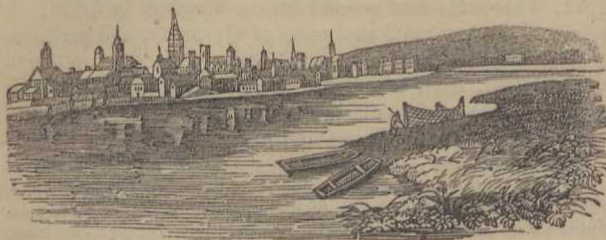


Hanover and Prussia. It comprises also two small districts, situated one 35 miles north, and the other 20 miles east, of the principal territory. The soldiers of this state are no longer hired to foreign powers.

4. *Hesse Darmstadt* consists of three separate districts, two of which are on the north, and the other on the south side of the river Mayne. It is the most densely peopled of the Hessian States. *Hesse Homburg* comprises two distinct sections, separated 50 miles from each other.



Mentz.

5. Cassel, Darmstadt, and Homburg, are the capitals. Hanau, Fulda, and Marburg, are important towns in Cassel; and Worms and Mentz in Darmstadt: the latter is strongly fortified, and is celebrated as the place where printing was invented. The house where Faust and Guttenberg made their first essays in that art is still shown.

6. The SAXON DUCHIES comprise the *Grand Duchy of Saxe Weimar*, and the *Duchies of Saxe Coburg Gotha*, *Saxe Meiningen Hilburghausen*, and *Saxe Altenburg*. They are situated between Prussia and Bavaria, the kingdom of Saxony and the Hessian States.

7. Saxe Coburg Gotha contains also a small district situated 170 miles south-west from the residue of the state. Weimar, Gotha, Meiningen, and Altenburg, are the capitals of the Saxon Duchies.

8. Weimar enjoys a high reputation for learning. It has been the residence of some celebrated authors. Gotha, Altenburg, Eisenach, and Jena, are important towns. The last is noted for its university and the great victory gained by the French over the Prussians.

9. MECKLENBURG comprises the *Grand Duchies of Mecklenburg Schwerin* and *Mecklenburg Strelitz*. The capitals are Schwerin and New Strelitz. The former is situated on a lake of the same name. Rostock and Wismar are important commercial towns. Gustrow is noted for its beer, and Ludwigslust for its magnificent palace.

10. *Oldenburg* is almost surrounded by the dominions of Hanover. Some small districts in Holstein and the south part of Prussia also

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