

Preface to the 14th Edition.

The fact of its having become necessary to issue this the 14th edition, of this brief Guide to Vienna and its Environs is in itself an evidence of its usefulness and practical value to English-speaking travellers. In this carefully revised edition particular care has been taken from the very beginning to familiarize the readers with the customs and peculiarities of Vienna, so as to protect them as far as possible, from misconceptions and extortions. A careful selection has been made of the hotels and restaurants recommended to travellers, but it has been difficult to make so critical a choice in the matter of public institutions and those sights general open to the public for so much depends on individual tastes and the general standard of education. In spite of the restrictions we have imposed upon ourselves in drawing up the "Historical Survey", the brief statements given will suffice to acquaint the Reader with the most important features in the past history of Vienna. The splendid development of our imperial city and the loveliness of its landscape-scenery and architectural beauty will be amply revealed to the eye of the tourist even during a short sojourn among us.
