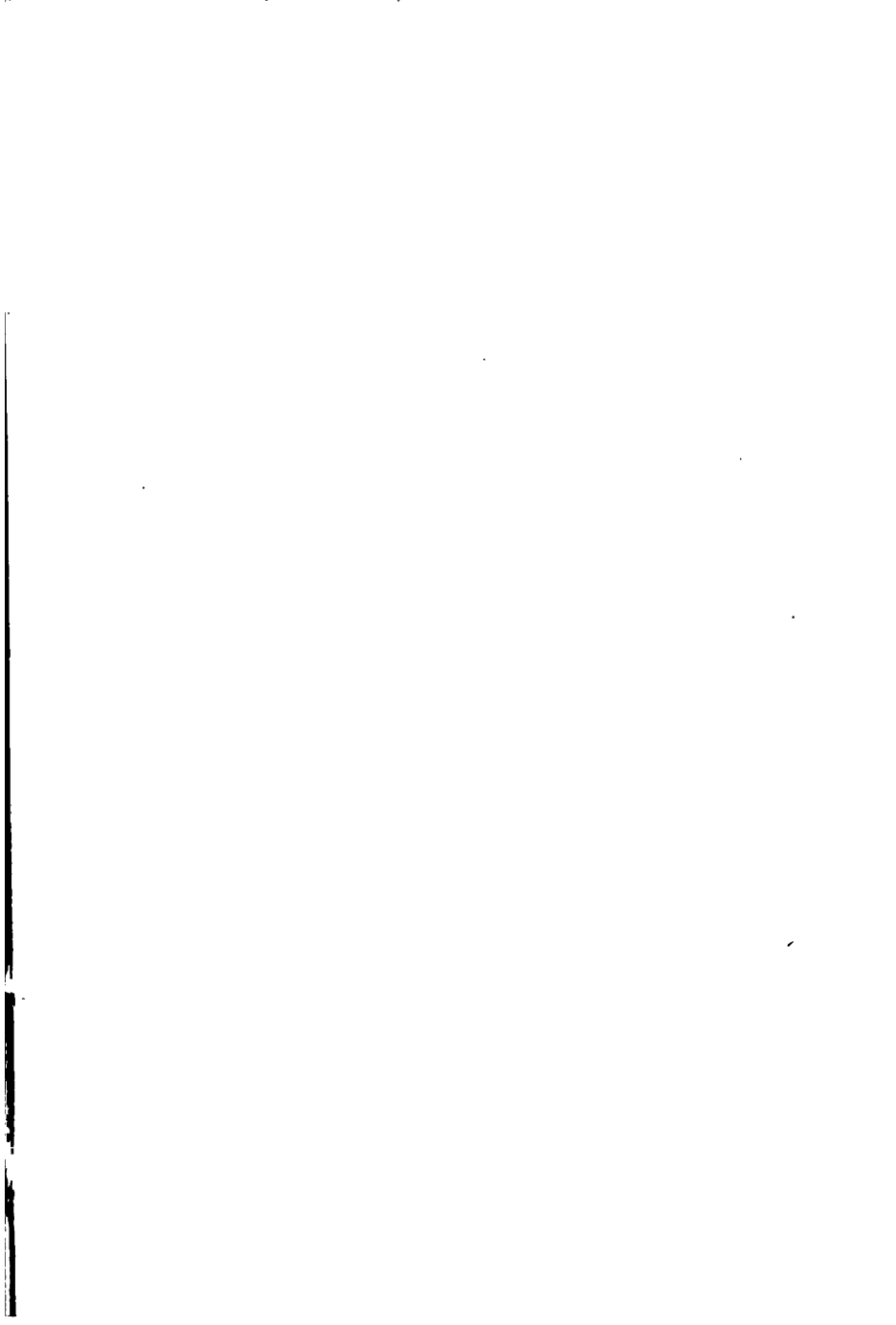
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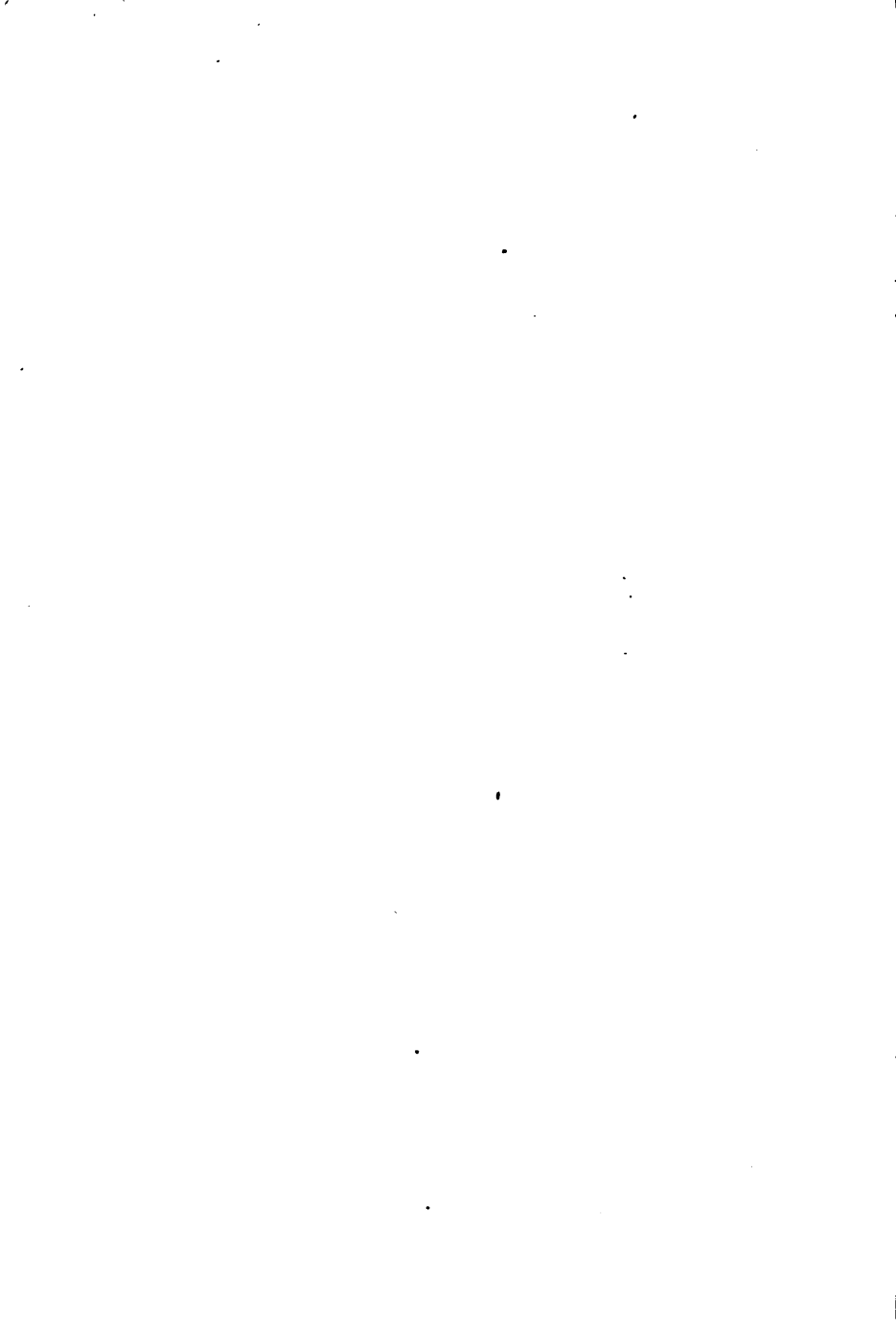
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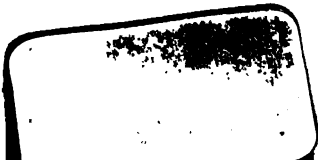








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