



GERMANY: WATERWAYS. ----- = CANALS.

*Alsace-Lorraine.*—Large quantities of cotton goods are manufactured at Mülhausen and other places at the base of the Vosges, where water-power can be utilized, and iron is smelted in Lorraine. Strassburg has a position of great strategical value on the Ill opposite the Zabern Pass, and possesses a fine cathedral. (For Metz, see p. 80.)

*Saxony.*—Chemnitz and Zwickau are great centres for cotton and other textile manufactures. Leipzig, at the natural point of convergence of routes crossing the plateau of Saxony, has long been a trading centre, and is noted for the manufacture of books and pianos, while the porcelain associated with the name of Dresden is made rather lower down the Elbe at Meissen. Dresden has famous art-galleries, and manufactures pianos.

*Silesia.*—The local production of wool, though now totally insufficient, helped to establish woollen industries at Görlitz and other places. Some iron is manufactured at Breslau, which stands at a convenient crossing-place on the Oder, and is an important railway centre.

*The South-Western Plateau.*—This is bounded on the west by the Black Forest, noted for the carved cuckoo-clocks made there. Hosiery and chemicals are manufactured at Stuttgart, and toys and pencils at the